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Mystics Made Here: Homecoming Week

By: **Mary Tschosik**
Reporter

This year at Bismarck State College, homecoming week is scheduled for October 14-18, with events happening daily for students and staff. The theme for this year is Mystics Made Here. The main focus for the week is integrating alumni and student relationships. The events start Monday, where voting begins for the homecoming king and queen. There will also be a wing bar. Tuesday is the Party on Schafer, where the street will be closed and students can find entertainment in an inflatable obstacle course, axe throwing, and a petting zoo. On Wednesday there will be tailgating at the armory before the volleyball game, which starts at 7:30 p.m. The Homecoming Royalty announcement will happen between the second and third volleyball sets. On Thursday, students can attend a non-alcoholic mixer with the prevention team speaking on alcohol education. Friday is the Explore BSC open house where prospective students can come and learn the benefits of attending college at BSC. Sarah Owens, the student engagement coordinator, added some insight on the popularity of the week,

“Every single day we seem to have a large turnout. It is busy. Students are excited to vote, get a free t-shirt. They get free food,” she said.

Owens shared that since the main feature of this year is alumni and current students, an alumni feature will be presented every day with success stories.

“I am most excited to work with our alumni and get them involved,” she said. “Other colleges have those alumni and student relationships, but we don’t really have that. We are trying to get that tradition started again, getting them involved and hanging out with our students.”

A current faculty member who is being highlighted this year is the Dean of Current and Emerging Technology Mari Volk. She attended BSC and graduated in 2004 from the medical lab tech program. Volk added to the importance of the theme Mystics Made Here.

“BSC is where I got my start and made me the person I am,” she said “BSC gave me the basis to be what I wanted to be.”

New Dean Takes The Helm At BSC

By: **Sophia Beauclair**
Reporter

Imagine a vibrant, bustling campus, filled with students eager to explore the world of ideas. Dr. Kim Weismann is poised to guide this intellectual journey as the new Dean of Humanities, Arts, and Sciences at Bismarck State College. Succeeding the late Dr. Amy Juhala, Weismann brings her experience to her new position.

Before joining BSC, Weismann served in various roles at Williston State College. She said as the BSC Dean of HAS, she will apply her experience of managing teams and working closely with students in classrooms.

“I see my job as being one where I can help others,” Weismann said. “I want to ensure that students are successful in their courses and that our instructors have the resources and support they need to teach effectively.”



Students participate in cornhole at BSC Homecoming.

She became the dean in June of 2020 at BSC. When attending school here in 2004, there was not a homecoming week. When she heard they wanted to bring it back in 2021, Volk was very excited.

Volk was involved in volunteering during the first years and still does as much as she can. She is dedicated to giving back to students the same way she said the faculty did when she attended school and was a young mother. Faculty and staff can be some of the

biggest influences on students, and she is excited to be out there during homecoming week.

“Sharing my story and sharing my success with the students,” she said.

Expecting a large turnout for this homecoming week will bring faculty, staff, students, and alumni together. Sharing stories and being present in the week’s activities will be how BSC Mystics are made here this Homecoming Week.

Weismann’s appointment comes during a growth phase for BSC. As the college expands its offerings, she said she wants her leadership to ensure that HAS remains at the forefront of academic excellence.

Providing hands-on education for workforce readiness is part of BSC’s polytechnic mission. Weismann said her vision to make that happen includes enhancing educational experiences through innovative methods—such as the anatomage tables in anatomy classes or experiential learning in music, art, and theater—allowing students to engage deeply with their studies and have access to the necessary resources.

“I sit on the student assistance team to ensure students who need extra help receive it,” Weismann said. She prioritizes feedback from surveys conducted each semester. “We’re always looking at details...to improve.”

Weismann offered advice in all areas of study.

“Seek leadership opportunities,” Weismann said. “Communication classes are invaluable, and we’re exploring new ideas for programs.”

Weismann also emphasized collaboration with faculty and staff. She said open communication fosters an environment where everyone feels heard—a vital aspect of building a supportive academic community.

Diversity, equity, and inclusion are integral parts of her strategy. She actively participates in committees focused on embracing diversity at BSC.

“It’s important that everyone has a voice,” she said.

Weismann’s appointment as Dean of HAS marks a new era of intellectual growth and innovation. She is poised to guide the division toward a future filled with inclusivity and endless possibilities.

MYSTIC MEDIA

MEET THE CREW

Hello, my name is Paysha Rex. I am from a small town called Bowman, ND and I am 20 years old. I love to nap and run (not at the same time), but I do enjoy relaxing and adventuring. I am excited to bring my graphics and designs to the newspaper. I am currently earning my Associates degree in Graphic Design and Communications, while also being part of the Mystics Cross Country and Track team. I am also involved in the Graphic Design and Communications Club, Art Club, and Mystic Media Club. My future plans are to continue to grow in the graphic design world.

Paysha Rex
Graphic Designer

My name is J’Noy Davis. I am a track and field athlete at Bismarck State College. Originally from Barbados, I grew up surrounded by a vibrant culture and warm beaches before moving to Canada at 16. I enjoy music and find inspiration in its rhythm. At BSC, I am eager to enhance my marketing skills and contribute to the Mystician team, blending my athletic discipline with my ambition in the media. I aim to make a positive impact on both the track and Mystician team.



J’Noy Davis
Mystic Media Crew



Liberty Friez
Mystic Media Crew

Hello! My name is Liberty Friez. I am from Mandan, North Dakota and I have lived there my whole life. I am currently a pre-vet student at Bismarck State College and I hope to one day be a veterinarian. I am mostly excited to be writing boo reviews for the Mystician, but I am also excited to just be part of it. In my spare time I can be found reading, playing piano, playing video games or drinking coffee. I am looking forward to this year!

Hi, my name is Katie Eide and I graduated from Century High School last spring. I am taking my generals right now at BSC, and I plan to major in Art. I am also a part of the Student Media team, as I love to do illustrations for the newspaper. I am most looking forward to getting to work on doing illustrations for the newspaper, and using the tools I know as a graphic designer in the newspaper. A fun fact about me is that I am a huge book lover, and love to read. When I am not creating illustrations for work or working on art projects for my Painting/Ceramics classes, you can find me reading a good book.



Katie Eide
Graphic Designer

SAY CHEESE!



Tug Johnson and Libima Kollie

Photo Credit: Mygel Porter

Are you interested in showing off your wonderful smile? The Mystic Media crew is here to help. If you submit a photo, you may appear in the Mystician Newspaper under the “Say Cheese!” column. Just scan the QR code and add everyone’s name in the photo!

Keep on smiling everyone!



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Pleased to meet you

BY: J'Noy Davis

Mystic Media Crew

Jimmy Adams

Q: What do you do here?

A: I drive the athletic bus and I do the play-by-play for the home livestreams of volleyball and basketball, and I do public address announcing for baseball when they play at home.

Q: Okay, and what degree do you have if you have a degree?

A: I never got a college degree. I had some college, but I never got a degree. Now, I was a master electrician in Virginia. I went to trade school. And I had a journeyman card in North Dakota. I let it go when I retired seven years ago.

Q: And where are you from?

A: Originally from North Carolina, spent most of my life in Richmond, Virginia before I moved here to North Dakota in 2013.

Q: That's fair. So then, what would you say is your favorite thing to do on BSC campus?

A: Drive the bus.

Q: And this is a bit of an odd question. Would you rather have a unicorn or a dragon as a pet?

A: A unicorn.

Q: A unicorn, why?

A: If I want to have a pet, I like a gentle pet. And unicorns have the reputation of being more gentle than a dragon, right?



Photo Credit: J'Noy Davis

Craziest Ways Students Procrastinate

By: Mygel Porter

Mystic Media Crew

We are six weeks into college, and for some of us, the workload is starting to feel real. So maybe procrastination is starting to kick in, but don't feel bad about it. You can put off your homework longer as you read about two Bismarck State College students who talk about their experience

The first person interviewed was a sophomore named Ivar Martell. His most memorable procrastination story was for freshman biology, a class he hated. He said he procrastinated a lot freshman year, but he was the biggest procrastinator in his biology class.

For one of the bigger assignments in that class, he acted as if it didn't exist. It worked at the start; he would push it to the back of his mind and forget

about it, but as the due date got closer, he couldn't ignore the assignment. So a few nights before it was due, he locked in and finished everything in time.

I then asked him if he still procrastinates this year. Martell said he does a little bit, but he knows the work is there and that he has to do it, so he's gotten better at getting work done early.

I also interviewed sophomore Alexis Ritzman. Ritzman said she didn't have a specific procrastination moment since she procrastinates everything. All of freshman year and the start of this year she has been procrastinating.

When she was asked what she does when she procrastinates she said she would sit down to do her work and then say how she deserves some treat like

a drink or some food. Then she would go and get that, come back, and still not focus on her work. She has claimed that she always gets her work done just in time.

How ironic, you just procrastinated more by reading about procrastination. Make sure to look out for me next month as I'll be trying to find two more people to interview about the craziest ways they procrastinate.

Procrastination makes productivity

By: Alexis Ritzman
Sophomore

Photo Credit: Mygel Porter



Alexis Ritzman



Ivar Martell

Recreation Options Abound For BSC Students

By: Isaiah Johnson

MystiCast Executive Producer

Stress and despondency rule college life, but students at Bismarck State College can fight these attitudes by participating in recreation around campus.

The gym at BSC is open for students to use when athletic practices are not occurring, but because of its restricted availability, students seeking exercise should participate in intramural sports and utilize BSC's Aquatic & Wellness Center.

During each academic year, BSC's Armory, which houses the gym, is open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Monday through Thursday. The building is also open from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday. BSC's athletic teams require the gym for practices that usually start at or after 3 p.m. Non-athlete students cannot play basketball in the gym during organized practices or games. However, in the times before, between, or after practices, all students, athletes included, can share the gym space.

BSC Assistant Director of Athletics Thai Haggin said, "When we aren't practicing, anyone can come in and shoot around."

If students wish to utilize the facility, they must bring shoes that have not been worn outside. Haggin explains that when students wear street shoes into the gym, they risk tracking in dirt and mud, which ruins the finish on the wood flooring.

An additional method of recreation that all students at BSC can participate in is intramural sports. The first intramural league at BSC this fall semester is the co-ed basketball league. Every Tuesday night from September 10 through October 22, each team, composed of five to 12 students, plays a 26-minute basketball game against another team in the league. Although signups for this league are closed, students can still register for co-ed bowling league, a ping pong tournament, and a billiards tournament. The Intramurals page on BSC's website contains a link to IMLeagues.com, which provides the schedule and rules for each intramural sport of Fall 2024 and Spring 2025.

"Intramurals is a great way to stay active," BSC Intramurals Coordinator Amanda Morse said. "It's also a great way to meet new people, to get involved with different friend groups."

Morse, who is also the residence hall coordinator at BSC, added that intramurals is a good place for students to engage in healthy competition and learn new skills.

In addition to intramurals, students taking classes at BSC can gain free access to the BSC Aquatic & Wellness Center. To gain a free membership, students must present their class sched-

ule when they enter the building. This facility offers weightlifting equipment, fitness classes, a 50-meter competition pool, and more.

Between its gym, intramural sports, and the BSC Aquatic & Wellness Center, the college offers numerous options for students wishing to remain active, meet new people, and have fun.



Photo Credit: Isaiah Johnson

International Students Enroll at BSC

By: Sophia Fafard
Copy Editor

Going to college can be a difficult transition for students, but for those leaving their home country to achieve their academic goals, it can seem like a challenge.

International students at Bismarck State College have come from all over the world—whether it be far overseas or across the nearest border. No matter where they're from, international students go through a specific enrollment process unlike that of national students. At the same time they adapt to a new culture and deal with the longing for friends and family back home.

The International Student Orientation meeting sought to address the questions students might have regarding enrollment in a straightforward and encouraging way. The orientation took place on August 26 and was led by Director of Admissions and Recruitment at BSC, Anne Seidler. The orientation went over some of the key information that students should know.

“Our goal here is to address and expand growth for international students,” Seidler said. “It is important to foster the advising approach, but also knowing how to be efficient in articulating information for compliance. It’s both an individual and group approach.”

The orientation also added background knowledge about North Dakota in order to familiarize students with the state.

There might be a few reasons international students choose BSC. For one student, it is the connection the school has to athletics. Mariana Elias is from Sao Paulo, Brazil. She throws javelin with the Mystics track and field team. She arrived last semester in the cold of winter, a change from her usual climate.

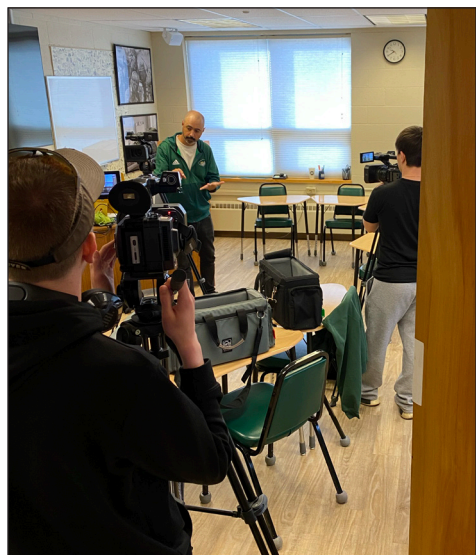
“I like BSC because I can keep both my studies and athletic career balanced,” she said. “In Brazil, it was difficult to balance the two.”

Elias has plans of transferring to a four-year university in the United States, and although there are many positives, being far from home can be difficult.

“I miss my family back home,” she said. “I do get homesick from time to time.”

Whether it be homesickness or adapting to a new culture, one thing is for sure: for some, going to school across borders is no small feat. But for many international students with their sights set on the future, it might be a little easier.

Mystic Media Cam



Dusty Anderson teaching basic camera functions



Kayden Schmitcke and Isaiah Johnson distribute newspapers



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Zack Schmidt, Kenton Glovich, Harrison Gard, Bryce Bennett, Chris Nuelle, Jermiah, and Torey are on red team for the BSC Laser Tag event

Jessie Leifson, Nolan Martell, Alora Kroh, Taylor Zazeski, Chris Nuelle, Elli Peddycord, Bryce Bennett, Katie Eide, and Zack Schmidt get ready to beat the blue team!

Audrey Duppong and Patsy Friez are making friendship bracelets in the Student Union



Mygel Porter and Taylor Zazeski



Jessie Leifson, Chauvin Brenneise, and Noah Schettlee are picking teams for laser tag

Amateur Radio Club: Saves the World

By: **Alix Dobler**
Mystic Media Crew



Natural disasters don't wait to strike. There is no stopping a hurricane from blowing away a building or a forest fire from burning someone's home. Stranded in the midst of destruction with no heat and no service, what could help people survive? In some cases, understanding radio communication can make all the difference.

The use of radio communication has been around since the 1800s. It was first used to relay information out to sea and later aided as a communication weapon during World Wars I and II. Over the years, the use of radio has diverged into two separate divisions; emergency and entertainment. Amateur radio is a mixture of both.

Also known as HAM radio, amateur radio is the use of radio for non-com-

mercial means. Fostering a sense of community and friendship, amateur radio allows people to communicate with each other from all around the world without the need for high electrical power. This type of communication runs on low-powered radio frequencies that are split between various licenses.

Currently, there are three licenses for HAM radio operators in the United States. The entry-level license for those starting out is the Technician license. Operators with a Technician license are given permission to talk within their city or town. The next license is the General license. After getting this license, operators have access to frequencies around the world. The third license for amateur radio is the Extra Class license which gives operators every privilege available, unlocking all frequencies in the system. The three licenses allow operators to communicate with each other, share events, and report on weather conditions.

For some operators, amateur radio is a fun hobby. Tuning in to the various frequencies will reveal people singing songs, hosting talk shows and reading stories. Others will communicate with each other directly, relaying whole conversations between their stations. Many of the things people do on social media are also translated to HAM radio. The National Association for Amateur Radio (ARRL) states that with amateur radio "You can communicate with other HAMS using your voice and a microphone, interface a radio with

your computer or tablet to send data, text or images, or Morse code..." This ability to share information and connect is not only useful for sending a photo to a friend, but it's also vital for emergency situations when traditional communication methods fail.

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) is a volunteer program for amateur radio operators interested in helping communities during times of crisis. When calling someone for help or sharing updates online is no longer available, amateur radio can work past these problems. Operators can set up a radio station anywhere in minutes, allowing them to connect to emergency services and get help for those in need. The ARRL has more information about the program on their website.

Closer to home is Bismarck State College's Amateur Radio Club. Associate Professor of Electronics and Telecommunications, Mike Holman is the adviser of the club. Going strong for eight years, the Amateur Radio Club is a free learning opportunity for students on campus. "We generally don't have to worry about costs," Holman said. "We have a lot of different equipment to use...Manuals are provided for studying."

BSC's Amateur Radio Club teaches students the basics of radio communication. Those taking the course will learn how radios and antennas work, how to operate on the radio and the different FCC guidelines for amateur radio. "Part of our job as a club will be getting people

registered... getting licensed," Holman said. The club gets students ready for their Technician license, which requires them to pass a thirty-five question test. In addition to learning written knowledge, Holman also shares the importance of vocal training. "Most people have what's called 'Mic Shy'— they don't want to talk, so (it's) getting them past that fear of...if I say something wrong I'll get in trouble."

In past years, the Amateur Radio Club has participated in extensive projects. In 2015 the club worked alongside BSC's STEM club to do high-altitude balloon tracking. Traveling 67 miles to the south of Steele, ND, the balloon went up to approximately 107,000 feet before bursting. This project shows some of the real-world missions amateur radio supports.

Amateur radio is an important communication tool, whether it's used for emergency or recreational means. It relays information from one area to another, telling the stories of people around the world at different times. When cell towers go down, radio communication works as a backup amongst the chaos, keeping people connected during extreme weather conditions and other dire situations. BSC's Amateur Radio Club meets weekly and is free for anyone interested.



2015 photo of the high-altitude balloon tracking project with BSC's Stem club.



Mike Holman points to one of BSC's standard radios for communication.

Photo Credit: Alix Dobler

SCHOOL OF THOUGHT

Don't Get Me Started

By: Mygel Porter
Mystic Media Crew



Do you ever want to rant about your biggest pet peeves on-campus? Well, here is the section for that, where every month I will be interviewing people on their biggest pet peeves on-campus. But, before I report on other peoples' pet peeves, I need to get a few things off my chest. Here are a few of my biggest pet peeves on-campus.

College Parking: My pet peeve for the parking lot is when someone parks over the line as that causes a whole chain reaction. When one person parks over the line it causes you to park close to or over your line, which affects others' parking as well.

Also, if you try to park perfectly next to them, you risk door dinging them or getting door dinged yourself.

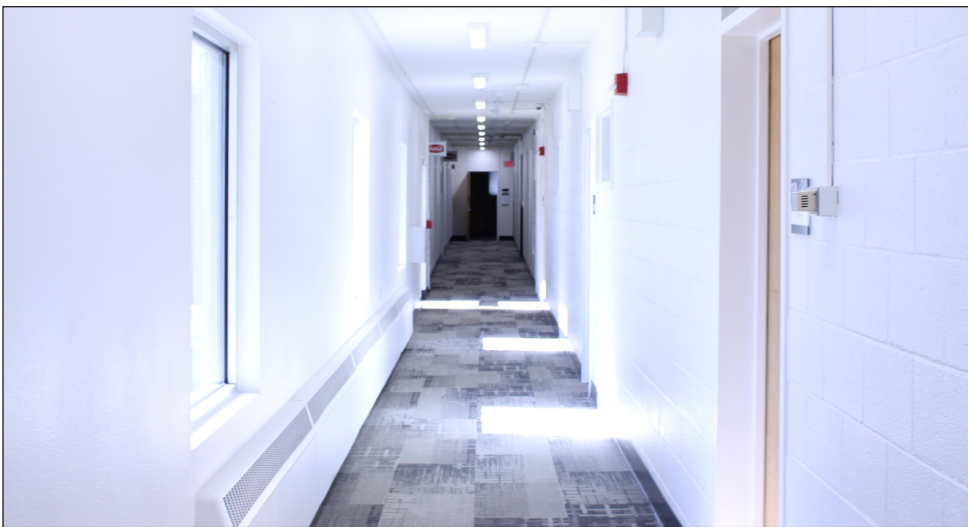
Hallways: My pet peeves for hallways are when people walk in groups and leave awkward gaps around them so it's hard to pass them. If people are walking together, and walk so far apart from each other, but not far enough where you could walk in between them; but, enough of a gap it would open up much space for passing.

Another thing is when they walk ridiculously slow, or stop in the middle of the hallway to talk to someone.

Lounge Spaces: My pet peeves for lounge spaces is when someone watches videos or is on a call with someone on full volume. Even in the lunchroom it's still annoying but it's more acceptable. In a quieter space used for students to usually chill out in peace, however, hearing someone's Youtube video from three tables away or hearing their whole phone conversation is just awful.



Photos Credit: Kayden Schmitcke



Loony Leaders: Presidential Antics Through History

By: Maddie Porter
Mystic Media Crew



Taylor may have overdosed on cherries and died. Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter both claimed to see UFOs multiple times. And don't worry; there's more.

Besides being famous for his tall hat and face on the penny, Abraham Lincoln is also known for his collection of diaries about hunting vampires. These diaries were found shortly after his assassination attempt. Some people claim Lincoln was a vampire himself due to his great height, not to mention his pale skin and long limbs.

Speaking of killing vampires, President Andrew Jackson was a murderer. Not so much a vampire killer but a people murderer... During a horse race bet in 1806, Jackson and his wife were insulted by a man named Charles Dickinson. Dickinson called them cheaters, bigamists, and liars.

After a public statement from Dickinson calling Jackson a cheater in the horse race bets, Jackson challenged him to a gun duel. Jackson ended the fight in two shots, killing Dickinson. All because of betting on horse races.

Speaking of animals, President Andrew Johnson did not have any pets, though he did favor one animal. The "White House mice" were exactly what you might think. Johnson was reportedly caught by servants feeding and trying to lure the mice within the White House during his time of impeachment.

The "rat" of the White House is quite different though. President Benjamin Harrison was the first president to hire a female White House worker. This snowballed into a collection of names for this woman, with the "White House Rat" sticking the most.

On a positive note for women, presi-

dent Woodrow Wilson established the second Sunday of May as the official Mothers Day. No matter how serious politics may be, the kookiness of some presidents might make us smile any day.



Presidents are more than people who lead our country. They can be interesting and odd. Take Lyndon B Johnson for example; he was interviewed several times while defecating on the toilet, not to mention the times he was caught peeing in public. Zachary

MYSTIC MEDIA

Staff Opinions

Unicorns Vs Dragons



By: Kayden Schmitcke
Editor-in-Chief

Of course I want a massive dragon that breathes fire or ice! A unicorn is useless! Dragons are known for their loyalty and protection in any movie or book you read. Also a dragon would be a far better traveling companion than a unicorn.



Illustration By: Paysha Rex



By: Katie Eide
Graphic Designer

The question being “What would you rather have as a pet? A Unicorn or a Dragon?” I would choose a Dragon. I think Dragons are super fascinating creatures and Dragons breathe fire and ice. I also think Dragons are really cool creatures.



By: Liberty Friez
Mystic Media Crew

As someone who has read dozens of fantasy books and whose favorite show is Game of Thrones, I would 100% want a dragon. Who wouldn't want a giant, fire breathing, flying reptile? I know I do.



By: Isaiah Johnson
MystiCast Executive Producer

other hand, a unicorn is essentially a glorified horse. It looks pretty and you could ride it around, but it wouldn't have many other useful functions. Compared to a dragon that would eat you, however, a unicorn looks far more appealing.

The question of whether a unicorn or dragon would be preferable as a pet is quite ludicrous, yet it presents an opportunity for thoughtful consideration. If I had a dragon as a pet and could train it to not eat or incinerate me, a dragon would be infinitely preferable to a unicorn. It could save me some propane when I grill or give me a lift on my next vacation to South Dakota.



By: Alix Dobler
Mystic Media Crew

I think I would rather have a dragon as a pet than a unicorn. I've always thought of unicorns as being fictional. I think seeing a real one would scare me for the rest of my life. A dragon is more acceptable because dinosaurs used to exist and there's not a huge difference between the two.



By: Sophia Fafard
Copy Editor

If I had to choose, I'd pick a dragon for a pet. Imagine flying a dragon; you can't do that with a unicorn. You can strike fear into the hearts of your enemies with a dragon's fire-breathing roar; if I owned a unicorn I would be made fun of.



By: Maddie Porter
Mystic Media Crew

Dragons are the only correct answer. An awesome giant lizard that you can tame and control? Heck yeah. Imagine having a grudge on someone and you fly a dragon to their house and burn it to ashes. That would be amazing. Plus in some folklore, if you are able to tame a dragon they give you something in return such as larger trinkets or immortality. I want wishes!



By: Mygel Porter
Mystic Media Crew

Why would you want a big dragon? Unicorns are the only right answer. My headcanon is that they can grant you wishes. So who wouldn't want a rainbow horse that can grant you wishes? Literally anything you ever wanted could happen with your unicorn.

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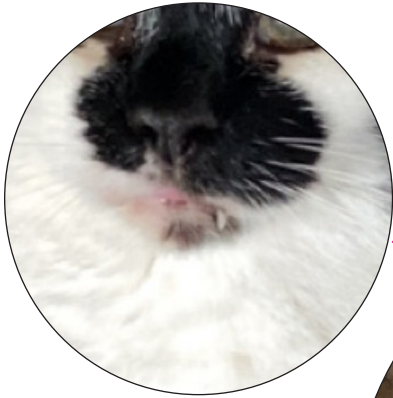
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This is Aspen, she is a cuddler and and snores in her sleep. Her owner is Halie Fletshock!



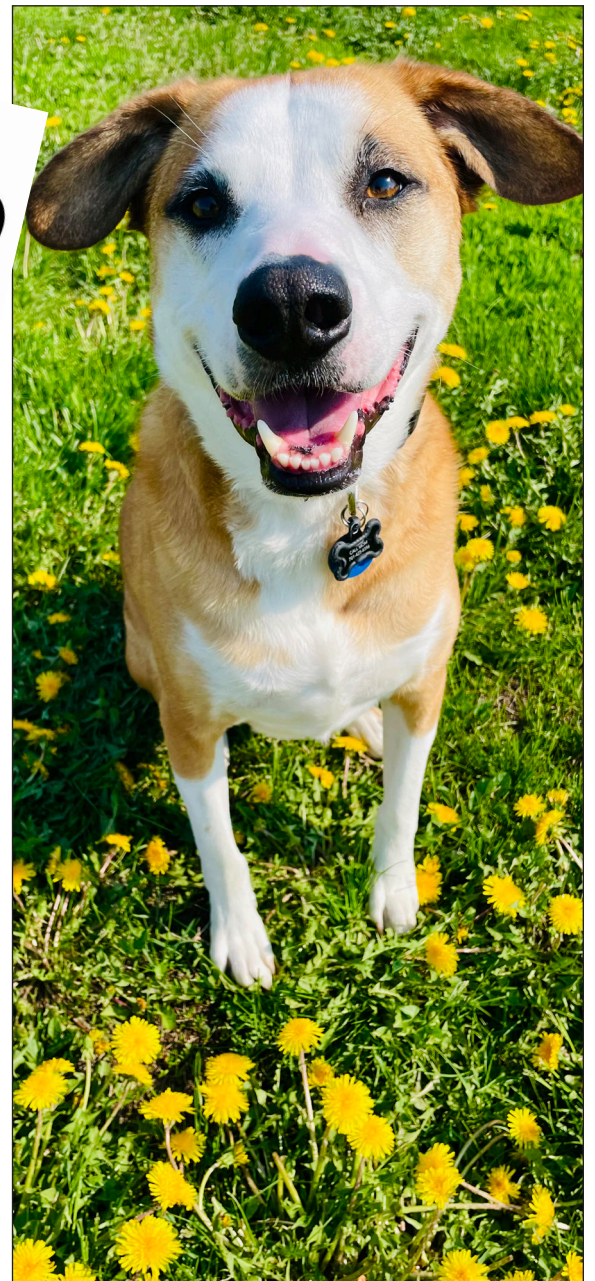
This is Lily! She won first place! Lily loves to be brus



4 Place



This is Arlo, she has an adorable snaggletooth! Her owner is Sophia Fafard.

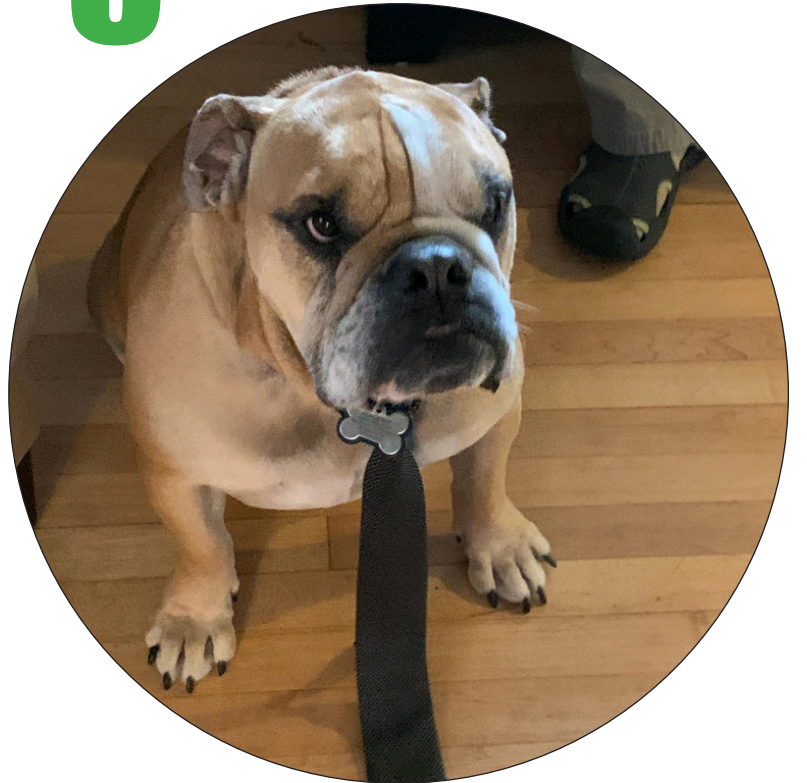




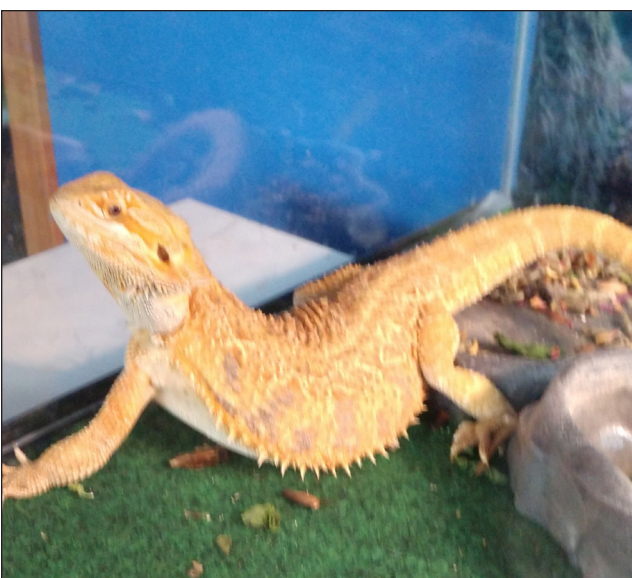
3 Place



hed and her human is Emma Spear.



This is Sarget, he is an old English Bulldog. His owner is Kacie Schlecht. Nice tie Sarget!



Meet Captain! From dumpster kitty rescue to a spoiled brat! Captains owner is Josh Dummer.

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MYSTICS CROSS COUNTRY COMPETES IN MOORHEAD

By: Sophia Fafard
Copy Editor

The Bismarck State College Mystics Cross Country team traveled to Moorhead on Sept. 13 to compete in the Dragon Twilight Invitational. The Mystics were the only junior college competing against four-year schools. Unlike other races, this meet was unique since the runners started their races at sunset and ran under the lights, which for some made the vibe more electric and fun.

The men's team worked hard and placed third as a team in the six-kilometer race. Morgon Brindley led the team with a time of 18:59.6 and placed 25th. Ivar Martell followed close behind in 39th place, while Brody Federer and Dalton Fleckstein placed 42nd and 44th. Martell was interviewed after the race. When asked how he would rate the race, Martell gave it an 8/10.

The women's team ran five-kilometers. Ava Stafford led the charge, finishing 17th with a time of 19:20.2. Lindsey Schroeder and Amelia Shepard both finished in the top 50 with Schroeder coming in 43rd and Shepard coming in 48th.



Ivar Martell
Sophomore

Rating of the race:
8/10

"I liked it... every mile's one foot after the other and you gotta look at it strategically, as a race."



Harry Cobb
Sophomore

Rating of the race:
7.7/10

"...I didn't win, but I won in my heart, so..."



Dan McGurren
Coach

"I thought they did really well, and I thought, um, yeah, we got our splits we can look at our differential and we can go from there, but it was fun to watch them finishing, I thought it was 2 thumbs up."



Kaitlyn Bancroft
Sophomore

Rating of the race:
7.5/10

"I got a really bad side ache at the end but other than that it was a pretty great race."



Ava Stafford
Sophomore

Rating of the race:
6.5/10

"...my calves were dying"

MYSTICS CROSS-COUNTRY COMPETES IN MEDORA

BY: Paysha Rex
Graphic Designer

A recent vote has put both Mystics Cross Country teams 5th in the NJCAA D2 Coaches Poll. This title held strong after an impressive race at the Blue Hawk Invitational meet at Medora, ND. Each team placed a worthy fourth place. The weather during the races was perfect, but challenges arose when it came to the sandy course. Next up for the Mystics is a trip to Jamestown, ND on October 4.

Leading the way for the men's team was Morgon Brindley, who finished in an impressive 9th place with a time of 27:07.2. This was followed up by Brody Federer, who crossed the finish in 16th place with a time of 27:43.4. Ivar Martell made a notable finish with a time of 28:04.3, placing 19th.

Adding to the success of the Mystics, Dalton Fleckstein completed the race in 24th with a time of 28:40.2. Closing out the top five finishers was Djiby Diallo, who secured a respectable 26th place with a time of 29:03.0.

Leading the women's team was Ava Stafford who finished in the top 10 with a 9th place finish. She completed the race with a strong time of 24:25.9. Amelia Shepard crossed the finish line in an honorable 18th place with a time of 25:05.5. Lindsey Schroder followed suit, finishing 27th place with a time of 25:45.1.

Adding to the hard work of the team, Sophia Fafard finished 38th with a time of 28:13.5, with Alexis Ritzman following close behind finishing 39th with a time of 28:26.6.

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BISMARCK MARATHON VOLUNTEERS

BY: Paysha Rex
Graphic Designer

The Bismarck Marathon has been growing since 1981 by the Missouri Valley YMCA. Runners are treated to a flat course with beautiful scenery, such as the Missouri River. New this year was the sponsored water stations and mile markers. These stations were proudly sponsored by Bismarck's local businesses. After being operated by the YMCA for 25 years it was turned over to a volunteer committee who continued

the event. Now, this two day event consists of a parade, marathon, marathon relay, half marathon, 10k, 5k, and kids run.

The Bismarck State Track and Cross Country teams were a part of volunteering for this event. Around 52 Mystics joined in to create a fun and safe environment for this annual marathon. These athletes were in charge of traffic control, manned water stations, and gave medals to runners crossing the finish line. Amazing work was done by all who volunteered.



Kevin Gilmore

Photo Credit: Jnoy Davis

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

BY: KAYDEN SCHMITCKE
The Mystician Editor-in-Chief



Hey everyone!

Today marks week three for all football fans, especially fantasy football. Whether you are a seasoned fan or an amateur like me, you can't help but be pulled into this sub-sport of football— fantasy football. I will be leading you through my fantasy football experience, and yes, I know a little about football. Well, I know that a touchdown is 7 points— or is it 6? Either way, this season is going to be great!

So far I have lost both week 1 and week 2 games, but I am determined to win this week. With Anthony Richardson from the Indianapolis Colts and Amon-Ra St. Brown as my leading wide receiver, I have a 51 percent projected win.

Don't get me wrong, my opponent has Dak Prescott, a loyal quarterback from the Dallas Cowboys, but she has Pat Freiermuth as her tight end. Since this is the first month, there were bound to be quite a few injuries. Luckily, the only player injured right now on my team is Jonathan Brooks from the Carolina Panthers. He is out with a non-football injury. Don't worry, I put him on the bench until he gets better!

This week all my games are on Sunday as well as my opponent's. So with chips, queso, and some buffalo chicken dip at my side, we will surely win! You can't go wrong when you have game day snacks.

Keep a lookout for my updates on my fantasy football league throughout the season!

INTERVIEW WITH CO-DIRECTOR

BY: J'Noy Davis
Mystic Media Crew

Mystic Media staff member J'Noy Davis interviewed marathon co-director Pat Johnson about the Bismarck marathon.

Davis asked about the challenges they faced while planning the marathon.

"Well, what you guys did, volunteers, like our huge challenge. We had like over 500 volunteers, which is super amazing this year," Johnson said. "Great volunteers, but we have drivers that want to get around the city...signage...there's always last minute things that you don't anticipate that pop up when you're doing an

event like this. The little details matter. And this is my first year as co-director. So we were learning a lot as we went."

When asked if there was anyone he wanted to thank, Johnson said "definitely the volunteers like, you guys like it wouldn't happen without volunteers. Just like that's huge. The community for coming out and cheering. And then we have a great board of directors that is a volunteer board that does an awesome job."

Thank you to and all the volunteers who were willing to help with the Bismarck marathon. It was a great turn out that will set the tone for next year.



Photo Credit: J'noy Davis

Entertainment And Arts

October Movie Recommendation: Fall & Halloween Themed

By: Tinashe Makuve
Reporter

Movie #1 - "Malignant" (2021) - Directed By James Wan : Streaming On MAX

"Malignant" tells the story of a woman plagued with horrifying dreams that seem to be creeping into her day to day life. At first glance it does not sound like anything special but that's by design, James Wan takes a pretty basic horror concept he knows we have all seen before and turns it on its head in so many ways. Anyone who enjoys some good scares along with a plot that has some creative surprises should give this one a watch.

Movie #2 - "Scream" (1996) - Directed By Wes Craven : Streaming On MAX

"Scream" became one of the most iconic slasher-horror movies for many reasons, one of the main being the

way it played on tropes and cliches of the genre while creating some of their own along the way. The end product is a who-dunnit movie that is able to effortlessly juggle genres. With fantastic direction and well written character, it more than deserves its reputation as a horror classic.

Movie #3 - "Ladybird" (2017) - Directed By Greta Gerwig : Streaming On MAX

"Ladybird" is the nickname the main character has given herself as she navigates a new school in a new town while maintaining a loving yet strained relationship with her mother. Ladybird was widely loved upon its release due to its relatable characters, fun dialogue and strong direction.

Movie #4 - "Silver Linings Playbook" (2012) - Directed By David O. Russell : Streaming On MAX

"Silver Linings Playbook" is about a man with bipolar disorder who, after being released from a psychiatric facility, moves back in with his parents. Later, he forms an unlikely relationship with a woman in his neighborhood who also is dealing with mental illness. The movie balances drama and comedy brilliantly through its diverse cast of characters who, despite all being dysfunctional, display their love for one another in a way that feels real.



Coming Soon

By: Shane Biberdorf
Reporter

There is a lot to get into, whether it be movies or games. There are many stories to look forward to as the month goes on. With that being said, let's dive in.

The first movie on this list is "Daytime Revolution." It will release on Oct. 9th, 2024. This documentary looks at John Lennon and Yoko Ono's time as hosts for a week on the "Mike Douglas Show" and what it caused. It is directed by Erik Nelson and produced by Amy Briamonte.

Moving on, "Piece by Piece" is the next movie that will come out in October. It will be released on Oct. 11, 2024. This movie delves into the life

of Pharell Willams told through Lego animation. The cast of the movie voice themselves as characters. The cast includes Pharell Willams, Kendrick Lamar, Snoop Dogg, Jay-Z and more. The movie is directed by Morgan Neville.

Switching things up, the first game i Dragon Ball: Sparking! Zero. This game will be released on Oct. 11th, 2024 for the current generation of consoles. However, people who pre-ordered the ultimate edition can play it three days early. This game is the newest installment in the Budokai Tenkaichi series, a series that hasn't released a game in 17 years. The game has 182 playable characters. Dragon Ball: Sparking! Zero was developed by Spike Chunsoft and published by Bandai Namco.

Call of Duty: Black Ops 6 wraps up this list. This game will release on Oct. 25, 2024. Call of Duty: Black Ops 6 will release on both the past and current generation of consoles. It will feature a single-player campaign, online multiplayer and a zombie game mode. Call of Duty: Black Ops 6 is developed by Treyarch and Infinity Ward. It is published by Blizzard.

With many movies and games coming out soon, it'll be an unforgettable month for fans of each. This was a list showcasing a few releases, but there are many more coming out in October. Feel free to look out for any releases that were not listed here.

"Speak No Evil" Rating in Merlins



Movie Montage With Mygel: "Speak No Evil"

By: Mygel Porter
Mystic Media Crew



Do you want to follow a family of three on a trip through Italy? Do you want to ignore every red flag and be manipulated for an hour and a half until reaching the best fourth-quarter comeback ever? Then this is the right movie for you!

From Blumhouse Productions, "Speak No Evil" is a movie starring James McAvoy, Mackenzie Davis, Aisling Franciosi, Scoot McNairy, Dan Hough, and Alix West Lefler. It is directed by James Watkins. The story follows a seemingly perfect family of three on their exploration of Italy. Throughout the movie, you

will see what happens when a family that is "too kind" and scared of confrontation clashes with a family that is more overbearing and disturbing. You will be on the edge of your seat in suspense, most likely yelling at the protagonist as they ignore every red flag. But as the movie goes on and clues slowly get revealed about the other family the protagonists meet, you will go from feeling stunned to astonished, and then absolutely flabbergasted.

This is not your typical jumpscare horror movie; this is a psychological horror

that will have your heart rate increase and make you sweat while you watch it.

I would rate this 4.5/5 Merlins. The reason why I wouldn't give it a full 5/5 is because it doesn't have the best rewatch value. The first time you watch it is a guaranteed awesome time, but with each rewatch, it loses its spark. I still believe this is a movie that is worth your money and time as it is a unique type of horror/suspense movie.

The Book Nook: It Ends With Us: Overhyped Mediocrity

By: Liberty Friez
Mystic Media Crew

“It Ends With Us” by Colleen Hoover is a romance book that came out in 2016. The book features a young girl named Lily who moves to Boston after graduating college to start her own business. There, she meets Ryle Kincaid, a neurosurgeon, and they quickly fall in love. Soon after, Lily’s ex boyfriend Atlas comes into the picture. Over the course of their relationship Ryle becomes abusive. Lily stays with him until she becomes pregnant and gathers the strength to leave.

First of all, let’s talk about the names in this book. Atlas? Ryle?? Lily Blossom Bloom??? My nine year old sister could come up with better names. What’s worse

is that the main character Lily opens up her own floral shop. Lily Blossom Bloom owns a flower shop. Very original. And Ryle? Was Kyle taken?

While the names are annoying, the main problem with this book is the way it’s written and marketed. This book is supposed to be a testament to the women who have or are in an abusive relationship and shows how hard it is to break the cycle of abuse. This is completely overshadowed by the romance. Instead of being a book whose focus is domestic violence, this book is considered a romance book that depicts scenes of domestic violence.

Is there anything good about this book? Well, I suppose technically, yes. The book is fast paced,

uncomplicated, and easy to get through. The writing style is simple, lending to its readability. It’s like junk food or reality tv but in literary form. The writing is also one of its downfalls. For a writer to cover topics such as domestic violence, the writer ought to have the skills to portray that subject tactfully and accurately. Colleen Hoover simply does not have that ability.

If you want to spend a couple of hours questioning your life choices or you’re a masochist then this book is for you. If not, then there are much better books out there that cover the same topic with much more nuance. Overall, “It Ends With Us” is an overhyped, mediocre novel whose message is lost among its subpar writing and overbearing romance plots. 1/10, I will definitely not be seeing the movie.

National Day In October

By: Maddie Porter
Mystic Media Crew

October isn’t just a month of colorful leaves, cold weather and horror movies. It’s a month of some of the best national holidays that Halloween might overshadow. For example, the entire month of October is dedicated to breast cancer awareness. Breast cancer is more common than people think, and men can develop it too. The awareness symbol for this cancer is the pink ribbon.

On the topic of health, October 15-21 is National Handwashing Awareness Week. The month of October is the mother of illness, so it’s important to wash your hands after you touch something icky or use the restroom.

October 10 is National Mental Health Day. Mental health issues have been booming in the past decade, so in order to help bring the numbers lower we need to bring awareness to it. October 10 is the day to take action.

If you or someone you know is struggling, the Mystics Advising and Counseling Center offers free counseling to all Bismarck State College students. They are located in the Student Union, and their hours can be found on the BSC website. In case of an emergency please call 988. They are open 24/7 and where to help.

There is no ignoring that Halloween plays a big role in the national October days. For example, National Black Cat

Day on October 27th is tied in with Halloween. The story of black cats being bad luck has been around for thousands of years, and although humanity has progressed significantly, black cats are still considered back luck.

This belief led some teenage boys to perform gruesome acts on a black kitten while on video. Others may not target black cats, but they may carry the stigmas surrounding black cats unintentionally. People tend to avoid black cats when looking to adopt a cat. Black cats are the last cats to be adopted and more than 50% of them that go into shelters get euthanized. October is a great month to bring awareness to the cruel acts on black cats.

October 21 is National Reptile Day. Reptiles are one of the top five most hated animals. This is heavily influenced by snakes belonging to the group. In North Dakota, we have eight native snake species, and only one of them is a venomous prairie rattlesnake. This species is found in the western part of the state but sometimes travels into Burleigh County.

Looking at all the national days in October adds more to the month. It isn’t just pumpkin spice lattes, cute sweaters and horror movies. There are lots of important national days hidden behind the hype of Halloween.

Cook with Cast

By: Liberty Friez
Mystic Media Crew

This month on Cook With Cast, Mystic Media staff members Mygel and Katie teach students how to make brownies.

The recipe is super quick, cheap and tasty. To start, you will need to pre-heat the oven to 350°. Now it’s time to gather your ingredients. This recipe calls for one box of brownie mix (we will be using the fudge brownie mix), two tablespoons of water, one half cup of vegetable oil, two eggs, and a whole bottle of sprinkles.

The first step is to put the brownie mix in a bowl. Then, you’ll add in one half cup of vegetable oil. Next, add your two tablespoons of water. Finally, add your two eggs and mix until everything is combined.

Once combined, pour the brownie mixture into a sheet pan and make sure it’s even. Next, you’ll place the

pan into the oven where it will bake for about 20 minutes.

When they are halfway done, take them out and pour the sprinkles on. Then, put the brownies back in the oven to finish baking. Test the brownies by sticking a toothpick in the middle. If it comes away clean, they are done. If not, they need a couple more minutes.

Let it cool and enjoy!
“11/10” - Mygel
For full reviews, go to the Mystic Media page on Instagram and Facebook.

“ 11/10

By: Mygel Porter
Mystic Media Crew



Photo Credit: Alix Dobler

Brownie Mix Recipe Card

Instructions:

DO NOT EAT RAW BATTER.

1st Step: Heat oven as directed in chart below. Grease bottom of pan.

2nd Step: Stir Brownie Mix, water, oil and eggs in medium bowl until well blended. Spread in pan.

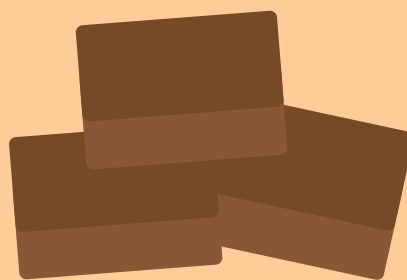
3rd Step: Bake as directed in chart or until toothpick inserted 2 inches from side of pan comes out almost clean; cool.

You will need:

2 Tablespoons Water

1/2 Cup of Vegetable Oil

2 Eggs



Betty’s Tip: To cut warm brownies, use plastic knife and short sawing motions. Store tightly covered.



Pan Size	Oven Temp	Bake Time (In Minutes)
13" x 9"	350 F	21 - 24
9" x 9"	350 F	33 - 36
8" x 8"	325 F	49 - 52

Illustration By: Katie Eide

Art Gallery

By: Andrea Fagerstrom

Assistant Professor of Visual Arts At BSC

October 14-November 22

Donovan Widmer has served as an Associate Professor of Art at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks, North Dakota since 2004, where he teaches the Jewelry/Metalsmithing emphasis area. Mr. Widmer received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and his Master of Fine Arts degree from the School of Art at Illinois State University. Mr. Widmer has worked as a professional metalsmith for several years and is recognized as an emerging artist.

This series of artworks explore ornamentation as both the object and subject of the work. The artworks examine the role of body adornment as a form of personal enhancement—a way to transform the wearer into their idealized image of beauty. Body adornments make public statements about an individual's authentic and created identity. Combining the subject matter with a jewelry object shifts the context and the interpretation of beauty by displaying something that is often viewed by society as ugly to something the wearer feels enhances their physical appearance.

As a result, this series utilizes the

decorative object as a means to critique aspects of our culture's perspectives on beauty.

This project is supported in part by a

grant from the North Dakota Council on the Arts, which receives funding from the state legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts.



Artist Statement: Donovan Widmer

My current artworks examine Western ideals of beauty through the lens of what is viewed as ugly or grotesque. This works explores the ways mass media, cultural paradigms, and historic precedents influence the definition of beauty. The individual artworks are an assemblage of vitreous glass enamels combined with sterling silver fabricated elements and various precious gemstones. These elements are constructed through traditional metalsmithing processes—a practice as significant as the end product. This inquiry is explored through a series of brooches that display various skin conditions.

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object as a means to critique aspects of our culture's perspectives on beauty.

The brooch format follows the tradition of cameos. The cameo was a form of low relief portraiture of either a loved one or someone of social importance. While the cameo was seen as early as the Roman Empire, most jewelry historians argue the Renaissance period was the cameo's height of popularity. The advent of photography made this tradition obsolete, and while the cameo fell out of favor in popular culture, the cameo was collected and worn by the socially elite signifying beauty and wealth. The enameled portion of the brooch functions as a form of portraiture, however the portrait devoid of much of the visual information specific to an individual's identity. This reinforces the idea of these portraits as medical specimens. Historically each cameo was set in elaborate floral patterns made from precious metals and often encrusted with gemstones. The design of the frames surrounding each enameled component follows this tradition. The bordering imagery contextualizes the subject matter of the enameled pieces.

Skin is the most visible sign of an individual's identity, and through it how we experience the physical

world. Marks on the skin can indicate a person's experiences, and conclusions can be drawn about their value systems. The skin conditions portrayed in each brooch are common maladies that affect a large portion of the population. In most cases these conditions are not contagious, however the conditions often carry social stigmas. This reaction reflects a cultural perspective that maladies of the skin should be hidden by shame. The various industries that benefit from perpetuating these attitudes encourage the individual to disguise their authentic identity.

The brooches are presented similarly to nineteenth century medical displays and/or medical illustrations. Each jewelry piece includes a specimen label with catalog information regarding the condition. This display strategy encourages a clinical and detached observation of the subject matter portrayed in the pieces. It alludes to a time period when it was socially acceptable to relegate many individuals with skin maladies to objects of entertainment viewed in Side Shows. This display strategy also references medical specimens as educational tools. As such, the viewer is encouraged to reflect their own ideologies towards beauty

MYSTICAL PREDICTIONS

hor·o·scope - a forecast of a person's future, based on the positions of the stars and planets at the time of that person's birth.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22 - JAN 19

HEALTH IS FLUCTUATING FOR YOU THIS MONTH CAPRICORN. NEW HEALTH ISSUES MAY ARISE SO SCHEDULE TIME TO SEE A DOCTOR. STEER CLEAR OF ANY WORKPLACE GOSSIP AND MAINTAIN A BALANCE BETWEEN INCOME AND EXPENSES. OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATIONAL OR WORK TRAVEL WILL APPEAR.

AQUARIUS

JAN 20 - FEB 19

HEALTH PROBLEMS WILL SUBSIDE AND RELIEF WILL EXISTING AILMENTS ARE ANTICIPATED. AN INCREASE IN WEALTH WILL COME THROUGH ALONG WITH A COMPLETION OF PENDING TASKS. REMAIN FOCUSED ON WORK AND STUDY, IT WILL BRING MORE SUCCESS SOON. FAMILY LOVE BLOSSOMS, DESPITE FLUCTUALTION.

PISCES

FEB 20 - MAR 20

LOTS OF OPPERTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES THIS MONTH PISCES. YOU MAY HAVE SOME TROUBLE DISCERNING RIGHT FROM WRONG WHICH MAY PUT SOME STRAIN ON RELATIONSHIPS. EVEN WITH THE TENSION, BY MAINTAINING DISCIPLINE AND UNDERSTANDING, THESE PROBLEMS WILL WORK OUT IN THE END.

ARIES

MAR 21 - APR 20

EXPECT AN INCREASE IN WEALTH DEAR ARIES FOR SATURN WILL BE IN RETROGRADE IN THE ELEVENTH HOUSE ALONG WITH THIS WEALTH, YOU SHOULD ALSO EXPECT MORE WORK. WORK = MONEY SO MAKE SURE TO TAKE TIME TO REST IN BETWEEN YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE.

TAURUS

APR 21 - MAY 20

GET READY TO RECIEVE WHAT YOU'VE BEEN WORKING HARD AT TAURUS. THIS MONTH WILL BE ABOUT STRENGTHENING YOUR YOUR POSITION. THOSE HARD HOURS REALLY DO PAY OFF AND YOU CAN BE SURE THAT OTHERS IN YOUR LIFE WILL SEE IT - IF NOT NOW THEN SOON.

GEMINI

MAY 21 - JUN 20

RIDE THROUGH WITH CAUTION GEMINI, THINGS WILL GET COMPLICATED. THIS MONTH WILL HAVE YOU SLOW DOWN. PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO EXCESSIVENESS IN SPENDING AND LEADERSHIP. INDEPENDANCE MAY BECOME THE ROOT OF YOUR FOCUS. FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL UNDERSTAND AND SUPPORT YOU.

CANCER

JUN 21 - JUL 22

WORK. WORK. WORK. CANCER, WORK IS THE CENTERFOLD FOR YOU THIS MONTH. EVEN THOUGH ITS CONSISTANT ACTIVITY, THE CONDITIONS WILL BE FAVORABLE. TRAVEL IS IN THE CARDS LEADING TO NEW ADVENTURES. STUDYING A NEW SUBJECT OR LEARNING A NEW CRAFT IS BOUND TO HAPPEN.

LEO

JUL 23 - AUG 22

YOU'VE REACHED SUCCESS THIS MONTH LEO. YOU WILL RECIEVE THE FINANCIAL GAIN YOU'VE BEEN WAITING ON. A SATISFACTORY INCOME IS COMING THROUGH. RELATIONSHIPS WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL BE THE TOP OF YOUR FOCUS. THESE BONDS ONLY STRENGTHEN AS YOU SPEND MORE TIME TOGETHER.

VIRGO

AUG 23 - SEP 22

THE SITUATION IS LOOKING ROCKY VIRGO. MANY UPS AND DOWNS THROUGHOUT THE MONTH BUT THERE'S HOPE! JUPITER IS IN YOUR NINTH HOUSE ASISTING YOU TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS. YOU WILL BR BROUGHT TO THE EDGE RIGHT BEFORE FATE CHOSSES THE RIGHT PATH. OVERALL, YOU ARE SAFE.

LIBRA

SEP 23 - OCT 22

LIBRA, VALUE YOUR HEALTH THIS MONTH, ITS BEEN OFF HOLD FOR QUITE SOME TIME. FINANCES ARE STABLE BUT YOU MAY WORRY ABOUT UPCOMING EXPENSES. NEW JOB OFFERS AND OPPERTUNITIES WILL ARISE BUT ITS ADVISED TO STAY PUT FOR A LITTLE LONGER. THERE'S QUITE A BIT CHALLENGE BUT EVERYTHING WILL BE OKAY.

SCORPIO

OCT 23 - NOV 22

A PROMISING MONTH FOR SCORPIO, FAVORABLE CON- DITIONS ARE PRESENT SO ITS IMPORTANT TO MAXIMIZE EACH DAY WITH YOUR SKILLS. IN CAREER THERE IS SUCCESS WITH ACITIVITIES THAT WILL BOOST YOUR POSITION. LOVE AND ROMANCE WILL BE ON YOUR MIND, HELPING TO STRENGTHEN ALL RELATIONSHIPS.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23 - DEC 21

BE WARY OF GOSSIP GOING ON AROUND YOU THIS MONTH DEAR SAG, IT CAN LEAD TO COMPLICATIONS. MAINTAIN POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS, YOU WILL BE TEMPTED TOWARDS AGRSSION. WHEN LEO MOVES TO YOUR NINTH HOUSE A SHIFT WILL OCCUR, BRINGING SUBSTANTIAL WEALTH AND ABUNDANCE.

GHOST and Pumpkin

Comic by: Paysha Rex



Coloring Page

Illustration Credit: Paysha Rex



Spooky Search

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 GHOST
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MYSTIC CALENDAR

October



We're excited to share with you all the fantastic events and activities happening on campus. Everything listed here is FREE for you as a student! Be sure to check out the community events as well—though they might not always be free or hosted by BSC.

And don't forget to show your support for our athletes—cheer them on and be part of the excitement! Enjoy all the activities and make the most of your time here at BSC!

<p>01</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grocery Bag Bingo 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 	<p>02</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pumpkin Patch Day 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. BSC Mystics Volleyball Vs. Dakota College At Bottineau 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. 	<p>07</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cocoa & Canvas 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Money Smart Mystics 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 	<p>08</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial Wellness Workshops By Bank Of North Dakota 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 
<p>09</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bitcoin Presents 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cancer Awareness Day 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Money Games With MESA Gaming Club 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mystic Activity Council Movie Night 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. 	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSC Mystics Volleyball Vs. Lake Region State College 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. 	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSC Mystics Volleyball Vs. Miles Community College 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. 
<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore BSC 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. 	<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trivia Night 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. BSC 2024 Fall Career Fair 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. 	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSC Mystics Volleyball Vs. Dickinson State College 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. 	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comedian Trey Mack Live At BSC 7 p.m. to 9:30 
<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funky Flavor Ice Cream 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spooky Terrariums 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Murder Mystery At The Governor's Mansion 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. 	<p>BSC EVENT LINK</p> 