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News from the Young Professionals Network of Minot

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Upcoming Events & Team Meetings

Curling Club Fun Night

Dec. 1, 7pm in the KX Building on the Fairgrounds

Networking with Mr. Roger Looyenga, past CEO of Auto-Owners Insurance

Dec. 2, 11am in the MSU Student Center

Community Links Team Meeting

Dec. 3, Time & Location TBD

Social Team Meeting

Dec. 3, 12pm at Off the Vine

B*I*G MSU Hockey Game

Dec. 5, 7:30pm at the All Season's Arena

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Dec. 8, 10am - 8pm in the Mall

Outreach Team Meeting

Dec. 17, 12pm at Off the Vine

Social Team Meeting

Dec. 17, 5pm at InfoTech

Chamber Business After Hours

Dec. 17, 5-7pm at InfoTech

Find more information on each of these events at www.ypminot.com



New Years Eve Gala

At the Holiday Inn Riverside

\$45 for non YP members
\$35 for YP members and MSU students

Corporate Sponsor tables are \$500 and include dinner for eight and two bottles of Asti Champagne as well as sponsor recognition

6:30pm - Doors Open
7:30pm - Dinner Served
9:00pm - Entertainment by the band 24Seven
12:00pm - Balloon drop and tons of party favors!

Dinner to include a California Salad with Poppy Seed Dressing and choice of Chicken Kiev, Vegetarian Alfredo or Roast Beef with Oven Browned Baby Potatoes and Green Bean Almandine

Tickets available for purchase at the Minot Chamber M-F 8am – 5pm or by calling 852-6000.

Opportunities to Serve

Upcoming volunteer activities:

- Tuesday, Dec. 8: Salvation Army bell ringing near Scheels from 10:00-8:00, two hour shifts, two people per shift
- Friday, Dec. 17: Salvation Army Christmas toys/food distribution from 9:00-noon

The Outreach Team is also happy to be working with the Minot Area Homeless Coalition to help six families celebrate Christmas! If you're interested in providing any of the food, toys, or other "wish list" items, please contact [Jessica](#).



Curling Club Fun Night

The Minot Curling Club invites all YP members to learn about the sport of curling and try the game. Be sure to wear warm, casual clothing and clean, soft soled shoes. Souris Valley Dental is sponsoring the event and will provide soup to warm us up when we come off the ice. The event will be held at the Minot Curling Club (Located upstairs in the KX Commercial Building on the Fairgrounds) at 7:00 p.m. on December 1st, with a cost of \$5 per person.

YP will be collecting new or gently used hats and mittens to donate to the Minot Homeless Coalition.

See you at the rink!

Introducing: YP Network Sponsorships

We are excited to announce the creation of YP Sponsorships. We are currently looking to sell 12 annual sponsorships. If you think your business would be a good fit contact [Jason Jensen](#).

In only two weeks we've sold seven sponsorships! A big thanks goes out to Bremer, First Western Bank and Trust, Prudential Preferred Properties, Tires Plus, Town and Country Credit Union, SRT and Trinity Health.

Network Sponsors Receive:

- New Years Eve Gala (\$500 value) - includes table for 8 with logo representation
- Designated Power Hour Month (\$250 value)
- Unity in Our Community (\$100 value)
- Six annual YP memberships (\$150 value)
- Website designation with logo on all pages of ypminot.com and name, logo, description and link to company website on ypminot.com sponsor page listing



December VIP YP

This month we caught up with **Leah Bjerklie**, our YP of the month. Leah is the Administrative/Legal Coordinator at Food Management Investors, Inc. She is married to Jon and they have 2 children, Zannah who is 3 ½ and Zane who is 9 months.

What are you currently reading? Twilight, I finally jumped on the bandwagon!

What is your favorite restaurant in town Applebee's

What is your dream job? I'm still trying to figure that out!

What do you do in your free time? I spend time with my family, watch movies, bake, work out at the Y, and of course – Facebook!

How are you involved in YP? I recently joined the Outreach Team – and I'm enjoying getting more involved in YP and community activities

Why did you join YP? I'm not originally from the Minot area, so I don't have a lot of friends outside of work. I wanted to meet people my age, who share common interests. I also want to do my part to impact the community!

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