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## Black History celebration

**Cassie Neuharth**  
*Editor*

"Embracing Culture. Raising Awareness. Making a Difference." That is the mission statement for the Minot State University Black Student Association for their upcoming celebration honoring African-Americans and the culture of America.

Saturday, Feb. 26, is a night dedicated to music, dance, poetry and storytelling starting at 7 p.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall in celebration of Black History Month.

Joe Davis, BSA president and MSU English major and theater minor, is one of the night's masters of ceremonies. Another MSU student, to be announced that night, will serve as co-MC.

Throughout the evening, members of the community and the MSU community on Black History and Black Culture will give presentations. Guest speakers include Davis' 5-year old nephew, MSU English instructor Margaret Sherve, humanities instructor Rick Watson and Minot community member and business owner Aisha Vadell

In between the presentations, singers and poets will perform. MSU student JC Greiner will present a poem, along with Davis. Emade Martins Bello, an International student from Nigera will sing a solo and give a presentation. A gospel choir from the Gospel Tabernacle Community Church of Minot will sing.

Following the speakers and music, BSA will show a 15 to 20-minute video

commemorating Black History Month and African-Americans around the country that have been inspirational members of society.

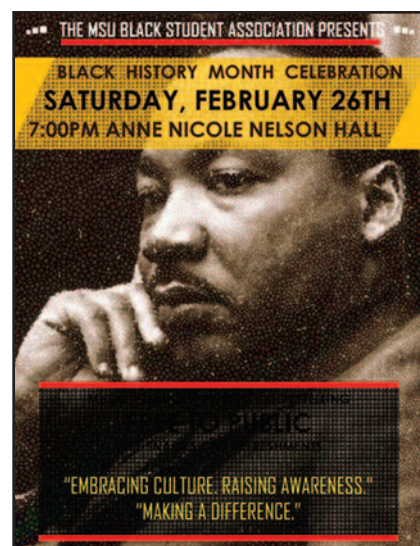
"We try to represent different cultures and different ages," Davis said. "American history is what I want to emphasize, and that encompasses everybody in America, to include everyone in the shared history."

The celebration is free, but participants may make a free-will donation to benefit the activities of the BSA.

Flyers and posters are up around campus. The President of the International Club, Boma Brown, has designed the posters, delivered them and is helping get the word out about the upcoming event.

This is the first time Davis and members of BSA have hosted an event like this, and the organization would like this celebration to continue

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Poster design by Boma Brown

## 'A Doll's House' debuts tonight



Photo by Emily Anderson

"A Doll's House" begins tonight in Hartnett Hall's Aleshire Theater at 7:30 p.m. Nora, played by Katie Langemo, is a woman trapped by the rules of a man's world and struggles to make her husband Torvald, played by Noah Files, see she is not just a doll that he can play with. "A Doll's House" is free with MSU ID and open to the public. The show runs through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.

## Job Fair brings opportunities

**Anthony Anderson**  
*Staff Writer*

On March 2, representatives from about 40 different organizations from both public and private industries will be at the Minot State University Student Success Center's annual job fair. It will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Conference Center, on the third

floor of the Student Center.

"It is an opportunity open to all students, not just seniors," Lynda Bertsch, Student Success Center director said. "Yes, it is an opportunity for soon-to-be grads to do some job seeking, but it is also a chance for undergrads to do some networking, or look for an

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“Bedouin Girl” by Marla Mossman

**Boma Brown**  
Staff Writer

Marla Mossman has traveled extensively, documenting the human condition for more than 20 years as an international photographer, artist and poet. She will present “Journey Along the Silk Road” Wednesday, March 2, at 7 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. A question-and-answer period will follow, as well as a book signing. The event is free and open to the public.

Mossman was born in Detroit, Mich., and raised and educated in Canada. Her current endeavor, the Peace Caravan Project, follows the journey of one woman from Jerusalem to China along the Silk Road, documenting the places of historical and religious significance mentioned in the Bible, Torah, Koran and Vedas (Hindu Sacred texts).

“She was recommended as a speaker, and she’s both a speaker and an artist, so it is a nice fit for us,” Avis Veikley, Northwest Art Center director said. “We helped put together her art exhibit, which is currently on display. In a few months, the

## NAC lecture: ‘Journey Along the Silk Road’

exhibit will go on tour to some other art galleries around the state of North Dakota. It’s a two-for-one thing,” she said.

A gallery reception will showcase Mossman’s works on Wednesday, March 2, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., in Aleshire Theater. Her exhibition, “Peace Caravan: Journey Along the Silk Road,” is on display through March 17 in the Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery.

Mossman’s most current endeavor, the Peace Caravan Project, follows her journey along the historic Silk Road which was a trade route between the Middle East and Far East for the silk trade in historic times.

“Her lecture is of historic interest, and the cultures around there are the birth place of a lot of religions like Islam, Judaism, Christianity and the religions of India and China,” Veikley said.

Her Peace Caravan Project stemmed from the negative publicity surrounding the Middle East, as well as countries like China and Afghanistan. Mossman took pictures along the way of places that are historical or of religious importance, as well as showing the people and their day-to-day activities.

“Mossman wanted to show that, although we fight and disagree about a lot of things, there are lots of things we agree on. It has a neat philosophy behind it,” Veikley said.

Veikley provided some insight into Mossman’s lecture.

“It is very timely because the area that she’s been travelling through is so much in the news – the Middle East, Afghanistan,

India, China – there are lots of things going on politically. I think it’s also fascinating from the aspect of women’s issues – a woman travelling alone, through some dangerous places. The stories she has to tell about how she connected with the people – the human element. We’re all alike. She takes a lot of precautions for her safety, but yet it’s a matter of trust between people. Even though we have differences, we still trust one another. It’s a neat concept.”

Mossman has been to the Silk Road region four times, most recently to the Middle East where she departed from Istanbul, Turkey and traveled overland through Syria and Jordan to Jerusalem, Israel, documenting the Mediterranean terminus of the ancient trade route and desert origins of the three great religions.

In 2005, she traveled to Afghanistan working with the ministers from the Department of Transportation and the Department of Education in Kabul and Bamiyan Province. She was the first foreigner and woman to visit Waras, a remote part of Central Afghanistan, traveling on horseback with donkey and mules.

On an earlier trip to Northern India, Mossman hiked and backpacked to an altitude of 18,000 feet in the Himalayas to obtain her photographs. She has traveled extensively in Europe and the UK, Peru, Turkey, Thailand, Nepal and Indonesia, and has backpacked not only the Himalayas, but also the Inca Trail and the High Sierras.

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Photo by Bekka Ryan

**Percussion Ensemble members (from the left) Jason Skjervem, Avis Veikley and Justin Goetz practice for Monday’s concert. Not pictured is member Buffy Woodring.**

## Ensembles to perform Monday

**Bekka Ryan**  
Staff Writer

Minot State University is a pretty amazing place to be in the way of music starting at 7:30 p.m. Monday in Ann Nichole Nelson Hall.

The Percussion and Brass :ture the MSU Marimba Ensemble, MSU Brass Ensemble and MSU Percussion Ensemble. The performance is free and open to all MSU students and the public.

During the concert, “Quartet for Five Instruments” will make its debut. This song is the brain child of Avis Veikley, MSU percussion instructor.

Veikley created this piece in 2002 as a graphic designer. At that time, she was a percussionist with the Minot Symphony Orchestra and asked her fellow percussionists to play through it one night after a practice.

“I’m pretty sure (this piece) is what landed me the job at MSU,” Veikley said. “A few weeks after its run-

through, I was contacted about the percussion instructor position.”

The work relies heavily on the unique sound of the Vibra-Slap, an instrument with an interesting history. Originally made to replicate the sound of a jaw bone which, when smacked, would create a unique sound from the teeth rattling in the sockets of the bone, this instrument has an almost gory origin. The original jawbone instrument found its place in the world of Latin music. Since the creation of this more visually appealing instrument, the Vibra-Slap now fits into many other genres of music, including contemporary, alternative rock and pop music.

To hear this instrument in a more popular sense, listen closely to the theme song of the hit TV show from the 90s, “The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air.”

MSU’s current percussion ensemble boasts two community members, Jason **See Ensembles – Page 8**

## SSWO hosts symposium

**Bekka Ryan**  
Staff Writer

Some people say there is no difference between girls and boys. Others say that there is a definite difference. On Wednesday, March 2, Leonard Sax, MD., PhD, noted physician and psychologist will present a workshop on this topic in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall from 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In his book, "Why Gender Matters," he shows how boys and girls learn differently from birth and why females and males can never be truly equal. A pediatrician, Sax, founded the National Association for Single Sex Public Education.

Sax will speak on "Girls on the Edge," at 8:30 a.m., continuing the topic at 10:30 a.m., and on "Boys Adrift" at 1:30 p.m. and continuing at 3:20 p.m.

The Minot State University Student Social Work Organization (SSWO) is sponsoring this Spring Symposium with partial funding through a grant from the Center for Extended Learning (CETL).

The SSWO is a student-run group on campus. This year's topic, the differences between genders, came to light after research into the subject turned up some interesting and controversial view-points. After discovering Sax online, the group checked out one of his speaking events in Jamestown, N.D. last summer.

Sax has written three books on the differences of the sexes. His first book, "Why Gender Matters: what parents and teachers need to know about the emerging science of sex differences," was published in 2005. In 2007, he published "Boys Adrift: The five factors



**Sax**

driving the growing epidemic of unmotivated boys," followed by "Girls on the Edge" in 2010. During the symposium, Sax will devote sections of time to his latest books.

Sax will discuss topics from his research that include how sexual identity is impacting the development of girls; show

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## Education seminar to be held

**Roy Whyte**  
Comm 281

Minot State University education majors preparing to student teach in the Fall 2011 semester will have the assistance of job search seminars to help them make the transition from one type of classroom experience to another.

The first session, for elementary education majors, is Friday, Feb. 25, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Conference Center of Student Center. The next session, for secondary education majors, is Thursday, March 3, from 1 to 4 p.m., in the Westlie Room in the Student Center.

The seminars will assist students with résumé-writing, show them how to market themselves for an instructor position and teach them to utilize all the resources the campus has to offer.

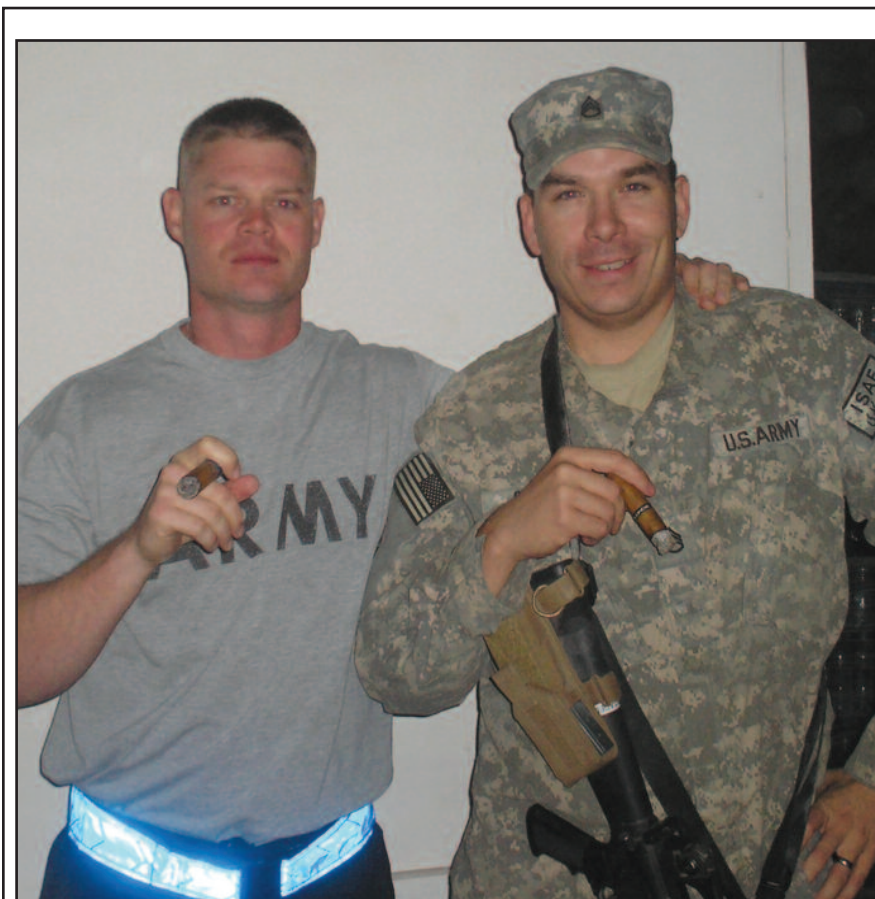
As part of the classes, various school administrators will speak to the students about what they look for in teachers; what they consider to be better qualities and strengths for the job. They will also give the undergraduates some

tips on how to make it through the first year in the classroom, commonly known as one of the worst years of teaching.

"There will be two or three school administrators that will come from different-sized schools," Lynda Bertsch, Student Success Center director said. "Their outlooks can vary greatly, because the job at a small school is much different then one at a big school."

Attendance at this seminar is a requirement for all education majors. The university's education department, along with the MSU Student Success Center, presents this bi-annual event in the spring and in the fall every year to help the students that will be leaving to start their practice teaching.

This event is open to the public but primarily geared towards education majors. For more information, contact Elaine Larson or Connie Teets in the education department, 858-3157 or 858-3838 or online, [elaine.larson@minotstateu.edu](mailto:elaine.larson@minotstateu.edu) or [connie.teets@minotstateu.edu](mailto:connie.teets@minotstateu.edu).



## MSU alumni serve in Afghanistan

Minot State University alumni, Army Capt. Cameron Trudell (left) and Army Staff Sgt. Jason Stadel (right), pose outside the USO on Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan, in October 2010.

Trudell, a Sidney, Mont., native and 2001 MSU graduate, is a field artillery officer with the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division based at Fort Carson, Colo.

Stadel, a Columbus, Mont., native and 2002 MSU graduate, is a public affairs specialist with the 16th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment based at Fort Bliss, Texas. Both are active-duty Army.

This is the first deployment to Afghanistan for both Trudell and Stadel; however, both have served year-long deployments in Iraq.

The photo was taken during a chance meeting last fall on the 25,000-troop base in southern Afghanistan. Stadel is stationed at Kandahar Airfield, and Trudell was passing through Kandahar on his way to a forward operating base in western Afghanistan.

Both Trudell and Stadel will wrap up their deployments and return to the states this summer.

Submitted Photo

# Tech Talk

A column by Tanner Larson

## MAHVEL BAYBEE

### Marvel vs. Capcom 3: Fate of Two Worlds review



After the jazzy installment of "Marvel vs. Capcom 2" back in 2000, fans have been eagerly anticipating the third game in the series. Eleven years later, fans get their wish as "Marvel vs. Capcom 3: Fate of Two Worlds" finally gets released. However, is it all that the fans have been wanting for their beloved fighter?

Well, yes and no. Yes, in the sense the mechanics and colorful gameplay were the same that made the game well known within the gaming community. No, in the sense of the changes within the roster. For example, Cable, Jill Valentine, Cyclops, and other MvC2 favorites are not in this game, whereas there are new additions such as Viewtiful Joe, Super-Skrull, M.O.D.O.K. and Arthur from the "Ghosts 'n Goblins" series, just to name a few.

Some of the new characters are good, but there were a few notable characters that got axed before the game got released for mass consumption. The most obvious one being Capcom's Frank West, the protagonist of "Dead

Rising." He was originally going to be included, and is even coded into the game, along with Jill Valentine and Dr. Octopus. Maybe we'll see if these characters get released as DLC. Here's hoping anyway.

In hindsight, though, there have been a few changes to the game to make it easier and friendlier to newcomers of the series. One of these changes being the "nerfing" of Sentinel, which means to make the character weaker than the previous version. Sentinel was overpowering in the previous game; he was included in almost everyone's team because they wanted to take advantage of the exploit.

Anyway, the game lets you choose a team of three to fight other characters throughout the online and arcade modes. For experienced players, the arcade mode will be almost no problem until you reach the boss battle between Doctor Doom and Albert Wesker, who are working with Galactus to destroy Earth. Beating Galactus will require three things: a lot of time, a lot of practice and a lot of patience. On the diffi-

culties, "Easy" and "Very Easy," he's ... well, easy to beat. Medium and harder will provide a much bigger challenge and will require a lot of skill to take him down.

The online mode, however, is a much different story. If you're an inexperienced player, I suggest you try to stay away from this mode until you know some characters well enough to pull off sixty-hit combos like no problem. There are people who play these kinds of games at tournaments for big prize money, somewhere in the tens of thousands, I believe. More than likely, you'll run into these kinds of players more regularly in fighting games than in first-person-shooters or racing games. So I say, practice up if you want to have some fun online, which is one of the main reasons why this game is here. But in all actuality, even though the game is great, it's just not the same as the arcades and "Marvel vs. Capcom 2" crowds in those arcades.

Or maybe it's just me and my rose-colored nostalgia glasses again. Who knows?

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in years to come.

BSA currently has only six members at MSU. In addition to Davis are Quita Hines, vice president and members Brandon Smith, Ashley Eames and Anika and Andria Livingston. BSA is always looking for new members. Davis said being African American is not a requirement to join the organization.

Look for BSA's annual Soul Food Celebration in April or May. The event is open to the public with free snacks and refreshments, and optional free-will offering.

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Mossman is the co-founder of ImagineAsia, a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide education and healthcare to rural Asian communities.

In March, the Northwest Art Center will commemorate Women's Heritage Month with a series of events. Monday, March 7, will feature "Through the Looking Glass," a women's invitation art exhibition by regional female artists who depict their views on self image and self awareness through their art. A Sex Offender Taskforce panel discussion will take place on Wednesday, March 23.

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# Mark your calendars

## SGA offers spring events for students

**Max Buchholz**  
Staff Writer

We're getting ever closer to the middle of this Spring semester and Spring Break is just weeks away. But don't turn off your engines just yet. We know studying and homework aren't your favorite. That's why we try to bring you great ways to take breaks and catch some entertainment on campus.

Coming up right at the front of March is a vocal group named "Chapter 6." They are a phenomenal a cappella singing group (think "Glee"). They'll perform on Tuesday, March 1, in Aleshire at 8 p.m. Music majors and music lovers and those who dabbled in choir in high school will thoroughly enjoy their show. For more information, their website is just their name (chapter6.com). Check them out.

If you're inspired on that Tuesday, come to Karaoke on Wednesday, March 2, and belt it out from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Karaoke has been going strong for over a year now. Can you think of a better way to spend

your noons?

On the following Wednesday, March 9, we'll have a Safe Spring Break event in the hopes that MSU students will have just that - a safe Spring Break. There will also be free food! Then at 3 p.m. and 9 p.m. we'll show a movie in the Beaver Dam. Which movie? Stay tuned to MSU Life and posters around campus for more info.

After a thoroughly studious Spring Break, we will show another movie on Wednesday, March 23, at (most likely) 3 p.m. and 9 p.m. in the Beaver Dam.

Then at 9 p.m. on Friday, March 25, MSU After Dark will host "Fish Bowls!" in the Beaver Dam. Check out their Facebook for more information about that event.

With plenty of events and Spring Break, March is really a winner. From fantastic "Chapter 6" to "Fish Bowls," make sure you mark your March calendars.

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how the "cyberbubble" is impacting the development of girls; how obsessions are impacting the development of girls; how environmental toxins are impacting the development of girls and boys; how video games are impacting the development of boys; how teaching methods are impacting the development of boys; how prescription drugs are impacting the development of boys and how the "devaluation of masculinity" is impacting the development of boys.

This event is free for MSU students, pre-registered or not. Organizers ask that students pre-register, if possible, so they know how many seats to save for them. Since this is an all-day event, organizers encourage students to come throughout the course of their day.

"We ask that students sit in the balcony to not disturb the flow of the conference," SSWO Advisor Deb DeWitz said. "Stop in for a bit, listen to what Sax has to say, then bring your thoughts on this subject into your classrooms,"

Students of all majors are encouraged to attend and see how this topic affects their field of work.

Organizers recommend this conference especially for people who are future or current social workers, case managers, parents, counselors, childcare providers, educators, medical staff, law enforcement, psychologists, and nurses. Six hours of CEUS for this conference are pending.

The cost for non-students is \$50. Deadline for registration for non-MSU-students is Friday, Feb.25.

For more information, contact DeWitz, 858-4259, or [debra.dewitz@minotstateu.edu](mailto:debra.dewitz@minotstateu.edu).

## Hands-on graveyard preservation course offered this summer

**Anthony Anderson**  
Staff Writer

Minot State University students will learn about the history of American burial practices and the history of Minot this June as they participate in a special preservation project at the First Lutheran Church Cemetery. The cemetery is adjacent to the east side of campus.

"David Fuller really started this," Mark Timbrook said. He is an MSU history instructor and the principle investigator of the project.

"President Fuller has a real interest in it - it's (the cemetery) been there since before the campus was here.

"A lot of the founding fathers are buried out there. A lot of the key businessmen, even the founder of Minot himself, Erik Ramstad, is buried there. He (Fuller) sees it as a valuable learning tool for the campus, and the First Lutheran Church is behind it completely. They're trying to restore it to its historical prominence."

While cataloguing the headstones, students will record every minute detail about them, from exact measurements to how the inscription is engraved, to the type of stone. They will photograph, note each stone's exact  
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MSU student Jay Jenkins (left) and MSU instructor Mark Timbrook (right) work in the First Lutheran Church cemetery, adjacent to the campus, last summer. Students have an opportunity to continue the preservation work this summer.



**Need a Job?**



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## Every BODY is Beautiful Campaign



MSU student Sara King (right) stands in front of a mirror as part of an exercise, while guest speaker and MSU graduate student Troy Roness (left) explains. Roness is a former exercise/eating disorder survivor and is a current National Eating Disorder Association male advocate and speaker. Roness' presentation was part of King's campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of eating disorders.

Photo by Cassie Neuharth

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internship, or even just to see what's available."

Bertsch stresses that students need to search for opportunities outside of traditional employers for someone with their major.

"It's a chance for them to see how marketable they can be to multiple employers, not just pigeonholed into one industry," she said. "You'd be surprised at who hires who!"

Bertsch referred to one year when the FBI was at the fair, specifically looking to hire

accountants for its white-collar crime divisions.

"We encourage students to create or fine-tune their résumé before the fair," Bertsch said. "They may also want to do some research on the companies that will be there that they have an interest in."

The director recommends that students "dress for success," and that they prepare a short "elevator speech" to quickly introduce themselves to potential employers.

"They need to remember they are making a first impression," Bertsch said.

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## Ft. James field study offered to students in July

**Anthony Anderson**  
Staff Writer

This July, Minot State University students will explore the past for college credit while they participate in an historical archeology field school at the site of Fort James in Hanson County, S. D.

Cavalry soldiers sent to keep the peace between settlers and Sioux Indians built the fort in 1865. Decommissioned in 1866, historians believe it burned down shortly afterwards. It is currently on the National Register of Historic Places in South Dakota (39HS48).

The field school consists of two weeks of classroom work before the dig, two weeks of on-site excavation, and three to five days of lab work, analyzing and cataloging the results.

Organizers made several different courses available to students. They may choose to receive history, sociology, English, or geography credit for participating in the program. Each option will have slightly different coursework, but the overall experience will be the same.

Mark Timbrook, the main organizer behind the project, is a history instructor, and technology and design specialist for the MSU Office of Instructional Technology. He has extensive archeological experience, and led a field school last year, also.

Timbrook described how they handle artifacts produced by the dig.

"Each artifact is cleaned, measured, weighed; the dimensions are taken with calipers, and provenienced," he said.

Proveniencing, he explained, is the practice of noting the three-dimensional location of an artifact within a site. After they catalog the artifacts, they send a report to the state historical society, and to



Photo by Anthony Anderson

**MSU instructor Mark Timbrook (right) explains the "Total Station" archaeological tool which will be used as part of the graveyard project and the Fort James dig. The display was at the MSU Engagement Fair held recently in Old Main.**

the property's owners.

All artifacts remain the property of the landowners. Timbrook stressed the importance of having the support of the landowners while working on such a project. The Rockport Hutterite Colony, a community similar to the Amish or the Mennonites, now owns the land where the site is located.

"They're very interested," Timbrook said. "They watch and ask questions, but they don't get in the way. They usually stay away the first day, to let us get set up. Then, the next day, the girls come down first. Later, the boys come down, and finally the parents."

"This isn't just to find things," he said, even though the project produces many artifacts. The purpose of an archeological dig is rarely to discover artifacts, but more often to define a characteristic or set of facts about the subject of the dig.

"Our research guidelines last year were to define the parameters of the fort. We were successful in finding the walls on the south and west sides," the instructor said. "This year, the main goal of the field school will be finding the east and north walls. We're thinking the north wall will be pretty

easy to define, because part of it was stone. The east wall won't be, though. It was entirely wood, because it used to be part of the fort's stables."

Other than participating in the dig, Minot State students may apply to be a paid intern, and will then have completely different duties on the dig. The intern will be responsible for conducting field surveys with GPS equipment, interviewing locals and recording other data about the terrain around the site.

Timbrook stated how much he enjoys this kind of work.

"It's just fun," he said. "I love the discovery aspect. But, watching the students discover and learn things is even more rewarding, though."

Assistance from the MSU Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning (CETL), which pays for room and board for students and helps defray the costs of transportation, helps make the program possible.

Students interested in participating in the field school this summer should contact Mark Timbrook at 701-858-3832, or [mark.timbrook@minotstateu.edu](mailto:mark.timbrook@minotstateu.edu).

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position using GPS and record any damage to the marker.

Over the course of the project, students will become proficient in the use of state of the art archaeological tools. They will use a tool called "Total Station."

"This is actually better equipment than what most schools with full archaeology programs have," Timbrook said. "With Total Station," I can get a north-south and an easting, and an elevation in any point of the earth."

With this method, students can get an exact GPS position, so that anyone can locate the grave.

Students have the option of participating in one of three courses – HIST 499, SOC 499, or ENGL 499, for history, sociology, or English credit. Each course will have a different focus, but the overall goal is the same: learning everything possible about the history of the cemetery.

"There are a lot of unmarked graves out there," Timbrook said.

Last year, the team found six previously unknown headstones, one

of which was also a previously unknown grave.

All through the project, students will also be studying the history of burial practices in America.

"We talk about death," Timbrook said. "We talk about the grave. Both metaphorically and realistically, we need to understand what a grave is. Students will be learning about the meanings behind different motifs, and how methods of marking graves have changed through time, from the ornate death's heads of the 17th century, to the plain, bronze flat stones of today."

Misty Neumiller, a sophomore majoring in English, participated in the program last year.

"It was an amazing experience," she said. "We got to learn not just about the history of the graveyard, but the history of Minot, too. We got to see the good and the bad of how people treat the dead."

Students interested in participating in the project should contact Timbrook at 701.858.3832, or [mark.timbrook@minotstat eu.edu](mailto:mark.timbrook@minotstat eu.edu).

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Skjervem and Buffy Woodring; Veikley and MSU music major, Justin Goetz.

Skjervem talked about how he got started in the world of percussion.

"Imagine a miniature me," he said, "sitting on the kitchen floor... with pots and pans around me."

"Percussion is a passion that you just can't contain," Goetz said.

The music department encourages all students to participate in this entertaining experience, to come visit our beautiful facility and spend an evening enjoying the sights and sounds of some of MSU's musical groups.





MSU's Kelvin Fraser (No. 35) goes up for a dunk during Saturday's DAC conference game against South Dakota Mines. The Beavers beat the Hardrockers, 72-65.

Photo by Jesse Kelly



MSU's Whitney Loftesnes (left) and Kallie Erickson (right) attempt to steal the ball from a South Dakota School of Mines player. The Lady Beavers won, 70-49.

Photo by Jesse Kelly

## Split ends for Beaver men

Eric Manlove  
Sports Writer

The Minot State University Beaver men's basketball team went into this past weekend series knowing that they would have to travel in the first round of the conference tournament this week. But that didn't mean they didn't want to finish their final regular season in the Dakota Athletic Conference on a sour note. It started that way on Friday night, when the fifth-ranked Black Hills State Yellow Jackets came to the Dome and stung the Beavers for a 69-50 defeat.

Saturday was a different story for Minot State. Head coach Peter Stewart was back on the bench after serving his one-game suspension, and it looked like the Beavers were playing inspired basketball for the final game in the MSU Dome this season, as they won 72-65 over South Dakota Mines.

"We joke about a lot of things

about coaching," Stewart said. "One of those things is what motivates and what doesn't. We got a great effort from the guys and I am happy for them, but I don't know exactly what it was."

Minot State got a dominating effort by junior Kelvin Fraser. The 6-foot-8 forward posted the single-game blocks record with 10 and recorded the Beavers' second triple-double of the season, adding 12 points and 12 rebounds.

"Kelvin was outstanding on defense - what else can you say?" Stewart said.

Minot State also got big efforts from seniors Nathaniel Packineau, Jason West, Bojan Janjic and Kal Bay in their last home game as Beavers. Packineau scored 14 points, four from behind the three-point line, including one as the first-half buzzer sounded to send the Beavers into the half with a 41-35 lead.

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## Weekend sweep gives Lady Beavers home playoff

Eric Manlove  
Sports Writer

Entering last weekend, the Minot State University Lady Beaver's basketball team knew if they could win they would get to host a first-round playoff game. And win is what they did to stay perfect at the MSU Dome this season.

Minot State avenged earlier season losses both on Friday and Saturday nights. On Friday, the Beavers ran all over the ninth-ranked Yellow Jackets of Black Hills State with a convincing 70-49 victory.

Saturday was a bit more of a scare as the Beavers had to overcome an 18-point deficit to beat South Dakota Mines 75-66.

Against Black Hills State, Minot State came out firing on all cylinders to open the game and the second half. In the first 10 minutes of the game, the Beavers jumped out to a 22-10 lead. Now put 12 minutes left on the game clock in the second half and the Beavers rallied to make it a 16-point lead. For as good as the offense was, the MSU defense seemed to be everywhere on the court.

"We pretty much threw out every

rotation we had on defense and just were flying around and getting in the passing lanes," MSU Head Coach Sheila Green Gerding said.

Senior Whitney Loftesnes led Minot State early on with 11 first-half points.

"Whitney looked very good early," Green Gerding said. "She was a big lift for us early hitting those shots.

Fellow senior Kelly Pankratz took over the offense, scoring 16 points, grabbing six rebounds and dishing out six assists as Minot State cruised to victory.

"She picked a great time to have one of her best games," the coach said of Pankratz.

"She is very good at seeing the floor and can find the open player. Tonight, her confidence was going and she was stroking it. Her overall game was great."

Saturday was a tougher test for the Lady Beavers. The Hardrockers kept hitting shot after shot in the first half and led by 18 at one point, shooting nearly 60 percent in the first half.

"We felt we could win this game, even after getting down,"

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MSU's Jared McIntosh (right) goes for the puck against an opposing Dakota College of Bottineau player in the Beavers' final win at home, 9-5.

Photo Jesse Kelly

## Beavers skate to nationals

Cassie Neuharth  
Editor

The Minot State University Men's Club Hockey team took the rink at home for the final time of the 2010-2011 season at the All Seasons Arena Saturday.

The Beavers came in on a high after beating the Dakota College at Bottineau Lumberjacks for a fourth time on Feb. 15 - on Bottineau turf. They were eager to make it five on the ice in Minot.

The Beavers prepared to fight for Saturday's win and Bottineau definitely made them work for it. The MSU men ended the game on top, 9-5, for their 26th win of the season.

Minot State senior forward Colin Wilson started off by scoring the first goal of the night only 22 seconds into the game. Then Will Kinsman gave the Lumberjacks their first goal at the 16:53 mark of the first period.

The see-saw battle contin-

ued as the Beavers responded at the 9:13 mark, and the Lumberjacks scored a minute later. MSU rounded out the period with three unanswered goals by Jared McIntosh, Kale Dolinski and Kent Lillejord. At the first intermission, the score board read Beavers 5, Lumberjacks 2.

Lumberjacks Coach Travis Rybchinski must have given his boys a firm talking to during the intermission, as the second period belonged solely to the visiting Lumberjacks. The Beavers, unable to handle the Bottineau skaters in the second, saw their three-goal lead slip away. Drew Haight, Ben Hilsen and Erick Paiement all scored for the visiting team, tying the game.

The third period saw the Beavers completely turn their play around. They were aggressive on the puck and physical along the boards. MSU opened the scoring in the third when Jared McIntosh

slipped one through the Bottineau goaltender. The Lumberjacks responded a minute later with a goal of their own. This was as close as the visitors would come, as the Beavers added three more goals to put the game on ice.

Danny Urban scored the seventh and game-winning goal. Isaac Friesen and Dan Lamb, at the 4:17 mark of the third, finished off the scoring for Minot State.

Saturday night was also senior appreciation night as that was the last home game in a Beavers uniform for five of the MSU skaters: goalie Craig Harvey, captain Colin Wilson, assistant captain Kent Lillejord, assistant captain Isaac Friensen and Tyson Friensen.

The hockey team earned a berth to the ACHA Division I National Hockey Tournament in Newark, Del. The Beavers, seeded #6, will play Saturday, March 5.

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West netted 15 points and hauled in seven rebounds, Bay chipped in 12 while dishing out 3 assists, and Janjic scored eight while grabbing seven rebounds.

"I'm happy for the seniors, and we want to enjoy this one, but we have to get right back to work," Stewart said.

Minot State (12-16, 6-8 DAC) finished tied for fifth in the conference with Dakota State, but earned the fifth seed in the DAC tournament due to the tiebreaker.

The Beavers played on the road last night at Dickinson State for the opening round of the Dakota Athletic Conference tournament.

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Green Gerding said. "It never felt like we were out of it, even down 18."


The Beavers never were thanks to senior Kallie Erickson. Erickson connected on six three pointers in the contest and collected a game high 20 points. She hit a huge three at the buzzer of the first half to help lift the Beavers' spirits as they headed into the locker room trailing 44-36.

It didn't take long for the Beavers to catch back up and overtake South Dakota

Mines, completing the comeback for a 75-66 win.

Not to be forgotten in her final home weekend was senior Caroline Folven. Folven combined for 19 points and seven rebounds. She scored her 1,000th career point earlier this season and on Friday accomplished another milestone in a Beaver uniform, collecting her 500th career rebound.

Minot State (21-7, 9-5 DAC) captured a home playoff game with the wins and hosted South Dakota Mines Wednesday night.

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