KMOT TV ISSUES-PROGRAMS REPORT

3rd QUARTER 2016 July through September

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AGRICULTURE/FARMING

Producers in western North Dakota have been dealing with less than ideal conditions and a backlog on grain cars.

7-7-2016 1.55 Stephanie Rank

With a dry spring, the potential for a good harvest was up in the air, but thanks to rain and plenty of sunshine, the outlook now seems pretty good.

8-26-2016 .54 Stephanie Rank Bisbee families devastated by the August third tornado are getting help from Farm Rescue.

OIL BOOM

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

5-9-2016 .17 Saltwater release 7 miles north of Parshall: EOG resources, 259 barrels, equipment failure

8-26-2016 .18 Produced water spill 5 miles SW of Fryburg, 255 barrels, about 220 barrels recovered

9-1-2016 1.34 Joe Skurzewski The Three Affiliated Tribes is fighting a pipeline that will run under Lake Sakakawea.

9-2-2016 1.24 Candese Charles As we mentioned yesterday, Enbridge Energy is withdrawing its application for the 2.6 billion dollar Sandpiper Pipeline project.

9-21-2016 .50 Stephanie Rank

Protesters took over the stage today at the North Dakota Petroleum Council Annual Meeting. Lynn Helms was in the middle of talking when protesters from the Oglala Lakota Nation ran up on stage and addressed the audience for a few minutes.

9-21-2016 1.24 Nicole DesRosier Chairman Mark Fox underscored the importance of recognizing the sovereignty of tribal nations, and he said water, not oil, is our most valuable resource and stressed the importance of protecting it.

9-21-2016 .45 Candese Charles

The Petroleum conference also featured a presentation on Bakken Refracs by the Whiting Petroleum Corporation today.

REBUILDING FROM THE 2011 FLOOD

Rebuilding efforts continue in Minot, following the devastating 2011 flood along the Souris River.

7-26-2016 1.36 Joe Skurzewski

Leaders with FEMA met with area flood insurance agents today to discuss the changes on the way to the flood zone maps in and around the Magic City.

8-2-2016 .56 Kaiti Firkins City leaders met with the army corps of engineers today to discuss the Souris River Protection Program. 8-4-2016 1.30 Kaiti Firkins

After being awarded almost 75 million dollars in the HUD Resiliency Program, the city is now starting the planning phases of what to do with that money. Kaiti joins us from a planning meeting in Oak Park where community members are sharing ideas.

8-4-2016 1.08 Joe Skurzewski

Construction crews began work this week on part of the greens at the Souris Valley Golf Course in Minot. It's part of the kickoff of work for the Mouse River Enhanced Flood Projection Plan.

8-17-2016 2.30 Kiti Firkins Several major projects are under way right now and they all have one thing in common, they are behind schedule.

8-30-2016 .55 Kaiti Firkins The Big 4 Boy Scout Camp has spent the past 5 years recovering from devastation during the flood.

9-6-2016 1.09 Joe Skurzewski Ward County Commissioners are considering a flood protection plan that would include the county acquiring roughly a dozen properties.

9-8-2016 1.10 Joe Skurzewski

Minot city leaders met with Governor Jack Dalrymple earlier this week to discuss the progress of flood protection and working for a better cost-share split for the city. As it stands te state and the city split the cost of the Mouse River Plan 60-40 but city leaders say they look to lower Minot's 40 percent share to ease the city's tax burden.

9-8-2016 .46 Alex Coleman After 5 years the Oak Park Theater is preparing to re-open.

9-21-2016 1.11 Joe Skurzewski and Max Grossfeld Minot is inching closer to getting a better cost-share for flood protection efforts following a meeting with governor Dalrymple and other state leaders today.

CRIME/ LAW ENFORCEMENT

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

7-7-2016 1.54 Candese Charles

This morning the Minot Police Department tested potential new officers. Candese Charles stopped by to see what it takes to serve and protect the city of minot.

7-8-2016 2.01 Joe Skurzewski Police departments across North Dakota are speaking out in support of these fallen heroes. We have reaction from Minot Police and other forces around the state.

7-12-2016 1.55 Joe Skurzewski

Many people are playing the new Pokemon Go game, taking a game once played indoors into the outdoor world. Police nationwide have heard a rise in complaints of trespassing.

7-13-2016 2.10 Alex Coleman

It's no secret that what's going on around the nation is an ongoing problem. What happened in Dallas could happen anywhere around the world.

7-20-2016 1.46 Alex Coleman

Last night emergency agencies hosted an exercise in Stanley involving an overturned tanker exposing hazardous gases.

7-21-2016 1.28 Joe Skurzewski

The attorney representing Sheriff Kukowski has called for an end to the state's attempt to throw the sheriff out of office.

7-28-2016 .31 Joe Skurzewski Ward County Sheriff Steve Kukowski will not stand trial until at least October after a judge agreed to continue the trial, at the request of a state prosecutor. He is charged in the death of an inmate whose health deteriorated while in custody.

8-2-2016 .46 Alex Coleman The Magic City celebrated the National Night Out at the soccer complex this evening. Trinity Health teamed up with the police, Target, and many businesses to promote public safety and recognize those who keep our community safe.

8-3-2016 .29 Joe Skurzewski A judge threw out charges against DHS officials Julie Leer and Gracelyn Aschenbrenner in the drowning death of a 5-year-old Velva girl.

8-5-2016 .40

A state prosecutor has asked a judge to throw out charges against three Department of Human Service officials charged in the 2014 drowning death of a Velva girl.

8-9-2016 .32 Joe Skurzewski

The executive director of the North Dakota Department of Human Services has been cleared of wrongdoing in the June 2015 drowning death of a five-year-old Velva girl.

8-10-2016 .35 Kaiti Firkins

The Minot Police Department is looking for a man that hasn't been seen since late May. Stuart Bothwell, 63 was reported missing by a friend in May after not hearing from him since December of 2015.

8-10-2016 .33 Joe Skurzewski The attorney for Adolfo Contreras-Castillo who is accused of fatally stabbing his brother is calling for a trial, though a plea offer is on the table.

8-10-2016 .28 Joe Skurzewski

Michael Davis, 34 entered an Alford Plea in court this morning to a charge of possession of meth with the intent to deliver.

8-11-2016 .32 Joe Skurzewski Daniel Sanderson, convicted sex offender who was working as a mall easter bunny in Minot, waived his preliminary hearing today and pleaded not guilty.

8-15-2016 .38 Joe Skurzewski Construction crews say they're on schedule with the Ward County Jail expansion and courthouse renovation.

8-18-2016 2.10 Stephanie Rank

They are often the first on the scene and the first one in the line of fire, and that's why some say K9 officers deserve some sort of protection.

8-24-2016 1.45 Alex Coleman

Ward County Emergency Services has conducted four emergency exercises with various scenarios. I take a look at how emergency personnel prepare for these events.

8-31-2016 1.20 Stephanie Rank

Dateline was in the Magic City today. Keith Morrison and the crew were shooting part of an upcoming episode involving a former Bakken businessman and the murders he arranged.

9-1-2016 .32 Joe Skurzewski

State prosecutors have charged four people from Minot with counterfeiting, following an investigation into a year-long string of reports of fake money.

9-6-2016 .35 Joe Skurzewski

Ward County Commissioners showed concern today over two necessary changes to the current jail expansion project, that would cost the county roughly 77 thousand dollars.

9-6-2016 .35 Joe Skurzewski

Former Bottineau science teacher, 24-year-old Marissa Deslauriers, who was set to stand trial later this month on accusations with a 15-year-old will change her plea.

9-7-2016 .36 Joe Skurzewski

Ishmeal Grant struck a plea deal in two separate domestic violence cases. He was sentenced to 2 years.

9-7-2016 .49 Candese Charles

Drivers who text are 23 times more likely to be involved in a crash. The Department of Transportation is working with law enforcement agencies in the state to enforce the ban on texting while driving.

9-8-2016 2.00 Joe Skurzewski

52-year-old Charles Soper received 35 years today after admitting earlier this year to a series of sex crimes with teenage boys he met on the internet.

9-14-2016 1.43 Candese Charles If you're heading out west, you won't be going as fast through the town of Ross. A woman recently worked with the DOT to get the speed reduced on Highway 2.

9-15-2016 1.27 Joe Skurzewski Bottineau County's justice system has needed more jail cells and a safer jail altogether for sometime now. The expansion is coming along.

Court Cases

7-1-2016 7-1-2016 7-7-2016 7-20-2016 7-20-2016 7-20-2016 7-21-2016 7-21-2016 7-25-2016 7-25-2016	Dennis Yeboah, 26 Roger Falana, 30 Cesar Ramirez, 35 William Wallace, 56 Adam Ray, 35 Marc-Richard Fong, 24 Marc Eichler, 55 Darnell Hankel, 63 Michael Dennis, 21	terrorizing and drugs murder GSI luring online gsi rape sex crimes with children animal cruelty reckless endangerment	40 years
7-25-2016	Joshua Peterson, 27	burglary	
7-27-2016 7-27-2016 7-28-2016 8-1-2016 8-9-2016 8-9-2016 8-10-2016 8-10-2016 8-12-2016 8-12-2016 8-12-2016 8-12-2016	Laura Gotvaslee and Jona Ryan LaFontaine, 18 Ishmeal Grant, 30 Russell Braun, 43 Heather Nelson Jacob Solberg, 20 Tucker St. Croix, 23 Lilliann Ray, 22 Isaac Twitchell Canthony Cooper, Jr, 23 Taylor Coleman, 22 Chance Moran, 26	athan Alm Velva Drowning robbery felonious restraint/assault GSI theft GSI – sex with child under 15 stolen vehicle stolen vehicle child porn forgery/counterfeiting forgery/counterfeiting evading arrest	dismissed 10 years
8-22-2016 8-23-2016 8-24-2016 8-25-2016 8-26-2016 8-26-2016 8-30-2016	Aaron Larson, 40 Adolfo Contreras-Castillo Vincent Musi, 25 Cocoa Cummings, 34 Cesar Ramirez, 35 James Music, 29 Richie Wilder, 30	murder murder robbery manslaughter GSI animal cruelty murder	4 years 35 years

8-30-2016	James Music, 29	animal cruelty	acquitted
8-31-2016	Vincent Musi, 25	robberies	8 years
9-2-2016	James Burns, 23	luring minors	
9-7-2016	Lance Robertson, 28	murder	14 years
9-9-2016	Tyrice Akins, 29	trafficking	5.5 years
9-9-2016	Antwan Alexander, 19	reckless endangerment	
9-9-2016	James Burch, Jr, 38	GSI – sex with 15 year old	20 years
9-13-2016	Jeremiah Tallman, 30	assault, restraint, terrorizing	
9-13-2016	Jarrod Henderson, 34	drugs	
9-13-2016	Robert Parizek, Jr., 39	drugs	
9-14-2016	Donald Vandal, 66	online luring	
9-19-2016	Brady Blotske		30 years
9-21-2016	Cheryl Johnson, 60	plea deal in Velva drowning death	
9-21-2016	Travis Mason, 37	pleaded guilty to aiding jail break	
9-22-2016	Marc Eichler, 55	GSI	
9-22-2016	Collin Grosz, 22	stolen firearms, property, drugs	

BUSINESS & THE ECONOMY

Many businesses are still expanding despite the down turn in the oil patch.

7-1-2016 1.44 Kaiti Firkins

There are a million different hair removal methods, but aside from shaving, waxing is probably the most popular. For this week's don't buy it until we try it, I tried Wonder Wax.

7-5-2016 1.34 Joe Skurzewski

A furniture company in the Peace Garden State is trying to keep people from having to travel far to shop. Joe headed to Garbel's Furniture in Kenmare in this week's Main Street Minute.

7-7-2016 2.05 Joe Skurzewski

For the eighth time Health and Hospitals Network magazine has named Trinity Health among the nation's Most Wired Health Systems, one of only two North Dakota based hospitals to make the Most Wired list.

7-8-2016 1.50 Kaiti Firkins

Dogs often spend time out in the sun with little relief until now. I tried out the polar pooch for this week's don't buy it until we try it.

7-11-2016 1.47 Joe Skurzewski

In Main Street Minute I checked out a couple of personal health and beauty shops in Minot, but first I look inside the town's newest auto service shop.

7-15-2016 1.35 Kaiti Firkins

The average American spends 101 minutes per day driving. That's a lot of getting in and out of a car and if you have back, hip or knee problems that can be a struggle. I tried out a new tool that claims to make it a little easier.

7-18-2016 1.51 Joe Skurzewski

A new center in Minot is trying to help other businesses get an edge by giving them the chance to mingle and work with other businesses. I swung by the Success Depot.

7-25-2016 1.56 Joe Skurzewski

One of the big parts of the every NDSF is to check out the commercial buildings and mingle with some of the business owners from across the Country.

7-29-2016 1.36 Kaiti Firkins

In this week's Don't Buy It, Until We Try It, Kaiti Firkins tested a product that makes filling the balloons easier and throwing them at people a little more colorful.

8-1-2016 1.03

Part of Main Street is expected to be clear of construction in a week.

8-1-2016 1.19 Joe Skurzewski

For this week's Main Street Minute, I headed all the way to Lake Metigoshe, where a new coffee shop and lunch spot has opened up with delicious treats and a special purpose behind it.

8-1-2016 1.37 Joe Skurzewski

City of Minot leaders released their tentative 2017 budget. Members of "Friends of the Souris River" want city leaders to consider alternatives to work on Burdick Expressway in an effort to preserve the dead-loop areas of the Souris River.

8-3-2016 .51 Stephanie Rank

In an effort to improve the intersection by Cashwise, the city of Minot and the owner of the house on the corner worked together to relocate the house to make way for a turning lane.

8-4-2016 1.07 Joe Skurzewski

Another downtown Minot business got the Cash Mob treatment. This time, it Budget Music and Video.

8-5-2016 1.58 Kaiti Firkins

The Olympics gather the greatest athletes in the world to compete on the biggest stage. But everyday millions of people lace up their shoes and pound the pavement, running is a very popular form of exercise, but often means no pockets for the essentials. That's where this week's Don't Buy It, Until We Try It product steps in.

8-8-2016 1.51 Joe Skurzewski

This week's main street minute features a couple of new businesses on Minot's North Hill. A new nail salon just opened up off of Broadway. But first I stopped by a special children's toy store near the North Hill Marketplace.

8-9-2016 1.21 Joe Skurzewski What happens to your electronics when you get rid of them? A partnership in the Minot area aims at cutting down on what's called "e-waste'.

8-12-2016 .55 Joe Skurzewski The Flower Box is now under new ownership.

8-15-2016 1.43 Joe Skurzewski

When you're looking for a place to exercise, you want a place where you get in shape and build self-esteem without judgement. The Curves in Minot offers that and now it's in a new location.

8-19-2016 1.45 Kaiti Firkins

There are dozens of products out there claiming to make your teeth whiter and brighter, but none mimic actual dental tools like Lume Smile, so I tried it out.

8-23-2016 1.51 Joe Skurzewski

There's a shop in Minot that serves as a collaborative effort for area junkers and artists alike. I got a look inside The Market on 4th.

8-26-2016 1.44 Kaiti Firkins Professionals can engrave just about anything, but Engrave It Pro says it can put that power in your hands. I put it to the test in this week's Don't Buy It, Until We Try. It.

8-29-2016 .47 Kaiti Firkins

The Downtown Infrastructure Revitalization Project finished up more major roads and intersections over the weekend.

8-26-2016 1.46 Joe Skurzewski

For this week's Main Street Minute, I learned more about a new preschool offered for area parents on Minot's North Hill. But first, I got a look inside one of the Magic City's newest auto repair.

8-30-2016 .46 Candese Charles

The City of Minot has revised the Citizen Participation Plan to comply with the Housing and Urban Development National Disaster Recovery Grant's guidelines.

9-2-2016 1.43 Kaiti Firkins

In a world where time is money, who wants to wait for a delicious brownie to bake in the oven. For this week's Don't Buy It Until We Try It, I made microwave brownies with the Rapid Brownie Baker.

9-2-2016 1.23 Joe Skurzewski

A Minot businessman bought a longtime establishment south of Minot Air Force Base, and turned it into Law Dawgs Bar and Grill.

9-9-2016 1.23 Kaiti Firkins

Laundry is the never ending story, no matter what there's always more to do, for this this week's don't buy it until we try it, we try the dryer sheep, the new fluffy way to make your laundry just that.

9-13-2016 1.44 Joe Skurzewski

I'm featuring a pair of new businesses in Minot in this week's Main Street Minute. A place where you can buy a hot tub or sauna just opened on south broadway. But first I met with the owner of a new car dealership in town.

9-13-2016 .35 Stephanie Rank Pita Pit is opening tomorrow after being closed since January.

9-16-2016 1.53 Kaiti Firkins

The Atomic Beam flashlight claims to be the brightest on the market and virtually indestructible, so I put the Minot Police Department on the case.

9-19-2016 1.34 Joe Skurzewski

The taste of Hawaii has made its way to the Magic City. I met the owner of the new Hula Grill.

9-22-2016 1.55 Kaiti Firkins

According to the Vision Council of America, approximately 75% of adults use some sort of vision correction. Dial Vision claims you can dial in your prescription.

9-26-2016 1.58 Kaiti Firkins

A Minot business guides families through end of life planning with grace and compassion and they've done it for nine decades. Joe spoke with members of the Thomas Family on how they've kept their funeral home a family affair for 90 years.

GOVERNMENT

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

7-5-2016 2.16 Joe Skurzewski Minot City Manager Lee Staab announced he'll be stepping down near the end of August.

7-6-2016 2.12 Joe Skurzewski

Leaders from across the state toured North Central North Dakota today to see the issues counties are facing. One is whether the state will continue to fund social service programs and keep property taxes down.

7-18-2016 1.41 Stephanie Rank

Starting August 1st, the Minot City Transit will expand their routes across the Magic City.

7-19-2016 2.00 Kaiti Firkins

Last night's speech from Melania Trump at the GOP national convention raised a lot of eyebrows and criticism after the speech showed striking similarities to one given by Michelle Obama eight years ago. Many have accused Trump of plagiarizing Obama's speech. I spoke with an English professor from Minot State to get his thoughts.

7-20-2016 2.09 Candese Charles

Construction in Minot has been fairly consistent since 2011, and although the danger of hitting a gas line is always a risk, the amount of lines hit has been happening less.

8-2-2016 1.32 Joe Skurzewski

The state's shortfall has had a trickle-down effect on communities across the state with a revenue shortage that's thrown a wrench into local leader's efforts to plan for 2017. I spoke with Minot City Manager Lee Staab on the challenges city leaders faced in crafting next year's budget.

8-8-2016 1.09 Candese Charles

Two new blocks are open to car traffic downtown. One block of Main Street and one block of First Avenue SE are now open.

8-8-2016 .46 Stephanie Rank

Minot Public Transportation is offering free bus fares this week. The transit system made changes to its routes at the beginning of the month in order to reach some of the new development and businesses in the city and also changed its operating hours.

8-10-2016 2.17 Nicole DesRosier

The MHA Nation recently mailed out its tribal disbursement checks worth \$1,000 each to its more than 15,000 tribal members. However, a number of members in and around New Town say they did not receive their checks in their usual post office box.

8-11-2016 .54 Nicole DesRosier

While the Postmaster General was in Bismarck, we asked Brennan today about the recent issue with the MHA Nations' disbursement checks at the New Town Post Office.

8-11-2016 2.03 Samantha-Jo Roth

A federal judge blocked our state's voter ID law saying it infringed on the rights of native americans.

8-12-2016 1.17 Joe Skurzewski

The democratic candidate for Governor Marvin Nelson toured the facilities at Minot State University today.

8-26-2016 1.54 Joe Skurzewski

News this week of an audit of the state's department of human services revealed a widespread lack of oversight into state day cares. I spoke with area social service worker and providers on what all goes into licensing and running a day care the right way.

8-31-2016 1.24 Joe Skurzewski

If you commute through Minot, you know all too well that the Burdick Expressway corridor needs work. Minot's Public Works Committee is moving forward with a tentative plan to fix it.

9-1-2016 .47 Stephanie Rank The construction on 16th street and 37th avenue southwest is nearing an end.

9-2-2016 1.51 Joe Skurzewski

A growing number of residents on Minot's North Hill are saying their pets are getting sick, and a weed is the cause. They say foxtail barley is blowing around town, getting into the dogs noses and mouths and racking up huge vet bills for the owners. The issue will come up again at the next City Council meeting.

9-6-2016 .59 Joe Skurzewski The city council voted to move forward with a recommendation with the North Dakota Department of Transportation on a renovation plan for the Burdick Expressway corridor.

9-7-2016 1.43 Joe Skurzewski

Minot's city council approved a plan last night to revamp a section of Burdick Expressway, but nearby residents want to learn more before construction begins.

9-12-2016 .54 Candese Charles

The Committee of the Whole addressed questions and asked for public input. Further explaining how the budget is formed and executed.

9-13-2016 1.22 Candese Charles

The Minot city change of government adhoc committee today to discuss how to proceed with changing the city council.

9-21-2016 1.10 Joe Skurzewski

Marvin Nelson, the democratic candidate for governor, shared his views on energy with the crowd at the conference today. He stressed the need for educational and job opportunities for residents in the Turtle Mountain area.

9-22-2016 1.14 Joe Skurzewski

Minot city leaders have drafted a vision for what's called the Renaissance Zone of the city, which includes transforming parts of the city for use for industry and commerce, while maintaining the city's history and beauty.

HEALTH CARE & MEDICINE

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

7-6-2016 2.06 Alex Coleman

No one knows which day will be their last, but for trinity's Hospice nurses, they want to make you as comfortable as possible, not only the patient but the family as well.

7-14-2016 1.48 Kaiti Firkins

Trinity Health is adding a new security measure to keep their tiniest patients safe and secure during their stay.

7-21-2016 1.40 Kaiti Firkins

Each year there are more new cases of skin cancer of the breast, prostate, lung and colon. I found out how to prevent skin cancer in the week's medical medical minute.

7-28-2016 1.12 Stephanie Rank

Sanford Health has expanded its services in Minot. Today the new northwest clinic opened.

7-28-2016 1.37 Kaiti Firkins

Today Trinity Health sponsored the Senior Day Festival, so I stopped by the Glaucoma screening to better understand why it's so important in this week's Medical Minute.

8-2-2016 2.01 Kaiti Firkins

Love has been the key for the Artz family since losing their son Nathan just a year and a half ago. Today they held a blood drive in his honor, something Nathan always wanted to be a part of, and now his family says it continues to grow.

8-3-2016 1.10 Kaiti Firkins

As preliminary work begins on the site of Trinity Health's proposed new hospital campus, designers and architects are meeting with doctors and administrators to make sure the health care center meets the needs of those in the area.

8-4-2016 1.29 Alex Coleman Local health organization are using this week to raise awareness for World Breast Feeding Week. Alex

Coleman spoke with local specialists about why breast feeding is important.

8-4-2016 1.59 Kaiti Firkins

For a growing number of children going back to school also means new glasses. August is children's eye health awareness month, so for this week's medical minute, I spoke with an ophthalmologist about the importance of kid's vision.

8-8-2016 .54 Kaiti Firkins

Face It Together is launching a statewide survey to learn more about the public's understanding of drug and alcohol addiction. Survey results will help the organization better meet the needs of the state when it comes to developing solutions to the addiction crisis.

8-10-2016 .48 Alex Coleman

A big change in EMS services in the southwest part of Ward County. Due to a lack of volunteers, Ryder and Makoti ambulance will no longer be responding to calls and Berthold, Plaza, Garrison, and Max will all be expanding their districts.

8-11-2016 2.04 Joe Skurzewski

Residents in the Rugby area have had to travel to Minot or even Grand Forks for treatment. But that's about to change. Heart of America Medical Center will be offering a cancer treatment center.

8-11-2016 1.53 Kaiti Firkins

Cupping has exploded since Olympians have been seen competing with tell-tale marks on their shoulders and backs, but it's a practice that has been around for thousands of years.

8-12-2016 2.03 Kaiti Firkins

Cupping is all the rage now. Yesterday in Medical Minute I showed you why this therapy works, but I wanted to experience it for myself. So I hopped on the table for this week's Don't Buy It, Until We Try It.

8-18-2016 1.57 Kaiti Firkins

The CDC says in 2012 the number of children identified with Autism Spectrum Disorder has increased from 1 in 150 children to 1 in 68 children. I found out how Trinity Health is more prepared than ever to help these kids.

8-24-2016 2.05 Joe Skurzewski

Now comes news of a large price hike for EpiPens at a time when families are already spending a lot on back-to-school.

8-25-2016 1.35 Kaiti Firkins

This time of year discussion about head injuries and concussions grow as high school and college students suit up and hit the field. I found out how professionals diagnose concussions and what needs to be done to protect young athletes.

8-25-2016 2.02 Joe Skurzewski

An audit of the North Dakota Department of Human Services has revealed major failures in the department and with county social service officials.

8-30-2016 .29 Joe Skurzewski

Trinity Health has agreed in principal on a legal settlement with 21 victims of the largest hepatitis c outbreak in recent U.S. history.

8-31-2016 .55 Kaiti Firkins

Trinity Health is committing to another 5 years of helping nursing students. Trinity Health is donating a total of 1.75 million dollars to Minot State University and Dakota College of Bottineau.

8-31-2016 2.31 Candese Charles

Tomorrow marks the beginning of National Recovery month. This year North Dakota ranked tenth as the most gambling addicted state, but the North Dakota Gambling Council is working to help addicts recover.

9-1-2016 1.50 Kaiti Firkins

Sleep related deaths are the number one killer of children under the age of one. In a recent report released by the American academy of pediatrics most parents are still putting their kids to sleep in an unsafe way. In this week's Medical Minute, I found out the safest way to put a baby to bed.

9-6-2016 1.13 Joe Skurzewski

A woman is calling on Minot's city leaders to expand Hepatitis C testing.

9-8-2016 2.07 Kaiti Firkins

A traumatic brain injury is an injury to the head that disrupts the normal function of the brain. Deaths from traumatic brain injury are down now that people are recognizing the signs and symptoms and getting treated earlier.

9-12-2016 1.15 Candese Charles

Prairie Federal Credit Union is giving back to local cancer patients in a fun way. The Tough Enough to Wear Pink fundraiser includes raffles for prizes such as gift baskets and Hostfest tickets.

9-12-2016 .48 Kaiti Firkins Today Trinity Health held the 3rd healthy hearts day to educate the people of Minot.

9-13-2016 .46 Kaiti Firkins

For 6 years Trinity Health has been giving people the opportunity to learn from nutritionists at the grocery store.

9-14-2016 1.52 Alex Coleman

In the last 60 plus years, community members have invested more than \$14 million toward the United Way.

9-14-2016 1.38 Kaiti Firkins

Childhood obesity has more than doubled in children and quadrupled in adolescents in the past 30 years. Between nutrition services and physical education, there is a major push to combat this 100 percent preventable problem.

9-22-2016 .40 Kaiti Firkins The 36th annual perinatal medicine and women's health care symposium kicked off today.

9-22-2016 1.59 Kaiti Firkins Trinity Health is preparing a new program called Weigh 2 Change as an effort to delay or prevent those with pre-diabetes from getting their diagnosis upgraded.

9-26-2016 .55 Kaiti Firkins

Tonight was the biggest fundraiser for the Dakota Hope Clinic and they had a special guest speaker. The clinic provides health services, support, and education related to sexual health, pregnancy, and parenting in Minot. Tonight they had Abby Johnson speak.

9-29-2016 1.52 Kaiti Firkins Many people have concerns about their teeth being worked on so many just don't go. A new technology is now being used to help relax dental patients without sedatives or drugs.

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.

7-1-2016 1.47 Stephanie Rank

The Fourth of July is a great time where friends and family gather to enjoy food, festivities and of course fireworks. But before lighting them we should take into account the effects fireworks can have on those around us.

8-12-2016 1.48 Joe Skurzewski More than two thousand people are heading to the Minot Air Force Base for the Northern Neighbors Day Air Show, Candese Charles spoke with one of the pilots performing in the show.

8-26-2016 .42 Candese Charles After a 6 month deployment and a 14 hour flight, airmen with the 5th Bomb Wing returned to U.S. soil this afternoon.

9-13-2016 1.13 Joe Skurzewski The group of Minot leaders that are part of Task Force 21 met with North Dakota's U.S. senators and U.S. Secretary of Defense Ash Carter to continue their support of Minot Air Force Base and the triad.

9-26-2016 1.50 Joe Skurzewski

One of the most powerful figures in our country paid a visit to Minot Air Force Base today. U.S. Secretary of Defense Ash Carter addressed the importance of our nation's nuclear deterrent.

SCHOOLS

Schools across the region are dealing with more students than ever before.

7-13-2016 1.22 Sephanie Rank The National Math and Science Initative is conducting professional development for North Dakota's teachers.

7-28-2016 .51 Alex Coleman Minot State University was awarded \$480,000 in matching grant funds from the North Dakota Higher Education Challenge Fund Grant Review Committee.

8-5-2016 1.09 Alex Coleman The 2016 summer class of Quentin N. Burdick Job Corps graduated this afternoon.

8-9-2016 .54 Alex Coleman The Salvation Army has begun its school supply drive. They are partnering with Town and Country and Sunrise Rotary Club.

8-9-2016 .28 Stephanie Rank MSU is building a new seasonal air-supported multi-sport dome over Herb Parker Stadium, which will provide year-round access to the artificial turf field.

8-17-2016 1.56 Alex Coleman In this week's community spotlight, Alex Coleman speaks with two graduates who will be starting their first year of teaching.

8-18-2016 1.44 Candese Charles

The new school year is starting next Wednesday for Minot Public Schools and the year long construction on John Hoeven Elementary school is finishing right on time.

8-22-2016 1.55 Alex Coleman

This past weekend incoming freshman moved into their dorm rooms to prepare for the school year.

8-24-2016 1.47 Joe Skurzewski Minot Public Schools are back in session today. Candese spoke with teachers, families, and students about the first day of school.

8-26-2016 .47 Joe Skurzewski Stanley elementary school has added a few additions to its facilities.

8-30-2016 .39 Stephanie Rank A Minot State University Student received the Bakken U Scholarship.

9-1-2016 .55 Candese Charles An educational documentary called Most Likely to Succeed is airing tonight at Central Campus.

9-1-2016 .58 Stephanie Rank

Stage fright may be common among children, but one program is aiming to help that fear disappear. Make a scene kids theatre project teaches young actors and actresses not only how to speak and act in front of large crowds but also give them life long lessons.

9-6-2016 1.12 Kaiti Firkins

This morning the president of the MSU spoke about the decisions that were made to cut the budget and how that affected the school.

9-7-2016 .49 Alex Coleman The North Dakota Humanities Council joined Minot State to present a new PBS documentary film, "Command and Control". It is based on Eric Schlosser's book, which was a 2014 Pulitzer Prize finalist for his account of misinformation surrounding America's nuclear stockpile.

9-8-2016 .46 Joe Skurzewski

Over the course of a year, more than 50 thousand meals are provided to students in Minot. The Backpack Buddies Program is a contributing factor that helps feed those children.

9-13-2016 .47 Alex Coleman It is Homecoming week on the MSU campus and tonight kicked off the annual M-Life Block Party.

9-22-2016 1.42 Stephanie Rank Minot High hosted to the Career and Technical Education Meeting today to discuss what needs exist in our community.

9-22-2016 .36 Candese Charles Minot High School's homecoming festivities started today with a pep rally and the royal court coronation.

9-28-2016 1.29 Joe Skurzewski

A proposal to fix the issue of parking in front of Longfellow Elementary is on hold, after residents showed concern to the Public Works committee this afternoon.

RECREATION

Many people are taking advantage of the recreational activities and events North Dakota has to offer.

7-6-2016 1.44 Kaiti Firkins Lake County Historical Society's Pioneer Village and Museum preserves the value of area history in a 5 acre, 22 building village.

7-13-2016 1.35 Kaiti Firkins The Peace Tower stands 120 feet tall. Unfortunately the tower is falling apart and will be demolished in the winter.

7-15-2016 1.53 Candese Charles We are a week away from opening night of the North Dakota State Fair. While families prepare for the fair, staff starts the finishing touches on the fairgrounds.

7-15-2016 2.19 Joe Skurzewski

Even though it's summer, there was plenty of action going on this past week athe Winter Park in Bottneau. I headed to the park to learn more about a group of volunteers that traveled a long way to help those with disabilities enjoy the great outdoors.

7-19-2016 1.52 Candese Charles

Many people consider their pets to be a part of the family, but for one little boy his dog is so much more.

7-20-2016 1.52 Alex Coleman

For just about 40 years, the souris valley animal shelter has been supplying animals and pet services to families. Alex checked out everything it has to offer.

7-22-2016 1.45 Joe Skurzewski

A longtime figure in the Minot music community is hanging it up. Jerry Spitzer, the director of tMinot's City Band is retiring after more than three decades at the helm.

7-22-2016 1.53 Stephanie Rank

One of the tasty treats at the fair are the famous homemade pies made by the members of the First Lutheran Church. Stephanie got a behind-the-scenes look at how these pies are made.

7-25-2016 1.01 Stephanie Rank

One of the staples of the NDSF is the livestock. Stephanie checked out what it takes to show an animal at the fair.

7-26-2016 1.36 Candese Charles

The Minot Fire Department hit record numbers on its first day of the fill the boot campaign.

7-26-2016 1.25 Stephanie Rank

With how hot it is at the fair, one vender has got you covered with their homemade sodas.

7-27-2016 1.29 Joe Skurzewski

If you've passed through the Fur Traders Rendezvous at the state fair this year, you've likely seen a guy hacking away at a giant log to make a canoe.

7-27-2016 1.42 Kaiti Firkins

Furry Creatures are all over the fairgrounds. Today we take a look at the Fido 500 with some of the tiniest racers on the fairgrounds.

7-28-2016 1.12 Candese Charles

Teaming up with the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals, DQ is raising money to help save and improve the lives of children at nearly 170 children hospitals across the U.S. and Canada.

7-28-2016 .38 Candese Charles The Water Day festival reeled in nearly 500 fair goers today, teaching them about critical water issues.

7-28-2016 1.43 Joe Skurzewski

The NDSF is also a chance for local musicians to show their stuff. I caught up with one Minot-area musician, Kody Ternes, on the opportunity to perform at the fair.

7-28-2016 1.25 Joe Skurzewski

Visitors at the NDSF are getting the chance to learn a thing or two about old-timey rifles at the fur traders rendezvous. The re-enacters show visitors how soldiers cleaned, loaded, and fired Civil War-era rifles.

7-29-2016 .53 Joe Skurzewski

NDSF attendance has fluctuated somewhat this year for the fair, so far.

7-29-2016 .42 Candese Charles

North Dakota One Call and 20 other companies mixed a little fun with some education today at the state fair. The companies had everything from cups to bags with message "call before you dig".

7-29-2016 1.57 Joe Skurzewski

A big part of every North Dakota State Fair is tradition. One family has worked as food vendors at the fair for all 51 years and even before it was called a fair. I spoke with the Straight family on their years of serving up treats.

7-29-2016 .58 Candese Charles

Today is National Wing Day, Buffalo Wings and Rings is not only celebrating be offering 69 cent wings, but it is also raising money to keep children from going hungry.

7-29-2016 .40 Stephanie Rank

Competitors in the cookie eating contest had 2 minutes to eat as many oreos as they could with only a tiny glass of milk. Those who competed won gift cards but the champion got tickets to see Jake Owen tonight.

7-29-2016 .53 Joe Skurzewski

It may not be part of the state fair but the Pioneer Village is also open during the fair.

8-1-2016 1.11 Alex Coleman

Minot National Night Out draws nearly 3,000 people to the Optimist Soccer Complex every year.

8-3-2016 2.03 Joe Skurzewski

A camp this week in Minot is giving kids a chance to learn a fundamental skill in life -- how to ride a bicycle at "I Can Bike".

8-3-2016
A man from Washington, D.C. is on a mission to honor his late father by going on a 3 year long road trip.
Mikah Meyer is following his dream of seeing all of the country's national parks.

8-5-2016 .32 Stephanie Rank

newfound fame.

1,126 strawberries, 12 hours, 6 people and a lot of elbow grease went into making a 50 foot long cake this morning. The South Broadway Marketplace created a super long strawberry shortcake today just for fun and for the community.

8-5-2016 1.38 Joe Skurzewski A pair of newlyweds who live in Minot recently found out that one of the photos from their special day has landed on the cover of a wedding magazine! I caught up with Rianne and Mitchell Kuhn to talk about their

8-8-2016 1.31 Alex Coleman Two members of ND Strong in North Dakota recently submitted their film "Heads or Tails" to the Sundance film festival. Alex Coleman shows us a little from the movie that was shot entirely in Minot.

8-9-2016 .56 Kaiti Firkins The International Peace Garden has selected a design to replace the crumbling Peace Tower. It selected the design titled Interwoven from GPP Architecture in Winnipeg.

8-10-2016 2.00 Kaiti Firkins Over the past 27 years, the Great Tomato Festival has grown to become a major fundraising event for nonprofits across the city.

8-10-2016 2.05 Alex Coleman The Roosevelt Park Zoo has been a part of the Magic City for 96 years. In this week's Community Spotlight, Alex Coleman finds out how visitors help benefit animals in the wild.

8-10-2016 .40 Alex Coleman The zoo welcomed a new baby dik-dik. It's the baby of Bella and Burton.

8-11-2016 1.30 Candese Charles The Why Not Minot Music Festival kicks off tonight at 7.

8-11-2016 .44 Candese Charles

Call before you dig, CHS, and Enbridge are celebrating National 811 Day today by reminding people to call before they dig.

8-11-2016 .42 Alex Coleman

Visit Minot hosted its third Movie in the Park of the summer. "Minions" was featured at the Oak Park Amphitheater.

8-11-2016 1.08 Candese Charles

First International Bank and Trust is teaming up with the Minot Young Professionals to raise money to help feed community members in need.

8-12-2016 .48 Candese Charles The Minot Aircraft Modelers are hosting their annual Fun Fly tomorrow.

8-15-2016 .58 Kaiti Firkins

100 golfers hit the links today at the Souris Valley Golf Course to benefit Trinity Health Cancer Care Center.

8-17-2016 2.15 Candese Charles

Though summer is coming to an end, music festival season is still underway. Rock the Leaves Organizers to find out more about Minot's biggest music festival in August.

8-26-2016 1.06 Kaiti Firkins

The North Dakota Women's Network has an event coming up to help them make women's equality a reality. Style by a Child let's children dress their moms for a week and each team creates a fundraising goal.

8-26-2016 .46 Alex Coleman

Hostfest University is excited to announce some special guests that will be leading the courses.

8-29-2016 .42 Alex Coleman

The Minot Street Art Movement is adding a new visual addition to downtown. The Minot Art Council is creating a massive mural near the old train station.

8-31-2016 1.45 Alex Coleman

Since 2013 Pride Minot has been encouraging people to be themselves. In this week's community spotlight, Alex Coleman talks with the new board president of Pride Minot to see what the organization has in store for the future.

9-2-2016 .46 Alex Coleman

The Largest Motor sports festival in the Upper Midwest kicked off this morning at the state fair grounds. Motor Magic includes events such as a history military vehicle display, dirt track auto racing, drag racing, endure racing, and a classic car auction.

9-2-2016 1.09 Kaiti Firkins

The Dog Days of Summer at Roosevelt Park gives dog owners a chance to get out and enjoy the outdoors with their canine companions one more time before it starts to get cold.

9-6-2016 1.30 Stephanie Rank

KMOT and United Blood Services have joined forces today to help increase our region's blood supply.

9-6-2016 1.00 Candese Charles

A retired airman plans to travel from one U.S. border to the other and back again to raise money and awareness for veterans and first responders. Rob Schutt says he's setting off on his motorcycle on Friday at the Canadian border near Westhope and taking Highway 83 to the Mexican border at Brownsville, Texas to raise money for the Gary Sinise Foundation.

9-6-2016 .48 Kaiti Firkins The Souris Valley United Way is giving people a chance to take a "swing" at winning \$100,000.

9-7-2016 .48 Kaiti Firkins

With the end of September deadline on the Tollefson Challenge quickly approaching, the Domestic Violence Crisis Center is working toward reaching its 165 thousand dollar goal. Saturday the Nodak Knockouts Roller Derby team is hosting a Roll-A-Thon.

9-7-2016 .51 Kaiti Firkins

Magic Day of Giving is almost here and is bigger than ever. Last year 860 volunteers helped with community service projects across Minot. This Friday almost 25 hundred people are set to do everything from siding houses and cleaning up the streets to putting together appreciation bags and lunch for police officers.

9-7-2016 .46 Alex Coleman

The Western Plains Opera are getting ready to open up its first show of the year with Rigoletto featuring an internationally acclaimed cast.

9-8-2016 1.05 Candese Charles

The St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation nominated a local Parkinson's support group facilitator for the Silversteen Community Service Award: Eilene Emily.

9-8-2016 .38 Candese Charles

Girl Scout season is starting and the scouts are holding their very first carnival this Friday night.

9-8-2016 .41 Stephanie Rank

The American Bikers Aiming Toward Education and the Minot Salvation Army are hosting a toy run this Sunday.

9-9-2016 1.55 Kaiti Firkins

Today thousands of people gave their time to help out people and organizations across the Magic City during the 3rd annual Magic Day of Giving.

9-9-2016 .49 Candese Charles

Nearly 300 community members plan to walk around Roosevelt Park with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

9-13-2016 .45 Alex Coleman

Miss North Dakota, Macy Christianson, is back from the Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City.

9-13-2016 .39 Candese Charles

Home of Economy's gator party kicked off today. The store started stuffing and the cooking the alligator on a Traeger Wood Fired Grill around five this evening.

9-21-2016 .49 Alex Coleman

The Price is Right tour has been playing to near sold out audiences for more than ten years and tonight it's come to the magic city.

9-21-2016 1.52 Alex Coleman

Taco John's hosts weekly fundraisers to help out community members. In this week's community spotlight, we check out how the franchise's events impact the community.

9-21-2016 1.08 Kaiti Firkins

The North Dakota Women's Network is halfway through the second annual Styled by a Child.

9-23-2016 1.44 Joe Skurzewski

The Roosevelt Park Zoo is one of the great highlights of life in Minot and now they have the paperwork to show for it. Zoo management just found out that the zoo will retain a special national accreditation.

9-23-2016 .45 Joe Skurzewski Five Star Honey Farms recently installed a honeybee exhibit at the zoo.

9-23-2016 .50 Alex Coleman It's day two of Minot State's 10th annual Notstock Arts festival, which includes theatre, printmaking, ceramics, and poetry.

9-26-2016 1.50 Stephanie Rank

The Norsk Hostfest kicks off this week and so has the cooking competitions. Marketplace Foods hosted its annual Lefse making competition today where the winner will compete again this Thursday at the festival.

9-27-2016 1.56 Joe Skurzewski Irish performer Daniel O'Donnell will take the stage tomorrow and he's invited some Minot dance students to join him.

9-28-2016 1.42 Alex Coleman

In this week's Community Spotlight, Alex visits with the volunteers who make the Norsk Hostfest so successful.

9-29-2016 2.04 Joe Skurzewski Clint Hill guarded the lives of five U.S. presidents and he's in Minot this week to share his stories.

ACCIDENTS AND DESTRUCTION

Many things happen that are beyond anyone's control.

7-13-2016 .30 Alex Coleman

An overnight fire destroyed a home on Minot's southwest side, and the resident escaped with only minor injuries.

8-4-2016 2.04 Stephanie Rank

Land owners and insurance agents were out accessing the damage from last night's storm in Rolette County. Many people witnessed a tornado touch down near Rolla, including the weather channel.

8-4-2016 .47 Kaiti Firkins

After a fire sent someone to the hospital last month, the fire department is teaming up with the Red Cross to check smoke detectors.

8-4-2016 1.19 Joe Skurzewski

County emergency managers stress the importance of being prepared for severe weather.

8-5-2016 .30

The national weather service says the initial damage survey shows the tornado in Rolette and Towner counties was an EF2.

8-5-2016 1.54 Joe Skurzewski State health officials say they believe they know what's making the Souris River look red, and they say there's no serious threat to the public.

8-15-2016 1.22 Joe Skurzewski

Red Cross volunteers from across the country are flocking to Louisiana to help those displaced by flooding and Carol and Allen Becker from Minot are joining them.

8-22-2016 .40 Alex Coleman Emergency services were called to deal with a fire in the penthouse above Ebenezer's in downtown Minot.

9-1-2016 1.33 Joe Skurzewski

The effects of massive flooding are something residents here know all too well. A couple from the Magic City just returned from a Red Cross deployment in Baton Rouge, where they came to the aid of families who have lost everything.

9-7-2016 .28 Joe Skurzewski

North Dakota health and wildlife officials say they are investigating a fish kill in the Des Lacs River. They say walleye, northern pike, perch, white suckers and numerous smaller fish have been found floating in the water and on the banks near Burlington.

9-8-2016 .19

Officials with the city of Surrey are advising residents to conserve water use. They say a water main ruptured this afternoon forcing city crews to reduce the water pressure.

9-8-2016 1.01 Joe Skurzewski

Another event going on this weekend carries some big meaning with it. Ebeneezer's Eatery and Irish Pub is spending some time celebrating the life of former general manager Hesston Whitty who passed away back in April.

9-13-2016 .53 Candese Charles

Crews struck a gas line in downtown Minot on First Street.