

ASPIRE CREDIT UNION



Upcoming Holiday Closures

Federal Holiday

Tuesday, July 4, 2023
CLOSED

Federal Holiday

Monday, September 4, 2023
CLOSED

Federal Holiday

Saturday, November 11, 2023
CLOSED

Find what's happening at:

www.aspire.creditunion/events

Vigested Named President/CEO



Aspire Credit Union is thrilled to announce the hire of a new President and CEO, Kevin Vigested. Vigested replaced Mindee Kohlman, who retired from the credit union at the end of May. "I am excited about this new endeavor at Aspire Credit Union. I am looking forward to working with members and providing a positive member experience to all," shared Vigested.

Board President, Jason Rohrer added, "We are excited to welcome Kevin to the Aspire team. He brings expertise to our organization, and we are confident under his leadership we will see continued growth within the credit union."

Vigested, a native to North Dakota, has deep roots within the region. After graduating from Minot State University in 2000 with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in accounting and minoring in business administration and management, Vigested put his degree to work as an auditor for the Health and Human Services Department. During his four-year stint at the organization, he was awarded the Inspector General's Award for Distinguished Service for his contributions, foresight, and teamwork. An award was given after a review of his national safety and security development plans were implemented.

In 2004, Vigested made a shift to the financial industry with an opportunity as a Commercial Lender. During the next 12 years, he served as a mentor to junior lenders and expanded his management aptitudes and communication skills.

Promoted in 2016 to Branch President, he took on new responsibilities including overseeing all operations for the branch location. Focusing on business relationship development and implementing a strategic plan for the location that he developed. During his time at the bank, he assisted the management team in the creation of a strategic plan for the Central Market in North Dakota with plans for Minot, Bismarck, and Mandan as well.

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2023 Blood Drives

August 23, 2023

Last blood drive of the year,
to secure your time, call us at
701-837-5353

What is SPOOFING?

Spoofing is a form of impersonation. It involves taking on one's personal afflictions as their own. Phone Spoofing is a branch of spoofing. It involves someone calling you and disguising their phone number as someone else or even impersonating a business. Just because a number is saved in your phone, doesn't mean that's who is calling you.

Aspire Credit Union will never ask for you to share your passwords, online banking login details or any banking details. If our fraud detection partner calls, they will only ask you yes or no questions in terms of recent transactions. Our local staff does not make after-hour phone calls.

If you receive a call and the caller on the other end of the line is requesting information, please, hang up and call us. Don't redial, physically put in our phone number and call 701-837-5353. If it's after business hours, you may do two of the following options-

1- Wait for the next business day.

2- You will get connected with our after-hours partner, by following the automated prompts.



Vigested Named President/ CEO Cont.

Vigested career success is paired with his passion for community. He is an avid Minot State University Athletics supporter, serving 3-terms as the Beaver Boosters Board President. A member of the Minot Tournament Committee operating as Treasurer for the group since 2015. He is also an avid fan of the Magic City Youth Baseball group and the YMCA sporting activities. Most notably, Vigested shared a project dear to his heart, a foundation named for his brother called Viggy's Sandlot, LLC., a nonprofit organization that provides financial assistance for youth activities.

Vigested and his wife Carla (19 years) reside in Minot, and have two boys, Parker (15), and Brady (13).

Promotions



Aspire is pleased to share the promotion of **Marisa Andrysiak** into our loan Department as a Consumer Loan Processor.

Marisa has been a team member with Aspire for four years and has excelled previously in member services.

Retirement

Kim Bloms, Consumer Loan Processor in the Loan Department has been with Aspire Credit Union for six years.

During her time at Aspire, Kim has worked in both the front and back of house. Bloms is set to retire in July.



High School Scholarship

Aspire Credit Union is pleased to announce the recipient of our annual high school scholarship to a graduate of Glenburn High School. This essay recipient wrote about a credit union's impact on democratic control highlighting how every member no matter what is in their savings or checking account qualifies to have one vote. She stated "Members feel like they are not just customers, but owners and co-operators of their financial institution. They are interested in its success and responsible for using its services wisely and ethically."

Karli Klein will be continuing her education at Northern State University in South Dakota in the fall. Klein shared she will be attending school to pursue biology.

Karli is pictured with Retired CEO Mindee Kohlman and Aspire's new CEO, Kevin Vigested.



Welcome New Hires



Ameer Rasmusson

Member Experience Coordinator



Jacalynn Ostlund

Member Service Representative

New Board Member

At the May 18, 2023 Annual Meeting, Taylor Wilson was appointed to the Board of Directors.

Wilson filled the open board seat running uncontested, joining incumbents Joe Swital and Tawnya Bernsdorf.



2022 Impact Report Released

Report Highlights:

- 1,371 Additional training hours completed by staff
- 1,013 Loans completed
- Featured in Business View Magazine
- 923+ Hours of volunteering by team

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