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Megan Vogt - Dog Enthusiast

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Madison Feltman - Flower Child

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Trevor Alveshere - Adventurer

It’s crazy to think how every single person you pass in your lifetime has a story of his or her own. We are often so busy with our own lives that we miss out on opportunities to learn about each other’s journeys as well. I hope this edition encourages readers to step out of their comfort zones and even surprise yourself with who you’re able to truly get to know.

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Devon Abler - Found Soul

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A message from the editors

Allison Bento - A Curious Mind

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Life is full of opportunities. Opportunities to grow. Opportunities to advance in a career. Opportunities to love and opportunities to leave a lasting impact. Theresa Hanley has shown me that she has the drive, the love and the motivation to impact the lives around her. She is not afraid to stand up for what she believes in and will do all she can to help anyone and everyone. Hanley has the drive and the motivation that spreads like wildfire. From motivation to go to class or motivation to keep on going.

Hanley has dreams and aspirations that show her drive as a friend to others and as a person around her community. She is a college student who is excited about her future and all it has to offer.

“I think my greatest struggle is to figure out what is next because I do not want to feel left behind and I do not want to feel left behind.” Hanley said. “I have a lot to look forward to. A lot of the people around me are looking forward to what is next. I want to be looking at what is next because I do not want to feel left behind and I think that is causing me to not enjoy my right now time.”

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I came to Dakota Student because I wanted to write for Dakota Student. I was working for The Daily NCSU when I first met the editor from Dakota Student and we ended up making a deal that I could write for Dakota Student if I could be the Editor of The Daily NCSU. I told him that I was interested in writing for Dakota Student and he said yes. I was then hired as the Editor of Dakota Student.

I wanted to be the Editor of Dakota Student because I believe that college journalists should be more professional and have more experience. I also believe that Dakota Student should have a better name for it to be more appealing to students. I believe that Dakota Student should have a better reputation for it to be more appealing to students. I believe that Dakota Student should have a better reputation for it to be more appealing to students. I believe that Dakota Student should have a better reputation for it to be more appealing to students.

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Joonghwa Lee

Joonghwa Lee is an assistant professor of communication here at UND. He is originally from South Korea and came to the United States in 2009. He got his Ph.D. in journalism and strategic communication from the University of Tennessee. He is now teaching at Dakota Student and is working on two books but was unable to publish them. He is also a business student. He has read a lot of books and has written a lot of manuscripts and published a lot of books for him. When he was young he understood why he took the time to read. He read a lot of books and was able to write a lot of books. He is very happy to report that I have never been a successful business student because he read a lot of books and was able to write a lot of books.

How did you decide you wanted to teach?

I never thought about becoming a professor, but after my dad passed away, I found out that my dad had written two books but was unable to publish them. He was also a professor. His first students were at the University of Tennessee, collected money, revised manuscripts and published a lot of books for him. When he was young he understood why he took the time to read. He read a lot of books and was able to write a lot of books. He is very happy to report that I have never been a successful business student because he read a lot of books and was able to write a lot of books.

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After that, I learned tuba because in there, so I learned to play it. I'd sit in the band room and one day, take my bike.

My dad brought home a bassoon from one of the storage closets at my school and told me to learn to play it. He gave me a book and I learned electric bass, and recorded all the instruments, producing out of one of the storage closets at my dad's. I learned all the bassoon, the alto, a bass. I learned to play them all.

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My church needed an organist, so I learned. It was really natural. I discovered the symphonies of Anton Bruckner and I listened to them and I could do my doctorate in composition at Northwestern. I didn't have my first real job and make my first real money until I got the position, is what I was 34.

This untraditional journey to music led to a wide open future in composition and Dr. Wittgraf's current position at UND. Dr. Wittgraf has performed all over the world and she started working on her composition. She has been inspired to come share his music with the world. Specializing in electronic music, most of his compositions incorporate different softwares and instruments, producing out of this world music.

Maddie Two Crow
Dakota Student

Michael Wittgraf is known for his role at UND as a music theory teacher, bassoon instructor and composer here at the University. His path to music was unexpected, but was a solid path of exploration.

"My mom was my piano teacher and I started playing piano when I was six. Even earlier, I remember taking my dad's baton and conducting along to recordings of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. My dad was a public school music teacher. He taught me elementary music in fourth grade and he was my high school band director. I learned to play a lot of instruments. I learned saxophone, and recorder, and piano. My dad actually had a full set of recorders, he had one of the soprano ones, an alto, a bass. I learned to play them all.

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Izaiah Reynolds is a face that many would recognize walking through the University of North Dakota campus. He is someone who puts the utmost value in his connections with those around him and the impact that he leaves behind him.

“Think one way UND has shaped my life has been personally,” Reynolds said. “The way I interact with people and the way people interact with me and how we are benefiting from each other, those are the most important things to me.”

Colton Poolman

Kyle Kinnamon
Dakota Student

Poolman will continue to set the tone for himself among his peers to be our captain, which is exactly what the coaching staff thought too,” head coach Brad Berry said.

“Colt really has what it means to be a Sioux. He is a great leader on and off the ice,” senior alternate captain Hayden Shaw said. “He is such a great player and works incredibly hard, especially in the weight room. He sets the tone with how he competes every day in practice.”

Poolman grew up in East Grand Forks and has been around the area for nearly his whole life. He understands the responsibility that comes with being the captain of such a historic program like North Dakota.

“It is an honor,” Poolman said. “It is a very humbling thing to be named captain here, especially growing up here seeing all the North Dakota hockey history. For the Poolman name in North Dakota setting the tone for himself and leaving even more of a legacy for the Poolman name in North Dakota, Poolman has taken every opportunity available and ran with it to the fullest, while constantly remembering the privilege he has to play at North Dakota.

Poolman exemplifies an unwavering work ethic that inspires those around him on and off the ice.

“He is a guy who does not cut corners. Whether it is in the classroom, on the ice or in the community he is a guy who does everything to the fullest,” Berry said. “He does everything at the highest level, where it makes the accountability on the part of the rest of the players in the locker room get to that level.”

Colton Poolman

Madison Overby
Dakota Student

Colton Poolman looks to the puck during a game against St. Cloud State

“I want to be someone who pushes the envelope,” Reynolds said. “Not only as I’m here at the school but I want to be able to, as they say, leave that legacy. That being said, if I leave something here, I want it to kind of be a blueprint for future growth. I want to create something that changes with the times and can adapt to what people need.”

The thing that Reynolds really stressed was all that Grand Forks and UND has brought to him. Reynolds grew up in North Carolina and moved here with his family a year before starting at UND. Although the move made him a little bit nervous because of the huge change, he was welcomed by the community which made the transition a lot easier.

“The thing’s really different between Grand Forks and North Carolina is that people here really care,” Reynolds said. “There’s a willingness to help here on campus. There are so many people that don’t mind putting just a little bit of extra work to see you be successful.”

Izaiah-Reynolds is a name that will be seen and heard throughout the Grand Forks community for many years to come. He truly is someone who is passionate about building a legacy that can change the path of UND to produce greaterers ready to take on the world.

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