

KMOT TV ISSUES-PROGRAMS REPORT

**4th QUARTER 2022
October Through December**

Issues for the quarter:

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***Farming/Agriculture**

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***Government**

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***Education**

***Recreation**

***Accidents and Destruction**

***Construction**

***Weather**

***Animals**

OIL BOOM

Minot continues to struggle with issues associated with the Bakken oil boom.

FARMING/AGRICULTURE

Agriculture is still North Dakota's number one industry.

10-18-2022 :14 Daniel Burbank

According to the USDA, North Dakota's corn harvest is slightly behind schedule. As of Sunday, only a quarter of the state's crop is harvested. Around this time last year, 40 percent was completed. Reports show most corn is good or fair.

10-18-2022 :21 Daniel Burbank

According to the USDA, North Dakota's soybean harvest is doing well this year. About three quarters of all soybeans are complete. Field crop reports show it's ahead of its five-year average of 61%. Extension agents say bushel per acre amounts are slightly above average in eastern North Dakota because of higher moisture counts.

FLOOD PROTECTION

The City of Minot is continuing to work on the flood protection project to prevent another flood, like the 2011 one, from ever happening again.

12-6-2022 :20 Joel

Lawmakers are in the state capitol this week.... getting ready for the session to begin next month. This week we'll learn about budget priorities from state leaders. One key issue in need of funding for Minot is flood protection.... which will cost more money than previously expected.

CRIME/ LAW ENFORCEMENT

Law enforcement is struggling to keep up with the growing population. More people moving here means more opportunities for crime.

10-4-2022 :05 Joe Skurzewski

A suspect facing charges in a 2020 murder in Minot is headed for trial later this month.

10-5-2022 :14 Joe Skurzewski

The Ward County Sheriff said a man's body was found near Highway 83 south of Minot Saturday, and are asking the public's help in identifying the person.

10-6-2022 :09 Joe Skurzewski

State prosecutors charged a 31-year-old Harvey man in connection with the deaths of two people in a head-on crash last March on Highway 52.

10-7-2022 :16 Joe Skurzewski

The case of the 2007 killing of Minot college student Anita Knutson has drawn national attention of late... including a special two-part investigation on the show "Cold Justice."

10-7-2022 :14 Joe Skurzewski

The North Dakota Supreme Court heard oral arguments today (Friday) in an appeal that could have implications on a pending murder case in Minot. In dispute is whether the vehicle that the victim's body was found in was illegally searched.

10-10-2022 :17 Joe Skurzewski

The discussion is continuing this week on the "Cold Justice" investigation into the 2007 killing of Minot college student Anita Knutson... after the explosive "part 2" that aired this past weekend.

10-12-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski

Investigators are still working to identify the man whose remains were found just south of Minot earlier this month.

10-12-2022 :09 Joe Skurzewski

A 21-year-old man pleaded guilty to misdemeanor sex crime charges today (Wednesday), following his arrest in a multi-agency investigation in Ward County.

10-17-2022 :29 Joe Skurzewski

29-year-old Donald Cooper junior's trial is postponed. Cooper faces four charges including accomplice to murder in the 2020 death of Dominick Stephens. Two other men have already struck plea deals that included prison time for their role in Stephens' death. Cooper is already serving a 25-year sentence for killing two people in a crash while fleeing from U-S Marshals in Wisconsin. The reason for the postponement isn't clear. A new trial date hasn't yet been set.

10-19-2022 :21 Joe Skurzewski

We're following a story that broke this afternoon of a series of fires in fields across north central North Dakota. The Bottineau County sheriff confirms a man is in custody following a high-speed chase.... and it's believed the fires were intentionally lit.

10-20-2022 :09 Joe Skurzewski

We're learning more tonight about that series of fires set across two North Central North Dakota counties... and the suspect in custody.

10-21-2022 :13 Joe Skurzewski

The suspect charged in the 2007 killing of Minot college student Anita Knutson likely won't be back in court until next year.

11-2-2022 :06 Joe Skurzewski

Bismarck Police are asking for your help in locating a man reported missing early yesterday (Tuesday) evening.

11-2-2022 :11 Alex Schneider

Authorities in Rolette County are warning the public of a scam making the rounds once again... where scammers call people threatening to arrest you unless you pay them.

11-2-2022 :07 Alex Schneider

A part time job opportunity has opened up in Rolla for corrections officers at the Rolette County Jail.

11-3-2022 :05 Erika Craven

Two North Dakota men are facing criminal charges after a hunting dispute in October.

11-4-2022 :13 Erika Craven

A 53-year-old has been sentenced to 15 years in prison for sexually abusing minors on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

11-11-2022 :12 Joe Skurzewski

The North Dakota Supreme Court has upheld the murder conviction of a 32-year-old man charged with fatally shooting his father in May 2019 but ordered him to be resentenced in district court.

11-16-2022 :24 Joe Skurzewski

Two people from Dunseith were detained, and one was arrested, following an investigation into a report of a burglary in progress. According to a post on the office's Facebook page, upon arrival at a rural residence, deputies found the pair inside. One person was arrested for burglary, theft of property and hindering law enforcement, while the other person will be charged at a later date.

11-17-2022 :21 Joe Skurzewski

The state department of corrections has canceled visitations at the women's prison in New England due to staffing shortages. The DOCR posted about the cancellations at the Dakota Women's Correctional & Rehabilitation Center on its Facebook page today (Thurs). The post indicates that visitations are discontinued until further notice.

11-18-2022 :20 Joe Skurzewski

Bismarck Police are asking for help in finding a man who's been missing since Halloween day. They say 68-year-old Elza Maloy was last seen around 10 a-m October 31st on foot in the 1100 block of Broadway. He's 5-11, 230 pounds, with brown hair and brown eyes. Police say Maloy is diabetic and did not take his medication with him. Call police if you've seen him.

11-21-2022 :17 Joe Skurzewski
IN REACTION, MAGIC CITY EQUALITY, A PRIDE ORGANIZATION BASED OUT OF MINOT PROVIDED A STATEMENT TO YOUR NEWS LEADER. THEY SAID.... QUOTE.
"How long will the LGBTQ2S+ community continue to have targets on our backs? We are not clay pigeons for target practice. We are people."

11-30-2022 :09 Joe Skurzewski
A Minot man convicted of murder in the 2019 killing of his father will be re-sentenced next month following a ruling from the state supreme court.

11-30-2022 :08 Erika Craven
A U.S. District Court Judge has cancelled the trial for a Montana woman accused of defrauding her Bismarck in-laws out of \$134,000.

12-2-2022 :11 Erika Craven
We've now learned more about a bribery and kickback case on the Fort Berthold Reservation.

12-5-2022 :09 Crystal Kwaw
Officers who may have goals of working up the ranks to a leadership position took part in a special training session this (Monday) afternoon in Minot.

12-16-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski
Authorities in Williams County say a suspect sought after in a murder investigation was taken into custody last (Thursday) night.

12-19-2022 :11 Joe Skurzewski
The courts have resentenced a Minot man convicted of killing his father in 2019 to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

12-29-2029 :07 Joe Skurzewski
We have some sad news to share tonight...
The Minot Police Department is mourning the loss of one of its officers.

12-30-2022 :16 Joe Skurzewski
Our top story in Minot tonight...
A suspect is in custody in the ward county jail on a two-million-dollar bond.... charged with murder in a fatal shooting overnight outside the Lamplighter Lounge bar in southwest Minot.

Business & the Economy

10-14-2022 :08 Bella Kraft
PAINT IS ALSO MAKING A SPLASH ON FIRST STREET IN THE MAGIC CITY.... THAT'S BECAUSE AN ARTIST IS SET TO MAKE OVER THE GRAIN SILOS.

10-17-2022 :21 Alex Schneider
According to bill pay service, DOXO...Minot is the most expensive place to live in North Dakota. The average Minot household pays more than 2,500 dollars a month for bills.
According to the company's research, average household expenses in Minot are 25.6% higher than the national average, and nearly 30% higher than the state average.

10-24-2022 :08 Maiya Fleck
A portion of sales tax that voters approve, go towards bettering something in the Minot community of economic development.

10-26-2022 :16 Maiya Fleck

It seems nowadays that just about every business is looking for employees... and it's rare to see some people stick around for long. But don't tell that to Joann Strobel at Schatz Crossroads in Minot. Maiya Fleck introduces us to this familiar face at the restaurant.

10-31-2022 :05 Joe Skurzewski
There's a good chance it will cost you more to heat your house this winter.

11-17-2022 :10 Joe Skurzewski
In business news...
Sanford Health announced this week plans to combine with a Minneapolis-based healthcare provider but will keep the name Sanford Health.

11-18-2022 :06 Joe Skurzewski
In this week's main street minute.... Minot has a new spot for those looking to satisfy their sweet tooth.

11-21-2022 :24 Maiya Fleck
The days following Thanksgiving are known to be a time for shoppers to find crazy deals. For some area shops... Small Business Saturday is one of the busiest--and most important--days of their holiday season. Maiya Fleck spoke with some downtown Minot merchants to learn how they're approaching this coming weekend.

11-28-2022 :16 Crystal Kwaw
As the biggest shopping weekend of the year comes to a close.... local business owners are dealing with the changing economic landscape... including inflation. Crystal Kwaw spoke with some downtown Minot merchants to find out how the holiday weekend went for them.

11-30-2022 :24 Erika Craven
Sellers raked in more than 11 billion dollars in online sales this year on Cyber Monday--that's according to Adobe Analytics, which tracks e-commerce activity. Cyber Monday sales are up nearly six percent from last year. But as shoppers shop online, and folks mail holiday gifts, that means more packages sit on porches... creating prime pickings for porch pirates.

11-30-2022 :06 Crystal Kwaw
You see stories more and more of automation making its way into the workplace. Now you might also see it at your favorite restaurant. Crystal Kwaw introduces us to the newest team member at one eatery in the Magic City.

12-5-2022 :11 Crystal Kwaw
For new Christmas tree shoppers, the question is whether to go for an artificial tree or a real one. If you go the route of getting a real one... there's some things you should keep in mind.

12-15-2022 :13 Crystal Kwaw
While many businesses closed today (Thursday) due to the weather.... a few managed to keep their doors open--proverbially--so folks could thaw from the cold temperatures. Crystal Kwaw went to explore this local business.

12-29-2022 :09 Joe Skurzewski
Rural post offices in North Dakota are beginning to reopen after having to close due to this month's winter weather, but a few remain closed.

12-30-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski
WE'RE LEARNING TONIGHT OF A DEAL IN PLACE FOR M-G-M TO SELL PART OF A STRIP OF LAND IN LAS VEGAS TO THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES.

GOVERNMENT

Lots of changes to the state are keeping local and state governments busy.

10-3-2022 :18 Joe Skurzewski
Minot city leaders could finalize the 2023 budget tonight. The proposed budget is on the agenda for tonight's meeting for a second reading. If the city does *not approve it tonight, they'll have to schedule a special meeting to reconcile any differences. We'll update you tonight at 10.

10-3-2022 :10 Joe Skurzewski

The Minot City Council approved the budget for 2023 on second reading tonight (Monday night).

10-6-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski

If you live in Ward County and want to share your opinion or voice concerns about next year's budget... you have a chance tonight (Thursday night).

10-10-2022 :09 Joe Skurzewski

Ward County residents may actually see their county property taxes go down in 2023.... after the commissioners made some 11th-hour cuts to the budget.

10-10-2022 :06 Joe Skurzewski

Another one of our state's Native American tribes is holding its primary elections this week.

10-11-2022 :10 Joe Skurzewski

Voters in the turtle mountains have been heading to the polls today to vote in a series of primary election races... including for the tribe's chairmanship.

10-11-2022 :12 Joe Skurzewski

The polls closed an hour ago (9 p.m.) in the Turtle Mountains for the tribe's primary elections this year. Voters cast their ballots for all tribal council positions... as well as the chairmanship.

10-12-2022 :12 Joe Skurzewski

At this hour.... election officials on the Turtle Mountain reservation are working to finalize the results from yesterday's (Tuesday's) primary elections. Here's a look at the unofficial results, as they stand.

10-12-2022 :17 Joe Skurzewski

The results are official in the primary elections for the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. After counting absentee and challenge votes... counts went up... but the results didn't change. All the incumbents received enough votes to move on to the general election on November 1st.

10-26-2022 :25 Joe Skurzewski

In less than two weeks... voters will head to the polls for the midterm elections. In Minot... the ballot includes a special election to fill an opening on the Minot city council. The two men running for the seat... Scott Burlingame and Roscoe Sterile.... met with members of the public and answered questions on the issues... at a forum hosted by the Minot chamber. Here's some of what they had to say.

10-26-2022 :12 Joe Skurzewski

Meanwhile... another public forum is scheduled for tomorrow night. Ward County residents will have the chance to learn more about the four candidates running for the county commission.

10-27-2022 :20 Joe Skurzewski

Tonight... residents of Ward County had a chance to hear from the four men vying for the two open spots on the County Commission. Highway projects and boosting the economy were common themes. Here's a little bit of what each candidate had to say.

10-28-2022 :20 Joe Skurzewski

Early voting is already underway in some North Dakota counties. You can cast your ballot in Minot starting Monday. Early voting runs next week Monday through Friday... and the following Monday before Election Day. The polls are open from 10 a-m to 6 p-m. Early voting in Minot is at the Ward County Administration Building.

10-31-2022 :27 Joe Skurzewski

While the state of North Dakota holds its midterm elections NEXT Tuesday... voters on one reservation are headed to the polls a week early. The Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa is holding its elections tomorrow (Tuesday). Voters will cast ballots for each seat on the tribal council, but all eyes will be on the chairman race, where voters will decide whether to give incumbent Jamie Azure a third term as chairman or go in another direction.

10-31-2022 :34 Joe Skurzewski

Election day isn't for just over a week... but hundreds of voters in Ward County have already cast their ballots. Early voting began today (Monday) in Minot. The Ward County Administration Building is the only early voting location in the county... but voters have all week to cast their ballots. The poll is on the first floor. Ward County Auditor Marisa Haman (HEY-man) says that there was a line of people waiting to vote this morning... and as of this afternoon, roughly 260 people had already voted. She says sometimes what's at stake on the ballot can impact turnout.

10-31-2022 :17 Joe Skurzewski

On Tuesday, November 8th... there's no voting at that location. Instead, Ward County voters can vote at the State Fair Center, Maysa (MAY-suh) Arena, as well as the city halls in Sawyer and Ryder, the Berthold Senior Center... and the Kenmare Memorial Hall. The polls are open on the 8th from 7 a-m to 7 p-m.

11-1-2022 :06 Joe Skurzewski

Tonight we're taking a closer look at the two men running for the open seat on the Minot City Council.

11-1-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski

A few elections in our area are happening today.

We're closely following the elections going on in the Turtle Mountain Reservation.

11-2-2022 :16 Joe Skurzewski

The elections on the Turtle Mountain band of Chippewa Reservation got a bit more interesting this afternoon... after a razor-thin margin in one of the council races prompted a recall.

11-2-2022 :13 Joe Skurzewski

Tribal leadership has officially signed off on the results of the 2022 elections for the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, following a day of counting absentee and challenge ballots and a recount.

11-3-2022 :06 Erika Craven

We're now less than a week away from election day. Early and absentee voting are underway.

11-7-2022 :10 Joe Skurzewski

Voters on the Fort Berthold Reservation will be heading to the polls tomorrow to elect a chairman. There are two familiar names in tribal politics on the ballot.

11-7-2022 :06 Joe Skurzewski

There are four candidates who running for two open spots on the Ward County Commission.

11-7-2022 :20 Joe Skurzewski

You may have seen campaign signs around Minot ... or even received flyers in the mail that look like this.... encouraging Minot residents to vote for candidates Jason Olson and Alan Walter in the commission election. The signs have generated some questions about whose behind the campaign... so we dug into the matter.

11-7-2022 :18 Joe Skurzewski

There is one other election on the Fort Berthold Reservation. That's for the open tribal council seat for the Four Bears segment. Current councilwoman Victoria Brugh (brew) is retiring after serving three terms. This past weekend... Brugh held an event thanking the community and her staff.

11-9-1011 :08 Joe Skurzewski

Scott Burlingame has been elected to the Minot City Council... to fill the spot vacated by Tom Ross when he was elected Mayor of Minot.

11-9-2022 :13 Joe Skurzewski

Meanwhile.... Streyle thanked city leaders for giving him the opportunity to serve on the council on an interim basis.... adding "Congratulations to Scott Burlingame, he's a good man and will do a great job for Minot!"

11-9-2022 :14 Joe Skurzewski

Burlingame is also the current executive director of independence, inc... and is involved with other nonprofits. He received an endorsement from the Souris Valley Fraternal Order of Police. His term runs through 2024.

11-9-2022 :24 Joe Skurzewski

Meanwhile... in another area race that drew much attention.... voters have sent John Fjeldahl to another term on the Ward County Commission. He'll be joined by commission newcomer Jason Olson... the former police chief. They edged out former commissioner Alan Walter and seed rep Lance Makeeff. Current commissioner John Pietsch (peach) did not seek re-election. Commissioners serve four-year terms.

11-9-2022 :19 Joe Skurzewski

<Mark Fox: "Sometimes we don't get enough information out to the public, so they don't have it. It's easy to question, or don't have confidence, so we've got to obviously improve getting information out to show what we've been doing, and the good things we've been doing as well.">

11-9-2022 :12 Joe Skurzewski

Voters in Bottineau County elected Jeremy Tofteland as their next sheriff. He defeated challenger Matthew Schimetz with 58 percent of the vote. Sheriff Steve Watson chose not to seek re-election.

11-9-2022 :07 Joe Skurzewski

Bottineau County auditor Emily Deschamp (de-SHAW) will keep her job. She held off Deanna Abernathy in yesterday's vote.

11-9-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski

For the district 1 seat on the Bottineau county commission.... Rodney Hiatt defeated challenger Douglas Marsden with a 3-1 vote margin.

11-9-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski

The county district 3 vote was a little tighter.... but Benjamin Tonneson secured the win over challenger Jeremy Ketterling.

11-9-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski

Meanwhile... in burke county... incumbent commissioner Richard Owings had no problem securing re-election for district 2.

11-9-2022 :07 Joe Skurzewski

In Renville County... Andy Gates defeated incumbent William Stanely for the District One County Commission Seat.

11-10-2022 :03 Joe Skurzewski

The city of Minot has a new full-time city attorney.

11-14-2022 :03 Joe Skurzewski

Ward County is searching for a new emergency manager.

11-14-2022 :10 Joe Skurzewski

Now that the midterm elections have come and gone...We're learning tonight some of the selections for legislative leadership headed into the new session in January.

11-15-2022 :09 Joe Skurzewski

Now that the midterm elections have come and gone...
The North Dakota G-O-P is choosing its legislative leaders ahead of the new session in January.

11-17-2022 :19 Joe Skurzewski

WE BEGIN TONIGHT WITH A DEVELOPING STORY ON THE FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION. Former MHA chairman Tex Hall... who failed in his bid to return to the chairmanship in this month's election... has formally challenged the results, including whether current Chairman Mark Fox is a member of the tribes.

11-18-2022 :04 Alex Schneider

All Minot city offices will be closed on Nov. 24 for Thanksgiving Day.

11-22-2022 :10 Joe Skurzewski

An outside consultant firm has determined that deleted emails from former Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem and deputy A-G Troy Seibel (SIGH-bul) are, in fact, gone for good.

12-6-2022 :14 Joe Skurzewski

Seven people from all corners of the state have thrown their name in to fill the remaining term of Supreme Court Justice Gerald VandeWalle.... who will retire at the end of January after more than four decades serving the court.

12-6-2022 :04 Crystal Kwaw
The Ward County Commission chose new leadership for the coming year.

12-6-2022 :08 Crystal Kwaw
The County Commissioners elected to table talks on installing sensors on some highway roads, for now, over concerns about the cost.

12-8-2022 Joe Skurzewski
North Dakota's at-large house representative Kelly Armstrong praising the vote... saying in part THE BILL PROVIDES A PAY RAISE FOR OUR TROOPS, REMOVES THE COVID-19 VACCINE MANDATE ON ALL ACTIVE AND RESERVE SERVICEMEMBERS, AND BARS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND CONTRACTORS FROM USING CHINESE SEMICONDUCTORS. THESE MEASURES WILL GO A LONG WAY TOWARD STRENGTHENING OUR MILITARY READINESS AND THE INTEGRITY OF THE SYSTEMS WE USE.

12-12-2022 :06 Alex Schneider
The City of Minot will offering free dumping at the City Landfill for a while after Christmas day.

12-13-2022 :10 Joe Skurzewski
THE STATE'S WAVING GOOD BYE TO SOCIAL MEDIA APP TIK TOK... North Dakota Gov. Doug Burgum has joined a handful of other governors across the country in banning ...

12-16-2022 :20 Joe Skurzewski
The version of the bill sent to the president drops the military's requirement that troops get the covid-19 vaccine. Today (Friday), a group of Republican U-S senators, including North Dakota's John Hoeven, signed a letter urging the defense department to allow soldiers discharged for refusing to get their vaccine to be reinstated.

12-21-2022 :10 Crystal Kwaw
THE CITY OF MINOT HAS AUCTIONED OFF THE FORMER MINOT GIFT SHOP, HOME SWEET HOME FOR FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. IT WAS SOLD TO LOCALS JACOB AND AMY JENKINS.

HEALTH CARE & MEDICINE

Advances in medical technology are enabling health care facilities to better meet the needs of a growing population.

10-25-2022 :20 Maiya Fleck
With cold weather fast approaching, the need for housing for homeless youth and young adults is increasing. Maiya Fleck spoke to some Youthworks coordinators on their recent project of opening up transitional housing units in Minot.

10-25-2022 :15 Maiya Fleck
A pair of major hospital projects in our area are getting some financial help. First... The U.S. Department of Agriculture has approved more than 55 million dollars in loans for a new hospital, clinic, and long-term care facility in Rugby.

10-25-2022 :11 Maiya Fleck
The current E-R in Minot treats more than 30 thousand patients a year.... filling a great need for the community. That's why the Minot Magic Fund committee recently made a decision to award Trinity Health money for part of its new medical campus project.

10-26-2022 :12 Alex Schneider/Joe Skurzewski
The Trinity Health Foundation recently funded the purchase of two AED machines for the Surrey Fire Protection District... following a football player's near-death experience on the field.

11-4-2022 :16 Erika Craven

As temperatures drop, folks head inside. But for those who have nowhere to keep warm, the North Dakota winters can be incredibly brutal. Erika Craven breaks down what some in the Peace Garden state are doing to help those without a roof over their head.

11-4-2022 :06 Alex Schneider
First District Health Unit in Minot is offering smokers a chance to develop a plan to quit the habit.

11-14-2022 :18 Daniel Burbank
The search for an organ donor can be a trying and scary time for a person, and their loved ones. One group is working to make it easier for people to donate. Daniel Burbank joins us in studio with more.

11-29-2022 :13 Erika Craven
Fatal opioid overdoses are on the rise in the U-S... the CDC reporting it's largely due to the synthetic opioid fentanyl. Those in North Dakota have felt the impact and are working to keep those in the community safe.

12-8-2022 :12 Crystal Kwaw
State health officials say flu cases have shot up since November, from 50 to more 8-hundred fifty cases. To counter this... local health offices are streamlining the process to get vaccinations.

12-9-2022 :06 Crystal Kwaw
The Men's Winter Refuge in Minot has reopened their shelter after being closed since April 2020.

12-9-2022 :13 Crystal Kwaw
Get your ear on this. A new class of over-the-counter hearing aids are coming to generic drug stores early next year. The new over-the-counter hearing aids are FDA regulated and approved for treating hearing loss.

12-20-2022 :12 Crystal Kwaw
WHEN CONDITIONS ARE THIS COLD, GETTING STRANDED OUTSIDE WOULD BE DEADLY. WITH THAT IN MIND, A HOMELESS SHELTER IN MINOT HAS A WARMING SHELTER THAT'S OPEN DURING THE FREEZING DAYS AND NIGHTS.

12-20-2022 :10 Crystal Kwaw
SOME OVER THE COUNTER MEDICINES HAVE BECOME HARDER TO FIND IN RETAIL STORES. THE TRI-DEMIC SPREADING THIS SEASON IS INCREASING OVER THE COUNTER MEDICINE DEMANDS.

Military

Minot Air Force Base is growing and changing along with the community and also being called upon in support of the nation's commitment to stability and security in the Asia-Pacific Region.

11-2-2022 :34 Erika Craven
The sacrifices of all of our World War II veterans cannot be overstated. Of those who served... merchant mariners had one of the most dangerous roles. They suffered one of the higher per-capita casualty rates among branches of the U.S. Armed Forces... with roughly 9,300 mariners killed over the course of the war--that's according to the Smithsonian. In 2020, Congress approved legislation to award the Congressional Gold Medal to members of the U.S. Merchant Marines. Erika Craven introduces us to one veteran in Velsa finally be honored for his service.

11-2-2022 :28 Erika Craven
Skies turned grey in Minot recently, but not because of the weather. MH-139 Grey Wolf helicopters from Boeing touched down in the Magic City this week for the first time. Minot Air Force Base is the future home of four of the aircrafts. The Grey Wolf helicopters will replace the Bell UH-1N Huey that currently protect intercontinental ballistic missiles. A spokesperson for Boeing said that the Gray Wolf will enhance speed and range for the Air Force.

11-22-2022 :25 Joe Skurzewski
The Air Force has hit the pause button on a new performance evaluation system that created some headaches... and became the butt of jokes on social media. JoAnne Bass... the Chief Master Sergeant of the air force... announced this week they are halting the "my-eval" system due to ongoing technical issues until it's fixed... and are, for now, moving to a simpler format for completing enlisted and officer evaluations.

12-9-2022 :23 Joe Skurzewski

When the bitter cold of winter sets in, it's vital to have working heat. Your News Leader has been made aware concerns brought up by residents of Minot Air Force Base housing of issues with heating units. We reached out to base public affairs to find out what it's doing to assist airmen and their families who are struggling with heating.

12-9-2022 :06 Joe Skurzewski

A U-S Air Force General who served in Minot early in his career has risen to the top of U-S STRATCOM.

12-12-2022 :09 Alex Schneider

If you're planning on donating Christmas cookies to airmen stationed at Minot Air Force Base, there's a slight schedule change you should know about.

12-13-2022 :21 Joe Skurzewski

Customers on Minot Air Force Base can only purchase up to 15 gallons of fuel at a time, for now. A notification went out today from the base smartphone app that the retailer on base is experiencing fuel shipping delays causing a shortage in supplies. We've reached out to Minot Air Force Base Public Affairs for more information.

12-16-2022 :07 Joe Skurzewski

CREWS ON MINOT AIR FORCE BASE HAVE BEEN BUSY THIS WEEK MAKING SURE THE RUNWAY AND OTHER AREAS ARE CLEARED FROM THE SNOW.

12-16-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski

The 858-billion-dollar defense bill passed by the U-S Senate last (Thursday) night has important provisions for Minot Air Force Base.

Education

10-5-2022 :15 Joe Skurzewski

It's no secret that there's a shortage across the country for workers in the medical profession. One of our state's colleges is working to counter that by renovating a more-than-century old building on its campus to expand its nursing program.

10-12-2022 :10 Bella Kraft

The national average for ACT composite scores dropped to 19.8 for the class of 2022. However, at Minot High School the average scores have risen by four points.

10-18-2022 :14 Daniel Burbank

Three schools in North Dakota received 100-thousand-dollar fitness centers from the DON'T QUIT Campaign. Daniel Burbank reports from Minot on the excitement from students and educators at Jim Hill Middle School.

10-24-2022 :23 Alex Schneider

Some people go above and beyond in the workplace... fulfilling more than just their day-to-day responsibilities. One custodian at Minot Central Campus has taken on the role of a janitor, friend, someone to confide in, and an all-around an essential part of the Minot High School community. Reporter Maiya Fleck introduces us to the man who was honored today for his work.

10-28-2022 :13 Joe Skurzewski

Leadership with Minot Public Schools will join with local and state leaders and members of the community in breaking ground on the new North Hill high school complex and Minot Area Workforce Academy Monday.

10-31-2022 :18 Joe Skurzewski

Leadership with Minot Public Schools joined with local and state leaders and the community in breaking ground on the new multi-million-dollar north hill high school complex and workforce academy this morning.

11-2-2022 :17 Erika Craven

Libraries are seen as "great equalizers" for communities... offering resources for residents no matter their financial status. That's why staff at the Minot Public Library are eager to use a \$50,000 grant from the Minot Area Community Foundation to benefit area children.

11-18-2022 :09 Joe Skurzewski

Some bright middle schoolers took over the Minot State campus today to showcase their I-T skills... as part of a special state competition.

11-21-2022 :12 Bella Kraft

One tribal college in the heart of the Bakken is looking to invest in sustainable energy. Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College in New Town received a 200-THOUSAND grant for a solar panel project.

11-21-2022 :07 Alex Schneider

Dakota College at Bottineau is offering courses during the three weeks between the fall and spring semesters.

11-22-2022 1:33 Crystal Kwaw

<New and old Thanksgiving traditions were served up at Bishop Ryan Catholic School Tuesday. 440 meals were shared. "We're all going to be squished together." Fifth grader, Elira Cumani, sat next to high school students for lunch. She and other elementary classes worked together with older students to make the place settings for the feast. "We got to partner up with them, already and kind of got to know them, so they're kind of like our friends, I guess." Genevie Vedeeter says the pre-meal decorations and preparations promoted bonding between students of different ages. "I think it was a fun experience because my sister in high school, so I got to do with my sister and it with her and it was really fun." "The menu for this Thanksgiving feast features a non-traditional entree, so students don't tire of turkey." "We're North Dakotans and everyone loves meatballs and gravy and mash potatoes, so that's our meal today."

Principal Tanya Steckler says dessert was provided by the parents who baked apple and pumpkin pies for hundreds of people. She says the meal is an opportunity to pause and be grateful for blessings.

That sentiment was echoed by the placemats students like Mollie Selk crafted..

"Give thanks, happy thanksgiving, be thankful, trust in God and the last one says pray."

A thousand meatballs were made for the meal.

Tomorrow's lunch, leftovers plus pizza.

11-22-2022 :15 Joe Skurzewski

The rising costs of basic goods has put a real strain on families putting children through school. Families of elementary students in Stanley who are experiencing food insecurity just received some help.. due to a stunning act of generosity.

11-23-2022 :06 Joe Skurzewski

A Newburg United Public School Principal has been selected to receive a regional honor.

12-1-2022 :18 Crystal Kwaw

Students and staff are hard at work this week building the new Bubble Dome at Herb Parker Stadium.... working to get it up before winter sets in. This comes as the last dome collapsed amid April's blizzard. Crystal Kwaw reports on the project's development and precautions put in place.

12-1-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski

In-person classes at the high school in Belcourt will resume tomorrow (Friday)... after a water issue caused classes today to go remote.

12-2-2022 :14 Crystal Kwaw

Some third graders in Minot are doing their part to support others in need this holiday season. Crystal Kwaw headed to the classroom to learn more about the student's readathon, and how it's benefitting the Salvation Army.

12-13-2022 :08 Zach Keenan

South Prairie School District gave parents advance notice last (MON.) night that they would be closed today (TUES.) without remote learning.

12-14-2022 :45 Crystal Kwaw

Minot Public Schools has canceled classes across the entire district for tomorrow, December 15th (Thursday). Superintendent Dr. Mark Vollmer says its due to largely to ongoing poor conditions of side roads

around town. While many smaller school districts in the Minot area moved to virtual learning today (Wednesday), or canceled classes altogether, for most students and staff in Minot Public Schools, it was business as usual. Some parents shared concerns on social media about road conditions and having to get their kiddos to school. Crystal Kwaw spoke with parents, as well as district leadership, on how they came to the decision to hold class today, and what factors they take into account.

12-15-2022 :12 Joe Skurzewski

A combination of the blowing snow, workplaces closing, and schools going to remote learning has many parents staying at home much of this week. We wanted to hear how some families are faring.

12-15-2022 :29 Joe Skurzewski

Minot Public Schools informed parents tonight there would be no school tomorrow. Superintendent Dr. Mark Vollmer told Your News Leader road conditions had not improved amid the blowing snow, cutting off access to the district's schools. Many other area districts have followed suit. Minot Public Schools houses roughly 7,700 students across 19 facilities in the Minot area, including THREE on Minot Air Force Base.

12-19-2022 :11 Joe Skurzewski

If you go on social media at all this month, you're bound to see posts from parents of the Elf on the Shelf. One teacher in Minot brought the elf to life for her students today (Monday).

Recreation

10-3-2022 :07 Joe Skurzewski

This evening.... a member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa looks to make history at the Miss USA competition.

10-11-2022 :05 Joe Skurzewski

A Minot State alum is having her art on display.... and you can meet the artist tonight (Tuesday night).

10-12-2022 :28 Joe Skurzewski

Families in Minot celebrated the completion of the construction of the Magic City Discovery Center with a special lighting ceremony earlier this week. The center will feature a series of interactive science exhibits for kids of all ages. Kid ambassadors joined in on the fun with glow sticks. The center on Minot's north hill has been in the works for several years.

With the physical structure completed... the focus now turns to the inside.

10-13-2022 :17 Bella Kraft

THE BIG STORY ON YOUR NEWS LEADER....The P-R-C-A Badlands Circuit Finals Rodeo is in town. One man helped bring the festival to the city back in 2007. Bella Kraft has more.

10-13-2022 :07 Joe Skurzewski

The Minot Chamber Chorale is kicking off its historic 50th season tomorrow night with its fall pops concert.

10-14-2022 :09 Bella Kraft

IT'S A GOOD WEEKEND IN MINOT IF YOU LIKE HORSES. THE BADLANDS CIRCUIT FINALS RODEO IS IN TOWN AND A SPECIAL GROUP IS HELPING THEM CELEBRATE.

10-14-2022 :16 Joe Skurzewski

IT'S THE SEASON FOR SOME FRIGHTFUL FESTIVITY. FAMILIES IN MINOT CAN HEAD "INTO THE NIGHT" FOR THE ANNUAL PUMPKIN WALK TONIGHT AND TOMORROW. THE WALK IS FROM 7-9 AND IT'S FREE. JACK-O-LANTERNS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS WILL LIGHT UP THE WOODLAND TRAIL.

10-18-2022 :07 Joe Skurzewski

This evening you have the chance to support Special Olympics North Dakota... with a special dance competition in Minot.

10-21-2022 :12 Alex Schneider

A holiday favorite for families is returning to the peace garden state! The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train is back for the first time since 2019, and it will be in North Dakota December 16th and 17th.

10-21-2022 :22 Alex Schneider

The Minot Shrine club will be dedicating their new statue tomorrow (Saturday) at 1 in the afternoon at the Minot Masonic Center. The statue will be depicting a Shriner, carrying a Shriner Hospital patient based on a photo known as the "Editorial Without Words". The day will include a pancake breakfast open to the public... along with a special ribbon cutting.

10-24-2022 :30 Alex Schneider

Magic City Civil Air Patrol is looking for volunteers or sponsors to help out with Minot's Wreaths Across America ceremony. Crosses were lined up and staked at Rosehill Memorial Cemetery on Saturday so volunteers can place wreaths in remembrance of veterans on Dec. 17. Those wishing to sponsor a wreath can pay \$15 to honor service members and their families or can volunteer to help lay wreaths. To learn how you can sponsor or volunteer, visit this story on our website.

10-28-2022 :07 Joe Skurzewski

Thousands of North Dakota products will be on display starting today (Friday) at the State Fair Center in Minot.

10-28-2022 :23 Alex Schneider

Award-winning pianist Pauline Yang will perform at Minot State University next month. The concert is November 18th at 7 p-m at Ann Nicole Nelson Hall. Yang's concerts are featuring renditions of famous works from Bach...Doors will open 30 minutes in advance and tickets are available at \$30 for adults and \$15 for students. We'll have more info on tickets in this story online.

10-31-2022 :10 Alex Schneider

The Alliance of Nonprofits Community Recognition Luncheon will be held in Minot on Nov. 10 to recognize area nonprofit organizations and their members.

10-31-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski

If you saw Pennywise... the evil clown from the movie "It"... roaming around the Magic City this past weekend... it was all in good fun!

11-1-2022 :09 Joe Skurzewski

Last night trick-or-treaters took to the streets of towns across North Dakota. At one stop in Minot.... we found out that.... as they say... "the kids are all right."

11-3-2022 :10 Erika Craven

High inflation means belts are tightening across the country. But for zoos that house creatures with large appetites, rising costs means more creativity.

11-3-2022 :11 Erika Craven

Although the weather is getting colder, Minot residents are still hitting the trails... to walk, jog, and eventually cross-country ski. Soon, they'll have more miles to traverse.

11-4-2022 :10 Joe Skurzewski

Today is the first day of The 47TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS Big One art and craft fair in Minot. Some of the vendors at this year's show champion some pretty cool causes.

11-11-2022 :20 Joe Skurzewski/Zach Keenan

We've been building up to it for three months, and the day is finally here... It's Dakota Bowl day. Eight teams remain in North Dakota football, two at each level. Our own Zach Keenan is at the Fargo dome and had a front row seat to it all so far. Zach, what's it been like on one of the most exciting days in the high school season?

11-11-2022 :11 Joe Skurzewski

AN ARMY VETERAN FROM MINOT WAS GIVEN A CAR AS PART OF THE 10TH ANNUAL KEYS TO PROGRESS GIVE AWAY. AND ALAN HACKMAN WAS CELEBRATED AT THE WEST FARGO V-F-W AS PART OF THE FESTIVITIES.

11-14-2022 :08 Alex Schneider

The Minot Alliance of Nonprofits has announced a handful of individual and organizations they're recognizing this year.

11-15-2022 :08 Daniel Burbank
The Minot Salvation Army is short about 100 volunteers as it's preparing for the annual Red Kettle Campaign this Friday.

11-15-2022 :27 Daniel Burbank
The food pantry at the Minot Salvation Army is low on bakery and some dairy items. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, local stores donate goods. But Salvation Army Captain John Woodard says more than 50 families needed an emergency food box this month and 24 of those families are new to the Salvation Army. Woodard says the number of people needing help is continuing to rise. If you wish to donate... we'll have information on our website.

11-15-2022 :05 Joe Skurzewski
The North Dakota Human Rights Film Festival is returning to Minot this (Tuesday) evening.

11-16-2022 :26 Joe Skurzewski
Crews got to work decorating Minot's downtown Christmas tree this morning. The work of getting the tree up is a collaborative effort from many area companies and organizations. The Draovitch family on Minot's north hill donated this year's tree for the downtown area. The lights go on this coming Friday, November 25th... with the tree lighting ceremony starting around 6. We'll hear more on the tree setup tonight at 10.

11-17-2022 :07 Joe Skurzewski
Starting tonight (Thurs)... the Mouse River Players are bringing a favorite "coming-of-age" story to the small stage in Minot.

11-22-2022 :11 Maiya Fleck
In a few days... Minot's Oak Park will light up for the holiday season!
The Sertoma Club is preparing for their 25th anniversary of decorating the park with Christmas lights.

11-23-2022 :11 Crystal Kwaw
The International Music Camp will be marking it's sixty-sixth year this coming summer. Last week, the organization had another reason to celebrate. Crystal Kwaw (k-WOW) tells us why.

11-23-2022 :08 Alex Schneider
Ahead of its grand opening early next year.... the Magic City Discovery Center announced they are rolling out a membership program.

11-28-2022 :22 Erika Craven
Holiday cheer is in the air around the Magic City. For some that means baking cookies, for others it's finding a tree. If you're in downtown Minot it might mean lacing up your ice skates. Erika Craven, reporter and former professional ice skater, brings us outside to 110 East Central Avenue where some residents have found pocket-sized winter fun.

11-29-2022 :13 Crystal Kwaw
As part of Giving Tuesday, Project Bee is continuing its involvement in the Twice Blessed Campaign. The money donated is matched by the St. Joseph Community Health Foundation, which doubles the amount you give.

12-2-2022 :05 Crystal Kwaw
Realtors across the country are ringing bells as part of Realtor Ring Day.

12-6-2022 :05 Crystal Kwaw
The Kiwanis Club of Minot did its part today to support children's therapy in the area.

12-7-2022 :16 Crystal Kwaw
Disability comes in many forms, some of which are more visible than others. The Minot Public Library partnered with Independence, Inc. to showcase photos of people with disabilities. Crystal Kwaw uncovers the message behind some of their photos.

12-7-2022 :09 Crystal Kwaw
Around this time of the year, Grow with Me thrift shop in Minot sells donated ugly sweaters for a good cause, and this year they're running out quickly.

12-8-2022 :13 Crystal Kwaw
Miss North Dakota 2022 Sidni Kast left today (Thursday) for the Miss America competition, which begins on Monday. She released a cookbook which includes recipes from former Miss North Dakotas as far back as 1971.

12-9-2022 :07 Crystal Kwaw
Two Minot community members are teaching a class on American Sign Language tomorrow (Saturday) at the Minot Library.

12-12-2022 :07 Crystal Kwaw
First Western Bank employees lent a hand to local food pantry as part of their one-hundred cheers campaign.

12-16-2022 :28 Joe Skurzewski
Unfortunately, the Oscar Mayer Weinermobile won't be able to play "ketchup" this weekend in the Magic City, amid the winter weather. The iconic Wienermobile was supposed to make stops in Minot today through Monday at grocery stores, but organizers announced they would be having to cancel their trip due to the conditions. In a statement, they said they're confident a different team would make it to Minot when weather conditions are better.

12-16-2022 :11 Joe Skurzewski
Organizers with Minot's wreaths across America event at Rosehill Cemetery say they're able to have a wreath for every gravestone, following an 11th-hour sponsorship.

12-16-2022 :06 Joe Skurzewski
The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train will be rolling through parts of our viewing area this weekend.

12-19-2022 :15 Crystal Kwaw
Meals on Wheels in Minot is open again after the snow storm last week forced the nonprofit to take a three-day hiatus. Crystal Kwaw rode along with those who deliver food to learn more about the importance of the program to the community.

12-20-2022 :05 Crystal Kwaw
TWELVE DAYS ARE LEFT IN THE TWICE BLESSED CAMPAIGN THIS YEAR, INCLUDING TODAY.

12-21-2022 :11 Crystal Kwaw
THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRISIS CENTER IN MINOT IS HEADED TOWARDS THEIR GOAL OF RAISING 15-THOUSAND DOLLARS. ASPIRE CREDIT UNION CUT A 25-HUNDRED DOLLAR CHECK THIS AFTERNOON.

12-28-2022 :08 Crystal Kwaw
Temperatures have risen a bit from the cold snap of recent weeks.
Minot Parks and Rec is inviting everyone outside to skate.

12-30-2022 :07 Crystal Kwaw
We now know the first big entertainer coming to Minot for the 2023 state fair.
Eric Church will take the stage.

12-30-2022 :08 Crystal Kwaw
The Miss North Dakota Scholarship Organization crowned champions for the Minot area at a preliminary competition this (Friday) evening.

ACCIDENTS AND DESTRUCTION

Many things happen that are beyond anyone's control.

10-7-2022 :08 Joe Skurzewski
One person was killed, and another suffered serious injuries in a crash Thursday evening on Highway 2, just east of Rugby.

10-18-2022 :23 Joe Skurzewski

Fire crews in Minot responded to an electrical fire this (Tuesday) afternoon on the third floor of Trinity Hospital, but say they were able to promptly knock the fire down. The city posted on social media that the hospital remained open through the incident, except for the third floor, which was evacuated. Fire crews remained on scene to make sure the fire did not reignite.

11-1-2022 :27 Joe Skurzewski

A fire caused heavy damage to a mobile home and burned a nearby hillside this (Tuesday) afternoon west of Minot. The Burlington fire chief says the fire started in the home in the 200 block of 62nd street southwest... along highway 2 right before the trestle... and spread outside to a nearby hill. Crews from Burlington, Des Lacs and Minot rural responded. The fire was out by 6:30. No one was hurt but some pets were lost in the fire. The cause is unclear.

11-2-2022 :04 Alex Schneider

No injuries were reported in a mobile home fire this (Wednesday) morning in Minot.

11-15-2022 :31 Joe Skurzewski/Zach Keenan

A vehicle traveling on Highway 52 collided with a school bus this (Tuesday) afternoon. The Ward County Sheriff says the school bus from the Lewis & Clark school district was crossing the highway just south of Carpio around 4 p-m... when it was t-boned by a vehicle. A couple in the vehicle were taken to the hospital for unknown injuries. There were seven students and a driver on the bus, but no one was hurt. Another school bus came to pick up the students. The state patrol is handling the crash investigation.

11-18-2022 :43 Joe Skurzewski

The city of Minot has set up a makeshift stoplight on the city's busiest intersection. Yesterday... the light on the north end of the intersection... that faces northbound traffic... was knocked over in a crash. The intersection was treated as an all-way stop for some time... until the city was able to put up a temporary light. In a post on Facebook... the city says they are working on a better substitute until they can get a new light installed. Drivers are urged to use caution when passing through. Police say the driver... a man in his 30's... suffered a medical emergency... but was later **conscious and alert**. No citations were filed. It's unclear if anyone was hurt in the crash... or if any citations were filed.

11-30-2022 :18 Erika Craven

When an emergency happens, firefighters are often first on the scene. That's why it's important for them to keep equipment in working order as they head to scenes at a moment's notice. As Erika Craven found out... firefighters in Minot say they're ready for anything with a new fire engine.

12-2-2022 :04 Jen

The Minot Fire Department responded to a house fire last (Thursday) night.

12-7-2022 :10 Joe Skurzewski

Public works crews in Minot have been braving the cold all day, working to repair a series of water main breaks.. and they still have hours of work ahead of them.

12-14-2022 :25 Crystal Kwaw

Crews from all four Minot Fire stations responded to a structure fire late Wednesday afternoon in southwest Minot. The fire is at a garage in a residential area near An Avenue SW and 5th Street SW, just east of Magic City Campus. As of 6:30 p.m., much of the flames were knocked down, but crews were still on scene working to put the fire out. The cause of the fire is unclear, as well as if there were any injuries.

12-15-2022 :28 Brian

Minot firefighters say a fire that broke out yesterday afternoon destroyed a vehicle and a detached garage. Firefighters responded to the call on the 800 block of Sixth Street just before 6 p-m and were able to quickly extinguish the fire, which took place just east of the Magic City campus. No injuries were reported, and firefighters say the cause of the fire remains under investigation.

12-16-2022 :05 Joe Skurzewski

YOU HAVE TO SEE THIS VIDEO RELEASED BY THE NORTH DAKOTA HIGHWAY PATROL YESTERDAY.

CONSTRUCTION

10-28-2022 :08 Alex Schneider
The City of Minot announced that it made some changes at three intersections aimed at improving safety and traffic flow.

11-16-2022 :06 Joe Skurzewski
That massive turbine we told you about yesterday made its way through parts of North Dakota today (Wednesday).

12-19-2022 :07 Crystal Kwaw
Renovations are underway at Hartnett Hall on the Minot State campus.
It's expected to be completed in a year.

12-28-2022 :07 Crystal Kwaw
The weather has warmed up since last week and with all of the snow melting, some of it is seeping into buildings.

WEATHER

Whether it's snowing, raining, or just a beautiful day the weather effects how we go about our day.

11-9-2022 :23 Joe Skurzewski
and the approaching storm is already impacting some air travel to and from our viewing area from out west. All arrivals and departures of United Flights between Denver... and Minot, Bismarck, and Dickinson.. were canceled.... as well as American flights between Dallas and Bismarck.
There were also delays in Williston. We'll keep following how the storm impacts travel.

11-10-2022 :22 Joe Skurzewski
The Magic City may not be getting quite as much snow as Bismarck... but they're still getting a thick blanket.. and it's making for some tough driving conditions. This is what Minot looked like just outside our KMOT studio around 5 p-m. Visibility is pretty low across the area. Estimates of snow accumulation earlier in the afternoon were at least 4-5 inches.

11-15-2022 :04 Daniel Burbank
In the wake of last week's snow storm... space is limited in downtown Minot.

11-23-2022 :14 Joe Skurzewski
Western New York State is digging out after this past weekend's historic snowstorm... where roughly six feet of snow fell in some areas. A few North Dakotans were in the Buffalo area through the storm.... and are still trying to get home.

12-12-2022 :05 Crystal Kwaw
Snow plows are set and ready to go in Minot as soon as heavy snow starts falling.

12-12-2022 :09 Crystal Kwaw
Blizzards in North Dakota are like arguments about politics during family Christmas gatherings, not uncommon but always memorable.

12-13-2022 :07 Crystal Kwaw
Staff at Minot International Airport are working to make sure the runways stay clear as the snow begins to fly.

12-15-2022 :12 Crystal Kwaw
Driving conditions across North Dakota remain poor.... as some highways that had reopened are closing again. We spoke with a mechanic in Minot on how to prepare in case your car gets stuck.

ANIMALS

Animals play a vital role in our everyday lives.

10-11-2022 :07 Joe Skurzewski

Some high-flying dogs from the Minot area have returned to Iowa this week for the world dock-diving championships.

12-29-2022 :11 Crystal Kwaw

Let's start off tonight's show with something positive.

It's been a brutal winter so far.... but there are stories that give us cause for hope.

Those who run animal refuges have to brave the bitter cold to save animals in need.

Crystal Kwaw learned about the heroic efforts of a group in the Turtle Mountains to save a puppy... whose story is now captivating followers around the world.