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Celebrate the sex

MSUM women leaders organize recognition for females in history.

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Reacting to racism

Minority students decide not to return to MSUM because of hate crimes. **OPINION**, page 4



Sibling alliance

Close-knit sister duo conclude career of playing together at MSUM.

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By TERI FINNEMAN

News Editor

Recommendations to have a

consistent alcohol enforce-

ment policy and to improve

communication between the

departments will be submit-

ted to President Roland

Barden by the alcohol task

be on the same page when it

come to making decisions

concerning student drinking.

"MSUM's [college drinker

percentage] is higher than the

national average, so we need

to bring that down and do

social norming at the same

time," Poseley said. "Social

Students think that students

drink more than they actually

do, so then the freshmen or

whoever will strive to drink

that amount. Part of social

is

force this week.

norming



MINDY NIEMELA/THE ADVOCATE

'Masterpeace' theater

Theater students (clockwise from top left) Laura Dandurand, Rhonda Kohl, Trish Gavin, Cassie Skauge, Kameri Larson and Crystal Karstad read from the Greek play "Lysistrata" Monday during the pro-peace event.

norming is to change that." Julie Poseley, MSUM chemi-Poseley said MSUM's task cal health educator, said force formed in October to try Hendrix Health Center, to ascertain where the prob-Campus Security, housing lems on campus are, what the and the judicial officer need to problems are and what MSUM

perception.

can do about it. The four committees — campus culture, policy and procedure, education and community - included six students and 15 faculty and staff members. Research and recommendations from each committee were compiled earlier this week.

Task force submits ideas

to reduce alcohol usage

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We have students in

detox and the ER

every weekend.

Julie Poseley

Chemical health educator

"One thing that we found out was that we have students in detox and the ER every weekend," Poseley said.

MSUM senior and peer edu-

Librarian urges people not to be quiet

By ANDY CUMMINGS

Staff Writer

Writer and filmmaker Michael Moore is having a good year. His new documentary movie, "Bowling for Columbine," is nominated for

the Academy Award for best documentary. And his book, "Stupid White Men and Other Excuses for the State of the Nation," is enjoying its 46th week in first place on the New York Times Bestsellers list. But were it not for a lone email from New Jersey librarian Anne Sparanese, "Stupid White Men" might never have been sold.

The first printing had already run and was prepared to ship when the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, took place. Deciding the book's sharp criticisms of President Bush were not appropriate at that time, publisher Harper-Collins decided withhold distributo

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cator Brandon Beery said he spent 10 to 15 hours per week last semester working with various people to make a difference.

"I felt it was an important issue that needed to be dealt with on our campus, and I was excited to take a positive approach to understanding issues and how to possibly change those for the better,' Beery said.

He said the committees met every other week and the minutes of each meeting were forwarded to Barden for review.

One idea in the works is to send out 21st birthday cards to MSUM students that encourage safe drinking and include a business card emphasizing the Drive A Dragon student cab service. Beery said other ideas generated by the committees were to hand out surveys and find volunteers to write grants. Poseley said university policy

ALCOHOL, page 7 Senate meets with mayor By BRETT ORTLER

Staff Writer

Moorhead mayor Mark Voxland spoke at last Thursday's student senate meeting. He discussed a variety of issues, ranging from student and resident retention, and development of the proposed wellness center, to how the city of Moorhead is attempting to combat racial profiling.

Peter Hartje, student senate

New Center earns new reputation

By TERI FINNEMAN News Editor

Editor's note: This is the second in a two-nart series

SPECIAL REPORT

With the New Center off to a shaky second-year start in 1973, former MSUM New Center professor Maureen Jonason said it was another 20 years before the center began to lose its negative reputation.

"Students learned not by any means to brag about being in the New Center," Jonason said. "Outside faculty would treat them differently."

She said one student who attended MSUM in the 1980s remembers an English teacher being shocked to learn the student came from the New Center.

"The stereotype is that New Center students couldn't do serious academic work," Jonason said. "It's not true. There is not a typical New Center student. They only thing they have in common is the ACT score or class rank."

She said only a few remedial

This week focuses on the program's benefits for students. Last week explored the history of the 30-year-old program.

classes were offered and those were eliminated by 1995. The rest of the program has always been designed to be collegelevel liberal arts, she said. The students are just given more time or "mastery learning."

"New Center faculty go out of their way to get students to learn even if that means you have to rewrite the paper three times before you understand the concept," Jonason said. "You don't go on until you've mastered that. They're rewarded for what they do learn, but do not get punished for what they don't learn, as one might in a traditional class. Some people object to that. They think it's not fair." Jonason said students who take a longer time learning may earn two instead of four



JASON PROCHNOW/PHOTO EDITOR

Director Margaret Klindworth (left) said the New Center offers classes in all six liberal studies areas. "I don't think the name is reflective of the excellence of the program," she said.

D like the university's system. The name of the program also has an interesting history, she said. The building was often referred to as the new Center for Multidisciplinary Studies, since faculty from so

credits, rather than an A or a many backgrounds taught in the program. But as time went on and the "newness" faded, Jonason said people were used to referring to it as new and New Center stuck, rather

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president, said Voxland was invited to help foster a dialogue between the city and MSUM.

"We invited him because communication with your local government is important," Hartje said.

Voxland addressed the senate briefly and then fielded questions. Hartje said Voxland's meeting was particularly important because of the gravity of issues affecting Moorhead and MSUM.

"Especially now, there are a lot of important issues that we need to address," Hartje said. "Creating and keeping existing lines of communication is important."

Several queries pertained to the development of the proposed wellness center and the possibility of closing of 14th Street.

Voxland suggested that sen-

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NEWS BRIEFS

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"The Art and Science of Economic Indicators: A Fargo-Moorhead Case Study," MSUM dean's lecture series, 3:30 p.m., Center for Business 111, free.

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Campus receives federal grants

Three federal grants totaling \$91,722 were awarded to MSUM to provide in-service training in the sciences to regional teachers wanting to work toward their fifth through eighth grade general science licensure.

MSUM will offer courses in biology, chemistry and physics to regional teachers.

The funds come from the No Child Left Behind Act, which emphasizes teacher quality.

Study abroad funds available

The Institute of International Education is now accepting applications for the fall 2003/academic year 2003-04 Benjamin Gilman Α. International Scholarship.

The program provides up to \$5,000 for students who have limited financial means, receive a federal Pell Grant and wish to study abroad. For more information, visit

www.iie.org/gilman. Application deadline is April 15.

MSUM Kenya tour seeks students

MSUM students interested in traveling will have an opportunity to tour Kenya May 17 through June 5 with MSUM professor Bruce Roberts.

Highlights will include a visit to Mount Kenya, a weekend home stay with host families in a small farming village near the mountain, a twonight stay in Maasai Mara Game Reserve, a trip to Prehistoric Olorgasailie Monument in the Great Rift Valley and a two-night stay in Mombasa.

The tour is open to non-students, but participants have the option of registering for three credits of anthropology 390 through MSUM's Continuing Studies Program. The cost of \$3,950 includes airfare, ground transportation, accommodation (bed & breakfast), all program related activities and some additional meals. Application deadline is March 17. For more information, contact Bruce Roberts at 236-2043.

State business workshop offered

The workshop "Doing Business With the State of Minnesota" will be from 9 a.m. to noon Monday in Center for Business Room 103.

Topics covered include: how Minnesota state government is structured. where the money comes from, how the money can be spent, how to find business opportunities and expectations of the state as a contracting entity.

Speaking will be Paul Stembler, assistant director, Materials Management Division, Minnesota Department of Administration. Cost is \$10 per person.

Speakers needed for feminist issues

Anyone interested in participating in a campus discussion about feminist issues is invited to attend the Campus Feminist Organization meeting at 7 p.m. Sunday at the 25th Street Market in Fargo Heather or e-mail at h_ehrichs@yahoo.com.

MSUM students provide tax help

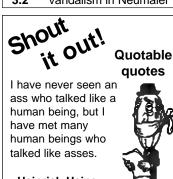
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A group of MSUM accounting majors, trained in class and tested by the Internal Revenue Service, will help individuals complete their income tax forms during March at designated locations in Fargo and Moorhead.

The students, working with the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program, will answer questions and help fill out individual income taxforms. Free federal and state electronic filing will also be available.

The students will provide the free service at these times and locations: Tuesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. in the J.C. Penney wing in West Acres and Fridays from 2 to 4 p.m. in Center for Business Room 212.

Bring the following items: copies of your 2001 federal and state income tax returns and W-2 Forms and 1099 Forms for 2002. For more information, contact the MSUM accounting department at 236-4646.



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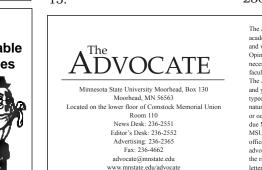
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MSUM celebrates women during March

FEATURES

By KATIE JOHNSON

Staff Writer

For every dollar a man earns working full time for one year, a woman earns 76 cents.

Statistics like this are the reason why Rosa Parks, Susan B. Anthony and other females worked to improve women's place in society. "I would like to be known as a person who is concerned about freedom and equality and justice and prosperity for all people," Parks once said.

March marks National Women's History Month, and to celebrate, MSUM has a of

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prosperity for all people.

Rosa Parks

for

variety events with the theme "Women's Voices." All events are free and open to the public.

"A formal declaration [of National Women's History Month] was made during the Clinton

administration in 1993," said Women's Studies director Susan Imbarrato. "Each year it honors women with an educational program.'

Whether people think there is a second wave feminist movement coming like The

Center

"Some people say, 'It's not new,' but I argue it's new

because it's a new beginning," Jonason said. "It's new to stu-

dents every time they start

and the New Center is always

going to change to fit the

Admissions Director Gina

Monson said there are many

other universities with an

alternative admission program, but few have a similar

"Our truest desire is to place

students in a place where they will succeed," Monson said. "It's so difficult to know the

student's ability or desire to

learn (from their admission

application). That's true of our

automatically admitted stu-

Monson said 16 percent of

needs of the students.

setup as MSUM.

dents, too."

NEW, from front –

Multidisciplinary Studies.

than

Veteran Feminists of America do, or a men's movement approaching like debated on www.angryharry.com, Women's History Month events are an educational and entertaining experience.

One of the lectures presented will be "Love and Loss: The Use of Human Hair in 19th-Century Memorial Objects" at noon March 28 in MacLean 171. Helen Sheumaker, humanities and multicultural studies assistant professor, will be presenting this unusual look at the historical use of hair. "This lecture is about the

19th-century use of human hair to decorate wreaths, jewelry and other things,' I would like to be known and said Imbarrato. cerned about freedom and "Hair was a symbol of self." There will also be a display

featuring bio-Historic female activist graphical panels in library now through March 14. The

panels will feature prominent women from the past and the present. "One of the panels will feature the late Sheila Wellstone,"

said librarian Brittney Goodman. "She did much

admitted students enter the

New Center each fall, which

adds up to 200 students. To

be automatically accepted,

students must have a 17 or

higher ACT score, a good base

of core courses and a ranking

in the 30th percentile or high-

within the next few weeks.

"Everything is right there in

Klindworth said. "Hopefully,

when they transition out of

the program, they've gained

Students have a close rela-

tionship with their advisers.

skills as a student."

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gram.

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work with the issues of domestic violence and working mothers." The display will also

"We advise over 500 students in our department. It's a big piece of what we do, Klindworth said. "During their

first semester on campus, they're meeting once a week with their adviser." She said most students transfer to the "regular" cam-

To transfer, students must average. Scholarships are also available for New Center students.

latest ideas for the New Center is changing the name. She said she has a memo from 1981 that says the New Center is no longer new and should

be renamed.

"We keep tossing the idea around. We've talked about having a Name the New Center contest," she said. "The prob-lem is to come up with something really good.'

ILLUSTRATION BY MATT KAUFENBERG

have biographies of Bessie

Smith, Ruth Crawford and

local women who have made a

Senior Jenna Martin said her time in the New Center was the best experience she's ever had.

"I needed the alternative start. If I wouldn't have gone through it, I probably wouldn't be where I'm at right now,' Martin said. "It was more about succeeding and it was on a friendly basis. It was a wonderful alternative program to start.'

She said sometimes the students feel secluded from the rest of campus, but she wouldn't change anything about that.

"I think it's good for them to

difference at MSUM.

Several concerts will also take place this month, including "Electrofem," an electronic and multimedia concert Friday, "Marica Szymanowska: Pianist and Composer" on March 28 and "Women's Voices, Women's Music" on March 31.

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"On March 28, we have a Polish pianist talking and playing works by Maria Szymanowska," said professor Laurie Blunsom. "The concert on the 31st will feature the women's choir, pianist and faculty member Sue Nagel, vocalist Jenny Olson, originals from Cynthia Miller and music about Emily Dickinson by Aaron Copland."

Other events include a women's literature reading Wednesday, an art department student panel March 26 and a history department panel March 31. The panels will discuss women's issues, then and now.

"Women's History Month is about women of science, of history - women who were pioneering the future," says Imbarrato.

For more information, see www.nwhp.org or call Susan Imbarrato at 236-4674.

> Johnson can be reached at katiej_57260@yahoo.com.

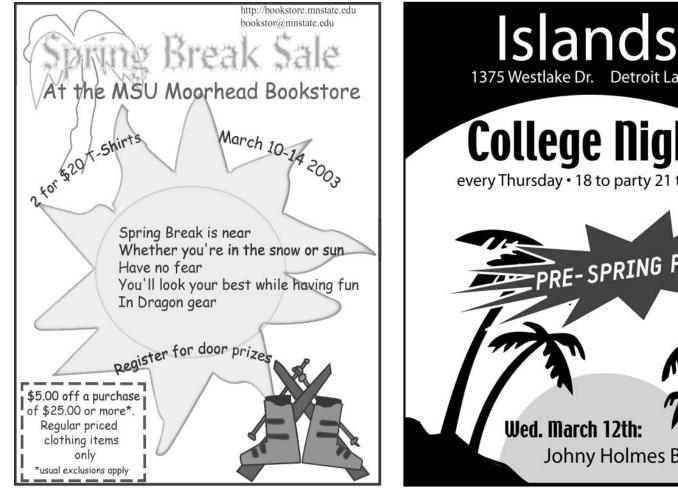
have their own space and building," Martin said. "I really enjoyed it. The professors

were really great. Martin said she heard about the program when she was in high school and knew she wouldn't meet the requirements for admission into MSUM. She said she's glad she had another option. Martin spent about two years in the New Center.

"It was what I needed at that time in my life," she said. "I would go through it (my experience at the New Center) all over again if I had to. I would recommend it to anyone who struggled in high school and who was unsure about college life.

Finneman can be reached at crusher69@hotmail.com.





Monson said the program pus after two years and begin will likely fill for fall 2003 their major. Margaret Klindworth, who have completed a substantial has worked as New Center amount of their liberal studies director for three years, said program with a 2.0 GPA, as there's definitely a learning well as have started their community feeling to the promajor and earned at least a C

Klindworth said one of the

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OPINION

Thursday, March 6, 2003

Advocate editorial board

Amy Dalrymple Editor Teri Finneman News editor Alicia Strnad

A&E editor

Students should speak out against campus hate crimes

In the past few weeks, administrators have been made aware of a number of students who don't plan to return to MSUM in the fall.

These students of diverse backgrounds have been victims of hate crimes and ignorance and have decided enough is enough. Most of these students live in MSUM housing, so not only do they feel uncomfortable on the academic campus, but also where they live.

These students do not wish to share their story or be identified. Understandably, they may fear even more repercussions. Some may also feel it's not their job to have to educate others about their race.

The purpose of a college campus is for students from a variety of areas to come together to be educated. Many MSUM students come from small towns that are unfamiliar with diversity beyond German or Norwegian. Breaking the mold can be difficult.

By coming to college, students need to open up to a broad new way of life and experience the world for themselves. College life may be the only chance some students have to learn about people from other cultures.

Traveling the world sounds like a great opportunity. But when the world is brought home, why isn't the same excitement and curiosity there?

While it may not be fair for diverse students to have to teach those who are ignorant, this may be the only way to make a needed difference. Leaving the campus won't help MSUM or solve any problems. MSUM needs these students to work with administrators and to share their stories in order to make a change.

Admittedly, change doesn't come easy. Ignorance is one of the toughest and most exhausting battles to fight. But when there are people on campus who are trying — who truly want to make things better both sides need to reach compromise.

Training Our Campus Against Racism will meet at noon Friday to discuss the progress made this year and to evaluate how a number of faculty and student training sessions have gone. Groups like this are devoted to making a difference and need diverse students to help make this difference.



Student senators upset with critical editorial

We are writing to voice our displeasure regarding last week's editorial about how student senators are wasting their time and for several reasons.

Our intentions were not to attack Peter Hartje personally, but the fact that he didn't come to the senate with his situation made many senators disappointed in our leader. We don't feel that we were wasting our time with this issue, since we had the right to know what was going on, especially since we are an elected entity and have a responsibility to the student body. Some of us also wanted a public reprimand to ensure that this wasn't being kept from our constituents, who have as much of a right as the senate does to know the truth,

Letters to the editor

since they are the ones who voted him into office.

It bothers us that you think we were wasting our time with this subject and not concentrating on other issues. If you look at our m i n u t (www.mnstate.edu/stusen), you'll see that we discussed and resolved many other issues besides this one. We went to Lobby Day, finalized the Taxi Cab Program, tackled budget issues, invited the mayor of Moorhead as our guest to our last meeting and appointed three new senators, among other things.

Next time, before an editorial is written, it would be wise to get points of view before you publish something that speaks so negatively against an organization and its members and to make sure the people writing the article are at the meetings so they can have a factual representation of the whole truth.

> Student senators Linda Palmer MSUM senior Erica Wicker MSUM junior Laura Owen MSUM senior Neal Peterson MSUM senior Jessica Corbett MSUM sophomore Aya Reid MSUM sophomore Justin Simpson MSUM senior

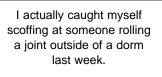
Greetings from sunny California

Last fall, with the conclusion of my college career looming frighteningly near, I wanted to make



Student Guest columnist Exchange "I still frequently use makes that the word 'duder' and dream possihave a huge crush on ble for thou-Thom Yorke.' sands of students nationwide each year. On Jan. 22, my plane took off from Hector International Airport, whisking me away to what would surely be a semester of sun, fun and drunken exploits. While studying at a different university is a great benefit of NSE, the real point is to broaden your social horizons, make new friends in far-off places and experience things you couldn't at home. So far my shots at becoming the next NSE poster child are pretty freaking slim. Here I am, in beautiful Chico, Calif., soaking up the sun and feeling sorry for my half-frozen friends back in Minnesota. There are mountains here, hot springs, waterfalls and beautiful forests.

conclusion of poming frightnted to make my last s e m e s t e r truly memorable – I decided to attend college in a completely different part of the union. Fortunately, the National S t u d e n t E x c h a n g e makes that



my nerdiness, however, stems from something far more grave and sad - I actually like school. Now, don't get me wrong – I'm no Doogie Howser (and, unfortunately, I don't have a plucky Italian friend named Vinnie), but I do love my communication theorv. In fact. I'm so preoccupied with my adoration of academia that even though I've been in California for a while, the majority of what I've seen has been campus. And even though I'm temporarily enrolled at Chico State, one of the most notorious sex and booze schools in the country, the most I've had to drink in one night is two whole bottles of Bacardi Silver. I actually caught myself scoffing at someone rolling a joint outside of a dorm last week. Most college students would've offered the dude a high-five, but I volunteered a dirty look.

should you do at one time? The whole genre boggles my well-read mind, and I'm much too lazy to do the research. Besides, I'm Catholic, and I certainly don't need one more strike against my eternal soul (I haven't been to church in about a year, so by the pope's calculations, that puts me in the Ninth Circle).

The fact that my car is still in Minnesota also plays a part in my social ineptitude. I can't exactly make friends by volunteering to play designated driver, unless my new friends are contortionist dwarves who like riding in bike baskets.

While I have made some friends. am expecting fantastic grades in my classes and am discovering how to live the life of a quintessential "independent woman," I'm not sure my NSE counterparts would be proud of me. No crazy parties. No late nights making out with anonymous California hotties. No hot-tub tomfoolery. Just a lot of school and even more "Seinfeld." So, to all those who are stuck back in Minnesota, dreaming of some California sunshine and a weekend at the school Playboy ranked No. 2 on their list of America Party Schools, I sincerely apologize. I feel as though I'm not fully savoring the experience. All the hopes and expectations of all my friends back home are resting on incompetent shoulders. Please do not look down on me; my love of school is too burning hot to be denied. My buddies nationwide are breathing a collective sigh of disenchantment.

Asking these students to stay at MSUM is asking a lot. No one should have to deal with the pettiness and childishness of writing cruel words on dorm erase boards or feeling like an outsider for doing what everyone else is doing: getting an education and trying to have a little fun along the way.

Granted, there are those who will want to continue to be ignorant. But there are also a number of people who want MSUM to be diverse in order to learn new ideas and cultures. The decision to stay is a lot harder than to leave, but in the end, it just could be the best decision.

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Let me explain. I'm a huge nerd, and that's no secret. I love Biography magazine and "E! True Hollywood Story." I still frequently use the word "duder" and have a huge crush on Thom Yorke. These attributes can all be forgiven, and some might say they make me more loveable. Most of What is wrong with me?!

Part of the problem is my age. Although I'm graduating in May, I'm only 20 (another sign of my nerdiness), so clubbing is out of the picture for me. And you should assume by now that I don't have a fake ID, although one of my new devoutly religious friends has offered to procure me one.

Plus, I don't think I'm smart enough to do drugs. Where do you get them? How do you know if they're any good? How much My parents, however, could not be happier.

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Let's bring the left a little further in that direction Howard Dean may be just the shot in the arm that Democrats need

If it wasn't for Ralph Nader, I believe there are a great many Americans that wouldn't be



had been a more personable candidate, and so on and so forth. And there's validity to these statements, but the fact remains that those votes that Ralph pilfered on election night would have gone a long way to avoiding the circus that eventually ended up letting Bush pack up his chaps and make for D.C. like Michael Jackson jetting toward a packed stadium for Disney on Ice.

I was pretty damned bitter about it for a while (and I still

believe that, if we are going to expand the two-party system, it needs to go directly to four in order to keep the balance between right and left ideologies). But after watching the bulk of the latest group of hopefuls for the Democratic nomination, the anger was replaced with a kind of awkward understanding - these guys are hardly inspiring much confidence for the liberal viewpoint, leaving a nice sized demand for someone like Nader to bring the goods and shake the left back to the realization that they're not there to represent half-court politics.

And, for the most part, things were looking pretty dismal at the Democratic National Committee winter meeting on Feb. 21 when the major contenders (sans Kerry, who was still recovering from prostate cancer surgery, and Graham, who had yet to toss his hat into the ring) gathered to begin their first attempts at securing their party's nomination. The big test in appeal – surprise surprise - turned out to be the views expressed toward Iraq, with Lieberman, Edwards, and Gephardt all drawing cold reception from the crowd - the latter



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actually inspiring someone in attendance to holler out "shame" after he boasted about his participation in writing up the resolution on disarming Saddam - due to their stances.

Which raises the interesting question of "what the hell's the point;" the major issue dividing our country right now is undoubtedly our foreign policy, and if it comes down to Bush and someone who happened to be conceived by different parents from Bush, it's damned if we do and have our kneecaps blown out if we don't.

But just when I started looking into real estate in Mexico (I hear Juarez is really lovely this time of year), I learned how to stop worrying and love Vermont. The concept of underdogs is usually lost on us when it comes to American politics, but out of nowhere comes Howard Dean, governor of the New England state, and the speech that earned him a standing ovation at the DNC convention: "What I want to know is why in the world the Democratic Party leadership is supporting the president's unilateral attack on Iraq ... what I want to know is why are Democratic Party leaders supporting tax cuts ... what I want to know is why we're fighting Congress about the patient's bill of rights when the Democratic Party ought to be standing up for health care for every single American man, woman and child ... I'm Howard Dean, and I'm here to represent the Democratic wing of the Democratic Party."

For the sake of being informed citizens, here's how Dean's record as governor hints at his future campaign: he paid off an inherited \$70 million deficit and earmarked funds to help the state during recessions; preserved more than one million acres of farmland, shorefront, working forests and wilderness; signed the Civil Unions bill into law which made same-sex couples entitled

to the same rights - such as hospital visitation, insurance, and inheritance - as heterosexual couples, making Vermont the first state in the country to guarantee equal rights to everyone (his reasoning being that if he was "willing to sell out the rights of a whole group of human beings because it might be politically inconvenient for a future office I might run for, then I had wasted my time in public service"); has made certain that virtually every child under 18 has health insurance; increased the number of women and minorities in judgeships and other prominent positions; cracked down on domestic violence; put Vermont in the forefront for child support collections; and on and on and on.

Am I using column space to pimp for the man? Perhaps, but what I think is more important is to remind people that, sometimes, someone comes up that actually does it right, and we'd better damn well pay attention, or someone like Ralph Nader will pop his head up and spank our country so hard that we'd be fools to forget it next time (right?).

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a link to our past in passing of 'orld lost Mister **Kogers** my sister couldn't bear to miss it.

Last week, an icon of children's television died. Mister Rogers' neighborhood is in mourning.



"Mister Rogers' neighborhood is in mourning."

sister when it came to Mister Rogers. I was more into "3-2-1 Contact" and "Once Upon a Time." We watched

Although Rogers stopped filming new shows а while back, kept show running. In fact. it is one of the longest run-

a fan as my

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Picture was one of my favorite parts. I always thought it would be "way cool" to have a picture on

the wall that played movies for me. My older brother and I at one time even tried to figure out if we'd ever be able to rig up something like that. Or I remember being mesmerized as Trolley took us down the tracks to the Land of Make-Believe (where I always wanted to be Lady Aberlin). I think my sister even asked for

That's not to say that I didn't

enjoy the show at times. Picture

Trolley for Christmas one year. Besides that, we did learn things from Mister Rogers. My mother looked at us strangely when we kids rushed into the kitchen wanting pineappleorange-banana juice, a concoction Mister Rogers was whipping up on his show. We knew it was good for us but Mister Rogers told



Mister Rogers was a friend and teacher. He was our tour guide into opening our imaginations.

us it tasted good too, as that was, after all, the more important piece of information to kids. Just because something is good for you doesn't mean it can't taste good. And he taught us kitchen science experiments that didn't cause us to blow things up. Mom was very appreciative of that. Whether you liked him or not, I'm sure each of us could come up with memories of the show.

Fred Rogers' family is asking others to be honest with their kids about his death. And being

the "old" person that I am, I can relate to what kids now growing up with him might be going though now that he's died. When I was a kid, Mr. Hooper on 'Sesame Street" died. That was 1982. I was six, going on seven. "Sesame Street" dealt with this head-on.

While Big Bird was dealing with the reality of Mr. Hooper's death on the show, all of us kids watching were right there with him. We felt for him (and ourselves) as Maria. David. Luis and the rest of the gang explained that Mr. Hooper wasn't coming back. We started to understand that people wouldn't be there forever. But we also understood that we'd always remember them.

It may sound silly to some of us semi-grown-ups now, kids mourning the death of the fictional characters of these shows. But we related to Big Bird's adven-

tures. He was designed to let us do so. He was a portrayal of us. Mister Rogers was a friend and teacher. He was our tour guide into opening our imaginations. This is something that is lacking in much of our high-tech world. The fact that Mister Rogers never bought into the ultra-modernization and kept his neighborhood so real and continuous was one of his charms. He evolved but never tried to keep up with the fads. It's too bad that so many other shows have fallen into the trap that he avoided.

So, take a few moments and remember Mister Rogers and your childhood. If Mister Rogers wasn't a big part of it, remember something that was. What this world needs is more of the sense of innocence and wonder that shows like his brought about.

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By SARAH OLOSONAWSKI

Features Editor

Imagine Nemzek, the library, Kise Commons, the computer labs, classrooms, Hanson Theatre and the CMU sailing across water, and not just any body of water, but the Pacific Ocean. Last fall, the image became reality for MSUM senior Kerri Sagedahl.

"I always wanted to study abroad," said Sagedahl. However, she never imagined it would be at sea. After seeing a poster at NDSU, Sagedahl decided to take advantage of the Semester at Sea program.

The program, administered by the Institute for Shipboard Education and academically sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh, takes approximately 600 undergraduate students around the world each fall and spring semester. The students are from colleges and universities across the United States and abroad.

Semester at Sea's campus, the S.S. Universe Explorer, is a 23,500-ton ship equipped as a floating university. Much like MSUM, it includes classrooms with closed circuit television capabilities, a library, computer lab, theater, student union and two dining rooms. For recreation, the ship has a swimming pool, basketball and volleyball courts and a fitness center. Cabins serve as the residence halls. They are available in double and triple occupancy for students.

Bon voyage

The fall voyage began, leaving port Aug. 31 from Vancouver. Sagedahl flew to Vancouver and then boarded the ship to leave for Japan. For 13 days they did not see land. "Lots of people were seasick. I was one of the lucky ones," said Sagedahl.

Japan was the first stop. Then they continued to China, Vietnam, Malaysia,

India, Kenya, South Africa, Brazil, Cuba and Florida.

The first 13 days were spent preparing for the country visits and field experiences. Sagedahl was enrolled in four classes worth 12 credits, all of which transferred. The classes met daily and were geared towards preparing students for what they would see in the countries.

Kerri took sociology,

theater, geography and political science. Each class had a field component where the students could actively involve their studies with the country they were visiting. "I learned a lot. We always went to countries and then came back and studied the next one," said Sagedahl. It was hard to learn everything, said Sagedahl. Sometimes there were only a couple days

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Sagedahl's political science class studied different countries' governments. In South Africa they were able to see where parliament meets. She said it was interesting to hear one man's story about how he wasn't allowed in government because he was black, his struggle and his eventual acceptance into parliament.

Her sociology class studied minority groups. "We were minorities in every country, so we could see how it felt," said Sagedahl.

Along with the field component, the students could pick their travel interests. The

ship would be in port for three to six days. So if they didn't travel too far, they would eat and stay back on the ship, said Sagedahl. "It was a good way to see the country and save money." One of the trips Kerri chose was to fly from Shanghai to Beijing. She said the flight, hotel, food and attractions were paid for in advance, which made the trip easier.

In each country the people live and survive differently from people in the United States. "We have it 100 percent better than they do. In India, it made me depressed to see where they live. The kids don't go to school because they have to sell stuff in the streets," said Sagedahl. The families don't have money there. Their houses are horrible; basically they're shacks with tin or wood walls and palm-leaf roofs, said Sagedahl.

"People don't think they are deprived, though. They still seem happy," said Sagedahl. She said it made her realize We have it 100 percent better Americans are extremely "money hungry." than they do. In India, it made

Kenya was Sagedahl's favorite stop. While there, her group went on a five-day safari with the Masai tribe warriors. They stayed with them and learned their culture and lifestyle. She said they played soccer and saw many exotic animals including lions, elephants, zebras, giraffes and

warthogs. Sagedahl said the safari was the best part, and anyone should go if they have the opportunity.

It was easier to communicate with people than she thought it would be. "The women of the tribe didn't know English, but the men did. And the little kids always knew more English than anyone. So it was easy to ask for help," said

Above: The S.S. Universe Explorer, a 23,500 ton ship serves as a floating classroom for the Semester at Sea program. Right: Kerri Sagedahl poses on the deck of the ship during her

wanted to call from the ship, it cost \$12 per minute. Faxing cost \$5 per page. They did have television, which had three channels for movies and news briefs. Newspapers and Internet were their main source of communication. But, even the Internet cost 50 cents per minute.

Semester at Sea.

The campus had many organizations for the students to join. Sagedahl was part of the Students of Service group that set up service projects in every country. One project they did was to get donations of clothes or food and take them to orphanages. She was also involved with the Adopt-a-Grandparent program. Besides the students there were about 50 adult passengers aboard. "It was a good program. We would go out to eat with them or talk about where we had just been. It was especially nice if we were feeling lonely or needing family," said Sagedahl.

Making the trip possible

Tuition for the semester is about \$14,500. The trips, such as Sagedahl's trip in China, cost extra. At first the cost was what turned her away, she said. Funding and scholarships are available, but Sagedahl did run into a roadblock getting finances. She had to transfer to the University of Pittsburgh in order to get financial aid. Sagedahl said MSUM's Financial Aid department and International Programs office weren't very cooperative.

Jill Holsen, director of International Programs, said she sees no reason why

Students can access any study abroad through program International Programs. It was an expensive trip, and aid is usually an issue for any expensive trip, said Holsen. But Sagedahl proved it wasn't impossible. Sagedahl, a paralegal major, will have to push back graduation one year, but she says the experience

minute. For more information about the Semester at Sea program, visit the Web site at www.semesteratsea.com, e-mail

was life changing and worth every





in between countries. The geography class is mandatory for all students to learn about each country's history, climate, war, government and more.

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MSUM senior

Other forms of communication on the

students couldn't go through them. "We would definitely work with the student. ship were costly. Students had phones in It's an accredited program through an their cabins on the ship, but if they accredited university. Financial aid was

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Students can fight poverty with the click o a mouse

By DANIELLE MACMURCHY

Staff Writer

Oxfam America, in partnership with Poverty Fighters, is sponsoring the second annual nationwide Collegiate Click Drive now through March 26.

The project will allow college students across the nation to participate in a fund-raiser to raise up to \$1 million in micro-credit relief funds by simply logging on to www.povertyfighters.com, pointing and clicking.

The micro-credit funds consist of small business loans given to women in povertystricken and developing nations. The money is intended to help women, their families and their communities escape the grip of poverty. Micro-Credit loans have a 98 percent success rate for aiding women in developing nations. They are also a good way to help the economies in these countries. The project helps bring the global fight against poverty to the front lines of U.S. college campuses.

Junior Kristi Elders, a member of Volunteer Visions, said with the right amount of publicity, the project should prove successful. "I have never heard of anything like this," Elders added. "However, I think it is a wonderful idea." The idea behind the national Collegiate Click Drive began with a group of undergraduate students from Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass. The university student body president Ben Brandzel formulated the idea for a national collegiate contest that would encourage college students to become involved in lending a hand to Third World nations. Brandzel recruited several other active students willing to commit time and energy to the project. This core committee teamed with Oxfam America and Poverty Fighters to create a click-to-donate website. Making the fund-raiser a nationwide contest among colleges gives students incentive

to participate. The college with the most clicks is awarded \$1,000 to throw a party. The reward money is provided by Campus Compact, an organization geared toward teaching students on-campus activism. Marci Surkes, media coordinator for the drive, says that this contest is special because it has been designed exclusively for college students by college students. "It's quite amazing that full-time students were able to pull off last year's contest with such success. The people at Oxfam America were very impressed," Surkes said.

Last year the click drive raised \$28,000, and more

than 250 colleges participated. Birmingham (Ala.)-Southern College was the national winner with the most clicks. Surkes said the drive was a great success and an overall positive experience, which is what drove them to develop the program into an annual event.

Oxfam America and Poverty Fighters are expecting this year's drive to exceed last year's total, raising up to \$1 million. MSUM is encouraged to stand with other colleges across the nation in the war against poverty.

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Master weaver Irvin Trujillo presents a slide show on his work, 2 p.m., Fox Recital Hall, free

3.8

Master weaver Irvin Trujillo conducts a workshop on weaving processes, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Foundation Annex, 1033 Fourth Ave. S., Moorhead, free

3.11

Dan O'Brien, author of "Brendan Prairie" and "Buffalo for the BrokenHeart," speech

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p.m., Glasrud Auditorium, free

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tion of the book.

So Moore went on tour, reading chapters of the book at speaking events around the country. Sparanese attended one reading, and it prompted her to write the e-mail that changed everything.

In her e-mail to a librarian mailing list, she asked librarians around the country to mail Harper-Collins and encourage them to distribute the book.

She said it wasn't until a month later that she found out her e-mail had succeeded.

"I did one simple thing," she said. "If other people hadn't acted upon it, that's all it would have been."

Sparanese dismisses criticisms of the book's lack of patriotism. "If it didn't resonate with ... part of the public, it wouldn't be on the best seller list."

Sparanese will be speaking at MSUM at 3 p.m. Monday in Center for Business Room 109. She will speak about librarian activism.

Specifically, she said she thinks the patriot act, passed in the wake of Sept. 11, restricts personal liberties greatly, and that librarians are in a unique position to speak out against these restrictions.

"I've done a lot of research into the history of activist librarians, and I hope people will find it as interesting as I have." she said.

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SENATE, from front –

"Students need to start

Racial profiling in the "We've In other business, stu-

regarding alcohol changed recently. She said the former policy said the police would be called as well as a university sanction if a student is reported for alcohol. Now the policy says there will be a university sanction and/or police will be called.

"Before it was no questions asked," Beery said. "Zero toleration is how it was worded in the residence handbook. Now it's may or may not be."

Warren Wiese, vice president of student affairs, said the only change was rewording the policy previously followed.

"This is not something new. Students won't notice anything different. [Calling the policel depends on the severity of the incident that may occur," Wiese said. "It doesn't mean there isn't disciplinary action. The university has its own judicial board that may suffice the situation given whatever conditions are around it."

As for the North Dakota and Minnesota state law change from .10 to .08 percent as the legal blood-alcohol limit, Poseley said she doesn't think it makes much of a difference.

"The research has shown that there's significant impairment at .04 when you're behind the wheel," Poseley said. "If they didn't approve it, they would have lost an incredible amount of funding. There's only about 10 states left that haven't gone along with it."

Poseley said the goals for the near future include more education for freshmen and their parents during orientation and first year experience classes, as well as classroom infusion. She said this includes working with teachers to include alcohol education in the curriculum.

Poseley said task force members have also talked with local bars and restaurants about stressing responsible drinking for college students through coasters or posters. She said the response received was favorable.

"Just doing one thing won't do that much," Poseley said. "But if we can do a whole bunch of things ... that's why it's encompassing and long-term."

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KATIE DOERR

High school: LeSueur-Henderson Henderson, Minn.

Year: Senior Position: Forward



candidate and first-team, all-NSIC selection in 2001-02, has led the Dragons in scoring 13 out of 25 games this season. She leads the NSIC in rebounds per game (10.7) and ranks sixth in the conference in points per game (14.7).

Sister act

Driven by friendship, Katie and Jackie Doerr have thrived in their final season together

hen it comes to sisters Katie and Jackie Doerr, head coach Karla Nelson has no

reservations in treating them like everyone else. "I yell at them both," Nelson said with a smile.

Katie, a senior, and Jackie, a sophomore, are enjoying their final season together as teammates. After playing two seasons together at LeSueur-Henderson (Minn.) High School, the sisters are concluding their second and



MSUM women's basketball team. The Dragons have wrapped up a 13-5 NSIC finish, with the Doerr sisters boasting important roles during the

team's recent run. "Katie Doerr is Dragon women's bas-

ketball," Nelson said. "Jackie's contributions have been huge.'

final season together on the

The Doerr tandem has been playing

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JACKIE DOERR

High school: LeSueur-Henderson Henderson, Minn. Year:

Sophomore Position: Guard

Stats: Jackie has started

in 23 of 25 games this season, averaging 28 minutes per contest. She leads the Dragons in total assists (61) and ranks 15th in the NSIC in assists per game (2.62). She scored a season-high 19 points against Valley City (N.D.) State on Nov. 27 at home.

NEWS & NOTES



Nulle

MSUM junior DaLee Wilkinson, a Hawley High School graduate, ranks third in the pole vault on the final indoor track and field Division II nationals list. She cleared 12 feet, 2 inches at the NDSU Open on Feb. 15. Wilkinson is only 1.25 feet from the nation's top mark of 12-3 1/4 and will compete in the national championships March 14-15 in Boston.

Senior Chris Nulle held the No. 1 national weight-throw mark for six weeks but will carry a No. 4 ranking into nationals March 14-15. He went undefeated in the weight throw this season but now has to contend with California-Bakersfield's Arnaldo Cueto, whose mark of 66-2 1/4 is nearly four feet ahead of the next contender.

Junior Belinda Eastlack ranks fourth in the weight throw (58-2 1/4) on the final nationals list. Eastlack is no stranger to success at a national level, having placed third in the weight throw in 2002. But at Boston this year, she'll have to battle two throwers from Ashland (Ohio) University with throws of 66-7 and 66-4, respectively, for a national title. Senior men's basketball guard Jared Bledsoe finished second in points per game on the final NSIC scoring list. He averaged 19.7 points per game, made 65 3-pointers and was one of only four players to make more than 100 free throws. Last year, Bledsoe was named first-team, all-NSIC with an average of 14.9 points per game.

Women finish 2nd, men 3rd

TRACK AND FIELD – NSIC INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

But multiple disqualifications raises questions

By JOE WHETHAM

Sports Editor

Neither of them had witnessed anything like it in their professional coaching careers.

MSUM head track and field coach Keith Barnier and assistant coach Tim McLagan said 15 people were disqualified during the NSIC indoor championship last weekend at Bemidji (Minn.) State University, including three Dragons.

Sophomore Joe Lynch's time of 4 minutes, 25 seconds in the mile would've been a personal best and a sixth-place finish, but he was disqualified for stepping on the inside line of the first lane.

"There was something like 15 or 16 foot violations. If someone stepped on that line, they axed them," McLagan said about the student-aged field judges. "It wasn't like they gained an advantage in cutting in."

Disqualifications ultimately cost the men a second-place finish. Bemidji State finished second with 110 points and MSUM staggered in with 104.

Despite the controversy, MSUM fared well at the championships, earning multiple NSIC individual titles.

Paced by strong performances Friday, the Dragon women edged Winona 🗇 TRACK AND FIELD, back page

(Minn.) State University for second place 124-123.

"There were no mistakes on Friday," said senior thrower Megan Salic, who broke her own school record (42-11 3/4) in placing second in the shot put with a heave of 43-6. "Everyone did what they had to do and then some. I'm proud of what we did."

Three women earned NSIC titles, including junior Tanya Salter, who won both the high jump and long jump. Her mark of 18-6 1/2 in the long jump — a personal best by six inches - eclipsed Aaron Clark's 2000 school record of 18-6.

Although she failed to clear her premeet goal of 5-7 in the high jump, Salter said she used that disappointment in her record-breaking assault on the runway.

"I was disappointed I didn't get 5-7, but I put that toward the long jump," said Salter, who earned a national rank of 21st with her long-jump mark Friday.

On the men's side, senior Chris Nulle capped a solid regular season in the ring with two NSIC titles in the weight throw and shot put. His mark of 60-6 demolished a competitive field, with the closest competitor nearly seven feet behind.

LAST WEEKEND'S RESULTS

Junior Tanya Salter broke Aaron Clark's two-year-old long jump record (18 feet, 6 inches) at the NSIC championships last weekend with a mark of 18-6 1/2. Salter also won the high jump (5-6) and ranks in a tie for eighth on the final Division II nationals list.

Salter

Men Team scores: Minnesota-Duluth 225, Bemidji State 110, MSUM 104, Wayne State 95.5, Northern State 77, Concordia-St. Paul 62.5, Minnesota, Morris 9.

Top MSUM performances: Sophomore Brandon Beaudry finished second in the 800 meters (1:59.36) and freshman James Alishouse took second in the 55 hurdles (8.05). Senior Keith Knoke won the pentathlon with 3,520 points and senior **Chris Nulle** won both the weight throw (60-6) and shot put (52-6).

Women

Team scores: Minnesota-Duluth 159, MSUM 124, Winona State 123, Concordia-St. Paul 90, Northern State 88, Bemidji State 55, Wayne State 43, Minnesota, Morris 16,

Top MSUM performances: Junior DaLee Wilkinson cleared 11-6 in the pole vault for her first NSIC title. Junior Belinda Eastlack won the weight throw (57-11 1/4) and senior Megan Salic placed second in the shot put - breaking her old MSUM school record (42-11 3/4) - with a toss of 43-6. Freshman Heather Schuster narrowly missed an NSIC title in the 800 (2:21.92), as Minnesota-Duluth's Heather Hamilton nipped her at the tape (2:21.42).

Notes by Joe Whetham/ sports editor

SPEAKING

We can beat any team in the conference.

Sophomore men's basketball forward Chris Anderson and his thoughts on the upcoming NSIC tournament.

TENNIS PREVIEW

High expectations

Dragons aim for top two in conference

By TERI FINNEMAN

News Editor

With just a two-month spring season for match play, the MSUM women's tennis team has hit the court with a 3-2 record and a tough loss at the UND tournament last weekend in Grand Forks.

Head coach Gary Harris, now in his eighth year at MSUM, said the team is aiming for a second-place conference finish this year, but Winona (Minn.) State University and the University of Minnesota-Duluth continue to be tough contenders.

"It's like any sport. It's a matter of how much we improve between now and then," Harris said. "I'm confident. We have great kids, and they're working hard. We'll be improved by tournament time."

The Dragons return five letter winners from last year: seniors Amy Fuoss, Annie Rollins and Jamie Lill, junior Tana Wagner and sophomore Genna Carlson. Freshmen Lisa Anderson and Karen Lin round out the roster.

"We've got some experience," Harris said. "The last two years we've been third in the conference. I expect to be there again this year."

The Dragons began the year with a 7-2 win over Bemidji (Minn.)

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Junior Tana Wagner prepares to serve during practice last week at Courts **Plus Fitness** Center in Fargo. Wagner won her first singles match of the season Feb. 9, helping the **Dragons defeat** Bemidji (Minn.) State University 7-2. TRACY BOSCHEE/ THE ADVOCATE

SOUTHWEST STATE 69,

There was talk of an NSIC regular-

season championship before last

weekend's road trip, but losses to

Southwest State and Wayne State

smashed any hopes of a title. Junior

forward Liz Klukas tallied 15 points

Dragons drop

games, finish

third in NSIC

two conference

By HAYDEN GOETHE

Staff Writer

The Dragons defied belief

with their recent 10-game

winning streak, but gravity has finally gotten a grip on

the MSUM women's basket-

The Dragons lost two

straight for the first time

since mid-December, drop-

ping Friday's contest with

Southwest State University,

Marshall, Minn., 69-66 in

overtime and losing 72-62 to

Wayne (Neb.) State College on

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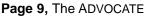
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Mustangs on Friday.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



MEN'S BASKETBALL - REGULAR SEASON FINALE

Dragons split weekend road trip

By DUSTIN MONKE

Staff Writer

Heading into the weekend, MSUM knew they were assured a playoff spot in the NSIC tournament.

They just didn't know which spot they would be in.

In their final weekend series, the Dragons traveled to Southwest State University, Marshall, Minn., on Friday and then to Wayne (Neb.) State College for their final game of the year Saturday.

MSUM split the series, falling to Southwest State 64-51 but surprising Wayne State 61-50.

The split gave the Dragons (17-9, 10-8 NSIC) a seventh-place finish in conference play, which means there will be no home playoff game in the opening round of the NSIC tournament.

The Dragons confidence is high, realizing that it's anybody's game in the playoffs.

"We can beat any team in the conference," sophomore forward Chris Anderson said.



MSUM 61, WAYNE STATE 50

Senior forward Marlon Samuel's 22-point, 11-rebound performance against the Wildcats on Saturday helped the Dragons topple Wayne State and salvage a 1-1 record in last weekend's road trip.

In their loss to the Mustangs on Friday. MSUM found itself playing catch-up after the first half.

Led by guards Jacob Fahl and Rory Larson, the Mustangs exploited the Dragons from 3-point territory, nailing multiple 3-pointers at the dismay of MSUM.

"[Fahl] was taking some really nice shots," MSUM head coach Stu Engen said.

Senior guard Jared Bledsoe led MSUM with 24 points, five steals and four boards, while senior forward Marlon Samuel was the only other Dragon in double figures with 13 points.

"We did a nice job defensively and struggled against their pressure defense,' Engen said.

Entering Saturday's contest against Wayne State (13-14, 11-7 NSIC), the Dragons were one of three teams tied for the coveted third-place spot in the NSIC.

The Dragons were just the team to reign on the Wildcat's home finale. It was senior night and Wayne State was

in high spirits prior to the game.

"They celebrated everything you could think of celebrating," Engen said. "Then they didn't show up to play."

Paced by Samuel's double-double performance of 22 points and 11 rebounds on 72 percent shooting from the floor, the Dragons were able to come up with a win in their last game of the regular season.

"It's nice to gain some momentum," Engen said. "It was a good tune up for the conference tournament."

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State, a 1-8 loss to Minnesota-Duluth and a 5-4 win over University of Minnesota, Morris.

Harris said the team will continue practicing and hosting matches at Courts Plus Fitness Center in Fargo until space opens in Nemzek. He said practices include reviewing fundamentals - such as different strokes and serves - as well as playing matches and doing drills.

"As a tennis facility, [Courts Plus] is terrific," Harris said. "[Practice] is late at night, but it's way better than a lot of schools. They treat us well here."

Harris said Lill, the No. 1 singles player, has been playing well with a strong serve this year. Rollins, who now plays No. 2, has been dealing with back and hand injuries, which will put her out for a few weeks.

"We're trying to overcome [that]," Harris said. "She's been an excellent player all four years with terrific angles on the court."

Harris said he typically seeks a team of eight members, but seven is working well.

"Anything more than that is hard," he said. "We play three doubles and hopefully the other teams will have an extra person, and we'll have an exhibition match."

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WRESTLING - MIDWEST REGIONALS

Steep expectations

Dragons take sixth place, qualify three for nationals

By JOE WHETHAM

Sports Editor

Team goals were set high and individuals were primed for a shot at the Division II national championships March 14-15 in



Kopiasz solidified his second straight trip to nationals at 184 pounds with a fourth-place finish in last Sunday's

But weighty expectations for the NSIC cham-Sunday's Midwest

points, qualifying seven individuals for nationals. NSIC rival Southwest

State University, Marshall, Minn., placed fifth with 86 points. MSUM, which defeated the Mustangs 31-12 on Jan. 29 en route to their seventh conference title, placed sixth with 84.

Junior Ryan Kopiasz qualified for the second consecutive year at 184, placing fourth. Senior Mitch Jackson earned a trip to nationals with a fourth-place finish at 141, and junior Desmond Radunz took third at 125.



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Senior Nate Hanson (left) drives through a teammate during practice. Hanson finished th at 165 pounds last Sur

Wheeling, W.Va.

Mustangs led by as much as 14 with 10 minutes remainrelentless Dragons

answered with a 15-2 run of their own, including two 3-pointers by sophomore Jackie Doerr and a long-distance basket from freshman Brietta Bowerman. Jackie Doerr sent the game into overtime with a jumper in the final few seconds, but the Dragons couldn't pull off the victory in overtime.

The Dragons committed 24 turnovers in the game, compared with just nine by the Mustangs.

On Saturday, Wayne State stifled the Dragons by putting multiple defenders on star senior forward Katie Doerr, leading to a number of turnovers.

"They doubled-down on

Junior Ryan Midwest Regionals.

pions were too much, as the Dragons finished below their pre-championship goal of a fourthplace finish in last Regional championship in Kirksville, Mo.

Central Oklahoma, last year's national champion, won its 14th consecutive team title with 178

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qualifying for nationals.

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wonderfully during the conference season. On the court, they're the best of teammates, and off the court, they're the best of friends.

"We have a good relationship on and off the court," Jackie said. "On the court, we work together and support each other. Off the court, we're just like friends."

"We get along great," Katie said. "We're like best friends."

Katie has enjoyed an outstanding four-year career at MSUM. She finishes her career as the second-leading rebounder in the program's history, as well as leading the conference in rebounding at better than 10 per outing.

"I feel very confident in my shot, in my defense, in my rebounding. I feel good," Katie said. "I have one final year and I want to do the most that I can with it ... because I'll never have this again.'

Jackie's career has been significant thus far, but it hasn't been without some ups and downs.

During a two-game stretch in early December, Jackie lost her starting spot to freshman Chelsea Hendricks. At the time, she had an assist-to-turnover ratio of 7-15, but Jackie took the situation in stride.

"When I didn't start those two games, I knew I wasn't playing well," Jackie said. "I couldn't feel bad."

She learned a great deal from the experience.

"I think I work harder



We get along great. We're like best friends.

Katie Doerr Senior forward

because of it," Jackie said. "It makes me realize that you can't take your spot for granted, because there's always people working just as hard as you."

Jackie regained her starting position following a couple of Dragon defeats and she's held a firm grip on it ever since.

Nelson said she respects Jackie's willingness to take the big shot late in games and doesn't question her control of those games.

"Jackie has more control over how Katie plays than Katie does," Nelson said.

Jackie's arrival at MSUM had a lot to do with her big sister playing here.

"She [Katie] had a big influence on my decision to play here," Jackie said. "I wanted to come back and play with her again."

"I thought it was wonderful," Katie said of Jackie choosing to be a Dragon.

Unfortunately, as the saying goes, all good things must come to an end.

The Dragons' home playoff game March 5 proved to be the final home game of Katie's storied career at MSUM. It's been

an enjoyable time for both, and Jackie notes that there will be something missing next year beyond Katie's 10 rebounds per game.

"It'll be different. We're always there to listen to each other after games," Jackie said. "I just won't really have that person I can talk to."

Katie is an accounting major, while Jackie is studying math in hopes of becoming a math teacher.

But there is still unfinished business on the court. Katie and Jackie still aim to push this team to an NSIC tournament championship following an outstanding regular season.

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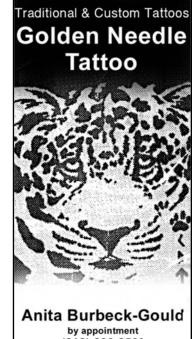
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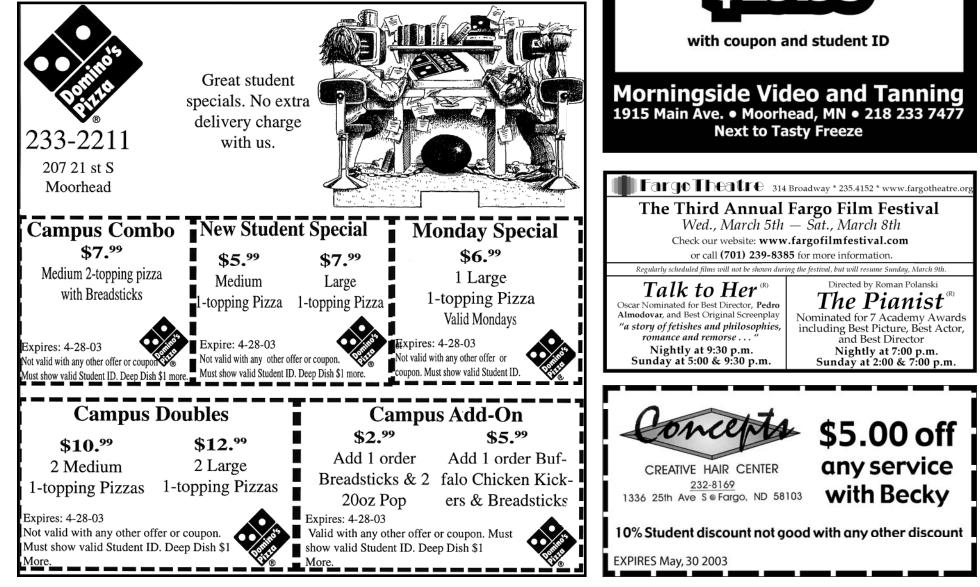
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The Hendrix experience

Ralph Lemar (left) and Don Hersrud prepare to paint the interior of the transition building to house Hendrix Health Center. Physical plant manager Todd Stugelmayer said cold weather contributed to the delay of finishing the building. Hendrix staff are slated to move in March 28.

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Katie a lot," sophomore guard Lindsay Hartmann said.

The perimeter had little answer for the Dragons, outside of sophomore Dana Weibel's 15-point performance.

Wayne State grabbed an early lead against the Dragons, but MSUM crawled back once again.

Weibel's layup tied the game at 50-50 with just over nine minutes remaining, but the Dragons suffered over the last two minutes, shooting 0-for-5 from the floor as the Wildcats came away with a 10-point win against the Dragons.

MSUM finished with 18 turnovers, while Wayne State had 10 turnovers.

Despite all the double-teams, senior forward Katie Doerr paced MSUM with 21 points and eight rebounds in the final regular season game of her career.

TRACK AND FIELD, from 8

Junior Phil Berg eclipsed 50 feet in the weight, placing third with a toss of 50-6 3/4. Senior Keith Knoke won long jump (22-3 3/4) and 55 hurdles (7.94) en route to a first-place finish in the pentathlon.

Freshman Nick Kobi placed fourth in the triple jump with a mark of 45-4 1/4 and freshman Eric Braunshausen earned eight team points in the pole vault, placing second with a height of 14-6.

Freshman James Alishouse took second in the 55 hudles, crossing the line in 8.05 seconds.

Junior Mike Freese, who Barnier describes as a hard-working teamfavorite, qualified for finals in the 400 with a time of 52.43. He eventually placed sixth in the finals,



You have to play like it's your last game.

> Dana Weibel Sophomore guard

The Dragons finished the season with a 13-5 conference mark, good for third in the NSIC. Despite losing two straight, playoff expectations are still high.

"It's not going to be easy, because on any given night, somebody can come out there and beat you," Weibel said. "You have to play like it's your last game."

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earning the Dragons three team points.

Barnier, in his first year at MSUM, was named NSIC women's coach of the year.

In all, Barnier helped produce five NSIC individual champions and four national qualifiers, which include Salter, Nulle, junior DaLee Wilkinson (pole vault) and junior Belinda Eastlack (weight throw).

"This is the way I hoped it worked out," Barnier said. "I've got great assistants.

"I'm the frontman, but I get credit for their work. They're very good at what they do, and they make me look good."

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