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## MSU BASKETBALL NEWSLETTER

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Congratulations to **Connor O'Brien** for becoming the 36th member of the MSU **1,000 point club** on Friday, January 10th!

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

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### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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#### **MSU 91 Northern State 80**

The MSU starting five netted 82 of MSU's 91 points of the night, to go along with a pair of double-doubles and a career milestone.

Senior Connor O'Brien scored 15 points, to go along with seven rebounds, to become the 36th member of the MSU 1,000 point club. He is the first Maverick to reach the 1,000 point plateau since Jake Morrow back in the 2007-08 season.

The junior tandem of Assem Marei and Zach Monaghan did plenty of damage on the night as they tallied their 11th and fourth career double-doubles, respectively. Marei notched a game-high 23 points and 11 rebounds, while Monaghan dropped in 20 points and passed out a career-high 12 assists.

Seniors Gage Wooten and Tanner Adler each notched double-digits in scoring as Wooten tallied 14 points, while Adler chipped in with 10.

As a unit, the Mavericks shot 53.4% (31-of-58) from the field and 71.9% (23-of-32) from the line.

#### **MSU 85 MSU Moorhead 99**

The first half featured five lead changes as neither team led by more than seven points throughout. With 10:07 left in the first, the Mavericks led 23-19, only to see the Dragons finish the half on a 29-18 run to take a 48-41 lead into the locker room.

Monaghan finished the game with 18 points and 11 assists for his second double-double in the last two games. Junior Assem Marei led all scorers with 23 points, while senior Gage Wooten recorded his second career double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds. Freshman Mike Busack dropped in 10 points as well.

As a team, the Mavericks shot 45.3% (34-of-75) from the field, brought down 34 rebounds and passed out 15 assists.



#### **MSU 63 Northern State 79**

In a tightly contested first half, the Mavericks found themselves down 27-19 before ending the half on a 6-2 run, trailing the Wolves 29-25 heading into halftime.

Senior Karlee Gengenbacher (Quincy, Ill.) paced the Mavericks in the first 20 minutes, netting eight points on a 3-of-4 (75%) showing from the field, going 2-of-2 from behind the arc.

Freshman Britney Scherber (Bloomington, Minn.) attempted to lead MSU on a second-half comeback, as she finished the game with 10 points. Senior Ali Wilkinson (Blue Mounds, Wis.) netted a team-high 12 points and 11 rebounds, earning her 30th career double-double. Gengenbacher rounded out the scoring for the Mavericks, finishing with 10 points.

Collectively, the Mavericks connected on 37% (25-67) of their shots from the field, 28% (9-32) from behind the arc and a bleak 40% (4-10) from the charity stripe. Northern State connected on 40% (21-52) from the field, 30% (3-10) from behind the arc but were able to connect on 34-of-43 (79%) of its free throws.

#### **MSU 85 MSU Moorhead 57**

The Mavericks trailed the Dragons 7-2 two minutes into the contest, but battled back, tying the game at 10-10 with 13:35 to play in the first half, and it was all Mavericks for the rest of the half, as they took a 36-23 lead into intermission.

The Mavericks were led by Ali Wilkinson (Blue Mounds, Wis.) who netted her second-straight double-double and 31st of her career, she finished the game with 13 points and 11 rebounds. Bresnahan netted 13 points, Davis and freshman Britney Scherber (Bloomington, Minn.) rounded out the Mavericks' top scorers, as they each added 11 points.

MSU connected on 46% (31-67) of its shots from the field, 26% (6-23) from deep and 74% (17-23) from the charity stripe. The Mavericks limited the Dragons to 15-of-51 (29%) of their shots from the field, 4-of-14 (29%) from deep and forced MSU-Moorhead to commit 25 turnovers.



## PLAYER PROFILES

PRESENTED THIS WEEK BY: **HyVee.**



### #20 Megan Scherber

Guard | 5-8 | Junior | Bloomington, Minnesota

#### Pre-MSU

Attended Arizona State University.

#### High School

Scherber was named a team captain her junior and senior year for Bloomington Jefferson. Helped the Jaguars to an overall record of 19-7 her senior year... Received all-conference honorable mention including all-academic team.

#### Personal

Daughter of Michael and Brenda Scherber... Majoring in Elementary Education.

### #34 Zach Romashko

Forward | 6-8 | Junior | Blaine, Minnesota

#### 2012-13

Played in all 33 games for the Mavericks... Tallied 224 points, 73 rebounds and 21 assists... Shot 81-of-186 (.435) and 24-of-28 (.857) from the free throw line... Scored a season-high 19 points against Bethany Lutheran College (11/10)... Posted at least 10 points in nine games... Shot 38-of-93 (.409) from beyond the arc.

#### 2011-12

Romashko played in 26 games last year and started 20... Finished second on the team in scoring at 12.1 points per game, a tally that is best amongst all freshmen in the NSIC... Averaged 3.6 rebounds per game and shot 48 percent from the floor and 78.6 percent from the stripe... Scored a season-high 23 points in MSU's win at Minnesota Duluth (1/21) and tied it with a 23 point effort at Upper Iowa (1/28)... Tallied double-digits in the scoring column 14 times last year, including eight of the last nine games... Scored more points than any other true freshman under head coach Matt Margenthaler... Gathered a season-high 11 rebounds against Minnesota Duluth (2/17)... Led MSU in 20-point games with six.

#### High School

Romashko averaged 21.7 points per game last year and 12 rebounds as he helped lead the Tigers to a 19-10 record and a 15-5 record in the Northwest Suburban Conference, good for a third-place finish.

#### Personal

Born September 12th, 1992... Son of Wally and Debra Romashko.




## UPCOMING GAMES

PRESENTED THIS WEEK BY: 

### GAMES

January 17  
vs. Augustana | 6:00/8:00pm  
Bresnan Arena

Game Presented by:  COURTYARD<sup>®</sup>  
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January 18  
vs. Wayne State | 4:00/6:00pm  
Bresnan Arena

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January 24  
at Winona | 6:00/8:00pm  
Winona, MN

January 25  
at Upper Iowa | 4:00/6:00pm  
Fayette, IA

## EVENTS

### Autograph Night January 18

Be sure to stick around for team autographs and posters! Autographs will take place following each game in the concourse above section 111.

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