

# Noon Meeting – Tuesday, August 11, 2009



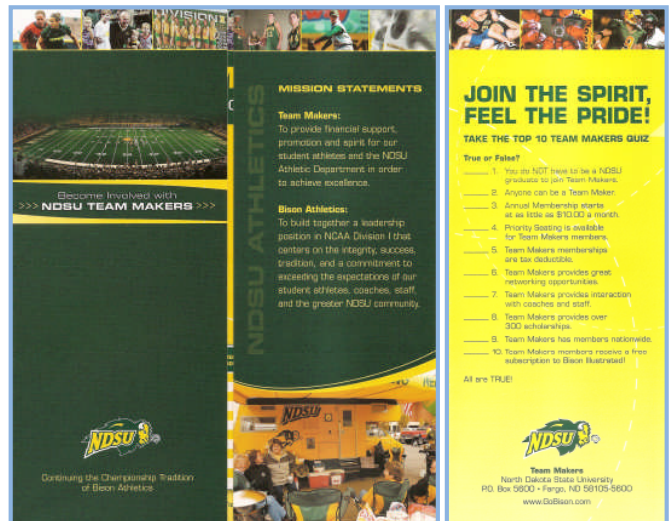
Pat Simmers, Executive Director at NDSU and Team Makers, was our guest speaker, hosted by member Dave Sola.



Pat Simmers telling us about the Team Makers program at NDSU.



Karen Nitzkowski, WF School Board Member, and Dr. Dana Diesel Wallace, accepting 32 classroom flags from President Kevin Skoog.



Handout of our speaker, Pat Simmers, explaining the Team Makers program.

Today's meeting was lead by President Kevin Skoog. Kevin presented 32 Classroom Flags, purchased by the Americanism committee, to the WF School system to ensure that every classroom in the District has a flag in it. The flags were accepted by Karen Nitzkowski, School Board member, and Dr. Dana Diesel Wallace, Superintendent. Dave Sola had the program today and introduced Pat Simmers from NDSU's Team Makers. Pat is originally from Grand Forks, attended NDSU and participated in sports. He returned to NDSU as the only employee of Team Makers 12 years ago. Team Makers is a non-profit organization committed to raising scholarship money for student-athletes and assisting them in earning degrees for a successful future. They are a \$2.6 million business. They provide scholarships to over 250 athletes. Team Maker members get the benefits of priority seating and priority parking for NDSU events – primarily Bison Football. About 6,000 seats in the FARGODOME for football are purchased by Team Maker members. Dave Sola has also spent seven years on the executive board of Team Makers. Thanks, Dave, for the interesting program.

**Attendance – 16 Members and 3 Guests**

**Meal – Grilled Chicken Salad with Dinner Roll**

**Dessert – Toffee Bars**

**Program – Dave Sola**

**Meeting Leader – Kevin Skoog**

