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## Group revs up school spirit

**Kevin Mehrer**  
*Comm 281*

Red Alert, a new student group that is firing up school spirit and rekindling tradition on the Minot State University campus, has increased in size and enthusiasm with each week.

Organizers formed Red Alert late last semester, and it already has more than 400 members.

"Red Alert is great for MSU," co-chair Eric Manlove said. "It gives students something extra when going to games. It is bringing back school spirit and tradition."

Those have been evident in a record-setting homecoming, in a tradition returning with reinstating the marching band, and more school spirit at Red Alert football and volleyball games. Overall, the fired-up students have created a great start this year.

Manlove explained how the system works. Students pay \$5 to get into this spirit group.

For that, students receive a Red Alert tee-shirt and are eligible for many great prizes.

Then students have to attend



sporting events such as volleyball, basketball, baseball, football, track and field, etc.

Each event earns a point when students get their student ID cards scanned.

When students stack up three points, they reach the "Walk on" level and win various food vendor coupons. Eight points is the "Red Shirt" level where students get a \$10 gift certificate to Buffalo Wings and Rings. To reach the "Reserve" level, students must get 16 points, worth a movie ticket, one bowling pass and a \$3 Chartwells gift certificate. The highest level is the "starter" level at which

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Submitted photo  
Spanish students, along with instructor Kemerly Moorhouse, stop to pose for a photo with the ruins of Macchu Picchu in the background. Moorhouse and students will talk about their experiences during a Northwest Art Center lecture Monday.

## Moorhouse, students to tell of travels

**Joe Davis**  
*Staff Writer*

MSU Students will have the opportunity to learn about the rich culture and history of Peru at a lecture on campus.

Spanish instructor Kemerly Moorhouse, along with students Mackenzie Mack, Kristina Mader, Whitney Loftesnes, and Jessica Revelee, will share their Peruvian

knowledge and experiences with guests. The students lived with host families and were involved in daily life in a Latin American country.

"They visited important ruins such as Machu Picchu, the lost city of the Incas, Lake Titicaca, and the Nazca Lines," Moorhouse said. "They also volunteered on afternoons in a rural area playing with kids in

poor areas outside of Lima."

With 60 hours of Spanish, historical and cultural classes, and many unforgettable experiences, the instructor and students will share unique information about Peru. The lecture will take place 7 p.m., Monday, Oct 26 at Aleshire Theater. For more information, contact Moorhouse at [kemerly.moorhouse@minotstateu.edu](mailto:kemerly.moorhouse@minotstateu.edu)

# Five Minutes Remaining

A column by Tanner Larson, MSU sophomore

## Review of 'Brutal Legend'

It's absolutely difficult for me to put this game into just 700 or so words. Heck, the word "epic" doesn't even fully describe this game! If I were to review this game in only five words, these would be the words: The Definitive Tim Schafer Masterpiece. Yes, the legendary programmer Tim Schafer, along with Double Fine and Electronic Arts (EA) have made one of the best games I have ever played in my entire gaming life.

"Brutal Legend" stars Jack Black as Eddie Riggs, a legendary roadie for the tween metal band "Kabbage Boy." After a stage accident that kills Eddie, he bleeds on his belt buckle, which is a "Metal God" in a different world. Eddie's blood triggers an apocalypse that transports him to a different world based entirely about heavy rock and metal music.

Needless to say, the game is rated "M" for Mature for a reason. "Brutal Legend" has much profanity and gore, but that's not why it's great. What makes it great is its style of humor it tries to portray. It's one of the few "comedy genre" games. If a game is placed in this genre, it usually fails to deliver on the humor. Thankfully, with the minds of Jack Black and Tim Schafer, the humor is most definitely there for the player to get.

One of the main selling points for this game is the amazingly gigantic sound track for the game. There are 108 heavy metal tracks from at least 75 different bands. Schafer says that, "Each track was a sincere choice, and was designed to be loved by metal fans." Bands that are included are Motorhead, Judas Priest, Mastodon,

Megadeth, and much, much more.


The difficulty in this game, even on the "Brutal" difficulty, is almost too easy at some points, but that does not mean the game is all too easy. There are points where you will die on many occasions and situations. The learning curve reminds me a lot of "Psychonauts," another Tim Schafer game. It may seem easy, or almost too easy, at times, but there will also be times where you will be stuck and not know what to do for a while.

As I said earlier, I put this in the comedy genre because there is simply no other way to describe this game. "Brutal Legend" does it all from Real-Time Strategy, to racing, to adventure, to open world. It's everything rolled



into one, basically. This game is perfect for the regular gamer, because there's something there for pretty much any type of genre fan. And yes, you online junkies, it does have a multiplayer mode, but I haven't even touched that yet because the campaign is simply that amazing!

Overall, if you own a PlayStation 3 or Xbox 360, it's a must buy. If you're saving up, put it on your "wish list" for the future. What more can I say rather than, "Tim Schafer creates yet another masterpiece in the gaming industry?" This is one of the best games ever, an instant classic. Yes, it's that good.



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# Residence halls are getting students involved

By **Cassandra Neuharth**  
Comm 281

During the semester, the Minot State University resident assistants (RAs) gather their thinking caps to find ways to involve the students in campus life in their halls. Every semester the RAs to come up with programs that are both fun and safe.

"We are planning these events to get students out of their rooms, to become more involved and to get to know their fellow residents," Derek VanDyke, McCulloch Hall Residence Hall Director, said.

Making a program for the residence halls requires hard work. RAs must fill out a proposal form beforehand; they must get the resident hall director in their building to approve the program; gather supplies, advertise and then start their program.

When deciding upon a program, RAs have three options for targeting students to become involved. One option is to involve just one floor, which is usually the floor they manage in the building. A second one is to cover the whole building and the third is to open their program up to more than their own campus building, a multi-building project.

RAs have been finding new ways of involving their resi-

dents by creating programs which interest residents. One week before programs kick off, RAs advertise them with flyers in their building and by word of mouth. This year, Facebook has become a great tool for RAs.

Each hall has designed its own Facebook group and invited all of the residents to join the group. The RAs then post their programs as events on the page, where they can watch as their program attendance grows. Another popular advertising tool for RAs is the MSU campus calendar, which lists all campus and off-campus student activities.

RAs take their requests to Amber O'Brien, resident life coordinator, to have their program placed on the Web page. Hall activities scheduled for the rest of October include:

- "Workout in the Halls" with Melissa Elker, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 22 and 29, Cook Hall.
- "String Pumpkins Anyone?" with Kristina Mader, 3 p.m., Oct. 24, Cook Hall.
- "In-Hall Scary Movie Night" with Camila Oliveira, 7 p.m., Oct. 24, Cook Hall.
- "Paint-a-Pumpkin" with Tara Love, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 24, Crane Hall.
- "Pumpkin Carving Contest" with Britta Dalbey

and Camila Oliveira, 2 p.m., Oct. 25, Cook Hall.

The RAs know that fall may be a busy time, but they encourage all the students to take time out to relax and to enjoy the upcoming programs in their halls.

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students with 24 points receive a \$20 gas card and another \$3 Chartwells gift certificate.

For every five points after 24, the student's name goes into a drawing for prizes. Third place is a Barnes and Nobles gift certificate and sweatshirt; second place is a Minot State

football jersey. The grand prize is an iPod Touch.

Manlove invites all students to get involved with Red Alert. Contact him in the Student Government Association office, or Ann Rivera in the Career Services office. Both are located on the second floor of the Student Center. For more information, check the Web site at [http://www.minotstateu.edu/red\\_alert/](http://www.minotstateu.edu/red_alert/).

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As I reflect back over the years, I see that my job at MSU has been more than a means of earning an income. My co-workers and I worked hard to see that you got into the cafe-

teria, had good food available, and had a clean place to eat it. But that wasn't the most important aspect of my service to you.

Most important was getting to know each individual who came in the door and hoping to be a positive influence upon each of your lives. This was the reason God placed me in the cafeteria in August of 1998.

Thank you so much for your kind words, cards, and gifts which confirm that God has accomplished what He set out to do. Each and every person is precious to Him and He showed His love and concern for each of you through me. I feel blessed to have been chosen for such an endeavor.

I will carry fond memories of you for the rest of my life.

God's best to each of you,

Linda Wetmur

"The Card Lady"

## Voices on Campus

by Amy Engleson

### Where do you spend most of your money and why?



**Peggy Morris, Sr.**  
*Theatre Arts/Elementary Education*

"I spend most of my money here because of books and tuition."



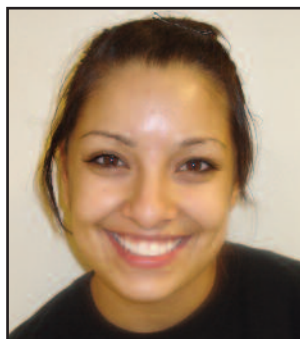
**Alex Dhuyvetter, Sr.**  
*Theatre Arts*

"I spend most of my money on food and weapons for world domination."



**Danielle Stuart, Sr.**  
*Broadcasting*

"Rent, utilities ... stuff like that."



**Kirsten Hernandez, Sr.**  
*Broadcasting*

"On my cell phone, because I lose and break them."



**Ashley Nilsen, Jr.**  
*Theatre Arts*

"I spend it mostly at Cenex, because I work there."



**Brett Olson, Soph.**  
*Theatre Arts*

"The grocery store, because I gotta eat."

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## Providing food for the hungry



MSU student athletes (from left) Israel Altaye, cross country; Nick Turner, men's basketball; Brian Sorensen, football; Bart Archdekin, football; Sergio Megana, football; Ozzie Reinholz, football and Ben Pease, football, carry food collected Oct. 16 for the MSU Athletic Department and KMOT food drive. This is eighth year for the food drive. The food collected will go to the Our Lady of Grace food pantry. Because the Minot community supports the athletes throughout the year, the athletes collect the food donations as a way to give back to the community.

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Kari Files, MSU President David Fuller, Al Schon, and Rod Wilson (from the left) gather as Fuller receives a check for \$3,700 that will be put into a scholarship for organists at Minot State University. The money came from the proceeds of the Gary Stenehjem memorial concert. To honor Stenehjem, three of his former students, along with the Brass Band of Minot, performed the Brass and Organ Høstfest concert Sept. 28 in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall. More than 400 people attended the event.

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## Battle of the Bands



Photo by Jesse Kelly

MSU student Carly Ann plays an acoustic set during the Battle of the Bands, which was held Oct. 15 in the Beaver Dam. Acoustic act Aquaria Trio took first prize, while rock bands Inside the Whale and Merick took second and third, respectively.

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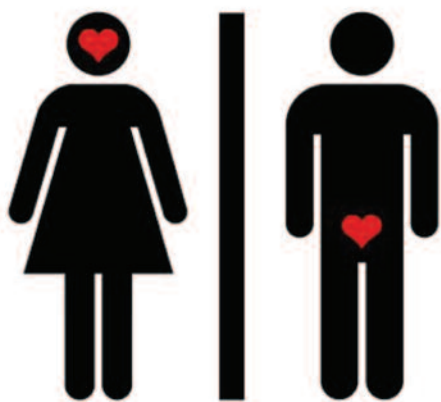
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MSU students Sally Podrebarac (left) and Jennifer Brenna pause while practicing for the Oct. 26 small ensembles concert in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall.

## Concert to showcase students' hard work

By Susan Ewert  
Staff Writer

The first of two small ensemble concerts that Minot State University students will present this year will take place in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, in Old Main, at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 26.

The MSU Music Division has been hard at work since the beginning of the school year to prepare for the small ensembles concert. Music performance majors Sally Podrebarac and Jennifer Brenna agree that this is an exciting concert, because there is so much interaction

between the groups performing and the audience.

"This is a great chance for us to pull the audience into our performance, and it is more fun for them (the audience) as well," Brenna said. She will take part in the brass quintet and sing with the MSU singers.

Podrebarac will participate in the brass quintet, a woodwind quintet and jazz ensemble. She said she likes all the groups she is working with and enjoys any chance she can get to perform in front of an audience.

"This concert is a venue to

showcase students' hard work and groups other than orchestra, chorus and band," MSU music instructor, John Rumney said. "What everyone can expect to see from these students is string performers, brass players, maybe jazz band, percussion, and woodwinds."

Brenna invited everyone to come out for the concert.

"This concert is a nice opportunity for students and the community to come hear a wide variety of cultured music. It's free and open to the public, so everyone should take advantage of that," she said.

## Great distance for great standings



Photo by Susan Ewert

Cory Mesa (left) and Leon Medina race to the finish line in Friday's home cross country meet at Souris Valley Golf Course. Mesa placed seventh with a time of 27:47, while Medina placed eighth with a time of 28:04. The men's team finished second behind the University of Regina, while the women's team came in second to Jamestown College.

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## Win some, lose some



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Abbey Aide (No. 7) and Jori Fladeland (No. 15) fend off a Black Hills State player's spike during the Oct. 16 game in the Dome. Black Hills State won, 3-2.



Photo by Jesse Kelly

Molly Lundeen (left) and Kara Schumacher (No. 8) both try to set the ball, while Emily Hoehn gets ready to assist during the Oct. 17 game in the Dome. The Beavers beat South Dakota Mines, 3-0.

## The present versus the past



Senior forward MacKenzie Mack (right) guards former MSU player Jennifer Castro during the alumni game in the Dome Oct. 17. The Beavers team beat the Alumni team.

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## Men's hockey has nice weekend



Photo by Jesse Kelly

Beaver forward Scott Arnold (No. 12) prepares to put the puck on net during the Oct. 17 game against St. Cloud State University at the MAYSA arena. The MSU hockey club won Friday's game, 10-3, and Saturday's game, 10-1.



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Evan Warnert (No. 6) takes down a Black Hills State player, while Brendan Weidler reaches for the ball during Saturday's game at Herb Parker Stadium.



Photo by Jesse Kelly

John Denne (No. 27) knocks the ball out of a Black Hills State player's hands, and Jeremy Kessler (No. 22) prepares to intercept it. The Beavers defeated the Yellow Jackets, 28-9.

# Odd start leads to win at home

## *Minot State defeats Black Hills State, 28-9*

**Eric Manlove**

*Comm 281*

A crazy start for the Minot State football team on Saturday didn't cause any problems for the final score, as the Beavers rolled to a 28-9 win at home over Black Hills State University.

After receiving the opening kickoff, the Beavers proceeded to go three and out. Nico Youngren, in punt formation, dropped the snap and Black Hills State's Ryan Lee scooped up the ball and ran in for a 22-yard fumble recovery, to give the Yellow Jackets a six-nothing lead.

On the following kickoff,

the Beavers again fumbled the ball and gave Black Hills good field position. What at first seemed like it could be a long day for the Beavers quickly turned. The Minot State defense stopped the Yellow Jackets on a 4th and 1 play.

"It was a goofy start, spotting them six and fumbling on the ensuing kickoff," Paul Rudolph, head coach, said, "putting the defense in a pretty good hole. They stopped them on four downs and it kind of started changing the momentum."

Following the stop, the Beavers marched down the field on eleven plays, capped

by an eight-yard touchdown run by freshman Nico Youngren for his seventh touchdown of the year. Nick Levnaich added the extra point to give the Beavers a 7-6 lead.

The pesky Yellow Jackets would not go away just yet, though. On Black Hills' next possession, they were able to move down the field effectively, but couldn't push the ball across the goal line. Instead, the Beaver defense stood strong once again, only allowing a field goal to sneak through that gave the Yellow Jackets their final lead of the game at 9-7.

Following the Black Hills State field goal, Minot State seemed unstoppable. The offense again drove the field, this time on an 82-yard drive that ended with senior quarterback Jon Meier hooking up with fullback Chris Rae for his first touchdown of Rae's career. From that point on, the Beavers never looked back.

Minot State led at the half 14-9, and came out firing in the third quarter. Meier connected on two more touchdown passes, one to wide receiver Johnny Lester and the other to Zac Rudolph. Meier helped lead a group of 12 seniors to their final regular season win at

Herb Parker Stadium.

"The previous two years, we haven't been able to send those seniors out with a win on the field," Rudolph said. "So for these guys to get a win on the field, it's pretty special."

The Beavers head to Mayville Saturday for a matchup with the Comets of Mayville State, with kickoff set for 1:30. Minot State takes on Mayville State riding a six-game winning streak and looking to add to a perfect conference record, currently at 5-0, which puts them in a tie for first place with rival Dickinson State atop the Dakota Athletic Conference.

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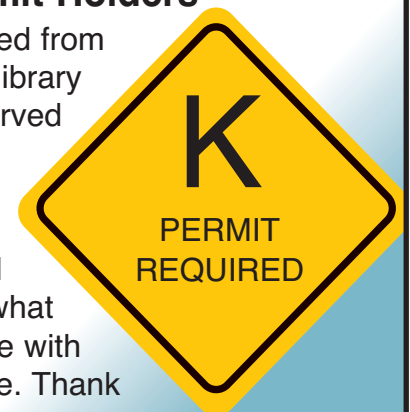
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