The boss goes back to school

Rick Lancaster is vice president of generation for Great River Energy (GRE). After 32 years in the electrical generation industry, he knows how to communicate about it, crunch the numbers associated with it and manage the people in it.

But, until recently, he didn’t know how a steam trap worked or how to replace the seals on a boiler’s bypass valves.

So, although Lancaster has a bachelor’s degree in economics from Grinnell College and a master’s degree in public policy from the University of Michigan, he went back to school to gain a better understanding of the technical aspects of his industry. But, he didn’t go back to earn his doctorate or an MBA – he went back to get an associate’s degree in Power Plant Technology from Bismarck State College (BSC).

“I thought I knew a lot of what was going on, but in my current role I found some gaps in my knowledge,” Lancaster says. “I could weigh in on budgets, but not on technical issues.”

Lancaster enrolled in the program in 2010, not long after GRE was honored for its outstanding contributions to BSC with the Council for Resource Development Region VIII Benefactor of the Year Award.

While in Washington, D.C., to accept the award on behalf of GRE, Lancaster met a lieutenant colonel from the U.S. Army who praised BSC for its training of Army power plant operators. With the commendations of the lieutenant colonel ringing in his ears, and the quality of the many BSC-trained GRE employees he’d seen, Lancaster decided to go back to school at BSC.

“I thought, this must really be a good program … and I’m someone who could use some training,” he says.

Lancaster took the courses entirely online and on his own time.

“What amazed me most was my fellow students. My youngest [child] is grown, but many of my classmates were married with young kids and full-time jobs. They were doing this to get better jobs or more out of life. I was really impressed with those juggling all that.”

And his fellow students and instructors were impressed with him. According to Wes Braun, associate professor, BSC National Energy Center of Excellence, Lancaster’s management insight was highly beneficial to the students just learning about the electrical industry.

In an online classroom setting, the students respond and interact to questions and scenarios posed to them. According to Braun, Lancaster’s management point of view challenged his classmates, helping the whole class get to the root of the problem, thereby getting more out of the course.
Taking time for gratitude and reflection

This issue of Connections is about gratitude. We’re naming those donors and alumni who so generously support Bismarck State College and fund the scholarships that make education accessible. We’re recognizing the students who have earned those scholarships and will achieve their beyond because of them. But, in order to give proper thanks, you also need to take time to reflect. That’s just what President Larry C. Skogen does every year at this time in his State of the College address to campus. This year we are sharing his reflections with you in order to ensure that our entire community understands where we are and where we’re going. After all, we’re your community college and we’re in this together.

Thanks for reading.
Marnie Piehl, editor

Power Plant Technology degree fills knowledge gap

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“He’s the most interactive student I’ve ever had,” Braun says. “And I was impressed that in his position he was willing to learn more about the basic fundamentals of equipment.”

Lancaster says the online conversation threads were the most satisfying part of his studies, and his classmates taught him as much as his instructors did.

“I saw such a wide range of experience in my classmates,” he says. “We had actual power plant operators trying to get ahead, young people with no experience trying to get into the field, and even a guy stationed on a ship on the Indian Ocean working as a boiler operator who just wanted to get a good job later.”

While he’d last been in school prior to the online revolution, Lancaster wasn’t daunted by the fully online program thanks to the quality of the faculty and curriculum. “I was very impressed with the quality of the online education, including the labs,” he says.

“The teachers were really dedicated to students having a good online experience.”

While Lancaster’s roles have ranged from manager of contracts and rates for Cooperative Power (a Great River Energy predecessor) to director of public affairs and marketing and his current role overseeing the 11 power plants within the Great River Energy portfolio, his degree from BSC has helped him do his job better, just as he’d hoped.

“I can speak to employees better. I understand the problems and the solution. I’ve had comments that I’m more engaged in technical issues in the plant,” he says. “After seven years in this job, now I feel qualified.”

For more information about BSC’s energy programs, visit energy.bismarckstate.edu.

Follow us!
As we analyze the state of the college, we know that there are many forces affecting us. The first and most obvious is the current oil boom in western North Dakota. Because of the influx of laborers coming into our state to work in the oil fields, North Dakota has the largest population it has ever had. The last time we peaked was 1930 when our population hit around 680,000. The Great Depression and subsequent lack of opportunities in our state diminished our population to 617,000 by 1970. Over the next thirty years we gained a bit taking us to roughly 642,000 by the year 2000. By 2008 we’d dropped to 641,000. Suddenly, the oil boom hit. By 2011 we’d shot back up and past our previous high to an estimated population of 683,000! And we’re still growing. By the end of this decade 800,000 people are predicted to be living in North Dakota.

Our prediction is that much of this growth will occur in the western part of North Dakota, and much of it right here in the Bismarck-Mandan area. BSC will naturally, then, grow with this region.

That said, however, our enrollments are down 6.4 percent from the 2011-2012 academic year. One might wonder where all that growth is and why our enrollments are down. The reality is that when the employment opportunities are good and unemployment rates down, enrollments at community colleges decrease. When unemployment rates go up, more people return to community colleges to re-tool themselves for other jobs. We’re delighted to have such a robust economy, but as long as opportunity for employment exists with the boom, we’ll have challenges enticing new students to come to college—at least until they find that the type of hard work available isn’t what they really want to do with the rest of their lives.

The other way that the boom is affecting BSC directly is the lack of affordable housing for students off-campus. We only have 309 beds for students on our campus. That equates to 15 percent of our on-campus, full-time student body, the lowest ratio in the entire university system. We are currently working with the BSC Foundation and pursuing options that will provide a feasible and cost-effective solution. Our hope is to have another residence hall constructed on our campus, probably east of Lidstrom Hall. We know those new beds will fill quickly.

Tied directly to our enrollment decline is our financial situation. Because of the shortfall in revenues created by decreased student enrollment, we’ve found it necessary to make budgetary adjustments for the coming year. In some cases we have elected not to fill positions, thus saving those salary and benefit dollars, and we have cut some budgets to varying degrees while reducing all budgets across the board by 2 percent. None of these measures are draconian, and all of them help us do what we’ve always done, steward state funds wisely.

Looking more closely at the demographics involved in our enrollment decrease shows us that our resident enrollments (North Dakota students) have decreased by 11 percent. Our biggest drop was in our liberal arts program where we saw a 16 percent decrease. We suspect many of these students are choosing to work before returning to pursue degrees. In our career technical education programs, we’re virtually flat. In many of these programs we might have seen increases, but because of enrollment limits, future students linger on the waiting lists.

Despite all these flat and falling enrollments, we also experienced some remarkable increases. We saw a 14 percent increase in non-resident female students and a 15 percent increase in non-resident men. A real bright spot has been the increasing enrollments in our Bachelor of Applied Science in Energy Management degree. We witnessed a 9 percent increase in that program alone this year.

In addition to the oil boom and consequent enrollment effects on BSC, the North Dakota University System is going through changes that will

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In 2011-12, a BSC-led task force developed a five-year strategic plan that will keep BSC on track to grow, innovate and go beyond in every possible way from 2013-2018.

As President Larry C. Skogen says, “a strategic plan is as necessary as a flight plan on a cross-country flight, a playbook for a football game or a score for an orchestra.”

The 2013 Strategic Plan goals:
· Brand BSC for Beyond
· Enhance student experience
· Strengthen collaborative relationships
· Ensure high quality education
· Use technology effectively

Achieving those goals will bring us to our journey’s destination, Bismarck State College circa 2018, found in the State of the College article in this publication.

To download the BSC Strategic Plan, go to bismarckstate.edu/planning.
State of the College on course to achieve “future perfect” (continued from page 3)

directly affect us, as well. The new chancellor, Dr. Hamid Shirvani has led the effort to develop the Pathways to Student Success. This plan focuses the entire university system on ensuring that students are successful. It incorporates K-12 preparation, admissions requirements, collaboration among institutions, and increased affordability. BSC’s response to the new plan is to continue to do what we have always done – provide high quality education and training. We’re on board with the plan set in motion to ensure student success as envisioned by Chancellor Shirvani.

As for our own planning, we’ve spent the last year going through a collaborative strategic planning process. A 30-member steering committee sought input from nearly 900 people to come up with a five-year strategic plan. Although our vision (A national model for innovative education and workforce training) and mission (BSC, an innovative community college, offers high quality education, workforce training, and enrichment programs reaching local and global communities) remain the same, we’ve developed a new “Future Perfect” for 2018. In other words, if our entire strategic plan works out as planned, our future looks like this:

BSC has an outstanding reputation and has become the first choice for many students. Through good stewardship of our resources we provide affordable, high quality education. The college is committed to financial sustainability, transparency, and institutional effectiveness. Acknowledged for our integrity and excellence, we are leaders in building partnerships with people, organizations, and educational institutions. BSC, its students, and the community are well served by these collaborations. We are known for our innovative and personal approach to teaching and learning. Our curriculum is academically challenging, dynamic, and relevant. We are always looking ahead, working to leverage technology and best educational practices.

Recognized for being well prepared, BSC graduates are sought after by employers. Students experience a vibrant campus community that offers opportunities for positive interaction and involvement. They are proud of their association with the college. Students leave BSC prepared for personal success and civic responsibilities.

Another way we hope to enhance our vibrant community is through the construction of a new Communications and Creative Arts Center. A thorough study of our current library demonstrated that it is structurally deteriorating, and remediation would be very costly. And, while we have significantly invested in our career technical, science, engineering and mathematics programs, we have not paid as much attention to communications, collaboration and creativity—all essential skills needed by our students and required by industry. Over the past two years we’ve brought together a number of community partners to help us conceptualize this facility, ensuring it can meet the needs of the college and our community. The chancellor has expressed his support for the project, and the SBHE put it on the list of priority projects for the university system. Now we’ll work with the governor’s office and state Legislature to see if we can bring this dream to reality.

In conclusion, I can tell you that BSC is growing along with the wonderful, vibrant communities in central North Dakota. Our increasing partnerships allow us to serve the needs of our students and communities more fully, and we continue to innovate inside and outside the classroom to meet the challenges of 21st century education. The state of Bismarck State College is excellent.

BSC signs agreement offering Electric Power Technology classes in Connecticut

Bismarck State College has partnered with Connecticut Light & Power (CL&P) and the Connecticut Community College System (CCCS) to establish an agreement offering online Electric Power Technology (ELPW) classes to students enrolled in the CCCS.

This fall, BSC began offering Connecticut students 22 credits from the ELPW program online, while CCCS offered additional classroom-based curriculum toward an associate degree in Technology Studies. Fourteen CCCS students are currently enrolled in three classes. Qualified candidates will be prepared for a career as an electric power utility line mechanic or cable splicer.

The agreement will help fill a high demand for skilled employees in the energy industry in Connecticut. Northeast Utilities, the parent company of CL&P and a major energy employer in Connecticut, initiated the connection with BSC.

“We’ve been working closely with Northeast Utilities and CCCS over the past 18 months and it’s exciting to see the partnership come to fruition,” said Bruce Emmil, associate vice president, BSC National Energy Center of Excellence. “Having industry involved from day one has been a key component to this partnership, and we look forward to seeing additional students and colleges partake in this partnership.”

The program features academic courses at any of Connecticut’s 12 community colleges, online courses through BSC, hands-on training at CL&P’s Training Center and summer and winter field internship experiences at CL&P’s work centers.

For more information about the program, visit cl-p.com/collegeprogram.
Lindblom has solo exhibit in Illinois

Artwork by Michelle Lindblom, chair of the Arts and Communications Department, appeared in a solo exhibit Aug. 17 through Sept. 30 at North Central College in Naperville, Ill. Lindblom gave a gallery talk at the reception Sept. 29.

“The Journey Continues” exhibit included 21 acrylics, monotypes and mixed media pieces with images of response to internal visualizations and her environment.

“The imagery in my work serves as a metaphor for the various confrontations, dialogues, muses and revelations I have had on my journey so far,” Lindblom said. “The viewer is drawn in by the color, movement and texture, but ultimately, I would hope they venture in further using their own sensual interpretations.”

Born and raised in Bismarck, Lindblom earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in visual art at the University of New Orleans. She later established an art curriculum at St. Francis Xavier School in Wilmette, Ill., and St. Athanasius School in Evanston, Ill. After completing two master’s degrees in education and in fine arts at the University of North Dakota, Lindblom was hired at BSC, where she is associate professor of visual art.

Lindblom operates MickArt Studio in downtown Bismarck. Her work has appeared in solo exhibitions throughout the United States, as well as in a wide assortment of invitational and juried exhibitions internationally.

Toolbox program honors late program chair

Bismarck State College launched the Dean D. Gunsch Toolbox Program this fall in honor of the longtime Automotive Technology program instructor and department chair. Gunsch resigned in May for health reasons and passed away August 27.

Funded through the BSC Foundation, the Toolbox Program helps students entering Automotive Technology by providing toolboxes to use while attending school, decreasing student start-up costs by up to $4,000. At the end of their program, Automotive Technology students can purchase their own toolboxes.

The program was initiated by Gunsch and was one of many improvements he worked on during his 34 years at BSC.

“Dean was very dedicated to the program and to students,” said Lee Friese, Transportation and Construction Department chair and associate professor of automotive technology. “So much of what he did over the years can’t be seen, so we wanted this program, the last of his many contributions, to have his name on it.”

You can donate to the Dean D. Gunsch Toolbox Program through the BSC Foundation via mail, telephone or online.

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bismarckstate.edu/foundation/giving

BSC upcoming events meet variety of interests

BSC Theatre presents fall plays

For the second year, the BSC Theater program is presenting two plays during fall semester, both directed by Dan Rogers. Brian Friel’s masterpiece, “Dancing at Lughnasa,” was performed Oct. 17-21 and entered in the regional Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KCACTF) competition. “The Movie Game” by Adam Hummel, winner of the Mark Twain Playwriting Prize at the KCACTF, is set for production Dec. 5-9. The play is about an unemployed movie fan whose therapist forces him to play the leading man in his own romantic comedy.

Conversations at BSC

The fifth season of discussions between BSC President Dr. Larry C. Skogen and humanities scholar Clay Jenkinson began Oct. 7 with “Lewis and Clark: Reassessing the Partnership.” Program guest was Dr. William Foley, a Skogen mentor and one of the nation’s leading authorities on William Clark. The six-part series continues Nov. 4 with “JFK: The Man, The Myth, and The Assassination,” and Dec. 16 with “Charles Dickens and America.” Learn more at bsctalk.com.

Great Plains & Empower ND Energy Expo

BSC will host North Dakota’s largest state and federal energy policy conference Nov. 19 on the newly-finished fourth floor of the National Energy Center of Excellence.

The sixth annual Great Plains & EmPower North Dakota Energy Expo brings together government leaders, industry executives and business professionals to discuss issues such as infrastructure, value-added energy and regulation. Visit the website at bismarckstate.edu/energyexpo.
Alumni Board elects officers, adds new members

The Bismarck State College National Alumni Association Board of Directors elected Sommer Hunke president and Angie (Binstock) Milakovic, ‘97, vice president at its annual meeting in August.

Hunke, ‘08, works in the North Dakota Department of Transportation executive office as office manager and executive assistant. Milakovic is a BSC assistant professor of geographic information systems.

Past president Ryan Caya, ’99 and ’06, is now chairman of the board. He teaches at BSC as an associate professor in the National Energy Center of Excellence.

New board members are Rosella Grant, ’71, retired faculty and assistant principal at Richholt and Northridge elementary schools; Chad Kincaid, ’00, auditor, North Dakota Department of Transportation Audit Services; Anne Polasky, ’94, graphic designer at the Bismarck Tribune; and Shelly Wanek, ’05, employment coordinator at Basin Electric Power Cooperative.

Returning board members are Dr. Steve Chuppe, ’81; Barry Coleman, ’86; Greg Ellwein, ’81; Deb (Guy) Igoe, ’70; Cheryl (Sloan) Miller, ’68; Larry Oswald, ’90; Damian Schlinger, ’97; and Michael J. Thomas, ’04.

2013 Alumni Award nominations needed

The BSC National Alumni Association asks for your help in nominating successful alumni for the 2013 Alumnus of the Year and Rising Star awards. These awards honor alumni for distinguished service, career success and leadership. The nominee must be a BJC/BSC graduate, but anyone can make a nomination.

Nomination forms are available online at bismarckstate.edu/alumni or by contacting the alumni office at bsc.alumni@bismarckstate.edu. Award recipients will be honored May 9, 2013 during the Alumni Recognition Dinner on the BSC campus. The deadline for submitting nominations is Monday, Dec. 3, 2012.

BSC Alumni basketball game

Join us on Nov. 23 for the BSC Alumni Basketball game when a team of alumni take on the 2012-13 BSC men’s and women’s teams. Admission is free. Women play at 6 p.m., men at 8 p.m. in the BSC Armory.

Make a difference through membership

Any former BJC/BSC student can become a supporting member upon payment of $25 annual dues. Your membership makes a difference.

The dues and donations of our alumni members fund a wide array of programs on campus and in the community.

Joining our premier membership program, the 1939 Society Lifetime supports and sustains our programs and projects for years to come. Join or contribute online, by mail or by phone. Learn more at bismarckstate.edu/alumni.

The contributions and membership dues of our alumni are an ongoing positive contribution to the BSC National Alumni Association legacy. Thank you for your part in that!

Staying connected

Do you know of BJC/BSC alumni who no longer receive our newsletters due to a move? Or someone who attended BJC/BSC and isn’t in our database? Do we have your current phone number and e-mail address?

To stay connected, contact us:

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Dr. Reinhold Schuster, ’60, is the recipient of the 2012 CAN-AM Civil Engineering Amity Award from the Technical Council on Cold Regions Engineering in an announcement by the American Society of Engineers. Dr. Schuster is professor emeritus of the Department of Civil Engineering at University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. Schuster is cited for leadership in education, research and developing design standards in the U.S. and Canada for cold-formed steel structures. He emigrated from Austria to Bismarck with his family in 1957 and did not know English. “I fondly remember the wonderful times I had at BJC learning English, as well as calculus and other fun subjects. Some of my fondest memories are being in plays directed by Jane Gray Smith Stewart. She was truly my dearest mentor in learning English and overcoming a certain shyness.”

Frank Koch, ’62, was commissioned by the North Dakota Council on the Arts to create a hand-carved, wooden Christmas ornament for the 2012 season. Each is one-of-a-kind with a portion of sales going to the North Dakota Cultural Endowment. Koch was professor of chemistry at BSC for 37 years and began carving in 1981. He has exhibited and demonstrated his art throughout the Upper Midwest.

Shirleen Piela, ’67, executive director of Heartland Child Nutrition, was elected to a three-year term on the national board for the Child and Adult Care Food Program Sponsors Association.

Kenneth Krumm, ’79, Krumm & Associates CPAs in Bismarck, earned diplomat status with the American Board of Forensic Accounting of the American College of Forensic Examiners Institute.

Fred Wooten, ’87, interim Bismarck police chief, will retire in mid-January. He joined the Bismarck Police Department in 1984 and has been interim chief since May.

Cindy Bitz, ’88, Minot, was recognized with a Governor’s Award for Excellence in Public Service in the professional category. She is a customer service specialist and PRIDE coordinator with Job Service North Dakota.

Dakota Promotions & Printing, Bismarck, owned by Jane (Nelson) Halverson, ’95, was designated a North Dakota Certified Women Owned Business by the Center for Technology & Business.

Damian Schlinger, ’97, has been named employer relations director of Sanford Health Occupational Medicine Clinic, Bismarck.


Lynette (Salter) Simons, ’00, is completing her 10th year as account technician for the Bismarck Transition Center.

Tyler Franklund, ’01, was promoted to senior staff accountant at Point CPA PC.

Tyler J. Gerhardt, ’01 and ’02, is a professional insurance advisor for the Terry J. Kraft Agency in Mandan.

Chris Filibeck, ’02, was named a member of the 2012 Executive Council of New York Life Insurance Co. He has been an agent since 2009.

Megan Wald, ’05, received the Outstanding New Educator of the Year award from the North Dakota Association for Career and Technical Education at the state Department of Career and Technical Education Conference. Wald is a business education instructor and Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) advisor at Linton High School in Linton, N.D.

Tyler Merkel, ’06, advisor at BSC’s National Energy Center of Excellence, is a member of Heartland Investors men’s softball team of Bismarck, which won the American Softball Association Men’s C Northern Nationals Tournament Sept. 2 in Rapid City, S.D. The team won 12 of 14 tournaments it played this summer, ending with a season record of 79-4. Heartland is one of four C National regional winners that will compete in Oklahoma City this fall.

Nicole Nolz, ’06, opened Nicilyns, a baby accessory and apparel shop, in downtown Bismarck in September. She also carries women’s accessories and jewelry.

Samantha (Berget) Moeker, ’06, studied at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry and University of Bergen, Norway, earning a BS in dental hygiene. She was recognized with the Naomi Rhode Dental Hygienist Patient Relationship Award and the Achievement in Community Dentistry and Dental Public Health. Moeker practices in St. Paul, Minn. In August 2011, she married physician Eric Moeker.

Jared Pierce, ’11, operates two car-based businesses and runs a construction business with his brother in Mandan. Pierce Repair and Performance is a repair and custom alteration shop. Fast Auto Imports is a used car dealership. Pierce Construction deals with installing home insulation.
Realizing the promise of affordable education

In 2013-14, we will celebrate 75 years of Bismarck State College. Over the years, we have heard time and again that many of those early students believed college was beyond their reach, but BJC made a degree affordable and, therefore, possible.

With each passing decade, BSC students have found a way to pay for college. Today, student debt loads are on the rise, but BSC still holds the promise of an affordable education. As the college’s fundraising entity, the Bismarck State College Foundation continues to be a crucial link for ensuring that students from all walks of life and every age have a chance to change their lives by furthering their education.

The BSC Foundation is proud to report that we awarded $1,053,862 this past year. More than 400 students received scholarships, dozens of employees received grants for new equipment and initiatives that help to ensure that state-of-the-art options are available to our students and industry partners.

Because most investments to the BSC Foundation are endowed, the earnings generated provide a permanent source of funding for scholarships and grants. Your contributions have never mattered more to the success of our students.

Bismarck State College is a bright spot. We can launch graduates into careers in two years or less, or send them on to four-year schools with a strong foundation and little or no debt thanks to your gifts.

Thank you to our past and present donors. You are keeping alive the tradition of access and affordability for students at Bismarck State College.

Even as investments lost ground in a struggling economy, your generosity allowed the BSC Foundation to increase giving by nearly 39 percent this past year – giving more than $1,000,000 to our students and Bismarck State College in the form of scholarships, gifts and grants.

Foundation fiscal report for year ending June 2012

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**BSC Foundation elects officers for 2012-13**

The Bismarck State College Foundation Board of Trustees elected new officers at its annual meeting in September.

Brian Kroshus takes over as the new president of the Board of Trustees. Kroshus has been a trustee since 2003 and served as chair of the board’s Programs Committee. He is the publisher of the Bismarck Tribune.

Michael Schmitz, a CPA at Widmer Roel PC, will serve as vice president. A trustee since 2009, he served as chair of the board’s Finance Committee.

Dave Clark, BSC’s executive vice president, was re-elected secretary-treasurer. He has been a Trustee since 1990 and is a member of the Executive and Finance committees.

John Weeda, director, North Dakota Generation at Great River Energy, becomes chairman of the board. A trustee since 2002, he is a member of the board’s Executive and Finance committees.

Paul Sandness was re-elected as the Programs Committee Chair. Sandness is General Counsel and Secretary for MDU Resources Group, Inc., and has been on the board since 2005.

Marlin Kling is serving as Development Committee Chair. He has been on the board since 2010 and is the president of Midwest Motor Express, Inc.

**Bismarck State College Foundation Mission**

*Engage in those activities which support and assist in the development and advancement of Bismarck State College*

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**Foundation board adds new BSC trustees**

The BSC Foundation welcomed four new representatives from campus to the Board of Trustees.

Ryan Caya is the BSC National Alumni Association representative. Caya is outgoing president of the alumni board and associate professor at the National Energy Center of Excellence. He also serves as a member of his parish stewardship committee.

Lynette Borjeson Painter represents the BSC faculty. She is associate professor of computer information systems and completed Leadership Bismarck-Mandan last year. A lifetime member of Phi Beta Lambda, she advises BSC’s chapter. Painter also is a foster parent.

The staff representative is Kari Knudson, vice president, National Energy Center of Excellence. She is a member of the Bismarck Rotary Club.

The BSC student representative is Breann Harm, who is studying accounting and finance. She is a member of the Board of Governors, Phi Theta Kappa and Phi Beta Lambda.

**The Board of Trustees is comprised of diverse community supporters and business leaders committed to supporting the mission and goals of the BSC Foundation.**
Contributions were made to the Foundation in memory/honor of: ........................................... Given by:

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Fifth annual President’s Run revs up the giving

Thirty motorcycles and cars joined BSC President Larry C. Skogen and the friends of Don Russell July 13, in a run from BSC to Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Participants raised $7,150, with a minimum of $100 per vehicle donation. This year’s ride benefited the Donald L. Russell Memorial Scholarship Fund, which was launched through a $5,000 gift from BSC alumnus Loren Kopseng in December 2011.

Riders ate lunch in Medora, toured Theodore Roosevelt National Park and visited the Whiting Petroleum Natural Gas Processing Plant southwest of Belfield.
BSC offers smart grid course through DOE grant

As part of a $2.5 million grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Energy, the BSC National Energy Center of Excellence (NECE), in partnership with the Energy Providers Coalition for Education (EPCE), has developed the fourth and final course in a series on the smart grid.

Smart grid courses ensure those working in the industry are prepared for the latest advances in technology. Each course offers online, self-study with approximately 12 hours of content, and is open for registration at any time.

Alicia Uhde, NECE training and program manager, said the smart grid is being integrated all over the world.

“We are proud to be part of making sure that energy industry employees are ready for it,” Uhde said.

“Smart grid” refers to computer-based remote control and automation used in the country’s electricity delivery systems. The technology is used on electricity networks ranging from power plants and wind farms to consumers of electricity in homes and businesses.

BSC offers smart grid course through DOE grant

More mobility for students, instructors

The North Dakota University System has launched a mobile application for Campus Connection – allowing students and employees the ability to access Campus Connection from a mobile phone or tablet.

The application allows instructors to use their mobile devices to log on and check teaching and exam schedules, class rosters and advises.

Students can view class and exam schedules, and grades through their devices. The secure, easy-to-use interface also provides advisor information, wait-list status, student calendars and the ability to check school bills, financial aid status and account activity.

In the future, students will be able to use this application to register for classes.

Donors fund Foundation grants and scholarships

The Foundation welcomes new and renewing President’s Club members for July 1 through September 30, 2012.

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Ed and Faye Hasche
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The BSC Foundation recently awarded scholarships for 2012-13 to more than 400 students who excel in various disciplines. Scholarships range from $500 to $2,000. Some of the scholarships are named for individuals who have been significant in the development of BSC or have been memorialized through donations. The named scholarships are listed after the students receiving the awards. Students must maintain their academic standing to receive the second semester award.

### Academic

- Ty Bruner, Drake .................................................. Academic Honors Scholarship
- Sarah Morris, Regan .................................................. Academic Honors Scholarship
- David Nef, Bismarck .................................................. Academic Honors Scholarship
- Ashlee Roberts, Bismarck ........................................... Academic Honors Scholarship
- Nayland Smith, Bismarck ........................................... Academic Honors Scholarship
- Tim Nottestad, Bismarck ........................................... Chris Albin Memorial Scholarship
- Abby Anderson, Menoken ........................................ American Legion Auxiliary Lloyd Spetz, Unit No. 1 Scholarship
- Cindy Farlee, Eagle Butte, SD ........................................ The Patrick Atkinson Scholarships for Enriching North Dakota Scholarship
- Kelsey Glatt, Bismarck .............................................. The Patrick Atkinson Scholarships for Enriching North Dakota Scholarship
- Jacob Kleinjan, Horace ............................................. The Patrick Atkinson Scholarships for Enriching North Dakota Scholarship
- Blake Knapp, Bismarck ............................................. Myron Atkinson, Jr. Scholarship
- Keenan Nygaard, Bismarck ........................................ Myron Atkinson, Sr. Memorial Scholarship
- Jordan Allard, Bismarck ............................................ Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Alexis Archambault, Fort Yates ........................................ Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Leslie Beaudoin, Dickinson ........................................ Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Payton Borud, Hazen .................................................. Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Jhett Cihak, Sturgis, SD ............................................. Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Katelyn Clark, Minot .................................................. Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Julia Davis, Bismarck ............................................... Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Madison Deibert, Belfield ......................................... Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Gabe Deng, Fargo ....................................................... Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Jessica Dirk, Mandan .................................................. Frank Bavendick Scholarship
- Victoria Douglas, Williston ........................................ Frank Bavendick Scholarship
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- Breann Hann, Mandan ............................................. Board of Governors Scholarship
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- Kelcee Dykens, Beach ................................................ Ervin & Dorothy Bourgois Memorial Scholarship
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- Austin Nodland, Mandan ............................................ Walter and Lucille Braun Scholarship
- Crystal Shao, Bismarck ............................................. Walter and Lucille Braun Scholarship
- Kristina Steckler, Bismarck ........................................ Walter and Lucille Braun Scholarship
- Lance Pfliger, Hazen ................................................. Richard Brown Memorial Scholarship
- Annie Allen, Mandan .................................................. BSC Alumni Association Scholarship
- Courtney Gathman, Bismarck ........................................ BSC Foundation Ball Scholarship
- Sarah Schneider, Bismarck ........................................ BSC Foundation Scholarship
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BSC-led college consortium lands $14.6 million grant

The U.S. Department of Labor has awarded a job-training grant totaling $14.6 million to Bismarck State College, Fort Berthold Community College, Sitting Bull College, Turtle Mountain Community College and Williston State College.

The five colleges have formed a consortium, led by BSC, to deliver training and support for participants pursuing employment in many high-paying, high-skill jobs available in western North Dakota.

Titled Training for Regional Energy in North Dakota (TREND), the consortium will expand current energy-related programs, enhance career navigation services and create some new training programs. TREND will focus on energy-related occupations, welding, CDL and building and construction trades.

“This grant means that BSC and the other colleges included can do even more with our programs and the initiatives needed to sustain energy development in North Dakota,” said Kari Knudson, vice president, BSC National Energy Center of Excellence. “By working together, the consortium colleges can share and leverage our pooled resources. That will allow us to better supply the urgent workforce needs in the state.”

Programs will support workers impacted by the Trade Adjustment Assistance Program, a Department of Labor program that provides benefits to workers who have lost jobs or earn less due to the impacts of foreign trade. Training programs also are available in certain occupations needed to support the energy industry.

The grant doesn’t provide tuition assistance, but will help each college provide flexible and high quality, accelerated training programs with stackable credentials, which will enable participants to enter the workforce quickly. The stackable credentials offer a path for people to advance in their careers – providing steps toward additional accreditation or degrees.

New look for Mystic mascot and website

A new Mystic logo was designed this fall and is being incorporated into all athletic wear, promotional items and marketing – including the Mystics bus. The new Mystic is fierce, strong and streamlined, reflecting the strength of BSC’s student athletes.

“Our Mystic has grown up,” says President Larry C. Skogen.

The updated Mystic also anchors the new athletic website launched this fall, bscmystics.com. Visitors to the site will find scores, schedules, forms, photos and live streaming.