

North Dakota Dollars for SCHOLARS.



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Dollars for Scholars Volunteers Highlighted in North Dakota

(Bismarck, ND): Seventy-five thousand dollars was awarded for scholarships for North Dakota students at the North Dakota Dollars for Scholars (NDDFS) Appreciation Luncheon on Saturday, October 16, 2010.

North Dakota has 84 Dollars for Scholars chapters that distribute more than \$1.3 million to North Dakota's students each year. This effort is made tirelessly by community volunteers for the most part. In an ongoing attempt to "educate, honor, and inspire" these volunteers, the State Office of Dollars for Scholars teamed up with its administrator, Bank of North Dakota (BND), for its third annual event.

Fifty of the 84 chapters were represented. Each chapter represented received a \$500 scholarship from BND and NDDFS for a student in its community.

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New this year is money for Collegiate Partners to give to their returning students. Nine North Dakota colleges accepted dollars in person from Bank of North Dakota to help returning students with scholarships. A total of \$50,000 is being given to the 11 state schools, 5 tribal colleges, 4 private colleges, one nursing college and 7 hair design schools. A minimum of \$500 will go to each school.

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Some criteria for the Collegiate Partner donation include:

- Colleges must match the dollars received from BND.
- Students who receive the funds must have a DFS chapter in their hometowns.
- The dollars are reserved for second, third and fourth-year students.

"We understand the importance of an educated workforce in North Dakota," explained Eric Hardmeyer, BND president. "We support North Dakotans in their pursuit of higher education and believe in the mission of Dollars for Scholars. The relationship it has with its Collegiate Partners is important for the students of this state in continuing their education."

Scholarship America, the parent organization to Dollars for Scholars, had a presence at this year's event as well. The program was expanded to include a morning training session which included information on technology tools and chapter operations.

At the luncheon, recognition was given to the past year's donors, a past scholarship recipient spoke about the importance of Dollars for Scholars, and keynote speaker, Sr. Thomas Welder, president emerita of the University of Mary, presented an uplifting message regarding access to education.

Bonnie Krause of Hazen Dollars for Scholars was the recipient of this year's Chapter Hero Award from NDDFS. Bonnie has been with her hometown chapter since its inception in 1991. During her tenure Bonnie has coordinated the scholarship committee and judging of applications. She works closely with potential donors to establish criteria for new scholarships, assists with numerous fundraisers and has been successful in recruiting and mentoring new board members. Bonnie's efforts for the Dollars for Scholars program has provided 40 scholarships to Hazen students totaling \$25,625.

"We are so pleased to have the opportunity to celebrate the efforts of volunteers across North Dakota who work to help students achieve their dream of education beyond high school," said Lori Sayler, NDDFS director. "This event is a terrific way to kick off a new school year for local chapters and serve as a 'thank you' for the previous year's accomplishments."

For more information regarding North Dakota Dollars for Scholars, visit www.nddfs.org.

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Dollars for Scholars Chapter Representatives in Attendance

NAME	CHAPTER
Al Feist	Hebron DFS
Erma Klein	Hebron DFS
Barb Kendall	Adams-Edmore DFS
Joan Skjervheim	Adams-Edmore DFS
Carlotta Spelhaug	Kindred DFS
Janet Luick	Kindred DFS
Cathy Myrum	Michigan-Unity-Dakota Prairie DFS
Kathy Berdal	Michigan-Unity-Dakota Prairie DFS
Gene Foster	Northern Cass DFS
Glenn and Carol Dahlstrom	Hillsboro DFS
Eric Gunderson	Central Valley DFS
Ida McCombs	TGU DFS
Julie Fischer	Grant County DFS
Lorele leithold	Grant County DFS
Joanne Sundeen	Lakota DFS
Rita and Dennis Jungles	Griggs County DFS
Ruleen McMillian	Barnes County North DFS
Kay Albrecht	Barnes County North DFS
Gale Nicholson	Hazleton-Moffit-Braddock DFs
Cindy Schmidt	Hazleton-Moffit-Braddock DFs
Diane Hensen	Glenburn DFS

Dwight Dockter	Hope DFS
Tena Lawrence	Jamestown DFS
Robin Knutson	Milnor DFS
Leone Kramer	Milnor
Bonnie Krause	Hazen
Chuck Stroup	Hazen
Amy Ferebee	Halliday
Sandi Rohde	Halliday
Mark and Diane Kolschofsky	Drake
Marlene Mack	Drake
Peg Nygaard	Divide County
Debbie Axtman	Divide County
Alane Ferrara	Minot
Kathleen Henjum	Minot
Marty Toepke-Floyd	Wishek
Kim Kobilansky	Glen Ullin
Kathy Hertz	Glen Ullin
Sue and Dick Hendrickson	Garrison
Nathanial Buynak	Mohall-Lansford-Sherwood
Jennie Birdsell	Wilton
Janel Braun	Belfield
Craig Reynolds	Stanley
Sandy Fossum	Hankinson-Mantador
Cari Liebel	Watford City
Bob Entringer	Bismarck
Laura Entzel	Bismarck
Kent and Rebecca Buss	Central Cass
Sharon Hanson	Turtle Lake-Mercer
Paul Tinjum	Maple Valley
Wanda Laducer	Turtle Mountain
Lori Schara	Dickinson
Judy Beaudry	Washburn
Larry and Bea Katcher	Washburn
Diane Muske	LHS(LaMoure)
Jan Hird	LHS(LaMoure)
Wanda Follman	Wolford
Judy Sparks	Bowman Area
Jan Pratt	Mandan
Donna Seaboy	Mandan
Joann Isaacson	Edgeley
Tracy Lipetzesky	Carrington
Lora Lee Rude	Burke County
Lisa Engels	New Rockford

Collegiate Partners in Attendance

Crystal Bontjes	Rasmussen College (Bismarck and Fargo)
Betty Schumacher	Valley City State University
Donna Seaboy	Sitting Bull College
Wanda Laducer	Turtle Mountain Community College
Jodi Zahn	JZ Trend Academy
Lori Schara	Dickinson State University
Bob Neas	North Dakota State University
Sr. Thomas Welder	University of Mary
Tena Lawrence	Jamestown College