



Photo by Zac DeMers

Mark Timbrook poses with the books, "When Dreams Come True" and "Minot State University: The Campus History Series."

Timbrook authors books on Minot State history

by Zac DeMers
Staff Writer

Mark Timbrook has authored one book and coauthored a second one on Minot State University's history in celebration of the MSU Centennial. Timbrook

is the instructional design coordinator at the Center for Extended Learning and adjunct MSU history professor.

"MSU: The Campus Series" is primarily a pictorial by Timbrook.
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Ngugi to present on Minot's Oak Park

by Amanda Nixon
Comm 281

Daniel Ngugi will present "America's Favorite Park: Minot's Oak Park" Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 7 p.m. in Minot State University's Aleshire Theater.

Ngugi, an assistant professor of economics at MSU, will evaluate the park's economic value to the area. He will also explore how many people actually make use of the park and some of the favorite activities people engage in there.

Oak Park was chosen as America's Favorite Park in a nation-wide contest conducted by Coca-Cola. Thanks to the support and crusading of Minot's residents, Oak Park received the most votes and the \$100,000 prize from Coca-Cola. Officials used the funds to help revitalize Oak Park after the 2011 flood.

The lecture, part of the Northwest Art Center's lecture series is, free and open to the public.

SGA members make treats for zoo animals



Submitted photo
MSU Student Government Association members (from left) Zach Niebuhr, Haley Heiser, Marissa Choiniere, Josh Sandy, Brooke Domonoske, Alex Buchholz, Kelsey MacNaughton, Callie Cook, Brittany Diegel, Nikki Egge and Chelsea Geis volunteer at Minot's Roosevelt Park Zoo making snacks for the animals. The event last week was one of many service projects sponsored by MSU's Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning.



Submitted photo
MSU SGA members Zachary Niebuhr, Haley Heiser and Marissa Choiniere make treats for primates at Minot's Roosevelt Park Zoo.

Spring intramurals: ready to rumble

By Skyler Niebuhr
Comm 281

Minot State University offers students many opportunities to participate and stay active indoors through intramural sports.

Intramurals now in progress are bowling at North Hill Bowl and a five-on-five basketball league in the Wellness Center.

Students have many opportunities on campus in the coming months to join in. On Tuesday,

Feb. 11, Minot State intramurals is holding a battleship event using canoes in the pool in the Student Center at 7 p.m. And on Tuesday, Feb. 25, students can meet in the Wellness Center at 2 p.m. for a floor hockey tournament.

The Beaver Dam will be home to a pool tournament at 5 p.m. March 25. The volleyball league will be back starting April 2 at 6 p.m. in the Wellness Center and run until May 7.

Also in the Wellness Center, a soccer tournament begins at 7 p.m. April 4, followed by a kick-ball tournament April 8 starting at 7 p.m.

Intramural sports are a great way to get involved on campus. Students can sign up for any of the above events by creating an account on www.imleagues.com/minotstate, clicking on the desired event and adding their team.

Voices on Campus

“Have you taken an MSU elective course? Why or why not?”

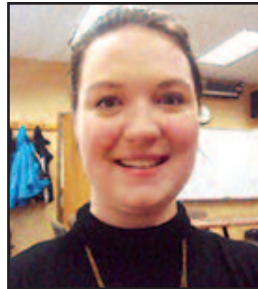
Shae Rodriguez
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Nicole Axtman
Elementary Education
“I took an elective in college to better my degree so I am more open to positions in the school system. It helped me better understand why children are struggling with reading.”



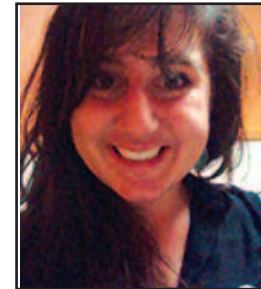
Mychael Hackett
Business Management
“I’ve taken several electives. I wanted to take different courses to spread my knowledge of random things. I love music and play the guitar so that’s why I took Music Theory. I am currently taking Stress Management.”



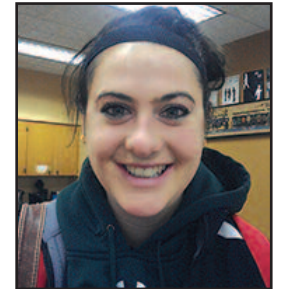
Elizabeth Hamm
Broadcast/ Multi Media
“I haven’t taken any electives because I have two majors and I don’t have time to add them to my already-packed schedule.”



Juan Vadell
Public Relations
“I took History of Pop and Rock as an elective. I took this because I wanted to broaden my horizon on how music shaped the U.S. and the culture that it came from.”



Jasmine Sakak
General Studies
“It is something that can be relaxing and enjoyable, especially if you are trying to get your generals out of the way. It is nice to have a little break.”



Jamie Council
Broadcast Production
“I have taken a ton of electives. I think it is a good idea because I am very indecisive and a lot of things interest me. I also want to be ready for the real world instead of only focusing on one thing.”

News in Brief

MSU presidential search update

The MSU Presidential Search Committee received 37 applications for the position of president, according to the Minot State University Public Information Office. David Fuller, current president, will retire in June.

The committee identified eight candidates for Interactive Video Network interviews scheduled for Feb. 4 and 5. They will then narrow the candidate list to five or six for in-person interviews on campus. The State Board of Higher Education will interview the committee’s three finalists and select the new president Feb. 26.

Possible settlement timetable set for Jesse Ili

A timetable has been set for a possible settlement in the felony case of former Minot State University student and football

player Jesse Devon Ili, according to a KMOT-TV news report.

Ili appeared in court Jan. 21 for a motion hearing and pre-trial conference. He is charged with aggravated assault, simple assault on a peace officer and preventing arrest.

The judge set a six-week timetable to allow the prosecution and defense time to review information to reach a possible settlement. If a settlement is not reached, a trial will be scheduled for this spring.

Westlie Estate donates to MSU

The Minot State University Development Foundation received a donation of more than \$1 million from the estate of the late Chuck and Madge Westlie of Minot.

“Chuck and Madge Westlie’s estate continued its lifelong support of the Minot community and, in particular, Minot State

University,” Marv Semrau, vice president for advancement, said. “This bequest will help enhance the opportunities for Minot State students, as we enter our second century of service.”

International Film Series: ‘Into the Wild’

The International Film Series will kick off this semester with a showing of “Into the Wild” Feb. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. The film centers on Christopher McCandless, a university graduate who donates his savings account to charity and embarks on a life-changing trip to Alaska. A discussion about the film will follow. The showing is free and open to the public.

Study abroad opportunities presented Feb. 4

On Feb. 4, MSU’s International Program and GlobaLinks

Learning Abroad will present study abroad opportunities to MSU students. GlobaLinks regional director Shun Yanagishita will discuss “Challenge Australia – Leadership Development” at 8:30 a.m. and London summer school at 9:30 a.m. in the Westlie Room, third floor of the Student Center. A study abroad informational booth will be available at 11 a.m. on the second floor of the Student Center, near Beaver Creek Cafe. The events are free and open to all MSU students.

Presentation on safety grant Feb. 4

Linda Seklecki, RCJC project coordinator, will lead a discussion about the goal for the grant supported Campus Violence Prevention Program (CVPP) Tuesday from 10 to 10:30 a.m. in Aleshire Theater. The program aims to educate students and

employees about the prevention of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking on campus. The presentation is the first in a series of Be in the Know lectures sponsored by the MSU Marketing Office. This event is free and open to students and faculty.

Lecture: ‘Purple Mums: A True Story of a Stranger Rape’ Feb. 6

Sandy Madsen, author of the book “Purple Mums: A True Story of a Stranger Rape,” will share her experience as a sexual assault survivor Feb. 6 at 12:30 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. For more than twenty years, Madsen has advocated awareness and helped sexual assault survivors recover across the nation. The presentation, hosted by Minot State University Campus Counseling, is free and open to the public.

Writing Center: run by students, for students

by Alexis Klein
Comm 281

Students at Minot State University who need assistance with writing have great resources available to them. MSU offers writing assistance to all students through the Writing Center. Patti Kurtz, associate English professor, is the Writing Center director; all the tutors are students.

Students make an appointment by logging on to the MSU website, clicking on the Writing Center link, creating an account and choosing an open time to meet with a tutor.

Center hours of operation are 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. While the staff likes to have students visit in person, for those who are not able to meet during face-to-face

hours, the writing center now offers e-tutoring, as well.

E-tutoring, new to the writing center, is a very convenient resource. Within three days students receive an email with their paper attached, questions answered and spelling and grammar corrections made in a different color. Since the turn-around time for email response through the writing center can be up to three days, center personnel remind students to be sure to email questions as soon as they need help to be able to finish their papers on time.

Tutors say students should use this resource because it is free, convenient, works around their schedule, helps them improve their writing skills, and hopefully, get a better grade.



Bill Nye vs. Ken Ham / Atheist vs. Creationist

Tuesday, Feb. 4, 5:30 p.m., Streamed live in the Beaver Dam
Hosted by MSU Life

Is creation a viable model of origins in today's modern, scientific era? Leading creation apologist and bestselling Christian author Ken Ham is joined at the Creation Museum by popular TV personality and evolution apologist Bill Nye "the Science Guy!" Each man delivers what he believes is the best information currently available for his case. Each then has an opportunity for rebuttal and to answer questions submitted by the audience.

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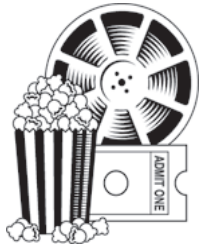
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On Movies



by Alex Nelson
Staff Writer

First off, I just want to wish you a good semester and a good year. With a new year come many new movies. This includes the film, "Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit," which stars Chris Pine, Keira Knightly, Kenneth Branagh and Kevin Costner, with Kenneth Branagh directing. Violence and brief strong language give it a PG-13 rating.

Jack Ryan (Pine), a former United States Marine, now works undercover as an analyst for the C.I.A. by tracking down any suspicious transactions made on Wall Street. He lives with his girlfriend Cathy Muller (Knightly), a doctor, who is starting to believe that Jack

'Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit'

is not telling her the whole truth about his life. Jack, however, has no time to deal with personal matters when he notices strange actions are occurring – a lot of money from a Russian organization has disappeared.

After he shows his findings to C.I.A. operative Harper (Costner), Jack is given a plane ticket to Russia to speak to Viktor Cheverin (Branagh), the head of the Russian company, to find out what happened to the money. What is supposed to be a simple job turns very quickly into a dangerous situation as Jack is targeted, and Viktor is not an enemy to underestimate. To make matters worse, Cathy, who is tired of being lied to, goes to Russia to talk to Jack. The time is ticking for Jack Ryan as he attempts to stop Viktor and his plans, while risking everything.

I would not consider myself a

huge Tom Clancy fan. I have seen the movies with Harrison Ford and read "Patriot Games" and, of course, there are the many video games that have his logo. The movie, I understand, is a reboot of the series about the well-known character, Jack Ryan, created by Tom Clancy. In some ways it can also be seen as an original story for Ryan as, in the beginning, we get to see his motivations for joining the Marines and how he gets recruited into the C.I.A. I did also enjoy some of the action sequences in the film. It is not an extreme-action film, but it does have its share. The film concentrates more on espionage and secrets which we tend to see a lot.

The actors, in my opinion, make this film likeable to watch. Chris Pine, for example, is well known for playing Captain Kirk from "Star Trek;" he also does

well as the new actor to portray Ryan who, we can see during the movie is out of his element and not a well-trained C.I.A. agent. He is mostly an analyst for them. This doesn't mean he is helpless, as Ryan is a former Marine and can hold his own.

Kenneth Branagh, who also directs, plays the main villain of the film and does a good job playing the bad guy. While this certain villain isn't exactly something new, Branagh's acting of the character still impressed me. It was also interesting to watch Kevin Costner and Keira Knightly as Jack's main allies. I personally liked the way these characters interacted with each other during the film.

I should mention that I had multiple questions about the plot. It was not that I didn't understand what was going on, but to me the

problem lay on certain parts of the story that could have been explained or made clearer. Sometimes the plot reminded me of a typical action film where the main heroes have to save the day and all that. We get some twists and turns that catch us off guard, but some feel easily straightforward and not really that surprising at all. Some viewers might see this as a problem as they might want something new and not something they have seen already.

Even the main villain's motive could have been better and it even reminded me of some typical Russian villains in many movies I have seen. However, I still enjoyed the movie. Despite the weak plot line, the action scenes were good and the actors themselves helped make me enjoy the movie. Branagh, who directed

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Not Just Paranoia



by Bryan Lynch
Staff Writer

I came to the realization recently that fear controls human society like a king much of the time. Everywhere there seems to be someone there trying to submerge someone else in paranoia

The importance of conquering fear

and anxiety.

One place where this is painfully true is the media. Whether it's the alternative media, conspiracy theory shows, or even the regular news, there is always someone trying to instill anxiety into people.

Conspiracy theory shows are a classic for this! The host will talk all hour about how the world is falling down around us and then

advertise storable emergency food during the commercial break.

The regular news isn't much better either. How often have the major news stations told us that America will fall into ruin if we don't run right out and vote for a certain candidate?

Our entire media these days (and even in years past) seems to be full of fear mongering. I realize now that I'm even guilty of fear

mongering in my column to an extent.

The media should encourage people to take action on things by informing them, not by scaring them.

Fear is a human emotion, and we need to stop letting people exploit that emotion to control us, because the very nature of life is uncertain and uncontrollable.

That's why we need to cherish

each moment and not let fear take it away from us.

We don't have control. We don't have the upper hand, but what we do have is the gifts of love and courage. Let us never be afraid to love one another and experience the gift of life.

Let's tell those people who want to keep us living in this fear mentality to "take a hike."

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Loyalty unbound

by Frankie Jean-Pierre
Staff Writer

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all." – The Pledge of Allegiance.

Every day before the start of school, elementary students would stand, place their hand over their heart and recite the pledge of allegiance while facing the American flag. This was a daily routine until it eventually became "unimportant" in middle school and high school and it began to fade from memory. However, that's the age at which I feel it's more important than ever to recite it, because you're finally old enough to understand the meaning of the pledge and what it is that you're pledging allegiance to. Many children don't understand the reason why they recite it every morning or what it means.

The pledge is recited to encourage and bind an individual to the United States. Immigrants aside, the United States is your home, it's provided a place for your parents to give birth to you, it shelters you from subjugation and persecution

that other countries would enforce, it provides the freedom to become whatever you dream and yet we still have people who betray her, who lie, cheat, steal and commit horrendous crimes against their home.

Domestic terrorism has become more popular due to media outlets and increasing tensions throughout the world, but little has been done to fight it. Our government seems to rely more on the idea of just spying on everyone and targeting potential threats and waiting for them to strike, but this tactic, although effective at times, is purely defensive, at times immoral. Not to mention it doesn't curtail the main issue – that these people have lost faith in their country. I understand frustrations with government on multiple levels and even not supporting a specific cause, but that's no reason to betray your home.

Now I'm not saying that reciting the pledge of allegiance will completely restore any lost or weakened faith, but small things like saying the pledge and having an American flag flying over a business can add up. Collectively the little things will help bring

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He co-authored "When Dreams Come True," the history of the campus, with Jonathon Wagner, MSU professor emeritus of history.

"Jon Wagner was my mentor for years," Timbrook said. "When we saw the centennial coming, we decided to get together (and write a book)."

Both Wagner and Timbrook spent an extensive amount of time working on these projects. For example, Timbrook said it took three years to write "When Dreams Come True" and two years to compile and write "Minot State University: the Campus Series."

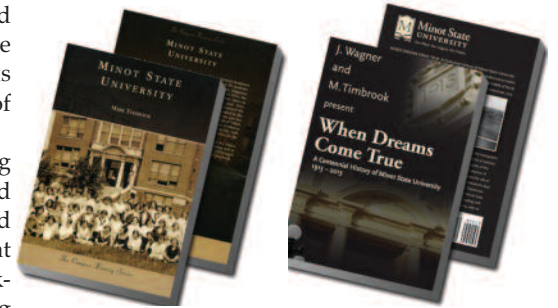
"Jon and I both really enjoyed doing it," he said. "It was fun to do. We spent hours reading Red

and Greens and yearbooks. We looked at thousands of pictures and all of the newspapers."

MSU has a long history. He noted that it has lived through two Great Wars, floods (thankfully not reaching the campus) and social revolutions.

The book, "When Dreams Come True," commences in the 1890s, when talks began to build a school. MSU was involved in the two Great Wars because two of its students died during WW I in France, and it served as a naval training base during World War II.

"I really enjoyed the history of Minot State," Timbrook said. "We



both did it for our love of the campus, the institution and the good years it gave us."

Because of this, he will give all profits from sales of the books to MSU to go toward history scholarships.

Individuals can purchase the books at Main Street Books, Home Sweet Home, MSU Bookstore or online at www.minotstateu.edu/100.

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Student volunteers (from the left) Layne Pflüger, Nikki Egge, Marley Kotylak, Ward Lamon, Kaitlyn Dalhberg, Callie Cook, Jessica Cox and Katie Harger gather around comedian Adam Grabowski (center). Grabowski performed earlier this month on campus. The first 100 students in attendance received a free shirt bearing the slogan "I've got gadgets and gizmos aplenty," a quote from the Disney film, "The Little Mermaid."

... and BINGO was their name-o



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MSU students (from the left) Emily Mark, Natasha Brenzil and Jenny Heinrichs try their luck at Grocery Bag Bingo in the Beaver Dam.

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February 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the MSU Pool

FLOOR HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

February 25, 2:00 p.m., Wellness Center

POOL TOURNAMENT

March 25 at 5:00 p.m. in the Beaver Dam

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April 2 - May 7 at 6:00 p.m., Wellness Center

SOCCER TOURNAMENT

April 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center

KICKBALL TOURNAMENT

April 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center



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Johnny Holm dance a crowd hit



Photo by Marina Carillo

Leader and front man, Johnny Holm, entertains MSU students at a dance at the State Fairgrounds. The Johnny Holm Band has been playing since the 1970s.

MSU-Life: Speed-Friending



Photo by Chelsea Geis

MSU students (from the left) Samantha Villegas, Leif Larson, Ken Hurlburt and Emma Vasquez play a card game before moving to another table of prospective friends at Speed-Friending. Students met each other in a relaxed and fun environment last week in the Beaver Dam.

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films in the past such as "Thor," does the best he can with the story and for what it's worth, does give us a decent job. While not the best spy thriller film ever, it passes for being what it is.

I personally rate "Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit" 3 out of 5 Beavers.

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people together in troubled times.

I would also argue that in troubled or uncertain times it's even more important for people to speak up and help their country, because it's become apparent that the current administration doesn't care enough and is too incompetent to lead a nation. So now more than ever it's time for the people to give back to the country and home that has given them so much. It's about staying loyal to America and not having your loyalty come unbound.

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Photo by William Russell
MSU's Lazar Boskovic (No.21) shoots above a Bemidji State player in NSIC play Saturday in the Dome. MSU lost to Bemidji, 68-84.

Men's basketball snaps streak, splits weekend

by Jamin Heller
Staff Writer

Mired in a losing streak, the Minot State University men's basketball team entered last weekend hoping some home cooking would finally snap their six-game winless drought. They were able to accomplish just that against University of Minnesota Crookston on Friday night, before dropping a tough one to Bemidji State the following day.

A balanced effort and a huge contribution from the bench highlighted a 78-59 win on Friday night, marking the Beavers' first calendar win of 2014. Minot State outscored Crookston (4-13 overall, 1-12 NSIC) by an astounding 44-14 margin in bench points, which left head Coach Matt Murken praising the effort of his role players after the game.

"I thought we played with great energy," Murken told MSU Sports Information, "and we got a big lift from our bench. Three seniors came in and gave us some great minutes and a ton of energy. The last 10 minutes of that game we really guarded. They only scored 10 points in the last 10 minutes. Our offensive execution was sharp and we made the extra pass, ran the shot clock down and trusted one another that we were going to hit shots."

The Beavers led 40-25 at half-time, but the Golden Eagles refused to go away, trimming the deficit to as much as six once play resumed. The Beavers bore down in the final 10 minutes to secure the victory, pulling away with a 23-10 run to end the game.

Senior Samuel Johnson led

the Beavers with 16 total points, while Serbian junior Lazar Boskovic caught fire collecting a career high 15 points. E.J. Williams and Isiah Gandy also added 11 points of their own.

The Beavers were then unable to capitalize on the momentum the following day, dropping an 84-69 decision to Bemidji State.

Minot State actually led for most of the first half, before a late charge from BSU gave Bemidji a 39-34 advantage at the break. The game continued to go back and forth, with Minot managing to make it a one-possession game at 66-63, but BSU pulled away late with an 18-5 rally in the final five minutes.

Murken said he thought his team was simply outplayed in the end, praising Bemidji for their effort.

"Give Bemidji credit, they

made plays and finished plays when they needed to. They would get to the lane or make that extra pass or a guy would finish through contact and get a big three-point play," Murken told MSU Sports Information. "They did a good job with that tonight and were a little tougher than us, in that regard."

Chris East and E.J. Williams both led the Beavers with 13 points apiece, while Dominique McDonald added 12 and Thomas Korf posted 11 in the loss.

The Beavers (7-11 overall, 3-11 NSIC) will now travel south to visit a pair of NSIC South Division opponents this weekend, starting with a trip to Concordia St. Paul tomorrow, before visiting nationally ranked Minnesota State on Saturday.

MSU tames Oakland U on the ice

by Jamie Council
Staff Writer

The Minot State University Beavers club hockey team swept the Oakland University Grizzlies in a two-game series over the weekend. These wins bring Minot's record to 18-5-3. The last time Beaver hockey fans in the Maysa Arena witnessed a sweep was last October against Colorado State, although, this is partly due to a lack of ample home games. MSU stands at #9 and Oakland #17 in the latest ACHA Men's Division I rankings.

"All the teams in the top 20 bring their best every night," junior captain Mike Jordan said, "and that includes the physical play."

The keys of Friday night's game were hard work and execution. Head coach Wade Regier, talking about game day notes, said the two issues seemed to be a lack of offense for MSU and the peril of OU offensive powerhouse Bill Balent. The offense showed up last night, and the Beavers were able to shut down Balent. Even when the Beavers found themselves behind or a man short, they were able to battle through adversity and never ended a period with a goal deficit.

"The biggest thing is, we needed to come out with more energy and determination to play hard," Regier said. "The boys did a great

job of implementing all the things we worked on in practice."

The Beavers led 2-1 after a scrappy, physical first period. Ten penalties were called within that time, six on Oakland and four on Minot. OU struck just a minute into the game with a goal from Anthony Colizza. About halfway through the period, MSU broke the ice for scoring on the night. Beaver sophomore Brett Nespor tallied a goal with an assist from sophomore Bob Pond and, four minutes later, freshman Jeremy Johnson buried the puck coming from Nespor and Pond.

The end of the second period allowed MSU to get momentum rolling and confidence building. The Grizzlies' Ian Jacobs tied the score just two minutes in. Then freshman Cole Olson was able to sneak one past OU's goaltender Corey Hrischuk assisted by freshman Brett McNevin before OU answered with back-to-back goals by David Merkle and the second unassisted by Smiatacz.

With less than two minutes left in the second, MSU found itself down by a goal. Minot State dug deep and found the net twice before the buzzer sounded to end the period. Jordan sniped one past Hrischuk unassisted off a slap shot that found the upper side net. Senior defenseman Kyle Stephens was suc-

cessful as well with the slap shot, assisted by junior Logan Herauf and junior assistant captain Brad Olynyk to put MSU up 5-4 going into the final period.

"Once we were able to eliminate some of the mistakes we were making in the first half [of the period]," Jordan said, "we knew we could take the game over. It was nice to have a breakout offensively."

The Beavers dictated the third period, striving to play deliberate and disciplined to finish out the game. Jordan netted a goal halfway through the period assisted by line mates Nespor and Johnson. Three minutes later, Minot's senior defenseman and assistant captain Mitch Peeke put the Beavers' goal count at seven, assisted by Olynyk and Jordan. With just over two minutes to play, Oakland's Colizza from Frank Matyok was able to put one past senior Beaver goaltender Wyatt Waselenchuk. However, it was too little, too late for a comeback. The final buzzer showed a 7-5 victory for Minot State.

"We have the best fans," Regier said. "The rink was packed, and our guys fed off their energy. We needed to find a way to win in front of such a large crowd."

Waselenchuk guarded the pipes all three periods for the Beavers and recorded 28



Photo by Jamie Council
MSU defender Bob Pond handles the puck against an Oakland University player. The Beavers swept the two-game series, winning both games, 7-5.

saves. He is glad to be playing on home ice, especially with MSU's student section back in full force, chanting and cheering for MSU.

"It was an amazing atmosphere," Waselenchuk said. "We really seemed to feed off that energy to get us through a couple of tough times throughout the game. Even though, personally, I was not at my best, the guys played very

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MSU's Rudolph named offensive coordinator at UND

(MSU Sports Information Office) — Minot State University head football coach Paul Rudolph has resigned his position at Minot State to accept the offensive coordinator position at the University of North Dakota.



Rudolph

Rudolph completed his seventh season as the head coach at Minot State in November, finishing the 2013 season with a 2-9 record. He ends his career at MSU with a 33-40 record.

During his seven years as head coach at Minot State, Rudolph not only returned the Beavers to the national stage, earning a trip to the NAIA National Championship Playoffs in 2009, but helped the football program during its transition from NAIA to NCAA Division II, including a grueling independent season. He was 5-17 overall in the

prestigious Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference over two seasons.

"We want to thank Paul for the past seven years of service to Minot State University Athletics," MSU Athletic Director Rick Hedberg said. "Paul worked very hard during his time here and brought in many outstanding young men to our football program. We wish him the best at UND."

The MSU Athletic Department received more than 100 applications for the position of head coach. The search committee narrowed the candidate list to three for in-person interviews on campus. They are Mike Aldrich, current defensive coordinator at Wayne State College in Wayne, Neb; Todd Hoffner, former head coach at Minnesota State University-Mankato; and Aaron Vlicko, current offensive coordinator at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

At press time, the new head coach had not yet been named.

Boag named NSIC player of the week

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State's Christina Boag, junior, was named Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Women's Basketball Player of the Week.



Boag

Boag averaged 24.0 points and 8.5 rebounds per game to help Minot State to a pair of NSIC North Division wins. She scored a career high 29 points in a 94-84 win over Bemidji State Saturday and finished with a double-double (19 points-10 rebounds) in a 72-64 win over Minnesota Crookston.

On the weekend, Boag was 17 for 28 (60.7%) from the floor, with seven steals and six assists. MSU, gaining a game on NSIC North Division leader Northern State, is in second place in the North Division.

Wrestling comes home this weekend

by William Russell
Staff Writer

With most of the wrestling season over and only a few matches left, let's take a look back on what happened during winter break.

The Minot State University Beavers got off to a slow start, losing most of their matches. However, they have won two of their three matches in the last three weeks. They posted their first win against Newman University and the second win in exhibition action, taking down the University of Regina, 26-15, in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, topping Regina for the first time while using international rules.

Minot State comes home to the Dome for a pair of NSIC duals, taking on St. Cloud State Friday and Upper Iowa Saturday.

Women's basketball racks up wins

by Jamin Heller
Staff Writer

Coming off an underwhelming performance against St. Cloud, the Minot State women's basketball team looked to get back on track with a pair of home games last weekend. The Beavers managed to pull out crucial victories over Crookston and Bemidji State, aiding their chances of securing a home game in the upcoming NSIC playoffs.

Minot State rode a hot start and fended off a relentless comeback bid while recording a 72-64 win over the University of Minnesota Crookston (7-10 overall, 4-9 NSIC) on Friday night. The Beavers built a quick 13-0 advantage but the Golden Eagles refused to throw in the towel, even making it a one-possession game at one point in the second half.

Carly Boag led Minot's balanced offensive attack with 20 points, while her twin sister Christina added 19 of her own to compliment her 10 rebounds and 5 steals. Katie Hardy also had a memorable night, recording her first double-double of the season with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

While it wasn't a textbook performance, head coach Sheila Green Gerding was happy to pick up the win, and praised Crookston for their effort.

"We did what we had to do," Green Gerding told MSU Sports Information. "It wasn't a pretty game tonight, and you have to



Photo by William Russell

Carly Boag (No. 40) struggles to break free from two Bemidji State players in NSIC play Saturday in the Dome. MSU came out on top, 94-84.

give Crookston credit. They play extremely hard and come at you with everything. Defensively we weren't great and offensively we didn't execute very well. We did a nice job getting the ball inside for a stretch in the second half, but other than that, they made things difficult for us."

Minot then capped the weekend with a high-scoring 94-84 win over Bemidji State (8-10 overall, 4-10 NSIC).

The battle of the Beavers was tightly contested throughout the entire affair, with Minot unable to pull away despite maintaining the lead for most of

the night. Minot entered the half with a 47-40 advantage, but wasn't able to stretch the lead to double digits until late in the game.

Once again, Minot was led by their dynamic Australian contingent. With their parents in attendance to watch their first NSIC league games, the Boag sisters combined for a dominant 54 points and 20 rebounds. Christina broke her career high by dropping in 29 points, while Carly added an equally impressive 25 points and

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well, and it was fun to get that win in front of that great crowd."

The two-game series ended Saturday, with another 7-5 MSU win.

Defensive discipline, a lively second period, and individual offensive efforts were the driving forces behind the final game outcome. Senior veteran defenseman Kyle Stephens didn't dress due to injury. Freshman Jon Stephansson stepped in and all six defensemen stepped up to fill the holes. MSU scored four of the seven goals in the second period. Senior Cam McGeough put up a stellar performance as he netted his third goal of the night past Oakland goaltender Corey Hrischuk. McGeough tallied four points, with an assist in addition to the hat trick. Herauf put up four points as well, with one goal and three assists while senior Jared McIntosh tallied three with one goal and two assists.

The Beavers found themselves down by a goal when the first period ended 2-3. Oakland got on the board first with a goal from Ryan Rotondi. McGeough answered back less than a minute later to tie up the game with assists from Olynyk and freshman Jeremy Johnson. In the 17th minute, Grizzlies' forward Mike MacKinnon broke the tie with David Merkle and Frank Matyok on assists. In the last minute of the game, the teams scored a goal apiece. OU's Merkle scored with 55 seconds left from Will Shier and Anthony Colizza. The Beavers' McIntosh put

the puck in the back of the net with just 11 seconds left on the clock assisted by Olynyk and McGeough. The score sat at 2-3, with Oakland having the edge. Each squad had four penalties in the period.

Oakland's junior forward powerhouse Billy Balent put up his first goal of the series before the minute mark of the second period on an unassisted goal. MSU got the next two goals to tie the game at 4-4 with McGeogh from Herauf and freshman Tanner Mitchell on the first goal and Johnson and Mitchell and Herauf on the second. In the 16th minute, Balent broke the tie with assists coming from Colizza and Drew Parus. MSU added two goals to take the lead in the final three minutes of the period. McGeough finished the hat trick with assists from Herauf and McIntosh, and Herauf got one of his own from McIntosh. Ten penalties were called in the period, six from Oakland and four from Minot.

A wacky third period added to the emotions. Multiple goals were called back, but the Beavers' efforts were rewarded when the referee reversed a "no-goal" call, giving the goal to freshman Dillon Smith on the stat sheet to put the final score at 7-5. Five total penalties with four from MSU were called in the final period.

Junior Riley Hengen stood in net for the Beavers, recording 34 saves.

The Beavers traveled to Williston State Tuesday. Scores were not available at press time. They head to University of Illinois this weekend.

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13 rebounds. Morgan Klose also contributed 15 points, with Hardy adding 13 of her own.

After the game, Beaver senior Carly Boag expressed how awesome it was to have that kind of a performance in front

of special guests.

"It was good because last time our parents were here it was pre-season and we didn't play that high of competition," Boag told MSU Sports Information. "So it was great for them to see us compete, and both of us play good on the same day."

Minot State (14-4 overall, 10-4 NSIC) will now embark on a crucial road stretch, playing the next two weekends away from the MSU Dome. First up will be a trip to Concordia-St. Paul tomorrow, followed by a visit to Minnesota State on Saturday.

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