

Message from President Cook

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Hello, everybody. We're here celebrating our women's basketball team who is on an amazing postseason run right now. They've now made it to the super 16 of the WNIT. And I'm super proud of you. Coming off a big win already this week. And we have another game on Thursday at 7 p.m. here at The SHAC. We can't wait to see everybody here. But for starters tell me a little bit about yourself.

How about your name and where you're from and what you're studying as a student athlete here at NDSU?

Yeah, well, I'm Abby Krzewinski and I'm studying elementary education, and I'm a sophomore.

And you're from? Wayzata, Minnesota.

Wayzata, Minnesota. I love it.

I'm Avery Koenen, I'm from Montevideo, Minnesota, and then I'm studying physical education and health.

Love it.

I'm feeling short right now, by the way, in this video, but I'll work on that. So. Great game. We loved it. A couple of huge threes. Player of the game, right? That's what I was thinking.

So they were tough and you took it to them. So it was a lot of fun. So what has been your most memorable moment of the season so far?

I think I focus on a lot of just memories with my teammates. And so I think when we travel to Alaska, I think that was really fun. I mean, it's a place that none of us had ever been. So just being able to see some of the mountains, we saw a moose when we were driving. So I think that was pretty memorable.

Moose are dangerous. Yes. Probably learned that. Yes.

How about for you? Most memorable moment of the year so far?

Yeah. Kind of just to go off that I would say just all of the non-conference travel that we did, you know, even like the plane rides and going out to eat them, I thought South Carolina was super fun too, just to go and see and experience those different places with your teammates is special.

So what is the best part of playing in the SHAC?

I think it's obviously the fans. I mean, we had a great turnout last night and obviously we expecting for a great turnout again. But just every game, all the fans super loud on the court, I mean courtside fans are the loudest that could possibly be.

So yeah, for sure.

The fans, I would say it's just a great environment to play in. And they give us so much energy and positivity. That's it.

Just it's easy to feed off of when you're playing.

Yeah.

Love the fans, love the band and had a great showing last night and we can't wait until Thursday. We're going to pack the place, which will be amazing.

So what are we working on for the next game? What are you doing in practice?

I know we got to keep most of it confidential, of course, but what will be the keys to the game on Thursday?

I think we're trying to be really aggressive. Both offensively and defensively. Defensively, I think we're just trying to be the best we can be and just kind of show all the fans just what we've been working on throughout the season.

Love it.

Yeah, I mean we just been working on fine tuning things, especially at this point of the season. You kind of know how you're going to be. And just knowing that not taking any of these seconds of you to play together for granted and make the most of our postseason run.

Well, congratulations.

Making the super 16 is a very, very big deal. Anything you want to say to fans to get them to come out on Thursday and encourage them to come?

I mean, we have a great team. We'd love to see everyone there and just be as loud as you can be.

There you go.

Yeah, bring the energy. We love it Bison Nation always shows out. But as many people as we can get, it'll be great.

All right, well, we can't wait to see all of you there.

And on the count of three. Here we go. One, two, three.

Go, Bison!