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Fargo employees presented a check for \$3,600 to the United Way of Cass Clay. Pictured L to R: Nowelle Kissner, Christine Huff, Lindi Lettenmaier, Travis Christopher (United Way), Tyler Jager, Tracey Christman, Lisa Millar, and Teresa Maczkowicz.

HOLIDAY HOURS:

MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 27
Offices Closed

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Thursday, July 4
Offices Closed

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MEET THE EASTER BUNNY IN STANLEY AND KENMARE

Friday, April 19
1:30 - 3 p.m.

STANLEY BBQ

Friday, May 31
11:30 - 1 p.m.

MINOT AND FARGO ZOO DAY

Thursday, June 6
All Day

KENMARE

TACO IN A BAG

Thursday, June 6
11:30 - 1 p.m.

RYDER PICNIC

Thursday, June 13
11:30 - 1 p.m.

80TH ANNUAL MEETING AND BOARD ELECTION RESULTS

Over 230 members gathered to celebrate 80 years of member service and a year full of accomplishments at this year's annual meeting in Fargo and Minot. The meeting included addresses by DelRae Geinert, Board Chair, and Jeremiah Kossen, President/CEO.

DelRae stressed the importance of our mission, vision and values and noted the many changes the credit union has made this past year to Positively Impact those we serve. She thanked Jeremiah for his leadership and then recognized her fellow board members and their spouses for their continuous commitment to the credit union. She thanked Town & Country employees for their hard work and recognized members in attendance for their part in making Town & Country so successful.

Jeremiah thanked the board and staff for their commitment to serving our members while fulfilling our mission, vision and values. He commented that the credit union remains financially strong and then discussed the 2018 Impact Report which covers the many accomplishments of the past year. Jeremiah noted one of his favorite accomplishments – over 2 million dollars paid back to the membership in forms of interest paid, dividends, cash back and ATM refunds. He again thanked everyone for their continuous efforts and cued a movie that focused on the culture and history of Town & Country.

Board Elections & Nominating Committee

The next order of business was to ask for three nominations from the floor for the 2019 nominating committee, Kathy Holte (Minot) was the only member nominated, so

two additional members will be appointed by the Board Chair at a future board meeting, in accordance with the bylaws.

Prior to the annual meeting, voting was conducted online and by phone for the one Minot board seat and two at-large board seats. Due to a bylaw change in the fall of 2018, this was the first time members were being elected to at-large seats.

The first result announced was for the Minot board seat. Kevin Harmon, Jay Hight and incumbent Joanne Lautenschlager ran for this position. Kevin earned the most votes and will serve a three-year term as the Minot representative.

Jay and Joanne were then in the running for the two at-large seats along with Leah Dalton and John Tassava of West Fargo

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and Keith Steinberg of Fargo. Leah and Jay received the most votes and will each serve a three-year term. Ray Kopp, Joanne Lautenschlager and Jeri Novak, all of Minot, were recognized (continued on back)

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for their years of service as a volunteer board member. They were each presented with a commemorative award at the Minot meeting.

For the past six years, Town & Country Credit Union has donated the annual meeting ticket sales plus a matching contribution to a nonprofit selected by employees. The Fargo annual meeting donation of \$500 was given to the Northern Lights Council – Boy Scouts of America and the Minot annual meeting donation of \$750 was given to the Magic City Discovery Center.

Attendees also had the chance to take home door prizes at the end of the night, including Town & Country Credit Union merchandise and cash prizes.

Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate with us, and we hope to see you at our 81st Annual Meeting next year!



Thank you to our outgoing board members for their years of service to Town & Country Credit Union! Pictured L to R: President/CEO Jeremiah Kossen, Jeri Novak, Joanne Lautenschlager, Ray Kopp, and Board Chair DelRae Geinert.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT, MARK!



One could say Mark Larson grew up at the credit union. A member since he was a baby, Mark joined Town & Country as a Loan Officer in March of 1981, just months before he graduated from NDSU with an agriculture degree. He grew in his position, becoming a manager after just four years. Three years later, he turned his focus to agricultural and business lending and has remained in that arena ever since (other than an 8-month stint as Interim CEO in 2007).

During his career, he's hired and promoted many, helping them get their start in the industry. He's also been involved in legislative affairs with the local chapter and at the state level throughout the years. If you know Mark, you know he's always ready with a joke or a smile, and holds his relationships with his members close to his heart. After 38 years at Town & Country Mark has now retired from his role as SVP of Ag & Commercial Lending. We are appreciative of his many contributions and wish him well in retirement.

BEUCHLER JOINS TOWN & COUNTRY

Fred Beuchler recently rejoined the Town & Country Credit Union team as the SVP, Business Lending. A Minot native, Fred started at Town & Country as a teller in the Fargo 25th Street location while he was attending college at NDSU. He transferred to our Minot location in 2001 and began his career as an ag lender.



In addition to his bachelor's degree, Fred is a graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at Colorado. He has over 17 years of lending experience and most recently served as SVP, Chief Lending Officer at a regional bank. Fred will provide leadership for the Ag and Commercial lending departments across all Town & Country locations. He is based in our Minot Main location.

LUND JOINS TOWN & COUNTRY

Roseann Lund has joined Town & Country Credit Union as SVP, Director of Mortgage. Roseann brings over 35 years of banking experience, including 20 years of mortgage lending, to her new role at Town & Country. She is well versed in loan servicing, personal lending and operations. Most recently, Roseann was responsible for the overall residential mortgage lending strategies and production for a regional bank.

Roseann studied Business and Finance at Minnesota State Community College and the University of North Dakota. In her new position, Lund will oversee Town & Country's mortgage department while providing strategic direction to further develop mortgage lending operations and production services. Roseann will also support Town & Country's credit union service organization – Unity Mortgage.



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