

Dr. King's 1961 Mankato speeches added to archives ARCH contains audio and transcripts of both speeches presented



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Minnesota State University, Mankato's Archives Digital Collections (ARCH) recently added a new audio and transcript collection of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s speech which he delivered at Mankato High School during a visit on Nov. 12, 1961.

The speech was part of the Third Annual Lectureship for the Wesley Foundation, a Mankato State College religious student organization.

Dr. King delivered two speeches during his visit to Mankato: "The Good Neighbor" at Centenary Methodist Church and a speech at Mankato High School. The audio recording was provided by Minnesota State University, Mankato radio station, KMSU, and



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it was titled "Facing the Challenge of a New Age."

The ARCH department was able to upload the audio speech and transcript, which they had to review so that people would know what Dr. King was saying in the audio since it is difficult to hear. They want people to know what message Dr.

King was trying to send to the public and what people were thinking at that time. The ARCH department also uploaded some news articles online that were published in the College Reporter during Dr. King's visit on their page.

It can be said that people still follow Dr. King's ideas and also fulfill the reason for

why Martin Luther King Day of Service was created.

"The fact that the Pathfinder awards were presented on the Martin Luther King Day of Service in Mankato and that the

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An interview with MNSU's first Hmong professor

Dr. Brian Xiong states college is the place for students to make mistakes

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"You, as a student, have a reason to make mistakes," said Dr. Brian Vangtou Xiong. He says that student life is the time to make mistakes and learn from them.

Dr. Xiong is the first Hmong professor and doctoral student to graduate from Minnesota State University, Mankato. He affirms the confidence in achieving academic success as well as life goals.

"Make mistakes and learn from them. That is also the only way to learn," Xiong said.

As a graduating senior

who has already been through educational courses, Xiong said that it is essential for students to keep staying on course and to not give up. He added that it is okay for

academic success. "We know that the U.S. population is increasing and the majority will become the minority and minority will become the majority in the

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students to be ambivalent about choosing their studies if they are willing to keep themselves on track for their

next 20 years, and we need to prepare for that," he said. "Oftentimes, we talk about what we need to prepare

students for college. But is the university prepared for the students?"

Xiong also emphasizes the importance of diversity on campus. He said that American students as well as international students need to try to be more involved with school activities, and help each other out because we are all connected. We should be able to do that at MNSU.

"MNSU was a great school for me to study because it not only gave me a chance to meet many friends overall

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Calling all Vikings fans

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MNSU students have a unique opportunity to cheer on the Vikings during their next game against the Philadelphia Eagles.

KARE 11 has asked communities to submit Skol chants that will be running during the upcoming game this Sunday. MNSU's video recording will be taking place on campus Thursday in Bresnan Arena at 6 p.m.

"We got involved with this promotion after seeing the #onemn movement on social media," said Greg Weis, assistant athletic director for Development and Revenue Generation. "We want to support the Vikings organization and of course, Adam Thielen."

The video will be sent to multiple news stations who will be broadcasting the NFC Championship game, including KARE 11, Fox and NBC, who is also broadcasting the Super Bowl. Students are asked to wear their MNSU and Maverick apparel for the video.

"The Vikings have been a big part of MSU and Adam has been a great ambassador for our program, so we want to support them any way we can," Weis said. "Celebrating with the Skol chant on campus is a fun way to do that."

The lyrics for the Skol Vikings Song, taken from vikings.com, are:

"Skol Vikings, let's win this game,
Skol Vikings, honor your name,
Go get that first down,
Then get a touchdown.
Rock 'em . . . Sock 'em
Fight! Fight! Fight! Fight!
Go Vikings, run up the score,
You'll hear us yell for more . . .
V-I-K-I-N-G-S
Skol, Vikings, let's go!"
Grab your fellow Vikings fans and come cheer on the team to wish them luck in their next match! Skol Vikes!

Dolores O’Riordan, voice of The Cranberries dies at 46

The Irish rockband lead singer leaves a powerful musical legacy



Dolores O’Riordan

Image courtesy of The Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Dolores O’Riordan, whose urgent, powerful voice helped make Irish rock band The Cranberries a global success in the 1990s, died suddenly on Monday at a London hotel. She was 46.

The singer-songwriter’s publicist, Lindsey Holmes, confirmed that O’Riordan died in London, where she was recording, “No further details are available at this time,” Holmes said, adding that O’Riordan’s family was “devastated” by the news.

Her Cranberries bandmates — Noel Hogan, Mike Hogan and Fergus Lawler — tweeted that O’Riordan “was an extraordinary talent and we feel very privileged to have been part of her life.” London’s Metropolitan Police force said officers were called just after 9 a.m. Monday to a hotel where a woman in her 40s was found dead. The police force said the death was being treated as “unexplained.” The Hilton hotel in London’s Park Lane confirmed that a guest had died on the premises. Ireland’s President Michael D. Higgins said O’Riordan and The Cranberries “had an immense

influence on rock and pop music in Ireland and internationally.”

O’Riordan was born on Sept. 6, 1971 in Ballybricken, southwest Ireland. In 1990, she answered an ad from a local band in nearby Limerick city — then called The Cranberry Saw Us — that was looking for a lead singer.

A name change and a confluence of factors turned The Cranberries into international stars. Their guitar-based sound had an alternative-rock edge at a time when grunge was storming the music scene.

The band’s songs — on which O’Riordan was chief lyricist and co-songwriter — had a Celtic-infused tunefulness. And in O’Riordan the group had a charismatic lead singer with a distinctively powerful voice.

Heavy play on MTV for their debut single “Dream” and the singles that followed helped bring the group to the attention of a mass audience. The Cranberries’ 1993 debut album, “Everybody Else Is Doing It, So Why Can’t We?,” sold millions of copies and produced the hit single “Linger.”

The follow-up, “No Need to Argue,” sold in

even greater numbers and contained “Zombie,” a visceral howl against Northern Ireland’s violent Troubles that topped singles charts in several countries.

Irish Prime Minister Leo Varadkar tweeted Monday that “for anyone who grew up in Ireland in the 1990s, Dolores O’Riordan was the voice of a generation. As the female lead singer of a hugely successful rock band, she blazed a trail and might just have been Limerick’s greatest ever rock star. RIP.”

The band released three more studio albums before splitting up in 2003. O’Riordan released a solo album, “Are You Listening,” in 2007, and another, “No Baggage,” in 2009.

The Cranberries also reunited that year, resulting in the album “Roses” in 2012.

For a time, O’Riordan was one of Ireland’s richest women, but she struggled with both physical and mental health problems.

The Cranberries released the acoustic album “Something Else” in 2017 and had been due to tour Europe and North America.

The tour was cut short

because O’Riordan was suffering from back problems.

In 2014, O’Riordan was accused of assaulting three police officers and a flight attendant during a flight from New York to Ireland. She pleaded guilty and was fined 6,000 euros (\$6,600).

Medical records given to the court indicated she was mentally ill at the time of the altercation. After her court hearing O’Riordan urged other people suffering mental illness to seek help.

She told London’s Metro newspaper last year that she had been diagnosed with bipolar disorder, and she spoke to the

Irish News about her battles with depression.

O’Riordan said depression “is one of the worst things to go through,” but that “I’ve also had a lot of joy in my life, especially with my children.”

“You get ups as well as downs. Sure, isn’t that what life’s all about?” she said.

O’Riordan is survived by her ex-husband, the former Duran Duran tour manager Don Burton, and their three children.

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Maverick men’s basketball heating up



JAKE RINEHART Staff Writer

The Minnesota State Mavericks Men’s Basketball team spent their weekend in North Dakota.

The Mavs faced the Minot State Beavers on Friday and the University of Mary Marauders on Saturday.

Minnesota State entered the weekend red-hot, winning nine of their last 10 games. The only loss during this stretch came at the hands of the Northern State Wolves, who were ranked No. 13 in Division II when they played the Mavericks.

The Mavericks’ were unable to keep the momentum going as they fell to Minot State in overtime. The final score was 83-91.

Minnesota State was a victim of foul trouble, committing a total of 24 for the game. Three of the Mavericks’ five starters fouled out during the contest. Cameron Kirksey, Kevin Krieger, and Cole Harper were the players whom had five fouls each. Carlos Anderson came off the bench and ended the game with four fouls himself.

The Mavs were led by Charlie Brown, who scored a team-high 24 points. Chris



Photo by Mansoor Ahmad

Hendrix led the team in rebounding with eight, while also adding 15 points. Carlos Anderson came off the bench to score 12 points.

The Beavers were led by Luis Ricci Maia, who scored a game-high 25 points while dishing out six assists. Tyler Rudolph pulled down a game-high 12 boards for the Beavers, while adding 18 points for his fourth double-double of the season.

An interesting note about Minot State is the number of foreign-born players on their team. The Beavers’ roster includes six players who were born abroad, or one-third of the entire team.

Luis Ricci Maia, who led

the game in scoring, was born and raised in a town that is about four-and-a-half hours north of Sao Paulo, Brazil. There are also players from Australia, England, New Zealand, Spain, and Macedonia on the team.

Minnesota State was able to follow-up that heartbreaking overtime loss with a victory at the University of Mary Marauders. The Mavericks defeated the Marauders by a final score of 80-64.

Cameron Kirksey had a game-high 26 points and seven rebounds for the Mavericks. Chris Kendrick added another 21 points for MSU. Charlie Brown recorded his second highest assist total

on the season, dishing out seven assists against the Marauders. Brown’s season-high is eight assists in one game, which came in the season opener against Pittsburgh State.

Carter Asche came off the bench to score 12 points, setting a new season-high in points in a game. Asche scored all of his points from downtown, as he went 4-5 from beyond the arc.

The Marauders were led in scoring by Keith Hunter, who scored 17 points.

The starters for the University of Mary struggled scoring the ball. Hunter was the lone starter who had over 10 points, while the remaining

four starters scored seven points or less.

Connor Hellebust and Wyatt Carr came off the bench for the Marauders and scored 14 and 10 points respectively.

With the weekend split, the Mavericks move to 13-4 overall, with a 9-2 record in the NSIC. Minnesota State drops to third overall in the NSIC standings with the loss to Minot State.

Northern State continues their dominant run, posting an 18-1 overall record and an NSIC record of 12-0. Minot State is second in the NSIC with a conference record of 10-2, including an overall record of 16-2. Minnesota State is third, followed by Southwest Minnesota State and St. Cloud State.

The Mavericks will be back home at the Taylor Center this week with a pair of home games against Sioux Falls on Friday, January 19th, and Southwest Minnesota State on Saturday, January 20th.

It will be important for the Mavericks to sweep this weekend series of games to remain in the top-three of the NSIC standings. Southwest Minnesota State only trails the Mavericks in the standings by one game, and a loss could drop the Mavericks to the fourth position in the table.

If you can’t attend these games, you can still support the Mavericks and catch all of their games online and on the radio on The Fan Mankato, AM 1230.

Men’s hockey win streak snapped by Alaska



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The three game streak the Minnesota State Mavericks had collected was splintered by the Alaska Nanooks. The Nanooks took game one with a 5-0 mark that made the road trip a tough one to stomach. The Mavericks came back strong with a 5-1 the follow-

ing night, which helped them to a 17-7 record but left some meat on the bones of the weekend road trip.

“I learned that we got some pushback,” said Mavericks head coach Mike Hastings to the MSU athletic department on what he took from his team’s weekend. “We didn’t do a good job the first night, but came right back.”

The northern venture could not have fared worse on the opening night, with the Mavericks getting fully outplayed by the Nanooks despite the shots on goal evening up at 26 each.

The first goal for Alaska was in the opening period, as Zach Frye slipped a deep shot passed Jason Pawloski on a power play, which set the tone for a night that contained 25 penalty minutes from the Mavs. It started to get out of hand in the second period, with Tristan Thompson finding the back of the net early on to go up 2-0. A late period goal from Taylor Munson on the tap-in further exacerbated the issue.

Instead of a final push in the closing period, the Mavericks dug themselves into a deeper hole. Connor LaCouvee came in to relieve Paw-

lowski, but did not find any answers, letting up a pair of goals himself. The biggest problem leaving the game was the penalties, as the constant time in the box kept the Mavs from building any sort of offensive rhythm or momentum.

Coach Hastings clearly lit a fire under the team, which came out red hot to start game two. The Mavericks went down yet again early on to a Tyler Cline goal following a five minute penalty, which could have potentially derailed the Mavericks again early. But this game was not set for the same trajectory.



Brad McClure

Charlie Gerard came back to even the game, snaking past