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International Women's Day

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International Women's Day is celebrated worldwide on March 8 to recognize and honor the achievements of women in various fields and to advocate for gender equality.

This tradition originated in the USSR and is often celebrated by gifting women gifts like flowers to honor them. It also serves as a reminder that there is still a long way to go in achieving gender equal-

ity in many places around the world in employment, education, and health care fields.

International Women's Day is an opportunity for individuals and organizations to take action towards advancing women's rights and creating a more inclusive society. It is a day to celebrate the courage and resilience of women and to pledge support for their continued progress towards a better future.

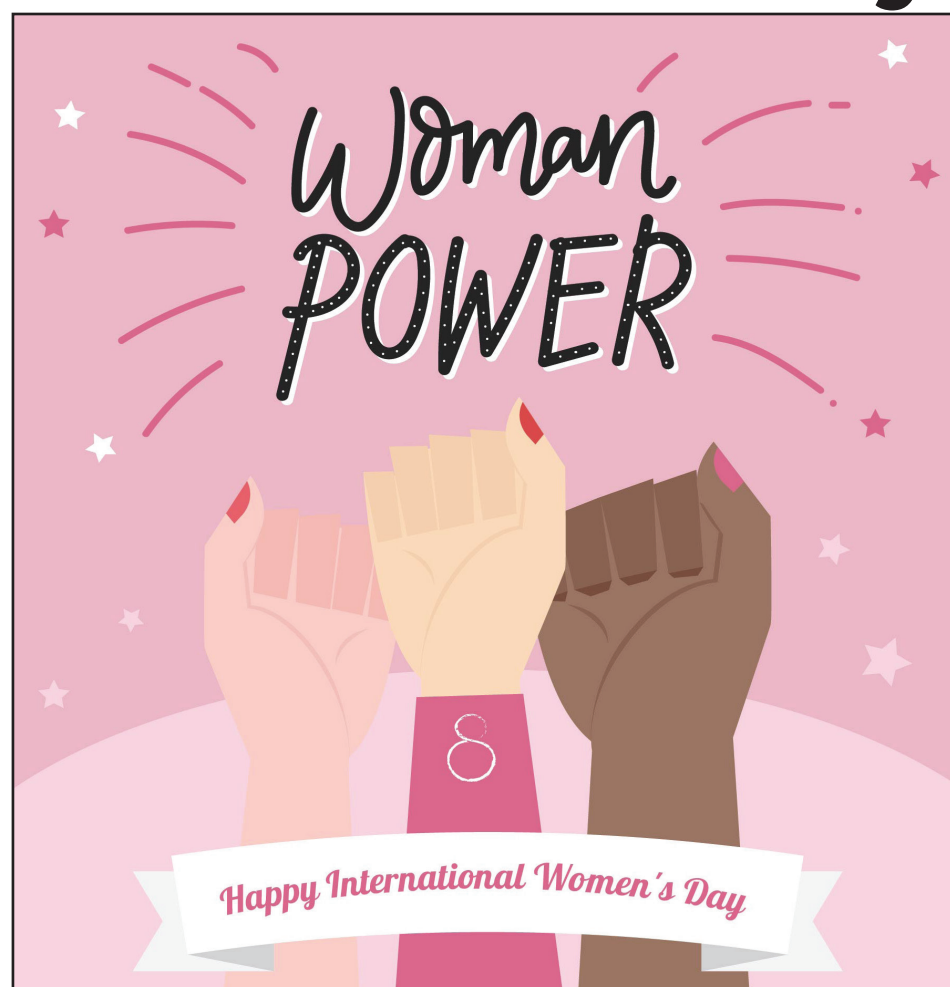


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International Women's Day is celebrated March 8.



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Minot State student witnesses bar shooting

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COMM 281

Recent shootings in Minot have raised concern for the safety of citizens, whether they're going to school, work, or a local business.

The shootings at the Lamplighter Lounge and Dakota Lounge bars should be specifically concerning to MSU students as bars are often a common hang out spot for college students. It's easy to be distracted when you're socializing and having a fun night out, but it is important to be cautious of your surroundings and have a plan if you find yourself in a dangerous situation.

MSU senior Alicia Murillo was at the Dakota Lounge watching karaoke with friends when the shooting began.

"Luckily, we were

by the door, so we were one of the first ones out," Murillo began. "After the gunshots, everyone else ran out. I heard some shouting too, but I don't remember what was being said. I remember one voice yelling to get out. In the moment, since I see so many of these situations on the news, I didn't really feel scared.

"I knew that since I was the designated driver, I had to get my friends out and home. I had a lot of adrenaline."

It was fortunate Murillo had a plan when the danger became apparent, and she was able to execute that plan since her friend group had established a designated driver.

No matter what level of risk you think there may be when you go out,



Photo via Dakota Lounge Instagram

The Dakota Lounge was the site of a recent shooting.

having a designated driver is always the best course of action when drinking is involved.

Murillo knew where the nearest exit to her was, making escape from this dangerous situation much simpler.

Being aware of your surroundings, whether it is the place you are in or the people you are around, can make the difference be-

tween life and death in such situations. Paying attention to the people around you in public is also extremely important, even if you are in a familiar place.

You never know what a stranger's true intent may be, so when you go out, travel in a group if possible. This will decrease the chance that someone may try to harm or take advantage of you,

especially at a bar.

Murillo shared her thoughts on how the incident affected her, as well as her advice for MSU students.

"I think the shooting definitely has made me more cautious," she said. "I now prefer to go to bars that have good security, like Sports on Tap since they check your bags before you go in.

"I think all MSU

students should go to bars in groups and have someone who is sober so that if these situations happen, there's someone that can help as efficiently as possible."

Computer Science Club

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Minot State's Computer Science Club offers interested peers a platform and allows them to explore how technology can benefit them in their field of study.

This club allows students to learn from one another

and industry professionals, which helps them gain valuable skills that can benefit them in the future.

The club meets weekly according to the agenda set by the members who also help organize club events and activities throughout the year. Further-

more, some of the other activities that the Computer Science Club orchestrates are inviting industry professionals who share their insights and experiences with club members.

These speakers provide valuable perspectives on the real-world applica-

tions of computer science and help to inspire members to pursue careers in the field.

Overall, the Computer Science Club is a testament to the power of collaboration and innovation. Through dedication and hard work, club members are not only learning

important skills, but also creating a community of like-minded individuals who share a passion for technology.

Members are currently preparing for the 2023 Midwestern Instruction and Computing Symposium (MICS) competition, which

is a sumo robot competition.

Anyone who attends MSU can join the club. For more information, the club runs its own website at csclub.minotstateu.edu.



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R&G Editorial

The music edition:

Hozier's new album

Kylie Koontz
Editor

Hozier has just announced the release of his new album!

The new EP, "Eat Your Young," will be released March 17, which is his birthday as well as St. Patrick's Day.

This will be the artist's first non-single release since his album "Wasteland, Baby."

Fans have been waiting for new music from Hozier since 2019. This announcement was met with so much positive feedback, although there is some disappointment as to the number of songs on the album.

With only three

new songs on the new album, fans are hoping the break between albums won't be as long following the release of "Eat Your Young."

Adding to the exciting news, the Irish artist will be performing in Ire-

land in June for the first time in five years. Tickets will go on sale Tuesday, Feb. 28. It's expected that Irish fans will sell out the venue that day.

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Photo via Pinterest
Hozier's new album releases March 17.

KMSU presents:

'Inside the Dam'

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COMM 281

In these days, content is an essential piece to the everyday consumer. For the crew at KMSU TV and radio, it is an opportunity not only to gain personal experience but also a chance for MSU Athletics to spotlight their talented student-athletes.

Enter the podcast "Inside The Dam." With 11 episodes into the series, "Inside The Dam" is a partnership between the professional communication department and athletics highlighting the notable or best performances from the Beaver athletes on a weekly basis.

On Monday nights at 7:30 p.m., the hosts get together with their interview-

ees and have face-to-face conversations podcast style and get an inside look at their respective sports and classroom life. It also gives a moment to showcase their accomplishments both on and off their playing environments.

How it works is for a half-hour long show, of course, time permitting, the student-athletes will be introduced one by one. Each guest will be on for a 10-minute segment on average. After that time passes, the show will switch to the next guest for another 10 minutes and so on. Athlete interviews are selected by athletics from the sports information department.

The show takes

place inside the Swain Hall podcast room 311. There you will find a wide, round perimeter desk that holds up to four guests and the host. Outside the main desk there are three Mevo cameras hanging up.

For the KMSU setup, they use an iPad that connects to a computer monitor with their YouTube channel loaded on the screen. On the device, hosts will start up the Mevo camera app and connect the cameras. With that flexibility, the crew can make it into a video podcast with the exact camera frames showing up on their YouTube page.

During breaks when they switch guests, KMSU uses

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Life of a student-athlete on the road

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COMM 281

Student-athletes have an extremely busy schedule. They have to mix school, workouts, practices, and games into their schedules. The Beaver baseball team was recently on the road for a week and a half for their non-conference games.

So how do these student-athletes handle such a heavy workload while being a collegiate athlete?

The team met in front of the MSU Dome at 10 a.m. in order to pack the bus and leave for Kansas. All of the players talk for the first 30 minutes of the drive. Then it is mostly quiet.

Suddenly, everyone starts chanting a player's name. A new player to the

team is called out to sing karaoke in front of the entire bus. He walks up to the front of the bus and grabs the microphone.

According to junior pitcher Trevyn Badger, all of the new freshmen and transfers are required to perform a karaoke song in front of the bus.

Some of the songs sang during this trip were "Call Me Maybe," "Unwritten," and "California Girls."

After every performance, whether the singing was good or bad, the performer receives a round of applause. Even head coach Sam Boisner hopped on the mic to show off his singing voice.

Once they finally reach their destination, the coaches

hand out room keys, two players to a room. According to Badger, the coaches tend to put you with a roommate that you are good friends with.

"It's nice that our coaches know who we are friends with," he said.

After they get settled in, the athletic trainer lets the players know how long he will be doing treatments for.

Each player gets meal money from the coach so they are able to purchase meals throughout the trip. Although the majority of meals are on the players to pay for, coach Boisner still takes the men out to eat a few times during the road trip. They went to places like Texas Roadhouse, Pizza Ranch, and Cracker Barrel.

Before the first game of the road trip, I couldn't help but notice how hyper everyone on the bus was. Even the coaches were fired up and ready to win some games.

The Beavers performed very well in their first series at Emporia State. They won three and lost one to a walk-off line drive. After the wins, the energy was insanely high. Everyone was happy. After the loss, however, the team remained silent for the hour-long drive to Topeka, Kansas.

The game against Washburn University in Topeka was cancelled and the team had five days off. During the long break between games, a majority of the guys used this time to catch up on schoolwork, as well

as play games and hangout with each other.

Derek Kay, junior infielder for the Beavers, brings his guitar on road trips so he can continue to practice the thing he loves the most.

"I don't mind the days off between games, it gives me time to get my schoolwork done and also do the things I enjoy, like playing guitar," Kay stated.

Some of the players also bring their gaming consoles and connect to the televisions in the hotel rooms. Large groups of the guys will get together to have video game tournaments or just play for fun.

Although they like to have fun on the road, game day brings a very serious energy to the field.

The players don't joke around very much in the dugout. They cheer on their teammates and focus on the game.

After the electric series win against Newman University, the Beavers headed home with a 6-2 record.

Once the Beavers got on the bus, music started blasting from a speaker in the back. The whole team had a dance party and celebrated the amazing trip they had. The bus ride home was 15 hours long and was full of energy until bedtime.

Long road trips are inevitable if you are a student-athlete. Winning games while finishing schoolwork and enjoying their hobbies is what the Beaver baseball team is all about.

Is AI going to take computer jobs in the near future?

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There are many variations of the answer to this question but before we can arrive at a conclusion, we have to cover all bases.

First, what is artificial intelligence, otherwise known as AI?

The first definition you are most likely to find from typing this on Google is that it is “the theory and development of computer systems able to perform tasks that normally require human intelligence, such as visual perception, speech recognition, decision-making, and translation between languages.”

So, it is basically a computer system that has been programmed by humans to imitate human intelligence, making it an artificial intelli-

gence.

Some of us may have used or experienced AI at some point in our digital lives. Some common examples that exist in our electronic devices are Siri, Alexa, Google Assistant, any dictation feature, face ID features, and so on.

These are among the most common ones in everyday life, made to make the digital world more accessible and convenient. However, this is merely the tip of the iceberg.

There are more advanced AI systems out there, some of which we may have free access to and some of which require paid access.

Common examples include AI art generators such as Mid-Journey and AI chatbots (aka code and essay generators) such as Chat

GPT.

According to a Harvard University Graduate School article by Rockwell Anyoha, AI started as early as the 1950s, after computers were programed with the ability to remember codes and information even after execution.

However, we started seeing the more advanced versions of AI in the 21st century.

Over the years, we have seen computers take over various job sectors, such as mathematical calculation, lift operations, and mass production in industries. This was expected as the computer or any programmable machine was to make life more efficient, and it did.

Our economy faced a little displacement, but new technology-forward

jobs were created over the years, and we got to assimilate to our digital world.

Lately, AI has been growing and developing impressively to the point where it has been able to replace humans in service and communication-oriented jobs.

Threethink.com revealed earlier this year that McDonald’s has already opened its first automated restaurant in Texas where people do not have to interact with humans, they just interact with the robots that have been put in place to be their servers.

There’s about two people in the kitchen making the food but the actual service is carried out by machines. This is very efficient because it will cost McDonald’s less on hiring peo-

ple and the service might be faster because machines do not get tired the way humans do.

It is interesting to watch AI get better by the day and watch the technology sector bloom, but there have been recent reports that AI can now do the job of its creators. That’s right, artificial intelligence can program. And not only can AI program, but it can also program its own self.

An article in the New York Times by Cade Metz interviews Tom Smith, who spoke about Codex, a new artificial intelligence technology that “writes its own programs.”

Smith revealed that the AI technology could solve tough “coding challenges” that programmers often face when interviewing

for big-money jobs at Silicon Valley companies like Google and Facebook instantly. Codex has been reported to have the ability to generate programs in 12 coding languages and could even “translate one programming language to another.”

However, after Smith spent several weeks working with the new AI technology, he concluded “it poses no threat to professional coders” and that “in fact, like many other experts, he sees it as a tool that will end up boosting human productivity. It may even help a whole new generation of people learn the art of computers, by showing them how to write simple pieces of code, almost like a personal tutor. This is a tool that

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Tragedy strikes in Turkey

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On Feb. 6, a tragedy occurred in the southeast side of Turkey and the northeast side of Syria when they were hit by a powerful 7.8 and 7.5 magnitude earthquake that happened nine hours between both regions, displacing tens of thousands, injuring almost a 100,000 people, and killing about 46,000 people, with the death toll increasing by the day. On top of that, both regions were hit with violent aftershocks resulting in worse destruction.

According to World Vision, it is currently snowing in Turkey, and they are still experiencing winter weather. This has been a terrible situation, especially for the children as they are at imme-

diated risk of hypothermia. The people of Turkey and Syria are struggling to stay warm; some survivors must sleep in their cars or make shelter with whatever they can lay their hands on, and adults and children are at high risk to water-borne diseases like cholera and hepatitis A due to the lack in water infrastructure as well. One can safely say that they are in immense pain due to loss and lack of recovery resources.

Johan Mooji says that in northern Syria, "the threats to children from abuse were already extreme, and the soaring poverty within a war zone, now devastated by earthquakes, has created an unimaginable number of

challenges and suffering for children." He continues to say that "this earthquake has created a perfect environment for a health crisis, fueled by reduced health-care capacity and disease outbreaks."

Though this was a natural disaster, some Turkish contractors of collapsed buildings are under investigation.

According to the Washington Post, Turkish Justice Minister Bekir Bozdag said that 131 people were under investigation for their alleged responsibility in the construction of the buildings that couldn't survive the earthquake. The Post further reveals that "while the quakes were powerful, many in Turkey blame faulty construction for

multiplying the devastation."

More on the devastating effects of the earthquake, Ghanaian footballer Christian Atsu was found dead under the rubble of the collapsed Ronesans Residence, a luxury 12-story building, where he had been living in the city of Antakya in Hatay province, according to Aljazeera. He was

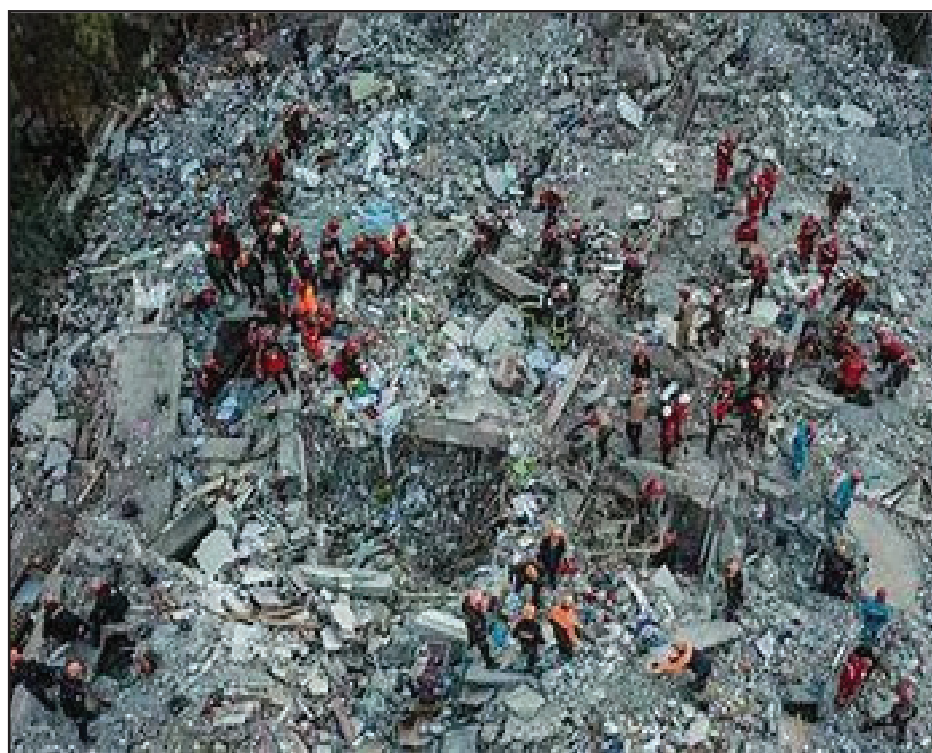
just 31 years old.

Prior to his demise, he was scheduled to leave Turkey hours before the natural disaster, but Hatayspor's manager revealed on Friday that Atsu decided to stay with the club after scoring the winning goal in a Super Lig match that took place a day before the earthquake. Fans, friends, organizations, families, and

well wishes on social media are sending heartfelt messages about the tragic incident. May his soul and those who died in the earthquake rest in peace.

The aftermath of this event has been terrible but there has been news all over social media of survivors being found, especially children,

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Rubble from a recent earthquake in Turkey.

Photo via The Gulf

R&G Sports Editorial

Coach Shields assembles his coaching staff

Philip Green
Sports Editor

To open up the spring semester, Minot State Athletic Director Kevin Forde and MSU Athletics announced the hiring of head football coach Ian Shields.

Coach Shields comes to Minot State from the University of Las Vegas, Nevada (UNLV). Shields spent the last three years as an analyst at UNLV and served as a behind-the-scenes assistant head coach.

When Marcus Arroyo got the head coaching job at UNLV, it was his first head coaching position. Knowing there would be a learning curve, he brought Shields for guidance due to Shields' prior coaching experience.

Shields has been a head coach multiple

times in his past, at FCS DI Jacksonville University in Florida as well as DII Lenoir-Rhyne out of North Carolina. Now Shields returns to the head coaching table and has begun assembling his staff.

The first to join Coach Shields' new coaching staff come from last year's staff at Minot State. Shields has chosen to retain both wide receivers coach Mike Famigiletti and tight ends coach Daniel DeYoung. Famigiletti returns for his second season at Minot State in his same role. DeYoung has spent the past several seasons at Minot State as a graduate assistant and is now moving up to a salary role within the coaching staff. He will continue to serve as the

tight ends coach and lead the new set of

graduate assistants joining the staff.

Next to join Shields' staff are two coaches who have coached alongside Shields at prior stops.

New defensive coordinator Mike Bruno spent last season with Shields at UNLV as a linebacker coach. Bruno will also coach the linebackers, and this will be his first opportunity to serve as a coordinator. Minot State football's newest offensive line coach and assistant head coach is Tom Simi. Most recently, Simi coached at The Citadel University in South Carolina. In the past, Simi has coached alongside Shields at several of his stops, including when they were both

at Army in West Point.

With spring ball set to kick off for the Beavers immediately following Spring Break, Shields' new coaching staff will be in the Magic City sooner than later. The annual Spring Game for football is set in April.

Beaver fans can come out and see Shields and his staff work first hand with the current players on the roster as the team builds towards the fall.

Track & field

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We are catching back up with the track & field team on their successful season with their last three meets. The team started off by raking in a new record in the Mankato meet, performing at top speeds in the SDSU indoor classic, and punching in for six event wins Saturday at the University of Mary's Marauders, all to get the chance to bring home titles from the NSIC Championships.

In the Mankato massive meet, Nicholas Merillana, Peyton Tuhy, Juan Gutierrez, and Jacob Jensen all crossed the finish line at 10:18.66, breaking the school record in the indoor NCAA DII men's distance medley relay. Also at the meet, Trent Holiday and Charles

Hardcastle finished second in their events. Holiday finished with a 4:24.26 in the men's mile all while Hardcastle finished with an 8:46.58 in the men's 3,000-meter event. Lastly, Sidra Sadowsky finished strong with her 800-meter sprint in sixth place having a time of 2:20.79.

In the SDSU indoor classic Francis Short Bull, Grayson Bonilla, Chase Snyder, and Juan Gutierrez all had great performances on the track. Short Bull had the fastest time of the season in the men's 400 finishing in 22nd place with a time of 50.19 which pushed himself up to number 13 in the NSIC standings. Bonilla finished with the fastest time in the 5,000-meter, finishing in 66th

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Minot State women's basketball Play4Kay

Alex Koontz
Staff Writer

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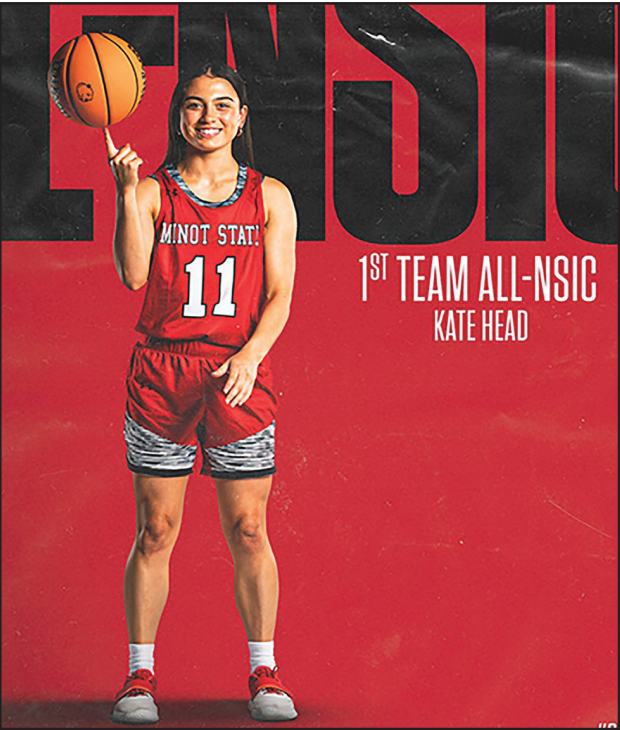
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Beavers. teamwork. As always,
All and all, the Roll Beavs.



In their season finale, MSU women's basketball Play4Kay, wearing pink warmups and headbands honoring the fight against cancer affecting women. Photos from MSU Women's Basketball's Instagram

Two Beavers earn All-NSIC honors

Three overtime thriller for MSU men's basketball



Photos from MSU Beavers Twitter

Above: Senior Kate Head named to the All-NSIC first team for her play on the court this season.

Below: in his first year with the Beavers, Khari Broadway earns All-NSIC second team honors.

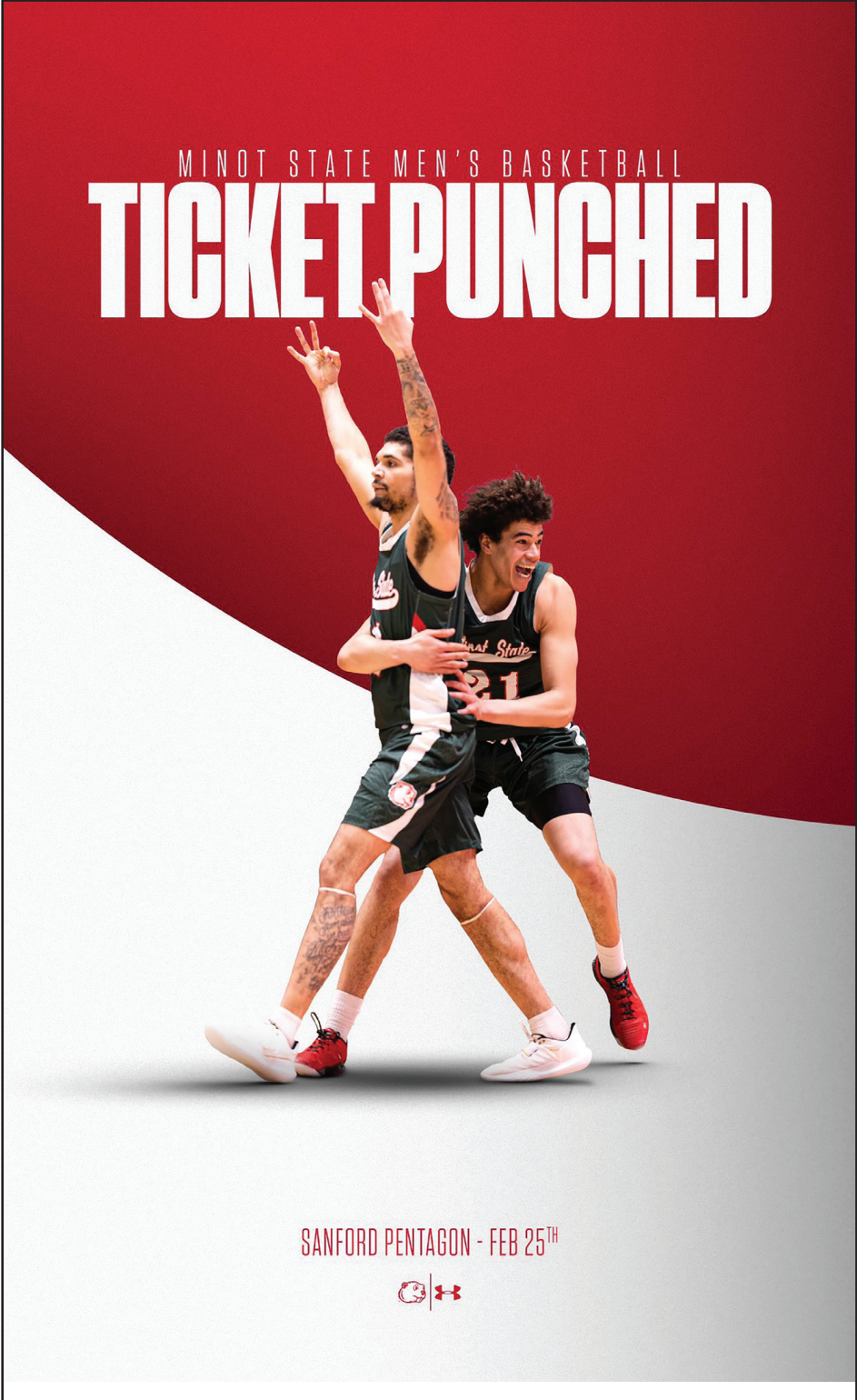
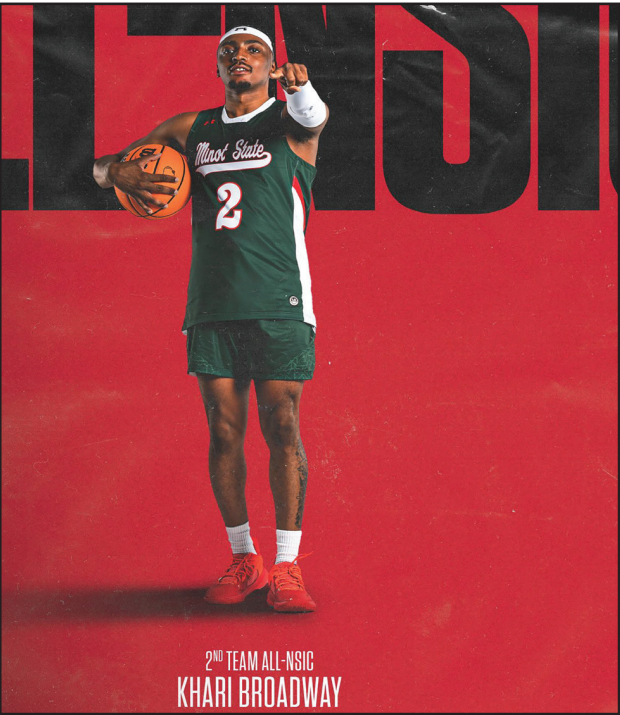


Photo from MSU Beavers Twitter

A three overtime thriller ends when senior Cam'Ron Dunfee sinks a buzzer beater to send the Beavers to the Sanford Pentagon to play Northern State in the NSIC Tournament.

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place with a time of 16:5.91. Snyder placed seventh in a throw of 50' 11".

Finally, wrapping up for the men's, Gutierrez finished 10th in the men's 600 meters of 1:23.82.

For the women's side, Jessica Martinez recorded personal best of 33rd place right after Emery Smith.

With a successful season so far, the Minot's track team headed to Mankato for the NSIC Championships on Saturday, March 25 25 and Sunday, March 26.

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an “Inside The Dam” cover graphic including a Papa John’s logo as the official show sponsor. The audio board is turned off so no extra sound or voices get caught on a hot mic.

Every show is livestreamed on “KMSU Podcasts” and then immediately edited and uploaded on the “MSU Beavers” channel for more eyeballs to watch.

The “Inside The Dam” name is an idea that was bounced off the COMM 329 Sports TV Production course, offered every other year in the professional communication department, and this time in podcast format, expanding from its TV sector.

Last spring, athletics was looking for an additional

platform for their student-athletes.

KMSU was able to step up and provide their services to create the weekly show. In addition to YouTube and web content, athletics will post a press release on social media and their website with a link to the latest episode in an attempt to generate more clicks.

The show takes place every Monday night at 7:30 p.m. during the school year.

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can make a coder’s life a lot easier,” he said.

So back to our question, will AI takeover computer science jobs soon?

I have no idea.

I’m aware that was an anticlimactic answer, but can AI do some computer science jobs with more efficiency?

Most likely, with-

out a doubt. They are constantly learning and developing by the minute.

As I said, there are so many different answers to this question because of how diverse the computer science occupation field is. Human presence is irreplicable in many situations and is generally unmatched so there’s no saying for sure if lines of code can replace us.

Yet nevertheless, it is a beautiful thing to see great minds creating great, artificial minds thus leading us to an advanced future of immeasurable possibilities.

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which has given victims and well-wishers hope.

There have been various humanitarian efforts to help with the burden these nations are facing, such as the \$100 million

disaster relief aid for Turkey and Syria announced by the U.S. Secretary of State, Anton Blinken, on behalf of the United States according to CNN.

The United Nations as well is appealing nearly \$1.4 billion to help the survivors of the disaster; the money will be divided into two portions.

According to NPR.org, “\$1 billion to help more than 5 million people in Turkey and

\$397 million for northwestern Syria, a territory devastated by civil war and divided between opposition and government control”.

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