

## News from the Executive Director

“Welcome!” We are excited to have our students back on campus. I had the opportunity to greet and help students, parents and their families during move in weekend on Aug. 20–21. It was so fun to see the smiles and excitement as they were welcomed by our NDSCS faculty and staff. Proud parents, grandparents, and especially the younger siblings, assisting and helping students get settled. I am sure many of you might remember that feeling of excitement, anticipation and nervousness about your first few days of college. I hope if you are currently part of that experience with a child or relative, you are able to reassure them there is a great adventure awaiting them here at NDSCS. Thank you for being that influence and supporter for these young adults.

NDSCS just started its 114<sup>th</sup> year as a college. As we begin a new academic year, we are experiencing many changes. Some are a little more challenging than others, but each will help make NDSCS a stronger and more beautiful place.

We have been very busy with the major water and sewer project on the Wahpeton campus. It looks a little like a jigsaw puzzle with a few pieces still missing. We are told by the time the snow flies, we will have most of the campus restored. The remaining projects will be completed next spring and summer. If you get back to campus, please stop in and we’ll help you get to the places you might want to see.

Another challenge is the budget short fall for the state of North Dakota. This is taking a toll on our current budget and forcing us to take a strong look at our next biennium budget. As a recent board member shared, “we are in a time, in which, we need to show our *resiliency*.” I am sure our fore fathers showed resiliency during many difficult times. The Alumni Foundation’s mission is to *Support and assist those activities that develop and strengthen the North Dakota State College of Science*. We will continue to show our support by reaching out to you, our alumni and friends, to help us continue to grow and prosper at NDSCS, for its students, future workforce and leaders.

Until next time! Kim

## Fun News

Twenty-seven businesses from Wahpeton/Breckenridge and the surrounding communities participated in the 2016 Business Expo on the Wahpeton NDSCS campus, Monday, August 23, 2016. New and returning students had the opportunity to learn about service available to them in our community. Thanks to all the businesses and organizations that participated!



Red Door Art Gallery

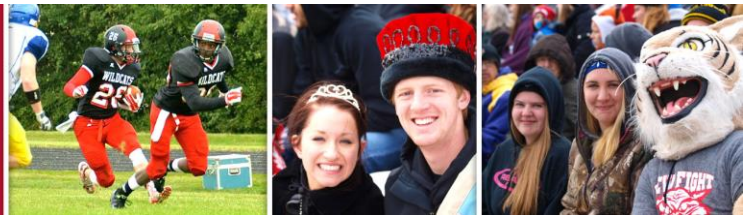


Corner Drug



Cargill

## Homecoming 2016



**NDSCS** is proud of their long-standing Homecoming tradition and welcomes alumni, family, friends and the community on campus to celebrate **Friday & Saturday, Sept. 23-24, 2016.**

Visit our website to register for the [Alumni & Friends Social and Awards event and the Hall of Fame Banquet](#). Help us honor the [2016 Alumni Award Winners & Hall of Fame Inductees](#).

**Order your commemorative Homecoming long-sleeve t-shirt by Sept. 1, 2016.** [Place your order](#) online and pick up your shirt at the NDSCS Customer Service Desk in the Hektner Student Center after Sept. 19. If you are not attending – but would still like a t-shirt – we can send one to your home.

For a complete list of all the 2016 Homecoming Events, including the [All-Class RN & LPN Nursing Reunion](#), [5K Walk/Run for Awareness](#), [Homecoming Parade](#), and game times go to:

<http://www.ndscsalumni.com/news-events/homecoming/>

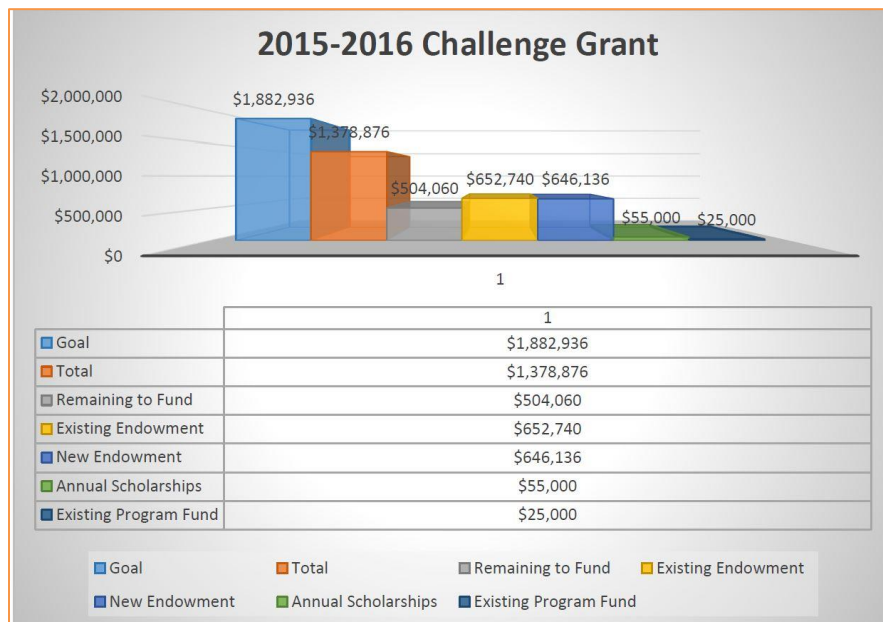
# Challenge Grant Update

We are very close to meeting our goal for this round of ND Challenge Grant. Our next deadline is September 6<sup>th</sup>. If you have an interest in helping us with a donation, please contact:

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In 2015, North Dakota legislators once again offered the North Dakota Challenge Fund Matching Grant Program. NDSCS has been allocated up to \$941,468 in matching funds to be awarded if \$1,882,936 in private donations is raised. The guidelines for the program are as follows: Funded projects must be at least \$25,000 in size and exclusively dedicated to enhance academics including investments in research, scholarships, technology, endowed chairs and investments in educational infrastructure. Your gift can be pledged over a five year period.



## Sponsorship Highlight

Thank you to Wells Fargo for joining us at a Bronze level NDSCS Foundation Sponsor. Your donation will help the Foundation continue to be that fundraising arm we are for the NDSCS campuses and our students.



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## Hotel Storm



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[Save up to 55%](#) on hotels for fall travel, just for NDSCS alumni. We've partnered with HotelStorm to offer our Alumni & Friends [exclusive savings on hotels](#), so you can explore and spend time with loved ones all over the world. Use password **Wildcats** to unlock savings at [HotelStorm](#). Stay tuned for more NDSCS benefits through HotelStorm to come!



## Join the NDSCS Alumni/Foundation Club

Your *gift* makes *great things possible for NDSCS*. Since 2013, the Foundation has helped provide \$940,000 in student scholarships to deserving students. Because of you and your generosity, we continue to find new and exciting ways to help NDSCS succeed in providing the cutting edge education our bright young students require to meet the workforce needs in North Dakota and the entire Midwest.

Your gift to the Foundation is **tax deductible** and it's a great way to stay connected to NDSCS! Please take a second and see how you can sustain your membership in the Foundation Club or join for the first time by going to: <http://www.ndscsalumni.com/giving-opportunities/>

Donate Now!

## 2016 Alumni Review

If you did not receive a [2016 Alumni Review](#), it is available on-line.