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AGT FOODS LAUNCHES INNOVATIVE NEW PASTA BRAND

AGT Foods, one of the world's largest suppliers of value-added pulses, staple foods, and food ingredients, recently introduced Veggipasta, a new pea-based pasta line that provides healthier options for consumers.

"Consumers are looking for new and innovative products that are good for them and taste good as well. Whether that is high in protein, gluten-free or high in fiber, it is up to food companies like AGT Foods to react to what consumers may be looking for and provide products that fit their needs. Consumers are always looking for something new and innovative. We are incredibly proud to have the global launch for Veggipasta right here at home in North Dakota. The feedback we are getting from our customers has been unbelievable – that pasta made from one ingredient, peas, can cook and taste like regular wheat pasta, and taste great all at the same time. The City of Minot has been unbelievably supportive of everything AGT Foods has done since we came here half a decade ago, and we look forward to many more years of success in the community," said Murad Al-Katib, President and CEO of AGT Foods.

[Click here](#) to read more on the new pasta line expansion.

MADC AND MINOT CHAMBER CONTINUE MERGER TALKS

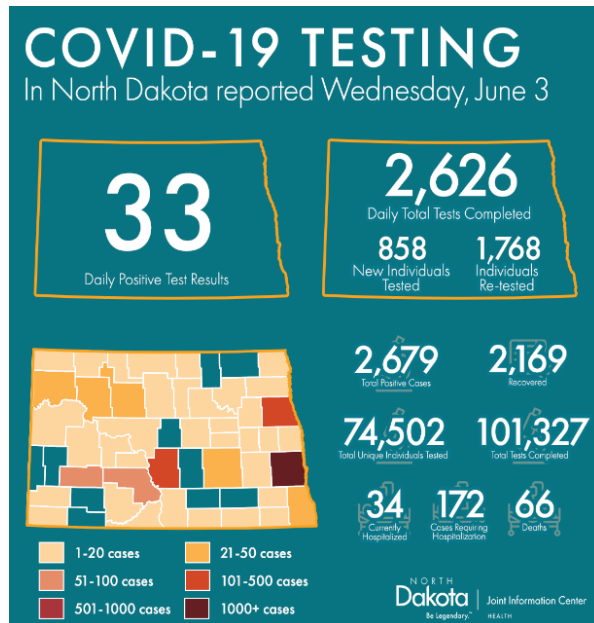
The executive boards of the Minot Area Development Corporation and Minot Area Chamber of Commerce plan to meet in June to continue the merger discussion. The two organizations have been unable to have a face to face conversation due to COVID-19, delaying talks on the subject. In January 2020, the Bismarck-Mandan Chamber/EDC director, Brian Ritter, along with former board member John Mongeon, presented to both boards on the process it took to combine the Bismarck-Mandan Chamber and the EDC. They officially merged as of January 1, 2019. The conversation between the two Minot boards for the next 12 to 15 months will include the necessary changes in bylaws, a combined vision and mission, and financial policies and procedures. The potential merger looks to increase operating efficiency for both organizations.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Interim MADC President/CEO and Minot Area Chamber of Commerce President L. John MacMartin at 701-852-1075.

NORTH DAKOTA CORONAVIRUS UPDATE AS OF JUNE 3, 2020

The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDOH) today confirmed 33 new cases of novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19). The cases confirmed as of 11 a.m. include 21 in the Fargo area, 5 in Stutsman County, 2 in the Bismarck area, 2 in Ransom County, 1 in Walsh County, 1 in Ward County, and 1 in Grand Forks County.

There have been 101,327 total tests, 74,502 unique tests with 2,679 total positive cases, 172 requiring hospitalization, 34 currently hospitalized, 2,169 recovered and 66 deaths.



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PULVER AWARDED COMMUNITY ATHLETE OF THE SEASON

[United Community Bank](#) and [Scheels](#) have teamed up to offer a new program, Community Athlete of the Season. The program recognizes one athlete per sport season based on outstanding sportsmanship, overcoming hurdles, or for going above and beyond. On May 15, 2020, through a surprise presentation at Stanley High School, Bridger Pulver was named the first Community Athlete of the Season.



"Our community is full of athletes who shine, not just through athleticism, but through attitude and sportsmanship. When Bridger's nomination came through, it was clear he was deserving of this award," said Cole Krueger, Scheels.

[Click here](#) for the full story on Pulver's award.

ACKERMAN-ESTVOLD EXPANDS SERVICES TO INCLUDE RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE

Ackerman-Estvold is pleased to announce a new branch of architectural services. Previously only offering commercial services, Ackerman-Estvold will now be providing residential architecture and interior design services to clients throughout North Dakota.

Ackerman-Estvold team members have over 125 years of experience in the architecture industry. Our team has a

number of staff members dedicated to providing architecture services including three architects and four project designers, all located in the Minot office. Although the company has not previously offered many opportunities in the form of residential design, all of the team members have been immersed in this form of design in roles held with other organizations prior to joining the Ackerman-Estvold team.



[Read more](#) about Ackerman-Estvold's new services.

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