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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

MAY 1 Rotary Scholarship Banquet

> MAY 8 Dr. Chad Williamson MSU Wildlife Ecology



Have a suggestion for a weekly program? Let Staci Kenney know!



The Rotary Club of Minot Weekly Newsletter

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Minot is on a Roll!

Article submitted by Bruce Walker; written by Minot Past Rotarian & PHF—Todd Berning, President of EPIC Companies

Over the years, Minot has had to endure some economic obstacles, two oil industry economic downturns and two catastrophic floods. Minot is MAGIC, as the community always finds a way to not only survive, but to move forward, take care of itself, and grow --- hold on for the next five years, as Minot is an Economic Development Director's dream come true!

The Minot Air Force Base is beginning a massive nuclear renovation, the public and private school systems are growing and adding on much needed facilities, a new city hall, the Magic City Discovery Center, and the new Trinity Hospital are doing what many said couldn't be done – opening a brand new \$500,000,000 state of the art health facility - is a game changer.

These community assets plus very good leadership in these areas and other areas like Visit Minot, Chamber of Commerce, city leaders – from both employees and politicians, the park district, county, and University leadership, the community is ready to roll!

Minot has low apartment vacancies, low housing counts, and commercial space is filling up. As a community, we need to solve these areas at a managed pace solution, along with continuing to add amenities for the public that can also be used for retaining our young people and recruiting new families to move to the city.

EPIC's home is Minot. It has several key employees from Minot, has studied Minot, and once the Tracks and Big M are complete, EPIC, along with its investors, will have invested over \$200,000,000 in the community of Minot.

The Tracks will be seven, six and seven story buildings, a parking ramp, two community plazas, apartments, condos, retail, and a hotel. It will be a complete compliment to Trinity Health, directly across the street. The Big M will be completed in 18 months and will have condos, apartments, and retail.

Getting this building back online and being a part of a much-improved vibrant downtown, will just add to the vibrancy of downtown Minot! Pretty soon, everyone will appreciate the two parking ramps that are currently downtown.

Minot has great potential to grow. It will take government investment, local private investment, and great communication among all the community partners to make it happen.

EPIC is happy to be a part of such a dynamic community!

HELP US BUILD OUR MEMBERSHIP

Do you know someone that should be a part of Rotary? Let us do the work! Use the link below to submit a lead and the membership committee will follow up with an official invite to the meeting. Members that submit leads will have their name put into a drawing for some great prizes!

Rotary

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Districts

TINYURL.COM/ROTARYLEADS



Birthdays None

Anniversaries

None

Club Anniversaries

May 1, 1993 Blaine DesLauriers



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