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## New, nutty residents move into Dakota Hall

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COMM 281

Many students noticed the recent closure of Dakota Hall; however, few students knew the reason for its closing. After much debate, Minot State Residence Life has decided to turn Dakota Hall into a new home for Minot's furry friends.

You read that right: Dakota Hall is closed to students because it is now a place for the vast variety of squirrels that call our campus home.

It's no secret that MSU has plenty of wildlife roaming around campus. From turkeys to geese to squirrels, there is never a dull moment. As the fall and winter months grew colder and colder, the squirrels needed a safe warm home of their own and MSU delivered.

Maintenance will be leaving doors and windows open to allow the creatures to roam freely in and out of their residence hall and ask that students and staff do not disturb them.

More information is to come about what campus life will be like with the squirrels sharing student spaces.

"Does this mean they are allowed to attend classes or school functions?" asked junior student-athlete Lauren Reeves.

When approached about their ideas about their new place of residency, the squirrels squeaked and scurried away. None of the Red and

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# News in Brief

## Coronavirus vaccine available

Starting on March 23, the COVID-19 vaccine was made available to all students 16 and older.

## Tax Day

May 17 is Tax Day.

## Spring Zoo Tots classes begin

Today, Zoo Tot classes begin at 10 a.m. The class combines an “on your own exploratory” playtime featuring crafts, sensory bins, and educational stations, along with structured circle time, sing-along, and an animal encounter. The registration fee, \$9 for non-cooking classes and \$11 for cooking creations, includes one child ages 2-5 and one adult caregiver. Space is limited to 12 participants per class. Registration is available online at <https://rpzoo.com/zoo-tot-classes/>.

## Applebee's dine-to-donate

Today, April 1, Applebee's is hosting a dine-to-donate for Parkinson's awareness from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. When you purchase your meal, mention Shakin' Parkinson's Minot Support Group or Parkinson's Awareness Month to your wait staff and sit back and enjoy your meal.

Applebee's Grill and Bar will donate 20% of the meal's price to Shakin' Parkinson's Up Minot Support Group and the YMCA.

## Summer and fall registration for currently enrolled students

Students currently enrolled at MSU can register for their summer and fall classes beginning today.

## Juried Art Show

The MSU Juried Art Show is open through April 24 in the Northwest Arts Center. The center is open Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday 1-5 p.m. Masks and social distancing are required.

## University closed

Minot State campus will be closed on Friday, April 2 for Good Friday.

## Easter Break

No classes will be held Monday, April 5 for Easter Break.

## Softball vs. Duluth

On April 10, MSU softball will play Minnesota Duluth from 2-7 p.m.

## Softball vs. St. Cloud State

On April 11, MSU softball will play St. Cloud from 1-7 p.m.

## Joseph Flynn Jr. presentation

On April 14, Joseph Flynn Jr. will hold a student presentation called “Protests aren't Parades” at 7 p.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall.

## New student orientation

New student orientation will be held on April 17 from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## Softball vs. Augustana

On April 17, MSU softball takes on Augustana from 3-9 p.m.

## Minot Symphony concert

On April 22, the Minot Symphony has a concert beginning at 7:30 p.m.

# Off the wall news

## Hidden spaces

A woman felt a draft in her New York apartment. After some investigating, she traced it back to her bathroom mirror so she and a few friends removed the mirror to reveal a hole in the wall behind it. What was in this hole, you ask? She found another entire apartment. She cataloged the adventure on TikTok, which included her climbing through the hole and finding a hallway that connected to a three-bedroom apartment, staircase, and a random unlocked door, according to the New York Post. Spooky! She returned to her apartment through the mystery apartment's door and promptly called her landlord.

## Popcorn machine ban?

A popcorn machine has been removed from the North Dakota Capitol after it twice triggered fire alarms that brought firefighters to the building and caused legislators to evacuate. A representative was on her third batch of popcorn for the day and that was the end of it. She had not previously been aware of a policy that bans popcorn poppers, toasters, and other food appliances from the building.

## ...bubble continued from page 1

Minot State Athletics suffered a huge blow last night when the air-supported seasonal bubble literally flew away. According to Philip Green, student athletics director, the incident was caused by a freak windstorm. The National Weather Service recorded winds in Minot in excess of 100 mph.

The windstorm caused thousands of dollars' worth of damage to the bubble, which will have to be replaced. The bubble provides critical infrastructure for MSU Athletics by shielding student-athletes from cold spring temperatures, allowing sports such as softball, baseball, and football to carry out practices and events.

“We estimate that the bubble suffered the structural failure

## Bird thieves

Costco shoppers in Alaska have a new threat to watch out for — flying raven thieves. The Anchorage Daily News reported that there have been several reports of ravens swooping in to steal food items, particularly meat, from people's carts in the parking lot. One customer was being watched by two ravens while unloading her purchases, moving to different sides when she moved, flying circles around her, and attempting to steal a package of melons from her cart.

## Asteroid-free for 100 years

NASA recently announced that they have “given Earth the all clear for the next century from a particularly menacing asteroid.” The asteroid in question is Apophis, which was possibly coming to Earth in the year 2068. This isn't the first time the 1,100-foot space rock was potentially going to enter Earth's atmosphere: 2029 and 2036 were also once considered risky years. Good news: no asteroids for us — Apophis has officially been removed from the asteroid risk list.

## Quick thinking, girl

An 8-year-old Chicago girl whose mother was at work somehow managed to toss a mattress from her family's third-story window during a fire and then jump onto it to safety, according to the Associated Press (AP). By the time firefighters arrived on the scene, the girl was waiting outside the building safely. They did rescue the girl's 5-year-old brother, who was at the window poised to follow his sister, and a 2-year old boy. The officers were quite impressed with the girls quick thinking and innovation.

## Prescription: a post-vaccine hug

For over a year of separation, Laura Shaw Frank and her four children were unable to visit her mother in person, let alone give her a hug. That changed recently, according to the AP, after she and her mother both received the coronavirus vaccine. In a formal note from their family doctor, it was cleared safe for the grandmother to hug her grandchildren again.

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somewhere between 1 a.m. and 3 a.m. on Tuesday evening. The wind did a lot of damage, but most of it was actually caused to the lining of the bubble itself,” Green said.

According to MSU President Dr. Don Sherley, bubble lining was found in the yards of residents living above the dome and track & field area of Minot State University. Residents called the Minot Police department after waking up in the morning and seeing bubble debris in their yard.

“It's a crazy thing that happened. In all my years at Minot State, I have never heard of such a thing. Campus donors have already responded with firm resolve to support us in whatever we decide regarding replacement of the bubble. It's comforting to know we have such a great support system here at Minot State,” Sherley said.

Minot State Athletics will continue to move forward with practice schedules. Green said that they will have to be more creative with the space that they have left. According to the National Weather Service, temperatures will continue to improve throughout the week, with highs in the mid-to-upper 50s and lows hovering around freezing.

Minot State baseball starting pitcher Clayton Kershaw is optimistic and expressed that the team is not going to slow down because of a little North Dakota cold and wind.

“All the guys here on the team are really excited to continue playing the sport they love despite this whole bubble blow-up fiasco,” Kershaw said. “The only difference is that we may have to dress a little warmer.”



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# Minot State University students and faculty in uproar over new socially-distanced parking policy on campus

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COMM 281

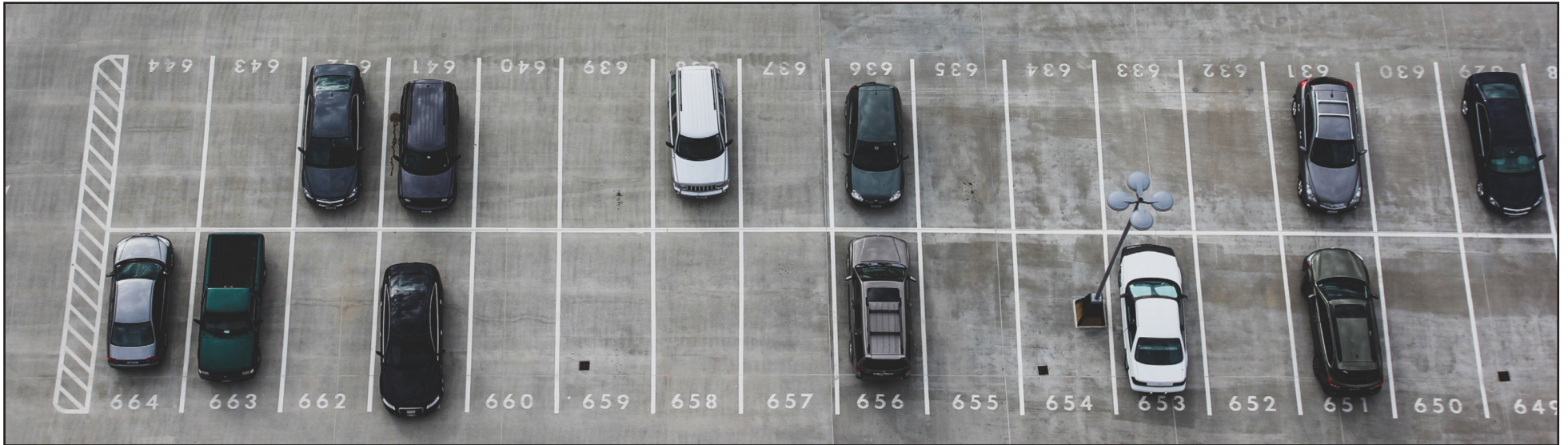


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Minot State University is in a tizzy. The campus has recently released a new social distancing guideline and students are enraged. Minot State announced that socially distanced parking will now be enforced across campus to ensure that spray from the undercarriages of cars don't migrate to others' vehicles, causing drivers to strike up salty conversations.

Each car must be separated by a parking spot, which is now marked with a lawn chair, making the already slim student parking scarce. To make matters worse, drivers of red cars can only park next to green cars, and vice versa, freezing school spirit in its tracks.

Minot State students are so strongly opposed to socially-distanced parking that they are sending mass e-mails to administration and demanding they make a U-turn on their decision; some aren't even bothering to follow the new rule.

"I'm not going to waste a perfectly good parking spot just so my car will be socially distanced from someone else's. I don't understand it," said a MSU

student who wished to remain anonymous.

One student has taken it into her own hands.

"I have started sleeping in my car so I don't have to lose my parking spot," said Kylee Cook.

Cook also plans on recruiting more students to occupy the lawn chairs in a tailgate protest.

Some student groups are rallying by parking in faculty and staff parking spots, accelerating the tension between students and their professors.

Pranks are now the new norm. Last week, the broadcasting and professional communication professors set up a break room for coffee in the Academic Support Center, mocking the students by placing Matchbox cars at every other desk. Who knows how the students will retaliate?

Others want to boycott classes all together.

"It's outrageous! I don't think I will go to any of my classes if I can't park. What's the point in going if I'll be late anyway?" said another MSU student.

In order to pull the emergency

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# RG Editorial

## April Fools' edition

Alyson Heisler  
Editor

Red and Green readers,

The first few pages of this Red and Green issue are a bit different than our previous publications. In celebration of April Fools' Day, we've written a variety of fun, spoof news articles themed around Minot State.

The information and people involved in these articles are not true — they are intended for entertainment only and should not be taken seriously.

For several years, we've been interested in producing a spoof issue of the Red and Green but had concerns over how to publish both spoof and actual news in one paper. I'm proud to say we have finally accomplished an April Fools' issue in the Spring 2021 semester.

News is often taken extremely seriously, for good reason, as it's an

important provider of information and truth. But at times, we can take a break and have some fun, explore our creativity, and be a bit silly. What can I say, we like a bit of fun every now and then, too!

We have carefully considered the treatment of our selected spoof topics — we have written about these topics in an entertaining manner while also treating them respectfully.

After this point, all articles are regular news, features, and sports stories. We hope you've enjoyed our endeavor into spoof news, but we also wish to offer students information about what is really happening on the Minot State campus. Let us know your thoughts about our spoofs and send in your own spoof ideas related to life as a Minot State student.

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## The reason for the Easter season

Lauren Reeves  
Features Editor

To many people, Easter is another holiday to get together with family and have a nice dinner. For members of Cru, the Campus Crusades for Christ chapter at Minot State University, Easter means more than just a holiday with family.

"Easter is the whole reason that Christianity exists. God loves us, but he is also holy and can't be around sin," said Jenae Orluck, president of Cru. "We have broken God's laws and should be punished for the wrong things we do. Jesus lived a sinless life and didn't deserve to die, but he allowed himself to be killed so he could be our substitute. But Jesus didn't stay dead. Easter is the day that we celebrate Jesus Christ rising from the dead, which demonstrated

his complete victory over sin and death. Through trusting in him and accepting his substitution for us, we have hope and purpose in this life."

While the club itself does not do anything as a whole for Easter, Orluck stated that being a member of the club could help students who are curious about Easter connect better with local churches that they can attend. She also added that to find more information about Easter, students can go to gotquestions.org or look at the Cru's Facebook page.

Outside of sharing information about Easter, the club has hosted many other events since the beginning of its establishment at Minot State University in 2004.

Jason and Cassidy Skjervem

moved to Minot the following school year and have been serving with Cru ever since. The club currently meets at their house for a homemade supper and studying God's word together on Tuesday evenings.

Orluck explained other things that Cru has done over the years, as well as what members can expect when they join the club.

"Cru at Minot State meets weekly on Tuesday evenings for supper and Bible study for both guys and girls, and then on Thursday evenings there is a Bible study for guys and a Bible study for girls" said Orluck. "Cru also hosts other events such as prayer days, game nights, summer Bible

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Submitted photos

Above: Cole Clementich is the creator of "The Minot Sports Podcast."  
Below: "The Minot Sports Podcast" logo.



# 'The Minot Sports Podcast': combining a passion for sports and broadcasting

Lauren Reeves  
Features Editor

If someone is an athlete, or if they have a favorite sports team, it's likely they'll talk about sports as a regular part of their life. For Cole Clementich, however, a passion for sports is something different.

"Sports is a real passion of mine, but I knew I couldn't rely on sports for a career. I mean, I could be a season ticket holder, but I gotta have some sort of living income coming in," Clementich said. "Being able to work towards that path of becoming a sports broadcaster, there's a whole lot that's in the field right now."

This combination of sports and broadcasting spurred Clementich to create "The Minot Sports Podcast."

The idea for the podcast started in 2019 when Clementich was in his senior year of high school.

His idea for "The Minot Sports Podcast" materialized as he was exploring career options as part of his college search. That was when he decided he wanted to get into sports.

"I really wanted to stay home and I really loved going to all the local sports here in town and that pretty much was just a passion of mine. Luckily, I found the Minot State broadcasting department and Neil Roberts (broadcasting and professional communication associate professor)," Clementich said. "I'm glad I found that; I'm glad I found a recording booth so that I can just share my thoughts and start my own social media pages. It was a very opportunistic time for me and it's really blossomed, I'd say."

From day one, Clementich has

been working to improve the podcast as well as the social media pages in order for the project to grow. The work has not always been easy, and Clementich states that sometimes he gets into a rut as what he wants the next episode to be about; however, he does not let this stop him from producing content for his audience.

"I used to do the podcast daily where I would speak on what games are happening, what my thoughts are on each of the Minot sports teams, and what they got to do to have success," Clementich said.

Currently, episodes of "The Minot Sports Podcast" are posted on YouTube — a difference from the beginning when they were published as audio files from Microsoft OneDrive.

"Episodes are pretty much just once a week for when I am able to talk about big stories going on in Minot sports, like Minot High boys' basketball just got done at the state tournament. Really, pretty much whatever's just trending weekly is how I usually run it," Clementich said.

He is already incorporating more elements like score graphics and in-game action shots on his social media pages. In the past, he used graphics of the game scores but now adds more photography to the posts. He also plans on adding more action shots of players and photos of his interactions with them.

Clementich hopes he will be able to continue to grow and improve the podcast throughout his time at Minot State University, and he plans to keep

podcasting as long as he is in school.

"I've made the guarantee with athletes before that as long as I am still in college, this podcast is still going to be going," Clementich said. "I do more than just recording episodes — I cover sporting events, I've become a sports media member of my own. I've really solidified myself here in this town and made a lot of great connections."

Anyone is welcome to be on the podcast, but student-athletes need to notify the Minot State University athletic department so they are aware of the interview.

Those who are interested can contact Clementich by email at [cole.clementich@minotstate.edu](mailto:cole.clementich@minotstate.edu) or at [colehclementich@hotmail.com](mailto:colehclementich@hotmail.com). He can also be reached by digital message on social media @minotsportspodcast on Instagram, The Minot Sports Podcast on Facebook, or @MinotPodcast on Twitter. To listen to the podcast, find "The Minot Sports Podcast" on YouTube.

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## Minot update: coronavirus vaccines and where to find them

**Heather Hoffman**  
Staff Writer

The state of North Dakota has moved into Phase 2 of the COVID-19 vaccine rollout, making the vaccine available to all residents over age 16. The main goal is to get as many people vaccinated as quickly as possible to lessen the harsh effects of the coronavirus pandemic.

North Dakota is attempting to do its part by distributing vaccines to as many clinics and pharmacies as quickly as possible, sharing the burden of vaccinating the whole state among several locations. Alaska was the first state to open clinics to everyone willing and able to get the vaccine; North Dakota recently opened availability to those 16 and older.

There are several locations in Minot that are administering vaccinations to patients. Each location has been assigned a particular part of the tier. For example, Trinity Health is prioritizing based on susceptibility and First District Health Unit (FDHU) has opened their scheduling option to anyone and is scheduling appointments on their website [fdhu.org](http://fdhu.org). The online scheduler may not be used for appointments for 16- or 17-year-olds or for people scheduling their

second dose of the vaccine.

Other locations offering the vaccine include Thrifty White Pharmacy, UND Center for Family Medicine, Lakeview Clinic, and CHI St. Alexius Health Minot Medical Plaza. All locations are by appointment only and there are no walk-in clinics available to receive the vaccine.

To schedule with Trinity Health, individuals can call the main line at 701-857-5000 and speak with a representative to see if their name is on the current invitation list. This list is based off the North Dakota Department of Health's requirements.

For FDHU and Thrifty White Pharmacy, online forms allow people to choose their vaccination date and time, fill out their information and insurance, and confirm.

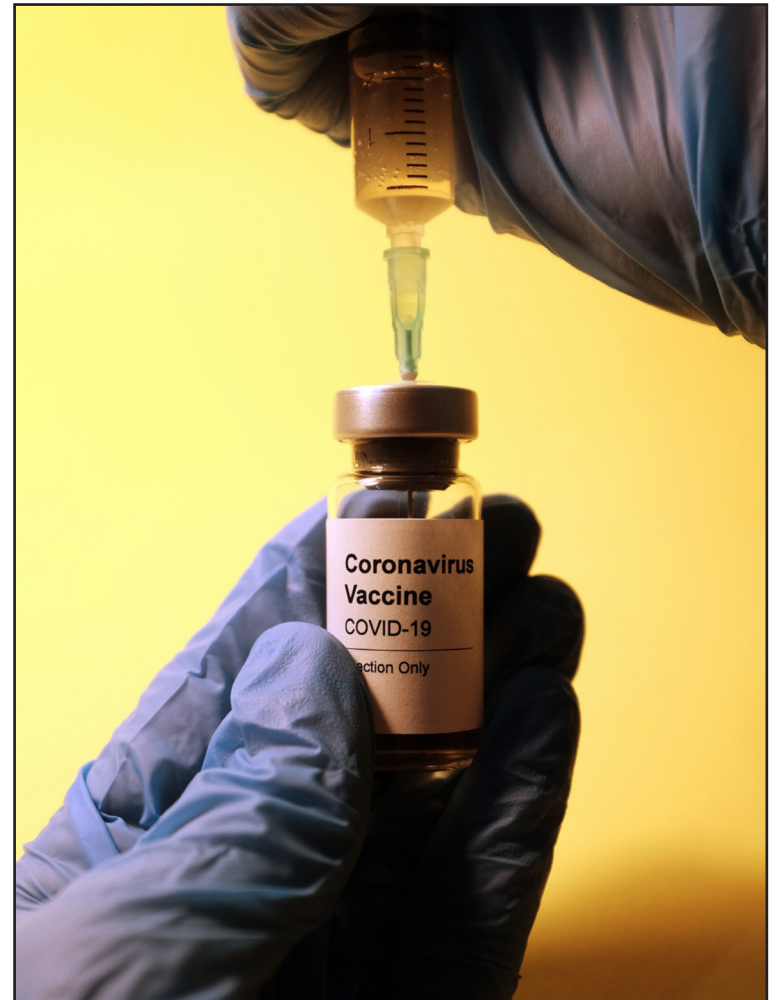
Thrifty White does ask people to select their state and the type of vaccine in order to schedule the appointment date and time accordingly; individuals must be able to prove they are a North Dakota resident or claim the state as a secondary residence, or that they are employed, serve as a doctor, or attend a school, college, or university in the state. Locations

focused on susceptibility or medical facilities like Trinity Health will verify a patient has been treated at the facility in the past three years and that a North Dakota address is attached to the file.

If you work for Minot State, even as a student, now is a good time to start checking around to see what is available to you and when you can schedule a vaccination from what location.

Minot State held its first COVID-19 vaccination event on campus earlier this week for MSU students, employees, and family member 16-years and older. A follow-up vaccination event will be held in the Student Center on April 23 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Proof of insurance and an ID will make the registration process easier; however, no person wishing to be vaccinated will be turned away.

There are a wide variety of resources for the COVID-19 vaccine for students and staff within Minot State University, and those resources will only continue to expand with time.



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A follow-up vaccine clinic will be held on April 23 at 8-10 a.m. in the Student Center. Proof of insurance and ID will make the registration process easier.

No person wishing to be vaccinated will be turned away.

# Commencement ceremony to continue with COVID-19 protocols

Macyn Flatmoe  
Staff Writer

Pomp and circumstance. Walking across the stage. Receiving a hard-earned degree. Finally getting to say, "I made it." The moment that just about every college student looks forward to — graduation.

Graduation is perhaps one of the most important days of the school year. As spring rolls around, this celebration is getting closer and closer. This year, Minot State University is lucky enough to be able to celebrate the accomplishments of the class of 2021, as well as the preceding class of 2020.

The Commencement Ceremony is set to take place in the Dome on Sunday, May 14 at 10 a.m. with COVID-19 social-distancing

protocols set in place for the safety of the graduates and the guests attending. Each graduate is limited to only three guests, and masks will be required.

Though graduation will be a combination of two graduating classes this year, Kevin Harmon, vice president for student affairs, mentioned that the numbers of those indicating interest for attending commencement is quite a bit smaller than previous years.

"In past years, we've had up to 800 graduates go through commencement. So even if a number of students sign up during the incoming weeks, we still will be below average for attendees, and so we feel like we can safely provide and celebrate

commencement this year, even though we're combining both groups," Harmon commented.

Many different factors played into the decision to participate in graduation for graduates and soon-to-be graduates. For some, the yet-to-be-opened Canadian border makes it difficult for family members to attend, and for others, they are no longer participating in school here in Minot and have simply made the decision not to come back for the ceremony.

Celebrating accomplishments with friends and family is something that students all

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## March Madness

Philip Green  
Sports Editor

The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) is receiving a lot of pushback during this year's March Madness tournament, and rightfully so. The tournament returned for the first time in over a year, since last year's was canceled due to the pandemic. A viral video was released that compared the March Madness women's teams' weight room to the men's weight room. The weight room for the women's teams didn't even have enough equipment to be considered an actual weight room.

There were also images showing how little souvenirs the women's teams were given for achieving the accomplishment of making the tournament compared to the overflow of gifts the men's teams received. These are a few of the many differences in treatment of female sports that go on in college athletics.

If the NCAA is going to claim that they believe in equality

among sports, they need to actually back that statement.

Things like not providing close game updates on the March Madness app for the women's games, which is provided for the men's games, shows that they don't truly believe in equality among all sports. The NCAA needs to be held accountable and start truly providing equality among men's and women's athletics.

Many will claim that it is because the men's teams bring in more money. While that might be the case, the NCAA cannot claim they care about equality and then let money defer them from that supposed equality.

They either need to admit they care more about money over the athletes or finally provide the equality they claim they care so deeply about.

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## MSU softball turning heads this season

Calli Delsman  
COMM 281

The Minot State softball team's last season was cut short due to the impact of COVID-19 to athletics all over the nation. The team ended their season on a four-game winning streak before the remainder of their games were canceled.

This year, the Beavers can compete, but competition looks a bit different due to COVID-19 rules that the team must follow. Zoya Robbins, a redshirt sophomore on the squad, has seen how a normal season is conducted and explains the differences expected this year.

"The biggest change with COVID-19 so far this season is the schedule change. As softball players, we're used to a 60-game schedule at least, and we've been told multiple times that we'll be lucky if we get 30 of those games in. We have 44 scheduled, but really everything is still up in the air and still depends on how healthy we are, and how healthy our opponents are," Robbins said.

The Beavers started the 2021 season Feb. 12 and have produced a 7-5 record so far, with four of the five losses ending in only three or less scores trailing their opponent. With only two more games before conference play begins, Robbins is hopeful they can be more successful than they have been in the past.

"I expect to beat teams that we've lost to in the past. I think this season our freshmen class is going to be the difference. Overall, they all want to be here, to prove themselves, and they all go hard. We have 27 girls that want to play, and in softball half the battle is wanting to be successful, wanting the ball, and wanting to show up for your team," Robbins said.

Having a successful season isn't about the wins but about what preparation has been done before the season starts. The Beavers have been preparing since last fall to showcase their best play, and they are confident that their work ethic will lead to success.

"We have three pillars on our team:



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Members of the Minot State softball team.



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# Minot State soccer takes advantage of spring season

**Philip Green**  
Sports Editor

Just over one year to the date when COVID-19 shut down the country, the impacts of the pandemic continue in the area of athletics. Fall sports across the country, at almost every level, were canceled. Outside of the Division I Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) level for football, very few college teams were able to play a fall season. This was the case for Minot State's soccer team.

Due to the cancellation of the fall season, MSU soccer has been playing in an expanded spring season inside the MSU Bubble.

To start the spring season in February, the Beavers went 3-0 with wins against Black Hills State University, University of Mary, and Montana State - Billings. March left the Beavers winless, with losses to Minnesota State University - Mankato and Augustana University.

This spring season is different than what the team is used to. Senior forward Melanie van Walstijn, one of the leading goal scorers for the Beavers in the 2019 season expanded on what the spring season will entail.

"We usually play a spring season, but we do have the opportunity to play more games than we normally do because we didn't have a season in the fall. This is basically our season, but without a championship," van Walstijn explained.

The Beavers are used to playing in stadiums in front of crowds during their fall season. This semester that won't be the case as they play games in the bubble, but the team is focusing on the positives.

"Weather circumstances gladly won't play a role in our practices or games. It is a little unfortunate we can't have any supporters, but at least we are always sure that we will be able to play," van Walstijn said.

COVID-19 took away the team's fall season, but the Beavers are finding benefits as they navigate through the adversity.

"It is great that we have extra time to get to know each other

and play longer with each other before we have an actual season. We have a lot of new girls on the team this year, and it has made it easier to teach everybody the style of play and what it takes to play at a college level in our conference," van Walstijn said.

The Beavers have several goals they have set out to achieve this spring.

"The team goal this spring is to get the system we are trying to play down and get everybody fit and ready for the fall. This is a good time to see and feel what is needed

to play in our conference, fitness and tactical-wise," van Walstijn explained.

All the hard work that MSU soccer is putting in this spring is for achieving larger goals in the upcoming Fall 2021 season.

"We will be able to prepare ourselves for the fall, because we already played and will play some top teams from our conference. We won't have a championship, so we will use this spring to learn and grow as a team so we can compete for the conference championship in the fall," van Walstijn said.

There's a lot for Minot State fans to look forward to when Herb Parker Stadium is open to the public again.

"Beaver fans can expect to watch a high intensity, willing to win, hardworking, and offensive-minded team," van Walstijn said.

Minot State played Minnesota State University Moorhead on March 26 in the bubble. MSU won 3-1 and van Walstijn scored the first goal. The Beavers have four more games scheduled in April to wrap up their spring season.

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**Melanie van Walstijn shoots against Minnesota State University Moorhead. The Beavers won the match 3-1 on Friday, March 26 with van Walstijn scoring one goal against the Dragons.**

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outwork everyone, take care of each other, and attitude/gratitude. We're our strongest when we live out these pillars," Robbins said. "The leadership on this team is way more inviting this year as well. Our team doesn't have captains, but if you were to ask a random player who the leaders are on the team, they'd be able to point out eight to 10 girls, and that's awesome."

Robbins and the team hope to end their season with 30 wins under their belt, but they also understand that at any point their season could come to a halt due to COVID-19. They have been doing their best to be prepared for the worst.

"We keep mentally preparing ourselves for the worst, playing our best

one pitch at a time. Our mentality is who knows what's coming next, we just have to ball out every opportunity we get, no matter how many opportunities we do get," Robbins said.

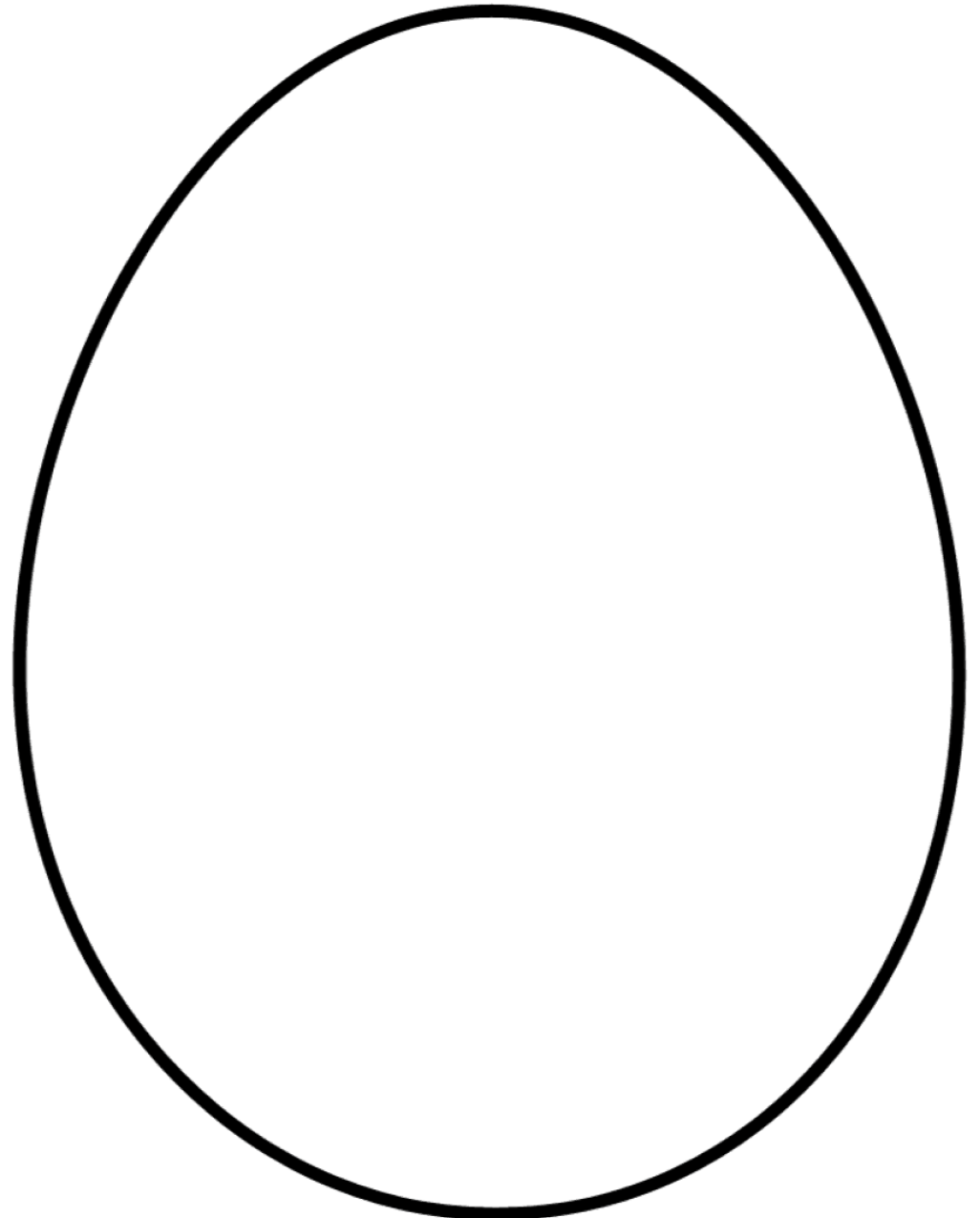
Although the Beavers just finished with a four-game losing streak, Robbins doesn't see that as a negative.

"I love how we started, and I also appreciate that we lost four in a row in St. Cloud because we all got smacked in the face and none of us ever want to feel that again," Robbins said. "I believe those losses lit a fire in a lot of us, and we don't want to lose like that ever again."

The Beavers began their conference play with a double header vs. the University of Mary on March 30 at home at the South Hill Softball Complex.

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Zoya Robbins, Minot State redshirt sophomore.

**...Dakota Hall  
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Green reporters speak squirrel, but we do believe that the squirrels seem enthusiastic about becoming Minot State Beavers.

Minot State administration is working with the wildlife to better understand their needs as well as concerns regarding parking and shared space.

A faculty meeting will take place next week to ensure the best possible experience for Dakota Hall's new residents. The meeting will be streamed via YouTube live. Faculty encourage students to tune in and address any questions or concerns they have.

Make sure to say hello to Minot State's newest students the next time you see them!

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**Heads Up**

Scientists have discovered the ultimate case of regeneration: some decapitated sea slugs can regrow hearts and whole new bodies. According to the AP, this was recently reported in a biology journal out of Tokyo, Japan.

Biology researcher Sayaka Mitoh saw something interesting one day in the lab: a sea slug had decapitated itself and the head kept on moving and living. Her team decided to test it out themselves by cutting the heads off 16 sea slugs. Six of the creatures started regeneration, with three succeeding and surviving. One of the three even lost and regrew its body twice. Two different species of Japanese sea slugs did this regeneration trick. How interesting!

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brake on the rift between students and teachers, the school's administration team released a statement about the consequences of those who do not follow the new rule, and it is severe.

Those who refuse to follow the socially-distanced parking protocol will no longer be eligible for Soup Tuesdays.

With so many Minot State students in an uproar about the new socially-distanced parking, many are wondering what administrators will do about it. Will they risk the wrath of their students or will they rescind the new protocol? How much longer will this go on until Minot State University collapses completely into chaos? All for the sake of parking.

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studies, weekend retreats, and random hangouts."

Along with what Cru does, Orluck also shared why she thinks it is important for people to join the club while they are in college.

"College is a big time in life. Many students are branching out and trying to answer big life questions," said Orluck. "Cru provides a safe atmosphere to ask questions about the Bible, about God, about purpose, about heaven, about anything and everything! Cru also is just a great group of fun, encouraging, and caring students. Doing life with other people who care about you and are there to help you in all areas of life is so huge."

Orluck said that the club is open to everyone, including non-Christians looking for information. As for more information about the club, their website is [cru.org/communities/campus/minotstateu](http://cru.org/communities/campus/minotstateu).

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around the world unfortunately had to skip last year, or make accommodations for, and students at Minot State were no exception.

Having to adjust to life during the pandemic, major events being canceled or postponed left a void in many communities. However, the safety and well-being of students and faculty has been one of MSU's main priorities since the beginning of the pandemic.

In light of this, the faculty and staff made some (hopefully) one-time decisions in order to get campus life back to normal as soon as possible. One of those decisions was consequently postponing the 2020 graduation ceremony, hence the combination of both graduating classes.

Harmon anticipates that events such as this should be back to normal by spring of 2022, but at the present moment, he wants to remind students to appreciate the opportunities they have.

"We can't take these kinds of events for granted," he said. "It was really unfortunate that students all over didn't get this opportunity a year ago, but we're really pleased to be able to offer all of our students from last year and this year the opportunity to get together one last time to acknowledge their accomplishments here at Minot State."

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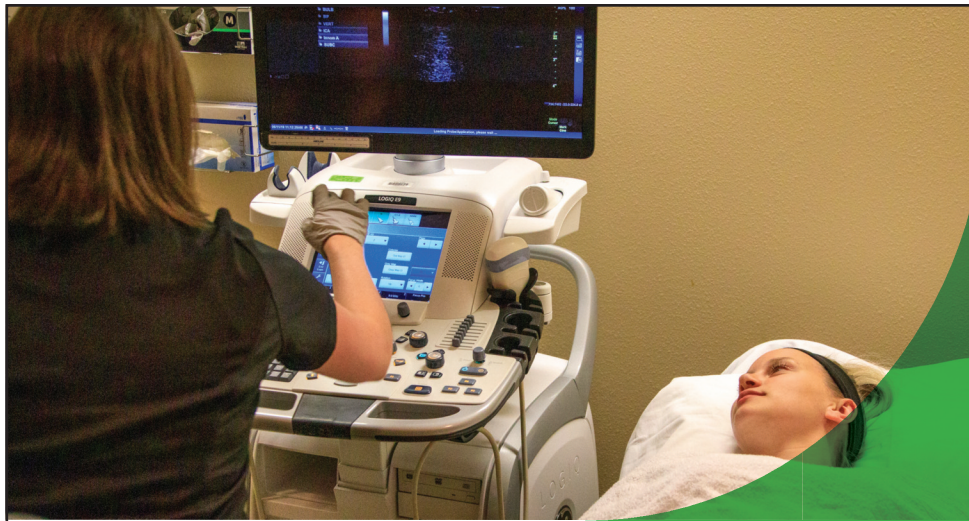
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