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Earth Day activities planned

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Work Organization and
Student Government
Association.

Also on Wednesday, the Northwest Art Center lecture series continues with emphasis on recycling. Guest speaker Christy Smith, N.D. Department of Health, will present "Preventing and Reducing Waste, Recycling 101, and Buying Recycled Products." Smith will explain community waste-reduction incentives such as "Pay-As-You-Throw," and other strategies to help individual consumers reduce waste. The free event is at 7 p.m. in Aleshire Theater.

Students can get involved in two ways, first by participating in the campus clean-up. If that is not possible, they can be involved by picking up litter by the side of the roads or on the ground.

Another opportunity to join in is attending campus sustainability meetings. The meetings take place the first Wednesday of each month; the next one is May 4 at 2 p.m. in Swain 107.

Paul Lepp, chairperson of MSU's Sustainability Committee, said students shouldn't limit thinking about sustainability to just Earth Day.

"If everyone took a couple of small steps everyday, then it doesn't take long for sustainability to become a habit, Lepp said. "It's a real easy habit to develop."

Although the calendar says April 22 is Earth Day, activities related to it at Minot State University will start a week earlier.

The special day of service began in 1972 to raise awareness of humanity's impact on the environment, and event organizers at MSU have goals in mind pertaining to that.

It all starts on Friday with an Earth Day celebration. Like in past years, it will feature a campus clean-up from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Students participating will receive two bags from a table near the Student Center – one for trash and one for recyclables. Participants will receive a free T-shirt sponsored by Ryan Family Chevrolet and by the Minot Vocational Workshop. Organizations "Peace for Kids" and "Recycle America" will have booths set up near the Beaver Dam. Organizers will also post signs with sustainability tips.

On Wednesday at 7 p.m., a screening of "Tapped," a documentary about the U.S. bottled water industry, will run in Nelson Hall. One fact presented is that the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) standards for tap water are actually higher than those for bottled water. The film is sponsored by the Student Social



MSU students Daniel Johnson as Benedick and Katie Langemo as Beatrice play the love interests in "Much Ado About Nothing," starting tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Aleshire Theater.

MSU instructor Kevin Neuharth (right) and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Conrad Davidson (left) are no strangers to the stage. Neuharth as Dogberry and Davidson as Verges play partners in crime in the classic Shakespearean play.

Photos by Max Patzner



'Much Ado About Nothing' debuts tonight in Aleshire



Ramsey Leonard (left) and Colin Marshall pose with “Navigator,” the robot that computer science students built. The robot will compete in the upcoming Mini Grand Challenge at Penn State.

Photo by
Anthony Anderson

Students take robots to competition

Anthony Anderson
Staff Writer

Two teams of Minot State University students in the Computer Science program constructed robots to compete in two different competitions.

One team and its robot entered a competition that was part of the Midwest Instruction and Computing Symposium at the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth, Minn., last week. In this event, students place their robot in a maze with a red square at the end. The robot must navigate the maze, find the red square, and return to its initial starting place. The robots entered into this competition must operate autonomously, that is, without human instruction, for the duration of the task.

Since the competition

organizers published pictures of the four possible mazes the robot will have to navigate, the team was able to make a practice maze for the robot.

“We take a picture of the maze, pick out the white lines (that form the walls), the red squares, turn it into a map the computer can read and tell it to find the shortest route,” Zach Thorne said. Thorne, a computer science major, wrote the maze-reading software.

The robot is required to play a piece of music after both finding the red square and returning to the starting point. The team selected two Queen songs, “Big Bottomed Girls” for when the robot reaches the square, and “We Will Rock You” for when it returns home.

This team competed against twenty-seven other schools for

a prize of \$500.

On Saturday, a second team will travel to Penn State Abington to compete against six other colleges in the “Mini Grand Challenge.” Once again, the robot must remain completely autonomous during the competition.

“In this competition,” Scott Kast, assistant computer science instructor said, “we need to follow a paved path. We’re using a camera sensor to detect where the path is, and steer its way down.”

The robot determines where the path leads by separating out the colors the camera picks up and staying on the dark color of the path.

“At some places,” Kast said, “there may be a ‘v’ in the road. They’ll put up orange cones on

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‘Think Smarter, Not Harder’ workshop offered

Boma Brown
Staff Writer

A workshop designed to increase students’ active listening skills, Think Smarter, Not Harder! will take place Wednesday, from 2 to 2:50 p.m. in Minot State University’s Old Main 104.

“When you sit down and listen to someone, you only collect between 25 to 50 percent of what they say,” Lynn Redden, TRiO-Student Support Services program

assistant said. “This workshop will help you increase that, so when you walk away from a conversation or leave a classroom you will take away more information than what you’ve done previously.”

Organizers designed the workshop to enhance students’ comprehension, and free up their time by making study sessions more productive. Students will learn several ways to get the most out of

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Broadcasting open house today

Cassie Neuharth
Editor

The Minot State University Department of Broadcasting is hosting an open house today from noon to 2 p.m. in Hartnett Hall, first floor. Broadcasting students will show guests, mainly high school students, what the department has to offer, including its variety of majors. They invite all Minot State students to come and learn about the department and the various majors it offers.

Media Ink and Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) joined forces to sponsor the event.

Media Ink is a club made up of broadcasting students that assist where needed and work on MSU's "KMSU Inside Out" TV program, which airs live at 5 p.m. on Thursdays.

PRSSA is an MSU organization mostly made up of public relations majors that helps promote MSU and community events.

"This is a chance for students to see what the broadcasting department is all about," MSU student and PRSSA President Mary Christian said.

Attendees will receive a tour of the production room,

radio room and of all the emphases of the department majors. Broadcasting students have the option of majoring with an emphasis in production, public relations and/or journalism.

"Our students have worked hard to promote the department and show what we can offer to potential students," MSU public relations instructor Audra Myerchin said.

The open house will include pizza and drinks for visitors taking the tour.

For more information, contact Christian at mary.christian@my.minotstat.edu.

'Tapped' showing in Nelson Hall

Cassie Neuharth
Editor

As a part of the observance of Earth Day 2011, Minot State University's Student Social Work Organization (SSWO), along with MSU's Student Government Association, will sponsor a screening of the documentary "Tapped" Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall.

"Tapped" discusses the bottled water industry and its effects on health, climate change and pollution. The event is free and open to the public. Attendees will receive a free reusable water bottle, courtesy of the National Guard.

"This film opened my eyes to the practices of the bottled water industry, and the effects that it can have, not only on human life but also on ocean life," SSWO member Mark Trout said.

"Tapped" encompasses many aspects about caring for the environment and living green.

The film discusses the companies involved in the bottled water industry and purports to show how the industry is depleting ground water sources in areas of the United States facing droughts. It claims that 40 percent of bottled water is tap water.

It talks about the amount of plastic-bottle consumption, and that many areas of the

country do not have city-wide recycling programs to make it easy for citizens to recycle.

Tapped also discusses the harmful chemicals used to make the plastic bottles and how the pollution of plastic bottles into the ocean is affecting wildlife.

The "Tapped" movie web page asks the question, "Is access to clean drinking water a basic human right, or a commodity that should be bought and sold like any other article of commerce?"

It goes on to explain, "This timely documentary is a behind-the-scenes look into the unregulated and unseen world of an industry that aims to privatize and sell back the one resource that ought never to become a commodity: our water. From the plastic production to the ocean in which so many of these bottles end up, this inspiring documentary trails the path of the bottled water industry and the communities which were the unwitting chips on the table. A powerful portrait of the lives affected by the bottled water industry, this revelatory film features those caught at the intersection of big business and the public's right to water."

For more information about the screening of "Tapped," contact Deb Dewitz at deb.dewitz@minotstateu.edu or 858-4259.

International film series continues on April 19

Roy Whyte
Staff Writer

"Ararat," the next movie in the Minot State University's international film series, will run Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Aleshire Theater in Hartnett Hall.

The Canadian-Armenian movie, made in 2002, looks at the Armenian genocide that occurred around the time of the First World War when the Turk's wanted to eradicate the Armenians from their land.

The movie discusses the importance of history and what it means to the people that had to go through these events. Ararat isn't just about the genocide, but also about the survivors, even generations later. The characters have to deal with

their feelings about what happened to them, and the fact that the Turks now say that these events never took place.

Director Atom Egoyan is an Armenian-Canadian, with numerous awards, including an Academy Award, a Genie and a Cannes Film Festival award. He often uses the ideas of alienation and isolation, technology and power structures. He has made more than ten movies and many more short films. His last movie was "Chloe," starring Julianne Moore and Amanda Seyfried. The cast of "Ararat" features Academy Award-nominated actor Christopher Plummer.


Scott Sigel, MSU Spanish instructor, helped organize the film series.

"I feel this is a good choice, because Egoyan is a great Canadian film maker," he said, "and I wanted to honor the many Canadian Students that we have here at MSU. I also wanted to recognize the importance of the Armenian people in our country."

"This is a good movie for anyone who is interested in history, sociology and especially the arts," Sigel said.

Throughout the year, turnout has been good turn for all of the international films, and Sigel would like to continue this event next year. Those attending have a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate from Mi-Mexico.

"Japon" on May 3, is the last film in the series this semester.

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Tech Talk

A column by Tanner Larson

Gorillas go 'Game Crazy'

If you've been to Dakota Square recently, you may have noticed an interesting kiosk in the Target court. That kiosk is the new video game store in town called "Gorilla Games." Gorilla Games is independently owned by Jonah Lantto, formerly of Game Crazy. After the lay-off when Movie Gallery, Inc. filed for chapter 7 bankruptcy, Jonah and his employees opened this store, essentially making a "Game Crazy 2.0."

Gorilla Games, in my opinion, is the best gaming store in Minot, as it has retro games ranging from the Nintendo Entertainment System (NES), Super Nintendo Entertainment System (SNES), PlayStation, Nintendo 64, and much,

much more. They also carry the current-gen games, where you can try before you buy, unlike GameStop or Wal-Mart.

What separates Lantto's store from the competitors is, well, competitive tournaments. Gorilla Games hosts monthly tournaments to appease the gamer audience and let them see who's who amongst the tournament. Trash talking does occur, and most of it is between Lantto and the crowd.

Lantto's talk couldn't save him in last week's double tournament, as "Ballin'" Joe "Cool" Hurt finally got his first tournament win in "Marvel vs. Capcom 3" in an amazing comeback from a 2-0 deficit against Nick "the

Stampede," the previous "Marvel vs. Capcom 3" tournament winner.

Afterwards, Lantto challenged Hurt to a game of "Soul Calibur IV." In a fun atmosphere, words are thrown down along with gauntlets, and that seems to be what the Gorilla gang strives for. After the MvC3 tournament was a WWE All-Stars two vs. two tornado tag tournament, where the winning teams would face each other for a \$30 gift card (\$15 for employees). In that tournament, Gorilla Games employee Steve Sewell won as Rey Mysterio to earn himself a \$15 gift card. Joe Hurt won a \$30 gift card in the MvC3 tournament.

When the tournaments are

up, prices are down. Each tournament has a sale for used games, retro games, select new games, accessories and many other items.

Currently, registration is underway for a summer league at Gorilla Games. If you are interested in joining up for a team or starting one of your own, you must have at least four people to be able to play when the time of the tournament is announced. For more information about the summer league, go see a Gorilla Games employee and let them know you're interested.

The kiosk days are numbered, however, as Gorilla

Games will be moving into Northern Lights Art's former space in between Unique Boutique and Cold Stone Creamery. Lantto said that he plans to have construction done soon and move in sometime in late April or May. An arcade in the back area of the store is also planned, but Lantto said that it may not be done in time for the grand opening, so construction may still be going on in Gorilla Games once it opens. And if you know me, I can hardly wait to get my hands on that arcade area. That area will be available to customers who purchase time to be in the arcade.



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Letter to the Editor

From Kari Williamson, Lutheran Campus Ministries

Help make personal care kits for Japan

Dear MSU Friends –

I have been watching the footage and listening to the news coming out of Japan. Every day we learn more and more about the damage caused by the earthquake and tsunami. We also learn about the awful reality of the human loss. The numbers of those who died and those still missing is overwhelming.

Another part of the damage from the earthquake and tsunami is to the nuclear power plants and the daily

threat of the radiation leaking from them. There is concern that the water is contaminated. People are afraid to use their tap water and bottled water is running out. It is hard for me to put my head around that. I take my “clean tap water” for granted.

How would you like to do something to help our brothers and sisters in Japan? On April 20, stop by the table near the Beaver Dam and help make personal care kits. Each care kit will have a bath towel, two bars of soap,

toothbrush, sturdy comb and nail clipper. These simple items allow folks to wash away dirt and sweat, with the fresh scent of soap and the softness of a towel as reminders of someone’s care and concern for them.

The personal care kits will be sent to Lutheran World Relief and from there to those in need in Japan.

Please stop by the table near the Beaver Dam from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 20 to make a personal care kit and enjoy a cookie.

How to avoid getting sick after the winter months

Jenna Larson
Nursing Student

It’s that time of year again when students may eagerly anticipate spring weather after suffering through the harsh and freezing winter months. While the warmer temperatures may make one want to shed their winter coat, it’s important to remember that the changing of the seasons also brings illness, especially to those living in dormitories. This is due to the fact that students who live in dorms share their living space with many others, so it is easier to spread illness. When one person in a dorm gets sick, everyone else in the dorm seems to get sick as well.

So to avoid getting sick, and to avoid any unwanted absences in class, there are many tips for students who live on campus to remember to stay healthy and free from illness, such as:

Follow proper hand hygiene (washing your hands before and after meals, after using the bathroom, etc). Research shows this is the most important way to prevent the transmission of cold and flu viruses.

Keep your hands away from your nose and mouth, and wash your hands thoroughly each time you get back to your room.

Wash your hands after touching “common” items (telephones, books, public

kitchen appliances, etc.) that may be shared among others.

Try to avoid sharing cell phones, computers, towels, etc. with others, but if you have a roommate or you must share these types of items, then wash or wipe them after use.

Keep a small bottle of hand sanitizer that you can use in the dorm and in between classes.

Stay away from those who are sick, and wash your hands if you do come into contact with any of the sick person’s items.

Do your best to avoid directly touching the handles of kitchen and bathroom faucets; and if possible, use a clean paper towel to grasp the handles.

Remember to “disinfect” your room by using a cleaner such as Lysol or Clorox to kill any germs that may make you, or those around you, sick.

If you do happen to get sick, stay in your room and let your instructors know that you are sick. More than likely they will be understanding, and will probably appreciate that you didn’t get them sick as well.

So to avoid getting sick, it is important to follow the tips mentioned above. By using these tips, you can hopefully remain free from illness and any unwanted absences.... unless of course you WANT an excuse to get out of a test.

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you’ll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Solution on page 10.

Level: Intermediate

Winners chosen from Beaver Idol Finale!

Beaver Idol winner -
Jordan Pederson



Photo by Max Patzner

Senior Jordan Pederson, a physical education major, took first place during the KMSU Beaver Idol finale last week. Pederson dressed the part and sang "Show and Tell" by Al Wilson. Pederson won an iPad 2.

2nd place - **Ashley Barczewski**



Sophomore Ashley Barczewski, a biology major, sang an acoustic version of "Build Me Up Buttercup" by The Foundations. Barczewski received an iPod touch for second place.

Photo by Max Patzner

3rd place - **Mahalia Stubbs-Anderson**



Freshman Mahalia Stubbs-Anderson, a music education major, won third place and a \$50 gift certificate. Stubbs-Anderson sang Pink's "Glitter."

Photo by Max Patzner

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their study time.

"We think we're actively listening, but sometimes when we walk away, we've just got so many things going on and we don't really listen," Redden said. "This will help students focus better and minimize many learning obstacles."

Evelyn Klimpel, coordinator of Disability Services, will moderate the event.

"She works with students every day, and wants to share her knowledge with everyone who wants to make a change in their life," Redden said. "She will talk about different study habits, some of which are common sense, but we easily forget about."

Emma Collins, a history major, said she believes she is an active listener.

"You need to be an active listener to be a good friend; I think I am a good friend" she said.

Hojae Shin, an international graduate student from Korea, shared similar thoughts.

"I counsel Korean and American students. They come to me with their problems, I listen and give them advice," Shin said.

"I am an active listener, because you never know when you might miss important information that you might need in the future." Alicia Gordon, a communication disorders major, said.

TRiO and the Student Success Center jointly sponsor the workshop.

TRiO is a federally funded grant to help students in all aspects of their university life — educational, personal and college group settings.

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MSU music instructor Adam Estes performs on alto saxophone. Estes is a member of the Assembly Saxophone Quartet that will play on campus next weekend.

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Photo by Bekka Ryan

Woodwind quintet members (from the left) Jasmine Massingill, Rachael Kelly, Alyssa Beyer, Alex Baker and Courtney Armstrong rehearse for Tuesday's performance in Nelson Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Saxin' it up

Assembly Saxophone Quartet set for residency on campus

Bekka Ryan
Staff Writer

The Assembly Saxophone Quartet, established in 2003, will visit Minot State University April 15 - 17. While on campus, the group plans to musically influence as many students, staff, faculty and community members as possible.

"This is a group that just wants to share great music with as many people as possible," MSU woodwind instructor Adam Estes said. "We work to hook kids and adults on music!"

This amazingly dynamic group is composed of four music lovers who are well known in their field. Estes plays baritone saxophone for the group. Soprano saxophone player Lauren Meccia is the director of bands at the University of South Carolina-

Aiken. The musician playing the alto saxophone is Robert Young, instructor of saxophone and jazz studies at Wichita State University in Kansas. On tenor saxophone is Matt Younglove, the newest member of the group and instructor of music appreciation at the University of South Carolina. He is currently a doctoral student.

How did this assortment of forces meet?

"At one time or another, all of the members were students at USC," Estes said. "We came together because we enjoy making music. We were friends beforehand and are now all professionals in the field."

During their residency at MSU, this talented group will provide many different types of educational experiences.

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Small but mighty

MSU Small Ensembles to perform Tuesday

Bekka Ryan
Staff Writer

The Minot State University Music Division is proud to announce the second small ensembles concert of the semester, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall.

"Small ensembles are important to have because musicians are given a better opportunity to communicate and work closely with other musicians," Sally Podrebarac said. A junior, Podrebarac is currently a part of the Brass Ensemble, which will perform in this concert.

Other groups performing include the MSU Singers, Brass Quintet, Brass Choir,

Strings Ensemble, MSU Jazz Band and the Woodwind Quintet.

"When you are involved in a small ensemble, it's neat because the sound is so clean compared to a bigger group," Rachael Kelly said. "Then there's that little star in me that just wants to scream 'Listen to me!' when playing in a group like that," the freshman added. Kelly, the oboe in the woodwind quintet, spoke also about the special value of a small ensemble when performing.

"I have really learned how to appreciate the quality of a good performance," she said.

Instructor of private low strings Erik Anderson, strings

methods and co-director of the MSU String Ensemble said, "The audience mix is larger than the average recital. It's neat because so many areas of the MSU Music Department are represented."

Each of the small ensembles meets as classes throughout the semester. The bi-semester concerts offer a way for the groups to highlight what they have been working on all semester.

"The spacing of the concerts offers time for the groups to fully evaluate what they are working on, while working for an end goal," Anderson said. "Many of the ensembles take what they are

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They will perform a free concert, "A History of Music from 1700 - Present, Part I," tomorrow in Nelson Hall at 7:30 p.m.

The group will hold a master class Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. in Nelson Hall. Following this class, the group will perform in a joint concert with Minot's Symphony Orchestra starting at 7:30 p.m. in Nelson Hall.

They will present Part II of "A History of Music from 1700 - Present" Sunday at 3 p.m. in Nelson Hall. This event is free.

"Our mission is to provide educational and outreach opportunities in public schools and communities," Estes said.

The Assembly Saxophone Quartet has performed for many different audiences in the past eight years. For example, they collaborated with the Columbia Museum of Art in Columbia, S.C. During a 1700's exhibit, the quartet paired the visual aspect of the era with their aural aspect. Along with working as an education-outreach program, the quartet has competed in regional and national chamber music competitions.



Photo by Bekka Ryan

MSU percussion instructor Avis Veikley (left) sits with MSU students (from the left) Alyssa Beyer, Erin Rosel and Justin Goetz before the morning performances at Concordia Day of Percussion last week.

Percussionists represent MSU

Instructor and students travel to the Concordia Day of Percussion

Bekka Ryan
Staff Writer

Four Minot State University music education majors had the opportunity to participate in the 21st annual Concordia Day of Percussion in Moorhead, Minn., last week. MSU percussion instructor Avis Veikley accompanied seniors Erin Rosel, Alyssa Beyer, Justin Goetz and junior Bekka Ryan to the conference.

Veikley first attended the seminar in 2002, her first year of teaching at Minot State.

"It's such a great educational event, she said. "They always have such top notch clinicians. It's really good for my students to be exposed to this level."

Conference headliners Timothy Adams Jr., the Fubuki Daiko group, and Tommy Igoe held clinics and

performed.

Adams specializes in timpani playing. His workshop Saturday morning covered basic techniques, equipment and history of the instrument.

"Through Adams' clinic I was able to realize and better understand my new favorite percussion instrument — the timpani," Ryan said. "It's always a fantastic idea to expose yourself to great professionals. They can only make you better."

The literal translation of Fubuki Daiko is "Blizzard Drum." This group, based out of Winnipeg, Canada, plays traditional Japanese drumming methods with a modern twist to their ancient techniques.

"I really liked the Fubuki Daiko group," Rosel said. "I liked the fact that it was both visual and auditory. The way

that they teach in the body first, to internalize the music, was really interesting to me."

The final headliner, Tommy Igoe, focused on drum set and rudiments. Igoe, known for his instructional books, has been a huge name in drumming over the past 30 years.

"He's amazing," Goetz said. "As a drum set aficionado, it was mind altering to watch a person with such musicianship. I can only hope that someday I can be a master of my craft such as he is."

The Concordia Jazz Band and Marimba ensemble performed at the end of the clinics.

"This is an easy way to get my students to an event that's close, but has top notch professional performers," Veikley said.



Photo by Bekka Ryan

MSU students Erin Neumann, Jessica Belgarde and Kate Dalbey practice for the upcoming Small Ensembles concert on Tuesday.

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working on in class out into the community also."

This performance is free and open to stu-

dents, faculty and staff as well as the public.

The musicians encourage everyone to attend and witness the dynamic music this concert promises to deliver!

... Robots continued from page 2 the one not to follow, so the robot has to know not to go down paths that are blocked."

The robot will also have a GPS unit attached, so that it can report it has passed waypoints along the course. There are five waypoints along the path. A sixth and final one is actually some distance off of it. To reach the final point and finish the course, the robot must steer itself off the path, using sonar sensors to avoid trees, rocks and other possible obstructions.

The actual body of the robot consists of the chassis of an electric wheelchair, powered by a car battery. The competition rules judge robots not only on their effectiveness, but give "personality points" as well. The contest rules encourage entrants to include behaviors such as telling jokes, playing music, singing or identifying people wearing hats.

This winning team receives \$500 in cash, also. According to Kast, to date, no robot in the competition has completed all of the tasks.

Golfers continue to dominate



MSU Sports Information) — Minot State University men's and women's golfers dominated their fourth-straight tournament.

MSU sophomore Casey Gleich got his game going just in time for the conference spring opener. Gleich shot a 2-under-par 70 to lead all golfers on the first day of the South Dakota Mines Invitational played at Meadowbrook Golf Course in Rapid City.

"Casey played a good round," MSU head coach Chipper Farrell said. "He has been battling some personal things and we weren't sure he was going to make the trip. He wasn't playing well coming in, but played well for us today."

MSU also got a 74 from senior Ben Edwards, who finished his round in second place.

The MSU women's team was in the same position to win its second straight team title.

MSU freshman MacKenzie Nagel was the

team's club-house leader with an 86 after the first round and was tied for second. Junior Ali Hilkeiwich was in fifth with an 88 and Kelsey Whitmore was tied for sixth with a 90. MSU had all five scores under 100 on Day 1.

The Beavers occupied three of the top five spots on the men's side and four of the top 10 on the women's side to sweep again.

Gleich finished Day 2 with 74 ending the tournament with even-par 144. Edwards finished with 153 making him and Gleich 1-2. Freshman Blair Anderson finished out at 155 tying for third on the men's side. Hilkeiwich shot a team-best 85 on Day 2 to pass teammate Nagel by two strokes and leaving them with the 3-4 title on the women's side.

The Beavers all but locked up both team titles as MSU's men's team built a six-point lead on Jamestown College with two tournaments - and

10 points - remaining. The women also have a six-point lead on Black Hills State with the two events to play.

The Beaver men's dominance over the Dakota Athletic Conference continued as MSU won its 11th straight conference meet and has won at least a share of a DAC tournament title in its past 15 events. MSU's last tournament where it didn't at least win a share was the S.D. Mines Invitational in 2008.

MSU has two more events to play in the spring portion of the season, beginning with the Dickinson State Invitational Sunday and Monday.

Hockey awards given

The Minot State University Men's Club Hockey held its awards banquet last week.

The honorees as voted by the coaches and players are: Top Forward, Kale Dolinski; Top Defenseman, Garrett Ferguson; Most Improved Player, Kyle Stephens; Player's Player, Colin Wilson; Rookie of the Year, Kale Dolinski; Most Valuable Player, Kent Lillejord.

Kent Lillejord won the Caley Cox Memorial Award. This award goes to the player who demonstrates a sincere dedication and love for the game of hockey, and displays a great intensity and spirit while playing. The ACHA also honored Lillejord as Academic All American.

The American College Hockey Association selected MSU hockey coach Wade Regier as Coach of the All Star Blue Team.

The hockey team (27-4) had a successful season. They competed at the American College Hockey Association National where they finished 9th in the country.

Solution from puzzle on page 3.

6	4	8	2	5	3	7	9	1
9	1	5	6	7	4	8	2	3
7	2	3	9	1	8	5	6	4
4	8	6	1	3	7	9	5	2
2	5	7	8	4	9	3	1	6
1	3	9	5	2	6	4	8	7
5	6	4	3	9	2	1	7	8
3	9	2	7	8	1	6	4	5
8	7	1	4	6	5	2	3	9

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Beavers hosts U of Mary in soccer exhibition game



Photo by Jesse Kelly
Tara McPartland scores against the University of Mary in last week's spring game. The Beavers won 2-0.

Spring ball under way



Photo by Jesse Kelly
Zack Robinson (No. 52) tackles Logan Jones (No. 26) in a scrimmage last week at Herb Parker Stadium. Spring ball is under way for the Beavers.

Softball played at Herb Parker? Yep.



Photo by Jesse Kelly
MSU baseball players watch the action from behind the fence as the Lady Beavers take on rival Valley City State University in Dakota Athletic Conference play. The games were played at Herb Parker Stadium last week as regular fields continue to dry.



Jen Dixon pitches in last week's home opener with Valley City State. The Beavers won the first game, 3-2. The Vikings won the second, 3-1.

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