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SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL BUSINESS TO BUSINESS SEMINAR

MADC is proud to once again collaborate with [Minot State University](#) to host the sixth annual "Bridging the Atlantic" Business to Business (B2B) seminar. The theme for 2018 is "Economic Development Entrepreneurship: Local, National, and International" and will specifically focus on commonalities and opportunities between Minot and foreign businesses. Mark your calendars and save the date for Tuesday, September 25, 2018 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom at the [Grand Hotel](#). Formal invitations will follow.

UPGREN TO KEYNOTE EDND 2018 FALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

MADC and the [Economic Development Association of North Dakota](#) (EDND) have contracted [Bob Upgren](#) as a keynote speaker for the 2018 Fall Conference to be held in Minot October 29 – 31, 2018. [Click here](#) to read more.

MADC DELEGATES REGISTERED FOR UAS SUMMIT AND EXPO

MADC President and CEO Stephanie Hoffart, Board Member Jay Fisher, and Marketing Director Terri Phillion will represent MADC's [MAGIC Sky](#) Initiative at the [2018 UAS Summit and Expo](#) in Grand Forks, N.D. in late August. [Click here](#) for full story.

HIGHWAY 52 COMMITTEE CONVENED IN MINOT

Members of a Highway 52 committee recently met in Minot to discuss the safety of Highway 52 and the possibility of twinning or four-laning the highway. The meeting was held on the heels of Canada's recent announcement to spend \$109M on improvements to infrastructure including 39 Highway, the roadway that meets U.S. Highway 52 at the border. Attendees included City of Minot's Mayor Shaun Sipma, Representative Dan Ruby, Kenmare Community Development Corporation Board Member Jamie Livingston, and Ward County Engineer Dana Larsen. The group discussed holding a public forum this fall in Minot.

STEVE SCHEEL HEADLINES 2ND ANNUAL FUSION CONFERENCE IN BOWMAN

The second annual FUSION Conference will take place October 3rd and 4th in Bowman, N.D. Among the goals are to provide high caliber speakers with practical and inspirational messages based around personal, community, and professional growth and enable people from all walks of life to gain professional and personal development opportunities in a region that isn't often easily afforded the opportunity. Among the slate of impressive speakers is Steve Scheel. Steve currently serves as Board Chair for Scheels, with over 7,000 associates and 27 stores in 12 states. FUSION will be held at the 4 Seasons Pavilion in Bowman. Registration is now open.

Investor Spotlight

Stories contributed by MADC Investors*

DAKOTA BUSINESS LENDING HOSTS ACTIVATE WOMEN WORKSHOP

Dakota Business Lending will be hosting the third part of their ACTIVATE Women learning workshop series on August 14 at the Minot Public Library. ACTIVATE Women kickstarted at the beginning of summer, and is provided as a way to continue to assist women business owners throughout the state along their journey of personal and professional growth. [Click here](#) to learn more about this topic's theme.

FIRST INTERNATIONAL BANK & TRUST CONGRATULATES DAVE PANKOW

First International Bank & Trust (FIB&T) is proud to announce the promotion of Dave Pankow. Dave started working at FIB&T September 5, 2017 as a Business Banker. He was most recently promoted to VP/Director of Real Estate & Construction. [Click here](#) to read more about Pankow.

Have a story for the Minot Memo? MADC Investors are welcome to submit articles for the Minot Memo.* Contact MADC today to review your Investor benefits!

**Subject to space availability and level of investment.*

Thank you for supporting economic development in the Minot area and investing in Minot's future! The following businesses renewed their yearly investment in July:

**American Bank Center
Cal-Dak Cabinets
Concrete Mobile, LLC.
Duane Peterson, Real Estate
Gravel Products, Inc.
John Stewart
McGee, Hankla & Backes, PC
Minot Plumbing & Heating
Minot State University
Mowbray & Son Plumbing & Heating, Inc.
Olson & Burns, PC**

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