Black, Gold, and White

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MACHINE LEARNING
Not only does Tim Floen teach manufacturing technology at Dordt, but he also built by hand automation and instrumentation trainers as well as PLC relay logic trainers for the new automation lab. The lab will be an asset for Pro-Tech students.

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BLACK, GOLD, AND WHITE
What's black and gold and white all over? Matt Benardis's bike in an early March snowstorm.

Northwest Iowa can be cold, but we don't always get as much snow as we've had this year. Those snow storms have not deterred Benardis, a junior engineering major from Casper, Wyoming, from taking his Dordt-branded bike for a spin every now and then. This winter it feels like a spark of optimism in the longer-than-expected winter cold.

As temperatures climb and the snow melts away, more students will join Benardis, pulling out their bikes, skateboards, and scooters to take in the sunshine. Some will set blankets on the grass; others will take long walks in the Dordt prairie.

And, with the change of weather will come commencement and the transition to Dordt University. Seniors will pack up their vehicles and head home, diploma in hand. Dordt College signs will come down, and Dordt University signs will take their places.

Through the shifts in seasons and years, Dordt remains committed to its mission to "work effectively toward Christ-centered renewal in all aspects of contemporary life." Just like Benardis's bike, we're black and gold and white—whether it is storming or the sun is shining.

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