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## Clothesline project display



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

T-shirts are displayed in the Student Center as part of the Clothesline Project during National Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The T-shirts show how sexual assault and domestic violence impact many. The clothesline's purpose is to help with the healing process for people who have lost a loved one or are survivors of violence. MSU's Student Athletic Advisory Committee, the Title IX Office, and Residence Life and Housing sponsored the event.

## Don't sit in silence



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

Lily Olson (left) visits with students in the Quad. Honor students participating in the honor's community problem-solving class hosted a mental health fair last week to raise awareness by providing information. They also offered free food and prizes.

## Honor Dance and Powwow set for April 28 and 29

By Mia Lupo  
Comm 281

The Minot State University Native American Cultural Awareness Club (NACAC) invites everyone to its 28th annual Spring Honor Dance and Powwow Celebration April 28 and 29 in the Dome. MSU students, faculty and staff are welcome for free with current MSU ID. Those over age 55 and under 12 are also free, while ages 12-54 have a \$3 entrance fee.

"A powwow is a celebration of music, dance, family and honoring," Annette Mennem, the Native American Center director said. "The powwow will honor the achievements of the graduating class of 2017."

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File Photo

Dancers perform at the annual Spring Honor Dance and Powwow Celebration in the Dome. This year's event runs Friday and Saturday in the Dome with the food booth opening at 11 a.m. Grand Entries are at 1 and 7 p.m. each day. On Saturday, there will be a free buffalo meal at 5 p.m. in the Student Center. At 8 p.m., all graduates will be honored in an honor parade in the Dome.

## Football team faces consequences

By Jerusalem Tukura  
Editor

Two weeks ago, the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee in collaboration with Lisa Dooley, MSU's Title IX Coordinator, hosted the annual Lip Sync Battle in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall. The goal of the event was to raise funds for the Sports Nutrition Center.

All the sports teams performed at the Lip Sync Battle except golf, due to its attendance at an away match. The football team performed last to the song "Pony" by Ginuwine. Their performance,

which was sexually charged, included a female sitting on a chair with two football players grinding on her, even to the extent of lifting her legs. This was in front of an audience that included children, since the event was billed as family-friendly.

The football team proceeded with their routine for about two minutes before someone pulled the plug, and they left the stage.

"Their behavior was unacceptable," Dooley said. "However, we are working on remedying what happened that evening. We are

going to hold the individuals accountable."

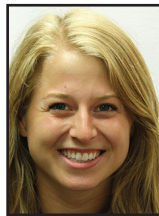
"We need to have clear directives given to the students," said Kevin Harmon, vice president for student affairs. "Everyone in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall learned something that night about giving clear expectations to the student groups that were performing."

The Student Athlete Advisory Committee partnered with Sexual Assault Awareness and made the event open to the public for the first time. The event was established to

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## MSU to confer degrees May 12

Minot State University commencement for graduate and undergraduate students is May 12 at 10 a.m. in the Dome.



Hatfield



Fornshell

Commencement student speakers are senior biology/chemistry/mathematics major Breanne Hatfield and communication disorders graduate student Katelyn Fornshell.

Andy Wakeford and Tami Jollie-Trottier

will also address the graduates. Wakeford represents the N.D. State Board of Higher Education and is the online coordinator at Lake Region State College. Jollie-Trottier earned a bachelor's degree from Minot State and a doctorate degree from University of North Dakota. She serves as a clinical psychologist in Belcourt.

More than 600 undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to walk through commencement this year.

Prior to commencement, there will be a hooding ceremony for graduate students at 8 a.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, Old Main.

All commencement activities are free and open to the public.

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raise funds for student athletes and to serve as entertainment for the community.

The proceeds from last year's event were used to help Chase Kimble, a football player who was injured in a game.

"It was a healthy event over the past few years. So much good was tampered with by one disappointing act," Harmon said.

The details on how the football players are being disciplined were not disclosed, but actions are being taken to ensure that such an incident does not go unpunished or occur again.

"We need to be careful of the FERPA rights of the students, so I really cannot go

into the fine detail of what we have been doing," Harmon said. "We take this situation very seriously. Right from the moment that we witnessed the situation, the response of the university was immediate."

In hopes of creating more awareness of sexual assault, two open forums are scheduled next week. Details will be published in Public Announcements. School officials hope to create a venue to talk about the culture at Minot State University. The events will be open to students, faculty and staff.

"This is an important topic, and we are not going to shy away from it as a university," Harmon said. "This is not going to go away by not talking about it."

## News in Brief

### Red & Green staffer places in contest

Dan Fagan, a member of the Red & Green newspaper staff at Minot State University, placed in the North Dakota Professional Communicators (NDPC) 2017



Fagan

College Communications Contest.

Fagan placed in the personal column category for his column, "Between the Lines" with the articles "What we can learn from Brock Turner," "Why Trump is bad for conservatism," and "Checks and balances (and Wells Fargo.)"

Fagan is a junior majoring in finance.

NDPC gives college students an opportunity to gain recognition for their writing skills. Any student enrolled in at least a two-year college or university in North Dakota, or at Minnesota State University Moorhead or Concordia College, Moorhead, is eligible to enter the contest.

### KMSU and Red & Green staff positions filled

The Minot State University Student Media Board has announced its selections for KMSU and Red & Green staff positions for the 2017-18 year.

For KMSU managers, the board selected Leif Bakken, Chris Tom, Matt Huffman, Corey Keller and Kylar Sharp.

For the Red & Green, it selected Jerusalem Tukura, editor; Aylin Ergin, assistant editor; Andrea Orta-Diaz, sports editor; and Faith Babadi, circulation manager.

### English Club sponsors Kids Reading Carnival

The Minot State University English Club is sponsoring a Kids Reading Carnival Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. in the Swain Hall pedagogy lab. The club invites children of all ages to come for free, gently used books including SpongeBob, Dora the Explorer, Dr. Seuss, American Girl, and more.

The club will also provide free games, face painting and a cupcake walk.

The purpose of the carnival is to promote literacy and language.

Club members placed drop boxes around campus and in the Minot community, including Minot Air Force Base. Anyone with gently used books for giveaway could place the books in the boxes. The books have been sorted and are ready for children to take home.

For more information, email Adrianna Varbero, English Club president, at [adrianna.varbero@minotstateu.edu](mailto:adrianna.varbero@minotstateu.edu)

### End-of-year student music performances set

To end the school year, several Minot State University music performances will take place.

Under the direction of David Rolandson, the MSU Symphonic Band will perform Friday, April 28, at 7:30 p.m.

The MSU Concert Choir and MSU Women's Choir, under the direction of Carlos Vieira, and the MSU Singers, under the direction of Jennifer McQuade, will perform Sunday, April 30, at 7:30 p.m.

The Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of James Fusik and David Rolandson, will perform Tuesday, May 2, at 7:30 p.m.

All performances take place in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, and admission is free.

### iMagicon returns to Minot this weekend

iMagicon, Minot's comic/gaming convention, is back in town April 28-30 at the Holiday Inn-Riverside

and features a collaborative daily draw off competition, LAN parties, Smash Bros competitions, Magic the Gathering tournaments, warrior training, Cosplay contests, board gaming, shopping and more.

For more information, visit [imagiconnd.com](http://imagiconnd.com).

### MSU offers study abroad opportunities

Minot State's Office of International Programs offers several study abroad opportunities for MSU students.

Areas include Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Australia, New Zealand, England, Spain and Costa Rica. The Semester at Sea program is also available.

Get more information on MSU's featured programs by visiting the International Office, first floor, Student Center or online at [MinotStateU.edu/International](http://MinotStateU.edu/International). The study abroad application deadline for spring 2018 programs is Sept. 15.

### Miles for Smiles Fundraiser Walk

On Sunday, MSU's National Student Speech Language Hearing Association invites everyone to a Miles for Smiles Fundraiser Walk at Roosevelt Park. The event is designed to raise funds for Operation Smiles, a children's medical charity that performs safe, effective cleft lip and cleft palate surgeries and delivers postoperative and ongoing medical therapies to children in low and middle-income countries. Registration begins at 10 a.m.; the walk begins at 10:30 a.m. Fee is \$25 per walker. Registration opens at 10 a.m.

### Summer Bingo

On Tuesday, May 2, MSU Life invites all MSU students to play "Summer Bingo" in the Beaver Dam from 8 to 10 p.m. This event is free with a valid MSU student I.D. For more event reminders and updates visit MSU Life on Facebook.

### Summer Theatre to provide entertainment in June and July

Summer Theatre at Minot State University kicks off its 52nd season with the production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" June 12-16. "Alice in Wonderland" follows on June 20-22. The third show is "The Wizard of Oz." It runs June 27 through July 3. The season concludes with "Rock of Ages" July 10-16.

Aili Smith, chair of art, theatre art, broadcasting and communication arts, is this year's managing director.

All performances begin at 8 p.m. Ticket prices are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and MSU faculty, staff and summer students with current MSU ID, and \$5 for all youth 18 and under.

Call 858-3228 beginning June 1 for reservations.

For detailed information, visit [MinotStateU.edu/theatre/summer.shtml](http://MinotStateU.edu/theatre/summer.shtml).

# Voices on Campus

## “What are your plans for the summer?”

By Jerusalem Tukura  
Editor



Casara Tessendorf  
*Business Management*

“I’m going to Washington, D.C., in July and, as soon as I’m done with my last final, I’m getting on a plane and going to Alabama to go down to the beach.”



Chiti Nkhuwa  
*Accounting*

“My plans for summer are to grow spiritually, train hard, build my businesses, and basically have a good time. I’m going back home to my country, Zambia.”



Laisa Busatamnte  
*General Studies*

“This summer, I plan to look for a summer job, and maybe a nice summer camp in Los Angeles, Calif.”



Lundie Augustin  
*Nursing*

“I plan to take summer classes and find a job on campus, and also enjoy myself and chill.”



Saliou Diallo  
*Computer Science*

“My plans are to go to Senegal, and I’ll probably stay there for two months. I’ll come back mid-August and go to New York to pursue my grad school in Cornell University.”



Shelby MacCabe  
*Elementary Education*

“I plan on hiking, including the Maah Daah Hey trail in the western part of North Dakota. It is a 97-mile hike. It’s a five-day backpack trip, and I am pumped to do that this summer.”

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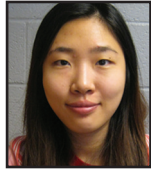
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‘At times it was difficult, but the beauty of my semester abroad is that it taught me more than any class could ever teach me. I learned things that I could not have learned any other way.’

–Abby Naze, MSU 2013 Study Abroad Alumna, Telemark, Norway

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## Book Review

*'The Story of Mr. Sommer'*  
by Patrick Suskind

By Yun Ji Nam  
Staff Writer

In "The Story of Mr. Sommer," Suskind shares a secretive, strange memory of a child. The memory is so mysterious and confusing, the story almost reels off on its own like it yearns for its secret to be shared with the readers. Suskind, too, passionately spins a yarn about the child recalling his utter confusion over a mystery, which will possibly endure his whole life. However, don't worry for there is nothing serious about this peculiar memory of the child.

"The Story of Mr. Sommer," despite it being an exceptionally weird novella, contains a humor that comes from not being a butt of the joke. Suskind created the child's memory in a way that is both traumatic and laughable at the same time, and writing a weird story like this is Suskind's unique gift and specialty.

"The Story of Mr. Sommer," narrated from a young boy's perspective, recalls his childhood, which involves all kinds of people he's encountered in his life - a father with an odd philosophy of life, a scary piano teacher, a childhood crush and, last but not least, a peculiar man named Mr. Sommer.

One day, the protagonist witnesses a man who he knew as Mr. Sommer, walking somewhere every day in a desperate manner. Curious, the child wishes to talk to him, but Mr. Sommer continues to tread bustlingly as though he is

running away from something.

Whether that dangerous pursuer be the angel of death himself or an actual human person, Mr. Sommer continues to walk regardless. In fact, the endless, pointless walking is the only characteristic that makes Mr. Sommer who he is. He is an insignificant weirdo, a recluse and a butt of the joke. Yet, the character performs his aimless duty so eagerly, it is as if the walking is the only activity that keeps him alive.

Unfortunately, that is all we see of Mr. Sommer throughout the novel until his very end. When people stop him to make an inquiry about his bizarre walk on a daily basis, he murmurs out in response, "Just leave me alone..." and continues onward idly. This pointless aspect of Mr. Sommer's activity fills every page of the book in a thorough manner, and Suskind makes light of the eccentric recluse's anxiety or curse this way.

Secondly, in dressing the character in somewhat laughable clothing, Suskind informs us that the readers can know the change of seasons by simply checking out the shade of Mr. Sommer's exposed legs.

Some readers might think, "Is that it?" and my answer to their questions is, "Yes, that is pretty much all there is to it." "The Story of Mr. Sommer," is a recollection of a child's memory concerning a mysterious man who constantly

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## Students remount university Instagram account

By Dan Fagan  
Staff Writer

The MSU Instagram account was inactive at the start of the 2017 spring semester but, thanks to the efforts of three students, Jodi Spangler, Darby Kruger and Rachel Ferguson, the account is active again.

"Instagram is the only social media that I use," Spangler said. "That was the format that I was comfortable with."

Spangler, along with classmates, Kruger and Ferguson, reactivated the account as part of a

project for their Management 301 class with Gary Ross.

The students were required to get the go-ahead from the MSU marketing office before they could take over the account. Then they were able to launch the account on March 20, after spending the prior weeks finalizing content.

"Instagram can be used to connect to new prospective students," Spangler said.

Spangler commends Instagram for its ability to attract young people.

"80 percent of high school stu-

dents scope out colleges they're interested in on Instagram," Spangler said.

This is also something that could be done without spending money.

"We are using what we already have," Spangler said. "Everyone already has a cell phone and a social media account. We're just maximizing them."

Spangler, an accounting major, plans to stay on with the account until next fall, at which time she will train a replacement to take over.

## MSU student recounts battle with cancer

By Ton Yamashita  
Assistant Editor

I believe when life gives you lemons, make lemonade.

When life gave me lemons for the first time, I was 16 years old.

At the time, I was attending Nakashibetsu High School, Hokkaido, Japan. My high school had a health examination once a year. My junior year, the health examination found a tumor in my throat.

I went to a bigger hospital and had a blood test, ultrasound and biopsy in a single day. After all the tests were done, my mother and I were waiting and making jokes about the tumor being cancer. Many other patients came and went; it seemed like I was the only one that the doctors kept waiting.



Yamashita

Finally, a doctor called my name and diagnosed me with thyroid cancer and said I needed to remove the tumor as soon as possible.

After that day, time flew so fast. My surgery was scheduled for two weeks after the check-up on the first day, and I was staying in the hospital by the next week. The surgery was a success. The doctor removed two-thirds of my thyroid and prescribed a thyroid hormone replacement pill.

In general, thyroid cancer is very moderate compared to other types of cancer, and I was told that there is only a 17 percent chance that the cancer would return. Top of that, I was still young, so he assumed my body could beat the cancer.

However, two years later, my cancer was back. It moved to my lymph nodes from the remainder of my thyroid and propagated into five small tumors in five separate lymph nodes. At the time, I was

graduating from ESL school in Japan and preparing to study abroad in the U.S. Fortunately, I had enough time to have another surgery between graduation and leaving for the States.

The second surgery was to remove the five cancerous lymph nodes, and my doctor suggested a radiation therapy called Radioactive Iodine (RAI) treatment with I-131 after the surgery. Again, because I was young and had to leave Japan in two months, he decided to not do further treatment besides the hormone replacement medication. But, he strongly suggested that if the cancer returns, I should do RAI to destroy all the cancer around my neck.

Unfortunately, two years later, while I was attending school in the U.S., my cancer returned again. I had to do both surgery and I-131 RAI treatment. Besides that, I had to take a leave of absence from col-

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## Choir concert Sunday to be live streamed

By Nanako Sato  
Comm 281

The Minot State University Division of Music will present its final choir concert of the season Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, Old Main.

Carlos Vieira, music instructor, directs and conducts the MSU Concert Choir, the MSU Women's Choir, and a collaborative orchestra. In this program, they will present a varied range of choral music. The general theme of this

concert is transcendental.

"The MSU Concert Choir has recently traveled around North Dakota, and it has exponentially grown in quality," Vieira said. "The MSU Women's Choir is professional." **See Choir — Page 11**

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walks aimlessly throughout the town for no particular reason. Some might also ask for a legitimate reason to read this book if the story doesn't tell us much, other than an anti-social crackpot off to somewhere every day.

I have to say that I myself was thoroughly confused about the character, Mr. Sommer, while reading the novella. Therefore, quite frankly, I don't even know what to say about this strange character and his tale. Why does Mr. Sommer do what he does? Furthermore, what does he represent in the story? The answer is not set. Yet, I know that I am not the only reader who is perplexed about how to interpret this strange novella. Suskind has designed Mr. Sommer to be the strangest man of our times; that nobody can dare to guess his reasoning or behaviors.

However, I think it'd be better not to overthink it, because "The

Story of Mr. Sommer" is an extremely peculiar tale that serves its purpose to the readers in the most sensible way. The more you try to analyze how pointless it is, the more confused you will get. Simply by letting the words woven by Suskind wash over you like a shower will be good enough to make you relive the very mysterious memory of Mr. Sommer all over again. Surely, it is one of those memories that will make you tilt your head to the side at the absolute incomprehensibility of the very memory of the man, yet it still is quite a valuable, interesting experience as a reader.

The peculiar part of "The Story of Mr. Sommer" will become comprehensible once you understand that Suskind simply knows how the memory works in people's heads in general. Sometimes, memory is merely a confusing, graphic sight that remains; no interpretation. Similarly, the novella only provides the vivid description of Mr. Sommer, with-

out a further explanation about his behavior or reasoning. I think that is perfectly okay.

However, the strange image of Mr. Sommer's exaggerated walk still haunts the readers somehow. It is only Suskind's unique gift to turn such a pointless, insignificant action of a man into something very enigmatic, like the smile of Mona Lisa or a poetic description of a tidal wave as it hits a shore. Yet, how or why this peculiar story does so to readers is still a mystery.

So is the very last image of Mr. Sommer in the novella. He walks right into the river, until the top of his poor head disappears into the water for good. That is the end of Mr. Sommer. This scene still lingers before my eyes. Nonetheless, I try not to think about it. I think it'd be better to let the mystery remain as it is, for it is a better task to appreciate its absolute incomprehensibility rather than try solving it.

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lege and go back to Japan for treatment. I-131 RAI treatment basically destroys cancer cells in or around the thyroid with radiation. Thankfully, it doesn't have bad side effects like hair loss, pain or nausea. However, for this treatment, patients take a small radioiodine capsule, and it makes your body somewhat radioactive inside, so patients are required to follow some radiation precautions after treatment to limit radiation exposure to others.

In my case, I had to be isolated from everyone for five days and follow certain rules. For instance: don't use public transportation,

only use disposable dishes, don't stay with someone more than an hour, flush the toilet at least twice, and maximize distance from children and pregnant women. The whole process took a couple of months.

Since having my entire thyroid removed and undergoing the RAI treatment, the cancer hasn't returned. But, for the rest of my life I must take pills to replace the hormone that my thyroid used to produce.

This is my cancer story. When I tell people this story, they tend to feel bad for me or apologize. But, I don't think of the whole experience as a nightmare. This experience opened my mind and even still

encourages me to pursue my dreams. Being healthy would have been best, but there are some things I can only see because I'm a cancer survivor.

When I was about to undergo my third surgery, I wanted to quit college and stay in Japan, but my friends and family pushed me to finish school. This semester I'm graduating from Minot State with a communication arts degree, and I appreciate everyone who supported and encouraged me to keep studying in America.

On the bright side, I'm sure I will face struggles in the future, but I doubt they will be worse than having cancer.

## Red & Green adviser to retire this spring

By Ton Yamashita  
Assistant Editor

Spring is a time for meeting new people and saying farewell to friends. An instructor who has been at Minot State University for a long time is now closing his teaching career and saying farewell. Frank McCahill, Assistant Professor of Communication



McCahill

Arts and adviser to the Red & Green, is retiring at the end of the semester.

McCahill's teaching career began more than 36 years ago. He taught high school and middle school for eight years, then came to Minot State and has been here for 28 years. Mostly, he's taught English, as well as some communication classes.

Originally from New York, McCahill studied physical education, hoping to be a coach. In school, he was always a great student so he maintained good grades in college. Even today, he loves to learn.

After he graduated college, he was teaching at a college back east for a couple of years and decided to try something different. He moved to Colorado and got involved in the ski industry for four years. Then he moved to North Dakota.

"By that time I was married and starting to have a family, and I needed to get back into education to have a career," McCahill said. "so, I wound up going to school. My main major is English, and I worked for newspapers, too, so it's all about writing. Teaching, writing, being a journalist."

It's common for people to hate their job and only go to work for the paycheck, but McCahill is different. He found a job he truly enjoys. He is passionate about teaching, learning and sharing things he learns with other people.

"It works out that teaching is a good fit for me. That's why I've been

able to stick to it for 40 years," he said.

In those 40 years, he's seen a lot of change. He has been adviser for the Red and Green since 1989, so he has seen how technology altered the school newspaper. When he started in the position, computers weren't widely being used, so students and advisers were creating the newspaper together, in the same room, manually instead of electronically. Today, the staff and writers usually submit stories and photos by email or using a jump drive and the editors lay out the paper using software. Most of the work has become solitary.

"I think some of the best times were some of the early days when we had very close-knit staffs that liked each other, worked hard together, and we would go out to eat afterward sometimes," McCahill said. "We knew each other well, and I kind of enjoyed that. We had some very top notch students that worked on the Red & Green."

He has nostalgia for the old days of the Red and Green.

He mentioned that MSU used to have a yearbook, but students lost interest in it year by year. Especially nowadays, many students work off campus and just go to school or class and then go to work. Some students are working multiple jobs at the same time to pay for tuition, so fewer students are involved with clubs, teams, or school organizations. Seemingly, the bond between the university and students has been shrinking in the past couple of decades.

The lifelong instructor encourages students to support journalism and the Red & Green student newspaper, especially since newspapers in general are dying off. He stated that if the Red and Green disappears, it likely won't be back.

After retirement, McCahill plans to read many books which he hasn't been able to get to, and would like to do some traveling around the world and to see his family.

## Career Center helps students make a great first impression



MSU students (from the left) Carly Egge and Ashlee Swartwout browse through clothing at Minot State's Career Closet. The MSU Career Center collected gently used men's and women's professional attire and made it available at no charge to students earlier this month in the Student Center.

## Easter Egg Dash



Photo by Ton Yamashita

MSU students (from the left) DeAndra Miller and Jaileen Brodziak pick up jelly beans at the Easter egg dash. MSU Life sponsored the event earlier this month.



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## MSU hosts Lip Sync Battle



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

The MSU baseball team performs at the Beaver Lip Sync Battle. The fundraiser featured MSU athletic teams battling for first place with their lip sync routines. The soccer team won the battle. This year's donations will help fund an on-campus nutrition center for student-athletes. The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee sponsored the event.

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At 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. each day, there will be a grand entry featuring an exciting parade of dancers.

"Without them (powwow drums and dancers) we wouldn't have a powwow," Mennem said.

Food booths open at 11 a.m. both days, with free coffee included.

Vendors will have unique, handmade Native American items for sale during the celebration.

There will be Wylie Hammond memorial bingo during dinner breaks on Friday and Saturday and at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday.

A free buffalo dinner will be served Saturday at 5 p.m. in the Student Center. Everyone is welcome. The Mandan Hidatsa Arikara Nation's Buffalo Project in Western North Dakota donated the buffalo; last year's buffalo helped feed about 350 people.

The NACAC will gift a framed artpiece hide back to MHA Nation at the powwow as a thank you for its contributions to the club. The gift presentation takes place Friday during the 1 p.m. Grand Entry.

An honor parade, in which all 2017 graduates are invited to participate, will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Dome.

A raffle ticket drawing will

follow. The raffle includes a star quilt, North Dakota casino packages, NACAC club jacket, and other clothing items.

## MSU at the Mall



Photo by Ton Yamashita

MSU communication disorders students (from the left) Kendall Green, Tara Verklan and Danae Burke create awareness about their field of study at Dakota Square Mall. The MSU Marketing Office sponsored MSU at the Mall earlier this month.

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# Track and field compete at NDSU Lyle Hokanson Classic

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State University track & field got the 2017 North Dakota State Lyle Hokanson Classic started last Friday with the men's and women's hammer throw.

On the men's side, Tanner Gust and Victor Abonyi finished 14th and 15th respectively. Gust threw 162-foot-8, while Abonyi tossed a personal best 149-foot-8.

For the women's team, Sydney Hall finished with a throw of 133-2 to take 25th place on the women's side.

On Saturday, Jana Warrick-Jones was fifth in the 1,500 behind runners from NCAA Division I North Dakota State and South Dakota State with a time of 4 minutes, 52.76 seconds. She finished the 800 in a time of 2:20.07 to take seventh.

Emily Westlake raced to a second-place finish in the 5K, taking 30 seconds off of her personal best time to finish with an 18:54.26. The duo joined Autumnne Haskell and Shae Pedersen to take sixth in the 4x400 relay with a time of 4:23.70, knocking eight seconds off the team's season best.

"Emily did a great job as she was on the relay team just after she knocked 30 seconds off her 5K time," head coach Stu Melby said.

Joel Cartwright paced the men's team with a win in the 5K, earning his second outdoor title of

the season with a time of 15:51.79.

MSU team of Josh Drew, Daniel Daffinrud, Chiti Nkhuwa and Colin Olson finished sixth in the 4x400 relay with a season best time of 3:29.31.

Along with Westlake, Ashley Franco and Kellie Piazza both earned PRs in the 5K. Franco was fourth with a time of 19:47.59, while Piazza was ninth with a 24.15.30.

## University of Mary Al Bortke Open

Earlier in the month, an injury depleted Beaver team competed at the University of Mary Al Bortke Open in Bismarck.

Daffinrud continued a solid start to his outdoor season, finishing with a 22.31-second 200 meters and 10.99-second 100 meters for third and fourth place respectively to pace MSU. Drew was fifth in the 200 with a 22.43.

Westlake took fourth and fifth in the women's 1,500 and 3,000, finishing fourth in the 1,500 with a 5:08.03, just trailing teammate Warrick-Jones who was third with a 5:04.41. Westlake earned a personal best in the 3K with an 11:11.94.

On the men's distance side, Cartwright also doubled up with a seventh place finish in the 3K and was eighth overall in the 1,500.

Gust, Kevin Hodges and Jacob Hatfield finished 4-5-6 in the men's hammer throw. Gust was fourth with a 50.10-meter toss, Hodges was fifth with a 45.73, and Hatfield took sixth with a heave of

45.24 meters.

The men's team finished in fifth place, while the women took seventh.

## Dickinson State Blue Hawk Games

MSU's Warrick-Jones won two individual event titles and Daffinrud won one to pace the Beavers at the Dickinson State Blue Hawk Games April 14.

Warrick-Jones won both the women's 800-meters and the 1,500.

Daffinrud ran a personal best in the men's 100-meters for the second straight week. While his time was wind aided for the second week, head coach Stu Melby was just as happy with his progression.

"He's done a great job this year as a sophomore – just getting that much stronger and more confident over last year," Melby said.

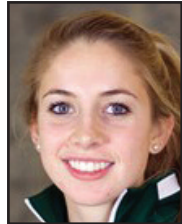
MSU had three individuals finish as runner up in events, paced by Hall's second in the hammer throw. Ashley Franco was second in the 5K, Andrea Franco was third in the 5K, and Westlake finished third in the 1,500.

On the men's side, Gust was also runner up in the hammer throw, while Hodges added a season best in the hammer, finishing fifth.

The Beavers continue the outdoor season with a final tune up before the NSIC Outdoor Championships, traveling to Moorhead, Minn., in two weeks for the Ron Masanz Open.



Warrick-Jones



Westlake



Cartwright



Daffinrud



Gust

# Women earn 5th at NSIC Golf Championships

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State University fired a 329 in the final round of the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Women's Golf Championships, the Beavers' best round of the tournament Sunday at Dacotah Ridge Golf Club in Morton, Minn.

MSU finished in fifth in the tournament, ending with three-day total of 998, 10 strokes better than Southwest Minnesota State. MSU opened with a 333 before shooting a 336 in round two.

"Overall, I'm very proud of the team and the three solid rounds they played this weekend," MSU head coach Spencer Hilde said. "They came into this weekend prepared and ready to compete."

Pacing MSU was Miriam Dumes who moved from tied for 11th to a tie for 10th to earn her first top 10 NSIC finish. Dumes shot an 80 in the final round and finished with a total of 242. She had the team's best score of the tournament with a 76 in round two.

The Beavers' biggest mover on the final day was Katherine McGlenen who moved from a tie for 19th to 12th overall with a final-round 77. McGlenen just missed the top 10 with a 243, just a stroke back of Dumes.

"Katie came up big for us today," Hilde said. "She picked a great day to turn in her best score of the season."

Kayla Barke finished her Beaver career with an 84 to tie for 29th overall. She carded a three-day



Dumes



McGlenen

total of 255.

Kira Dereniwsky finished with a 258 overall with an 88 in the final round and ended in a tie for 31st, while Kaitlyn Hill ended with a 93 Sunday and a total of 287 to finish tied for 51st.

Augustana University won the team title with a 903.

## MSU finishes fifth at Minnesota State Invite

Minot State University cut five strokes off its first-round total, but remained in fifth place overall with a 675 after the final round of the Minnesota State Invitational earlier in the month in Coon Rapids, Minn.

Barke led the Beavers with a two-day total of 167, shooting an 84 in round two after a first-round 83. She tied for 16th overall.

MSU's best second-round score was turned in by Dumes, who fired a 7-over-par 79 for the Beavers' low round of the tournament. She finished 18th with a 168. McGlenen and Dereniwsky shot identical 84-86 – 170s in two rounds and finished tied for 21st. Hill shot a 96 and a 92 to finish with a 188.

Minnesota State won its own tournament with a 624.

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# Men finish third at NSIC Golf Championships

*MSU's Matthew Kreutz captures fourth place*

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State University finished with a final-round 308 to settle for third place overall, shooting a three-round total of 903 at the 2017 Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Men's Golf Championships Saturday at Paradise Point - Outlaw in Smithville, Mo.

The Beavers came into the final round with a one-stroke lead on the field, but couldn't finish the tournament off, finishing two strokes back of St. Cloud State and 15 behind three-time defending champion Minnesota State.

"We made some great strides forward this year," head coach Randy Westby said. "We were eighth last year and moved up to third with a real young team."

Sophomore Matthew Kreutz finished fourth overall with a 220 total, shooting a 3-over-par 75 in the final round. He was named to the All-Tournament team by virtue of his top 5 finish.

Karson O'Keefe, the Beavers' lone senior, capped a stellar career with a top 10 finish, tying with



**Kreutz**



**O'Keefe**

three other golfers for seventh. He shot a 78 in the final round and fired a 224 for the tournament.

Freshmen Cody Reynolds (T16), Matthew Bean (T28) and Carson Harcourt (T30) rounded out the Beavers' five-some. Reynolds fired a 77 in the final round and ended with a plus-13 229 in his first NSIC Championship. Bean shrugged off a first-round 84 to finish with a 74 in round 2 and a 78 in the final round for 236 overall. Harcourt shot his second sub-80 for the tournament, carding a 79 in the final.

"We will miss Karson for sure, but the future is indeed bright," Westby said.

## Borst named NSIC Player of the Week

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State University sophomore Michael Borst was named the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Player of the Week, the league announced April 17.

Borst helped the Beavers to a 5-1 record on the week of April 11-14, including the team's first sweep, taking all four games



**Borst**

against the University of Sioux Falls.

In six games, he batted .429 (9 for 21) collecting nine hits with two home runs, two triples, two stolen bases and a double. He slugged .952 on the week and finished with a .462 on-base percentage.

His biggest contribution, however, has become his trademark this season as Borst drove in 15 runs to push his season total to 49 on the year, tied for the league lead in total RBIs.

## MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENT

Minot State University is seeking public comments about the university in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency, the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). Minot State University will host a peer review campus visit Oct. 30-31, 2017. The team will review the institution's ongoing ability to meet HLC's criteria for accreditation. Minot State University has been regionally accredited since 1917.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the university:

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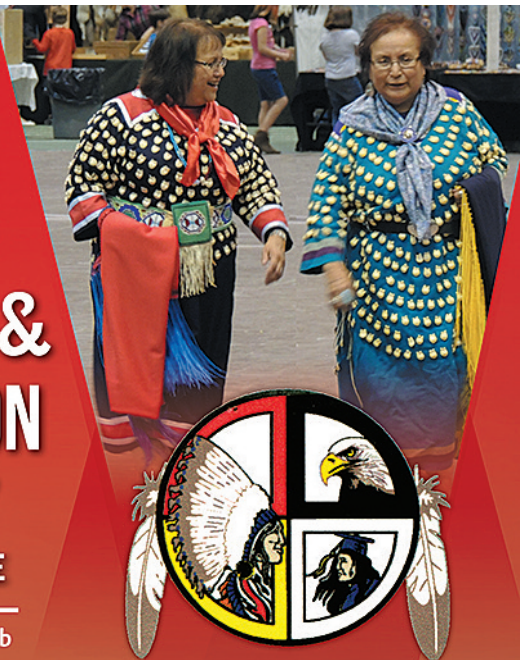
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### FRIDAY, APRIL 28

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11 a.m. — Food Booth opens  
1 and 7 p.m. — Grand Entry (Parade of Dancers)

Wylie Hammond Memorial Bingo  
during supper breaks on Friday and Saturday  
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### SATURDAY, APRIL 29

10 a.m. — Dancers & Drum Group Registration opens  
11 a.m. — Food Booth opens  
12:30 p.m. — Dancers & Drum Group Registration closes  
1 p.m. — Grand Entry (Parade of Dancers)  
5 p.m. — Free Buffalo Supper, MSU Student Center  
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Photo by Ton Yamashita  
MSU senior Paul Vogelsang swings in a game with the University of Sioux Falls at Corbett Field last week. The Beavers defeated the Cougars, 16-10.



Photo by Ton Yamashita  
MSU junior Brock Breshears pitches for the Beavers against the University of Sioux Falls last week.



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura  
MSU senior Jordan Grant swings the bat. The Beavers battled Southwest Minnesota State University and lost, 7-9.

## Baseball wins 1 with Minnesota Duluth

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State University baseball couldn't generate enough offense to win as the Beavers fell in both games to start a four-game set at Minnesota Duluth in Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference play Saturday.

The Beavers dropped a 3-1 decision in game one and fell 5-4 in 10 innings in game two.

"We had ample opportunities but just couldn't cash in," Minot State head coach Scott Eul said.

On Sunday, games were moved from Duluth to Brainerd due to inclement weather. The Beavers won game one, 11-2, behind another strong pitching performance from Mark LaCroix, but couldn't finish off a sweep on the day, falling, 11-4, in the series finale.

"LaCroix was great today again," Eul said. "He isn't really built to be a starter, but he competes and just gets the job done. He goes all out for as long as he can, and gives us a chance to win."

### Minnesota State

Earlier in the month, MSU hosted Minnesota State University Mankato for a two-day, four-game series at Corbett Field.

In game one, the Beavers topped then No. 21 Minnesota State, 10-5, to end the Mavericks' 17-game winning streak. The Mavericks responded with three straight wins, defeating the Beavers, 19-1, 13-1 and 5-2.

### Northern State University

Two days later, Minot State University scored four runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to break a 3-3 tie to win game one, 7-3, as the Beavers split against Northern State in conference baseball April 11 at Corbett Field.

MSU dropped game two to Northern State, 12-3.

### University of Sioux Falls

Two weeks ago, the Beavers swept the University of Sioux Falls in a four-game NSIC series at home at Corbett Field.

The Beavers only got two hits, but both were home runs in game one to start the series with a 5-4 win.

MSU smashed 20 hits and scored 16 runs in game two to put an exclamation point on the day with a 16-10 win, in a 3-hour marathon in game two.

On day two, MSU won game one, 7-6, with two runs in the bottom of the sixth and smacked 12 hits in game two to win, 12-6, to complete the weekend sweep.

### Bemidji State University

MSU continued to play solid baseball, splitting a pair of games at Bemidji State in NSIC baseball last week at Bemidji.

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## Beavers must battle to extend season

By Taylor Rizzari  
Sports Writer

The Beaver softball team (12-12) is now tied for ninth in the Northern Sun Conference with rival University of Mary. In order for MSU to make it to the post season, they must stay within the top ten in the conference.

Minot State just finished a long road trip, splitting with Upper Iowa (9-15), and was defeated twice by Winona State (21-3) on Sunday afternoon.

Game one in Fayette, Iowa on Saturday was an exciting one, to say the least. The Peacocks held a strong 7-1 lead until the top of the seventh, in which the Beavers roared back, scoring five runs to decrease the UIU lead to one run. They couldn't tie it up, though, and fell to the Peacocks, 7-6.

The second game happened to be filled with intensity as well, as MSU beat out Upper Iowa in eight innings, scoring

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two in the top of the eighth and holding them to shut the door and collect a win to split on the day.

Senior pitcher Jenn Spencer came in to relieve fellow senior, Clarissa Ramirez, to seal the deal, allowing just one hit and striking out three. Through six innings, Ramirez allowed just eight hits and two runs, and struck out three in a no-decision. Seniors Jordan Grant and Rachel Burdette, along with sophomore Lauren Cowden and freshman Jordan Branch, all collected two hits apiece. Cowden drove in two, and Grant stole her 34th base on the season.

Sunday afternoon's games were not as smooth for the Beavers, as they were swept by two-seeded Winona State. Game one had a score of 3-0; game two (8-0) was shortened to five innings.

The Beavers stayed strong and held the Warriors in game one to 0-0 until the third inning in which WSU scored all of their runs for the contest. Jenn Spencer once again took the hill and gave up five hits, walked two, collected two strikeouts and gave up three runs. Grant, freshman outfielder Skyla Newbauer, Branch and Ramirez all collected one hit apiece, while Burdette led the Beavers with two hits.

In game two, errors took hold as MSU fell to Winona 8-0 in a five-inning contest. The Beavers' bats were silent through the whole game as the opposing pitcher collected 13 strikeouts, and the only two MSU players to collect hits were Grant and Newbauer. Ramirez, whose record is now 7-7, was the losing pitcher. Both Emma Casey and Spencer came in for relief, but were unsuccessful.

The Beavers' final four games are Saturday and Sunday at Herb Parker Stadium against Concordia-St. Paul, and number one-ranked Minnesota State University-Mankato.

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In game one, Minot State handed the ball to emerging ace Tanner Alexander and the senior lefty didn't disappoint. Alexander rolled to a six-hitter in a complete-game win, allowing just two runs with one earned run. He struck out nine and walked just one batter for a 5-2 win.

In game two, MSU rallied from a 4-1 deficit after four innings to tie the game in the sixth, but gave up the eventual game winner in the bottom of the eighth, losing 5-4.

MSU hosted St. Cloud State University yesterday. Results were not known at press time. The Beavers host University of Mary Saturday and Sunday for doubleheaders starting at noon at Corbett Field.

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ducing an enormous sonority, or resonance, that is surprising for a group of only nine singers."

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