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# The ADVOCATE

An award-winning newspaper published weekly for the Minnesota State University Moorhead community

## Alcohol course switched on

### Students start required online course, first of kind in state

By **BEN SAILER**  
Staff Writer

Starting this year, all incoming freshmen are required to take a course about alcohol safety.

The one-credit course, called HLTH 122: Alcohol and College Life, was developed by professor Jim Rothenberger and student Tayne DeNeui at the University of Minnesota. The class aims to educate new

students about the effects of alcohol abuse.

To take the class, students must have a university e-mail address and register online. More than 2,000 students have already taken the course since it was adopted on campuses in Crookston, Duluth and the Twin Cities.

While MSUM is not the first school in Minnesota to use the alcohol course, it is the first to make students take it.

According to the MSUM Alcohol and Other Drugs Web site, [www.mnstate.edu/aod](http://www.mnstate.edu/aod), Rothenberger said, "Overall, MSUM students are doing better now, at one week into the course, than the University of Minnesota has done at the two-week point."

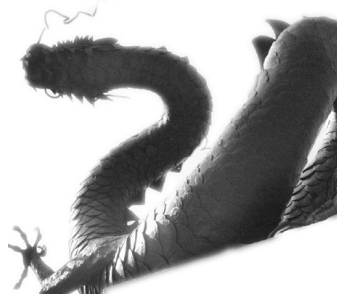
According to Sept. 1 data, some 1,030 of 1,093 freshmen have accessed the course that allows them to get its information in varied ways, includ-

ing downloading it to an MP3 player.

Alcohol-related cases account for 1,400 student deaths annually. With alcohol being as problematic as it is at many schools, including MSUM, the potential benefits of such a course are apparent.

Many freshmen, however, are upset they must pay to take it.

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### The mighty dragon

Statue on the mall serves as a source of pride for students and administrators

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## Parade of minds

### Honors Program takes new face with Hamrick

By **CHRIS FLYNN**  
Staff Writer

Students enrolled at MSUM who meet certain GPA requirements are invited into the Honors Program after completing their freshman year.

There are just less than 200 students currently enrolled. The standard requirement is earning a 3.5 GPA or higher.

"That's in the process of changing," said Stephen Hamrick, the new director of the Honors Program. Students who enroll in the program traditionally start in their sophomore year.

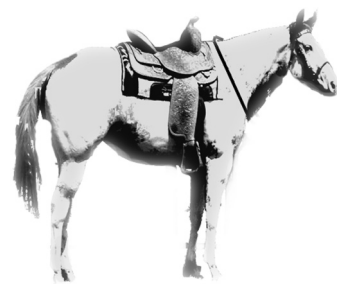
One of the changes being made is inviting freshmen when they apply to MSUM.

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English professor Stephen Hamrick emphasizes the changes being made to the Honors Program. Hamrick is the new director of the curriculum, which will begin inviting freshmen.



### Saddle up

Parking office decision to get strict on bike racks a good decision

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## Parking office halts bikes on poles, trees

By **CANDACE THORNBERG**  
Staff Writer

Because of an increase in the number of bicycles on campus, the MSUM parking office is issuing warnings to ensure students park their bicycles in designated racks instead of around trees or poles.

The warnings say bicycles and scooters chained to objects other than racks will be impounded by the Moorhead Police Department.

Campus Security officer Mitchell Osland, who spends half of his time on parking issues, said this is not a new rule, and it is in the parking regulations handbook.

MSUM sophomore Chris Huber said if the parking office enforces the rule, they need to

get more bicycle racks. Huber rides his bicycle to campus most days to save gas money.

"It's a big hassle when you're trying to get to class on time and have adequate time to find a spot," Huber said. "If there's not enough space, I'll just tie it to a sign or pole or whatever I can find."

Parking coordinator Cindy Sogn is working with Osland, grounds supervisor Gordon Bergman and Safety and Health Officer Alan Breuer to try to get more bicycle racks. They want at least 11 more for the campus.

That could cost the university up to \$30,000 to pay for the racks themselves as well as installation for permanent structures.

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## Biking trend calls for more manners

By **KELSEY BECKSTROM**  
Staff Writer

With the cost of maintaining and fueling up a car eating away overage checks, MSUM students are now ditching their four-wheeled friend for something more economical: their bicycle.

According to MSUM's director of environmental health and safety, Alan Breuer, he's never seen so many bike riders in the last 26 years.

"I couldn't believe how many bikes I saw the other day chained to signs and light posts," Breuer said.

With all those bike riders congesting campus sidewalks and streets comes problems.

"I think the biggest problem is bike etiquette; it's

not observed," said Ferman Woodberry, MSUM's security director.

According to Woodberry, there's a courteous aspect to bike riding and a lot of students don't do that.

"I walk to campus every day and there are a lot of uncourteous bike riders," Breuer said.

Woodberry and Breuer both agree the most courteous thing a biker can do is alert pedestrians they are coming up behind them on the sidewalk.

"When a biker is on the sidewalk, the pedestrian has the right of way," Woodberry said.

"A biker needs to act like a pedestrian if they're on the sidewalk and act like a motorist if they're on the road."

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## Small Business Resource Fair held

MSUM will host a regional Small Business Resource Fair on Oct. 16 (no classes that day) in the Center for Business. If you're thinking of starting a business or have already done so, this is the event for you.

Visit small business resource booths and attend various workshops during the day.

For additional information on event and registration information, please contact Jackie Seifert, program coordinator, at seifertj@mnstate.edu.

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"How do you spell 'Nemzek'?"

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## Eurospring still has openings

International programs still has openings for students interested in participating on the Eurospring program this spring, a 12-credit humanities program open to sophomores and above with a minimum GPA of 2.25 in any discipline.

Eurospring offers the opportunity to study and live for five weeks in Oxford and tour the European continent, visiting cities such as Paris, Avignon, Rome, Florence, Venice, Rothenburg and Amsterdam.

Jill Frederick, English professor, will direct the program, which will focus on the medieval period.

For further information, contact International Programs, Frick 151, (218) 477-2956 or e-mail stdyabrd@mnstate.edu.

## Writing workshop to be held Sept. 26

Writing is a reality of graduate student life. Taking it seriously and building both the skills and the confidence necessary for success in graduate school and later makes sense.

A Graduate Student Writing Workshop (GSWW) will be held Sept. 26 in CMU 216. It will provide an opportunity to work on your writing with a small group of peers.

Your incentive to be part of the workshop might be a desire to improve your writing, but there are other reasons to consider participation.

For example, it hooks you up with a network of other people who are studying many of the same things you are. You learn from them and they learn from you.

It introduces you to many interesting people. You wouldn't be in a graduate program if you weren't interested in education and other human issues. Participants in the workshop will likely share your interests.

When you're looking at other people's writing, it's easier to see what works and what could be improved. Over time, you can learn to transfer that ability to your own work.

## SPJ meets today in Robinson room

There will be a Society of Professional Journalists meeting today (Thursday) at 4:00 p.m. in the Robinson room (MacLean 267). This meeting is open to anyone interested in joining the group.

## Career Services offers workshop

Career Services will be offering a graduate school workshop at 4 p.m. on Sept. 26 in CMU 208.

If you know any students who would benefit from this experience, please encourage them to attend.

## Student senate welcomes students

If you have problems or concerns about things on campus, come voice your opinions to the student senate.

You can stop by the office in CMU 116B any time during the week. You can also attend meetings Thursday nights at 5 p.m. in CMU 205.

## 'Medieval' lecture to be delivered today

Oxford University's Allan Chapman will deliver a public lecture titled "What Medieval Doctors Really Did" at 7:30 p.m. today in Science Lab 104 (not 108 as previously indicated).

Chapman will also speak to students interested in the Eurospring study abroad program. These locations and times have not been set yet.

## 'Lewis and Clark' the theme of show

The MSUM Planetarium presents "Navigating with Lewis and Clark" at 2 p.m. Sundays and 7 p.m. Mondays through Nov. 13.

Almost 200 years ago the Lewis and Clark expedition passed through North Dakota on its way to the Pacific Ocean.

The show traces their journey using maps, photographs and the night sky. General admission is \$3; children 12 and under, senior citizens and Tri-College students are \$1.50. The Planetarium is on the MSUM campus in Bridges 167. Please use the south entrance.

## Fundraising workshop coming

A special professional development workshop on fundraising and capital campaign will be held Oct. 16 through Oct. 20 in Fargo.

Tagged "The Changing Landscape for Fundraising and Capital Campaigns," this workshop is designed to teach participants how to attract more funding for their organizations and groups.

The MSUM Alumni Foundation is engaged in a silent but strategic effort to identify and cultivate as many of our alumni as possible, in anticipation that a Dragon capital campaign is inevitable in the future.

Participants will learn new ways to look at fundraising and capital campaigns; explore strategies for segmenting, cultivating and soliciting major gifts; develop tools for exercising adaptive leadership; and gain knowledge of new demographic, technological and diagnostic trends.

For more information and to register, visit [www.ndsu.edu/fundraising](http://www.ndsu.edu/fundraising) or contact Deanna Sellnow, professor of communication, at (218) 231-8221.



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The Burning of the 'M' drew a large crowd, despite chilly weather. For more Homecoming photos, see next week's edition.

## Women's lacrosse recruiting students

Want to learn a new sport? No experience needed! Join the women's lacrosse team!

Practices are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the intramural fields.

Contact ladydragonlacrosse@hotmail.com or visit [www.mnstate.edu/wlacrosse](http://www.mnstate.edu/wlacrosse) for further information.

## Students donate to Rape & Abuse Crisis Center

As you celebrate Homecoming, we encourage you to participate in the 10th Annual MSUM Clean Start Project.

The Rape and Abuse Crisis Center of Fargo/Moorhead is a source of continuing support for victims of violence.

They keep an inventory of emergency care items such as soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc., for people in crisis situations.

Each year during Homecoming, individuals, departments and student organizations are asked to donate items to assist the Center. Look for the drop off boxes in your departments, offices, and residence halls.

The ideal emergency packet contains travel-size items including: a washcloth, toothpaste, shampoo, toothbrush, conditioner, hairbrush, deodorant, facial tissues, nail clipper, comb, disposable razor, soap and feminine hygiene products.

For the safety and pride of the individuals in need, unused/unopened items only please. Call (218) 477-2146 with any questions.

## Flu shots given Nov. 30

When you have the flu, your life is put on hold for several days. Protect yourself and others by getting a flu shot this year.

Flu shots will be available from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 30 in CMU 216.

Flu shots will be free to all state employees who present their State of Minnesota Advantage Health Insurance ID card. Please bring your ID card with you to the clinic.

If you are not a state employee, the cost is \$20.00. You can also receive a vaccination at your primary care clinic.

Call Deb Lewis, Human Resources, at (218) 477-2158 if you have questions.

## Dragon Hall of Fame inducts new members

The Dragon Hall of Fame will induct six new members at 6 p.m. on Oct. 8 at the Heritage Hjemkomst Interpretive Center. To make reservations, call (218) 477-2622.

## Alumni awards banquet held

An alumni awards banquet will be held at 6 p.m. Sept. 22 at the Heritage Hjemkomst Interpretive Center.

## Teacher gender study raises questions

By **ANDY SOUCEK**  
Staff Writer

An Aug. 28 USA Today article saying students learn more from teachers of the same sex has raised questions at MSUM.

While the study the article focused on was taken from data on 25,000 eighth graders, it still leaves unanswered questions to whether this can affect students of all ages, including college students.

Some factors of the study have created skepticism because the survey was conducted in 1988, and some wonder how well these factors

can be analyzed.

Psychology professor Peg Racek is among the skeptical. "It's hard for me to buy that," she said. "How can you put kids in a setting and control these factors?"

She said that it's not about gender, but "it's what makes a good teacher."

While in grade school, Racek said, boys are treated differently by teachers of both sexes.

"Boys get more feedback, they're called on more, where a girl might not even be noticed."

But for college students, she said there are "many greater

issues than the gender," and people shouldn't be concerned about the results of this study.

Other professors said that some aspects of this study in the article may have some merit.

Randy Cagle, philosophy professor, said there is "surprised skepticism that I'm a male teaching Feminist Theory."

The philosophy department is "dominated by males," he said, and "there seems to be a greater distance between myself and the female students as opposed to the male students."

Students on campus also

expressed their opinion.

"Now that I think about it, the teachers I've enjoyed most and gotten the most out of have been male," Brian Pickle, senior, said.

Other students, though, feel different.

"I think I learn better from female teachers," Derrick Paulson, senior, said. "There's a comfort level because most of my teachers in elementary school were female teachers."

Senior Amanda LeGare said she doesn't feel she performs any better if it's a male or female teacher. "It depends more on the personality, my participation and interest."

She said she thinks "college students are able to relate easy to either/or."

Thomas Dee, an associate professor of economics at Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania, conducted the study. He collected test scores and self-reported perception data from students and teachers

Among Dee's conclusions were that in science, social studies and English, having a woman teacher instead of a male raised the achievement of girls by 4 percent and lowered boys by the same amount.

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### RACKS, FROM FRONT

One rack has been ordered and is being delivered. It will go in front of the south end of the Science Lab. It can hold about 13 bicycles. No other racks have been ordered.

"It's just a matter of finding where we're going to get the money from," Bergman said.

Sogn said: "We never expected this explosion, but we love it. It's a nice problem to have."

She says she knows there is not always enough bicycle parking, so they will not likely be impounded unless they become a major problem.

Breuer is concerned about bicycles parked on railings near exits. "That's a safety violation, a fire code violation," he said. "That's why we can't really allow that to occur."

Bergman said he worries about the bicycles in winter when the grounds crew is plowing snow. "We may clip them," he said.

His advice: "Just use common sense. Don't chain it up to a doorway. Someone else has got to walk in behind you or around you."

Student senator Justin Dornbusch said it would be terrible if bicycles were impounded.

That is why he said student senate will be keeping track of this topic.

"Anything that encourages students to use bicycles instead is a minor investment and good for the campus as a whole," Dornbusch said.

But he wonders if this will be enough. "I wouldn't be surprised if next year the number of bikes goes up again."

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The parking office is restricting students from parking their bikes around poles or trees at a time when more students are riding their bikes.

### ETIQUETTE, FROM FRONT

According to Woodberry, Breuer and the parking office have received a lot of complaints about student bike riders.

"People who ride bikes need to know the proper way to ride a bike," Woodberry said.

Although campus doesn't have any bicycle safety courses or pamphlets, Woodberry said that will probably soon change.

"I think the first step is raising people's awareness of the problem," Woodberry said.

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### COURSE, FROM FRONT

"I think it's pointless because we have to pay money to take a class, and I could be spending my money on a class I really wanted to take, and I don't party," said freshman Danielle Heschke. "On the other hand, it's good because I know that there are a lot of people who are drinking and it is best that they stay safe when they are drinking."

Susanne Williams, assistant to MSUM President Roland Barden, said she was instrumental in bringing the course to MSUM.

"I think that this class provides our university the opportunity to provide a clear and consistent message to all of our students," Williams said.

Freshman Nathan Henning said, "The program itself, although with great intentions, is put up to be basically more or less an education process for people who probably have already been educated on what alcohol is and what it does to people."

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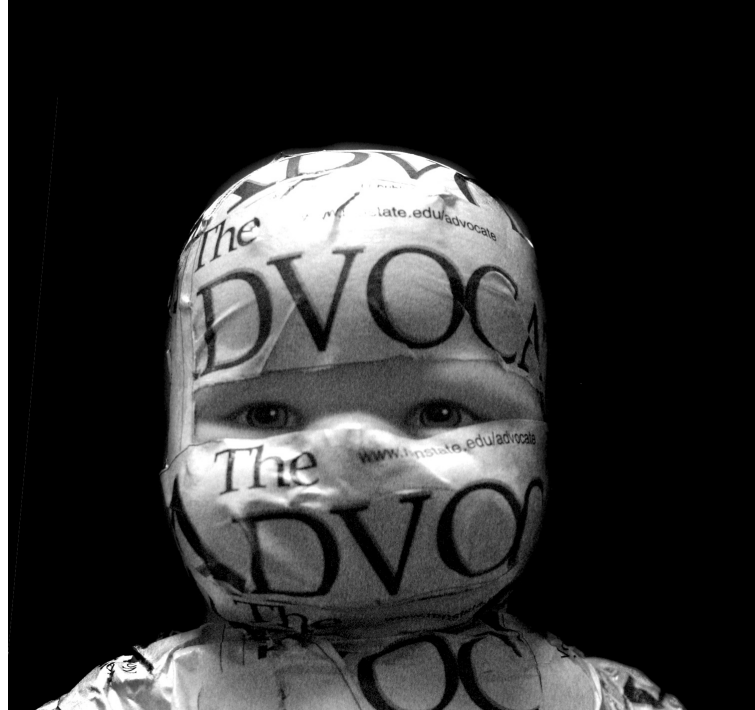
## Barden's Sombbrero

(The Advocate coloring contest)

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The Advocate has its own coloring contest for willing applicants. Simply color the picture of a singing MSUM President Roland Barden wearing a sombrero and turn it into CMU 110, The Advocate office, by 5 p.m. Oct. 2. The winner will be announced in the Oct. 5 Advocate and get some respect from The Advocate editorial staff.

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8-10pm \$2 16oz. draws  
SAT: Free Cover w/ Dragon ID  
6-8:30pm \$7 buckets of beer (4 bottle)  
\$9 buckets of beer (5 bottle)



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## Dragon is most definitely hot Statue's flames are longstanding homecoming tradition



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The dragon statue has been a symbol of Dragon Spirit since it arrived in the fall of 1989. Left: Children from the university day care get pushed past the dragon.

By JESSICA GIBSON  
Staff Writer

Each year during MSUM's Homecoming week, flames of fire being blown in an array of color can be seen on the campus.

For years, the bronze dragon sculpture placed between Livingston Lord Library and Ballard has been a symbol of Dragon pride.

Standing 20 feet tall and weighing more than two tons, the dragon was first placed on MSUM soil in September of 1989.

Franklin and Rita Lee donated

the dragon statue to MSUM shortly before closing their Bloomington, Minn., restaurant, Mandarin Yen. Soon after, the restaurant was replaced by an office complex.

The bronze-colored statue is attached to jets and a gas line that enables the dragon to breathe out spouts of fire. Its creator, Minneapolis artist Dan Danielson, crafted the dragon to make the Lees' restaurant more attractive to customers.

Students have conflicting feelings about the dragon. Some believe the dragon is not such a good idea. They

think it endangers the safety of students who surround it during special ceremonies.

Sophomore Nikki Willholt agrees with this statement.

"The dragon is a fire hazard. The reason is because of all the trees around."

Many freshmen believe the dragon is symbolic of the university and what it stands for.

Freshman Quintin Dimerson said, "The dragon shows great imagery, strength and representation of who and what this school is.

"It represents the drive and dedication the students at MSUM exuberate," Dimerson

said.

Many students who have seen the dragon spit colorful flames said they believe it is a beautiful view.

"It shoots fire and it's quite entertaining. The colors are extremely spectacular," said Elizabeth Heideman, junior.

Executive Director of University Advancement Doug Hamilton believes the dragon is an excellent representation of MSUM and what it stands for.

"I do believe the dragon is recognized for its symbol," Hamilton said.

"We get requests from all

over the world to use our dragon," Hamilton said. "A school in Malaysia used the dragon on their t-shirts."

From its shiny, bronze scales to its colored breath, the statue is an MSUM tradition.

Hamilton said the statue will remain a symbol of Dragon pride for the foreseeable future.

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## Q & A: MSUM community reexamines terrorism

By RYAN JACOBS  
Staff Writer

MSUM professors and a student recently weighed in with thoughts on terrorism in a post-9/11 world.

In an e-mail interview, professor AbdelFatah M. Bashir was asked a series of questions about terrorism.

Bashir, originally from Sudan, was asked:

Q: "Do you think that racial profiling will work to stop terrorists' attacks in the United States and abroad?"

A: "Not really," he said. "Most of the time the actual terrorists study the system and find ways around it. The actual victims of profiling are innocent ones."

Sara Engelmeyer, a freshman at MSUM, has this to say about racial profiling working to stop terrorists' attacks: "It really doesn't matter because anyone could be a terrorist."

Q: "Do you think that it is

injust for people to ridicule American citizens that have ancestral ties to the Middle East?"

A: Engelmeyer said: "We (society as a whole) shouldn't judge about where they (Muslim decedents) are from. You should get to know them first."

A: Bashir said, "Most, if not all of us (Muslims), are law-abiding taxpaying citizens, having the same worries and fears as everyone. We have extra fear for ourselves and families due to what is going on."

Q: "(Not knowing) your religious preference, do you approve of radical terrorists always reverting back to Islam, saying that Allah made me do it?"

A: "Definitely NO! I believe these are misguided in their understanding of the religion. Unfortunately, they are like a cult rejecting all other views, hence, the difficulty is com-

pounded," Bashir said.

Engelmeyer said: "We should be able to make our own choices."

To get a criminal/sociological view of what it takes to be a terrorist, Michael Doyle, professor, was asked:

Q: "Is there a sociological explanation for people becoming terrorists?"

A: "Yes!" Doyle said. "It is tied to intergroup conflict. If you perceive that your group has been left out, harmed and believe you have no other recourse, a person may turn to terrorism.

"For example, one study of 35 Palestinian terrorists by Israeli authorities found that the terrorists were well educated, came from intact, middle class families, and turned to terrorism in support of the Palestinian cause.

"The key point is that they become terrorists because, as the weaker group, they believed there was no other

way to address the inequality and disadvantage confronting Palestinians."

Q: "Do you think that racial profiling is appropriate or legal as a response to the terrorist threat?"

A: "This issue is not just legal, but also a moral/ethical problem," Doyle said.

"Does the end justify the means? From my perspective, there is no clear 'yes' or 'no' answer.

"Looking closely at some young men from some Islamic countries makes sense. They were the 9/11 perpetrators.

"On the other hand there are 1.2 billion Muslims in the world. The overwhelming majority are opposed to terrorism.

"Should their religious preference or physical appearance subject them to special scrutiny?"

Q: "Does a criminologist use the term 'terrorists' in their studies or cases?"

A: "Yes!" Doyle said. "However, it is confusing on occasion.

"For example, terrorists commit acts that are considered criminal offenses by most nations. But, the motive is important to distinguish ordinary criminals from terrorists."

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### Biking policy crackdown has drawbacks, but ultimately good

It takes a courageous soul to tread through Minnesota weather—especially on a bike.

Whether the combined profanities of college spending are finally making an impact on students' travel habits, due to the gas prices or the car tune-ups, or students are just becoming more environmentally savvy, bike riding is a good thing. It's good exercise, and hey, it's fun.

The parking office is making a move to stop students from tying their bikes to trees and poles. Student bikers may not like this, but if bikes are getting in people's way when they're tied to a CMU pillar, it is more than just a bureaucratic policy dictating the crackdown.

The frustrating downside is that bikers will have less space to tie their bikes to racks, and some bikers—or so it goes—might lock their bikes to other bikers' bikes to account for the lack of space.

What is good is the parking office says it will try to get more bike racks. This could rack up to \$30,000 for an aimed-for 11 more racks, money that will come from—where else—but the pockets of the students who are trying not to spend money on gas. In the long run, though, the bike rack policy is necessary and smart.

Although it hasn't been exactly noticeable, no one wants bikes stifling the look appeal of campus when they're tied to trees on the mall. We have enough equally dark-colored brick buildings doing that.

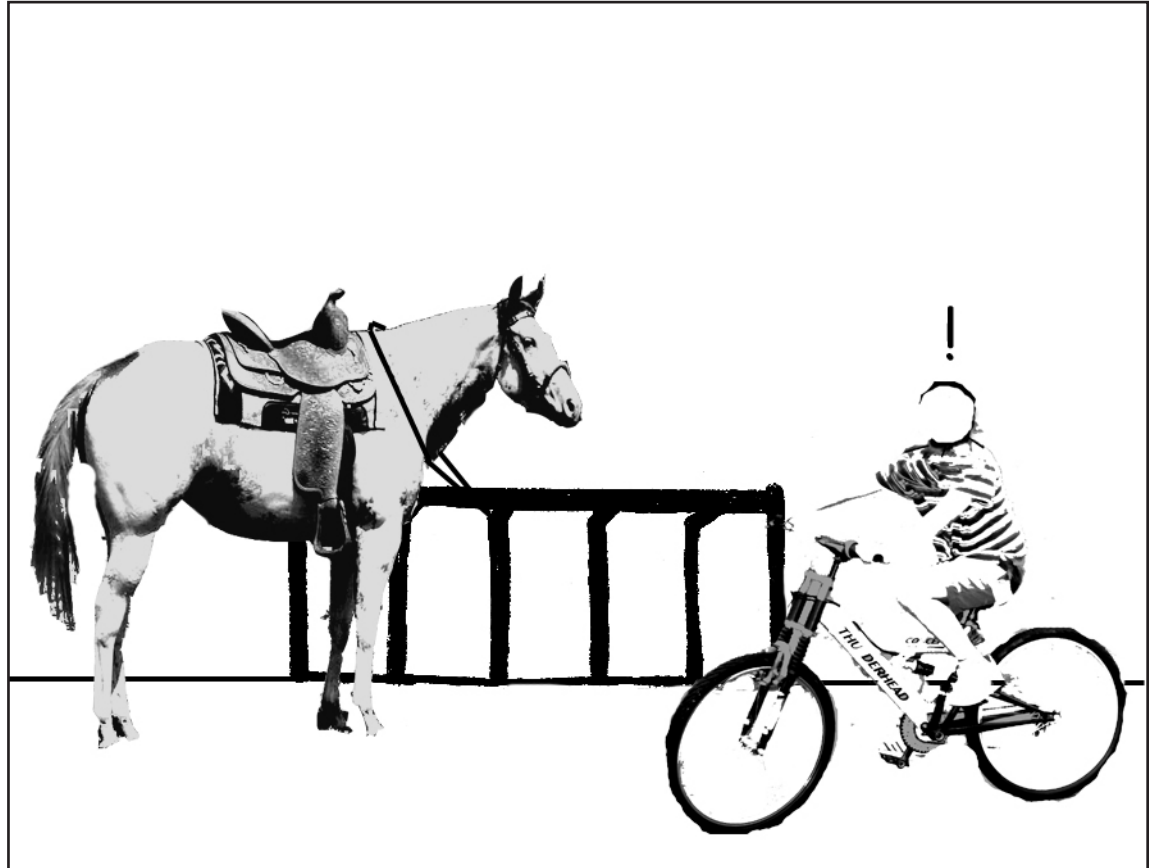
Sadly, there really isn't much of an environmental push on this campus. Sustainable Campus Initiative does its part to encourage recycling, and as good as that is, we could be doing so much more if we truly wanted to show we cared about the environment.

Students riding bikes is a trend that may be—just maybe—a sign that students are becoming more environmentally conscious. Or they want to save money. Heck, it could be both.

Students who drive cars, by the circumstance of living across the river or too far away from campus in Moorhead, do not have the chance to make an effort for the environment like students who live close enough do.

So, we can only thank the students who do brave the nippy weather to ride their bikes to school, and we encourage more students who live close enough to campus to do the same.

Keep it up, bikers. Don't let policy changes slow you down.



### Living-dead are among us

I was looking up the definition of dead the other day (it was in relevance to a paper for class. No, I do NOT just randomly search the Internet for depressing topics).

On askjeeves.com, they provide the definition of dead (used as an adjective) as: having lost life, no longer alive. I didn't think much of it and went on with my annoying writer's block, unable to finish my paper ... which as of Tuesday night, was still nowhere near completion.

Continuing with my busy schedule, the next day I went to work, then work part two, and finally work strikes again before, you guessed it, work one last time.

This may sound ridiculous to you, but apartment managers have funny ways of wanting a check every first of the month and utility companies have a policy of no money, no electricity. So I work ... times four.

I did an uncharacteristic thing on Sunday, however, and accepted an invitation to church from someone I knew of but never had the pleasure of getting to know.

Just for reference, religious activities are usually not recommended for such situations.

I had a good time, but the topic of life and death came up continuously. Again, I thought nothing of it, but as I laid in bed over-exhausted,



**Robyn Rohde**  
*Sports Editor*

I was unable to relax and fall asleep.

As I tossed and turned, what askjeeves.com said popped back into my head. Dead: having lost life; no longer alive. Alive?

Work, school, work, homework, five-minute power nap, work, back to homework, and, well, work. Alive?

I have an apartment with a bed I have not seen in several days (I really hope no one has stolen it because that would not be cool), a car with a crack in the windshield from the first heat wave last spring, an Xbox with a 2003 franchise football team waiting to finish their ungodly long season, a bookshelf full of books and movies I plan to read and watch, on the illustrious "someday." Alive?

To make matters worse, with the exception of last Sunday and my faith formation buddy, I have literally not been in a social interaction that didn't involve a plastered smile on my face or strictly business formalities in months. Alive?

Maybe not. Really, how many college students (or people in general) spend all their "life" working, or the infinite possibilities of events that are part of life but

not the meat of the sandwich? If I were to wager a guess, it would be ... a lot.

So, instead of being reality's version of the walking dead, I here vow to have a life and not just an existence.

I applaud all those who join me in my endeavor but understand those who cannot jump off the assembly line of automatons.

I realize saying this will not make it sure to happen, but several things remain on my mind from the same spiritual chum as I have previously mentioned.

Number one: "I decided freshman year that I wanted to enjoy college and have loans."

Number two: "Why didn't you make it (a friendship) into a relationship?"

Most importantly, number three: "It's all about relationships."

So, look out world: the serious, standoffish, short-tempered, out-spoken person writing this column is no longer the definition of dead ... We'll just say in a coma.

Has your football team finished their season?  
E-mail Rohde at rohdero@mnstate.edu.

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## Copyeditor strives to use different lifeview

"People living in the nineties are on average four and a half times richer than their great grandparents were at the turn of the century, but they are not four and a half times happier."—Alan Thein Durnin.

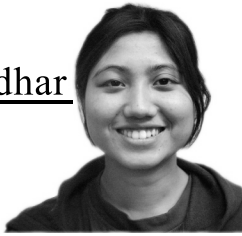
I've noticed that everyone around me seems to be in a complete rush! They have enough "time" to devote for their work, but have no "time" to set aside even a minute for themselves.

Ironically, I belong to the same group! I hate the fact that I always end up doing my assignments at the 11th hour.

Once that's done, I'm occupied with my project works. And once that's still left undone, all I'm left with is exhaustion.

I then throw myself in bed and sleep, as if there was no tomorrow. The next morning—get up, rush to school,

**Shailiza Manandhar**  
Copyeditor



head down to work, come back home ... and again, the same old routine begins, like a stubborn, vicious cycle, reluctant to stop.

Over the past few years, our lives as a whole might not have changed, but the way we live life has certainly altered

Sometimes I wish I had some time to take a deep breath, take a walk in the garden, smell the flowers, and identify their names through their fragrance—but I've been in such a big hurry to live my life that I opted to learn their names by mugging them up.

At times, I don't even recall half the species of flowers planted in my garden.

There are times I wish, I could cook food for myself ... some homemade delicacies ... but due to lack of time, I usually have to opt for frozen food. It's such a pity, but what can I say?

I just happen to be one of those victims, caught up in the conundrum that is the 21st century.

Perhaps the situation is not that bad yet, but who said that day is not far away?

I don't blame the world, but I believe I am the culprit.

I bothered myself to be influenced by the popular theory, that measures success by the amount of "time" we consume, leaving us with the realization that it might not really lead to greater fulfillment.

At the same time it could simply be a difference in perception in how we define the word "complicated" and how

we manage to unravel that kind of life, be it via the economical or spiritual quest.

It's up to the individual, I believe.

And to be honest, who really cares anyway. Let people live their life the way they want to live.

But whatever is the case, perhaps there should be some form of principle to live a better and more organized life. Come to think of it, I could just sit at the this side of the paper and keep commenting on every other things that I come across or something that bothers me.

As for my general view, all I am seeing is our lives turning into more obscure forms.

And I believe I am one of those fools falling into the whirlpool of that obscurity complex.

Who am I and where am I headed?

Now, those are two big

puzzles that urgently need to be solved! All I wanted was a simple life where I could spend more time attending to my own life, but slowly (this "life of mine") seems to be transforming into the most complex thing.

But regardless of whatever is happening, I know it's never too late to take an introspective journey and figure out how to solve those puzzles.

And I hope soon I will learn to live more patiently but not hurriedly.

Do you know who you are?  
E-mail Manandhar  
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## Home Line helps students, checks landlords

Many MSUM students chose to forgo the dormitory experience in favor of off-campus apartments.

Off-campus housing can provide students the freedom and independence that is unavailable with the dormitory life. However, it also forces students to interact with an assortment of tenant rights and responsibilities that many students are unfamiliar with. Fortunately, students living in Minnesota can find a helping hand.

I have lived in three different apartment buildings in Moorhead. Most of the landlords and building managers I have interacted with have been honest and ethical peo-

**Edward T.J. Brown**  
Columnist



ple.

However, one of the major reasons I moved into a different apartment building this past summer was that people running the apartment I was living in were not acting like professionals.

This is an apartment where, through no fault of my own, major things in the apartment would break, and they were not getting fixed in a timely manner. Again, most Fargo-

Moorhead landlords and buildings managers are ethical people who follow the law. However, what are you supposed to do when you find yourself in an apartment build-

ing where important things are constantly breaking and not getting fixed?

In searching for free legal advice, I found a non-profit organization that serves all Minnesota tenants called Home Line.

Home Line provides free legal advice to all Minnesota tenants, even poor college students. What if you are the victim of illegal housing discrim-

ination? What if, through no fault of your own, the sewage or wiring in your apartment breaks and your landlord is refusing to fix it? How do you avoid being evicted from your apartment?

These are just some of the questions that Home Line can provide answers to, so that you know what your legal rights are and how to defend them.

You can ask your questions to Home Line by calling their toll free-number at (866) 866-3546 or visit them online at [www.homelinemn.org](http://www.homelinemn.org).

They are lawyers and law students that can answer your questions and tell you what your legal options to defend

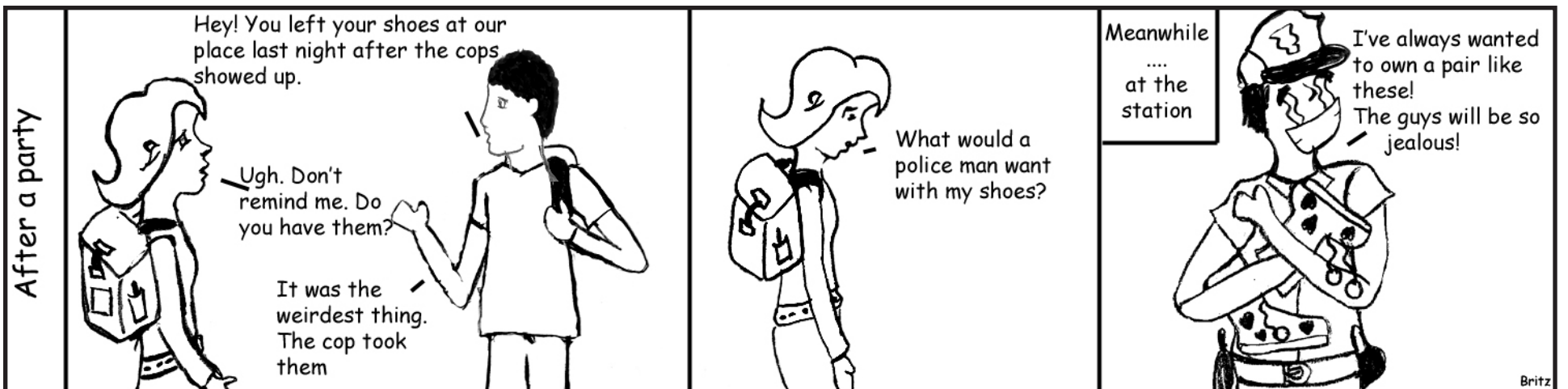
your rights.

Don't let some corrupt landlord take advantage of you because you are a poor college student.

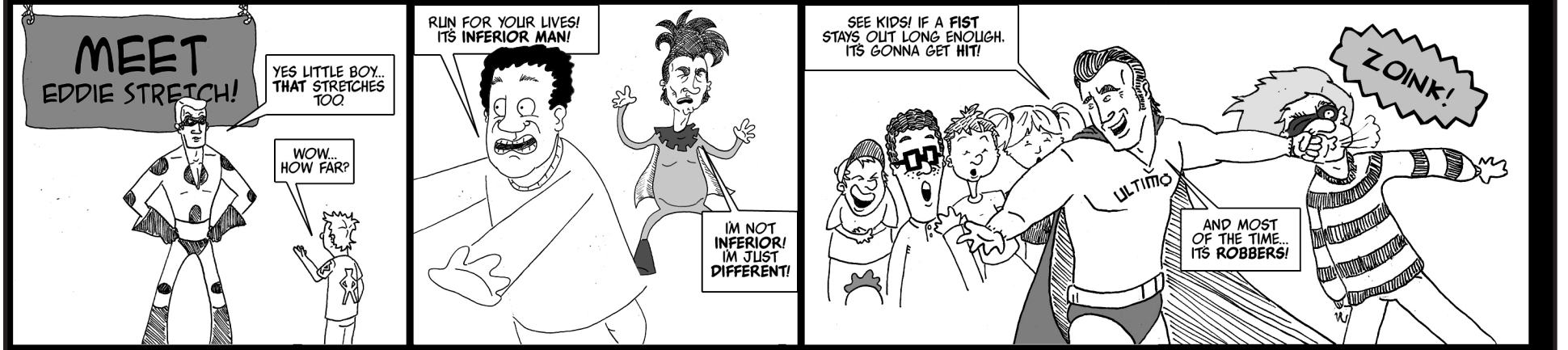
Don't be afraid to make a free phone call and tell people what your specific situation is.

Know what your legal rights and responsibilities are.

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### ADVENTURES IN... SUPERHEROICS BY JOHN BERDAHL





## Fly away, catch the 'Spirit'

Native American culture, dance featured in 'Dancing with Spirit'

By **DUSTIN MOHAGEN**  
Staff Writer

The fall semester is in full swing and students are beginning to be weighed down by their responsibilities. This, alone, is reason to treat yourself to "Dancing with Spirit," the opening production of the Cheryl Nelson Lossett Performing Arts Series.

Trade your backpack for a pair of wings at 7:30 p.m. today (Thursday) in Hansen Theatre.

Native Pride Productions, along with MSUM faculty and students, intend to help audiences transcend the mundane through live action music, dance and storytelling.

"Dancing with Spirit" will feature World Champion Fancy Dancer Larry Yazzie. Yazzie began dancing when he was seven years old and has since shared his talents with audiences around the world. Some highlights include the 1996 Atlanta Summer Olympics and the major motion picture "Grey Owl," which starred Pierce Brosnan.

At MSUM, he will be sup-

ported by longtime dance partner and friend, Erik Gooding.

Gooding wrote "Dancing with Spirit" and will be performing as a dancer and flute player. Gooding said his "summer field school class will also participate during the 'Friendship Dance,' which most of them learned during the field school among the Meskwaki Indians of Iowa."

The production will also mark the first time Gooding and MSUM theatre director Craig Ellingson have worked together.

Ellingson teaches acting, directing, musical theatre and dance and movement. He is also the director of the performing arts series.

His Stage I dance class will have the privilege of participating in a "master class," taught by Yazzie a day before the performance. Students will learn a specific dance that will then be performed with Yazzie on stage the following night. According to Ellingson, this is a unique opportunity.

Senior Wendy Sandmann is looking forward to the experience. "It'll be fun and different

to learn some Native American dances. It's something I've never had the chance to do."

Other members of the MSUM community that will be involved include adjunct music professor Darrin Karnes and student Jeremy Planteen.

Gooding describes the performance as consisting of two acts.

The first act will be grounded in the past and will focus on the traditional aspects of Native American culture. The second act will have a more contemporary flavor. Modern spins like acoustic guitar will accompany the more familiar instruments.

The flamboyant and colorful regalia set in motion by Yazzie and the other dancers, in addition to music, storytelling and lighting will provide a feast for the senses.

Gooding remembers a time



SUBMITTED PHOTO

"Dancing with Sprit," the opening production of the Cheryl Nelson Lossett Performing Arts Series, premieres at 7:30 p.m. today (Thursday).

when their dancing was not quite the production it has become. When he was still at Western Kentucky University, Yazzie came to perform. Gooding convinced him to wear a pair of eagle wings he had. That is when they began to add different elements to the performance.

Shortly after that, Yazzie quit his full-time job at an airline

and committed himself to a career of dancing. One might say he traded one pair of wings for another.

For more information go to [www.nativepridedancers.com](http://www.nativepridedancers.com).

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## Local professor becomes narrating star

By **RACHEL JACOBS**  
Staff Writer

Konrad Czyski, associate professor of philosophy at MSUM, has released his fourth CD, "The Sorcerer's Apprentice."

Czyski, who narrates the CD, said, "The (story) is not typical, there is an educational perspective built in." The CD is about the traditional story of "Peter and the Wolf" with a twist. Young people, usually age eight and older, can listen along to the CD, but they can also join in with the play-along track for kitchen percussion.

"Young people are encouraged to grab a kitchen utensil, like a pot and spoon and play along with the orchestra," Czyski said. "It encourages reading and intensive listening with an imagination."

Czyski collaborates with Stephen and Bonnie Simon, who have been friends since 1970. Stephen has been a professional conductor for the Washington Chamber Symphony for 25 years. When Stephen retired, "They decided they could put a children's concert together, where not only the music would appeal to young people, but then a

narrator could teach them a lesson, and that's where I come into play," Czyski said.

Stephen called the London Philharmonic Orchestra, they agreed to play the music for the CD, and they started to record.

The Simons and Czyski have recorded three other CDs together, "Mike Mulligan and his Steam Shovel," "Casey at the Bat" and "Juanita the Spanish Lobster."

Czyski records his voice at Carnegie Hall Studios in New York City. The recording sessions take about five hours a day for two days in a row.

Czyski said: "When we did Juanita the Spanish Lobster, I found myself speaking and singing like a female lobster.

You have to put your mind in the mood of the moment and then someone in the studio might say it does not sound right, and then you have to do it all over again and again and again until it is right.

"What delights us is to know that somewhere in the U.S., one child will listen to one of our CDs and smile."

Czyski has also performed these stories annually for about the past 10 years in New York City.

"From personal experience there is a certain excitement and dynamism that you get when you are actually on the stage."

After the performance, children will come up to the stage to have a CD signed by

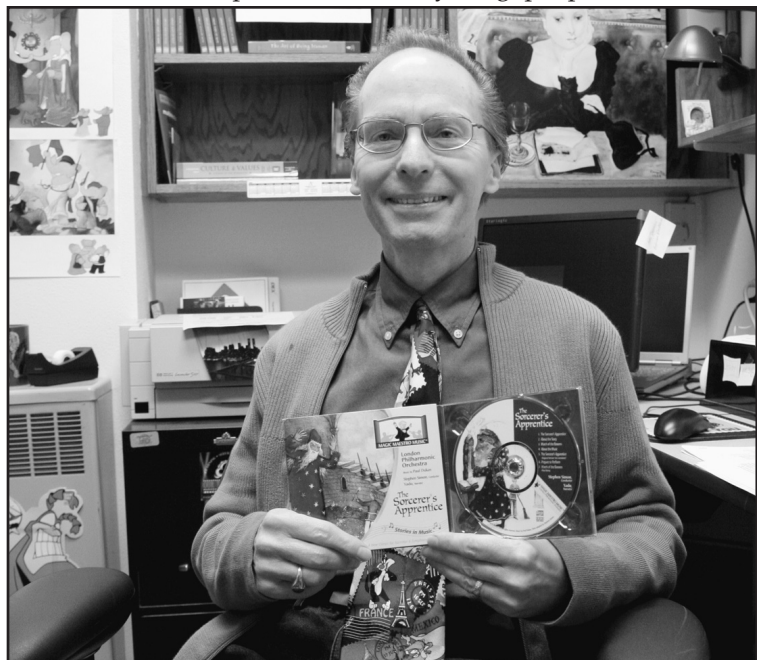
Czyski. The groups of actors have also had three other invitations to perform the CD with other orchestras.

So, one could say that Konrad Czyski is leading two different lives. During the day, he is a professor at MSUM, but at night, he becomes a Spanish lobster or sorcerer's sidekick.

Czyski said, "Several more stories will be released like the 'Rabbit and the Hare' and 'The Soldiers Tale'."

You can pick up your copy of the CD at Barnes and Noble or selected libraries.

Jacobs can be reached at [jacobsm@mnstate.edu](mailto:jacobsm@mnstate.edu).



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Philosophy professor Konrad Czyski recently released his narration of "The Sorcerer's Apprentice." This is his fourth CD with friends Stephen and Bonnie Simon.

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## Regional humor explodes onstage

### F-M Community Theatre opens new season with "Don't Hug Me"

By **JESSICA CARPENTER**  
Staff Writer

Is it you noticed that many of Minnesotans have an accent? Is it annoying how they say "boat" or "bag"?

If the answer is yes, then "Don't Hug Me" by Phil and Dave Olson put on by the Fargo-Moorhead Community Theatre may be enjoyable.

This production runs now through Sept. 30 at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays.

Managing artistic director Charlene Hudgins directs the regional comedy.

She was aided in bringing the production to life by music director Karen Hamilton, sets and lights designer Jeff Nibbe and costumer Shelley Hudt.

"It's a musical about a karaoke salesman named Sven Yorgenson in northern Minnesota (Ely), and it's hilarious!" Hudgins said.

"Don't Hug Me" intertwines stereotypes and realistic conversation throughout the play. Two hours long with one intermission and entertaining and unique lyrics, the scenes flow.

The title adds a more interesting plot when its relation

to the gay salesman becomes evident at the halfway point. Interesting songs include "Schmorgasbord of Love" or Hudgins' favorite, "Y Chromosome."

Even local references such as Minnesota's notoriously cold weather and "Moorhead State" are included in jokes throughout the play.

If born in Minnesota or acclimated to the way they talk, it will be amusing how many phrases are recognizable. For example, "Oh, for cute," "Don't chya know," and "Yah, sure, ya betchya" are just a few lines repeated by these actors.

It is so realistic that while watching it, the audience may feel as though they're actually in a northern Minnesota bar, complete with flannel shirts.

The work of these actors is evident.

Hudgins said, "With 15 songs, only four to five weeks to learn the lyrics, lines, choreography, and only five actors, it was difficult."

The best part "was working with these five talented actors just because they're so goofy."

The actors are: Linda Hinrichs as Clara, Keith Schweigert as Gunner, Steve Poitras



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Actors Judith Young and Steve Poitras perform a scene from F-M Community Theatre's production of "Don't Hug Me," in which they play Bernice and Aarvid.

as Aarvid, Judith Young as Bernice, and Dan Rolle as Kanute.

Tickets are available from FMCT's box office at (701) 235-6778. Prices are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and \$9 for students.

Carpenter can be reached at [carpenje@mnstate.edu](mailto:carpenje@mnstate.edu).

## Artsy Alternatives

### Art Exhibit

MSUM's annual Faculty Art Exhibit runs from now until Oct. 11 in the Roland Dille Center for the Arts gallery. It features a variety of new work by 14 members of the MSUM art and design department. A reception is scheduled from 4 to 6 p.m. today (Thursday).

### Theater

Theatre B, which is located at the Main Avenue Theater, closes its production of "The Guys" at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 21 through 23. For more information, call (701) 729-8880.

### Public Lecture

Allan Chapman, a professor at Oxford University in England, presents a public lecture on "What Medieval Doctors Really Did" at 7.30 p.m. today (Thursday) in the new Science Lab 104. Chapman will also talk to students interested in studying in Oxford for Eurospring next year.

### Comedy

Mission IMPROVable will perform their comedy act at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Concordia College Centrum. Mission Improvable is a large-scale comedy group from Chicago who have performed across the country. Fans of "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" or "Wild N Out" will love Mission IMPROVable!

### Concert

The F-M Symphony Orchestra starts its Masterworks Series with "Bernstein, Ravel and Berlioz." Bernard Rubenstein will conduct with Russian musician Gleb Ivanov on piano. Performances are at 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at the Festival Concert in Fargo. For tickets, call (701) 233-8397.

### Public Lecture

As part of MSUM's Visiting Artist Program, Betty Bright will deliver a free public lecture at 6 p.m. Monday in the Roland Dille Center for the Arts Fox Recital Hall. The title of her presentation is "Stories of Transgression and Transformation: Artists' Books 1960 to Now."

### Public Lecture/Discussion

Concordia College emeritus James Ulness will present "Depth Psychology and a New Ethic" at 7 p.m. today (Thursday) at the Plains Art Museum in Fargo.

### March and Rally

The "Take Back the Night" march and rally starts Tuesday. The march starts at 6:30 at NDSU while MSUM, Concordia College and Fargo Civic Center start at 7 p.m. The rally starts at 7:30 at Moorhead Center Mall Parking Ramp.

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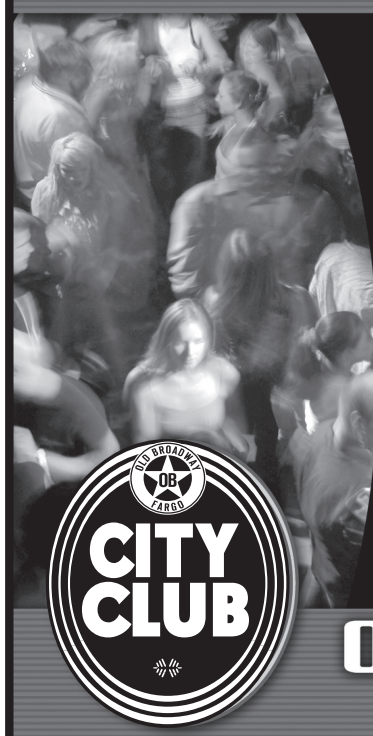
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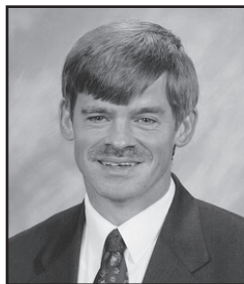
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think maybe the  
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Stephen King  
nightmares?

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movies, when the  
good guy runs away  
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4 p.m.  
**W Soccer vs. Bemidji State**  
**11 a.m.**  
**M Soccer vs. SDSMT**  
**5 p.m.**  
W Golf at Mustang Invitational  
CC at Roy Griak Invitational  
M Rugby at Duluth  
**W Rugby vs. Concordia**  
M Lacrosse at Mankato

Sept. 24:  
**W Soccer vs. Minn.,**  
**Crookston**  
**1 p.m. (Parents Day)**  
**M Soccer vs. NSU**  
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VB at Bemidji State  
7 p.m.

Sept 30:  
FB at Upper Iowa  
1 p.m.  
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## VOLLEYBALL

# Dragons complete NSIC sweep

## Weekend home opener wins team mark 4-2 in conference

By **JESSICA GIBSON**  
Staff Writer

The MSUM women's volleyball team put the finishing touches on a rewarding weekend with a 3-0 sweep of the University of Mary on Saturday.

The Dragons had back-to-back Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference victories, defeating Northern State in the home opener on Friday.

MSUM moved its overall record to 9-5 and its NSIC slate to 4-2.

After a close 31-29 first game in Friday's match, the Dragons changed strategy a bit in order to achieve more decisive wins in the other two games.

"We changed from the last game that we played because we adjusted better to the other team," sophomore defensive specialist Calla Offedahl said.

The adjustments helped the women take Games 2 and 3 with scores of 30-11 and 30-23, respectfully.

The second match was held Saturday. Yet again, the Dragons defeated the women from the University of Mary. At first MSUM seemed to lag

behind at the start. The first game ended with 31-29, but Mary was definitely making the Dragons work for their victory.

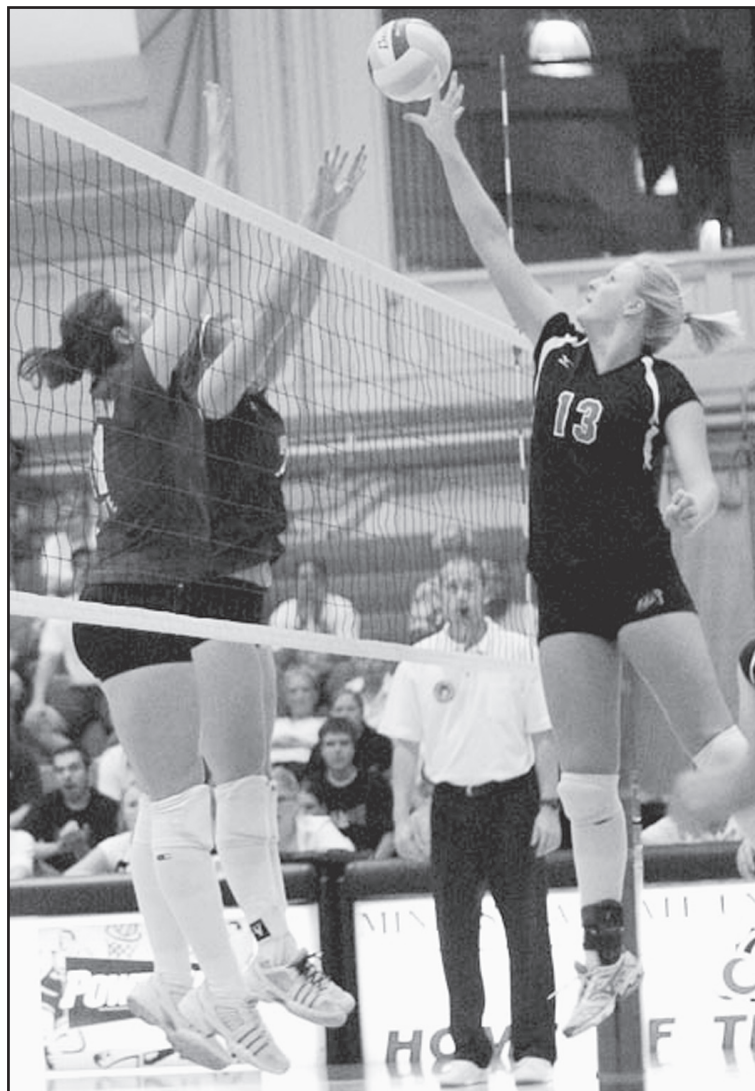
The second game of a match was won with the score of 30-11. The final game of the match was closer with the Dragons at 30, and Mary with 23.

Becky Anderson was credited with 12 kills while Megan Norling and Jeseca White had 11 each. Julie Vancura had 44 assists to lead MSUM on Saturday.

The Dragons begin a three-game road trip at Winona State on Saturday. The next time MSUM returns to the Alex Nemzek Fieldhouse is for a doubleheader on Oct. 6.

**MSUM 3, Northern State 0**  
NORTHERN STATE (kills-blocks-aces): Aden 12-1-1, Knaeble 8-0-0, Heier 3-2-0 (31 assists), Rasmussen 4-5-0, Diaz 5-2-0 (9 digs), Oudwill 6-5-0, Olson 0-0-0, Jorgenson 0-0-0, Perez 0-0-0, Newcomer 0-0-0.  
MSUM: Guenther 9-2-0, Vancura 2-2-1 (52 assists), Brandon 17-1-0, Anderson 6-4-2, White 10-0-0, Norling 17-1-0, Marr 0-0-1, Oftendahl 0-0-2 (18 digs), Sussenguth 2-0-0, Sorensen 0-0-0.

**MSUM 3, Mary 0**  
MARY (kills-blocks-aces): Hogan 3-0-0, Maas 9-0-0, Ferreira 1-0-1 (13 assists), Santos 5-4-1, McCarthy 5-2-0, Hensch 5-0-0, Kuntz 0-0-0, Elzenga 4-0-1, M. Hennessy 0-0-0 (14 digs), Wesloski 1-1-0, Johnston 0-0-0, K. Hennessy 0-0-0.  
MSUM: Guenther 10-5-0, Vancura 1-1-1 (44 assists), Brandon 9-3-0, Anderson 12-1-0, White 11-0-0, Norling 11-0-0, Marr 0-0-0, Schwartzberger 0-0-0, Lloyd 0-0-0, Oftendahl 0-0-0 (15 digs), Miller 0-0-0, Sussenguth 1-0-0, Sorensen 0-0-0.



JON LAMBERT / THE ADVOCATE

Becky Anderson reaches for a tip over the opponent's block in the Dragons 3-0 sweep of Northern State on Friday.

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Sophomore defensive specialist Courtney Marr makes a dig for the Dragons, who won their home opener on Friday.

# Twins knock on playoffs' door

The last few fall seasons, sports consisted of football only for major league Minnesota fans. Even that was shaky. The Vikings are kicking their season off with a 2-0 record and a tough task coming up on Sunday with the Chicago Bears.

Even though the Vikings are doing great, the recent talk about football has been down because of wild card leading Twins.

After Monday's game, the Twins were a half a game behind the Detroit Tigers for the division lead and five games ahead of the defending World Series Champions, the Chicago White Sox.

Twins fans, we will make the playoffs. The Twins smell it.

The last time the Twins made the postseason was in

**Luke Hagen**  
Staff Writer



2003 when they matched up against the much-hated New York Yankees. The Yanks won that series 3-1, even after the Twins stole an opening series win.

The only remaining players from the 2003 team, who still contribute, are Juan Rincon, Torii Hunter, Michael Cuddyer and Twins' ace Johan Santana. (Lew Ford was on that team, but we all know how much Ford contributes. Also, Brad Radke, is hurt ... so we don't know how much he will play.)

This season is much different. The Twins have a lot of youth, inexperience and lack of playing time. It's working, though, right? Their record is 88-61 today. Who would have thought at the beginning of the season, that with the players they have on the roster now, they would be in contention for an American League Central Division win?

So, get your chips, dip and cold beverages (whatever that may be) ready for some post-season baseball and forget about the Vikings until they start to heat up.

The Twins are knocking on the playoffs' door and when they enter, they're going to be there for a while.

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## MEN'S SOCCER

# Dragon men's soccer take down scoring machine Sioux

By **LUKE HAGEN**  
Staff Writer

The MSUM men's club soccer won both of their games on Sunday, defeating the University of North Dakota 4-1 and Minnesota-Crookston 8-0, making their record 2-1-1.

The Dragons started their first game against a tough UND team who scored more than 40 goals in the first few games of

the season last week.

"We knew going into the game it would be a hard fought game, but we knew we could pull it out," senior Andrew Clapp said.

Senior MSUM goalie Isaac Dozier said: "We handled them pretty comfortably today, we put on a good show. The mid-field and defense played solid. It was an all-around good play for us."

The second game brought more firepower for the Dragons when they scored four goals against the Golden Eagles in the first half.

Dozier, the goalkeeper, scored the first goal of the game on a penalty kick.

Dozier said, "I've been practicing the penalty kick a lot lately, but it's a one time type of deal."

The Dragons were fired up

when two red cards were handed out in the second half. It seemed as if a break away was happening every few minutes and the scoring chances, along with the goals, kept rising.

With the rain falling, the game ended with the Dragon's shutting out the Golden Eagles. UMC players walked off the field complaining about the referees. But it's doubtful a

team could score eight goals purely off of referee assistance.

MSUM Men's club soccer plays against South Dakota School of Mines and Technology at 6 p.m. Saturday on the Johnson American Fields in Fargo.

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## FOOTBALL

## Dragons open NSIC action with a difficult loss

By NICK LERUD  
Staff Writer

It was a day Saturday as the Dragons were defeated 21-9 by the Bemidji State Beavers. MSUM stayed competitive the whole way through but could not come up with any more points after losing the lead in the third quarter. Bemidji State came up with stops throughout the game as they handed the Dragons their first loss of the season and first loss in Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. The Beavers



LIZZIE CHINANDER / THE ADVOCATE

Quarterback Dustin Long attempts a pass under pressure in the Dragons 21-9 loss to Bemidji State on Saturday. Long was awarded NCAA Division II Offensive Player of the Week before the game.

walked away with the coveted Battle Axe traveling trophy for the sixth straight year.

Kicker Tyson Bonkoski was one of the bright spots on the day for the Dragons as he booted in a 37-yard field goal to put MSUM on the scoreboard first.

The Dragon offense came up short as they struggled to move the ball against a tough Beaver defense. Quarterback Dustin Long, awarded NCAA Division II Offensive Player of the Week before Saturday's game, had a good day pass-

ing the ball but was knocked around all afternoon resulting in five sacks.

"(The offense) had chances and just didn't execute them," interim head coach Damon Tomeo said.

The two-headed monster backfield had a tough day on the ground. Dante Mathis had 38 yards on 13 attempts. Enol Gilles rushed for nine yards on nine carries and punched in the Dragons' only touchdown on the day early in the third quarter.

Wide receivers Bruce Green and Jabari Taylor came up with some nice catches in the game. Green had seven receptions for 64 yards and Taylor had five grabs for 23 yards.

MSUM's defense had another good team effort. "Our defense played hard and passionately," Tomeo said.

Defensive lineman Mark Majerus had eight total tackles on the day, two for losses and one sack.

Linebacker Dennis Oswald had three total tackles and was in the right place at the right time twice, as he came up with two interceptions that were both deflected up in the air and into his hands.

Cornerback Eric Schaumburg recorded one tackle on the

day and came up with a big momentum-gaining interception early in the game. Schaumburg also scooped up a fumble on the goal line bringing a Beaver red-zone drive to an end.

The Dragons came up short Saturday, but they showed they will be competitive in NSIC play this season.

"There are some things we still have to work on," Tomeo said. "It will be interesting to see how we bounce back after the loss, both physically and emotionally."

MSUM hosts Wayne State on Saturday as the Dragons look to even their NSIC record with a win in what is also their Homecoming game. "It's an exciting game for us with all of the alumni support," Tomeo said.

Bemidji State 21, MSUM 9  
BSU 0 7 14 0-21  
MSUM 0 3 6 0-9



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Sophomore cornerback Eric Schaumburg grabbed a key interception to reverse the Dragons' momentum.

Scoring summary  
MSUM-Bonkoski 37 FG  
BSU-Olson 1 run (McDonald kick)  
MSUM-Gilles 10 run (kick failed)  
BSU-Watson 12 run (McDonald kick)  
BSU-Schraiber 51 punt return (McDonald kick)

TEAM STATISTICS	BSU	MSUM
First downs	16	12
Rushes-yards	33-73	29-13
Passing	134	172
Comp-Att-Int	15-23-3	20-34-0
Punts-Avg.	4-36.2	6-38.3
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	1-20	5-33
Time of Possession	29:49	30:11

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS  
RUSHING: BSU-Olson 23-39, Watson 3-26, Williams 7-8. MSUM-Mathis 13-38, Gilles 9-9, Long 7(-34).  
PASSING: BSU-Williams 15-23-3-134. MSUM-Long 19-32-0-169, Evans 1-2-0-3.  
RECEIVING: BSU-Schreiber 6-84, Hawks 4-6, Christianson 2-20, Rodgers 2-19, Olson 1-5. MSUM-Green 7-64, Taylor 5-23, Fangman 2-23, Holloway 2-20, Mathis 1-13, Eager 1-13, Gilles 1-10, Smith 1-6.

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## RUGBY

## Safety over winning record important to men's rugby

By ROBYN ROHDE  
Sports Editor

The men's and women's rugby clubs traveled to Blaine, Minn., last weekend to play in the All-Minnesota tournament. All the rugby teams in Divisions I, II and III, come together once a year to play.

The women started off the tournament with a win against St. Benedict's, then lost by a kick to UND. NDSU and UND

are the only two North Dakota teams in the league.

On Sunday, the women lost to Division-I University of Minnesota.

Thinking they were out of tournament play, MSUM started packing up for the trip until being notified they still had to play to determine the third and fourth place.

Strang enough, their opponent was unclear about the game as well and forfeited the

match.

"Usually, only the championship game is played on Sunday, so we were as clueless as they were," club president Kayla Retzer said about the team's third place finish.

The women host Concordia College at noon Saturday.

On the men's side, they also were defeated by the U of M. Duluth was MSUM's next opponent, which they fell to 8-7. Fortunately, MSUM will get

a chance at revenge this weekend as they travel to Duluth for a conference game.

"We had them beaten in most aspects, just made rookie mistakes that we will take care of in practice this week," co-captain Ross "Patches" Lytle said.

In the final game, the men played Minnesota State Manakot. After a rough first

half, the guys only played about five minutes of the second half before walking off as a team forfeit.

"The sir wasn't calling potentially dangerous and illegal things that could have resulted in some broken necks or worse," Joey "Razor" Kramer said.

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## WOMEN'S SOCCER

## Double overtime ends in draw

By CHRIS FLYNN  
Staff Writer

The MSUM and Concordia-St. Paul women's soccer teams came into their match last Sunday with the same number of wins. They finished the game with that same number. Going for their third win, the Dragons played to a 1-1 double overtime tie in front of their home crowd.

CSP scored early in the game with an unassisted goal from junior Hillary Johnson. The Dragons stepped up their play and CSP barely managed another shot on goal for the rest of the game.

In the second half the Dragons relentlessly pushed the ball upfield, and kept the CSP goalkeeper busy all game. They had 15 shots on goal, with

more than half coming from sophomores Katie Hiemstra and Hila Anderson. Freshmen Katie Wiese and Jena Reed showed why coach Rollie Bullock thought this freshman class would add speed to the team this year.

The Dragon defense stopped any attempts by CSP to pressure goalkeeper Morgan Landwehr. Senior Danielle Reid demonstrated why she is a team captain. She communicated with teammates, making them aware of defenders and getting them in the best spots most of the game.

With just more than 10 minutes left in regulation, Anderson scored on free kick. It was a perfect shot.

"I've been practicing it. I thought I should go for it," Anderson said.

It sailed over the wall of defenders, and the goalkeeper never had a chance.

"She really concentrated on that one," Bullock said.

At the start of the first overtime, the Dragons went right for the win. They looked just as fresh in overtime as they did in the first half. With two seconds left in the first overtime, Reed sent a shot wide in front of the net that would have ended the game. Unfortunately, the shot was a little too wide. The whole team was fired up and played well.

The Dragons never let up. "We wanted it," Bullock said. "Even though we tied, I think we all feel good about the way we played."

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Senior forward Danielle Reid fights for the ball in the Dragons 1-1 tie with Concordia-St. Paul on Sunday.

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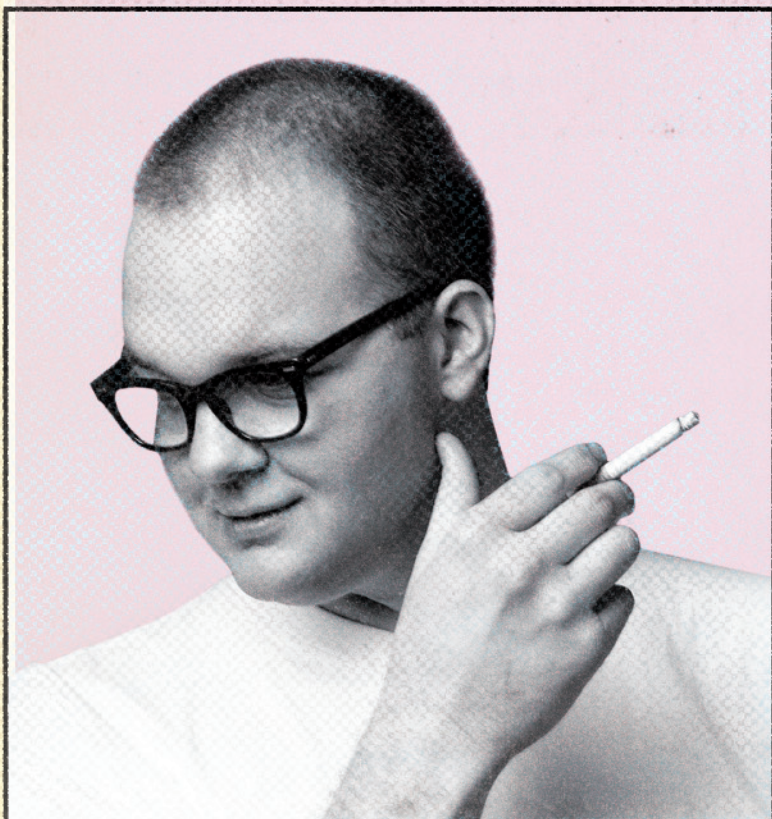
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## Leisure lacking in library choices

By KATIE WALKER  
Staff Writer

While many people know the benefits of pleasure reading, they still don't take the time to do it. According to Pam Were, public services librarian, there is a misconception about the Livingston Lord Library.

"We have some textbooks, however, most of our books are informational, academic, (and/or) scholarly," said Were.

In general students check out books for class. The library's primary mission is to support the curriculum, but staff members also like to promote leisure and lifelong learning.

According to Jean Kramer, technical services librarian, the library has a current selection of 392,733 books. In 1995-1996 it had 367,334, and in 1985-1986 Livingston had 369,120.

The library has a popular collection, which has been around for about five years. This collection is built by a committee of students who pick more popular or current books that they believe students would be interested in. These books are always changing with the rental program they have, which the library sends books back to get new ones.

Livingston Lord has to recycle books on a regular basis.



HEATHER GRUENHAGEN / ADVOCATE PHOTO EDITOR

Dana Larson, freshman, studies on the third floor of Livingston Lord Library. The library keeps books mostly for academic purposes, as few students read for pleasure because of time.

According to Were, they get rid of books which are worn out, outdated, or just not being used.

"We send all the books to St. Paul American Paper Recycling Corp. to be recycled," Kramer said, "and the librarians don't typically keep track of how much they recycle."

The library has more to offer than books; 4,000 online journals (magazines), which can be accessed at the MSUM

home page under "Library" along with 10,000 online books, online encyclopedias and an online database where students can search for books in the library.

A 1996 study states that college-bound high school seniors report reading more than non college-bound, but the number of college-bound who reported reading no books has doubled since 1976.

"(If a student reads for lei-

sure), it depends on their free time and if reading is something they enjoy," said Kelli Landis, freshman.

According to a 1991 study, 88 percent of 333 college seniors reported reading for pleasure, mostly newspapers, and most spent more time reading during their vacations rather than when classes were in session.

"Typically, college students are busy reading for class (so they don't have the time

to read for pleasure)," said Were.

"The most intelligent people in every line of profession have a large vocabulary."

The question is how do these intelligent people get such large vocabularies? Because they read for leisure as well as assigned materials.

According to a study by Sarangi, Nation and Meister (cited in Krashen, 1993), readers learned 45 invented words contained in the novel "A Clockwork Orange" simply by reading the novel, with no special instructions to attend new words. In addition to improved reading skills, pleasure reading has been found to be associated with improved writing skills.

"Books are good for you. They help with your creativity and expand your horizons," Landis said.

The Livingston Lord Library has a various collection for students, faculty and other members of the community to read. From magazines to novels people can take themselves on a journey through the creativity of narrative and learn something while they're at it.

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## Tuition continues rise MSUM cheaper than other schools, still costly

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Tuition at MSUM has increased \$68 per credit since 2001, which is still lower than what NDSU and Concordia College pay today.

Even though tuition is lower than most other accredited universities, it is still hard to make the demand for payment without financial help.

Kerstin Cameron, senior, said, "When I first started college and received my associates (degree), I could work a job and pay for schooling out of my pocket. Now, I depend on loans and pray every year that I'm not denied so that I can continue to go to school the next semester."

With inflation rates skyrock-

eting it is easy for students to leave college with a four-year degree and be \$30,000 in debt.

Students are eager to hear about the low tuition, so they sign the papers to MSUM, pack their bags and come to Dragon Days.

MSUM is also great for students that did not consider college as an option.

Rebekah Bakewicz, senior, said, "I do believe low tuition will provide an opportunity for students who would otherwise not be able to attend college."

Although MSUM might be one of the most affordable colleges around, it is getting more unaffordable by the day.

Mark Rice, business office manager, said tuition "meets the needs of the budget, which provides instructions to the students."

### Tuition comparisons of F-M Tri-College universities

Institution	Tuition per credit
MSUM	\$162.94
NDSU	\$198.92
Concordia College	\$818.25

MSUM is trying to keep its tuition cost down as much as possible for students," Cameron said. "Unfortunately, there are outside sources out of college that determine whether we will pay more or not. I think that the government needs to prevent tuition from soaring higher than it already has."

Tuition at NDSU is \$198.92, and at Concordia tuition climbs to \$818.25. Both of these numbers are higher than the \$162.94 MSUM students pay per credit.

During the 1998-1999 school year, nine years ago, MSUM tuition was \$82.80 per credit, almost half of what students pay now.

For a student taking 12 credits, an average load, tuition will be about \$1,955 for the semester.

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"That's a fairly big change for the program," Hamrick said. "The program is really about academic excellence, challenging students who have already demonstrated a high academic ability, giving them the kind of education that feeds off of that, that challenges that, that grows that."

Hamrick said the Honors Committee is trying to keep the program as open as they can.

Part of redesigning the program is to allow transfer students and people who discover—as they are in school—that their academic abilities are stronger than they thought when they applied to school.

"We want the best and brightest students here at the university and from the high schools right away," Hamrick said.

The Honors Colloquium is the starting point course for all students in the program. Colloquium stresses group discussion of important issues. Students come from all different disciplines, which give different viewpoints in discussions.

"There are students who want to challenge themselves to go to the farthest extent of their possibilities," said Hamrick.

Students enrolled in the program are engaged, and the learning experience is not passive.

Junior Justin Dornbusch said: "Classes are smaller and more discussion-based. It's more involved."

Each semester students are involved in the Honors Lecture Series. It is open to the campus and the F-M community. Faculty members will lecture on research or teaching they are doing, provided the topic involves interdisciplinary focus in some way.

Honors students and faculty also meet once a month for Honors Discussion Group. A theme is chosen for each semester.

The fall 2006 theme is "Peace and War." Texts they read are discussed in relation to the chosen theme.

Hamrick's responsibilities now include getting the changes through the various committees that have to be used on campus. Faculty members review the program put together, making sure it meets students' needs.

"My number one goal is creating the best program for our students," Hamrick said. "Getting this organized involves meeting a lot of people, lots of committee meetings. At this stage of my career, that challenge is very enjoyable, very enjoyable."

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### Undergraduate tuition at MSUM

Year	Tuition per credit
1998-1999	\$82.80
1999-2000	\$85.28
2000-2001	\$89.54
2001-2002	\$95.81
2002-2003	\$105.15
2003-2004	\$120.92
2004-2005	\$139.06
2005-2006	\$148.80
2006-2007	\$162.94

Source: MSUM Business Office