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Photo by Kryz Zorbaugh



Submitted photo

Branden Evans (left), assistant stage manager, and Samantha Christman, properties mistress, prepare props for "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The play debuts tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Aleshire Theater.

"Faeries" rehearse for the upcoming production, "A Midsummer Night's Dream." Pictured are (back row, from the left) Amanda Kraft, Amanda Mogen, Hannah Davis, Monica Anderson, Brenna Heupel, (middle row, from the left) Annika Kraft, Krista Sipin and (front row) Koh En Chze (Ariel).

Shakespearean midsummer magic to electrify Aleshire stage

By Kryz Zorbaugh
 Comm 281

Minot State University's Program of Theatre Arts presents William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream," re-envisioned and directed by Aili Smith, MSU associate professor and co-chair of the Division of Humanities, Oct. 22-24 in the Aleshire Theater at 7:30 p.m. Doors will open at 7 p.m. A matinee performance will be held Sat., Oct. 24, at 2 p.m. Doors will

open at 1:30 p.m.

Written more than 300 years ago, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," is considered to be one of Shakespeare's most popular comedies. Shakespeare artfully and imaginatively weaves together mistaken identities, misunderstandings and misadventures with his trademark genius for use of language, resulting in a comedy that remains as engaging and exciting as it did when it first graced the stage in the late 1500's.

In Shakespeare's comedic and colorful tale, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," love, drama and mischief descend upon a magical world where anything is possible. Shakespeare's classic comedy is about the misadventures of star-crossed lovers, fairies and a troupe of actors.

"I'm inspired by so many things in life; art, music, yoga and family," Smith said. "For this adaptation, I found inspiration all around me, and I'm excited that I found

ways to integrate it into my vision for this production. I don't want to give away the surprises, but I will say that I truly re-envisioned this adaptation for the kid in all of us – at any age. It is a colorful celebration of classic theatre that is nothing like what you would expect from a Shakespearean play, all the while not losing any of Shakespeare's brilliance. In this modern twist, his comedy loses none of its charm or hilarity."

As dynamic as the activity is

onstage, behind the scenes of every production can be just as exciting. One of the unique qualities of theatre at MSU is that it gives students from all different academic paths the opportunity to pursue their creative talents. Samantha Christman, properties mistress, is pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice. Christman has worked with props for several MSU productions and for this production, lends her talents to the

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News in Brief

Ghost hunter Chris Moon performs tonight

Chris Moon, Ghost Hunter, returns to MSU for his third year to give students the scare of a lifetime. This time, he will be searching the scary, and most likely haunted, the science lecture hall, room 16 of Cyril Moore Science Center. This may prove to be one of his more terrifying trips to MSU. The event will be from 8 to 9:30 p.m. and is free and open to all students.

Deadline to enter Global Sights photography contest is tomorrow

MSU's Office of International Programs is accepting entries for its annual Global Sights Photography Competition. Submission deadline is Oct. 23 at 3 p.m.

Entries may be submitted by MSU students, faculty, staff, retirees and alumni.

Categories include: students; faculty, staff, retirees and alumni; and snapshots. Individuals may submit up to three photographs for their relevant category PLUS three additional snapshots.

The top entries will be enlarged and displayed in the Student Center during International Education Week (Nov. 16-20), and an electronic photo gallery will be available on the International Programs webpage.

For more information, visit www.minotstateu.edu/international/photo_contest.shtml or call 858-4645.

Hriday Thakkar to present next Math Talk

MSU Math Club hosts another of its monthly math talks to bring new and interesting information to those interested in learning about mathematical research. Presenter Hriday "Day" Thakkar will speak on "The Numerical

Solution of Black-Scholes Option Pricing Model" Thursday, Oct. 29, in Model Hall 330 at 5 p.m.

Thakkar will present his work investigating the Black-Scholes Option Pricing Model, which is a mathematical model that describes the evolution of a financial derivative's price over time. The talk is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Thakkar at hridaybharat.thakkar@my.minotstateu.edu.

Americas 2014: All Media best-of-show exhibit on display through Oct. 29

Edward Shmunes, photographer from Columbia, S.C., exhibits in the Northwest Art Center library gallery until Oct. 29.

Shmunes is the best-of-show winner from the Americas 2014: All Media juried competition. His work consists of digital photography that attempts to capture the absurdities in the world around him. The exhibit is free and open to the public and can be seen during regular library hours.

For more information, contact Avis Veikley, NAC director, at 701-858-3264.

'What Comes Before Words' exhibit on display through Nov. 13

The Northwest Art Center will host a mixed media sculpture exhibition by Patrick Lubner.

Lubner is a North Dakota artist from Grand Forks who seeks to explore the relationship between American culture and religion, folk art, pop culture and national identity through his artwork.

The exhibition will be in the Hartnett Hall gallery until Nov. 13. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Avis Veikley, NAC director, at 701-858-3264.



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Comedian Michael Harrison fills the Beaver Dam with laughter



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

Comedian Michael Harrison entertains Minot State students in the Beaver Dam. MSU Life sponsored the event.

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scenic design as well.

Erin Bliss, an English major, steps into the important role of stage manager for the very first time. Jason Gaarder, in combination with his theatre arts senior project, is integrating his musical talents and creative skills as sound and lighting designer. Along with numerous others, these are but a few of the very talented students who are helping to bring Smith's vision to life.

For tickets, contact the box office at 858-3172. Tickets are \$10 for adults; \$5 for seniors, students and children under 18. MSU students, faculty and staff are free with current MSU ID. Reservations are recommended.

For more information, contact the box office at 858-3172, or Smith via email at aili.smith@minotstateu.edu.

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New interpreting and sign language degree approved

(Public Information) — In collaboration with Lake Region State College and the North Dakota School for the Deaf/Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Minot State University will offer a Bachelor of Applied Science in Interpreting and Sign Language Studies degree.

"We are excited to be partnering with LRSC and NDSU/RCDHH to offer this new opportunity for students," Holly Pedersen, assistant professor of special education and program director, said. "There is a shortage of qualified interpreters nationwide, and we hope to

address that problem in North Dakota and beyond."

The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education recently approved the degree, which is expected to be offered beginning spring semester 2016.

"This degree program lays a foundation to prepare professional American Sign Language interpreters to work in a variety of settings," Greg Sampson, Department of Special Education chair, said. "This new program will positively impact children and their families in the region."

For more information, contact Pedersen at 858-3050 or holly.pedersen@minotstateu.edu.

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Letter to the Editor

The Vent

As a new employee here on campus, I have enjoyed reading the Red & Green publication, but I felt compelled to comment on the editorial on racism by Frankie Jean-Pierre in the Oct. 1 issue. Quite frankly, I felt that Mr. Jean-Pierre's opinion piece was one of the best I've read in a university publication (going way back to my days at the University of North Dakota)! At any rate, I thought his column was very insightful, and demonstrated a level of maturity not often found in young journalists on college campuses these days. I commend him for writing a fine article.

Dan Langemo,
MSU Major Gifts Officer



The Vent

2nd Amendment defendant

by Frankie Jean-Pierre
Staff Writer

After the tragic mass killing at the Umpqua Community College in Oregon, the infamous gun debate has once again been thrown into the limelight. As is the usual, people have come out spraying their hatred for guns and demanding that we get rid of all the guns in the country and end this violence once and for all, because that's how these things work apparently. Then you have people like myself, who stand firmly by the 2nd Amendment and understand how vital it is to not just the American culture, but how essential an individual right it is. I always get annoyed when this conversation gets brought up because people who are highly influential, but not always in a good way, come out of the woodwork to speak their mind. Most often these people are celebrities who neither own guns, have ever been around guns nor understand our country's laws or how politics work.

To be perfectly clear, guns do not and are not solely responsible for the killing of people. Guns are simply a tool which can be used to kill. How any tool is used depends entirely on the controller of said

tool. For example, if a police officer is legally authorized and justified to use deadly force and does so, who are people more likely to blame for the person's death: the officer or the gun? The answer is going to be the officer more times than not, but again the officer is just a tool by which the laws are enforced. So why is it, when it comes to debating gun laws, people are so quick to blame an inanimate object over the person who used the gun?

There are so many issues involved when discussing gun control laws that it's impossible for me to cover them in this one article. However, I feel it's important that people understand the significance and reason behind the 2nd Amendment and why we need it.

First off, the 2nd Amendment grants citizens the right to "...keep and bear arms..." so that they may defend themselves, others and their property from those who would cause harm whether that be another citizen(s) or an abusive government. So to think that getting rid of all guns and conforming the United States to be like the United Kingdom will not stop violence or crime. Not to mention that would completely usurp the 2nd Amendment and require a ratification of our Constitution, so that option is completely off the table policy wise. Referring back to the shooting that took place in Oregon, the campus was a "gun free zone" which isn't abnormal, but it does make the location a soft tar-

get for criminals and terrorists, as we've seen. I personally believe the best way to stop a bad guy with a gun is to have a good guy with a gun. This is strengthened by the fact that during such shooting situations the first person people call are the police, aka - the good guys. And guess what? They come with guns.

Some people have suggested that students and faculty be allowed to carry firearms on their person for their own defense and this has received some serious heat from opponents of the idea.

I believe people should be allowed to carry on their person if they are properly trained, and by trained I don't mean just licensed to carry, either. From my understanding, concealed carry permits are relatively easy to get and the test easy to pass depending on the state. This is something that needs to change. I'm of the mindset that anyone who carry's should not just be licensed but trained in how to defend themselves and others with a gun. This is similar to training that law enforcement and military receive, and I've seen in states like Florida, where private classes

can be taken by people who want to learn how to safely and legally use a gun in accordance with "stand your ground laws." Such training, I believe, is something that should be made mandatory for people wishing to receive concealed carry permits. After all, the purpose of carrying is to defend oneself or others, so proper training in how to do so should also be mandatory.

When I listen to people talk about not needing guns to defend oneself or how "gun free zones" are something that every school or other public area should adopt, I come to the conclusion that people today no longer know how to defend themselves or even understand that concept. Instead, people are under the impression that the government by way of laws and the use of police will be able to defend them from all threats and when proven wrong, these people blame gun manufacturers and everyone else but themselves.

Learning how to defend oneself is something every person should take the initiative in because in the end, guns don't kill people, people kill people.

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Campus Players teams with Magic City Misfits for 'The Rocky Horror Picture Show'

By Krys Zorbaugh
Comm 281

Minot State University's Campus Players hosts the Magic City Misfits presentation of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" Friday, Oct. 30, at 11:15 p.m. in the Aleshire Theater. Doors will open at 10:45 p.m. The pre-show event begins at 11:15 p.m., with the screening to begin at 11:45 p.m.

MSU Campus Players will



present the unrepentantly wicked and unpredictably weird cult-classic, "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," with special guest performances by the Magic City Misfits. The Misfits will perform as a shadow cast alongside the screening of the movie as the eclectic cast of Dr. Frank-N-Further, Rocky, Riff-Raff, Magenta, Columbia and more, tit-

illate the Aleshire Theatre screen.

This rock-fueled, pseudo-thriller is about sweethearts, Brad and Janet (Barry Bostwick and Susan Sarandon) and their misadventures in the eerie and erotically festive castle of Dr. Frank-N-Further (Tim Curry). Or is it? From preshow antics to closing credits, costumes and audience participation are encouraged.

"I can't think of a better way to usher in the Halloween weekend," Krys Zorbaugh, MSU Campus Players president said. "MSU Campus Players are very excited to team with the Magic City Misfits this year for our annual Halloween event, which is being held the night before Halloween. This event is truly for open-minded people looking for something outrageous and fun to do in Minot. The best part about this traditionally irreverent event is that it is free and open to the community."

The film and preshow event contain language and themes not suitable for all ages, or all audiences. Mature audiences are advised. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. MSU embraces diversity and tolerance, and has an alcohol and tobacco-free campus. MSU Campus Players

ask respect for campus guidelines, special guests and other audience members. No outside beverages or food will be permitted. Participation prop bags will be available for purchase for \$5.

MSU Campus Players is the oldest student-run organization at MSU. Since 1923, MSU Campus Players has been promoting theatre arts through performance and community engagement.

The Magic City Misfits is an entertainment troupe consisting of like-minded individuals who have come together for fun and entertainment as Minot's premiere "Rocky Horror Picture Show" shadow-cast performers. Visit www.facebook.com/RHPSMagicCity, for more information or details about their upcoming events.

For more information, contact MSU Campus Players via email at campusplayers@minotstateu.edu, or the box office at 858-3172.

Northern Lights film series

'Ararat' depicts the genocide of Armenians

By Gemma Biasetto
Comm 281

The MSU Northern Lights International Film Series continues with the 2002 French/Canadian film, "Ararat," Monday, Oct. 26. An international buffet begins at 6 p.m., with the film at 6:30 p.m.

The film depicts the genocide of Armenians living in Turkey during World War I. Hayk Margaryan, MSU student from Armenia, will lead discussion.

The Armenian genocide happened at the hand of the Ottoman Turkish government in 1915. The evidence is everywhere, from survived generations to the remains of those who suffered from the Deir ez-Zor (Armenian desert) walk. Other countries including France, Switzerland, and Sweden have acknowledged the genocide. However, the

Turkish government denies this ever happened. They even passed a law back in 2004 that makes talking about it a criminal offense.

In 1923, it was discovered that more than 1.5 million Armenians were murdered. Those who survived passed on their history to today's generations.

Margaryan, a computer science major, is from Yerevan, Armenia. Growing up in Armenia, history class taught him about the Armenian Genocide.

"We covered this topic for a couple of weeks. It was not something we talked about at home. I hear more about it in media," he said.

April 2014 was the 100-year anniversary.

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Employee Spotlight ...

Bev Alex

Dedicated employee and major Beaver fan

By Ashley Busch
Comm 281

Longtime Minot State employee, Bev Alex, can be seen at nearly every MSU sporting event on campus. Not only is she cheering for the Beavers, she is often working, either taking tickets or selling programs.

Alex assists MSU Athletics with business administration. She helps with the office mail and counts the Beaver Boosters gaming money, among many other office activities.

Alex originally worked in the MSU payroll office; a position she held for nearly 38 years. She made the switch to athletics when MSU updated its computer system in January of 2004.

"I wasn't ready to retire," she said, "and I'm not good with new computers. So Rick Hedberg (athletic director) and Bruce Haskins (former comptroller) got their heads together and offered me a part-time job over here in athletics."

Alex started working full time in the university's business office in October 1966, after eight years' of business experience working at Dickinson State University.

"I enjoy my job immensely," Alex said about why she's decided to stick with MSU for 49 years, "and I'm not one to just sit and do nothing. If I had to retire, I would be in bad shape. I have no plans to retire. I want to work until I can't work anymore. And I love working with the people at Minot State. It's a great institution."

Apart from her job at Minot State, Alex is an active member of Christ Lutheran Church, secretary of the Eagles Auxiliary (an international nonprofit organization which donates to many local charities), and is a volunteer for

"I love working with the people at Minot State. It's a great institution."

– Bev Alex

Second Story (a social club for adults with developmental disabilities). She also plays in a bridge club a few times each month.

"Bridge is strictly fun [for me]. I don't get real serious about it like some people, but I enjoy it," she said.

On top of all that, Alex walks about two miles every day. She walks outside during the summer months and in the MSU Dome during the winter.

"I really do need to exercise, because I sit a lot during my job."

Alex's family keeps her busy, as well. Her son, John, daughter-in law, Carol, and a grandson live in Minot. She also has a granddaughter who lives in Oregon, three step-grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and five step-great-grandchildren.

Bev Alex has proved for 49 years on campus that she is not one to "just sit and do nothing."



Photo by Vanessa Christiuk

Bev Alex sells programs at a football game at Herb Parker Stadium. Alex has worked at MSU for 49 years.

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Late Night with Beaver Basketball



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

Luis Felipe Ricci Maia (No. 11) shoots the ball in a scrimmage during Late Night with Beaver Basketball in the Dome. The event featured both the MSU men's and women's basketball teams in an entertaining atmosphere prior to the Beavers' first practice last week.



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

President Shirley attempts a layup during the Late Night with Beaver Basketball. The event featured a students vs. staff free throw contest and a fan 3-point shootout. Members of the 2015-16 MSU men's and women's basketball teams competed in a 3-point contest and a scrimmage.

Beavers show grit, defeat Mary in OT

Colton Gandrud

Sports Writer

Last Saturday, the Beavers came away with their first victory of the season, outscoring the winless University of Mary in a dramatic overtime bout, 15-9, to improve their record to 1-4.

Defense was key, as Minot held Mary to just a single touchdown and a mere 3.7 yards per offensive play. Although no turnovers were forced by the Beaver defense, they did put two points on the board in the fourth quarter, tackling a Mary player in their end zone for a safety.

The Beavers were led defensively by two seniors: linebacker Aaron James and defensive lineman Thomas Bryson. James recorded 12 total tackles (six solo) and 0.5 sacks, while Bryson tallied 10 total tackles (seven solo), two sacks, and a pass break up.

Offensively, Mary was led by quarterback Caleb Buck, who threw for 214 yards on 27-50 passing with no TDs or picks. Buck enjoyed limited success, as he completed passes to eight different receivers and didn't turn the ball over, but he failed to find the end zone.

Mary's Zach Graves scored on a 36-yard run in the third quarter, the first points of the game by either team. He finished the day with 67 yards rushing on 14 attempts and a touchdown, along with one reception for six yards.

The Beavers' offense quickly turned the tide. Early in the fourth quarter, they went on a 13-play, 78-yard drive, capped with a one-yard TD run from junior tailback Charles Hall. Freshman kicker Jose Luis Moreno converted the extra point to give Minot a 7-6 lead. That drive was powered solely by the run game, as Hall, and juniors Larry Overstreet and Jarvis Mustipher combined to

rush for all 78 yards. Mustipher, the Beavers' leading rusher, finished the day with a career high 154 yards on 26 attempts (5.9 yards per carry) and a TD.

A few series later, Minot forced the safety, giving them a 9-6 lead late in the fourth. Victory looked imminent, but Mary responded with a 17-play, 76-yard drive, and converted a field goal to tie the game at 9-9 with four seconds to go in regulation.

In OT, it looked as if Mary had the game won when it lined up for a 42-yard field goal after their first possession. Luck was on the Beavers' side, however, as Cody Goetz pulled the kick wide left and gave Minot a chance. It was a chance the Beavers didn't let slip away. Minot went on a 7-play, 25-yard drive and captured the victory with a two-yard TD rush from Mustipher. Altogether, Minot rushers tallied 254 yards on 53 attempts, a season-high yardage for the team.

However, Saturday's victory did not come without red flags (or yellow flags, for that matter). The Beavers committed 11 penalties costing them a total of 105 yards. It goes without saying that Minot cannot afford to make that many mistakes moving forward.

Additionally, Minot continued their passing game woes after throwing for only 74 yards and coughing up three interceptions. On the year, Beaver quarterbacks have amassed only 1,061 yards on 56.8 percent completion and have four touchdowns against 12 interceptions. The passing game will probably be a point of emphasis in practice, but until numbers improve, the Beavers have to rely on their current formula, a great rushing attack and solid defense, and hope for better results. Those two aspects do give reason for optimism and, if the passing game improves, Minot could rebound quickly from a poor start to the season.



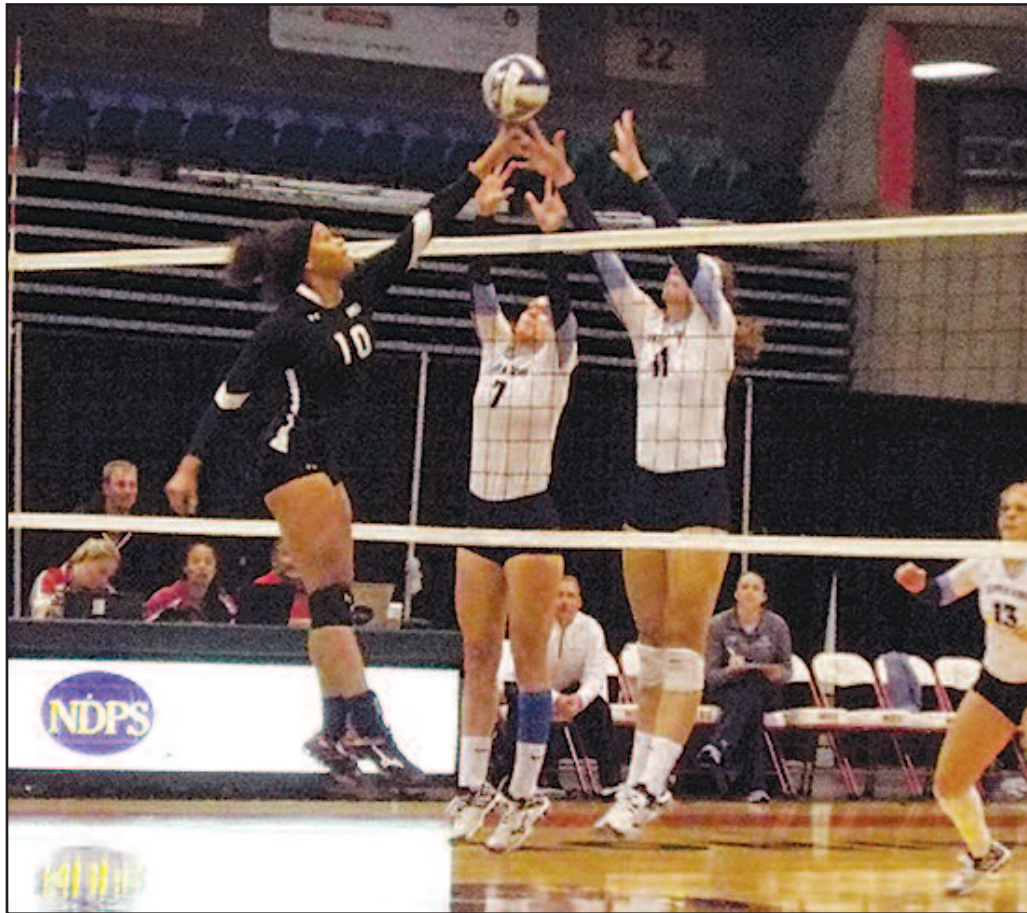


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MSU junior Shaunessy Dauwalder (No. 10) tips the ball over the net during a game against Upper Iowa University. The Warriors won, 3-0.



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

MSU freshman Kelsey Dewulf (No. 9) sets the ball during a game against Winona State. MSU lost, 0-3, but raised \$1,000 for their Dig Pink campaign.

Blue weekend for Beaver volleyball

By Isaac Hunt
Sports Writer

The Minot State University volleyball team dropped three sets in a tough match in its first game at home, to No. 25 Winona State Saturday.

The Beavers (3-15, 0-11) pushed the Warriors (10-7, 4-6) in the second and third sets. With overall scores of 12-25, 19-25 and 22-25, MSU was out-hit 47 kills to 35.

Standouts for Minot State were Tarah Dabovich (MH, Sr.) and Shaunessy Dauwalder (MH, Jr.) who led the team with 10 and eight kills, respectively. Dabovich also finished with four blocks, while Dauwalder ended the series with two blocks and one dig.

"Shaun and Tarah have been consistent for us all season," head

coach Ben Kaszeta said. "They were on top of their game, playing hard. I love their leadership and love the energy they brought to the court."

With early success at home, North Dakota native Dauwalder now has 41 kills and 18 blocks in five home matches.

"I think it might be a little bit of the North Dakota; it might be a little bit that we're playing at home," Kaszeta said. "I know her parents are here today. She has her own little cheering section every time she comes home. That helps a little bit, but even on the road she just comes and plays with such passion and such love. She plays hard and doesn't have a stop button."

Leading the team in digs were freshman Logan Desorcy (L,) with

13 and sophomore Rachel Fagerburg (OH) with 10. Libero Kelsey Dewulf (Fr.) finished with 33 assists.

MSU again had stand-out play from two of its players in the second game, but couldn't pull out a win.

The Beavers dropped three sets (20-25, 15-25, 17-25) to Upper Iowa (11-9, 5-6) despite Taylor Butters (OH, Jr.) leading the team with nine kills and Desorcy matching her second-highest career dig total with 19.

"Logan played her butt off today. Taylor and Logan, both," Kaszeta said. "Logan was incredibly disciplined today. We've been working a lot on it. She only went after the ball with one hand one time today and that was the one missed dig she had. She held her

spot when we told her where she should be playing. She held her ground right where she was supposed to be today and used her platform very well."

This was the second time this season that Desorcy finished with 19 digs. Her career high came against Bemidji State when she dug 23 balls. This is, however, the highest average digs per set she has had, as the other two came in five-set matches.

With Desorcy finding her groove, coach Kaszeta knows the rest of his team needs to take things they do in practice into games.

"We don't play in games as well as we practice," Kaszeta said. "We get into a game and we tense up and don't play freely. We don't play like we're capable

of playing."

The Beavers finished with hitting percentages of .094, .059 and .025 in the three sets against Upper Iowa, and a total of 25 errors.

Mallory Sall (OH, Sr.) finished second on the team with seven kills. Dewulf finished with a team-high 28 assists.

Although the Beavers did not win in their two matches over the weekend, they did raise more than \$1,000 dollars to fight breast cancer with their Dig Pink campaign.

Minot State plays three matches this week. The first was at the University of Mary on Tuesday. Results were not available at press time. They travel to Augustana College on Friday and to Wayne State on Saturday.

Men's golf: season in review

By Colton Gandrud
Sports Writer

Altogether, the fall season has been slightly disappointing for the Minot State University Beavers men's golf team. That isn't to say, however, that the team didn't inspire glimmers of optimism throughout. After finishing ninth overall at the NSIC Preview in early September, Minot went on to place third, fifth and seventh in their next three tournaments. That can be misleading though, as the third-place finish came when competing against only three other teams, and their team scores actually improved over that span of time, shooting a +58, +49 and +41 in relation to par, respectively.

It looked as though the Beavers were improving steadily, and were set to finish the season strong. Unfortunately, they took a step back in the NSIC Fall Championship Tournament in early October, finishing eighth out of 10 teams and shooting 58 over par as a team, tying their worst performance of the season. Minot managed to bounce back in the last tournament of the season, finishing fifth after shooting a 626 two-day score at the North Idaho College Invitational, 23 strokes off the lead. They were set to contend for a high finish after shooting a respectable 307 the first day, but struggled through day two with a score of 319. This has been a problem for the Beavers all year, as head coach Randy Westby acknowledged.

"Same problems that plagued us all year," the third-year coach

said. "That being the inability to play better the second round."

Senior Nicholas Liebel and junior Karson O'Keefe led the Beavers. Liebel has been impressive this year, having posted two of the team's three rounds under par, with one top-5 finish and two top-10 finishes and a team-low 76.3 scoring average.

Surprisingly, the other round under par was produced by a freshman, Matthew Kreutz from Vernon, British Columbia. Kreutz has played well this season, having the third lowest scoring average on the team with a 77.5.

Kreutz attributes his play to "Just hard work."

"When we go out for practice, Coach is helping me out, and all the boys on the team have been really helpful, too," Kreutz said. "I came here pretty confident from my summer play; I was playing pretty good, so I just carried that into this fall season."

It's obvious that the Beavers haven't played as well as they'd hoped at the beginning of the season, but it looks as though the improvements made by the team have them running in the right direction.

"I feel like the team is improving quite a bit," Kreutz said. "Our fourth man, Aaron [Ogrodnick], came out this fall after coming from a small town and not playing a lot of golf. He's improved a ton this year. He's going to become a huge asset to the team, and a real good fourth man to have on the team. Yeah, we'll be more competitive this spring, for sure," he said.

Beavers blown out, surrender 42 points

By Colton Gandrud
Sports Writer

The Minot State University Beavers fell Saturday to St. Cloud State University, dropping their record to 1-6. The defense that led them to a win the previous week doomed them to defeat, allowing a whopping 42 points.

While SCSU quarterback Nate Meyer was fairly well limited throughout the contest, completing only nine passes for 126 yards with two picks and two TD's, it was the Huskies' ground game that made Minot pay, rushing for a total of 368 yards and four touchdowns while averaging eight yards per carry. This impressive effort featured three different runners who accumulated 100+ yards on the ground

Early in the game, it looked as though Minot might come through with back-to-back victories. The Beavers got on the board first in quarter number 1 with a two-yard TD rush from junior tailback Jarvis Mustipher, coming at the end of an impressive 11-play, 75-yard drive. Mustipher would finish the day with another solid outing, rushing for 175 yards and a TD.

The Huskies answered back in the second quarter with a six-



yard rush by tailback Jaden Huff, tying the game at 7-7, with a little over five minutes to go in the first half. Then, facing a third and 15 late in the second, SCSU's Meyer heaved a pass downfield that was plucked out of the air by senior defensive back Marcel Brinson for his second interception of the season (a team high) and returned all the way to the SCSU five-yard line. That play set up a touchdown throw from quarterback junior Jose Escobar to freshman running back Jacob Lopez to make the score 14-7 in favor of the Beavers.

After halftime, it was all downhill for MSU. The Huskies dominated the second half, scoring 21 unanswered points through the third and part of the fourth to make the score 28-14 SCSU, and swing the momentum in their favor. Jose Escobar did everything he could to bring his team back, throwing two TD passes in the fourth quarter, but the Beaver defense just couldn't slow the Huskies' rushing attack. Escobar truly had a breakout performance in the loss, leading his team to their best offensive production of the year, throwing for 182 yards and three TD's with no interceptions.

The Huskies were led offensively by tailbacks Curtwan

Evans, Ledell White and Jaden Huff. Evans paced the group, rushing for 148 yards and a TD on 14 carries. White accumulated 106 yards and a TD on 12 carries, and Huff finished with 102 yards and a TD on 13 carries. The fourth rushing TD came from Nate Meyer on a scramble in the third.

While it's hard to find bright spots on a defense that surrendered 42 points, they weren't totally absent. Both Brinson and defensive back Randel Barber (Sr.) had interceptions, and Brinson also recorded a pass break up.

The Beavers found success in the passing game, the continuance of which will be crucial to future success. Their defense, obviously, took a step back. Technically, MSU's rushing attack regressed from last week, too. However, it would be unreasonable to expect that amount of production every week. The offensive surge gives hope for the rest of the season, but unless the defense bounces back after the absolute beating it took against SCSU, it may not amount to many more wins this year.

The Beavers host Minnesota State Moorhead Saturday at 3 p.m. Moorhead is 3-4 in the conference and is coming off a four-game losing streak.

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Beavers defeat Duluth; lose first conference game to St. Cloud State

By Isaac Hunt
Sports Writer

Just over four minutes into the beginning of the Minot State University soccer team's first game of the weekend against Minnesota Duluth, the Beavers found themselves up 1-0. The remainder of the game was filled with tough shots and tougher goalies as both teams tried to get another ball to hit the back of the net and failed.

With 11 shots on goal for No. 21 Minot State (11-2-1, 9-1-1) and four for Minnesota Duluth (4-8-2, 3-6-2) the goal keepers combined for 14 saves on the day, the most in a single game this season for MSU.

"I think it was more us not finishing," junior midfielder Dalia Tapia said. "They were more physical. They had a really good goalie."

The goal that got past UMD goal keeper Jordan Melby came from a corner kick that connected Ashley Franco (D, Fr.) to Kelli Creese (D, So.) for the second time in three games.

"I just try to get in the box and get my head on it," Creese said. "[Ashley] always places it in the right spot, away from the goalie and perfect to just put your head on it."

That goal secured the lead early for MSU as the Bulldogs tried to get an attack going, but couldn't get a clean shot to go in.

"They pressed our back line," head Coach Jason Spain said. "They played really high, but we were able to create a lot of chances. That's what we measure ourselves by, creating chances. I thought we did a good job of that."

Overall, the Beavers played well and Spain had plenty of praise for multiple players on his team.

"[Jamie] Ayala was great today," Spain said. "Creese was very good in the midfield. It's tough when they play the two high attacking mids, but overall I thought we were good. Ashley

did a really good job on their left wing and Ryann [Rafferty] filled in well. Ninja [Ramirez] did a good job of settling balls and creating chances for us."

After coming back from a two-game road series last weekend, the team was happy to be playing at home and feed off the energy from the crowd.

"The intensity level picks up [when we're at home]," Tapia said. "It builds for us. We have supporters, and it's really nice. We have to show them that we are going to keep winning."

In their second game, the Beavers had as many shots on goal (six) as the Huskies (7-4-2, 6-3-2), but took almost twice as many shots with 15 compared to St. Cloud State's eight.

"We just have to finish our chances," Spain said. "Not finishing our chances each game, we're allowing them to be too close. Too many 1-0 games. This game should've been 4-0."

Four times this season MSU has been able to win games by only scoring one goal and, despite scoring first against St. Cloud State, the Beavers failed to close out the game for the fifth 1-0 win.

The first goal of the game came from offensive standout Ninfa Ramirez (F, Jr.) who was able to put the ball past the goal keeper for the 11th time this season. Assisting the goal in the 17th minute was senior midfielder Kristin Long.

Less than three minutes later, Maria Kass was able to score the game-tying goal to put the score at 1-1 before half time.

Throughout the remainder of the game, both teams failed to put the ball into the net until St. Cloud State took a corner kick with 10 minutes left and Michelle Cornell headed the ball in to take a 2-1 lead for the Huskies.

After the game the Beavers were visibly upset, but in the eyes of coach Spain, he and his team hold every game to the same stan-



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

MSU senior Breanne Hatfield kicks the ball in the game against St. Cloud State. The Beavers are 9-1-1 in the NSIC. They host Augustana on Saturday.

dards no matter how big or small.

"Every game is very precious to me and I think our team feels the same way," Spain said. "We're upset. I mean, there were tears when we tied [Minnesota State] so that gives you an idea about how we feel about each game."

With the loss, Minot State moves out of the top spot in the conference standings, as Minnesota State was able to beat Augustana, 2-1. The Mavericks, with 31 points, now sit atop the standings with Minot State and Augustana in second with 28.

Minot State will play its next game at home against Augustana with both teams coming off of their first conference loss. The game will be at Herb Parker Stadium Saturday at 11 a.m.

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