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## Hateful message fuels hopeful response

**Emily Peterson**  
STAFF WRITER

When SCSU professor Yolanda Lehman's Race in America class heard about a racist message written on a poster sponsored by the class, they decided to leave the racist message up rather than tear it down. "We often take down, paint over and hide incidents like this as quickly as possible," Lehman said. "It has

not given us the results that we want as a community." The bulletin board was created by the class as a tribute to Dorothy Height, an African American social activist and recipient of the Congressional Gold Medal. After reading Height's memoir, the class decided to honor her publicly with a bulletin board showing her achievements and quotes in a stairwell landing of Stewart Hall.

### EDITOR'S NOTE:

*\*This story is continued on page 3, including a photo of the bulletin board described in this story. It contains language and material that some may find offensive.*

Soon after the bulletin board was put up, a racist message was written on it. The incident was reported to Public Safety on Tuesday. "We decided as a class in talking, that we weren't just

going to sit there and let this happen," said Andrea Dohman, a sophomore and Race in America student. A paper arrow pointing to the graffiti was added to the bulletin board that en-

couraged those who passed by to write a message in response. Below the bulletin board, a box of paper, note cards, markers and tape were left for those who wanted to respond. Dohman said that it was important to her that the class responded to the message in a way that would make Height proud. "She would probably leave it up there and fight

against it," Dohman said. Within two days of welcomed responses, about 200 notes, letters, drawings and simple messages such as "We're not gonna take it anymore" and "All are welcome here" had been left on the walls around the bulletin board. "I think it's amazing how everybody's responding to

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## Reporting religion focal point of forum

Professor received the Defense of the First Amendment Award at the day-long forum.

**Megan Junkermeier**  
STAFF WRITER

SCSU professor Michael Vadnie received the Defense of the First Amendment Award at the 37th annual First Amendment Forum on Friday. "My belief in open, sensible discourse about matters of consequence is deeply ingrained in my teaching and practice of free expression," Vadnie said.

The theme for the First Amendment Forum this year was "Reporting God? Religion, News and Freedom" and it was in the Atwood Little Theater from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Following keynote speaker David Domke was a set of morning panelists. They spoke about religious issues and leaders in the news today.

The second panel discussed issues within a variety of communities of faith. The panel included Julia Opoti, More-decai Spektor, Joe Towalski, Dawn Madsen, Roya Akhavan and Nehrwr Abdul-Wahid.

"I was interested in religion on an intellectual level," Towalski said. Towalski is the editor of The Catholic Spirit and The Visitor and brings Catholicism and journalism together.

Especially with the recent increase in the Somali population of St. Cloud, the discussion of Islam has become an issue of interest.

"It is interesting to see the relation between them (the Somali population) and the mainstream community," Opoti said.

Opoti is the editor of Mshale, the African Newspaper of Minnesota.

Madsen is a co-host of the Morning Show on Spirit 92.9, a Christian-based radio station. "We try to stay away from things that raise controversy," Madsen said. "We target all Christians."

Domke mentioned a Christian radio station in Seattle that includes children saying the Pledge of Allegiance on the air.

"I think that is ingenious marketing," Madsen said. "Through listeners, we make money, but it's our responsibility to make a quality product."

Blame is projected to the media for a myriad of issues in the news and social world. The way stories are handled

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PHOTO SUBMITTED BY KEVIN HURD OF UTVS

Volunteers move sandbags in the Fargodome. About 3.5 million sandbags were filled there to fight the area flooding.

## Students cover Red River flood

**Meaghan Block**  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

During the last month many students and citizens from the St. Cloud area have given effort to help with the Fargo/Moorhead flood relief effort.

Alexandra Gabrielson and Ryan Ruud from UTVS went up to Fargo to report on the story for UTVS News.

"We knew that it would be an excellent way to give people in central Minnesota a look at what was going on up there," Gabrielson said. "We informed the mass comm. department that we wanted to go up there to do a story on the flooding in the region and they were ecstatic."

UTVS was behind them 100 percent for showing this initiative. They wanted to cover the story because it was getting little coverage from media in St.

Cloud.

"I wanted people to know just how serious this situation was to everyone living in the Red River Valley. Homes and livelihoods were being lost by the minute," Gabrielson said. "It was heart-wrenching to see everything people had worked so hard for just float away."

Originally they planned on going for one day, just to get the scoop, but once up in the area they made a decision to stay as long as needed to get the information that was important to the story.

They ended up staying for eight days to get everything they thought was needed. "All my professors were really forgiving. They knew what an opportunity this was for me and that it would open up a lot of doors for me when I leave college," Gabrielson said.

While there, Gabrielson and Ruud helped out one resident of the North

Dakota National Guard by moving her belongings upstairs from her basement and shoveling her drive-way so she could get to work easier. She worked nights and they said it was the least they could do to help her out.

"Even if they were feet from the ever-rising water, they still had a smile on their faces and told everyone to 'have a nice day,'" Gabrielson said.

The Fargo and Moorhead areas were more prepared for the flood after having put safeguards in place due to the 1997 flood, which crested at 19.4 feet.

This time, the river reached 17.5 feet at its peak on March 24. Schools were let out to help with the sandbagging. Due to the flood safeguards from 1997, the city can withstand 21-23 feet.

Recently flood waters have receded and citizens have begun clean-up efforts.

## Supermarket class teaches how to pick healthy items

**Jun-Kai Teoh**  
STAFF WRITER

A lesson in healthy grocery shopping methods was taught at noon last Friday in Atwood's Glacier North room.

Diane Giambruno, a registered dietician from the Central Minnesota Heart Center at St. Cloud Hospital, gave some pointers on grocery shopping.

Giambruno has been a dietician for about 29 years and she frequents SCSU two to three times a year. She specializes in issues related to weight and heart diseases.

"Don't get real used to eating salt," Giambruno said. "It is one of the hardest things to give up."

Giambruno walked the audience through the different food categories in a typical grocery store while pointing out things they should take into consideration when making a purchase.

Giambruno talked about food products such as nuts, flaxseed, soy, bread and chocolates during the presentation.

Giambruno revealed surprising food facts such as that dark chocolate contains flavanols, a type of antioxidant that promotes healthy blood flow. Also, frozen food could be healthier than fresh fruits depending on the situation.

Giambruno also talked about products that many people were unsure of such as Splenda, Flaxseed and plant sterols.

Flaxseed is known to contain omega-3 fatty acid, which is known for being beneficial for cardiovascular health.

If consumed consistently, plant sterols have been proven to lower cholesterol.

Giambruno recommended getting a product called the "Promise Activ Supershots," which is a yogurt-like drink that provides plant sterols.

Tub margarine, also known as spread, is the healthiest option compared to butter and stick margarine. Tub margarine has the least saturated fat or trans fat. Fat free sprays are also a viable option.

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## Month to curb binge drinking

**Caitlin Donovan**  
STAFF WRITER

April is National Alcohol Awareness Month and SCSU is acknowledging this in a variety of ways.

On Wednesday, a panel discussion will be hosted by the Alcohol and Other Drug Advisory Board for students, faculty, staff and administrators in Atwood Theater from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

The Alcohol and Other Drug Advisory Board is an interdisciplinary group that meets on a regular basis.

"The Board is currently working strategic planning for the next year, next three years, and the next five years," said John Eggers, director of counseling and psychological services, co-chair of the Alcohol and Other Drug Advisory Board.

"We have also rewritten SCSU's alcohol policies," Eggers said. "We want to help nurture a broad view of all practices and stress an environmental approach for harm reduction. This way we can look at use more closely and have accurate information to educate with."

"The focus of the discussion will be to inform the university about what has been happening over the last two years with SCSU's partnerships both on and off campus in regard to the prevention of high-risk drinking," said Robert Reff, assistant professor of Counseling & Psychological Services.

"This includes organizations such as Residential Life, UChoose, the St. Cloud Police Department, Safe Communities Coalition of Stearns County and even various property managers. We have made tremendous advances and have a lot to be proud of."

"UChoose is not an abstinence program," Reff said. "It is meant to prevent high-risk drinking. The academic partnerships that have been created with UChoose are good ways for faculty and staff members to become involved with prevention."

Along with the panel discussion, a prepackaged lecture has been prepared for faculty.

"It can be downloaded and used in classes," Reff said.

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In his first year with the Huskies, golfer Beau Anderson has made an impact.



## Local

### Electronics stolen from Mn/DOT

ST. CLOUD — Two laptop computers and two flat-screen TVs were taken from a Minnesota Department of Transportation office this weekend.

The burglary occurred after a rock was thrown through the window of the building by Lake George sometime between 6 p.m. Friday and 7:30 a.m. Saturday.

The building currently serves as a Mn/DOT warming house. Anyone with information about the burglary can contact St. Cloud police at 251-1200 or Tri-County Crime Stoppers at 255-1301.

## State

### Senate count reaches five months

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Counting continues a full five months after election day in the Minnesota Senate race. A special court will open as many as 389 previously rejected absentee ballots Tuesday.

The votes will be the first added to either Democrat Al Franken or Republican Norm Coleman since a statewide recount ended in early January. Since then, Franken has held an official 225 vote lead.

Coleman wanted a far larger pile of ballots and is promising to appeal to the Minnesota Supreme Court.

## Nation

### Nurse charged with killing patients

SAN ANTONIO, Texas — A former nurse has been charged with injecting 10 patients with bleach, killing five at a dialysis clinic in Texas.

The deaths occurred over a four-week span last April. Kimberly Saenz has been the focus of an investigation of the mysterious deaths.

Saenz was charged with aggravated assault involving bleach injections in two patients who survived. She had not been charged in any deaths until late Tuesday.

The grand jury in Angelina County handed up indictments on one count of capital murder, which includes all five patient deaths and five counts of aggravated assault.

## World

### 62 illegal migrants found dead

QUETTA, Pakistan — At least 62 illegal migrants suffocated to death inside a shipping container found stuffed with more than 100 people in southwest Pakistan near the Afghanistan border Saturday.

According to police, the container had entered Pakistan from Afghanistan and was headed for Iran. Most of the victims were Afghans.

Police said survivors were rushed to the hospital, many of them unconscious. Southwestern Pakistan lies on a well-trodden route for traffickers smuggling young men from poverty afflicted countries in search of work and prosperity in Europe.

## Weird news

### Domino's gives out free pizzas by mistake

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Domino's Pizza Inc. had to give away 11,000 free pizzas after someone stumbled upon a scrapped online promotion from December. Apparently someone typed "bailout" into a Domino's promo code window and found it was good for a free medium pizza.

Word about the code spread quickly and 11,000 free pizzas were delivered before it was deactivated Tuesday morning. Cincinnati-area franchise owner John Glass says his 14 stores gave away more than 600 pies, but that Domino's promised to reimburse him.

## This day in history

Interesting events from the past

- 0648 B.C. Earliest total solar eclipse chronicled by Greeks
- 0610 Lailat-ul Qadar, the night the Quran descended to Earth
- 1848 Jews of Prussia granted equality
- 1868 Brigham Young marries his 27th and final wife
- 1886 City of Vancouver is incorporated
- 1893 Mormon temple in Salt Lake City dedicated
- 1930 Bakery executive James Dewar invents Hostess Twinkies
- 1980 Post It Notes are introduced
- 1992 Serbian troops begin siege of Sarajevo

## Campus Crime Report



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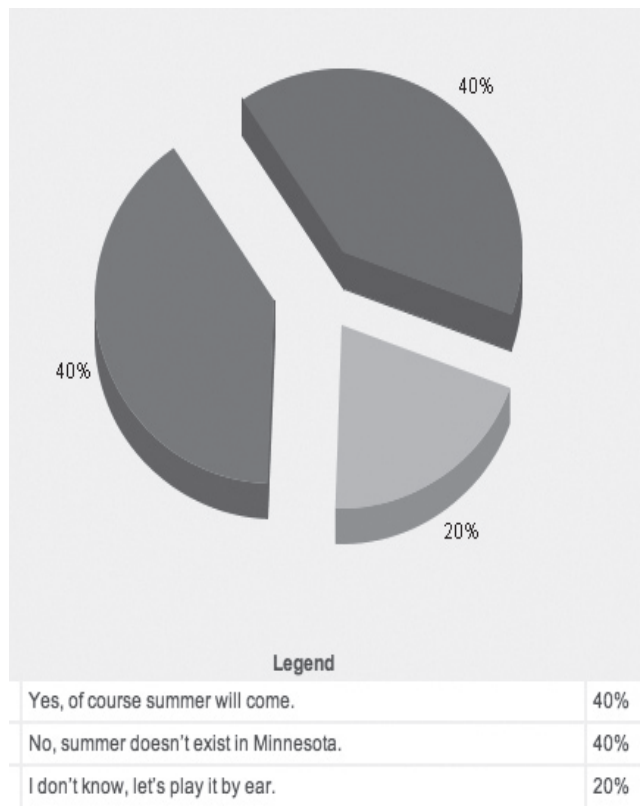
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Last week's question:

Will summer ever come?



## Local weather forecast

### Monday



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### Tuesday



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Low: 24 °F

### Wednesday



Partly Cloudy  
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Low: 26 °F

### Thursday



Partly Cloudy  
High: 46 °F  
Low: 26 °F



# Racist graffiti will be moved to Atwood

**Samantha Bushey**  
STAFF WRITER

said Ernest Langston, SGA chair of the Cultural Diversity Committee.

The poster containing the graffiti shows the work of Dorothy Height, a civil rights activist and chair and emeritus president of the National Council of Negro Women.

In addition to encouraging students to view the bulletin board, SGA is encouraging the student body to vote in the upcoming SGA elections.

The elections will take place April 13 through 15. Students will be voting for candidates for the senate, vice president and president positions, and four additional questions will be on the ballot.

A proposed late night taxi service would take students anywhere within five miles of campus from 8 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. for about \$1-\$2 a ride, this will either be in addition to or in place of the late night bus service.

The cultural diversity committee wants to change its bill to fit better with the new constitution that SGA passed in the last election. There will also be a question on the ballot regarding Residential Life.

The fourth question has to do with a suggested priority registration for SCSU athletes.

Some students already benefit from priority registra-



After a bulletin board made by a Race in America class was defaced, the class encouraged others to write responses to the racist message.

JAKOB GILK/ VISUALS EDITOR

Because the bulletin board will be moved to Atwood, students coordinated the move with Margaret Vos, director of Atwood.

"I'd like to thank Margaret Vos for taking some initiative and helping out with that," said Ryan Birkman, chair of the Constitutional Committee of SGA.

The bulletin board, with its numerous messages, is being moved to Atwood near the art gallery because of the amount of student traffic Atwood receives, making the bulletin board more visible to the student body.

"We're planning to move it Monday the sixth at 4:30,"

tion, such as students in the honors program, and SCSU provost Michael Spitzer would like to extend this to student athletes.

The reason for the question is that some athletes are away at competition without internet access when their registration window opens.

Some of the courses they need end up filling before they can register.

Some members of SGA are concerned that with the number of students encouraged to wait to take some of their lower-level courses, upperclassmen will be unable to get into courses they need to

graduate.

"We inevitably would be putting freshman and sophomores before upperclassmen," Birkman said.

An opposing view in SGA is that some students are getting scholarships, so they need to get into certain classes to keep their scholar-

ship.

Students have the final vote on the issue, which is why all students are encouraged by SGA to vote in the upcoming election.

For more information, SGA meetings take place every Thursday at 5 p.m. in the Cascade room of Atwood.

## Hopeful response

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"I think it's amazing how everybody's responding to just one person's act of ignorance," said Erik Anderson, a student in the Race in America class. "We're all joining together and we're letting them know that it's not OK to spread hate around."

In order to receive more responses to the racist graffiti, the

Race in America class worked with the Student Government Association (SGA) and the Atwood Center in hopes that the bulletin board and its responses could be moved from Stewart Hall to Atwood.

On Monday at 4 p.m. the bulletin board and all of the responses are planned to be moved to a new spot near the

**"Racism happens on every campus. This is not an SCSU problem, this is an American problem."**

**Yolanda Lehman**  
SCSU PROFESSOR OF RACE IN AMERICA

art gallery in Atwood.

Cultural Diversity chair for SGA Ernest Langston said he believes the response that the bulletin board has generated so far shows that the SCSU community really cares about racist

incidents.

"We're expecting people to write down even more responses," Langston said.

The bulletin board is scheduled to remain in Atwood for two weeks.

"I think that's an important thing to display so that people know that we aren't going to tolerate this," said Trish Mulheron, a student in the Race in America class.

Lehman said she thinks the

response the SCSU community has made to the racist message will make it more difficult for people to make public displays of racism at SCSU.

"You can no longer assume that all white people on this campus feel the same way and I think that will fundamentally change the climate of this campus," Lehman said.

"Hopefully it will make people think twice," Mulheron said.

"Racism happens on every campus," Lehman said. "This is not an SCSU problem, this is an American problem."

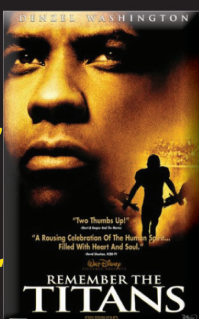
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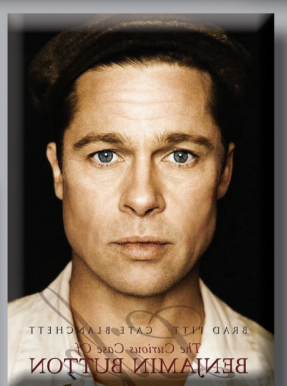
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Panelists at the First Amendment Forum included Dawn Madsen, Julia Opoti, Roya Akhavan, Mordecai Spektor, Joe Towalski and Nehrw Abdul-Wahid.

## Forum

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and described causes ruckus among readers, sometimes giving them the opportunity to blame the media for certain is-

sues. This idea caused a debate during the panel.

"People should expect the media to do those things, not

blame the media," Abdul-Wahid said. "People should have diversity in either their social lives or workplace."

The panelists also discussed whether the media does or does not give objective information to the public.

"A newspaper should have a larger responsibility than a biased view of the world, like in a blog," Opoti said.

"People are a different case [than the media]," Abdul-Wahid said. "I expect more of people."

The afternoon's panel ended with an in-depth conversation about the media's duty and how people can choose to respond, leaving questions in the air about what the media's audience can do with the information they are sometimes force-fed.

People have the choice, which reflects the focus of the forum – the First Amendment, and its defense.

Robert Shaw, recipient of the first Defense of the First Amendment Award in 1982, presented it to Vadnie, who is the 19th person to receive the award.

Vadnie has been a part of the SCSU Department of Mass

Communications since 1981. He became the adviser for the University Chronicle in 1988.

The First Amendment Forum is sponsored by the SCSU Society of Professional Journalists, College of Fine Arts and Humanities, St. Cloud Times, Department of Mass Communications, Religious Studies Program and the Minnesota Newspaper Association.

## Awareness

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"There are two versions that will be available, one is about 10 minutes and the other is around 30 to 40 minutes. We are hoping to launch them around the time of the panel discussion."

A lecture guide will be provided, which will give fac-

ulty a way to get their classes involved and raise awareness.

"UChoose uses an environmental approach. It tries to impact the environment at SCSU," Eggers said. "It is a different way of thinking and is trying to change the perceptions of high-risk drinking as

well as a way of educating. The program is evidence based on national best practices."

Another event that will focus on alcohol awareness is Atwood After Dark.

"We are really excited to be bringing in a nationally recognized program which is very interactive," Reff said. "UChoose will be involved and there will be various activities like Dance Dance Revolution and Wii that students can use while wearing vision impaired goggles. It will be a great way to get students involved and engaged while educating them about high-risk drinking."

Along with the panel discussion, Atwood After Dark activities, and the online lecture package, there will also be various kiosks and tables in Atwood throughout April focusing on alcohol awareness.

## Healthy eating

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Shelly Wagener, a faculty member of the Anoka Ramsey Community College Connection program on SCSU, said that her expectations were to find out what things to look for in the grocery store and that she was satisfied with the talk.

Giambruno said she has had SCSU students approach her with concerns regarding their hearts and weights as well.

"Bad diets are always a big issue," Giambruno said. "There's always a bad diet of one kind or another that

people are doing."

One of the biggest misconceptions regarding weight loss is that to lose weight people should cut calories.

"The lower you cut your calories, the lower your metabolism rate goes," Giambruno said. "You need to eat as much as you can and still lose weight to keep your metabolism rate going."

Another piece of advice Giambruno gave was to have small frequent meals instead of fewer but larger meals. However, she said the media is encouraging fewer meals

and that people "tend to believe what Suzanne Somers is doing before they believe what a professional is doing."

Giambruno also addressed the concern that healthy food is more expensive. She said while it is true that healthy food is usually more expensive, she said that if a college student saves on chips and snack foods, they can then afford healthier food.

Dried fruits, for example raisins, are a good substitution for fresh fruits which are more expensive.

Nutritional quality between brand name food and generic food are usually the same as well.

"I recommend people do it (buy generic brands)," Giambruno said. "Nutritionally, they're just as good."

### FAST FACT

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## Hateful acts on campus a reminder of larger problems

Much has been made about the hateful graffiti that continues to show up on the walls around our campus.

These deplorable acts illustrate just how deeply rooted racism and other xenophobic attitudes are held in our society.

America's intolerance of "others" is littered throughout the pages of our history books. It is written in our legal documents, both old and new. But, for some reason when our elected officials write intolerant language into our law books and state constitutions, when it is circulated throughout our media, and when it is proclaimed in the pulpit of our churches, we do not act with the same sort of disgust as when it is scribbled on a wall by an ineffectual fiend. Why is that?

One of the problems that must be overcome by democratic societies is the tyranny of the majority.

In America, the scenario has been played out over and over again. In the first half of our country's history, the majority enslaved an entire race of people in what can only be described as tyrannical rule.

"Liberty and justice for all" did not include all, rather just those who wrote the rules. Of course, this is at a time when "majority" actually meant the majority within the ruling elite (i.e. those who were given the right vote.) If you include women, children, other "minorities," and non-landowners into this mix then it is safe to say that the popular majority was, in fact, morally opposed to slavery.

Yet the laws were on the books because those outside the "majority" didn't have a say.

Since the end of the Civil War, it took many more decades for African Americans to gain the right to vote, the right to equal access, equal protection, and equal opportunity. The fight against racial and other forms of biases still continues today, as do acts of discrimination, disenfranchisement, and hate – of which students on the SCSU campus are constantly being reminded.

The problem we face is of ignorance, plain and simple. It drives inequality.

As Americans, from kindergarten it is hammered into our heads that "all men are created equal," but we are in a constant struggle to define what "equality" actually means. Some people tend to believe it means "all men are created normal." Instead, maybe we should memorize with equal rigor the line that follows, which is "that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness." Today, in what is supposedly the greatest and freest country in the history of the world we are still erecting barriers to keep those outside "normal America" where they are, or in other words "in their place." For those outside the barrier, the quest for liberty and the pursuit of happiness is a constant struggle.

Currently, 29 states have constitutional amendments banning same-sex marriage, and in only three states (Connecticut, Massachusetts, and now Iowa) is it legal.

The Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) signed into law by Bill Clinton states that "the federal government may not treat same-sex relationships as marriages for any purpose, even if concluded or recognized by one of the states." By denying gays the right to marry our government is essentially saying, "You cannot get married because we don't want to recognize your immoral behavior. You will not enter into our 'normal' society because you are not normal."

If any of what I have said seems radical or outlandish, I will give you a very clear example from a well-known elected official. Rep. Michelle Bachmann spelled out the argument perfectly when she said, "This new legal enforcement of a new status – homosexuality, lesbianism, bringing it into the mainstream, if you will, giving it a legitimacy if you will, that will impact not only the gay community, but every man, woman and child, particularly the schools. Because the first thing that will occur,

Paul Crawford



Opinions Editor

once the legalization occurs, is that if this curriculum is not being taught already, it will be mandated, it must be taught in the schools. You cannot get out of it. Why? If you would not teach this, it would be considered discriminatory." Enough said.

As Bachmann illustrates by her argument, it isn't really about defining marriage at all. It is about ignorance or, to quote our Congresswoman once more, the belief that homosexuality is a "part of Satan" or a "sexual identity disorder." The sad truth is that this attitude is applauded because she is defending what has been termed by the conservative movement as our "traditional American values." Forget what anyone else values, it is about abiding by the values of those who have traditionally been in power. Everything else is satanic.

Some states allow civil unions as a measure of appeasement, but it is essentially separate but equal, which is unconstitutional. Civil unions concede that gays should have equal rights, but it still won't be recognized as a "marriage" in the established sense. It needs to be defined as something separate because it isn't "normal."

As if words like homosexual, bisexual and heterosexual, gay and straight don't define the divisions enough already, we legislate our bigotry with things like DOMA, civil unions, and "Don't ask, don't tell" to delegitimize all homosexuality because of its disgusting immorality.

By allowing people to openly declare their homosexuality, in the military or elsewhere, we will somehow destroy the "traditional values" many conservatives hold dear.

Again, forget about what anyone else values. They aren't "one of us" (i.e. white people that are destined for heaven.)

Keeping immoral people out of the mainstream is a regular function of our government.

The United States has the highest incarceration rate in the world. In America, drug users are criminals and are put into prison. By drugs, I don't mean alcohol or prescription medication because those types of addicts are acceptable in mainstream society. Those addicts just need help. I'm talking about the really bad people, those who smoke crack, those with black skin.

These people are criminals and must be locked into a 12x12 room before they corrupt the rest of our society with their "immoral behavior."

Powerful figures in the media perpetuate xenophobic labeling and are rewarded with million dollar contracts.

The most listened to man in America and "de facto leader of the Republican Party" Rush Limbaugh can get away with saying things like, "I mean, let's face it, we didn't have slavery in this country for over 100 years because it was a bad thing. Quite the opposite: slavery built the South. I'm not saying we should bring it back; I'm just saying it had its merits. For one thing, the streets were safer after dark."

Besides illustrating his ignorance regarding the economics of slavery, Limbaugh's racist attitudes conflict with his own personal struggle against drug addiction. He was a former OxyContin junkie who got help through rehabilitation rather than incarceration. One would think he would have sympathy for other addicts, but he probably continues to assert how their addiction is in some way "different" from his own.

So, when an ignorant student at SCSU decides to draw swastikas or write racist comments across a bulletin board, it is frankly understandable.

Public figures, elected officials and other people who are supposed to be society's role models (whether it's in government, church, on the television, radio, or anywhere else) are applauded and rewarded with huge contracts and re-elections for preaching and endorsing the same type of bigotry.

One must ask, which deserves more public outcry, offensive graffiti scribbled by some ineffectual thugs, or the various forms of bigotry legislated and promoted by the leaders of our country?

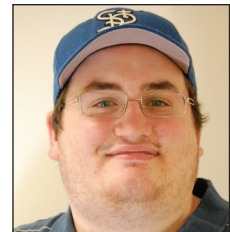
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## Downtown live music overload in need of some moderation

Joe Brown



Sports Editor

In downtown St. Cloud, something as peaceful and serene as an acoustic guitar has pissed me off enough to deter my desire for alcohol.

Like many patrons in this town and university, I like to relieve the tensions of work along the stretch of bars on St. Germain. Not by getting blitzed and being "that guy," but by having a few cocktails with friends, chatting about life in a relaxed, unwinding atmosphere. As a full-time student nearing the end of his collegiate tenure and facing the realization that there will be no job market when I leave SCSU, something as simple as a few beers can let me enjoy life for a while.

That is until I hear someone tuning their instrument. Then I lose my thirst and head for the door.

Having live music at a bar is great in small doses. But the various drinking holes of St. Cloud have live music overkill.

Three days a week at

D.B. Searle's, you can expect to see three different musical acts. This wouldn't be as big a problem if every musical performer didn't sound like a bad Jack Johnson cover band. After listening to these musicians ad nauseam, a band like Pantera actually calms me down.

Fighting the big crowds at the Red Carpet on "thirsty Thursdays," you can expect to hear things like Tripping Billies, the Dave Matthews tribute band or Luxor Stripp. But music isn't limited to the bar's busiest night – every week in April, four live music acts are at the nightclub. That's the Carpet's reputation – live music there is a must.

Then there is my personal favorite in St. Cloud, the White Horse.

What was once a chill bar that did not encompass the typical "college bar" in the area has become oversaturated with musicians five times a week. To be frank, are there five bands in this entire city?

What happened to bars in St. Cloud that you could go and not have to fight the elements to enjoy yourself?

You go to one bar and you have to fight a crowded mass of people in order to get a drink. No small feat for a big guy such as myself.

Leave that bar and then you have to yell over a performer's acoustic guitar that has the amps cranked to 11.

You're in a bar with low ceilings, not Madison Square Garden. With all due respect to local performer Drew Peterson, when I'm out on a Sunday night, I want to converse with my friends, not hear "What Would L.L. Cool J Do" for the seventh straight week. It was funny the first time, not the following six.

Like all things, the establishments in St. Cloud need to start booking bands the same way the drinkers need to act while out on the town; stick to moderation.

Why have live music three, four, five times a week? It takes away the novelty of seeing live music in the first place.

There is nothing wrong with the radio or a jukebox for the majority of the week. After all, few things bring me as much joy as making patrons in Dugouts angry when I pay a dollar to have the Misfits' "Hybrid Moments" blare across the bar.

I understand musicians wanting to share their message to the world, and I get supporting local artists. But there comes a point when you need to shut off the amps and let the bars become a social environment and not a rock concert. Central Minnesota is a far cry from "MTV's Unplugged."

The point of bringing live music should be to help business. Instead, St. Cloud's live music scene has killed my buzz.

## Capitalism and greed caused recession

Jakob Gilk

If someone did not tell you, I bet you learned the first time a balloon popped in your face that you can only blow it up so big.

Once blown up to the limit, it is time to be satisfied with the size; live, laugh and have fun with it even though it is not bigger than you can imagine.

Until another balloon comes along that is able to blow up bigger, you are best off being happy with what you have. Or, there is the option to risk blowing the balloon bigger with almost 100 percent certainty it will pop. That is what most people like to do; take a big breath, blow it in, watch the balloon pop and see the fun end for themselves and everyone else.

Yep, that is what most Americans do and if not with balloons, definitely with our economy.

America has popped once again. The recession is here.

What a surprise, right? Wrong. I am only 22 years old and I understand that once an economy has reached its limit, it is time to stop growing, stop forcing it bigger than it really is and stop claiming what really is not there.

When the economy has reached its limit, it is time to be satisfied with what we have and wait for some new developments that allow for more economic growth. But America is never satisfied with what we have so we push to get bigger and richer until our economy pops. Then we watch the fun end for all.

The imaginary money in the stock market disappears and houses become worth half the fake, inflated price the home owner paid two years earlier.

This is not the first time this has happened and I am afraid it won't be the last either.

I largely feel that our country deserves this pop. People buy possessions they don't need and take out long-term loans. Others invest their life savings in stocks hoping to make it big and live out their retirement with the riches. But when the market falls, they regret not retiring to a moderate life with the money they should have kept in the bank.

Instead their money went to a company with over-paid CEOs making poor decisions like GM to keep selling what is profitable, not what the people need.

For example, the Big Three knew that they should be focusing on more economical vehicles but marketed SUVs and trucks because of the higher profit margins. These companies get angry at any government regulation, but as soon as times are hard they are willing to beg for a government bailout to make up for the mistakes that should have been prevented.

History has shown that this is what happens and will keep happening as long as we live with the greedy idea that we must always have more money and possessions tomorrow than we have today. I would like to see a movement away from these types of business ethics and ways of living.

In order for it to happen, our society would have to change. Care for all people, distribute wealth more evenly, be content without having absolutely everything we want and be happy with what we have. Perhaps a move to a more socialist economy is the answer.

## Letters to the Chronicle

### SCSU responds to racism

As SCSU tries to foster a welcoming environment for all students, there are still some individuals who are resistant to change and diversity. On Monday, March 30, a student responded to a display in Stewart Hall honoring Dorothy Height, a famous black activist, with words of hate.

The words "F--k All the N----s. They all suck donkey d---s" appeared on the wall and were quickly reported to faculty. The initial response was that we should take these words down, but some saw this cowardly act of hate as a learning and teaching experience. The words were not removed, but don't think that action wasn't taken. This display, located in the back stairwell, is now a glowing example of how this community feels about racism.

Within hours of the reports, students started posting their own responses to the graffiti. Encouraging notes, such as "Celebrate Diversity," and "We will work to end this together" now line the stairwell.

Students and faculty have the opportunity to respond to this act of hate by showing the anonymous poster how we feel as a community about hatred. Perhaps we can't locate the person responsible, but we can speak up for what is right. I encourage each of you to go to Stewart Hall, and see what has become an impressive display of community support. Add your response and tell your

friends to do the same. One response posted on the wall says it best: "Progress can't be measured in the actions of ignorant people, but in the community response to these actions. We WILL NOT tolerate hate!"

Trisha Mulheron  
Third-year student  
Biomedical Science

### Budget will kill business

I just have one question for the Obama loving crowd: Where is the money going to come from to pay for all of the crap him and Madam Pelosi are ramming down our throats? The spending started under Bush and now Obama is doubling down on it. When China wises up and stops buying our treasures we are going to be up a creek without a paddle.

I hate to bust everyone's bubble here but poor people do not open up businesses. Small businesses are what built this country and they will continue to keep this country operating if Uncle Sam doesn't run them into the ground.

I am a small business owner myself and I am nowhere near wealthy. I scratched and saved and decided that I was willing to take a risk to put out a product/service that people were willing to pay for.

So all you nutballs out there that want everyone living in tree houses, smoking weed, and riding light rail together, just be careful for

what you wish for. You can only take so much before the average Joe gets involved. People that never really cared about politics, that just went on through life, paying their taxes, and didn't question where all their hard earned money was going. Well those days are over. These people are starting to get pissed off, and you know what? I'm one of them.

Dave Goff  
Third-year student  
Tech Education

### SGA candidate's plans

This week, I officially filed my candidacy for president of the Student Government Association at SCSU.

My running mate, Sam Sterner, and I plan to advocate for the needs and desires of all SCSU students, not just ourselves. We have outlined a platform that will appear in this publication that covers topics such as working toward easier access to VA benefits, greater access to grants paid for through President Obama's stimulus plan, and getting more representation for international students in SGA.

I am hoping my fellow students will take the time to view our Facebook group "Vote JamSam '09" and offer any questions or concerns about SCSU.

Michael Jamnick  
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## Drag show at the Quarry

**Morgan Ross**  
STAFF WRITER

"The Kings and Queens of Hollywood" rolled out the red carpet two nights in a row in Atwood's Quarry.

Thursday and Friday, the basement of Atwood was occupied with back-to-back drag shows.

Both nights the Quarry was packed with an audience eager for a good time.

Shannon Howard and Sara Kost, both third-year students, were coordinators of "The Kings and Queens of Hollywood."

With preparations starting at the end of January, weekly meetings and rehearsals, a lot of work went into making the shows a success.

After all the hard work put into creating this show Howard said she hoped to have a large audience.

"It is a great opportunity to experience the drag show as entertainment and education. It gives people a glimpse into a community that a lot of people are uneducated about," Howard said.

Each semester the drag show gets bigger and better and gains more interest.

"It is a wonderful chance to open up and challenge gender boundaries," Kost said.

Heidi Aldes, director of GLBT Services, expected a large turnout for both shows. Last semester they only offered one show and they had to turn people away because they had reached fire capacity.

Aldes said she hopes the audience will recognize more than just the entertainment value.

"I hope they walk away with an understanding that drag is a part of queer culture. Unconsciously they will have a broader notion of what man looks like and what woman looks like," Aldes said.

The purpose of the drag show is clear to Aldes.

"[It is] to raise awareness about traditional gender roles and to highlight pieces of queer culture that should be celebrated. I want the audience to have a positive sense when they hear queer culture or LGBT community," Aldes said.

Ted Helland, a third-year student, returned as the host of the show, Dolly Meridian, for the fourth time.

"I want the crowd to experience a wonderful time

but also realize there are so many different forms of art. People shouldn't be afraid to try something new, gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and straight. It is about breaking down boundaries and trying something new," Helland said.

Lwando Scott, a graduate student, performed as Duchess for his second show at SCSU.

"As a performer it is good to have the support of friends," Scott said. "The show says a lot about the gay community, where it has come and where it is going. The support behind us is amazing."

Along with GLBT Services and OutLoud!, Shoemaker Hall and Residential life sponsored the show making it the "What's HOT" event, to provide a safe, fun and sober option for on campus students on Thursday nights.

The event was free for students and \$2 for community members.

Posters of famous GLBT people were auctioned off and audience members tipped the performers, raising approximately \$980.

A portion of these proceeds are being donated to Anna Marie's Alliance.



MORGAN ROSS/ CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER

New Queers On the Block have been a crowd favorite since their debut in fall 2008.

## Lonesome Dan Kase brought the blues

**Ryan Brink**  
CONCERT REVIEW

Solo musician Lonesome Dan Kase took the stage Thursday night, bringing The White Horse back to the early 1900s for some classic sounding blues.

Kase gives the feeling that time travel is as real as ever. Why should we be forced to listen to modern music in modern time?

In reality, one can descend to whichever decade he or she so pleases, bringing back a genre that has a lack of existence in today's scene, which is exactly what this lonesome man does.

Dressed to kill in shiny black FBI shoes, freshly ironed black slacks, a collared shirt complete with vest, tie and a bowl-rimmed hat, Kase had an appearance only the classiest of the old-time Western folk would wear.

Playing an old 1930s slider guitar, he and his instrument made for a southern blues, jam and jazzy filled evening, giving the vibes similar to the "Oh Brother Where Art Thou" soundtrack.



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The White horse was the home for Lonsome Dan Kase playing for a moderate crowd Thursday evening.

At times, the finger picking guitar jams would get so intense and quick, it sounded impossible that one man was giving off the sound, as if multiple guitarists were inside of him.

Either that, or he secretly turned into the Hindu goddess Kali and extra arms

grew all around him adding some fingers to help press the strings.

His left hand ran up and down the neck playing blues and jazz scales, meanwhile his metal finger picks on his right hand strummed, plucked, tapped, shook and boogied like there was no to-

morrow.

And it would be impossible not to include his foot as another instrument.

A foot stomp that would get so aggressive one would think his entire leg would break through the floor throwing chunks and splinters of wood in all directions.

Then after each peacefully intense song was over, a very polite and quiet "thank you" was given and he would glance around to every single individual and give him or her a youthful smile of appreciation.

From Michigan, but now residing in St. Paul, the 34-year-old musician is slowly expanding his music outreach to select venues around the Midwest.

"I do regional stuff more, but I'd like to do some more traveling," Kase said.

This was Kase's first trek to St. Cloud and during his intermission he already booked another show next month, showing his enjoyment to this newly discovered city.

Kase began playing music at age 16, being highly influenced by piano, blues, jazz and ragtime, in particular, Blind Lemon Jefferson and Robert Johnson.

"I listen to a lot of piano and try to turn it into guitar," Kase said.

After listing off a number of blind musicians, Kase said, "I like all the blind guys."

As he kept on playing this unique genre, which is truly

none existent today, it is interesting to see the lack of modernization he has done to his music.

"I don't know how much of this old-time blues is left so I didn't know what kind of reactions I'd get," Kase said.

But reactions seem to be for the better; people love to see this kind of music alive today and most younger adults did not know if they would ever see such a musician in their lifetime.

Almost as if he hasn't turned on a radio for over 50 years, he plays strictly true to the sounds of this old time feeling.

"About as far up as I go is the 1950s," Kase said when asking him about blues musicians of today.

As if he turned on the old record player and brushed off all the dust, tuned and tweaked it, then gave the forgotten sound a new personal touch and a nice fresh youthful feel.

Keep an open eye for Lonesome Dan Kase. After he walks the dusty trail with guitar in hand, he will be back at the White Horse sooner than later.

## 'Escape From Happiness' at Pioneer Place

**Staff Report**

Family troubles came to the stage at Pioneer Place last weekend with the play "Escape From Happiness."

Written by Canadian playwright George F. Walker, "Escape From Happiness" debuted in 1992.

The play revolves around a dysfunctional family that includes drugs, alcoholism and an ex-cop father who beat up his family in a black humor fashion.

The main character, Tom, the father and ex-cop, returns to his family after 10 years only to find no one, except his youngest daughter and her husband, believes he is who he claims to be.

The play included adult-themed elements and strong language. It took on taboo subjects like drugs and physical abuse in a strange manner; through humor.

George F. Walker is a prolific playwright and has been made a member of the Order of Canada. He has written for television shows such as "Due South," "The Newsroom," "This Is Wonderland" and "The Weight."

The production company for the performances was Giant Step Entertainment, who focuses on plays with dysfunctional family issues.

"Escape From Happiness" was performed Wednesday through Sunday at Pioneer Place.



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"Escape From Happiness" played Wednesday through Sunday.



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Canadian playwright George F. Walker penned this dark comedy in 1992.



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"Escape From Happiness" was performed at PP5.



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The play dealt with dark themes with humor.



# The Purple One's return

**Mike Doyle**

ALBUM REVIEW

Warning: This disc may cause severe sexual arousal.

Instead of a parental advisory label, Prince albums should carry sensation stimulation warnings.

Prince's new three-disc set, "Lotusflow3r," is no exception.

As constant as the role of sex has been throughout his musical career, nonconformity has run parallel.

Bucking convention, as the "Purple One" has always done, the album is on sale at Target for the bargain price of \$11.98 or available to download online for \$77 with a membership to his new Web site at Lotusflow3r.com.

Like many multi-disc releases, however, it has high and low points.

"Lotusflow3r" starts with the instrumental "From the Lotus" that sets the mood for the rest of the album.

It is as if Prince feels underrated as a guitar virtuoso and wants everyone to remember his instrumental prowess on this disc, blazing one face-melting solo after another between sexy,



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Prince's latest release is a three-disc set.

The first five songs are chalked full of sultry beats including the Tommy James and the Shondells cover "Crimson and Clover."

The somewhat confusing slow jam "Colonized Mind" mixes a cocktail of smooth

R&B and a lyrical message of equality and belief.

The message is one of freedom, but it gets lost in the atmosphere.

The disc picks up with the up-tempo funk of "Feel Good, Feel Better, Feel Wonderful"

but quickly falls flat with the bad lounge act "Love Like Jazz" and out of place intermission "77 Beverly Park."

Prince again, more successfully, sings and screams about equality and freedom with the wah-wah guitar laden

Hendrix-esque "Dreamer."

Individually the high points do not counter the low points on "Lotusflow3r," but with "MPLSoUND" there are more than enough decent tracks to make up for the lackluster efforts.

It is difficult to listen to an artist and not compare their new work to earlier material and "MPLSoUND" is no different.

Prince's music has always been futuristic, but "MPLSoUND" harkens back to earlier work, only more computerized.

He sings of his sexual prowess opening with "(There'll Never B)-Another Like Me" and continuing with the rollickingly fun "Chocolate Box" where he proclaims, "I'm your Willy Wonka, golden ticket is yours."

The middle of the album slows down with four ballads and the listener can only imagine whom Prince is yearning for.

In comparison to the rest of the disc, the middle section is somewhat boring and barely passable.

On "Ol' Skool Company," Prince sings of the current

economic conditions, "Fat cats on Wall Street they got a bail out, why somebody else got to wait" over a bass heavy synthesizer melody.

Closing out the disc is the retro-blues-surf, "No More Candy 4 U," which raps to anyone online trying to make a buck or trying to steal from him, not to try.

Included in the 3-disc package is the Prince produced "Elixer" by Bria Valente.

Like many of his female protégés, Valente is forgettable.

If the disc were not released alongside two Prince discs, it would be hard to imagine anyone listening, let alone purchasing this album.

The only redeemable songs are the danceable and bouncy "2night" and head bobbing "Another Boy."

With a low price and enough good cuts from "Lotusflow3r" and "MPLSoUND" it is easy to forgive Prince for being so bold.

Prince's two discs should come with the disclaimer: If you don't get laid with this album blasting out of your stereo, the Purple One is not to blame.

# 'MLB The Show' off the hook

**Tim Stang**

GAME REVIEW

With the first pitch of the regular season thrown out Sunday night, now is the perfect time to start thinking about baseball video games.

Once again, the best game available is only on the Playstation systems. Sorry XBOX players, "MLB The Show 09" is the best baseball game on the market, again.

Aside from the major reason fans get suckered into buying a new game year after year, roster changes, "MLB The Show 09" has made a number of changes to almost every mode out there.

The 2009 version of the "Show" gives users the 40-man roster for the first time, allows players to create their own in-game chants and even has a practice mode.

There are also some changes to the in-game play including control of coaches, "legendary" difficulty setting for those who still find the game too easy and modifications to base running.

Perhaps the change to the game that users will have the most fun with is the ability to create their own in-game chants.

Users can record their own voice and fans in the game will chant whatever you say.

In addition you can record music into the game and have custom music for batters to walk up to, home run songs and even heckle opponents.

Franchise mode has taken on a lot of changes too. Now it actually seems like the user is in charge of every last facet of a Major League baseball team.



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"MLB The Show 09" is only available for Playstation systems. It has many new features to update gameplay from other installments.

There is now a 40-man roster, arbitration option when dealing with free agents and players have a limited number of options to the minor leagues.

Many casual baseball fans and gamers may find some of the new features to be a bit too much.

One feature the game could probably do away with is the rule five draft.

For those not familiar with this type of draft, it is a draft before the start of the season where teams can draft a prospect off of another team's unprotected roster.

The drafting team must keep the drafted player on their big league roster throughout the year or offer the player back to the other team.

Follow that? Most people probably don't. It rarely is even used in MLB with one major exception being the Twins prying Johan Santana from the Houston Astros.

Well, actually the Marlins drafted Santana, but it gets complicated from there.

There are still other changes to franchise that some people may like or hate depending on their level of interest of baseball.

Free agents may refuse to sign with your team regardless of how much money you throw at them based on your team's win-loss record the previous season.

"MLB 09" did not change one major glitch I found last year.

Are you in a small market such as Minnesota and Pitts-

burgh is about to let a starting pitcher go because his contract demands are too great?

Well go into roster control then edit player. If you change the starting pitcher to relief pitcher, he will sign for millions less.

Then go back to roster control and edit player, change the pitcher back to a starter and BAM. You have just saved \$8-12 million and still have that dominant pitcher.

Don't worry online users, you get a fair share of changes as well.

Last year the "Show" gave users an online league. Now that league has been enhanced in a couple of ways.

There is now a full live draft, similar to one you may see in a fantasy baseball

league.

Users draft a team and take that team into a league where they play against over 30 other players.

Now finding time for these players to play games can be a difficult task. Many times a user must wait for days for their opponent to quit playing "Call of Duty," right?

Not anymore, now the "Show" has given gamers the "flex schedule." This allows gamers to be played ahead in the league, not just the current series.

For those that don't want to make the time commitment to a full season of online baseball, there are still some new features you might enjoy online.

"MLB 09's" SportsCon-

nect Online User Tracker (SCOUT) helps users find that perfect opponent to take on.

Users can change a variety of settings that they are looking for in an opponent and SCOUT will search all the available online users to find one you would like to play.

"The Show 09" made a number of changes, some good some bad.

For the hardcore baseball fan and video game aficionado this is a must-buy game.

For those gamers that are casual baseball game players and fans of the Minnesota Twins, I would recommend waiting until next year when Target Field will replace the Metrodome.

# New Dylan album to be released

**Ryan Brink**

ALBUM PREVIEW

World known and highly acclaimed Minnesota musician and poet Bob Dylan is due to put out another mystery album at the end of the month.

The 68-year-old traveling man with his "Never Ending Tour" and non-stop music making skills promises we won't stop hearing new stuff until the day he dies.

This one, due out April 28, titled "Together Through Life" is supposedly a perfect continuation of "Modern Times."

The blues and folk loving poetic genius was the spokesperson of his generation and 40 years later, he continues to speak his mind.

In the early 1960s, Dylan and his beautiful songwriting skills would take stage as a solo man with his guitar in hand and harmonica around his



PHOTO COURTESY OF SPEX.DE

Dylan's latest album, "Together Through Life," will be out at the end of April.

neck, secretly telling the listeners about deep philosophical ideas concerning politics, human behavior and love.

This spark of unique music gave Dylan multiple awards and almost every album he released in the 1960s through

1970s was instantly put on the 100 best albums of all time.

The only band considered "better" than him on the list is

The Beatles.

And ironically, Rolling Stone magazine put "Like A Rolling Stone" as the greatest song of all times.

Even to this day, Dylan continues to wow crowds and fans around the world with his music.

"Modern Times" was the best album of 2006, after making hundreds and hundreds of songs, he has no sign of writers block.

Since the 1980s he has been playing steady shows through out the entire world, averaging 100 shows a year.

20 years later, the "Never Ending Tour" is still in progress, currently in Europe and coming back to the states for some more shows this summer.

"Together Through Life" has had no secret releases, no sounds, nor words to describe the album, besides one single

track that Dylan released on his Web site can be downloaded via mp3.

And a large image of the album cover is on the site, which contains a black and white photo of a young couple necking in the back of a car.

The single "Beyond Here Lies Nothin'" has an upbeat old blues jam, filled with the gnarly raspy voice of Dylan and a feeling of a 1950s bar scene.

A nice touch to the song, and rumored the entire album, is an excellent sounding accordion, fitting in so perfectly with Dylan's ever so growing style of music.

So be ready for a fresh look at what's on this aging man's mind, creating this classic feel in 2009.

Dylan's album should be unique and completely original, what he does best.



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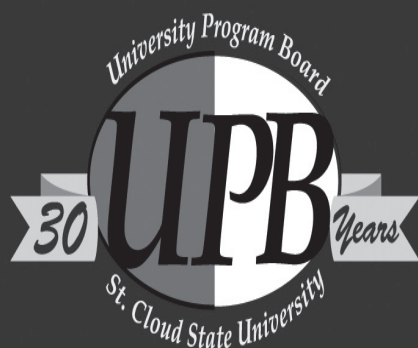
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Minnesota State-Moorhead's Melissa Saylor takes a swing during the last at-bat of game one of the Huskies and Dragons' doubleheader. SCSU won both games, securing their first sweep as a member of the NSIC.

## Softball

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First-year first baseman Nicole Brandenburg had a career game in the afternoon tilt, hitting the first two home runs of her collegiate career in an 11-2 blowout.

Brandenburg would finish 2-for-3 with a career-high six RBIs.

The Grafton, Wis. native would start the offensive onslaught in the second inning with a two-run shot over the left-center fence.

Mistakes by Moorhead pitcher Mara Litzer would lead to two more SCSU runs in the inning. A passed ball from Dragons catcher Molly Keeler allowed Sarah Nohrenberg to reach home. With two outs, Haines would score on a Keeler wild pitch to give the Huskies the 4-0 edge.

SCSU would boost the score to 7-0 after a three-run third inning. Brandenburg would strike again with a three-run jack, scoring Melanie Upchurch and Sbragia.

MSU-Moorhead would close the gap with a two-run third inning.

But the two runs would be the only blemish for starting pitcher Krieg. The first-year pitcher went five innings, striking out three while giving up four hits.

The rout was on in the fourth inning, as the Huskies added three more runs.

Lizzy Dwyer would score the inning's first RBI, reaching second on an error by Dragons center fielder Adolph. A bunt by Upchurch would get another runner across home plate. Brandenburg would end her career day with an unearned run after another fielding error by Adolph.

With the sweep, SCSU improves to 3-3 in the NSIC. MSU-Moorhead falls to 0-2 in the conference.

On late Sunday, the Huskies took the field for another NSIC match up against Bemidji State. Game time was scheduled for 8 p.m.

On Tuesday, SCSU is slated to take on Southwest Minnesota State at Selke Field.

## Anderson

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However Anderson doesn't think what he has accomplished this far is too impressive.

"I played a lot of competitive golf when I was younger against older people," Anderson said.

Still, there is some added pressure on Anderson.

"There is pressure on him because he has done well," Larkin said. "And with one of our players out of eligibility that puts a little more pressure on all the players." That player was fall's

senior leader Danny Anderson.

Beau Anderson does feel the pressure to perform since this spring season started.

"The team needs scores, so there is pressure to go out and play well," Anderson said.

Larkin praised Anderson for his quiet motivation, which, she says, helps motivate his teammates.

"He needs to stay focused," Larkin said. "Experience will help him and he will keep getting better and

better."

With players like Anderson on this year's team, Larkin believes the team will do great things.

"I am looking forward to super regions in Arizona," Anderson said.

Larkin is looking forward to taking him there.

"His head game is extremely strong, that is what

makes him a better player," Larkin said.

Still, Anderson hopes the weather will cooperate in the coming weeks. He doesn't want to have to practice anymore indoors.

"You don't get the feel for the real grass indoors," Anderson said.

**"The team needs scores, so there is pressure to go out and play well."**

**Beau Anderson**  
SCSU first-year golfer

## Sports Scoreboard

### NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Final Four (at Detroit)

April 6  
Michigan State vs. North Carolina, 8:21 p.m., Channel 4.

### NBA Standings Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT	GB
Denver -x	51	26	.662	-
Portland	48	27	.640	2
Utah	46	30	.605	4.5
Minnesota	22	54	.289	28.5
Oklahoma City	21	54	.280	29

Pacific	W	L	PCT	GB
LA Lakers -z	60	16	.789	-
Phoenix	42	35	.545	18.5
Golden State	27	49	.355	33
LA Clippers	18	58	.237	42
Sacramento	16	59	.213	43.5

Southwest	W	L	PCT	GB
San Antonio -x	49	27	.645	-
Houston	48	28	.632	1
New Orleans	47	28	.627	1.5
Dallas	46	31	.597	3.5
Memphis	22	54	.289	27

### Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT	GB
Boston -y	58	19	.753	-
Philadelphia -x	40	35	.533	17
New Jersey	31	45	.408	26.5
Toronto	30	45	.400	27
New York	29	47	.382	28.5

Central	W	L	PCT	GB
Cleveland -y	62	15	.805	-
Chicago	37	40	.481	25
Detroit	36	40	.474	25.5
Indiana	32	44	.421	29.5
Milwaukee	32	46	.410	30.5

Southwest	W	L	PCT	GB
Orlando -y	57	19	.750	-
Atlanta -x	43	34	.558	14.5
Miami -x	41	36	.532	16.5
Charlotte	34	42	.447	23
Washington	18	60	.231	40

z- clinched conference title  
y- clinched division title  
x- clinched playoff birth

### Men's college tennis

#### NCAA Division II rankings

- Central Region**
1. St. Cloud State 19-2 7-0
  2. Metropolitan State 5-4 1-2
  3. Colorado State-Pueblo 3-6 2-4
  4. Western New Mexico 5-8 3-5
  5. Mesa State 6-2 5-2
  6. Montana State-Billings 1-1 1-1
  7. Minnesota State Mankato 4-7 3-3
  8. Nebraska-Kearney 4-5 1-4
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### Women's college tennis

#### NCAA Division II rankings

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  8. Upper Iowa 10-7 6-3
  9. Augustana 7-9 5-3
  10. Minnesota-Duluth 2-3 2-1

### NCAA Division I Men's Hockey Frozen Four (at Washington)

#### April 9

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#### April 11

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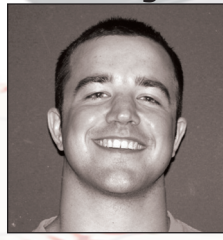
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Joey LeMay



Managing Editor

## BASEBALL

### STANG: Eliminate extra innings

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### LeMAY: Umpires carry pepper spray

Do you know why players and managers argue with the umps? It's because there are no consequences. Do you really think players and managers care about being thrown out of one game? Please. Baseball needs to arm umps with a consequence: Mace. Not only would baseball have another advertising partner, but players and managers would be much more hesitant to arbitrarily argue and slow the game down for fans.

## BOXING

### STANG: Tag-team boxing

Similar to professional wrestling, tag-team boxing would pit teams of two boxers against each other. Each team would be allowed one boxer in the ring at a time and would tag their partner into the ring by reaching the corner. Would anyone take on the Klitschko brothers, Vitali and Wladimir, who own all but one of the world's heavyweight belts?

### LeMAY: Eliminate winner-by-decision

I want a knockout, not a cop out. The sweet science prides itself on the conditioning and toughness of its competitors. It's a shame when a fight goes the distance and viewers have to watch as the winner is determined by judges. Have every match governed by a "last man standing" mentality. Call me crazy, but I would love to see the toughness of "Prettyboy" Floyd Mayweather Jr. tested beyond a 12-round decision.

## FOOTBALL

### STANG: XFL rules with NFL talent

The failed league had many great concepts but lacked watchable talent. The coin toss was replaced by the "opening scramble," where each team had a player start from their 30-yard line and sprint towards a ball at mid-field. The NFL could also learn from XFL's overtime rules. Each team had one possession from the 20-yard line. And the best rule difference? No fair catches.

### LeMAY: One player must play without a helmet

I would love to see who coaches would choose to be their "sacrificial lamb" of sorts. Imagine prioritizing which player on your team has to run around full speed on the field without his hat on. The kicker must wear a helmet at all times so they are exempt from selection. This would be a great display of passive-aggression for owners as well. If this rule were in place, no one would know Terrell Owens' helmet size because he never would have wore one.

## GOLF

### STANG: More taunting, less silence

Each golfer in a two-some gets five seconds to taunt their counterpart, by any means possible. Golfers have it too easy, expecting fans to be quiet. So quiet, in fact, that the best golfer in the world, Tiger Woods, once cursed out a fan for taking a photograph. Wouldn't it be fun to see Woods attempt to tee off after staring at Phil Mickelson's "man boobs" for five seconds?

### LeMAY: Tee off with every club in the bag

Putter, sand wedge, 8-iron - I don't care. The rules of golf allow a player to carry up to 14 clubs in their bag. My rule states that you must tee off with each club at least once for an 18-hole course. That gives them four holes to pick the club of their choice. Stang says Tiger Woods is the best golfer in the world. But that's just conventional golfing. I want versatility from my athletes, not just memorization of repetition.

## HOCKEY

### STANG: Designated fighting units

I propose that in addition to a hockey team, each franchise has a "fighting unit." Each team would have a minimum of five fighters. One member from each unit would fight at all times in the center of the rink. Teams would get points for takedowns and knockouts. This would make Wild fans particularly happy, as fan favorite Derek Boogaard would finally have a reason to touch the ice.

### LeMAY: Refs wear pads and are fair game to be checked

Hockey does very few things to irritate me. The referees, however, do. No one annoyance is bigger than when players halt their progress for the puck because an official is in the way. Or when a team is set for a line change and the referee finds himself near the bench, looking like Mufasa trying to dodge a herd of hyenas in "The Lion King." Refs would now pad up like the players and be subjected to the same treatment. No blatantly going for the ref, though.

## NASCAR

### STANG: A moving target on the track

My original idea of requiring at least half of the drivers to drive intoxicated would never be approved. So I would like to see is a moving target on the track. A simple idea would be to leave the "pace car" on the track at all-times. This car would be topped out at 80 mph and driven by a crash test dummy that would be programmed to make sudden moves at any time.

### LeMAY: Different surfaces on the track

Quarter the track and bring in four varying surfaces. Turn one could be composed of loose gravel. That should make turning look like a drifting scene out of "The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift." The first straightaway could be traditional pavement to build speed for what would be on turn two: a field of corn. The second straightaway would be sand with spike strips sporadically littered throughout. It's like bringing "Mario Kart" to life.

## SOCCER

### STANG: Start the game with a shootout

What is the biggest argument Americans have against soccer? It is too boring and there is a lack of scoring. A pre-game shootout would take care of this. Each team would pick three players to participate in the shootout. This would ensure that each team scores at least one goal and keeps fans interested throughout the game. No? Well, I tried.

### LeMAY: Don't care as much as fans overseas

They're doing some pretty extreme stuff in other countries, which seems to have drawn the brief attention of Americans. But I can't say shooting guys with flares or picking other guys off during a penalty kick is exactly the type of attraction we want to bring to the States. We already have that; it's called New Orleans. We have a small, yet peaceful fan base in the U.S. and should be happy our fans are not as soccer-crazy as others.

## TENNIS

### STANG: Put that one hot girl on TV as much as possible

More Anna Kournikova. Need I say more?

### LeMAY: Get the ball boys involved more - as moving targets

Being one of the few viewable figures on the court, the ball boys/girls need to be involved more - no more being perched against the back wall. Each member of the ball retrieval staff would rotate, on each serve, running back and forth, from post to post, in front of the net.

This would give the two competitors options because if they hit the moving ball retriever, by my rules, they get double the amount of points that would originally have been earned. Thus, at the beginning of a set, instead of being limited to serving into a 15-0 lead, a player could propel themselves to a 30-0 right from the start.

Said ball retrievers are to continue their running ways until a point is earned, and then rotate.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL (WNBA)

### STANG: Lower the 10-foot basket to an 8-foot basket

After this, at least 40 percent of the league could dunk. NBC's "Nightly News" would no longer have to show the Candace Parker dunk that happens two times a year. And don't try to say that lowering the hoop would make the WNBA too distant from its male counterpart. The WNBA already plays with a smaller ball and shorter three-point distance.

### LeMAY: First team to score 80 points wins

On top of that, keep the shot clock and eliminate the four quarters of play. Basically, it's a race to see who can go from zero to 80 the quickest. Each team is allotted four timeouts, which can be used to substitute players and strategize. The ideal behind the concept would be to eliminate down-tempo 55-48 finishes and a brand of basketball that looks like it came out of the "Jacques Lemaire School of Athletic Strategizing."

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# Strong pitching leads to first NSIC sweep

## Staff Report

Coming into their Friday home stand against Minnesota State-Moorhead, the 16-21 Huskies had one item missing from their resume: an NSIC sweep.

The team can now check that feat off their list.

Led by strong pitching performances by Kaity Strever and Brit Krieg, SCSU was able to win two games from the rival Dragons in an early morning doubleheader at the Husky Dome.

In game one, SCSU was able to jump out to an early lead, scoring two runs on two hits. A hit to center field by third baseman Sara Sbragia was ruled a ground-rule

## Softball

double, scoring Sarah Stalker and Kelly Laas.

MSU-Moorhead's Katie Howland would bring the Dragons immediately back into contention, starting the bottom of the first with a leadoff home run. Howland finished the game 1-for-4.

Another ground-rule double, this time by Moorhead's Melissa Saylor, gave the Dragons the tie after three innings.

Stalker would add her second hit of the game in the bottom of the fifth with a RBI triple, scoring Lass from first base. Stalker would reach the plate after a double steal, giving SCSU a 4-2 lead.

MSU-Moorhead's Casey Lindseth closed the gap to 4-3 on a hit from Kari Sagehorn.

Strever would lock down the 4-9 Dragons in the sixth and seventh innings, holding MSU-Moorhead to only one hit in the two innings. Strever pitched seven strong innings, improving her overall record to 8-9 this season.

Strever clinched the game in the bottom of the seventh, forcing Mandy Adolph to foul out and striking out Lindseth. A liner to Huskies' second baseman Rachel Haines gave the SCSU their first win of the morning over the Dragons.

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JAKOB GILK / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

SCSU pitcher Kaity Strever pitched the Huskies to the first of two wins in a doubleheader against Minnesota State-Moorhead on Friday morning.

## SCSU Sports Calendar

### Tuesday

#### • Softball

2 p.m./4 p.m. Home doubleheader vs. Southwest Minnesota State at Selke Field

### Thursday

#### • Track and Field

All day Division II Challenge Emporia, Kan.

### Friday

#### • Track and Field

All day Division II Challenge Emporia, Kan.

#### • Baseball

2 p.m. Away at Concordia-St. Paul

#### • Softball

3 p.m./5 p.m. Away doubleheader at Concordia-St. Paul

### Saturday

#### • Track and Field

All day Division II Challenge Emporia, Kan.

#### • Baseball

1 p.m. Away at Concordia-St. Paul

#### • Softball

2 p.m./4 p.m. Home doubleheader vs. Concordia-St. Paul at Selke Field

### April 15

#### • Softball

2 p.m./4 p.m. Home doubleheader vs. Winona State at Selke Field



JAKOB GILK / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

In his first year golfing for SCSU, Beau Anderson has emerged as one of the top golfers in the program, winning NSIC golfer of the week two times in a row in October.

# An ace in Anderson

## Tyler Ohmann

STAFF WRITER

The rain and snowy weather the past couple weeks has most SCSU athletes fretting, but not Beau Anderson.

"It's a disadvantage," he said. "But we just have to try and get ready harder."

"We were supposed to be getting outside this week, then the snow hit."

In the meantime, Anderson and the golf team have been practicing indoors; however, they were able to escape and play in the Missouri Western State University Invitational.

## Beau Anderson: At a Glance

**Year at SCSU:** First year

**Hometown:** Cottage Grove, Minn.

**Career achievements:** Two-time NSIC golfer of the week (Oct. 1, Oct. 8); Co-medalist at NSIC/RMAC Fall Invite

Originally stated to play at St. Joseph, Mo., the invite was moved to Lincoln, Neb.

There, the first-year golfer shook off the rust and fired rounds of 71 and 78 to post the third-best score for the Huskies.

"He came out of the shoots well," SCSU golf coach Judy Larkin said.

And so did the rest of the Huskies.

Led by senior Jake Zilkowski (71-75), who took third, the

Huskies ended up with a team score of 600, good enough to win the tournament.

"It was a good start for the first time outside," Anderson said. "It gives us a confidence boost heading into the season."

His success didn't start with this meet though.

During the fall season Anderson played consistently in the Huskies top five — an impressive feat for a first-year player.

"Three weeks into [the season] he started playing well," Larkin said.

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# Husky weekend review

Staff Writer

## Men's tennis

In the same week the men's tennis team was ranked first in the Division II Central Region rankings, the Huskies added two more wins on the road against host Wisconsin-Whitewater and Coe College.

With the wins, SCSU improves their season record to 21-2.

In the first match against Coe College, Wojciech Batorzski, Mike Master, Ryan Schoenefeld and Shane Ecklund each took singles victories from the Kohawks. This season, the Huskies' singles players have won over 76 percent of their matches.

Master, who is 18-2 in singles this year, has won nine straight matches.

In the second match of the day against the Warhawks, the doubles had to be the deciders for the Huskies.

Tied 3-3 after singles, the teams of Batorzski and Master, along with Schoenefeld and Kris Johnson took two of three. Schoenefeld and Johnson defeated Wis.-Whitewater's Danny Glinert and Erich Palecek 9-8, taking the victory via 7-3 tiebreaker.

## Women's tennis

On Saturday, the women's tennis team proved their dominance, shutting out Mary and Southwest Minnesota State 9-0 in both contests.

Kelly Freese led the way for SCSU in singles competition. In the first match against Mary, Freese won both sets over Molly Simmons 6-0. Her success continued against the Mustangs, losing only one set on the weekend.

Freese and teammate Jacquelyn Doll continued their winning ways in doubles, with an 8-3 win against Mary and 8-2 against Southwest Minnesota State. This year, Doll and Freese have combined for a record of 14-9.

Like their male counterparts, the women's team is highly-ranked in the Division II Central Region rankings, currently sitting in third place. Mesa State sits in first place.

# Benke plays hero as Huskies win three

## Staff Report

Facing a weekend split, Joey Benke kept the red-hot Huskies on fire.

Tied 5-5 in the bottom of the eighth, Benke hit a walk-off single to score teammate Cole Hammes, taking three of four games from the NSIC rival Bulldogs.

With the wins, the Huskies improve to 6-2 in the NSIC, and 27-7 overall on the season.

Before games were played between the two teams, the weekend series was already in flux.

After having to move their scheduled home stand against Minnesota-Duluth moved to Richfield and Hammond, Wis. Saturday's games in Wisconsin were slated earlier in the week to take place in Maple Grove.

Location aside, the Huskies took both games on Friday, with a 3-1 win in game one, and a 6-2 victory in the second game.

SCSU pitcher David Deminsky, named NSIC pitcher of the week last week, pitched five strong innings, striking out five and giving up three hits. Dave Koenig earned his first win as a Husky, striking out one in one inning of relief work.

Trailing 1-0 in the bottom of the sixth, Mic Johnson, who went 2-for-3 in the game, hit the game-tying RBI. Pinch-hitter Jeff Heuer notched the game-winning RBI, getting Johnson to home with a single. A wild pitch by the Bulldogs' Josh Foreman scored Nate Laudenbach for an insurance run.

Starting pitcher Logan Birr

## Joey Benke



SCORES GAME-WINNING RUN ON SATURDAY

## David Deminsky



NAMED NSIC PITCHER OF THE WEEK

the contest 1-for-3.

Hammes continued his hot day, going 2-for-4 with an RBI. Joe Krok went a perfect 2-for-2 with a run.

On Saturday, the Huskies' starting staff suffered its first blemish with the Bulldogs' win in game one at St. Croix Central High School.

UMD jumped on SCSU early, scoring six runs in the first three innings. A two-run double by Will Dahlgren and a three-run home run by Tyler Erickson sealed the Bulldogs' win in the third.

Huskies starting pitcher Tim Scott gave up six earned runs and seven hits as he fell to 7-1 this season.

Hammes went 1-for-3 with a solo homer in the fourth inning. The Huskies' defense suffered, giving up four errors in

the contest.

Before Benke's heroics in game two on Saturday, SCSU and UMD dueled for the first seven innings.

The Huskies drew first blood with a three-run first inning to take the early lead. Johnson hit a two-run shot over the wall in the first inning to lead the charge.

Minnesota-Duluth would fight back, holding a 5-4 lead after six innings.

Nate Johnson would tie the game up for SCSU in the seventh after a wild pitch by Bulldogs starter Anders Engberg. Benke's single in the eighth sealed the deal.

This weekend, the Huskies will hit the road to take on conference foe Concordia-St. Paul, with games starting at 2 p.m. Friday and 1 p.m. Saturday.