

NOTSTOCK and POTSTOCK and WordStock ... oh my!

by Zac DeMers
Staff Writer

NOTSTOCK, a series of artistic events on the Minot State University campus, is in full-swing and events will continue until Saturday, Sept. 14.

Going strong in its seventh year at MSU, NOTSTOCK events include printmaking, music, poetry, improvisational theater, ceramics (PotStock), writing (WordStock) and NOTSTOCK's newest event, a foreign language writing workshop. Local bands will also perform throughout the event.

NOTSTOCK co-founder Laurie Geller is excited for this year's events and looks forward to student involvement.

"It's a celebration of the arts

that is very participatory; it is hands-on," she said.

"It's one where we want people to come in and see the art and also see how it's being made."

NOTSTOCK's other founder, Bill Harbort, agrees. He encourages student involvement, as well.

"I think it gives students an appreciation for the arts and an understanding into some of the processes," Harbort said. He also said the event is two-fold: it is educational and it is also fun to spend time with classmates learning about art.

"We've had so many students make fiery connections by being exposed to many of the artists we've had as guests," he said.

MSU students will have many

chances to attend events, geared not only to art majors but to other majors as well.

MSU assistant professor Jean-Francois Mondon will present the foreign language writing workshop Sept. 12 from 11:15 a.m. to noon in the Conference Center. Participants will explore the basics of Egyptian hieroglyphics and Chinese, Japanese and Russian writing systems.

Screen-print artist and North Dakota native Jessica Christy will give a presentation of her work tonight at 7 p.m. in Aleshire Theater, Hartnett Hall.

Christy will also conduct screen-printing workshops Sept. 12-13, 9-10:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m., 1-2:30 p.m. and
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MSU Residence Life revamps policies, renounces rumors

by Michelle Holman
Editor

Minot State University Residence Life director Devin McCall set the record straight on some questions that have been buzzing among the students.

Over the summer, rumors about MSU renting out hotel rooms for its overabundance of students became the talk of the town. McCall confirmed that this was an option between the university and the Grand International after more than 700 housing applications came in.

"[MSU] thankfully never had to actually use this plan," he said. "We dealt with it by doubling rooms for on-campus and off-campus buildings. In fact, three Resident Assistants (RAs), who normally have a single

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Photo by Michelle Holman
Director of Residence Life Devin McCall holds his beloved Beaver-in-a-can in the Housing Office.

TWISTER WITH A TWIST



Photo by Courtney Holman

MSU students play the classic game Twister on a paint-splattered canvas on the Old Main lawn as part of Welcome Week activities. Students also partook in watergun fights, water balloon tosses, Slip-n-slide and tie-dye shirt-making. MSU Life sponsored the event.

11th Ave. reopening in the works

by Tricia Rosatti
Staff Writer

The space between Minot State University campus buildings and the Dome will soon be opened again as 11th Ave.

Roger Kluck, professional engineer and project manager for the 11th Ave. project, explained the decision to reopen the area to traffic.

"The campus master plan indicated it was in the best interest of the campus," he said, "to provide access and to provide the flow of traffic for the safety of our students and faculty, as well as beautifying it.

"It was closed approximately 13 years ago to create a mall-like area between the Dome and Hartnett Hall for students. It was a city street before and, as the



Photo by Tricia Rosatti

Construction work is in full swing in an effort to reopen 11th Ave. to vehicle traffic. The estimated completion date is next spring or early summer.

campus expanded, it grew around it. So, the discussion was made to stop traffic and make a place for MSU students," Kluck said.

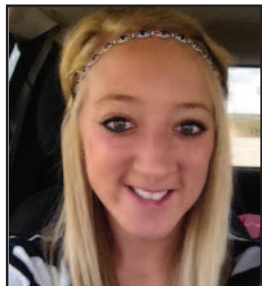
The completed project features more parking spaces, trees, stop signs, parking, cross walks and a speed limit of 5 mph. Speed

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Voices on Campus

“It’s MSU’s Centennial! What are you excited for?”

Justine Olson
Staff Writer



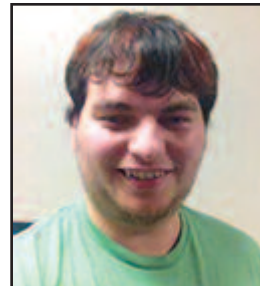
BriAnn Nelson
Elementary Education
“Meeting new people.”



Zachary Haase
Corporate Fitness
“I am most excited for the parade, because I’m hoping to get some candy.”



Beth Ryan
Broadcasting
“I’m looking forward to the Homecoming Parade. It will be really fun to see all the creative ideas and all of the community involvement.”



Chris Lalim
English
“NOTSTOCK!”



EmmaLee Thoreson
Elementary Education
“I’m most looking forward to all the activities going on around campus.”



Alex Cundiff
Athletic Training
“As a transfer student to MSU, it’s exciting that my first Homecoming is the centennial. I’m most excited for the football game.”

News in Brief

NAC Exhibit: ‘HSH SOS’

The Northwest Art Center's Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery presents "HSH SOS" Americas 2012: All Media Best of Show by Renee Couture of Glide, Ore., on display through Sept. 19.

The gallery is open regular library hours.

KMOT MSU Athletic Luncheon Sept. 13

Get updates from coaches and student athletes regarding their respective sports Sept. 13 at noon at Sevens Restaurant, Vegas Motel. Cost is \$9; pay at the door.

Western Plains Opera

The Western Plains Opera Company presents Mozart's "The Marriage of Figaro" in Ann Nichole Nelson Hall, Old Main. Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m. and Sept. 15 at 3 p.m. Admission is \$15, \$20 and \$25.

NAC Exhibit: ‘Nature and Geometry’

The Northwest Art Center's Hartnett Hall Gallery presents "Nature and Geometry" Americas 2013: All Media, on display through Sept. 26 with juror Bill Goldston, Bay Shore, N.Y.

Gallery reception is Thursday, Sept. 19, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

The gallery is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

‘Top 10 Tips for Terrific Test-Taking’ Student Success Workshop

Learn strategies and tips for test-taking and overcoming test anxiety in a workshop presented by Lisa Borden-King, associate professor, Teacher Education and Human Performance. This free workshop is Sept. 16 in Old Main 106A from 10 to 10:50 a.m. and Sept. 17 from 7 to 7:50 p.m. in the Westlie Room, third floor, Student Center.

‘Study Strategies’ Student Success Workshop

Studying can be difficult but the POWER Center Staff can help. The workshop is Monday, Sept. 16 from 2 to 2:50 p.m. in Old Main 106A.

‘Time Management’ Student Success Workshop

What do you have in common with President Obama, Bill Gates and Rihanna? You all have 24 hours in your day. Obviously those hours are spent doing different things, but the fact is that we all have the same amount of time every day to accomplish what we need to: it is a matter of how we do it. The POWER Center staff will present a time management workshop Sept. 16 in Old Main 106A from 3 to 3:50 p.m., and again Sept. 18 in Old Main 106B from 1 to 1:50 p.m.

MSU to host math conference

MSU is hosting the first North Dakota Undergraduate Mathematics Conference (NDUMC) Sept. 21, in Model Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

NDUMC is a one-day meeting designed to provide an opportunity for undergraduate and high school students to present their mathematical research or projects in a professional setting.

The conference will feature keynote presentations, undergraduate student presentations and a panel discussion about careers in mathematics.

The conference is free for all participants but registration is required by Sept. 14. Lunch will be provided.

To register, visit www.minotstateu.edu/ndumc or contact Narayan Thapa at narayan.thapa@minotstateu.edu or 858-3087.

Today in History

1953: Senator John Fitzgerald Kennedy of Massachusetts marries Jacqueline Lee Bouvier.

1962: In response to the progress made by the Soviet Union in the space race, President John F. Kennedy announced that America will place a man on the moon and safely return him before the year 1970.

2001: Following the terrorist attacks on the United States, President George W. Bush calls the attacks "acts of war" against the United States and announced a war against terrorism.

(Courtesy of thepeople-history.com)

Run or Dye to color MSU with a blast

by Erika Ysabelle Mojica
Staff Writer

"Live life in full color!"

In commemoration of the university's centennial, Minot State University will host Run or Dye, the world's most colorful five-kilometer run, on Saturday, Sept. 14. The event begins near the Minot airport at 9 a.m., but takes place on the campus.

Run or Dye color crews will shower participants with different colors of safe, eco-friendly dye after each kilometer throughout the untimed race.

"It is a great way to celebrate Homecoming and the 100th year of MSU," Student Activities Coordinator Aaron Hughes said.

The marathon is open to everyone. Interested participants register by signing up on the official website (www.runordye.com). The fee is \$55 for individuals or \$50 per person in teams of four or more. Children six and under are free.

Organizers encourage students

to volunteer for the event to help support the local charities affiliated with the event. Registration for campus volunteers is also online.

Some proceeds from the Minot Run or Dye go to Hope Village, a non-profit organization that provides assistance in rebuilding homes in Minot flooded in 2011 by the Souris River. A portion of the ticket sales for all of the Run or Dye events in selected states across the U.S. will go to One Fund Boston, a fund for those affected by the tragedy during the 2013 Boston Marathon.

The idea for the marathon, founded in 2012, originated from the "Holi," the Festival of Colors from India. The celebration encouraged Indians to be carefree and leave their worries to the wind in the form of natural pigments that painted the runners and the sky with vibrant hues.

The nationwide Run or Dye 5Ks provide funds for charities while reminding people to be happy and "Live life in full color!"

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3-4:30 p.m. in the Conference Center. Workshop reservations are required; call 858-3108 or email bill.harborn@minotstateu.edu.

Other screen-printing artists will be in the Beaver Dam today through Saturday. These artists are James Flames, Mark Brickey and Billy Baumann. Baumann will give a presentation of his work today at noon in Aleshire Theater. Flames and Brickey will give presentations at 9 a.m. and noon, respectively, Sept. 13 in Aleshire Theater.

Flames, Brickey and Baumann will present Adventure in Design tomorrow at 7 p.m. in the Aleshire Theater. AID is a live podcast and will be available for download on iTunes.

A poetry slam Sept. 13 starts at 1 p.m. in the Beaver Dam. This year's poet is Sam Cook.

Also as part of NOTSTOCK, Instant Improv Theatre workshops will take place Sept. 12 and 13 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Black Box Theater, Hartnett Hall 112.

NOTSTOCK will close Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. with a public reception with artists and performances by local bands at 62 Doors Gallery and Studio downtown.

All events are free and open to community members.

For more information, contact Laurie Geller at laurie.geller@minotstateu.edu or Bill Harborn at bill.harborn@minotstateu.edu.

Detailed information is on NOTSTOCK's website at www.msunotstock.blogspot.com.

Tailgating, marching band, fireworks and more make up Family and Youth Weekend

Minot State University's Enrollment Services is hosting Family and Youth Weekend Sept. 13-14. The events, except the Run or Dye 5K, are free for MSU students with MSU ID.

Friday, Sept. 13, MSU and Scheels team up for community tailgating from 5 to 7 p.m. at Dakota Square Mall. Activities include free food, prizes, games and a performance by the MSU

marching band.

Saturday, Sept. 14, features the Run or Dye 5K run and walk which begins at 9 a.m. north of the campus and loops through the campus. To sign up, visit www.runordye.com.

MSU tailgating begins at 4 p.m. in the Dome east parking lot. The MSU marching band's step-off concert begins on the steps of Old Main at 5 p.m. and

continues to Herb Parker Stadium where the Beavers take on Augustana College at 6 p.m.

The weekend concludes with a fireworks display following the football game at the stadium sponsored by Kelly Thorman, State Farm Insurance.

View the full schedule at www.minotstateu.edu/enroll/2013_family_weekend.shtml.

Fall 2013 intramural sports sign-ups

by Jamie Council
Staff Writer

Getting involved and staying fit are among the top priorities of college students. Minot State University offers intramurals to provide a solution to both problems. Intramural sports are open to all students, free and independent of skill level.

Sign-ups are closed for coed bowling and flag football. Those leagues are already underway with bowling on Monday nights through Oct. 28, at North Hill Bowl and flag football on Wednesday nights at Herb Parker stadium.

Students can sign up for upcoming intramural events at

imleagues.com. Students create a profile and then create or join teams. Upcoming events include a 3-point shootout, soccer tournament and basketball league.

The 3-point shootout starts at 8 p.m. on Sept. 17 in the Wellness Center second floor. Unlike other intramural events, students need not sign up online; just show up that night.

The soccer tournament will be a one-night only event Oct. 10 at 7 p.m., with the place TBA. Each team must carry a minimum of six players and sign-ups will be online.

Intramural basketball league plays on Tuesday nights at 8

p.m. in the Wellness Center. Sign-ups will start a couple weeks prior to the first game of the season through imleagues.com.

For more information, check out the Minot State Intramural Facebook page, or stop by the SGA office to see the Co-directors of Intramurals, Casey Feldner and Luke Leitner. They will be more than happy to assist you with any issue concerning MSU intramurals.

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On Movies



'You're Next'

by Alex Nelson
Staff Writer

First off, I hope everyone had a great summer. Over the summer we had at least a dozen good movies, including "Star Trek: Into Darkness," "The Wolverine," "Pacific Rim" and others.

One of the last films was a movie called "You're Next" directed by Adam Wingard and starring Sharni Vinson, Nicholas Tucci, Wendy Glenn, A.J. Bowen, Joe Swanberg, Amy Seimetz, Barbara Crampton and Rob Moran. It is rated "R" for strong violence, strong language and some nudity.

The story is about a couple, Erin (Vinson) and Crispian (Bowen), visiting a vacation house

owned by Crispian's parents, Paul (Moran) and Aubrey (Crampton). They are accompanied by Crispian's siblings Amiee (Seimetz), Drake (Swanberg), Felix (Tucci) and Felix's girlfriend Zee (Glenn).

What started out as a simple family reunion at dinner would become a nightmare for them as they are being stalked by three killers, each of them wearing an eerie animal mask. These included a fox, a tiger and a lamb. One by one, the bodies drop as the family tries to fight back and tries to figure out who these people are and why they are doing this to them.

After seeing the trailer for this film months ago, I became very excited to see this film. Of course, I noticed that it had similarities to other horror flicks such as "The Purge" and "The Strangers," but

still I thought the antagonists looked pretty interesting as they were not like Michael Myers or Jason Voorhees. They could have been anybody, and the scary thing to me was that something like that can probably happen.

The actors, who, I will admit, I have never heard of before, do a decent job — in the film, not exactly Oscar performances, but passable. Some people might be annoyed that the characters scream and yell a lot when the attack begins and that, once or twice, two of the characters are arguing during the attack. While it seems unnecessary and somewhat annoying, it could be showing us what people might do in a situation like that.

Let's be honest, this family is not exactly military trained and they have no idea who is doing this to them. Plus, with all the con-

fusion going on, some may not know what to do exactly at the right moment.

The beginning of the film, I will note, is somewhat boring as we meet the characters and see the problems that some of them have with one another. I believe about halfway in the film the pace moves faster and we get some action. There were some humorous scenes in it, though I am not sure if they were meant to be funny or not.

I should also mention that this movie is not for the squeamish as it is rated "R" for a reason. Most of the kills throughout the film are bloody and messy. In fact, one of my co-workers at the movie theater got disturbed by one particular scene later on in the film. The scares in it were okay, but it didn't leave me with any nightmares or fear of the dark.

Later in the film, I was disappointed at the reason why the killers were attacking this family as I was not expecting that sort of reason at all. Speaking of which, there are a few twists in the plot that did surprise me (no spoilers). However, they might not be that surprising to those who watch many scary movies.

Overall, while the film is enjoyable for me in and of itself, it was not exactly the die-hard horror film that I have been waiting for all summer long. But if you want to give it a shot by renting it or seeing it in theaters, then be my guest.

If taken seriously, I would rate it 2 out of 5 Beavers; if not taken seriously, then 3 out of 5 Beavers.



Not Just Paranoia



An age of excessive laws

by Bryan Lynch
Staff Writer

Recently on YouTube, I watched a John Stossel show called "Illegal Everything" that talked about how there are so many ridiculous laws on the books nowadays. One of the laws,

for example, states that a person cannot open up a lemonade stand without a special permit.

I agree with this news segment; there is way too much "red tape" in this country today with a lot of things.

Stossel mentioned that the government passes thousands of new laws for one thing or another each year. That's too many laws, if you ask me!

Other disturbing things Stossel

talked about were several instances where people have been arrested simply for filming cops, even though they weren't interfering with the cops' jobs. One woman was arrested for filming cops from her own front yard and charged with interfering with government work.

I don't think that peacefully filming cops from your own front yard constitutes interfering with the police's job.

I don't know all the technicalities and all the details of each of the cases Stossel talked about, but I do know that when a society passes so many laws that most people don't even know what they are, it's a little ridiculous.

I think we are going down a very dangerous road in society when we start making laws against everything under the sun, and I want to commend John Stossel for helping to raise aware-

ness to that.

I think the first step for us to get our freedom back is to not be afraid. We have to stand up and downsize the Federal government big time and start taking more of the power back into our own hands through keeping things local and keeping the laws less complicated and bureaucratic.

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The Vent

Phasewalking

by Frankie Jean-Pierre
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Phasewalking is a phrase that I use to describe a person who has lost touch with reality and, at times, mentally “phases” into another reality where things are however he imagines them to be. Now this is very different from a person who is just daydreaming or lost in thought, because that person is still aware that he is in the reality that 90 percent of the people on earth know it to be, but someone who is phasewalking goes in and out of these realities, sometimes willingly and sometimes unknowingly. As a student of psychology, this is something that is both fascinating and pretty easy to understand, plus there’s also the added interest in the fact that this Vent is about video games, so grab your controller or keyboard and get ready as I teach you how to phasewalk.

There are some video games that I’ve played and seen played where I’m like, “damn, that was a little much,” but today I’ve become desensitized to violent acts. Few acts of violence really “phase” me, whether I see them in person, through video, or hear about them. The difference about

my desensitization from that of younger generations is that I was gradually exposed at proper ages.

Kids today are being raised by parents that are immature and irresponsible. They don’t care what they expose their kids to and don’t see anything wrong with it, but there’s plenty wrong with it. I’m going to tackle video games, because for most of my life I’ve been a fan of video games and I know the light and dark sides to them.

The ESRB (Entertainment Software Rating Board) that tediously goes through and assigns ratings to games and movies has a serious job that is taken for granted. They rate games and movies so that people [mainly parents] will know what is appropriate for them or their kids to watch. However, most people don’t care about the ratings and some businesses don’t care if a person is even old enough to buy the game or movie - they just sell it.

There are several fronts in which people are failing to prevent mature content from falling into the wrong hands, but parents are the main line of defense. After all, this is their child we’re talking about. I know kids under the age

of ten that are playing games like “Gears of War,” “Battlefield,” “Mortal Kombat” and “God of War.” These are all games that are meant for adults because of portrayals of extreme violence, death, war-like simulations, mutilations and sexual images.

Children don’t fully understand what’s going on in some of these scenes and that’s both good and bad, because watching a character next to you get shot in the head while patrolling the streets of a Middle Eastern city is not fantasy; it’s real life, it happens. Just because you play a demi-god beheading fictional characters in Purgatory does not mean its ok for your child to play.

I used to think, growing up, that people who always tried to demonize video games were bigots who hated fun, but that wasn’t the case. In fact, they were right. Video games have a very dark side that is like a demon waiting to possess the wrong person.

Concerning the dark side of video games, there are two main issues that arise. There’s the desensitization to violence, vulgar language, drug use and inappropriate behavior. This is the most common negative brought to light by the media, but there’s another

that is just as dangerous and that’s the addiction to video games. I’m not going to go into great detail, but there are people who literally throw away their life to play video games, most often RPG’s.

RPG’s are Role Playing Games where a person controls an avatar that can be edited throughout the game to be as similar or as dissimilar to the player as they see fit, all while playing in an alternate universe as a hero, villain, dragon slayer, gangster, military commander or a demi-god.

It’s very easy for a person to become addicted to a game like this because it allows him to be whatever he wants to be. In a video game, a person can be more successful. Players can be evil, they can be loved by all, they can be respected and they can be lusted after. They can literally be anything. These people phasewalk, but they often do not return to reality unless something obliges them to do so, like going to the bathroom, eating or maybe paying the bills.

Phasewalking can be quite dangerous, especially when a person begins to see others as expendable like the characters in a game. When you phasewalk so often, your mind begins to lose

touch with reality and then you start to blend the two. This can happen with other outlets aside from video games and it’s what happens when you have the serial killer who thinks he’s an angel punishing people for God, or the person who thinks he can kill someone simply because they offended him like they did on “Grand Theft Auto.” In reality, these people can cause catastrophic damage.

Remember Sandy Hook? After the Sandy Hook shooting, authorities said they found violent video games in the shooter’s room and console, but if I beat the s### out of someone and you come to my room and find that I have an MMA game, are you going to blame my actions on the game? You’d be a fool to do so, but that doesn’t mean the game didn’t have an influence upon me.

In the case of the Sandy Hook shooter, he suffered from a type of autism and, like anyone with a psychological disability; caution should be taken when exposing them to things that require a healthy and sane mind to comprehend. People who have psychological disorders can be easily influenced without them or any-

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bumps will be a variable factor depending on how well the design works. They will be added after-the-fact as an extra safety precaution, if needed.

Bill Chew, MSU Security and Safety Director for two years, addressed the question of student safety.

“We can take all the steps in the world, but can still have harm to someone. So everyone needs to be careful because, unfortunately, pedestrians and vehicles do not mix.”

The construction company in charge of the 11th Avenue project

is Mattson Construction of Minot. Kluck expects the estimated completion date will be spring or early summer of 2014. Weather will be the deciding factor as to how long work can continue this year. However, the street will open to traffic later this fall.

Kluck is hopeful of moving forward with the project until November and then continuing construction as soon as possible in 2014.

Officials said the main factor for students to remember is to be safe and attentive to their surroundings, for themselves as well as everyone around them.

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Welcome back, Beavers!

Right: MSU Art Club members recruit prospective students during the Club Fair on Aug. 28.



Bottom right: More than 100 MSU students sit on the Herb Parker Stadium turf to watch "Remember the Titans" on the new scoreboard on August 27.

Photos by Michelle Holman



Photo by Courtney Holman

Sharpshooting MSU students Rachael Kelly and Sarah Johnston engage in laser tag on the Old Main lawn Aug. 26.



Photo by Upile Maliro

Limbo is the way to go at the luau on Aug. 28. The event took place by the sand volleyball court. MSU students played games and ate tropical cuisine until the sun went down.

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one else knowing. That's why parents and guardians need to care for them in this regard, by limiting their exposure to certain material. A person who suffers from a mental illness that prohibits him from feeling empathy or showing remorse is the last person you want to have playing violent video games that will allow him to kill people, cut their heads off, shoot them, run them over, etc. That's the kind of person who turns out to be a serial killer, not that the games are 100 percent to blame, but they further an already volatile situation.

Even a normal person like some kids today will grow up being more violent and less respectful because of being exposed to such a lifestyle in a fantasy world on a daily basis. It's already happening and, again, the games are not entirely to blame, but they make things worse. They should take second place on the list to blame, right behind the parents who are the most at fault. After all, these are their children at risk here.

However, not all is dark in virtual reality. The amount of work

put into a video game is long and extensive and shows off several art forms that are taken for granted: the artists who draw and bring to life the expansive and detailed characters and worlds we admire so much, the writers who build the story for the game and add depth to character personality and the producers who make sure all this flows together and is entertaining. The thing is, a child or someone of low intelligence doesn't appreciate or understand these things.

I'm a writer [for those of you who have just found my page] and I love playing video games that have a good storyline and are well written. I play games like "Mortal Kombat" and "Battlefield" as well, but I'm able to phasewalk between these virtual worlds and our own reality in a responsible manner [unlike some people and their other bad habits]. Whether a person uses a video game as a source of entertainment, a way to pass the time or as a temporary escape from reality, just remember it's not real - it's entertainment and it's temporary.

I have now taught you about the dangers of Phasewalking. Now go forth and may the force be with you.



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*Student Spotlight ...***Josh Sandy****New SGA president responsible for spreading a contagious Centennial Fever**by **Krys Zorbaugh**
Staff Writer

Centennial Fever: (noun) an infectious local affliction caused by extreme excitement. Symptoms include enthusiasm, joy, non-stop entertainment and fun. Fever has struck the Minot State University campus and Josh Sandy, MSU's newest Student Government Association President, is hoping the excitement remains contagious!

"One of the biggest challenges this year will be in finding ways to keep up the energy and spirit of my fellow students, along with MSU faculty and staff," Sandy said. "Last year there was a lot of focus on events and issues at the state level. In light of certain changes, and with the MSU Centennial celebration in full swing, my hope is to focus my energy on campus-related concerns."

Sandy, a junior, was voted into office in April. His interest and motivation for joining SGA was inspired by his classmates. No stranger to leadership roles or participating in student organizations, he admitted that being class president wasn't something he necessarily considered when he first came to MSU.

"I used to be pretty shy, but in high school all that sort of changed," Sandy confessed. "I got involved in sports and student organizations like the Future Business Leaders of America. When I came to MSU, I remember coming across a list of open SGA positions and thought, 'this is something I could do!' My classmates inspired and encouraged me to do it."

As SGA president, Sandy practices what he preaches about student engagement. Many new stu-



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— Josh Sandy

dents will recognize him from his active involvement in the new students' Transitions orientation program this past summer.

"It's a really great idea for new students to get involved and see that they can make a difference. To be a successful student, you have to be able to put aside your fear and try to keep the bigger picture in mind. Everyone is here for an education, but it's also important to be here for the full experience. The more you get involved, the more fun you will have, and the greater your college adventure will be."

Sandy, majoring in public relations, is a member of the MSU Honors Society and an active member of the track and field team. His choice to attend MSU finds him leaping into the footsteps of his parents, who, along with Laurie Gellar, MSU Honors Society director, he credits as being a few of the greatest influences in his success as a student.

"Laurie has inspired me to be willing to try new things. She has always encouraged me to never give up. Even in moments of failure, I can find success. My Dad is the smartest person I know, and my Mom has taught me that simply caring for people can go a long way. They have shown me that, no matter how tough the situation, all you have to do is take a moment, and everything is going to be okay."

MSU study abroad programby **Upile Maliro**
Staff Writer

Minot State University students have the opportunity to study abroad for a few weeks during the winter or summer breaks or for the whole semester.

The next winter break study cruise will be to Latin America from Dec. 20, 2013, to Jan. 3, 2014.

John Girard, MSU business administration professor, will lead the study tour on board MV Explorer — the luxury ocean liner transformed into the floating university campus of the Semester at Sea program.

Students will soon be able to enroll in "Business Administration: Doing Business in Latin America." Students in the class will earn three credits for the course, which will focus on the challenges and opportunities associated with organizational management and business strategy in the global environment, with a specific emphasis on the Latin America region. Application deadline is Sept. 25, 2013.

The summer break study program runs from June 20 to July 1.

Andrea Donovan, MSU assistant professor of arts and humanities, will organize this study program to Thailand. The three-credit course will delve into the art, architecture, literature and cultural heritage of Southeast Asia. Students in this program will enroll in Humanities 496: Thailand — The Golden Kingdom. Application deadline is Dec. 1, 2013.

Students can also study abroad for entire semesters in Denmark, England, Norway, New Zealand, Spain and Sweden. Some areas of study the colleges

in these countries offer include: business law, education and arts, engineering, health and medicine, science, information technology and architecture. To be eligible for these programs, students must hold a 2.5 or greater GPA and at least sophomore status.

For more information on the study abroad programs, contact Libby Claerbout, the international program director, in the Student Center, or libby.claerbout@minotstateu.edu. Students can also visit the MSU Office of International Programs website.

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Diversity Committee seeks campus input

The MSU University Diversity Committee has designated the week of Oct. 21-25 as campus Diversity Week, and is planning numerous events to celebrate cultural diversity during that week. One event proposed is a "Day of Celebrating 100 Cultures," in alignment with the MSU Centennial theme.

Before any concrete steps are taken to organize this event, the committee is investigating interest

from various campus groups (students, faculty, clubs and other parties) to participate. The committee invites anybody or group that is interested to attend an initial, exploratory meeting today, Sept. 12, at 3 p.m. in the Multicultural Center, first floor of the Student Center.

Ideas on how to share culture — food, dress, language, music, etc. — are welcomed and encouraged.

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room, offered to share their quarters with another student."

This was especially evident in Beaver Lodge, the MSU-owned trailer units west of the campus, originally designated for upperclassmen, nontraditional freshman and graduate students who desired single rooms. This fall, many students in those rooms had to double up.

"Because of this, we are doing our best to address the needs of Beaver Lodge residents," McCall said. "To those who had to share their living space, we sent letters that explained what their options could be. They could choose to stay in the same room or receive a single room from another off-campus location — all for no extra charge."

By "another off-campus location," McCall refers to Beaver Ridge and Beaver Suites, two apartment complexes affiliated with MSU. Beaver Ridge is a set of apartment complexes privately owned and managed by 1st Minot Management, while Investor's Management and Marketing (IMM) runs Beaver Suites.

McCall described a major change to on-campus resident interactions: the visitation hour policy. The upperclassmen residence halls — Lura Manor, Dakota Hall and Crane Hall — now have 24-hour visitation every day of the week, while the underclassmen dorms — Cook Hall and McColluch Hall — have 24-hour visitation on Friday and Saturday.

"This was a big step in the right

direction for students having a say-so in MSU policies," McCall said. "We became aware after the Residence Hall Association (RHA) created and circulated surveys this past spring. Through this, residents, myself and the housing staff learned of their overall concerns. We received a 40 percent feedback, which is an incredible number when the standard amount of feedback is usually only 20-25 percent. Almost every single one of them talked about a need for new visitation hours. Many thanks to RHA."

RHA is a student-led organization that works for Residence Life, utilizing student feedback about housing issues and questions.

"It's a great way for students to get their thoughts and opinions out there," McCall said.

The director noted that not every student proposal is guaranteed to happen, as the state board ultimately decides the outcome of each policy. But he said students should not let that discourage them.

"Students need to voice their opinions for the greater good of their school," McCall said. "[The visitation-hour policy change] is a prime example of student-written policies reshaping their campus experience."

"I'm excited about all of these new changes," he said. "It's going to make the students' experience more enjoyable."

Students can contact the Residence Life staff at 858-3363 or msu.housing@minotstateu.edu or stop by the office in the south side of Dakota Hall.

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MSU athletics made great first impression in NCAA Division II

Review of the Beavers' performance from Fall 2012 to Spring 2013

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State's first season as members of NCAA Division II and the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference ended on a high note.

The Beaver softball team finished with a 41-11 overall record and collected its first win the NCAA National Tournament. For individuals, three Beavers earned NSIC Player of the Year honors during the spring season.

Softball's Jen Dixon (Jr., OF/P) and Mandy Greenberg (Sr., P) earned NSIC Player of the Year and NSIC Pitcher of the Year for their efforts. Men's golfer Kowan O'Keefe (So.) was also named NSIC Golfer of the Year.

Just as the 2012-13 season ended, the beginning was a success for Minot State. Soccer's Zoe Fisher (So., CM) scored four goals in a 7-1 win over MSU-Moorhead (8/30), helping her earn NSIC Offensive Player of the Week. That same week, a pair of Beaver golfers, Rebecca Heinitz (Jr.) and O'Keefe, earned NSIC Golfer of the Week honors.

"We expected to come in and compete within the Northern Sun," said MISU Athletic Director Rick Hedberg. "We knew it would be a challenge for all sports and it definitely was, but I think we competed very well across the board."

Minot State contended both in terms of team success and individual accomplishment. 11 Beavers were named NSIC Player of the Week 17 different times throughout the season in their respective sports. O'Keefe and women's basketball's Carly

Boag (Jr., F) led MISU, earning that honor three times in 2012-13.

Boag was the first Beaver to be named to an NCAA Division II All-American Team. She led the NSIC in rebounding (11.8 rpg) and was second in scoring (18.0 ppg). In the spring season, three softball players joined Boag. Dixon, Greenberg and Tiffany Friesen (Sr., 1B/P) were all named Daktronics All-American's.

Two Minot State teams advanced to the NCAA Division II National Tournament in their respective sports. Both the soccer and softball played in the Central Region Tournaments during their first season eligible. Both teams finished No. 4 in the NSIC after being picked No. 10 & No. 12 in preseason polls.

In fact, seven of the 14 teams at MISU finished better than their NSIC preseason poll predictions.

"I'm proud of the way our teams and coaches responded to the challenge," Hedberg said. "This was a difficult transition for everyone, and our student athletes and coaches persevered throughout this time."

There were many memorable wins throughout the year for all Minot State programs. Beaver football picked up their first win with a 32-21 comeback victory against rival University of Mary (9/29). Soccer recorded their biggest "win," which wasn't actually a win, as they tied Minnesota State 1-1 and beat the Mavericks 3-2 in a shootout to advance to the NSIC Tournament Championship Match. MISU went on to beat Winona State 1-0 to capture their first ever NSIC Championship.

Beaver men's basketball picked up their first win over a

ranked opponent as they beat No. 19 St. Cloud State 68-62 in St. Cloud, Minn. (1/5). Women's basketball also had a remarkable 74-73 win over University of Mary (12/1). MISU trailed by as many as 15 points before a second half comeback sparked their first ever Northern Sun win.

2012-13 brought a lot of exciting moments to Minot State and the Minot community. MISU has proven it has what it takes to have success not just in the NSIC, but on the national stage as well.

"We need to continue to work hard to build our programs," Hedberg said. "We need to continue to build our resources and improve our facilities in order to compete with the top teams in the league."

The opening of the Wellness Center launched the year, and new improvements to Minot State facilities are in the near future. In the summer of 2013, a state of the art Daktronics Video Scoreboard was installed in the west endzone of Herb Parker Stadium.

The future is bright for Minot State University athletics. This past year has been one to remember and will prove as a landmark to improve each year moving forward.

"I'm excited about the people, the coaches and student-athletes that we have within our programs," Hedberg said. "The move to NCAA Division II was a strategic move for our entire campus; it wasn't made for today but for the future of our institution."

Minot State has been around for 100 years and has done many great things. Our move to Division II has been one of many positive steps forward for our school."



Photo courtesy of MSU athletics website

When completed, the new press box will be a three-story complex that will house not only areas for the media and each football coaching staff to view the game, but it will also have 12 deluxe corporate suites, restrooms, concession stands and Minot State Athletic offices.

'Red Vision' scoreboard completed; press box construction underway

by Joshua Zimmer
Comm 281

Phase Three of the the Herb Parker Stadium overhaul is underway.

Workers completed the first part of Phase Three of stadium renovations weeks ago, installing the new "Red Vision" scoreboard with video replay on the west berm of the stadium.

The video board portion of the scoreboard features a 14'x25' LED video display where fans will be able to see instant replays during MSU sporting events. "Red Vision" will also have an 8'x25' scoreboard illuminated by LED lights.

MSU Athletic Director Rick Hedberg is pleased with the additions.

"Daktronics is the world leader in scoreboards and video boards," he said.

He also stated that the technology MSU fans will now witness at The Herb is the same as at Target Field where the Minnesota Twins play their home games. The video board also will help with the development of MSU broadcasting students, allowing them more

hands-on production experience.

Phase Three of the renovations, scheduled for completion within 14 months, also includes a three-story building that will house concessions, press boxes, suites and merchandise sales areas.

The new press box will cover roughly 16,000 square feet of space and will include 10 suites for fans to lease for home games. It will also feature rooms for the coach's boxes, radio and television booths, sports information and the video replay production room.

Minot State started Phase One in 2010 with the installation of field turf as the new playing surface. For Phase II the next season, MSU added new bleachers and new chair seats at the top of the bleachers.

Those involved say the renovated stadium will give Minot State some of the finest facilities in the state of North Dakota.

"Red Vision" will make its football debut for the university when the Beavers host Augustana for their home opener Sept. 14.

Football players' run-in with Minot police results in serious charges

by Jamie Council
Staff Writer

On Friday, Aug. 30, Minot Police received a call at 8:45 p.m. about a suspicious vehicle and possible narcotics in the 1300 block of Eighth St. NW. Officers Brandon Schmidt and Erik Laudenschlager responded and, upon arrival, noticed a strong smell of marijuana emanating from the GMC Yukon.

Minot State University football players Jesse D. Ili, Kwajo S. Bonsu, Thomas D. Boles-Armstrong, Grant J. Jansen and Leon L. Ladeaux were arrested. All were initially compliant until Ili refused to keep both hands behind his back. The situation escalated quickly, and one suspect took his chances and ran.

With one hand cuffed, Ili pushed the officer and began to run. A struggle ensued, and an officer used a Taser to subdue him. As the struggle continued, the probes became dislodged.

At that point, a sixth suspect fled the scene. Officer Laudenschlager pursued the fleeing man until Officer Schmidt called for backup. According to the affidavit, Ili overpowered Schmidt and repeatedly slammed his head into a retaining wall post, even after Schmidt appeared limp and unconscious. Laudenschlager tased the 220-pound linebacker a second time until he was subdued enough to cuff both hands. Both officers required medical treatment and were taken to Trinity Hospital.

All five players were taken to jail that night and appeared at the Ward County Courthouse the following Tuesday. Ili was charged with attempted murder, preventing arrest, assault on a police officer, refusal to halt, possession of marijuana and ingestion of a controlled substance.

The other four, two of whom

had already posted bail at that point, were charged with possession of marijuana and ingestion of a controlled substance. The authorities are still seeking the sixth man.

Ili, also known as Jesse Tauiliili, is a 21-year-old senior mathematics major from West Covina, Calif. He transferred from California State University, Fresno, after violating athletic department policy. He had no criminal record prior to this incident. The most serious charge against Ili, a Class A felony of attempted murder, carries a maximum sentence of 20 years in jail, a fine of \$20,000, or both.

Head football coach Paul Rudolph released Ili from the roster immediately after the incident to allow him to "run the gamut of the legal channels."

Attorney Jessie Lang of Fargo is representing Ili. He "fully intends to respond to these charges," Lang said.

Ili's bond is set at \$200,000. He has a scheduled preliminary hearing Oct. 11 and a pre-trial conference Dec. 18. He was also requested to submit a DNA sample, restricted from consuming alcohol and ordered to make no contact with the officers involved in the arrest.

Many of the arrested players were starters for the football team.

"Minot State does not tolerate any criminal activity, and we have a strict code of conduct for issues as great as these," MSU Athletic Director Rick Hedberg said in a statement. "We will handle the situation once all the facts are known."

Since Ili remains in jail, Minot State has taken no official action on his status.

The Beavers lost their opening game 29-0 to the Concordia Golden Bears.

MSU Beavers struggled to seal home opener against U of Mary Marauders

by Jamie Council
Staff Writer

Faces were painted. Vuvuelas were blown so loud, the players couldn't hear each other more than 10 feet away. It must be soccer season.

The Minot State University women's soccer team hosted rival University of Mary at Herb Parker Stadium in their home opener last week.

The Beavers are coming off of a stellar previous season, which included an NSIC tournament title and a trip to nationals. Last year, the Marauders beat Minot during season play, but the Beavers edged them in the NSIC tournament, ending Mary's season. This year, the game went into double time, and no victor came out on top. After 110 minutes of play, the game ended in a 0-0 tie.

"The tie was disappointing in some ways because we were dominant, but couldn't seem to finish," junior captain Zoe Fisher said.

Both teams had opportunities, including 14 shots, 9 of them being on goal, for the Beavers and two shots hitting the posts for Mary. MSU sophomore goalkeeper Gemma Bassetto remained composed and consistent, finishing the match with seven saves.

"It was frustrating for the strikers," Fisher said, "but as a team I think it was a good step forward as we are starting to do the things we do at practice and are working out some of our mistakes from Canada."

The Beavers were on the road this week to Missouri, taking on Southwest Baptist and 11th-ranked University of Central Missouri yesterday and



Photo by Vanessa Christiuk

MSU forward Chloe Melton charges an opening last week at Herb Parker Stadium. MSU tied 0-0 with University of Mary after 20 minutes of overtime.

today. Scores weren't available at press time.

For more information, visit the Beaver soccer page on the MSU athletic website.

MSU golf program adds new coaches

by Michelle Holman
Editor

Randy Westby is the new Minot State University head men's coach and director of golf operations.



Westby

MSU Athletic Director Rick Hedberg announced the selection on July 9 to replace previous head coach Dwight "Chipper" Farrell who resigned. Westby graduated from the University of North Dakota in 1980. He was a member of the

Board of Directors at the Minot Country Club and the Rugby Golf Club. Currently, he is the president of the North Dakota Golf Association.

Westby will work alongside head women's golf coach Whitney Aberle, a former MSU player with an impressive four-year playing career prior to her graduation in 2010. She became MSU women's golf team head coach last season.

Jon Hanson, former teaching professional at Minot Country Club, will serve as an assistant to Westby and Aberle.

Don't miss the action!

Football vs. Augustana, 6 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 14, at the Herb.

Volleyball vs. Minnesota State University Moorhead, 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 19, at the Dome.

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