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## Beaver fans show spirit at playoff game

MSU baseball players (from the left) Brad Rolff, Joshua Larsen, Lane Biggs and Wyatt Moore show their MSU spirit at the women's NSIC playoff basketball game in the Dome. The Beavers defeated Upper Iowa University, 74-73.

Photo by Courtney Holman



## 2014 Job Fair set for March 26

by Emmanuel Okorie  
*Comm 281*

Minot State University will hold a Job Fair Wednesday, March 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Conference Center on the third floor of the Student Center. Lynda Bertsch, director of Career Services, is the coordinator.

"The job fair is designed to bring employers and students together in one location," Bertsch said. "Many of the companies that are coming are going to present employment opportunities to students."

Students will have a chance to apply for summer jobs, internships or a full-time professional job for those who are graduating. The job fair provides a chance for students to connect with different employers in one setting.

Bertsch encourages students to dress in professional attire.

"Students are making an impression when they walk into that room. You want to make a

good first impression, and a good first impression deals with your appearance," she said.

"It is also a good idea to have a résumé. A résumé is like your marketing tool; it is like a business card," Bertsch said.

The Student Success Center can help students who have never had a résumé to build one. Students who already have a résumé and would like to update it can also take it to the Student Success Center. It is advisable for students to bring a rough draft of all their skills with them when trying to build a résumé.

The Job Fair is open to all Minot State University students, regardless of their college level.

"I encourage people to show up, whether they are a freshman or senior getting ready to graduate," Bertsch said. "As a freshman, you can find out about future companies. If the employer of your dreams is not at this

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## Shirley named MSU president

(MSU Public Information) — The State Board of Higher Education named Steven Shirley, Ph.D., as the next president of Minot State University.

Shirley currently serves as president of Valley City State University, where he leads a campus of more than 1,300 students, 111 faculty members and 110 staff members.

"The board is pleased to appoint such a passionate leader as Dr. Shirley to serve as the president of Minot State University," SBHE Chair Kirsten Diederich said. "His strong understanding of what's important to students, especially in North Dakota, clearly demonstrates that he is someone who can continue to drive the growth of this university."

SBHE Vice Chair Terry Hjelmstad chaired the campus committee that screened applicants, interviewed semifinalists,



Shirley

and forwarded its recommended finalists for the position to the board.

"The President Search Committee deserves credit for its thorough work," Hjelmstad said. "The committee was impressed by Dr. Shirley's passion for and understanding of Minot State University, and I expect he will do an excellent job leading the university."

Shirley previously served as

vice president and dean of student affairs at Dakota State University and an assistant professor and director of study abroad at the University of Minnesota, Crookston. He is a Fargo native with strong ties to the Minot community.

Shirley earned a doctorate in teaching and learning in higher education from the University of North Dakota. He also holds a Master of Business Administration degree (M.B.A.) with emphasis on marketing and global business and a bachelor's degree in business administration from the same university.

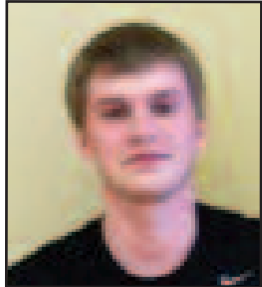
Shirley will take over as president by July 2014. He will succeed David Fuller, Ph.D., who announced he will retire after 10 years.

Shirley and his wife, Jennifer, have a daughter.

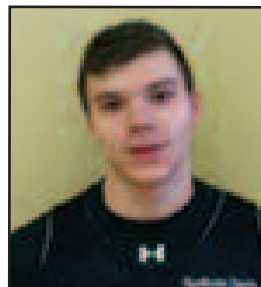
# Voices on Campus

## 'What are your Spring Break plans?'

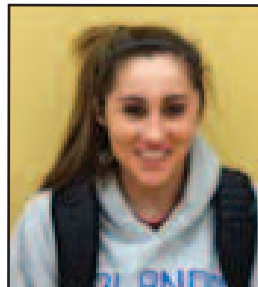
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**Levi Tomlinson**  
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"I'm going to Opheim, Montana, to visit my girlfriend's family, then come home and just hang out."



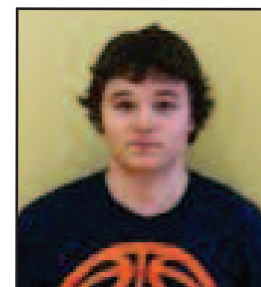
**Anthony Almeida**  
*Business Management*  
"I'm going home to Washington to hang out with the friends."



**Carli Elwin**  
*Business Management*  
"I'm going home to Seattle and Pike Place Market."



**Walter Hollis**  
*Social Work*  
"I'm just going home to Minnesota and chilling out."



**Collin Wible**  
*Elementary Education*  
"I'll be staying in Minot and working all break."



**Bari Savannah**  
*Corporate Fitness*  
"For this Spring Break, instead of going home to Houston, I'm staying in Minot and working at the Wellness Center and working out with my teammates."

## News in Brief

### Andersons to perform faculty music recital

Erik and Dianna Anderson, Minot State University music faculty, will perform a cello and piano concert Tuesday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall. Admission is free.

### Hypnotist Chris Jones returns to campus

One of the funniest and nicest hypnotists you will ever meet is coming back to Minot State. Chris Jones will perform Wednesday, March 26, at 8 p.m. in the Beaver Dam. Even if you've seen him before, this show is guaranteed to be full of new things. Some audience members will end up on stage! The event is free to all students with a current MSU ID.

MSU Life sponsors the event. More MSU Life information may be found at [www.facebook.com/msu.life](http://www.facebook.com/msu.life).

### Olson to present at this month's Math Talk

Samuel Olson, Minot State University chemistry major, will present "Inverse Modeling Problems Facing Chemical Kinetics," at this month's Math Talk, March 27 at 5 p.m. in Model Hall 330. The talk is free and open to everyone.

### Toga dance planned for March 27

TOGA! TOGA! TOGA! Join the campus's amazing Greek Life for a toga dance Thursday, March 27, at the Grand Hotel in Minot from

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## Financial aid priority deadline approaching

Students should file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) now for the 2014-2015 school year.

Students returning to Minot State for the fall 2014 or spring 2015 semesters should complete and submit FAFSA online ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)) by April 8 in order for the MSU Financial Aid Office to receive FAFSA results by the April 15 priority funding deadline. Students meeting the priority funding deadline will be considered for all federal student aid programs including the Federal Pell Grant, Direct Loan, Work Study, Perkins Loan and Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant programs. Applications received after the priority deadline will be accept-

ed, but funding may be limited to the Federal Pell Grant and Federal Direct Loan programs.

The MSU Financial Aid Office encourages students to file their 2014-15 FAFSA online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) for fastest processing. Students filing online will need to use their federal PIN number to sign their FAFSA electronically. If a parent signature is needed on the FAFSA, parents must apply for their own PIN at [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov).

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For more information, contact the MSU Financial Aid Office at 858-3375.

## Math help available for students

by Alexis Klein  
Comm 281

Minot State University's math clinic, located in Model room 212, is a free resource for students in math 102, 103, 104 and 240.

Narayan Thapa, an MSU math and computer science instructor, describes math as a language. He said math is not a familiar language to most students, and is always difficult to practice. He is a strong supporter of students asking questions in class.

"Asking questions in math is not a bad thing," he said. "In fact it is a good thing. All questions are good questions."

However, he knows most students don't like to speak out in front of a group, so having peers as tutors is a positive for the math clinic.

"Your friend is presenting the material," Thapa said, "so it is much easier for students to ask questions."

The math clinic is possible because of the student tutors. Students interested in being a tutor should get a letter of recommendation from one of their math instruc-

tors and fill out an application.

Students can find the times for the math clinic posted on the university website.

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## On Movies



### 'Pompeii'

by Alex Nelson  
Staff Writer

Pompeii was an ancient Roman city best known for its destruction due to a volcano. Sometimes we like to wonder how people lived before that event and what they did during the destruction.

"Pompeii" is a disaster film that stars Kit Harington, Emily Browning, Adewale Akinnuoye-Agbaje, Carrie-Ann Moss, Jessica Lucas, Jared Harris and Kiefer Sutherland. Directed by Paul W.S. Anderson, it is rated PG-13 for intense battle sequences and some sexual content.

In the year 62 AD, a Celtic tribe is massacred by the Roman leader Corvus (Sutherland), leaving only a small boy to survive and be

taken into slavery. Years later, Milo (Harington) the survivor, would become a gladiator who would be taken into Pompeii. There he meets Cassia (Browning) and her servant and friend Ariadne (Lucas). Cassia is the daughter of the ruler of Pompeii, Severus (Harris), and his wife Aurelia (Moss), who both wish to rebuild Pompeii with the help of Rome. Milo also meets a fellow gladiator and rival named Atticus (Akinnuoye-Agbaje) who wishes for freedom and is very close to receiving it.

Milo begins to have feelings for Cassia and at the same time plans his revenge, when he learns that Corvus, now a senator, is coming to Pompeii on business and to force Cassia into marrying him. Unknown to all, Mount Vesuvius is about to erupt. When

it does it becomes a race for survival for everyone.

I remember reading about the destruction of Pompeii during high school and I thought that this film might be interesting. At first glance, some could try to compare this film as a mixture of "Gladiator" and "Titanic." I could see where the comparison might come into play, yet honestly I wasn't thinking about comparison when I saw this movie.

I felt there were at least a few inaccuracies with some of the details that concern Pompeii, in general. Some history fans might take note of this. I also noticed that the film portrayed the characters from Rome as being corrupt and evil. This could be viewed as stereotyping or it could show what some of the Roman leaders were like.

I will say that I hated the bad guy in this film. Sutherland is a great actor and, to me, he makes this guy unlikable. I was praying for his demise.

I also didn't mind the acting or the cast. I only heard of Kit Harington as one of the main characters from "Game of Thrones." He actually does a good job of playing the lead role. I also thought the choices for supporting cast were pretty well acceptable. The acting, I do admit, could have been better in certain parts. However, I thought overall that the acting was enjoyable enough for me.

I like the plot, but it was not entirely great as it had its flaws. For example, the romance between the two leading characters was interesting, but I felt it was somewhat rushed and could

have been expanded on more.

As gladiators are featured in the movie, there were multiple fight scenes which I thought were pretty well coordinated. While the film might have potential for 3D, it had very little to no 3D at all. I would suggest to viewers that seeing this film is better in 2D than 3D.

Overall, the plot had plenty of room for improvement and was not exactly the best. Viewers that are either die-hard history fans or viewers who want to see something new might not enjoy this film. Some could even wait to see it when it is available to rent if they want. For what's it worth, "Pompeii" isn't a terrible film and I actually enjoyed it.

I personally rate "Pompeii" 3 out of 5 Beavers.



## Not Just Paranoia



### Why 'going paperless' is unnecessary and even dangerous

by Bryan Lynch  
Staff Writer

While "going paperless" sounds like "the thing to do," it actually is not a good idea for two very important reasons that I don't think are taken into consideration enough. Going digital is unneces-

sary and dangerous.

It is unnecessary, because there really is no need to cut down trees (or even recycle tree paper) to make paper. Paper can be made from weeds like hemp and Stinging Nettle, which are both very renewable and biodegradable (not to mention relatively easy to grow).

"Going paperless" is dangerous, because it makes everyone's

personal information more vulnerable. In years past if a person wanted to steal your information, they had to physically break into a business or your house and go into a most likely locked file cabinet. Now all they have to do is find a way to hack into your computer or your bank's computer.

Also, computers can crash, things can get deleted, and the exchange and storage of informa-

tion becomes totally dependent on technology. While using paper takes up more space and is not as convenient, it is safer and less trouble in the long run.

The whole idea that we have to stop using paper to "save the planet" is a half truth propagated by overzealous environmentalists who don't tell you the other side of the story – that paper can be made cheaply, effectively and safely

from very renewable natural resources. The fact is that we have more choices than just either using tree paper or computers.

Why put ourselves at the mercy of a digital world with no privacy if we do not have to? That would be ridiculous. Why not try all of our other options first before we make our entire way of life computerized?

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# Burn Before Reading

*The orange desks*

by Jordan Crawford  
Staff Writer

After graduating from kindergarten, it was time for me to venture into the first grade. Upon entering the classroom, we were shown a seating arrangement. The desks that our teacher, Mr. O'Donnell, assigned to us would be our permanent spot for the rest of the year. There were a few orange desks, but most of them were blue. I was glad that I got a blue desk since blue was my favourite colour. It was a large class so, once we all sat down, the teacher had us introduce ourselves to the class. He began, telling us that his name was Garrett O'Donnell. He then went down the columns and asked each student for their name. I gave my name to the class, but Mr. O'Donnell skipped the girl next to me. I wasn't sure why he had done this. However, I noticed a pattern after a few columns. He never asked to hear from any student who was seated at an orange desk. I raised my hand and asked him why he had skipped them. He kindly smiled and explained to the class that the students who sat in orange desks were not important enough to be introduced to the class.

"In fact," he went on, "they will be referred to as 'orange kids' in this classroom."

We looked at each other in bewilderment, but we didn't say anything then because Mr. O'Donnell was our teacher. He was the teacher, so we had to follow his rules.

The next day we went to the

gym and Mr. O'Donnell told us that we were going to play dodge ball and the winners would get some Oreos. We were to pick our own teams. One of my classmates suggested that we make the teams blue against orange. The orange kids, of course, protested, but the majority agreed. So we played with those teams. The blue team easily won and we tasted the spoils of our victory.

In October we began to learn about animals. We once again got to choose our own groups of four and do a little bit of research on an animal. A lot of blue kids didn't even consider letting any orange kids join them. For them it was practical; students who were mean to the orange kids seemed to be the teacher's favourites. I didn't think that orange students were that bad, so I let the girl in the orange desk next to me be in my group. We did our presentation on penguins and we all thought that we did a great job. We thought that, like most of the groups before us, he would give each of us a gold star to put on our desks. However, we didn't get any stickers. I went up to him and asked him why. He told me that it was because the orange girl's performance dragged the whole group down. I was furious. I wanted that sticker and it was all her fault that I didn't get it. A friend of mine had the same issue. He told me that his group didn't get stickers because of the orange boy in his group. After that we decided that we wouldn't talk to them anymore.

Christmas time was drawing

near and that meant Secret Santa! Mr. O'Donnell put all of our names together, went through the class and had us draw names out of a hat. I got the name of one of the orange students in class, and I could see from the grimace on my

*"I didn't think that orange students were that bad, so I let the girl in the orange desk next to me be in my group."*

friend's face that he did too. We stayed after class to ask Mr. O'Donnell if we could get different names. He told us that it was too late for that. We insisted, pleading that we didn't want to get presents for any orange kids. At this he responded by saying that we couldn't get new names, but since they were orange kids we didn't have to get them any presents. On the last day before break we had our gift exchange. After all of the gifts were given out, it was clear that none of the orange students had received anything. A couple of them cried, a few others had long since accepted this treatment of disdain, but there was one who was fed up with it. The girl who sat in the orange desk next to me

stormed up to Mr. O'Donnell and asked him why none of the orange kids, like herself, got any presents. He replied that none of the blue kids were actually required to get the orange kids any presents. He told her that this is the way it is.

She was furious. She yelled at him, "Why are you making everyone be mean to us because of where you made us sit? We had no choice in the matter. This isn't fair!"

Mr. O'Donnell looked at her and then at the rest of the class.

"Merry Christmas" he said. Then the bell rang, and we all had to go home.

On February 14th, we gave each other Valentine's Day cards in class. Needless to say, none of the orange kids got any cards from us blue kids. However, I received a card that I did not expect. The girl who sat next to me in the orange desk handed me a card. I almost just threw it aside before reading it, but I hesitated. I opened it up and read,

"Dear Valentine,

I remember how in kindergarten we would play together in the sandbox and share crayons during free time. I still have the birthday card that you gave to me

at my birthday party last summer. We used to be such good friends, and I miss those days. Happy Valentine's Day.

From, your friend."

As I read the card again I remembered those times too. They were happy memories with great friends. I thought,

"What happened to us since then? What happened to me? Why did everything change?"

I couldn't find the answers at that moment, but something inside of me had changed.

As the months wore on and summer approached, I started hanging out with those I had once ignored. I didn't care that I didn't get any more stickers or that Mr. O'Donnell did not approve. To me they weren't "the orange kids" any longer. They were my friends. Seeing us play and hang out together, more and more of the blue kids joined us. A lot of them soon came to the same realization that I had begun to experience on Valentine's Day.

The last day of school was spent signing each other's yearbooks. It

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## Beavers compete at NSIC indoor championships

### Capdeville advances to nationals in pole vault

(MSU Sports Information) — On the first day of the 2014 Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Indoor Track & Field Championships, Minot State showed competitiveness and improvement from a season ago.

Kirk Capdeville (Jr., Pole Vault) placed second, collecting eight team points for the men in the pole vault. He cleared a height of 16 feet, one inch, officially earning his way to the NDCAA Div. II National Indoor Championships at Winston Salem State University March 14 and 15. He is in a tie for 14th overall nationally.

He was the only Beaver to record any points for either the men's or women's team Friday, as most events were prelims for



Capdeville

Saturday's finals.

Cyrille Litche Zouogbo (Jr., Jumps/Sprints) came very close to placing for MSU, coming in ninth place in the long jump finals with a best leap of 21 feet, five inches.

The second day, a record-breaking day for the men and women, the Beavers recorded a combined nine personal bests, set or extended three school records and junior Sienna Dailey (Sprints) captured the program's first-ever NSIC Championship event title since joining the conference in 2012-13.

Dailey recorded a first-place finish in the 400-meter dash with a personal best time of 57.26 seconds, securing the conference title. She also hit the NCAA Division II provisional qualifying mark.

"She has put together a fantastic season," head coach Stu Melby said.

Dailey then placed seventh in the 200 meter dash with a personal best time of 25.87 seconds, then helped the women's 4x400 team of Dailey, DelRay Audet (So., Hurdles), Mary Roy (Fr.,

Sprints/Jumps) and Erica Clark (Jr., Mid-Distance) capture sixth place in the NSIC.

"Sienna was the anchor leg in that event as well and did a great job. All four did a super job," Melby said. "We were ninth coming in, seventh after the prelims and moved up to sixth."

Clark placed fourth overall in the 800-meter run with a personal best of two minutes, 19.59 seconds, improving her own school record from the day before. Kara Kuntz (Jr., Mid-Distance) placed eighth in the 800 meter run with a personal best time of 2:24.56 while also placing eighth in the mile with a time of 5:12.50.

"Erica is just a heck of a competitor and is getting into better shape. She was not able to do some training early on due to an injury and this is her first time running indoor," Melby said.

The women earned 22 overall points, placing them 10th overall in the NSIC, a 21-point improvement from a season ago.

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### ... Job Fair

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job fair, you should still attend the fair because it gets you to practice talking to representatives and employers. We try to invite a variety of employers to meet the interests of our students," Bertsch said.

Government and local employers will be at this job fair. Some of the companies to be represented include the Domestic Violence Crisis Center, Menards, Enbridge, Biomet, Buckle, N.D. Army National Guard, Home Depot, FBI, Mary Kay and many more. No school districts will attend this time because there is another fair that deals with teacher education.

To view a full list of the companies attending, visit [www.minotstateu.edu/careers](http://www.minotstateu.edu/careers) and click on the "Job Fair" icon.

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## Women beat UIU in home playoff game

*Boag brings in 46 points in NSIC tournament play*

by Jamin Heller  
Staff Writer

With nearly 1,000 boisterous fans creating a hostile environment inside the MSU Dome, the Minot State Beavers women's basketball team hosted Upper Iowa on Feb. 26 in its first-ever NSIC home playoff game. Although the Beavers entered as heavy favorites, they needed a legendary performance from the NSIC player of the year and a huge last-second defensive shutdown to move on to the second round in dramatic fashion.

Despite entering as the No. 2 seed, the Beavers were given all they could handle by seventh seeded UIU. Minot struggled out of the gate and quickly fell behind the hot-shooting Peacocks, who led by as much as 13 in the early going. Minot was able to trim the deficit to four at the half, before managing to tie the game with less than 10 minutes remaining.

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Photo by Courtney Holman

Alisha Jones brings the ball up court against Upper Iowa in the Dome. The Beavers defeated UIU, 74-73, giving them their first-ever Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference postseason win.



Photo by Courtney Holman

Carly Boag goes for a layup against UIU in the Dome. Boag shattered the previous NSIC tournament single-game record (31 points) by scoring 46 points.

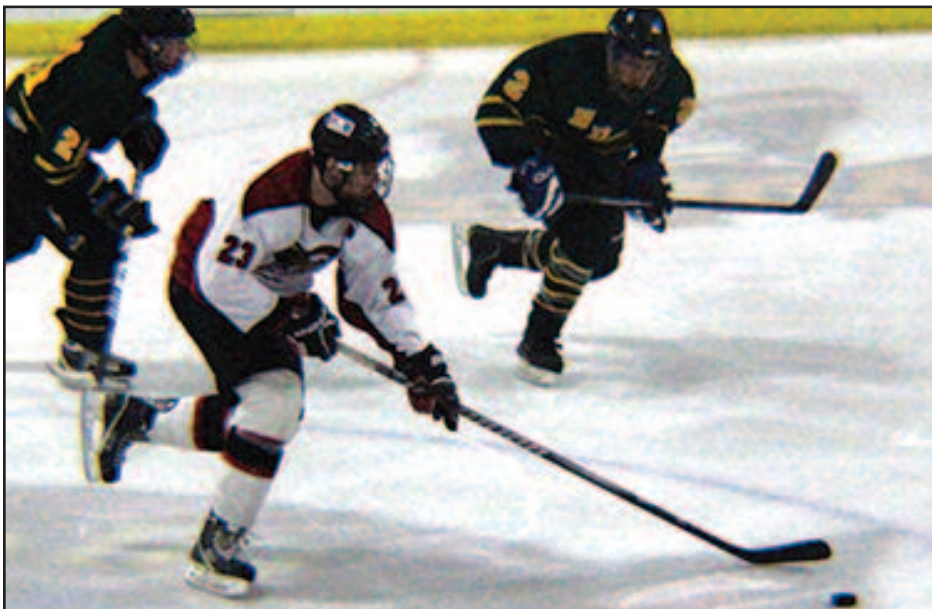


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Junior captain Mike Jordan carries the puck up the ice against NDSU at the Maysa Arena. The Beavers swept NDSU in their last regular season play before heading to nationals for ACHA Division I in Delaware.

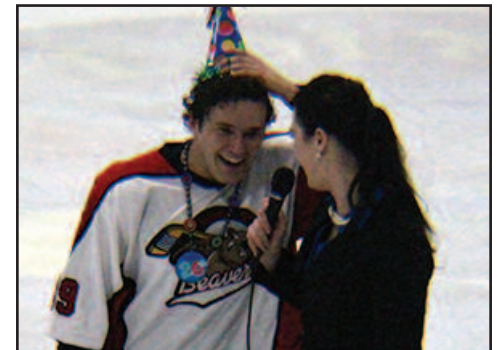
## Hockey dominates last regular season games

by Jamie Council  
Staff Writer

The Minot State University men's hockey team (23-6-4) swept North Dakota State University 11-2 and 7-2 two weeks ago to wrap up its regular season games.

Visit Minot sponsored Friday night's 11-2 blowout victory and a representative dropped the puck to both team captains. Freshman Beaver Cote Dickerson tallied four points in the matchup with a hat trick plus an assist.

Saturday celebrated the final time six players would skate the home ice of the Maysa Arena as a Beaver. Jared McIntosh, Will Kinsman, Josh Rutherford, Cam McGeough and Wyatt Waselenchuk were honored at Senior Night. All six seniors were in the starting line-up in the 7-2 victory. Junior captain Mike Jordan and junior assistant captain Brad Olynyk led the team with three points. Jordan recorded two goals and an assist while Olynyk tallied two assists and a goal.



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Reporter Jamie Council gives Cam McGeough a birthday surprise during an on-ice interview during Senior Night.

The wins over NDSU locked up the No. 9 seed for the ACHA National Tournament. The Beavers traveled to Delaware with their first game last Saturday against the home team of No. 8 Delaware. For a recap on the Beavers at Nationals, see page 8.

# Men's hockey wins one at nationals before losing quarterfinal game

by Jamie Council  
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The Beavers' season ended last weekend in Delaware in the third round of nationals for ACHA Division I. The Beavers defeated the No. 8 University of Delaware 3-2 (OT) in front of the Blue Hen home crowd on Saturday night, but then dropped the quarterfinal game, 4-0, to No. 1 Arizona State University (36-2-0) Sunday night in the single-loss elimination tournament. This put MSU's final record at 24-7-4.

Saturday night's game was a battle. Both teams' effort came to no avail as the first period ended 1-1. Senior Josh Rutherford found the net with an assist from junior assistant captain Mitch Peeke and freshman Jeremy Johnson at 4:33, but Delaware tied it with 42 seconds left in the period.

The Beavers failed to capitalize on offensive opportunities early in the second period, but sophomore Brett Nespor took advantage of the distance the Delaware defenseman



allowed him and snuck a quick shot at 12:42 that found its way past the defenseman and goaltender to give the Beavers a 2-1 edge. Freshmen Sean Delwo and Cole Olson were on the assist. The score remained at a standstill for the remainder of the period.

The third period allowed Waselenchuk to showcase his skills, making save upon save to keep the Beavers on the favorable side of the scoreboard for most of the period. The players got a little chippy as the period progressed with the ever-approaching buzzer seemingly never ending for Minot. Blue Hen Zeszut tallied his second goal of the night from Mike Piet that cracked the Beaver defense and tied the game up with 2:28 left in the period, sending the game into overtime.

Just over four minutes into overtime, Rutherford bodied up a Blue Hen defenseman to turn a one-on-one into a breakaway, then proceeded to place the puck in the back of the net for his second goal of the night.

Waselenchuk tallied 31 saves in the victory.

On Sunday night, the Beavers faced the offensive powerhouse and speedy play of the Arizona State Sun Devils.

The game remained scoreless for most of the first period despite constant Arizona pressure. Waselenchuk remained a rock for MSU on defense until 18:10 when the Sun Devil's Troy Scott found success, taking the lead 1-0.

It was much the same story in the second period. The Beaver defense came up big on a couple of plays, including an Arizona two-on-one in dangerous territory. However, with 2:49 left, Scott found a rebound off one of Waselenchuk's saves and put it right back on net, escaping past the goaltender.

Arizona added two more in the third period. A nicely executed wrap-around goal at 12:52 put the score at 3-0 and a late period transitional goal put the final score at 4-0 ASU.

Arizona outshot the Beavers 44-19, giving Waselenchuk 41 saves in the game. The Sun Devils move on to the semifinals against No. 5 Stony Brook University.

## Men end season at Winona in first round

Minot State University men's basketball finished its regular season schedule on the road taking on the second and fourth ranked teams in the NSIC North Division.



The Beavers fell to Minnesota State University Moorhead, 85-55. MSU had one player in double figures as Isiah Gandy (Sr., G) came off the bench to score 13 points. Samuel Johnson (Sr., F) and Dominique McDonald (So., G) scored eight each. Chris East (Sr., F) had a team-high five rebounds and added six points for the Beavers.

The next day, Northern State University defeated MSU, 73-58. McDonald led the Beavers with 18 points and added five

rebounds and two assists. Johnson finished with 13 points, seven rebounds and two assists and East finished with 10 points and six rebounds.

In the first round of the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference/Sanford Health Men's Basketball Tournament, the Beavers, the No. 7 seed from the NSIC North Division, were matched up with the Winona State Warriors, No. 2 from NSIC South Division. Winona State defeated MSU, 67-56.

For the Beavers, East led all scorers with 20 points and had 10 rebounds to close out his MSU career with a double-double. E.J. Williams (Sr. G) had 14 points, four steals and three rebounds. Johnson had eight points and five rebounds.

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Neither team was able to break away late, setting up a heart-stopping final two minutes of action.

Down by a single point, Christina Boag converted a layup with just nine seconds remaining to boost the Beavers to a 74-73 lead, eliciting a huge roar from the Beaver faithful. Those roars quickly turned into nervous energy, however, with plenty of time remaining for Upper Iowa to score and spoil the Beaver's season. UIU standout Whitney Kieffer was given the ball and raced down court, putting up the potential game winning shot with just one second on the clock. It never came close to the basket, however, because of a season-saving block from Beaver guard Morgan Klose. The block elicited the loudest crowd roar and celebration in recent MSU Dome memory.

The comeback certainly wouldn't have been possible without another record-breaking performance from Australian star Carly Boag. She easily bested the NSIC single-game scoring record with an astounding 46 points, and also amassed 16

rebounds with five steals and five blocks. It was yet another highlight in her remarkable senior season, one that was capped by being named NSIC Player of the Year later in the week.

After the performance, head coach Sheila Green Gerding had nothing but positive things to say about Carly.

"It almost seems like everyone else stood around and wasn't looking to do much because we were so busy watching Carly go to work," Green Gerding told MSU Sports Information. "But it was a special night for her. She was very good."

Her teammates also provided a solid supporting cast, led by Christina Boag who finished the night with 12 points and five assists. Klose added seven of her own, while Alisha Jones finished with five points despite playing under the weather.

The win meant Minot State moved on to play Concordia University, St. Paul in the quarterfinals. Unfortunately, the Beavers were unable to recover from a slow start, and fell to the eventual NSIC Champions 73-52. Minot entered the tournament as the ninth ranked team in the NCAA Central Region.

## Carly Boag named NSIC Player of the Year

(MSU Sports Information) — The Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference named Minot State's Carly Boag (Sr., F, Tamworth, Australia) NSIC Player of the Year. Boag was also named to the NSIC First-Team and the NSIC All-Defensive Team.



Boag

Boag finished the 2013-14 NSIC season ranked as the leader in scoring (20.9), rebounding (10.7), field goal percentage (57.7) and steals (66) while leading the Beavers to a tied-for-fifth place

overall and second in the NSIC North Division. She was a dominant force, scoring 30 or more points in conference games three times, 20 or more 14 times and recorded 11 double-doubles.

She finished with 39 points, breaking the Minot State single game record for points, and pulled down 18 rebounds against Southwest Minnesota State - the same night she became the Beavers' all-time career scoring leader with 1,718 points. During that weekend, she averaged 33.5 points per game and 18.0 rebounds per game to secure her second NSIC Player of the Week honor in 2013-14. It was the fifth time in two seasons she was

named the conference's Player of the Week.

Boag also broke the NSIC's single-season scoring mark with 460 points, surpassing Minnesota Duluth's Jheri Booker's record of 431 points set in 2009-10. She is ranked third overall in NCAA Division II in active career scoring average (18.5) and rebound average (10.4).

Augustana College's Emily Schulte was named NSIC Defensive Player of the Year, University of Sioux Falls's Sam Knecht was named NSIC Freshman of the Year, and Northern State's Curt Fredrickson was named NSIC Coach of the Year for the 2013-14 season.



# MSU grapplers at Super Regional

## Paasch places 6th; injury shorts him of nationals

(MSU Sports Information) — The Minot State University wrestling team ended its 2013-14 dual season in February with two consecutive wins, its first two dual wins in Northern Sun wrestling season. The Beavers defeated University of Mary, 21-18, and Northern State University, 31-19, before heading to the NCAA Division II Super Region Three tournament Feb. 28 in Edmund, Okla.

In the first day of the region tournament, eight of the 10 Minot State wrestlers were eliminated from contention for a bid to the national tournament.

However, both Joshua Douglas (Jr., 133) and Tiger Paasch (Fr., 174) advanced to the final day at their respective weight classes.

All 10 Minot State wrestlers lost their opening round matches as eight Beavers lost by either major decision or by fall.

"We wrestled a high seed every match in the first round, so we wrestled some really good guys early," head coach Robin Ersland said. "In the wrestle backs you are going to face those other guys who lost and then it comes down to heart, determination and how bad you want to wrestle and I think our guys really embraced that."

Douglas started his tournament facing the region's top-ranked wrestler at 133 pounds, St. Cloud State's Andrew Pokorny. Douglas put up a hard battle but ended up falling to Pokorny, 6-3. Douglas then rebounded as he pinned his next two opponents from University of Mary and Lindenwood to advance with force.

Paasch, who also drew a tough first round match against a highly rated opponent (falling 5-2), responded nicely with two wins by fall over conference opponents from Northern State and Minnesota State. Paasch now has 10 wins by fall on the season.

"Tiger and Josh just need to keep wrestling the way they have

been wrestling," Ersland said. "They are very aggressive and they need to stay solid. They go for the win and that is their key. That is their style and they can't get conservative because they are not conservative wrestlers."

All three MSU seniors saw their wrestling career come to a close on the first day as Donovan Williams (165) and Bobby Bartz (HWT) each lost their first two. Matt Fetterley (184) won his second round match before taking his second loss of the day in a tough 4-3 decision at the hands of University of Central Oklahoma's Garrett Henshaw.

For the day, MSU had a combined record of 7-18.

On the second and final day, both Douglas and Paasch had their tournaments come to heart aching ends as the Beavers bowed out of the tournament with no national qualifiers for a second straight year. However, MSU did crown its first ever regional place winner as Paasch finished sixth with a 3-3 record.

Douglas faced University of Central Oklahoma's Casey Rowell in the consolation bracket after each went 2-1 overall the first day of competition. Trailing 7-2, Douglas appeared to swing the match as he nearly pinned his opponent with one second remaining. However, the official gave him credit for only a takedown as he fell 7-4.

"Josh lost to two returning All-Americans so all in all we actually had a pretty good tournament for him," Ersland said.

Paasch also faced an UCO Broncho in his first matchup of the



Douglas



Paasch

day as he handled Colton Gallo dominantly with a 13-7 win to advance him to the consolation semi-finals and just a win away from qualifying for the national tournament.

Conner Monk of MSU Moorhead pinned Paasch in the third period of the following match to push Paasch to the fifth place match with a ride to nationals on the line. It was the second time in a month Monk had pinned Paasch in the third period.

Then a wrench was thrown in the plans of the MSU freshman as he suffered a lower body injury during the final match, causing Paasch to withdraw from the match and surrendering his national tournament bid to St. Cloud State's Clayton Jennissen.

"Congratulations go to Tiger for being our first ever regional championship place winner," Ersland said. "That's a big deal, it's sixth place but he still placed. He wrestled very well in the tournament and so did Josh Douglas."

"Overall it was a good tournament and a good experience for the guys and I'm hoping it's something we can use to build on in the future," Ersland said.

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was going well until Mr. O'Donnell realized that many of us blue kids were letting our orange friends sign and write messages in our yearbooks. He halted class and made us all sit down in our desks. He explained to us how the orange kids were not allowed to write in our yearbooks. I asked, "Why not?"

He calmly stated, "This is how things are. They do not get to have all of the same experiences as the rest of you because they sit in the orange desks."

Several of us cried out, "But why?"

He declared in resentment, "Because I said so!"

At that point I looked at my friend sitting next to me. In silent agreement, we knew what had to be done. We stood up and together pushed our desks to the edges of the classroom. Other students followed our example and soon all of the desks were being moved out of the way. Mr. O'Donnell was furious. He tried to force us to put our desks back and sit down, but we refused and sat down on the floor together. We sat wherever we wanted and signed each other's yearbooks freely. Mr. O'Donnell was livid.

"What do you think you are doing? You can't do that. Just because you pushed the desks aside doesn't change who you are!"

My closest friend and valentine stood up, looked him in the eyes, and proudly replied,

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"The team did a super job," Melby said. "We were 13th last year with just one point and one in the final. This year we had six in the finals and one conference champion. We are just so much more competitive; we have much better chemistry and are peaking at the right time. I'm really proud of them and of the men today."

For the men, Tyler Flatland (Jr., Sprints) notched eight team points, placing second in the men's 400-meter dash with a time of 49.43 seconds, which hits the NCAA Division II provisional qualifying mark. Last season, he finished sixth

in the 400.

"It was a bum deal where he missed the 200 and was ninth by seven thousandths of a second. And the top guy got injured so they just had a seven-man final," Melby said. "But he comes through. He was in with (Jerrell) Hancock from Mankato who is one of the best in the country and said 'I'm going to stay on his butt,' and did and ended up second in the meet."

Adedamola Sobande (Sr., Throws) placed fifth Saturday in the weight throw with a personal best throw of 58 feet, 6.75 inches. The throw earned Minot State four team points and put Sobande at No. 27 in all of NCAA Division II.

"Ade had 5 of 6 throws today as huge PRs," Melby said. "He was ninth going in and was fifth in the finals and threw almost another foot. He missed fourth by less than an inch and got a provisional mark."

The MISU men recorded 20 total team points and placed 10th overall at the 2014 NSIC Indoor Championships, a seven-point improvement from a season ago.

"Last year we were dead last; this year up to 10th," Melby said. "It was night and day from last year to this year. There was so much more focus and dedication. It was contagious and we hope it carries over to the next group. We are trying to build this thing up."

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