

## Homecoming Award Criteria & Past Award Winners

### Alumna / Alumnus of the Year (award began in 1958)

#### Criteria

1. Must have attended NDSSS/NDSCS as a full-time student for at least one quarter/semester.
2. Accomplishments since attending or graduating from NDSCS
3. Interest in education
4. Reflects favorably on college
5. Consideration should be given to his/her ability to connect with people or companies for support to NDSCS
6. Show willingness to be charitable to NDSCS

#### Past Award Winners

Andy Hausauer	1958	Carlyle P. Austinson	1989
George Brackin	1959	Mercedes Morris.	1990
John Simonson	1960	Leister Graffis	1991
Gorman Jacobson	1961	Mabel Gran Ulsaker	1992
R.J. Hughes	1962	Vernon Hektner	1993
B.P. McCusker	1963	Mark Kuhn	1994
D.B. Allen	1964	Gloria Traynor Helms	1995
Lambert Huppeler	1965	Harvey Dahl	1996
Leo Gilles	1966	Jack Pfister	1997
Sidney Thompson	1967	Richard Hodgson	1998
Robert Caspers	1968	Casey Miller	1999
C.H. Youngdahl	1969	Arden Helland	2000
Willard Grager	1970	Jim Sturdevant	2001
Charles Trapp	1971	Doug Kjellerup	2002
Clarence Bladow	1972	Wesley Allen	2003
Donald Gripentrog	1973	Arland Olerud	2004
Dr. DeLos Halvorson	1974	Sen. Tony Grindberg	2005
Ralph Mecklenburg	1975	Robert Tuchscherer	2006
Everett Westphal	1976	Michael "Mick" Dunn	2007
Robert Yaggie	1977	Ted Carr	2008
John Zimbrick	1978	Cliff Hermes	2009
Wilbur Lunday	1979	Wayne Dempsy Worner	2010
Horace C. Johnson	1980	Bernard "Bernie" Meyer	2011
Lester Stern	1981	Jeanette Miller	2012
Rose Radloff	1982	Terry Goerger	2013
Swan Peterson, Jr.	1983	Tim Purdon	2014
Margie Maricle Hoeft	1984	Perry Miller	2015
Palmer Score	1985	Woody Caspers	2016
Donald A. Erickson	1986	Gary Marquardt	2017
Ewald Jungnitsch	1987	Roger Worner	2018
Evelyn Dada Bowman	1988	Craig Caspers	2019
		Michael Worner	2020
		Vanessa Hackey Kummer	2021
		Roger Hentges	2022

**Parade Grand Marshal**  
(award began in 1969)

**Criteria**

1. Friend and advocate for the college
2. Supports the college and their programs
3. Renders encouragement and willing to serve when called upon
4. Goodwill ambassador
5. Unselfish and willing to when possible share time and be charitable as well as reach out to others
6. Show willingness to be charitable to NDSCS

**Past Award Winners**

Norman Devick	1969	Madeline Miller	2007
Pat Goggin	1970	Fran Werre	2008
Merle Hoppert	1971	Woody & Connie Caspers	2009
Bill Richardson	1972	Dee Jensen	2010
Wallace Nordgaard	1973	Robert & Mary Gette	2011
B.J. Williams	1974	Carol & Blayne Helgeson	2012
Frank Gregor	1975	Ed & Cathy Uhlich	2013
Jerome Meide	1976	Shirley Fox Trydahl	2014
Helen Zarling	1977	Gayle Grubele	2015
Clyde & Phyllis Emery	1978	Ed & Pat Shorma	2016
Clarence Moore	1979	Margaret Wall	2017
Russell Thane	1980	Barbara Bang	2018
Roy Hausauer	1981	Mary Kosel / Linda Patterson	2019
John Reber	1982	Larry Merbach	2020
Vernon Johnson	1983	Ardeith Juven Richter	2021
Ed Werre	1984	Vivian Bernotas	2022
Mrs. Paul Green	1985		
Elizabeth R. Haverland	1986		
Lawrence & Mabel Ulsaker	1987		
Douglas Kjellerup	1988		
George A Norwood	1989		
Arlie Steen	1990		
Pete & Susie Sebens	1991		
Gary Marquardt	1992		
Alvin "Ace" Eckre	1993		
Bernard Hilgers	1994		
Donald Tobin	1995		
Harold Bruschwein	1996		
Julian Szczur	1997		
Rose Halvorson	1998		
Floyd Hauschild	1999		
Cindy Schreiber Beck	2000		
Gordon & Grace Patterson	2001		
Bernie & Patti Steeves	2002		
Carl Holvick	2003		
Merton Earl	2004		
LaVonne Blikre	2005		
Larry & Audrey Monge	2006		

**Wildcat of the Year**  
(award began in 1967)

**Criteria**

1. Friend and supporter of NDSCS functions and programs
2. Be an advocate and willing to give endorsement to the school administration, faculty and staff
3. Whenever possible to render services and encouragement to students, student activities, athletes, and support groups
4. Rally behind and come to the defense of the school when needed
5. Willing to join in social programs and fellowship opportunities provided on campus or elsewhere whenever possible
6. Show willingness to be charitable to NDSCS

**Past Award Winners**

Vernon Johnson	1967	Myron Koppang	1999
B.C. Thompson	1968	Gary Marquardt	2000
Virgil Sturdevant	1968	Dayle Dietz Stroh	2001
Ella Stern	1969	Dee & Owen Jensen	2002
Harry Stern	1969	Gary Ness	2003
Marjorie Vertin	1970	Lance Wolf	2004
Clifford Johnson	1970	Mitskog Chiropractic	2005
Robert Hertenberg	1971	KBMW-Bill Dablow	2006
J.R. White	1971	Daily News-Mitzi Moe	2006
Mel Sherva	1972	Max Reinke	2007
George Kaufmann	1972	Grace Lehman	2008
Elizabeth Haverland	1973	Scott & Sandy Meyer	2009
Warren Doberstein	1973	Bob & Betty Veland	2010
William Grosz	1974	Art & Linda Grochow	2011
Elroy Cimbura	1975	Mike & Linda Neppl	2012
Patrick Milloy	1976	Dale Grosz	2013
Mildred Johnson	1977	Doug & Judy Peterson	2014
Don Jacobson	1978	Fred & Wanda Strege	2015
Gordon Patterson	1979	Harold & Jean Diederick	2016
Lonnie Broberg	1980	Maria Kaduc	2017
Della Stern	1981	Dean Twidwell	2018
Mary Hovel	1982	Larissa Gilbertson	2019
First Bank-Wahpeton	1983	Tom Shorma	2020
Norwest Bank-Wahpeton	1983	Kara Gruenberg	2021
Bob Lyngstad	1984	Curt Gollnick	2022
Dale E. Peppel	1986		
Bill & Betty Richardson	1987		
Mercedes Morris	1985		
Don Hass	1988		
Arlo Kilber	1989		
Butler Machinery Company	1990		
Odin Stutrud	1991		
Werner Zentner	1992		
3M Company - Wahpeton	1993		
Melroe Company	1994		
Cliff Hermes	1995		
Minn-Dak Farmers Co-op	1996		
Ernest Christenson	1997		
Ed Werre	1998		

## NDSCS – A Family Tradition

(award began in 1999)

### Criteria

1. Family has a tradition of generations of attendance at NDSCS
2. Continues to be ambassadors for NDSCS
3. Provide support to the college through various means
4. Show willingness to be charitable to NDSCS

#### Past Award Winners

Duane & Shirley Marohl Family	1999
Leo & Catherine Yaggie Family	2000
Morris Family	2001
Cliff & Donna Hermes Family	2002
Ed & Pat Shorma Family	2003
Ed & Cathy Uhlich Family.	2004
A.W. Luick Family	2005
Arnie & Lucille Mund Family	2006
Carl & Ida Haberman Sr. Family	2007
Larry & Jeanette Miller Family	2009
Ed & Marlene Straus Family	2010
Harold & Patty Sauter Family	2011
Michael & Mary Jacklitch Family	2012
Madeline & Darrel Miller Family	2014
Duane & Delfena Ballweber Family	2015
Cliff & Pauline Worner Family	2016
Janet & Wayne Baker Family	2017
Delano & Myrna Lotzer Family	2018
Joseph & Louise Krebs Family	2019
Anton & Em Krebs Family	2020
Louis and Bernice Keller Family	2021
Hilgers Family	2022

**Friend of the College Distinguished Service Award**  
(award began in 1999)

**Criteria**

1. Service can be for community or college-related or reflects good toward the college
2. Has attained exceptional achievement in business
3. Significant contribution to society/community
4. Shows interest in higher education
5. Willing to partner with the college through internships
6. Provide employment to NDSCS graduates
7. Show willingness to be charitable to NDSCS

Past Award Winners

Roy Hausauer	1999	Durlyn Herman	2007
Fritz Scholder	2000	American Federal Bank, Linda Kocher	2008
Ben Williams.	2001	Gate City Bank, Mike Lee	2008
Bremer Bank, Jana Berndt.	2002	US Bank, Matthew Holmquist	2008
Econofoods, Dan Hodgson	2002	Butler Machinery	2009
Bill Grosz	2003	Hinsverk TV & Appliance	2010
Tom Kotnour	2003	Kip Christensen	2011
Judy Lee	2003	Corner Drug, Paul & Lee Ann Folden	2012
Russ Thane	2003	General Equipment / Don Shilling	2013
Cargill Company, Red Geurts	2004	Industrial Builders	2014
Bruce Christianson	2005	Minn-Kota Ag/Jody Schuler	2015
Mark Hove	2005	Econofoods	2016
Rod & Lois Westby	2005	Bell Bank & Bell Wealth Management	2017
Jan Halvorson	2005	Minn-Dak Farmers Coop	2018
Karen Krump	2005	Wells Fargo	2019
		Great Plains Hospitality Dan Hurder	2020
		Smith Motors	2021
		C&S Farms	2022

## Commitment to Excellence Award

NDSCS Employee  
(award began in 2000)

### Criteria

1. This past or present employee of NDSCS has shown an extra-ordinary willingness to support and promote NDSCS Alumni/Foundation priorities and projects
2. He/She is highly regarded, on campus, as well as in the greater community for so generously giving of his/her time, talent and treasures.
3. Show willingness to be charitable to NDSCS

#### Past Award Winners

Judy McDaniel	2000	IT Department	2009
Neil Rittenour	2001	Harvey Link	2010
Mary Uhren	2001	Terry Marohl	2011
Marlys Baumann	2002	Mary Uhren	2012
Paul & Laurie Lekang	2003	Kyle Armitage	2012
Margaret Wall	2004	Richard Siegel	2012
Steve Krohn	2005	Sherri Metcalf	2013
Vivian Bernotas	2006	Lyle Walen	2013
David Trangsrud	2006	James "Jim" Johnson	2014
Joel Johnson	2007	Shelley Blome	2016
Jay Schimelfenig	2007	Kevin Bauer	2017
Jim Johnson-Autobody	2007	Kerri Kava	2018
Havey Medenwaldt	2008	Rebecca Truesdell	2019
Shirley Fox Trydahl	2008	Karen Bajumpaa	2019
		Michelle Nelson	2020
		Tana Erbes and Leslie Shirek	2021

## NDSCS Tradition Award

Award started in 2009

### Criteria

This award is given to an Individual(s) who helps create student or alumni passion for NDSCS through their year-to-year efforts with a club, event, or group. This award celebrates the building of tradition with the college and recognizes the "extra efforts" of those involved with creating and continuing those traditions.

#### **Past Award Winners:**

**2009** – Original Founders/Directors of the NDSCS Letterwinner's Club

Gordon Patterson – (38)	Duane Holly – (49)
Cliff Hermes – (50)	Don Engen
Don Tobin	Dean Knapp - Deceased
Treadwell Haugen – (54)	Ed Werre – (42) Deceased
Jeffrey Schmidt – (72)	Joe Skovolt – (29) Deceased
Robert Yaggie – (60)	Dave Wolf – (39) Deceased
Norm Starr – (50)	M.L. "Bud" Beeson – (30) Deceased

**2013** – Max Reinke – Founder of the NDSCS Wildcat Summer Sports Camps

**2019** – Linda & Art Grochow – Support of Foundation and DREAMS Auction

## **NDSCS Young Alumni Award**

Award started in 2023

### **Criteria**

1. Must have attended and graduated from NDSCS
2. Individual must have demonstrated early significant professional achievement
3. Individual must demonstrate outstanding leadership, character, and humility which NDSCCS seeks to develop in each student
4. Individual who have shown support of NDSCS
5. These persons should have lives that exemplify the college mission statement of NDSCS
6. Provide employment to NDSCS graduates
7. The award is restricted to “Young Alumni” age of 45 and younger

### **Past Award Winners:** 2023 –

### **Other Awards**

<b><u>“CENTENNIAL LEADERSHIP AWARD”</u></b>	Craig Caspers	2003
<b><u>“CENTURION LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD”</u></b>	Carl Holvick	2003
<b><u>“CENTENNIAL DISTINCTIVE SERVICE AWARD”</u></b>	John Zimbrick	2003
<b><u>“KEY TO THE FUTURE AWARD”</u></b>	Jeanette Miller	2003
<b><u>“PRESIDENT’S PROUD PAST-VITAL FUTURE AWARD”</u></b>	Wilbur Lunday	2003