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Students attend Election Party



Photo by En Chze Koh (Ariel)

MSU students (from the left) Hector Padilla, Noelle Padilla, Cassie DeMora, Steven DeMora and Vanessa Ramirez eagerly wait for presidential election results during the Election Party in the Beaver Dam. MSU Life sponsored the event.

Keith Ailes to share 'My Story'

By Victoria Saxelby
 Staff Writer

Keith Ailes, a senior in his last semester, will host a public showing of his senior project, a documentary titled "My Story," Wednesday, Nov. 30, at 6:30 p.m. in the Aleshire Theater.



Ailes

The film details his family's battle with multiple sclerosis.

Following the film, Ailes will

discuss overcoming diversity.

"It's for anyone who is struggling or going through hard times," he said. "I want to spread the message that there is a light at the end of the tunnel."

Ailes, a broadcast production major, has been learning his craft while working simultaneously for the MSU Athletic Department, making short videos and films, then editing them to advertise upcoming athletic events.

Likewise, from his time in the broadcasting program, Ailes has learned skills that are imperative to his future hopes of, as he put it,

"going where the mountains are," making short videos and films involving scenery and the beauty of nature. However, it isn't just work-applicable skills Ailes has adopted into his way of thinking and intellectual bank.

"Once I put in the work into my mini-documentary for my senior project," he said, "it opened my eyes and made me realize, with the positive feedback and information I got from the public, I could do this as a profession and really help people as well. My advice is to follow your passion, not the money, and

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Submitted Photo

A Civil War era 6-pound cannonball and a 6-pound Bormann shell were discovered in Pioneer Hall on campus last week.



Submitted Photo

The detonated Bormann shell sits on a table. The MAFB EOD detonated the shell at the city landfill.

Civil War ammo found

Campus Security evacuates Pioneer Hall as a precaution

Minot State University employees discovered two suspicious objects in a basement storage room of Pioneer Hall on the morning of Nov. 9.

They appeared to be an older type of military-grade ordnance rounds. MSU campus security immediately notified the Minot Police and Fire Departments and evacuated Pioneer Hall as a precaution.

The Minot Air Force Base Explosive Ordnance Disposal team (MAFB EOD) safely removed the items from campus, and Pioneer Hall reopened.

The objects were identified as a Civil War era 6-pound cannonball and a 6-pound Bormann shell (a bursting shell).

Because the shell was still considered active, MAFB EOD safely detonated it at the city landfill.

News in Brief

League of Social Sciences to sell chili

The MSU League of Social Sciences will sell chili today from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the first floor of Old Main.

NSA hosts blood drive today

Members of the MSU Nursing Student Association (NSA) invite students, faculty and staff to its Battle of the Colleges Blood Drive today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. NSA wants to see which college will have the most donors. To schedule an appointment, call Michelle at 701-578-4793 or go to bloodhero.com and use sponsor code: [minotstate](http://minotstate.com).

Blankets, reindeer and bingo for students

When it gets chilly out, a blanket keeps one warm, and MSU students may make their own fleece blanket Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Beaver Dam. MSU Life will provide the materials; students must present their MSU ID.

"There are enough supplies for approximately 200 students to make a blanket," Aaron Hughes, Student Activities coordinator, said. "If you bring your own scissors, you can cut and tie the blanket on site."

Students will have an opportunity on Nov. 29 to have their picture taken with Santa's reindeer (a live reindeer) and a sleigh. The event runs from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Beaver Dam.

On Dec. 1, students can play surprise bingo from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Beaver Dam. Every prize is wrapped, bagged or bowed.

MSU Life is a student-run committee that provides activities for MSU students.

AUGITE Club hosts hydrologist on Monday

The MSU AUGITE club is bringing Johanna Blake, hydrologist with New Mexico Geological

Survey, to speak to students and staff on campus Monday at 4 p.m. in Cyril Moore 231. Blake's presentation is titled "Water Quality Related to Mining Legacy and Oil and Gas Development." The club will provide pizza.

Sodexo to host Thanksgiving feast

Minot State Dining services invites all MSU students, faculty, staff and the Minot community to celebrate the upcoming holiday at a Thanksgiving feast in the Beaver Creek Cafe, Tuesday, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost for all-you-can-eat dining is \$9.75 or one MSU meal swipe.

DSU art professor brings paintings to MSU

The Northwest Art Center's Hartnett Hall Gallery presents "Missouri Valley Gold," Plein Air paintings by artist Greg Walter, through Dec. 22.

Walter is an associate professor of art at Dickinson State University and director of the DSU Art Gallery.

"My most recent series of paintings explores the beauty and variety of landscape found in the Missouri River Valley," Walter said. "The diversity of this landscape in which I live is profound, and I believe that a landscape artist such as myself could spend a lifetime exploring its subtleties without growing bored with it."

The gallery is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and by special arrangement. It is closed on holidays. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

The film, 'The Cuckoo,' to show on Monday

The Northern Lights International Film Series continues Monday with the 2002 Russian film, "The Cuckoo." In Aleksandr Rogozhkin's film, as Finland's withdrawal from World War II draws ever closer, a

tentative relationship between an abandoned Finnish soldier, a Lapp woman and a Russian captain accused of anti-Soviet correspondence offers momentary solace to a trio of lost souls (Rotten Tomatoes).

The film will run in the Aleshire Theater at 6:30 p.m. with a social preceding the film at 6 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Native American Center hosts guest speaker Tuesday

Dr. Tami Jollie-Trottier, clinical psychologist with Belcourt's Sevens Stones Health Clinic, will discuss generation art and turtle medicine at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Aleshire Theater, in Hartnett Hall as part of the Native American Cultural Celebration.

The MSU Northwest Art Center lecture series and MSU Native American Center sponsor the presentation. It is free and open to the public.

Nursing students present HPV cancer prevention

Minot State University senior nursing students invite students, faculty, staff and the public to its HPV cancer prevention presentation Thursday, Dec. 1, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Conference Center on the third floor of the Student Center.

HPV is a sexually transmitted infection that may progress to various forms of cancer. The nursing students will show "Someone You Love: The HPV Epidemic," a 90-minute video, followed by a Q-and-A session with a panel of experts including nurses and physicians who see HPV on a daily basis. Following the Q-and-A, MSU students will have an opportunity to receive the HPV vaccine from MSU Student Health.

Admission is free; free food for everyone and door prizes provided.

SSWO students will freeze to benefit others

In order to make a difference in someone's life, Minot State University social work students will be freezin' for a reason this weekend.

The student volunteers will stand outside in the cold Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the parking lot of Marketplace Foods on the corner of South Broadway and 20th Avenue to raise awareness of poverty and homelessness in Minot. They will collect nonperishable food and monetary donations.

Alivia Poitra, MSU social work student and event co-chair, emphasized the need for donations.

"Many people struggle with

poverty and homelessness, especially in winter," Poitra said.

Community Action Partnership-Minot will receive the food items, while the YWCA is the beneficiary of monetary donations.

The MSU Student Social Work Organization holds Freezin' for a Reason every year in November in conjunction with National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week.

The students welcome anyone to join them in Freezin' for a Reason and/or make a donation. Contact club adviser Dionne Spooner at 858-3142 for more information or to make a donation other than at the event.



Rise Up

Mountain climbing ...

by Christoph Schmidt
Campus Pastor

As a young adult, I lived in Washington state for eight years. During that time, I tried to get outside as much as possible to hike, fish and climb. And I had the opportunity to learn mountaineering skills – how to use an ice axe, crampons, harnesses and ropes to climb (and sometimes actually summit) some of the state's glacier-covered peaks.

Glaciers, as you may know, aren't solid chunks of ice. Rather, they are filled with crevasses – deep cracks and caverns caused by glacial melt and movement. When crossing glaciers on foot, these crevasses pose a huge danger because they are oftentimes hidden by snow. One misplaced foot can cause climbers to break through and fall hundreds of feet to their deaths. These accidents happen regularly in the climbing community, from the Asian Himalayas to the North American Rockies.

In order to avoid these pitfalls, mountaineers live and die by two

rules: they never climb alone, and they tie themselves together with ropes. This way, if one person falls through a snow cornice and into a crevasse, he/she will be caught by the rest of the climbing team, who can then anchor in and pull the person to safety. Without ropes and the strength of others, crossing glaciers would be incredibly dangerous and ill advised.

In many ways, the lives we live resemble the act of crossing glaciers. We're all trying to accomplish something through our efforts, whether it's summiting the peak of our careers, nurturing the joy of loving relationships, or reaching the pinnacle of success in athletics, academics or business. We have a destination in mind; something that will, in the end, make all of our time, money, and hard work worth it.

Like in mountain climbing, however, there are many dangers along the way. Our journeys require us to identify, practice and use our innate talents and skills, both to reach our goals, and also

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Voices on Campus

“What are you planning for Thanksgiving?”

Ton Yamashita
Assistant Editor



Amjad Cherkaoui
General Education

“No, I am not planning anything. Probably, I'm gonna buy stuff on Black Friday.”



Ludnie Cassie Augustin
Nursing

“I'll be staying in Minot and going to have dinner with my friend and go out shopping on Black Friday. I will go to Church and give thanks to the Lord.”



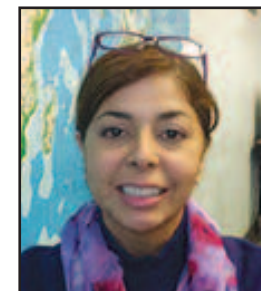
Joshua Nelson
Sociology

“I will eat some turkey with my family.”



Micah Bloom
Art instructor

“We will have family come from out of town and invite friends to dinner. We will have a vegetarian Thanksgiving.”



Victoria Gordon
Management/Language

“We are going to volunteer at a senior citizens' dinner. Then, we will go out to dinner and will go Black Friday shopping.”



Rick Watson
Communication arts instructor

“I'm going to eat some turkey. I don't know where I'm going to eat. But, Sunday after Thanksgiving, I will go to a Jackson Browne and Bonnie Raitt concert in Standing Rock.”





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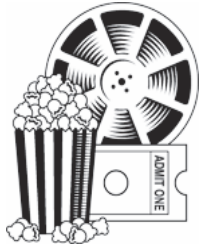
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On Movies



'Doctor Strange'

By Alex Nelson
Staff Writer

Enter a world that borders beyond reality and forget everything you think you know.

"Doctor Strange" stars Benedict Cumberbatch, Chiwetel Ejiofor, Rachel McAdams, Benedict Wong, Benjamin Bratt, Mads Mikkelsen and Tilda Swinton. Directed by Scott Derrickson, it is rated PG-13 for language and violence.

Dr. Steven Strange (Cumberbatch) is a highly skilled and famous surgeon who has completed many successful operations. However, he is also highly ignorant, which affects his relationship with others including fellow surgeon and his only friend, Dr. Christine Palmer (McAdams). All of this changes when his hands are severely damaged in a car accident which ends career as a doctor.

After many failed attempts to fix his hands, he is left jaded and broken. That is, until one day when a former patient named Johnathan (Bratt) tells of a place known as Kamar-Taj. With nowhere else to go, Strange travels to the mysterious location which he hopes can help heal his hands.

What he finds there confuses him as he meets the Grand Master (Swinton) who tells him that his world is just the tip of the iceberg and teaches him about sorcerers and dimensions. The Grand

Master, sorcerer Mordo (Ejiofor) and master librarian Wong (Wong) help defend the world from mystic threats such as Sorcerer Kaecilius (Mikkelsen) who wishes to bring a dark and evil entity into the world.

Trained in the mystic arts, Strange must learn to use this new-found power to defend our world against those who wish to destroy our reality.

I was never a huge Doctor Strange fan, but I did watch the film with an open mind. In the end, while I am still not a diehard fan, I will say that I really enjoyed this movie and the personality portrayal of the title character.

Cumberbatch was the perfect choice for the Doctor Strange character as he captures his comic book counterpart's personality and energy. He managed to keep my attention in every scene he is in as he tries to understand this bizarre new world he is introduced to. The rest of the cast was well chosen, as they equally held the movie up.

When the movie was first announced, I remember people being skeptical of the actors chosen for the roles of Mordo and the Grand Master. However, both Ejiofor and Swinton gave their chosen characters justice, as each of them stayed true to their comic counterparts and at the same time

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Between the Lines

The irony of the Electoral College

By Dan Fagan
Staff Writer

The American people have spoken. On Nov. 8, 2016, more Americans voted for Hillary Clinton (47.8 percent) than Donald Trump (47.3 percent). Yet, Donald Trump was the winner and, next January, will be sworn in as President of the United States of America.

Come again? That's right. In the United States the people don't elect the president, the Electoral College does, which Trump carried 290-232.

The Electoral College is a system put into place during the

Constitutional Convention of 1787. The reasoning behind it was to give additional leverage to less-populated states by assigning electoral delegates proportionate to each state's population. However, the irony of such a system is the winner of the Electoral College vote may not necessarily win the popular vote.

Four times this split in the Electoral College vote and the popular vote has occurred, twice in the past five elections.

In 2012, some conservative voters feared that Mitt Romney would win the popular vote but lose the Electoral College to

President Barack Obama. Obama went on to win both. This did not stop one Romney supporter from posting his disdain for the Electoral College on Twitter: "The Electoral College is a disaster for a democracy." That tweet came from none other than Donald Trump.

Perhaps our new President, who has railed against the "rigged system," will make it a priority to eliminate the Electoral College, which has proven contrary to the ideal that every vote counts.

Srey brings artists together at Creative Social Hour

By Ton Yamashita
Assistant Editor

Minot State University hosted a Creative Social Hour, a new artist inspiration event, earlier this month at 62 Doors Gallery. Attendees dressed in classic '20s style in keeping with the 1920s flapper-style theme.

This second Creative Social Hour Event, held as a fundraiser for the MSU Broadcasting program, showcased a variety of artistic performances.

"The creative social hour is a Facebook group of artists from all over that come together to share their work, look for collaborations and ask for advice," Tory Srey, founder of the group said. "The event brings all those people from the Creative Social



Photo by Charles Wollschlager
Creative Social Hour organizer and MSU student Tori Srey (right) visits with Minot artist Angie Saugstad Griffin.

Hour group and anyone from the community to connect with others and share their creativity."

Srey, a local fashion designer, style blogger and MSU student, created the group in 2016 to find

people to work with on a fashion show. The idea was a success, and the group is open to anyone

"It's a really cool place to get new ideas, and a lot of collabora-

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MSU Science Club members participate in the annual community Halloween party for kids at the Minot Auditorium. The club won the Best Student Booth award. The MSU Student Council for Exceptional Children and Minot's Optimist Club sponsored the event.

MSU clubs volunteer at Halloween event for children

The Minot State University Student Council for Exceptional Children, along with the Optimist Club of Minot, held its annual Community Halloween Party at the Minot Municipal Auditorium Oct. 31.

Booth sponsor volunteers decorated booths, dressed in costume and gave treats to more than 900 children.

MSU clubs and organizations

sponsored 22 of the 36 booths.

The MSU Science Club won the best student booth award.

Participating student organizations were the Accounting Club, Art Club, AUGITE (geology), Beta Theta Sorority, Campus Players, Club Biology, Criminal Justice, Cru, Mu Sigma Tau Fraternity, National Student Speech Language and Hearing Association, PAWS (Providing

Animal Welfare and Science), Phi Beta Lambda and DECA, Residence Hall Association, Science Club, Sigma Delta Sorority, Sigma Tau Lambda Fraternity, Special Olympics College, Student Ambassadors, Student Council for Exceptional Children, Student North Dakota United, and Student Social Work Organization.

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gave their own interpretation on said characters, which worked really well.

The effects were also interesting to watch as it reminded me of the film "Inception," but a little more bizarre. While this movie is a great addition to the Marvel cinematic universe, some viewers might not understand what is going on due to the unexpected themes of magic and dimensions. There may be some parts where viewers who are not familiar with the subject or the character will

have to watch it twice to understand.

I will admit I wasn't sure how the film would do since the previous films had more of a real-world sense, while this movie shows us something completely unexpected. In a way, "Doctor Strange" introduces us to magic similar to how "Thor" introduced Norse Gods and how "The Guardians of The Galaxy" introduced different aliens and planets.

In that regard, I believe viewers who are not comic book fans and had only watched the films should have an open mind. While it is not

necessary, it wouldn't hurt viewers to watch a few of the previous Marvel cinematic movies, as "Doctor Strange" does makes a few references to the previous films and doing so would help explain these references.

Overall, the film was enjoyable through its impressive cast and special effects. Whether or not we will see a sequel in the future is yet to be seen. However, I think it is safe to say we will be seeing more of Dr. Strange.

I personally give "Doctor Strange" 4.5 out of 5 Beavers.

English Club promotes children's literacy

By Dan Fagan
Staff Writer

The MSU English Club is mobilizing behind the cause of children's literacy this year by coordinating a children's book donation drive.

"It's been a passion for a lot of the current members and officers," English Club President Adrianna Varbero said, "as many are English education majors and are very much aware of the literacy statistics in the nation and North Dakota.

"There are so many benefits in reading to young children, not just the quality time between children and parents, but the exposure to new ideas and worlds," Varbero said. "You're opening their minds at a very young age and making them want to read more in the future."

Last month, club members placed book deposit boxes at multiple locations around Minot, including various Marketplace stores and Main Street Books.

Each box was labeled with pertinent literacy statistics to convince people to donate.

The book donation drive will last until next fall, at which time all books will be handed out to children and parents at the MSU Homecoming Parade.

In addition to the book drive, the English Club is coordinating with the public library to assist in their children's reading program. Club members are also reaching out to local elementary schools to support reading programs.

"In general, our goal is to raise awareness on the topic of children's literacy," Varbero said. "We may continue with this theme in the future because so many people are passionate about it."

The English Club is open to all MSU students. For more information on joining, students can contact current members or club adviser Margaret Sherve. The club is also selling T-shirts for \$20.

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to avoid falling into the deep crevasses and canyons that we'll find ourselves trying to cross.

What is the mountain that you're trying to climb? And where are you on that journey? There may have been mountains in your life that you've already conquered. But there are also mountains that you're hoping to climb as you move forward.

Regardless of the journey that you're on, the lessons of mountain climbing apply to us all: never climb alone, and use ropes! As the song says, we all need somebody to lean on. Lean on the people around you, and allow them to lean on you. Don't try to cross the glacier by yourself; rather, tie yourselves to people that will help rescue you when you fall. When living in community, tied in to each other, the climb is much less daunting.

MSU hosts annual Wellness Fair



Photo by Charles Wollschlager

MSU nursing student Elizabeth August takes President Steven Shirley's blood pressure at the MSU Wellness Fair. MSU and area health and wellness organizations provided resources and education, including nutrition education, flu vaccinations and HIV/HepC and STD screening, to students, faculty and staff. The MSU Wellness Committee sponsored the event.

Students make bowls for charity



Photo by Charles Wollschlager

MSU students Samantha Smith and Alexis Henderson glaze bowls in the MSU ceramics studio. Their bowls and others were donated to the local Bowls for Babies event. All proceeds supported the March of Dimes mission to save babies and fight prematurity.



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Students make and donate sleeping mats



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

MSU sophomore Erin Winterton weaves a plastic-bag sleeping mat. The mats were donated to area homeless assistance providers. The MSU Veterans Center sponsored the event.



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

MSU sophomore Faith Babadi (left) learns how to weave a sleeping mat from plastic bags.

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don't let people lead you astray from your goals. Follow your vision."

Ailes came to Minot State on an athletic scholarship to play baseball. Playing predominantly left field, Ailes learned skills that would stay with him up until the end of his time as a student and perhaps even further.

"Ask any player and they will tell you it's a game of failure," Ailes said about the time he spent on the baseball diamond. "You learn how to deal with adversities and failure. You learn to adjust to be successful on the field. And that has affected me and helped me both in school and real life."

Election night fun

MSU students (from the left) Elizabeth Yffert, Sal Jimenez and Divyaa Veerama have fun at the Election Party photobooth. MSU Life sponsored the event.

Photo by En Chze Koh (Ariel)



MSU Campus Players present Rocky Horror Picture Show



Photo by Ton Yamashita

MSU Campus Players members (from the left) Ariel Koh, Kacey Donamaria, Michaela Burns and Katie Abrahamson dress in costume for the screening of the "Rocky Horror Picture Show."

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Volleyball season comes to a close

By Isaac Hunt
Sports Writer

The Minot State University volleyball team wasn't able to secure a win in NSIC play for the second straight year, but in a conference where you play three top 10 teams in four games, that can happen.

That's exactly how MSU finished its season, with games against No. 8 Wayne State, No. 7 Augustana, Sioux Falls and No. 4 Southwest Minnesota State.

MSU vs. Wayne State

The Beavers fell in three sets (13-25, 16-25, 19-25) to No. 8 Wayne State on the first night of their last home weekend.

Compared to the first match up of the Wildcats and Beavers this season when they scored 10, 6 and 13 points in their three matches the improvements were noticeable, especially by head coach Ben Kaszeta.

"We were in all three games, which I couldn't say earlier this year, but there were a couple rotations where their serving took us out of our system," he said. "They took advantage of some matchups in certain places. They have five senior hitters that are good at what they do.

"They're good at making these little runs, nothing spectacular happens, but at the same time everything is done perfectly and

all of a sudden, they're up three points."

There were bright spots for the Beavers in this match, though, as freshman Shelby Spuller led the team with 12 kills and Janelle Nagy had 14 assists, nine digs and six kills for a well-rounded game.

MSU vs. Augustana

On Senior Night, the Beavers challenged No. 7 Augustana in three sets (22-25, 16-25, 18-25), but ultimately fell, 0-3. The Beavers didn't go down without a fight, though, as they led 20-17 in the first set and 8-7 in the second.

"I thought the energy was great!" Kaszeta said. "Our blocking was great tonight. To out-block a team like that is huge for us."

MSU recorded a total of seven blocks (to Augustana's six) on the night as Emily Falldorf and Spuller totaled for four of the blocks.

The game was the final home game for seniors Nagy and Cindy Pelo, who both had great performances.

Pelo recorded a team-high 17 digs along with four assists on the night and was key in Minot State's receiving.

"Cindy is solid," said Kaszeta. "She doesn't gamble on a lot of stuff; she just plays smart. Her serve receive tonight was on point.

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Melton named NSCAA Player of the Week

(MSU Sports Information) — Senior forward Chloe Melton was named the National Soccer Coaches Association of America N C A A Division II Women's Player of the Week last week.



Melton

Melton had a record-breaking performance in the first round of the NSIC Tournament scoring the tournament's first ever hat trick against Upper Iowa while also breaking the record for most points in a tournament game with six.

She then went on to score the lone goal for the Beavers to tie the second-round game against Augustana and force overtime.

Melton was named to the NSIC All-Tournament team as well for her performance.

This marks just the second time any Minot State player has been recognized for a national weekly award in its Division II history after football player Casey Weinmann was the first to do so in 2014.

Photo by Jerusalem Tukura
MSU freshman Hayley Swain spikes the ball against Wayne State College. The Wildcats won, 3-0.

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tions have started because of this group," Sray said. "New potential jobs as well. There's really great opportunities in the Facebook group. To come to the event is just to check out the talent in Minot."

Creative Social Hour invites new members. For more information, go to ToryDanyDesigns.com or Facebook group, Creative Social Hour.

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By Isaac Hunt
Sports Writer

The Minot State University soccer team finished its season on a four-game winning streak to finish its NSIC schedule with an undefeated 14-0-1 record and win the first NSIC regular season title in school history. MSU was also selected to the NCAA Division II Tournament for the second-straight season, but ultimately lost in the first round.

As the No. 1 seed in the NSIC tournament, the Beavers opened with a game against 8-seeded Upper Iowa. Senior Chloe Melton had the game of her career.

This season, Melton broke the MSU record for most career assists, moved into the top three in both career points and goals and became just the third player in Beaver history to record double-digit goals, but her biggest career moment may have come in the first round of the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Tournament.

In the 3-1 win against Upper Iowa, the Fleet, England, native scored her first hat trick, the first hat trick in NSIC Tournament play, breaking not only that conference record, but also the record for most points in a conference tournament

game with six.

"I feel like it was a long time coming," Melton said, referring back to her two-goal game against Minnesota Duluth where she felt she had a chance to do it then. "Now that I finally did it, especially at home in front of a home crowd, I'm very pleased."

Melton was also quick to give credit where it was due as her team did a good job finding her in open positions. Ninfa Ramirez, who now has 11 assists on the season (another MSU record), assisted on all three goals while Brianna Ramsey also assisted on one. The three assists from Ramirez tie for the second most in NSIC Tournament play.

"It was definitely a team effort," Melton said. "I couldn't have done it without the great balls from Ninja and Bri."

Getting the ball to Ramirez and Melton was a strategic adjustment from head coach Jason Spain after a close first half which ended with a 1-0 lead for the Beavers after the first goal was scored in the 37th minute. It was a conversation about their time at Yuba College with assistant coach Aaron Daley that helped turn things in Minot State's favor.

"They were man marking everywhere, making it difficult on our possession," Spain said. "Aaron came to me and said, 'They're running the same system as Modesto in 2004,' and we went right back to what we did 12 years ago. We wanted early balls to our front runners and Ninja and Chloe just tore them apart."

With that in mind the Beavers quickly scored their next two goals after just 10 minutes of play in the second half.

MSU suffered its first loss against an NSIC opponent in the next round, as Augustana finally defeated the Beavers in double overtime.

Both teams played a tight game with a lot of action in the midfield throughout the first half of the game, but Augustana scored 92 seconds before halftime.

The Vikings halftime lead was the first time an MSU opponent was able to hold a lead going into the break.

The Beavers came out after the half with a heavy offensive attack, which led to a Chloe Melton goal at the 69-minute mark to tie the game. Kelli Creese and Ashley Franco assisted on Melton's 13th goal of the season.



Photo by Jerusalem Tukura

MSU senior Nimfa Ramirez (No. 16) protects the ball from Augustana State. The Vikings won the semifinal game in double-overtime, 2-1.

With the game's end 11 minutes later, both teams got ready for overtime, then double overtime as neither team found the net in the first 10 minutes of extra play.

NCAA Central Region tourney

MSU was selected as the No. 5 seed in the Central Region and was matched up against No. 4 Central

Oklahoma for the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

The Beavers' great season ended in a 3-1 loss to Central Oklahoma.

"This senior class is the best to have played here at Minot State," Spain said. "Some of these players have played in three NCAA

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Beavers keep up pace at regionals

(MSU Sports Information) — The Minot State University women's cross country team placed 22nd overall, while the men finished 25th at the NCAA Division II Central Regional Championships Saturday at Yankton Trail Park.

The women topped 10 other teams, including four Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference teams on the same course the conference raced on two weeks ago. MSU was seven places better than Bemidji State, the team that tied Minot State at conference.

"It was a pretty good meet overall. It was the best team performance of the season for the women," MSU head coach Stu Melby said. "We had really

good performances from the group at the end of the season. We would have been 11th outright instead of tying as we had some distance between us and Bemidji."

Jana Warrick capped a solid first year for Minot State as the sophomore transfer finished 75th overall with a time of 22 minutes, 40.83 seconds.

"Jana improved her time on the course by 19 seconds," Melby said.

Along with Warrick, Emily Westlake, Samantha Huether and Patience Albertson all finished in the top 150 and also finished with improved times on the 6K course. Westlake finished in 109th with a 23:19.78, while Huether had a season-

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We rank our serve receives and she was at about 90 percent on our scale. She does her job extremely well."

Nagy tallied 14 assists, nine digs and eight kills.

"Janelle does a little bit of everything," Kaszeta said. "She attacks well, receives well and sets well. She almost had a triple double again, which is awesome."

Falldorf led the Beavers with nine kills and a .429 attack percentage, while Kelsey Dewulf led the team with 15 assists.

MSU at Sioux Falls

Against Sioux Falls, Minot State came extremely close in each match, but couldn't get the victory as they dropped three sets (27-25, 25-23, 25-21).

Spuller and Shae Pedersen finished with nine kills each and combined for just five errors on 38 attempts.

Nagy and Dewulf split time setting and both finished with 14 assists. Nagy added eight digs, five kills and three aces.

MSU at SWMS

The Beavers then battled No. 4 ranked Southwest Minnesota State in sets 1 and 2 but ran into a buzz saw in the Mustangs in the final set, dropping 0-3.

It was the final regular season game for both teams.

MSU played well, finishing with just two errors and a .192 hitting percentage in set 1 and smacked 11 kills in set 2, but dropped 25-15 and 25-18 sets. In the final, SMSU turned up the serving pressure to roll to a 25-8 set, hitting .615.

Minot State (5-24, 0-20) got six kills and just one hitting error from Falldorf in the loss. Spuller and Brileigh Boyce finished with five kills each. Nagy finished her Beaver career with eight assists, six digs and two kills for MSU.



Photo by Eyeiessa Darville

The Beavers celebrate after winning the Battle of the Big Lake trophy for the second consecutive year. MSU defeated rival University of Mary, 21-20, in the final game of the season.

Battle of the Big Lake trophy stays home

(MSU Sports Information) — Minot State University used two big plays to secure its second straight win over rival University of Mary and to keep possession of the Battle of the Big Lake trophy Saturday at Herb Parker Stadium.

First, Beavers' junior Jaleel Hunn blocked a punt which was recovered for a touchdown by junior Ryan Fila just before halftime. Second, the Beavers had a series of sacks of U-Mary's quarterback with the Marauders driving to finish the game.

The result was a 21-20 Minot State win over the Marauders to take a 13-12 lead in the overall series and retain the rivalry trophy for the second year in a row in Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference football.

"We really wanted to win this game and get that trophy," MSU head coach Tyler Hughes said. "We had a great week of practice, and we talked about it being the best of 25 with it tied at 12. That was important to this group. You always want to come out on top against your rival."

Things looked a little bleak for the Beavers as U-Mary scored 14 points in a matter of eight seconds to take a 20-

7 lead late in the second quarter after MSU quarterback Jose Escobar's

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Beavers continue winning streak, defeat Jamestown



Photo by Ariel Koh

Austin Yano (No. 93) skates toward the goal with opponent Nicolas Kovacic (No. 13) on his heels in Saturday's game against University of Jamestown. The Beavers defeated Jamestown, 3-2. The Beavers will host Iowa State University tomorrow at the Maysa Arena at 7:30 p.m.

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The Bronchos were able to defeat the Beavers by scoring quickly giving Central Oklahoma a 2-0 cushion going into halftime.

MSU put on the pressure in the first half, but couldn't find the back of the net as they out-shot UCO 10-7 and took five corner kicks to their opponent's one.

In the second half, it was the Bronchos who put the pressure on as they out-shot MSU 11-6 and took five corners of their own compared to Minot State's three.

The Beavers scored first in the second half with a penalty kick taken by Creese, but OCU responded with a goal of its own just seven minutes later, resulting in the 3-1 final score.

MSU finished with a 16-3-1 overall record, which included a record-setting 14 NSIC wins.

Seven Beavers players were named to All-NSIC teams, including four on the first team.

Forwards Ninfa Ramirez and Chloe Melton, who combined for 31 goals and 19 assists, highlighted Minot State's season, along with a stellar defense that recorded a record 11 shutouts.

Goalkeepers Erin Rafferty (NSIC Goalkeeper and Freshman of the Year) and Leila Torres allowed a record-low 13 goals against MSU, while combining for a .857 save percentage.

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eight-yard pass to Lavante Bushnell.

However, the MSU defense didn't allow another score, and it was the special team's play three minutes later that turned the tables. With just 1:06 remaining in the half, Hunn broke through the middle to block the punt at the goal line. The ball darted into the end zone, but spun back into the field of play just before going out of bounds, where Fila fell on it to make it 20-14 at halftime.

"The football gods were looking down on us for that one, for it to make a turn like that," Escobar said. "It was such a big play because we could smile a little going into the locker room."

Minot State took the lead early in the fourth as Escobar found Ray Watkins from a yard out to cap a nine-play, 82-yard drive.

"Any time you can get the win is great and when it's against the school down south it's even better," Esobar said. "Rivalry games bring out the best in both teams. It was a crazy game with trick plays and momentum shifts - we had it all today. It's a great feeling to win a game like this."

The week prior, MSU hosted St. Cloud State. The Huskies defeated the Beavers, 31-0.

The Beavers finished the season 3-8 overall and 2-5 in the NSIC North.

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best time of 23:36.85 for 117th. Albertson was 150th overall with a 24:22.93.

On the men's side, MSU senior Joel Cartwright finished his MSU career with a personal best at the 10K distance, finishing in 80th place overall with a 33:15.84. Cartwright now owns the top two finishes at the regional in school history, placing 79th in 2013. According to Melby, this year's time would have placed much higher the last time he ran.

"He's been really consistent for us," Melby said of Cartwright. "His performance was right there as he had a big PR, about 40 seconds over his previous best at a 10K and a course PR."

The 10K distance is longer than what the team faces most weekends, and Melby was happy with how his younger runners responded.

"Colin (Olson) and Dillon (Harvey) haven't run that far so it's a new experience and they did well, and Devan (Shumway) really improved," he said.

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