

THREE SKYLIGHTS INDUCTED INTO MSUN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

The 2009 Northern Alumni Association All-Sports Hall of Fame awards will be given during Alumni Games Weekend October 17th, 2009 on the MSU-Northern campus in Havre, Montana. The awards highlight an 80-year tradition of excellence both in the classroom and on the playing field at Montana State University—Northern. Since the first awards in 1994, the Hall of Fame has inducted 60 individuals who have contributed to that tradition. MSU-Northern and the Northern Alumni Association will recognize three outstanding individuals joining that esteemed group. Lori M. Hagen of Great Falls, Montana, Dani Davison-Holgate, of Belgrade, Montana, and Charlene Noreen Wasson of Whitewater, Montana will each be introduced and presented commemorative awards in ceremonies during the halftime of the Lights/Alumni basketball game on October 17, 2009.

All-American, **Lori M. Hagen**, of Great Falls, Montana, competed for the Skylight's volleyball team from 1988-1991 earning all-district first team selections, co-MVP and academic all-conference honors and was selected to on the Northwestern Regional Team during her career at MSU-Northern. She was voted the teams Most Inspirational Player coming back from a back injury and was a leader on the 1991 Skylights team that participated in the national tournament placing 5th. Hagen was an Academic All-Conference player and was awarded a Student Excellence Award at MSU-Northern in 1991. She is currently a nationally rated, Frontier Conference and MOA volleyball official. Hagen is an accountant for Easter Seals in Great Falls, Montana.

Dani Davison-Holgate of Belgrade, Montana was one of Montana's top high school players and played for two years as a MSU-Northern Skylight earning Montana's top athlete award, the 1999 Little Sullivan Award for her performance. As a co-captain and co-MVP, she set four new school records, led the team to two conference championships and two national tournament appearances with an 8th place finish in 1999. She led the nation and the Frontier Conference in 1997-98 in 3 point percentage in 1998-99 with 52% and was 3rd in the nation in free throws with 88.6%. Davison-Holgate earned NAIA Division I All-American Honorable Mention and Second Team honors. She still is in the top ten all-time school records for career points, career scoring average, single season average, most free throws attempted and most free throws made. Davison-Holgate is currently coaching junior varsity girl's basketball in Belgrade,

Montana where she lives with her husband, Eddy and their three children, Cal, Caden and Camdyn.

Charlene Noreen Wasson, of Whitewater, Montana was a three-year starter for the Skylight's basketball team playing all four years with the Skylight's from 1996-1997. During her career, she played on four Frontier Conference Championship teams and made four national tournament appearances. She was a three-year starter for the Skylight's; a three-time All-Frontier Conference award winner her junior and senior years. She receive several awards her senior year including the Frontier Conference MVP award. Wasson was named to the NAIA Division I All-American Second Team, the Pacific Northwest All Region team, and earned Academic All-Conference awards her senior year. She was also an MSU-Northern Student Excellence award winner. Wasson is currently the 4th all-time leading scorer in MSU-Northern Skylight's history with 1,410 points. She lives in Whitewater, Montana with her husband, Trevor and their three children, Kia, Paige, and the new baby born in September. She teaches Elementary Physical Education and is a Title I Tutor for the Malta Public Schools.

The Alumni Games will take place in the campus gym on Saturday, October 17th. 2009. Matches begin at 1:00 p.m. with Alumni vs. Lights wrestling followed at 4:00 p.m. by Alumni vs. Skylights volleyball. The evening events begin with the Skylights basketball/Alumni game at 6:00 pm and the Lights basketball/Alumni game following at 8:00 pm.

Nominations for the Northern Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame are accepted at anytime, but to be considered for the upcoming year, complete nomination packets must be turned in to the Northern Alumni Association offices by June 1st of that year. The Hall of Fame recognizes players, managers, and coaches for their achievements of athletic honors in their sport and individuals for their outstanding and meritorious service to Northern Athletics. Criteria for a nomination are available from the Northern Alumni Office in Cowan Hall, the Athletic Office, or on-line at www.msun.edu/alumni/fame. Complete nomination packets are available from the Alumni or Athletics Offices.