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Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

A heap of snow covers the base of a tree by Old Main.

## Snow removal in full force on campus

By Dan Fagan  
 Staff Writer

An excessive amount of snowfall on campus has forced snow removal efforts to a top-of-the-list priority for Minot State University Office of Facilities Management.

Since late November, Minot has accumulated more than 50 inches of snow. The current rate of snowfall has dwarfed the levels of the last two winters. In December, the Minot City Council declared a snow emergency to receive aid with snow removal.

At MSU, the snow accumulation has not yet reached emergency status, but maintenance staff workers have been working regularly to ensure that sidewalks and roads on campus are properly plowed.

Snow removal is funded by the

facilities management's operations budget, and fluctuates each year depending on the amount of snowfall.

"There's always money there to cover these things," Brian Smith, MSU facilities management director said.

"We have five maintenance staff that run the heavy equipment and then two groundskeepers who will do a lot of the sidewalks and snow blow around the entrances," Smith said. Heavy equipment includes all Bobcats and trucks used in snow removal efforts.

Snow accumulated on the ground is deposited in designated areas on campus, most notably adjacent to Model Hall and on the west side of campus at the former

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Audrey Livingston created a social mobile app for MSU students. The app, created as part of his broadcasting senior seminar, connects students in art, fashion, cinematography and photography.

Submitted Photo

## Livingston creates app

By Ton Yamashita  
 Comm 281

A new social media app is going to hit this semester, specifically designed for MSU students.

"I want all former and current Minot State students who motivate numerous others and me with their deep creativity and passionate hard work to be recognized," Audrey Livingston, creator of Beaver Buzz said.

A Minot State University broadcasting graduate, Livingston invented and introduced his new mobile app, Beaver Buzz, during his senior

recital last month. The app, designed entirely for MSU students, has fascinating features

Since Livingston started majoring in Broadcasting, he has been very familiar with cutting-

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— Audrey Livingston Jr.

intended to connect students not only with each other, but also with their friends, relatives and family.

edge technology and interested in the creations of technology and how it works.

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# Voices on Campus

“What was your New Year’s resolution, and how is it going?”

Jerusalem Tukura  
Editor



Gideon Amponsah  
Criminal Justice

“My resolution is to build upon myself when it comes to academic work. I want more spiritual growth with Christ, and I decided to read the whole Bible. I’ve been saying I’ll do this for the past five years and I’ve never done it. I think this year is going a bit better. I also want to build a professional career aside of school. I don’t want to have all my attention on school, so I’m working on something right now for after school. I think so far so good. I will assess myself at the end of every month, and I hope it will be the best.”



Vanessa Grimstad  
Communication Disorder

“My resolution is to drink more water. It’s going okay. I try to start everyday by drinking a big glass of water.”



Sydney Marmon  
Psychology

“My resolution is that I want to graduate in May, make sure I have good grades and get accepted into a good grad school to continue my education. Hopefully, somewhere warm. I’m almost done applying to some grad schools in Florida for psychology. I’ll see how it goes.”



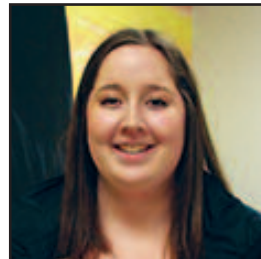
Faith Babadi  
Biology

“My resolutions are to get all A’s in this academic year, to go to church more regularly, and to go to the gym more often. I joined a Group X class at the gym. I’m staying on top of my assignments, trying to study more frequently, and attending classes more regularly. I also dropped my Saturday work night shift so that I can make church on Sunday morning.”



Tito Uzodinma  
Computer Science

“My resolution is just growth in general. I don’t really feel like I know what path I’m going down directly right now, but I just feel like I want to see myself moving forward in whatever I do.”



Kendall Green  
Communication Disorder

“My resolution was just to be more positive and do some acts of kindness throughout the year. So far, it has been going well, but I’m definitely just trying to do as much as I can by helping out. Like, I bought a cup of coffee for someone the other day.”

# News in Brief

## MSU hosts Martin Luther King Jr. writing contest for students

To celebrate the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr., a man with a dream, the Minot State University Diversity Council invites MSU and Dakota College students to communicate their dreams in written form.

In his 1963 speech in Washington, D.C., King said “I have a dream ... .” Fifty-three years later, the Diversity Council wants to hear the hopes and dreams of students today.

Entries may be in the form of essay, poetry, personal experience, short story, etc.

Submit entries by Tuesday, Jan. 31. On-campus students may drop off printed entries to Annette Mennem or Evelyn Klimpel, MSU Diversity Council co-chairs, in the Native

American Center, Student Center 305. Online students may email entries to [annette.mennem@minotstate.edu](mailto:annette.mennem@minotstate.edu).

Winning entrants will receive credit at the MSU Bookstore: first place, \$100; second place, \$75; and third place, \$50. For more information, contact Mennem at 858-3112.

## Western Plains Opera presents ‘Fiddler on the Roof’

The Western Plains Opera Company presents “Fiddler on the Roof” today through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, Old Main. This is a musical based on “Teyve and His Daughters” and other tales by Sholem Aleichem. The story is about a father of five daughters (Tevye,) and the

tumultuous life he must go through. Music is by Jerry Bock, lyrics by Sheldon Harnick, and the book is by Joseph Stein. For tickets and more information, call 701-858-3185 or visit [wpopera.org](http://wpopera.org).

## Sodexo to host Chinese New Year Celebration Lunch

Minot State Dining Services invites all MSU students, faculty and staff to celebrate Chinese New Year, the Year of the Rooster, at the Beaver Creek Cafe on Friday, Jan. 27, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event includes giveaways and a specially designed Asian-style lunch by Chef Artina Lindsay. The all-you-can-eat meal is \$9.75 or one MSU meal swipe.

For more information, visit Sodexo’s Facebook page, MISUDining.

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“I always wanted to create a mobile app,” Livingston said. “Not the Flappy Bird app my friends and I used to play in all of our classes, but an app that will continually connect original masterpieces with the world.”

Knowing so many people, and having so many friends who are talented and passionately creative in areas such as art, fashion, cinematography and photography, he wanted people who have similar passions and interests, inside and outside of MSU, to know and connect with each other.

Using this app has various benefit for its users. In

the app, there is the electronic loyalty program, called the Buzz Loyalty Card, where users can earn free food and prizes from local restaurants in Minot such as Magic City Hoagies and Badlands Bar and Grill.

Additionally, the app includes a music player, the Buzz Station, and a video player, Buzz Videos. Both features are completely free and users can listen to or watch content, as well as submit their own content through the app.

Besides those features, users could create a Buzz Profile, which can link Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Beaver Buzz also has a direct messenger, so users can connect, chat

and make new friends.

“Needless to say, the numerous benefits and features in the world of Beaver Buzz are fresh and fun,” Livingston said.

When creating the app, he was focusing on engaging with customers and cultivating customer loyalty. Nonetheless, all features help connect with people you know. You could even make new friends through pictures, videos and music.

“At least get it for the free food at Magic City Hoagies and Badlands Bar and Grill,” Livingston said.

Beaver Buzz will launch in the Apple App Store and Google Play Store on Feb. 14.



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Lutheran Campus Ministry trip members pose on top of Masada. Masada was the plateau in the Judean desert where the Jews of Jerusalem made their last stand after "The Great Revolt" of 70 AD.

## Lutheran Campus Ministry trip to the Holy Land

By Katie Wiggett  
Comm 281

Leif Bakken, an MSU broadcasting major, took the trip of a lifetime to the Holy Land with Lutheran Campus Ministry over Christmas vacation to visit the area and religious places and experience what the students read in the Bible.

LCM pastor Christoph Schmidt, Dominique McFall-Buchholz and Trena Montgomery led the group that included Bakken, 14 other MSU students, and MSU President Steven Shirley.

Bakken said the group spent a total of 10 days in Israel and Palestine, learning and experiencing the country and its culture. He speaks about staying in Jerusalem, within the old city, along with visiting the Holy Sepulcher, the big church in Jerusalem. The Church, cared for by Catholic, Armenian and East Orthodox Church members, contains many religious relics and is the place where many believe Jesus was crucified.

"There was a big slab on the ground and tomb of where it was within the church," Bakken said, "along with where the crosses were, and where the earth split when Jesus was crucified and died."

Bakken and the group also visited Nazareth, where Jesus grew up; Bethlehem, where Jesus was born and the Sea of Galilee, where Jesus walked on water.

Bakken said he learned so much while he was there, especially about  
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## Welcome Back Bingo



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Rebekah Wangler (right) wins a 32 inch TV at Welcome Back Bingo earlier this month. MSU Life sponsored the event.

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## Between the Lines

*Freedom demands a free press*

By Dan Fagan  
Staff Writer

One of the fundamental pillars of a thriving democracy is a free press. According to Freedom House, a U.S. non-government organization that analyzes the degree of freedom by national press organizations around the world, “fewer than one in seven people live in countries where coverage of political news is robust, the safety of journalists is guaranteed, state intrusion in media affairs is minimal, and the press is not subject to onerous legal or economic pressures.”

Americans are fortunate enough to live in a country that has a free press and, as a result, have access to a wealth of information they can use to inform their views. This is a boon for the individual citizen, but for our government leaders the press can be a source of great frustration. That is, the press is a tool to hold government officials accountable for their actions.

The Obama administration, viewed by some as getting kid-glove treatment from the press, was at times skeptical of media

intrusion. New York Times reporter James Risen claimed that the Obama administration had a dismal record on its treatment of the press. Risen was a target of government threats to disclose sources or face jail time while covering a story on America’s covert involvement in Iran’s nuclear efforts. Risen’s refusal to disclose his sources were, in theory, protected under the first amendment, although this did not stave off government intimidation at first. Ultimately, Risen was on the right side of the law and his resolve proved to be an act of journalistic bravery.

As we fast-forward an administration we find another unhappy president in regards to the press. President Trump has labeled the press the “dishonest media” and called organizations such as CNN a conveyor of “fake news.” His most notable attack was on a disabled journalist, Serge Kovaleski, in which he mimicked Kovaleski’s disability on live television and then denied that it ever happened.

Had President Obama mocked a disabled reporter, he would’ve

deserved the same attention that President Trump has drawn. President Bill Clinton learned during the Monica Lewinsky sex scandal that the commander-in-chief lives under a microscope. President George W. Bush faced constant pressure from journalists on his handling of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The above examples show that no president gets a free pass from a free press. President Trump’s tendency to take to his Twitter account and whine about his unfair treatment from the media is immature and pathetic. Every president faces pushback from the press. The alternative would be a country where the government controls the press and silences or murders overly critical journalists.

The next time President Trump tweets his disdain for the dishonest press, someone should remind him that there is nothing dishonest about accountability and scrutiny. A free and robust press is fundamental to our democracy. To demonize it for doing its job is to undermine one of the great checks on our government’s power.



Tecta America Dakotas prepares to remove snow from the Student Center atrium roof.

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location of the Beaver Lodge trailers. Snow piles more than 12 feet high have all but filled these plots, necessitating help from outside contractors.

“We’re running out of space to put [the snow],” Smith said. “So we have an excavating company come in with front end loaders, put it in the dump trucks and then haul it out and dump it by the observatory.”

The observatory is located on

the north end of campus. If snow continues to fall at its current rate, the lot by the observatory could fill up as well. According to Smith, in such an event, the parking lot behind the dome would be the most likely location to dump the snow.

“There’s still a lot of room up by the observatory, but if it comes down to it, yes,” he said.

MSU hired an outside contractor to remove snow from the Student Center atrium roof to protect outside walls from snow melt.

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his faith and even learning about other faiths. One of the biggest things he learned firsthand was the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians.

“It’s important to visit other parts of the world, in order to see what is going on in other people’s lives and then to reflect it back at home,” he said.

Bakken recommends the Holy Land trip to everyone – whether

Christian, Jew or Muslim – to see what is going on in their faith, and also to those that aren’t religious, because all can learn more about the politics and cultures in these places, or just visit the historical sites in Jerusalem.

Bakken believes this trip would be worthwhile for all religious, history and/or political buffs, as well.

This event was sponsored by donations, fundraisers and many churches in Minot.

## Broadcasting students raise more than \$8,000 at auction

By Nanako Sato  
Comm 281

Broadcasting students in Comm 354, Special Events Planning, hosted the annual KMSU Auction last month. The auction is a learning experience for the students.

“I learned how to sell products and how to entertain and market the product during the two-minute

bidding,” Anthony Battle, a broadcasting major, said.

The auction was also a fundraiser for the broadcasting program with 10 percent of the proceeds donated to a charity. The students raised more than \$8,000 for this year’s charity, the Domestic Violence Crisis Center.

“Giving it back to the DVCC was awesome. It was good to help someone out,” Battle said.

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## Elevation

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*Lutheran Campus Ministry*

The classic Broadway musical, "Fiddler on the Roof," runs tonight through Sunday in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall. Many MSU students, faculty and staff, myself included, are part of the cast and crew. Grab some friends and come check it out!

There are reasons why some shows are classics and stand the test of time. Good theater reminds us of the things that are most important. It connects us to our deepest values and our shared humanity. Good theater both edifies and entertains by holding up a mirror to society and ourselves, calling us to discern our reflections with new eyes.

"Fiddler" is such a production. Set in a traditional Jewish Russian village, it's the age-old story of what happens when societies and cultures experience change. How do people react when they are forced to abandon old customs in exchange for the new and unfamiliar? How are family relationships and communities strained, strengthened, or broken by such upheaval? Lastly, is change taken on proactively in the pursuit of progress, or is it a survival mechanism – a mere reaction to outside forces beyond our control?

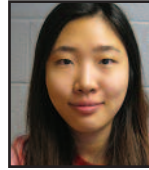
These themes and more are the basis of "Fiddler on the Roof." The character of Tevye is a poor milkman who is used to having the final word in his family. Trying to raise five daughters with his wife, Golde, has been difficult. Money and food are scarce, and the world is quickly changing. While he wants to arrange his daughter's marriages through the age-old tradition of a matchmaker, his daughters are more interested in choosing their husbands based on the modern concepts of love and free will.

This results in numerous interpersonal conflicts, on top of the threat of eviction that the entire

community faces at the hands of the Russians. The villagers who were once the insiders will soon become the outsiders, and their beloved traditions and ways of life are at risk.

I may be biased, but this show is full of great acting, singing, excellent dancing and choreography, and meaning. Under the musical and artistic direction of MSU faculty members Mark McQuade and Carlos Vieira, and performed by the Western Plains Opera Company, "Fiddler" is touching, funny and endearing – it's a show you do not want to miss!

Tickets can be purchased at [wpopera.org](http://wpopera.org). But, if you're a student who would like to see "Fiddler" live, but simply don't have the money to go right now, let me buy you a ticket! The first 10 students who text me at 701-509-6318 with their name and the date that they'd like to attend will get a free ticket, on me. Hope to see you all at the show!



## Book Review

*'Potato' by Kim Dong In*

**By Yun Ji Nam**  
*Staff Writer*

Why do some people commit crimes? Some people think it is because of the circumstances into which the criminals are born, and some believe that their genetic predisposition makes them prone to criminality.

However, American sociologist E. Sutherland believes that criminal behavior is an expression of needs and values. He calls this idea Differential Association Theory, and it is the most talked about theory of deviance.

"Potato" (1935), a modern Korean novel written by Kim Dong In, is a crude reflection of the commoners' reality in Korea during the Japanese colonial era. What is more interesting about the novel other than its historical value, is that it embodies a number of ideas which resemble Sutherland's.

"Potato" centers on a 19-year-old girl named Boknyo who has been brought up in a poor, but upright, home. However, when she is sold as a bride to a man that lives in Seven Star Gates, an underserved ghetto where the beggars and prostitutes reside, she starts to undergo great internal changes. Innocent Boknyo begins to face a new lifestyle that she is yet to learn in Seven Star Gates.

As her life gets harsher, Boknyo quickly begins to pick up a behavior of her "sisters," a group of women who make ends meet by various criminal activities. To her surprise, Boknyo finds herself having to steal and commit adultery and prostitution to get through poverty, and she joins her sisters. In the end, Boknyo dies a miserable death for attacking a Chinese man's newly-wed wife

out of jealousy.

It is pretty clear in the novel that Boknyo's criminal activities are not a mere imitation. They are an expression of needs in order to survive, as Sutherland points out about criminal activities. What about the morals that she once valued so greatly? In the beginning of the novel, we see that what Boknyo values does not quite correspond with that of her sisters.

Boknyo fears what the consequence of adultery and prostitution will bring into her life even before she commits them. She thought she would "crash down dead on the spot" for even thinking of such. It is after she is lured by her overseer at work to have sex with him for the first time that she starts to value easy money over morality. Boknyo becomes

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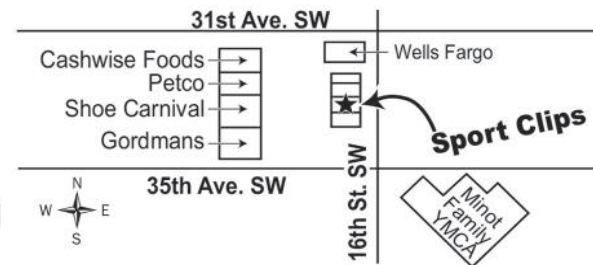
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## Joe Davis to speak on black history, host open mic

By Nanako Sato  
Comm 281

In celebration of Black History Month, Joe Davis, a 2013 MSU graduate, will give a presentation and host an open mic session on Friday, Feb. 3.

A multi-media, spoken-word poet, artist and activist, Davis will present "The Future of Black History" at 10 a.m. in the Multicultural Center, first floor of the Student Center. His talk will explore the future of black history, racial identity, and unity in an era of polarizing politics.

"Through stories, poems and playful experiments, I will recollect the history of racial identity and invite audience members to join me in re-imagining and redefining the future of Black History



Davis

Month," Davis said. "Sharing my personal narrative, original spoken-word performance pieces, and giving space for a collective conversation, we will engage the ways in which each of our unique stories connect to create more room for intercultural possibilities."

Following the presentation, Davis will host an open mic session and artist workshop at 1 p.m. in the Beaver Dam. He encourages audience members to share their work onstage and receive immediate feedback from Davis and audience members.

"I will host a Black History  
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## Clubs and organizations welcome students



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

MSU students (from the left) Carlton Mhangami, Aileen Cheong and Ayaka Ohi represent the International Club at the MSU Club Fair. MSU Life sponsored the event.

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## Slow start and tough third quarter drag Beavers down

By Jerusalem Tukura

Editor

MSU's slow start against Bemidji State University led to a loss of 57-83. The Beavers struggled from the first quarter, making 14 points but losing momentum by the second quarter, scoring only nine points. Minot State had a better first half with scores at 30-36 and Bemidji State in the lead, compared to the second half where MSU scored only 27 points whereas Bemidji put in 47 points. With only eight players on the court for the entire game, fatigue was bound to build up. The Beavers fought hard, but were unable to rally a win.

The Beavers got off to a quick start the following day, but could not keep up with University of

Minnesota Crookston, which resulted in a loss of 57-69. The first quarter looked promising as the Beavers answered back almost every point the Golden Eagles got, leading to several ties, but by the third quarter, the score gap increased by 13 points in favor of Minnesota Crookston with only 56 seconds on the clock. MSU's Madison Wald was able to make a good jumper just before the buzzer, ending the third quarter at 45-56 with MSU down by 11.

Wald and Kari Clements played the entire 40 minutes alongside freshman posts, making the bulk of the shots with Wald contributing 19 points and Clements, 10.

"Me and Kari both knew we  
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MSU sophomore Madison Wald catches a pass from a teammate. The Beavers lost to University of Minnesota Crookston Saturday, 57-69.

Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

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one of the women who get more wages and do no work.

I argue that Boknyo's "sisters" are great influences to change her. The idea of interaction is another concept of Sutherland in his Differential Association Theory, along with the idea of needs and values. Sutherland believes that criminal behavior is learned through interactions. We see plenty of non-verbal and verbal interactions that Boknyo has with her peers in the novel.

The sisters shamelessly talk about who pays more and who pays with cabbages in return for sex. And young Boknyo, as an active participant and a quiet observer, joins their conversation to learn who is a big spender and who is not, and how to powder her nose to attract more men. She even learns how to giggle in front of a man in a seductive manner. This is quite a contrast to the shy young girl that we see in the beginning of the novel, who chooses to starve when she is hungry.

Indeed, the environment of

Seven Star Gates, and the peer group of the so-called sisters around Boknyo have changed her needs and values to where she herself becomes a criminal in the end. And to our surprise, there is good logic in her newly found deviance.

"... When she thought of what she had done, she discovered it wasn't at all 'out' for a human being. In addition, she did no work, made more money, and there was the intense pleasure: this was more gentlemanly than begging ... She discovered, for the first time, a sort of confidence that she had actually become a

human person."

"Potato" is a story of a change. I believe that change is a word which encompasses both growth and demise. Even though the novel does not have a happy ending, yet I would recommend Kim's book to the readers that appreciate good growth of a character throughout a story, and that character's demise, and also to the readers who are interested in Sutherland's concept of criminals' needs and values in committing a crime. Moreover, I believe that the readers who are interested in realism or naturalism will enjoy the novel, as well.

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## Football coach Hughes resigns, three finalists vie for position

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State University head football coach Tyler Hughes resigned his position to pursue other interests, MSU Director of Athletics Andy Carter announced last month.

"After careful thought and reflection, I have elected to step down as head football coach at MSU," Hughes said. "I just completed my MBA and I think the timing of everything is right for everyone. I don't think I could ever express how thankful I've been for the opportunity that has been provided to me here."

Hughes became the university's 20th head football coach in 2014, spending three seasons with the Beavers. He was 5-28 overall.

Carter named assistant coach Shane LaDage as interim head coach to help the program through the transition.

Following a national search to replace Hughes, Carter announced three finalists. They are former Missouri Western State University head coach Jerry Partridge, Southwest Minnesota State University assistant coach Mike Aldrich and former Lindenwood University coach Patrick Ross. Partridge and Aldrich interviewed on campus earlier this week and Ross will interview Friday.



Hughes

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had to come into this weekend and play pretty much the whole game on both nights," Wald said. "We were prepared for it. We took care of our bodies. Having only freshmen posts, I think us guards had to pull a lot of the weight ourselves more than normal. It was a really mental game. You just had to tell yourself you're not tired, and that kind of got us through it."

Prior to last weekend's home games, the Beavers played against Northern State University on Dec. 2 and lost, 53-74. The next day, MSU took on Minnesota State University Moorhead, and lost 46-57. A game on Dec. 9 against Augustana University resulted in a loss with a score of 64-85, and an MSU second weekend loss against Wayne State College, 45-75.

After the six-game losing streak, the Beavers had their first win against St. Cloud State University on Dec. 30 with a final score of 77-63. Unfortunately, MSU's next games resulted in losses as they lost 48-69 to the University of Minnesota Duluth on Dec. 31; to Minnesota State University Moorhead on Jan. 6 (52-66); Northern State University on Jan. 7 (66-76), Minnesota State University, Mankato on Jan. 13 (59-71) and Concordia University, St. Paul on Jan. 14 (53-63).

"Losing sucks a lot," Wald said. "Nobody likes losing. But I think towards the end of the season, these last few games, and next year, it's really gonna put fire in us, and I think we'll work even harder in the off season."

The Beavers travel to Winona State tomorrow at 6 p.m. and Upper Iowa Saturday at 4 p.m.

# Beavers win home games, Rudolph and Maia dominate

By Jerusalem Tukura  
Editor

Although Minot State University had a slow start against Bemidji State University, they were able to pick up the pace toward the end of the game after a 61-61 tie with 03:24 left on the clock to win, 79-71.

The Beavers had a tough first half as Bemidji State followed closely, leading to a 28-28 tie at the end of the first half. Minot State eventually came out on top, the team asserting itself in the second half with a shooting percentage of 56.7 compared to 36.7 in the first half. Tyler Rudolph (Jr., F.) had an outstanding performance with 20 points and 10 rebounds. Nathan Mertens (Sr., G.) contributed 15 points, Stevan Jovanovic (Jr., F.) had 14, and Luis Ricci Maia (Jr., G.), eight.

MSU had another remarkable night as they won their second weekend game against University of Minnesota Crookston, 84-72. The Beavers started out strong with a lot of assists from Maia leading to a lot of good shots.

"I just tried to make sure my teammates were in good spots," Maia said. "They worked hard all week practicing extra shots,

so I make sure when I'm there, I try to put them in the best position to shoot. It's all on them. They practiced hard. I'm happy to assist them and make sure they have good shots."

Minot State experienced a little bit of a struggle at the start of the second half. With Maia still in the game, he rallied his teammates and continued to give assists and put in a few points himself. Toward the end of the game, the score gap dropped from 11 in the first half (39-28) to one by the end of the second (45-44), as the Beavers seemed to be struggling to maintain the quick pace they started the game with.

"The end of the game it is always tougher to be mentally tough. We were in a position where we had a bunch of turnovers and that wasn't good, so we need to fix that for future games and just be more patient and have control of the game," Maia said.

Rudolph once again had a great night, putting 33 points on the scoreboard and 17 rebounds to propel the Beavers. Maia also had a great performance with eight points, nine assists and four rebounds. Nathaniel Moore (Jr., G.) put in 14 points for the Beavers, and Mertens finished with seven.

"I think we just had to grind out this win tonight, you know," Rudolph said. "Credit to my teammates. We played good on offense and defense. I think it was a tough win, coming in the second night, but it was good for us. We had a good week of practice. We were really focused and we got after it the times we were in the gym and the times we were watching films, and I think that was the key to our wins."

On Dec. 2, MSU took on the Northern State University Wolves and lost, 87-91. MSU battled Minnesota State University

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Month open mic and if there is more energy for creating than performing, I will facilitate a creative writing workshop around personal narratives and community building. Participants only need to bring themselves, writing utensils, and a

willingness to be adventurous," Davis said.

Davis is based in the Twin Cities, where he is currently pursuing a master's degree.

All MSU students are encouraged to attend. It is free and open to the public. The MSU Diversity Council sponsors the event.

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Moorhead the following day and lost, 87-96.

On a better note, the Beavers bested Augustana State University, 88-84. Unfortunately, the game the following day resulted in a loss of 80-85 against Wayne State College.

Minot State met with rival UMary on Dec. 17 and defeated the Marauders, 82-75. On Dec. 30 and 31, MSU lost to St. Cloud State University, 71-82, and defeated University of Minnesota Duluth, 67-56.

Tough weekend games against Minnesota State University Moorhead on Jan. 6 and Northern State University on Jan. 7 led to two losses with scores of 74-82 and 88-94, respectively. MSU lost to Minnesota State University Mankato on Jan. 13, 66-81, then defeated the Concordia University, St. Paul Golden Bears the following day, 74-70.

The Beavers are at Winona State University on Friday and Upper Iowa University on Saturday.



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura  
MSU junior Nathaniel Moore makes an under-the-rim shot. The Beavers defeated the University of Minnesota Crookston Golden Eagles Saturday, 84-72.



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MSU junior Tyler Rudolph takes a shot in Saturday's game with Crookston. The Beavers are now 10-10 overall and 6-8 in the conference.



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## Five soccer players land on NSCAA All-Central Region Team

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State University junior Yesenia Piceno and senior Ninfa Ramirez highlight five Beavers named to the NSCAA NCAA Division II Women's All-Central Region first, second and third teams.

Piceno, a defenseman, and Ramirez, a forward, were both named to the All-Central Region First Team. Piceno is making her first appearance on the all-region team, while Ramirez was named to her second-straight region team.

The duo was joined by two second team selections, redshirt freshman goalkeeper Erin Rafferty and junior defenseman Kelli Creese. Finishing out MSU's group was senior Chloe Melton, who was named to the third team.

## Soccer's Ramirez earns honors

(MSU Sports Information) — MSU senior Ninfa Ramirez was named to her second All-America team as she earned 2016 National Soccer Coaches Association of America NCAA Division II Women's All-America Second Team honors last month.



Piceno



Ramirez



Rafferty



Creese



Melton



Ramirez

Prior to the award, she was named to the 2016 Division II Conference Commissioners Association Women's Soccer All-America Second Team.

She finished 2016 eighth in NCAA Division II total points with 47, setting a school record. She was 10th in DII in goals with 18, breaking her own school record, and led the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference in points and goals. She was the NSIC leader in shots (135) and was second overall in assists (11).

She finishes her two-year career as the Beavers all-time leader in points, goals and shots.

## Accolades continue for La Deaux

(MSU Sports Information) — MSU senior punter Aaron La Deaux was named to the Don Hansen Football All-Super Region Three First-



La Deaux

Team last month.

He is one of two punters named to the First-Team Defense and one of 11 Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference players on the First-Team Offense and First-Team Defense.

La Deaux led NCAA Division II with a 47.13 per punt average. He had 26 punts that traveled better than 50 yards, including both a 71-yard and 72-yard punt. He finished with 18 punts inside the opponents' 20.

It marks the second All-Region selection for La Deaux this season as he was named to the NCAA Division II Conference Commissioner's Association Super Region 3 Second Team. La Deaux was named to the Associated Press Little All-America First Team and earned College Sports Information Directors of America Academic All-America® Division II football First-Team honors.



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