

# Rural Leadership

NORTH DAKOTA

## Goals

- To create a network of people across the state and beyond that RLND participants will utilize for a lifetime.
- To strengthen participants skills in discovering leaders within, communicating effectively, recognizing gifts and differences, thinking critically and creatively, managing projects, understanding the resource spectrum, understanding North Dakota rural policy, and affecting change — the power of individuals working together.
- To improve the quality of life for the participant, organization(s), and community.
- To prepare the participant to work with and implement a project in an organization and/or community.

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## Seminars

### Discovering Leaders Within

November 20-22, 2003  
Carrington, ND

### Communicating Effectively

January 22-24, 2004  
Minot, ND

### Recognizing Gifts and Differences

February 19-21, 2004  
Williston, ND

### Thinking Critically and Creatively

March 25-27, 2004  
Dickinson, ND

### Managing Projects

April 15-17, 2004  
Fargo, ND

### Understanding Rural Policy

November 18-20, 2004  
Bismarck, ND

### Study Tour of Washington, DC

January 25-30, 2005

### Understanding the Resource Spectrum

February 24-26, 2005  
Langdon, ND

### Affecting Change; The Power of Individuals Working Together

March 31-April 2, 2005  
Oakes, ND

**“Rural leaders create the environment for others to grow and to have fun while doing it.”**

Dr. Sharon Anderson, Former Director,  
NDSU Extension Service

## RLND Program

Rural Leadership North Dakota (RLND) is a dynamic two-year interactive study and travel program dedicated to producing graduates with the vision and commitment to lead themselves, their organizations and communities into the future. This program emphasizes the development of skills such as working with people, managing projects, using technology, speaking in public and bringing about positive change.

## How do I get more information about RLND?

Contact the RLND office with the NDSU Extension Service or go to our Web site at [www.ag.ndsu.nodak.edu/rlnd](http://www.ag.ndsu.nodak.edu/rlnd).

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## 2003-2005 Participants



**“Prepare and develop effective leaders to strengthen rural communities.”**

RLND Mission

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# RLND Class Participants of 2003-2005



**Jean Brandt Kramer**  
farmer/rancher;  
North Central Electric  
Coop/Rural Electric  
Cooperatives



**Scott Bullinger**  
Dickinson  
accounting manager,  
Kadmas, Lee  
and Jackson, Inc.



**Marty Campbell**  
Beach  
Horizons Community  
Leadership Coach,  
NDSU Extension Service



**Keith Draeger**  
Dawson  
owner, café/lodge



**Brent Ekstrom**  
Lincoln  
loan fund manager,  
Lewis and Clark Regional  
Development Council



**Heather Feiring**  
Epping  
partner/farmer,  
Davidson Farms



**Kurt Froelich**  
Dickinson  
NDSU Extension  
Service Agent  
for Stark/Billings County



**Susan Goplen**  
Hannafor  
city coordinator,  
Hannafor and Hope



**Dawn Jarolimek**  
Forest River  
sales representative,  
Iowa Vet Supply/  
Ivesco



**Rene Johnson**  
Watford City  
CPA and co-owner,  
Koch, Johnson & Co.



**Deborah Kantrud**  
Dickinson  
community relations,  
Roosevelt-Custer  
Regional Council



**Jeffrey Klemetsrud**  
Devils Lake  
director of marketing,  
family operated  
mechanical  
contracting firm



**Donald Longmuir Jr.**  
Stanley  
economic development  
planner, Souris Basin  
Planning Council; co-owner,  
Mountrail County Abstract  
and Title Company



**Michelle McCormack**  
Regent  
business manager,  
Slope Electric  
Cooperative



**Becky Meidinger**  
Ashley  
development specialist,  
Heartland Rural  
Assistance Program



**Vicki Mosen**  
Watford City  
vice-president and  
loan officer, McKenzie  
County Bank



**Merri Mooridian**  
Jamestown  
communications  
director, Garrison  
Division



**David Olson**  
Crosby  
economic development  
director, Divide County  
Job Development  
Authority



**Allen Orwick**  
Michigan  
president and owner,  
LFS Professional  
Services



**Patricia Patrie**  
Bowdon  
owner, Patrie's  
Raspberries on the  
Prairie; vice-chair,  
Bowdon Development  
Center, Inc.



**Kelli Schollmeyer**  
Killdeer  
Dunn County  
Job Development  
Authority



**Lori Wagner**  
South Heart  
community project  
coordinator, St. Joseph's  
Hospital and Health  
Center



**Beth Wieland**  
Sanborn  
single family housing  
loan specialist, USDA  
Rural Development



**John Zetocha**  
Oakes  
agriculture loan officer,  
VP, Starion Financial;  
part-time farmer

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## 2003-2005 Class Projects

- **Wild West Children's Park in Watford City**
- **Bridging Communities Working for Change, organizing a forum for leaders to network and share ideas**
- **Nature Based Tourism at Lone Tree Management Area near Harvey**
- **Bowden's 1913 historic brick school will be transformed into the Bowden School Lodge for tourists, hunters, etc.**
- **Create the Epping/Long Creek Community Connection newspaper**
- **Veteran's Memorial Park in Michigan City to recognize and honor those who have served**
- **Splish Splash in New England. Working on renovating the outdoor pool to include 100 foot waterslide, lap pool, fenced in pool area**
- **Community and Health Club in Minto**
- **Dawson Area Information Center**
- **Community Awareness in Dunn County**
- **Educate youth about the advantages of living in North Dakota. Create a curriculum for third graders in North Dakota about the great things your community and state have to offer.**

