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### **Show Your Viking Pride**

The VCSU Foundation and the North Dakota Department of Transportation are pleased to provide an opportunity to show your Valley City State University Viking Pride every day as you drive your vehicle around the state and across the country. Cost for the plate is \$25, \$15 of which goes straight to the V-500 Scholarship Program.

For more information, contact the VCSU Foundation office or the N.D. Department of Transportation.



## **How Do You Like Your Coffee?**

If you are a coffee drinker, you probably like your coffee prepared a certain way. Do you like it scalding hot or iced? Do you have a favorite blend? Maybe you like it sweet and add sugar, milk or cream. Which ever way you like your java, hopefully you have found the right mix for what appeals to you.

In the same way, there is a right blend for you to balance the important priorities in your life. As with the perfect coffee, you can set goals for your personal philanthropy that will make life just a little sweeter.



For example, if you own highly appreciated stock and are concerned about paying capital gains tax, you can benefit by donating some of your stock to

support V-500. You will receive an income tax deduction for the value of the stock without paying any gains on the amount transferred. It is important to transfer, not sell, the stock for you to receive the full benefits. By making a charitable gift of stock, rather than a cash gift, you avoid capital gains but still receive an income tax deduction. And you can even use the cash you would have otherwise given to buy more of the same stock at a new, higher basis.

But to make the gift even sweeter, blend your gift of stock today with a gift of additional stock (or other assets) in your will. By giving stock now, you receive income tax and capital gains tax benefits immediately. By adding to your gift later, your giving will becomes even more powerful (and this additional gift won't change your lifestyle). You can add as much or as little as you want so that your total gift has just the impact you desire.

Blend your giving to maintain maximum control with minimal taxes and effort. There are just as many ways of blending gifts as there are ways of making coffee. Call or email us today to learn how you can combine your gifts for maximum impact, benefit today and continue to support V-500 in the future.

Jeremy Wiebe '08 Assistant Director of Annual Giving



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## Volunteer of the Year Casey Stoudt Jr.

The V-500 Volunteer of the Year Award is given to an individual who has shown extraordinary effort during the campaign and school year. This year's recipient is a first-time recipient – Casey Stoudt Jr.

Casey goes above and beyond for V-500 and our students. He is quick to lend a hand during events, selling tickets and helping out wherever he can.

Casey was also the catalyst in allowing V-500 to participate in the Ford Drive 4 UR Community test drive event. Thanks to Casey's effort on this, we were able to raise over \$6,400 just by giving test drives to community members.

Casey, thank you for all you do for V-500 and Valley City State University.



Casey Stoudt Jr. V-500 Board Member

# V-500 Recognition Banquet



### Lifetime Giving Milestones

Front row (L to R): John O'Day, Jessica O'Day, Stephanie Roelfsema, Kyle Roelfsema, Jen Pedersen, Matt Pedersen, Laurie Reinisch, Jerry Reinisch, Tisa Mason, Bill Mason

Back row (L to R): Gary Thompson, Lori Thompson, Margie Carlson, Greg Carlson, Lori Heath, Kelly Everson, Brent Everson, Natalie Sayler, Janice McCarthy, George McCarthy, Loree Morehouse, Michael Morehouse, Kim Hesch, Wade Hesch



#### New and Renewed Pledges

Front row (L to R): Bea Tait, Deb Anderson, Betty Tykwinski, Lisa Undem, Chris Smithhisler, Sue McCarthy, Carol Hochhalter, Pauline Lentz

Back row (L to R): Gary Tait, Kerry Anderson, Joe Tykwinski, Pete Smithhisler, Lowell McCarthy, Laurie Reinisch, Jerry Reinisch, Bob Lentz, Natalie Sayler, Harvey Hochhalter, Michael Morehouse



#### **Cash Contributions**

Front row (L to R): Kelli Heath, Loree Morehouse, Casey Stoudt Jr., Kyle Roelfsema, Stephanie Roelfsema, LouVay White, Marla Delorme, Kelly Everson

Back row (L to R): Phil Mueller, Michael Morehouse, Greg Carlson, Margie Carlson, Jackie Cordie, Rachel Koch, Andre Delorme, Darlene Mueller, Brent Everson

# **Sponsor a Student Through the V-500 Scholarship Program**

The student sponsorship program through V-500 has been one of the most rewarding experiences this program has ever seen. Many of you already know that a V-500 pledge of \$1,500 or more will sponsor a VCSU student who is getting a scholarship at that same level. You will get their name, hometown, major and a thank-you note. But the best part is having the opportunity for the two of you to meet.

During the recognition banquet in December, we honor those who have made V-500 a priority in their giving during the year. It's one of our favorite times of the year — the ability to host and thank such a wonderful group of people is truly an honor. One of the best parts of that night is watching our donors and students have the opportunity to visit and have dinner, if only for one night.

Valley City State University is growing, but we still strive to maintain the small town university feel that makes this place so special and this program is proof of that. If you are already involved in this program — thank you! If you have been on the fence about V-500, consider this the perfect opportunity to **Make a Difference**, one student at a time.



Gary & Lori Thompson with recipient, Jenna Mairs



recipient, Austin Faubert



Laurel Westby with recipient, Isaiah Contrares

# V-500 Membership Application 2016-17

Name		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip
Phone Number	Cell Number	
Email		
Annual Commitment	Payment Frequency	
<ul> <li>\$250 per year for 4 years</li> <li>\$625 per year for 4 years</li> <li>Sponsor a \$2,500 scholarship</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Annual</li><li>Quarterly</li><li>Semi-Annual</li><li>Monthly</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>\$375 per year for 4 years</li> <li>\$ponsor a \$1,500 scholarship</li> <li>\$1,250 per year for 4 years</li> <li>\$ponsor a \$5,000 scholarship</li> </ul>	If you would like to make your paym	nent during a specific month, please list:
Other (Please specify:)		
Method of Payment  Check: Payable to VCSU Foundation/V-500		
Credit Card: MasterCard Visa Discover C	Check here to automatically charge this credit card	when payments are due.
Card #:	Signature on Account	Exp. Date 3 Digit Validation Code
<ul> <li>Automatic Withdrawal: Enclose voided check.</li> <li>I authorize the VCSU Foundation/V-500 to withdraw \$</li> </ul>	_ on the 15th of the month to begin in	_
	Signature on Account	Date



Check out our Giving Opportunities with Tax Incentives on our web page at http://alumni.vcsu.edu.

