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NDAD Celebrates 30 years

NDAD celebrated it's 30th Anniversary on May 6, 2005. It started with an Open House from 2 pm - 6 pm at the Grand Forks office. In attendance were clients, board members, service providers, and NDAD staff from around the state. Tours were given of the new office building by the Grand Forks office staff.

There was a ribbon cutting ceremony at 3:30 pm for the new office building. The Grand Forks Chamber of Commerce joined NDAD for the ribbon cutting ceremony.



Ron, Faye and Mike pose for the ribbon cutting with the Chamber of Commerce members

The Celebration continued at the Best Western Townhouse. Mayor Michael Brown started the evening with a few kind words about NDAD and it's impact on the community. Dinner followed at 7:30. After the opening remarks, Dan Schenkein with the Chamber of Commerce greeted the guests.

Ron and Faye expressed their appreciation to the staff of NDAD and presented the following long term employees with a special gift:

Van Richards- 22 years, Bingorama, Minot

Linda Randash- 19 years, Legends, Minot

Traci LaDouceur- 19 years, Grand Forks office

Alma Braaten- 19 years, Telemarketer

Jeri Hietala - 17 years, Grand Forks office

Myrna Vondall- 14 years, Bingo Barn, Williston

Byron Newnam- 13 years, Gaming Director, Minot

Rita Schwan - 13 years, Bingo Barn, Williston

Janelle Mitzel- 12 years, Gaming Director, Grand Forks

Barbara Pope - 12 years, Bingo Barn, Williston

Heath Volk - 12 years, Bingo Palace, Grand Forks

Jerome Herman - 10 years, Bingorama, Minot



Ron & Faye with the NDAD Board of Directors

All of the NDAD Board of Directors attended the Anniversary Celebration. Ron and Faye thanked each member for their many years of service.

Mark Lysne - Leeds, ND, Vice President, 25 years

Wendell Grondahl - Maddock, ND Secretary- Treasurer, 25 years

Bob Mongeon - Minot, ND, Director, 15 years

Anne Putbrese- Grand Forks, Director, 5 years

Mike Berg - Fargo, ND, Director, 4 years

Teresa Larsen-Bismarck, ND Director, 4 months

The evening concluded with entertainment by hypnotist Blaze Driscoll.