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MSU-Northern Founders’ Excellence Winners

The Founders' Excellence/Alumni Reunion Dinner will be held on Friday evening, May 4 at the dining room in the Student Union Building beginning with a social hour at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00 p.m. Excellence Awards will be presented to Mr. Larry Brubaker, Ms. Kristi Kline, and Mr. Ross Seger. Complimentary tickets are offered to the first 50 faculty and staff members wishing to attend the dinner and additional tickets can be purchased for $18.00 if you wish to bring a guest. Please call and make reservations through the Foundation Office by calling 265-3711 before 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2nd.

Finals Week Schedule

Next week is finals week. We ask that all of the teachers and students please follow this schedule when administering your final exam.

Class is on M W F at: Final is:
- 8:00 - 8:50 Monday 1:00 - 2:50
- 9:00 - 9:50 Tuesday 1:00 - 2:50
- 10:00 - 10:50 Wednesday 1:00 - 2:50
- 11:00 - 11:50 Thursday 1:00 - 2:50
- 12:00 - 12:50 Monday 3:00-4:50
- 1:00 - 1:50 Tuesday 3:00-4:50
- 2:00 - 2:50 Wednesday 3:00-4:50
- 3:00 - 3:50 Monday 8:00 - 9:50
- 4:00 - 4:50 Tuesday 8:00 - 9:50

Class is on T Th at: Final is:
8:00 - 9:15     Wednesday 8:00 - 9:50
9:30 - 10:45    Thursday 8:00 - 9:50
11:00 - 12:15   Monday 10:00 - 11:50
12:30 - 1:45    Tuesday 10:00 - 11:50
2:00 - 3:15     Wednesday 10:00 - 11:50
3:30 - 4:45     Thursday 10:00 - 11:50

Final Exams for Evening Classes are given during their regular class meeting times.
Alternate Final Times are on Friday, 8:00 - 9:50 and 10:00 - 11:50

Student Senate Election Results
We want to thank everyone who participated in the recent Student Election, the winners are as follows:
   President -- Kristiny Lorett
   Vice President -- Anita Strommen
   Business Manager -- Patty J Morning
   Program Council Coordinator -- Jamie Rawson
   Media Council Coordinator -- Tolan Allen
   Senator at Large -- Ryan Rague and James Cummins

Graduation Practice
Rehearsal for Commencement will be held for graduates on Thursday, May 3, at 5:00 p.m. in the Gym. This rehearsal should take no more than one hour. Prospective graduates are expected to attend this rehearsal.

Painting the “Hello Walk”

We want to thank all of the students that helped in the painting of the “Hello Walk”. Normally this event is part of our annual Homecoming activities but it was cancelled this fall because of bad weather.

2nd Annual Mackenzie/Morgan Luau
Break out that old Hawaiian shirt and come celebrate the end of another great academic year at MSU-N!
All Faculty, Staff, and students of MSU-Northern and their families are invited to attend the 2nd Annual Mackenzie/Morgan Luau. The Luau will feature pork provided by Lance Johnson and Scott Norman, and a BBQ spread provided by Pam Conatser and the MSU-N food service staff.

The giant slip-n-slide will be set-up as will volleyball and a variety of games and events. Last but not least, the Luau will also be the host for ‘Battle of the Bands’, sponsored by Norton Pease and the MSU-N Cultural Development Committee.

The Luau will take place Friday, April 27th on the north lawn of Mackenzie Hall. The festivities will begin at 4pm and last until 7pm.

So come join us for some pig, some music, and some fun to celebrate the end of another school year.

This event is sponsored by the MSU-N Auxiliary Services Department and will be facilitated by the MSU-N RA staff as an alcohol-free student/faculty/staff event.

**Battle of the Bands Tonight**

Tonight, Friday, April 27th as part of the Luau come see four up and coming local bands go head to head. If you are over the age of 50 we strongly recommend earplugs. The bands performing tonight are:

- Mike and the Danger Squad
- Francisco
- Resurrection
- Sharky the Vampire

**Commencement ceremonies**

Saturday, May 5th will mark the end of another academic year at Montana State University Northern and a new beginning for over 300 graduates. Commencement ceremonies will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, May 5, in the Gymnasium. Dr. Geoffrey Gamble, President of MSU-Bozeman, will deliver the commencement address.

**Commencement Brunch Tickets**

A commencement brunch will immediately follow the ceremony. Each faculty and staff member who would like to attend may receive one complimentary brunch ticket. The complimentary tickets are available at the Information Desk in the Student Union or you may call Jason Degele at 3767 to have a ticket sent to you through the campus mail. It is important, however to arrange for those tickets no later than Wednesday, May 2nd by 5pm, so Food Service can get an accurate count for the brunch. Additional brunch tickets for spouses or family members will also be available in advance at $5 and no charge for children under six.

**Summer Schedules**

Summer Schedules are available all over campus. If you know someone who needs a Summer Schedule please contact the Extended University office at 265-3730 and they will be happy to send one out. People are able to register for summer classes at any time on-line.

**Ball Was a BIG Success**

On behalf of the administration we want to thanks everyone for their help with the 21st annual “We Love Northern Ball” especially all of the departments that made up baskets. Bills are still coming in but it is safe to say that the ball cleared $24,000. The department baskets were new this year and were a big success. The committee is looking for ways to reward the participating departments by spreading out the number of department scholarships. This is the first year Northern hosted the event, we learned a lot and we have a lot of ideas on how to make this fantastic event even better next year!
Pow Wow This Weekend
The Northern Sweetgrass Society is proud to sponsor the 31st Annual Pow Wow next Friday and Saturday (April 27th & 28th). The Grand Entry is scheduled for Friday at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday at noon.

Career Center News
Students interested in a Cooperative Education experience for summer 2007 should contact Gail or Terry in the Career Center as soon as possible.

The last orientation meeting for students enrolled in Cooperative Education for summer semester will be held at 4:00 on Monday, April 30th in Donaldson Commons. Please bring a Co-op Handbook with you to the meeting. The handbook can be purchased at the bookstore. Students who are planning to enroll in Co-op but have not been able to attend any of the orientation sessions should schedule an appointment with Gail or Terry to review the orientation material prior to leaving campus.

Two career fairs for students graduating in Education will be held next week. Northern students are welcome and encouraged to attend any or all of these fairs. Information about the fairs and the recruiters planning to attend can be found at the following websites:

University of Montana
Multi-State Educators’ Career Fair
Sunday, April 29th & Monday April 30th, 2007
http://www.umt.edu/career/

MSU-Bozeman
“Teach Montana” Educators’ Fair (Montana Schools Only)
Friday, May 4th, 2007
9:30 to 11:30 a.m. – Strand Union Ballroom A
http://www.montana.edu/careers/

Yearbook Photos Needed
The yearbook staff (ok Bill Lanier) is looking for more candid photos for this year’s Northerner Yearbook. So if you have some great pictures that you would like to share with the entire campus then please send your pictures to wjlaniere@msun.edu or bring them to Cowan Hall 213.

Former NMC President Visits Northern
Dr. James H.M. Erickson, former NMC President, visited Northern as part of a nation-wide trip he is conducting to see many of his friends as possible. Dr. Erickson is in his eighties and has many fond memories of Northern and the people who work here. (See the Tidbits for some of his accomplishments)

A Northern Tidbit  By: Bill Lanier

After running into Dr. Erickson on campus this week I thought it might be good to reflect on a few of his many contributions to our campus. He was Northern’s fifth president and served from 1978 to 1985. During that time two major buildings were built, the Vande Bogart Library and the Farm Mechanics Building. The legislature appropriated 2.3 million dollars for the library in 1979 and it opened for student use in 1982. The previous library was on the first and second floor of Cowan Hall currently where ITS, Admissions, Advising, and Student Support Services is located. Also in 1982 fund raising efforts began for the Farm Mechanics and it was dedicated in 1984. No state funds were used in the construction of the building as all funds came from private donations and corporate donations. Also, during Dr. Erickson’s tenure, the Northern tradition of awarding Student Excellence Awards to students began in 1982. Thank you Dr. Erickson.

A photo of the library when it was in Cowan Hall 213.
Upcoming Dates

Apr. 27
Sweetgrass Society Pow Wow
Campus Luau 4:00 PM - 7:00 p.m.
MAT presents "The Nerd" 8:00 p.m.

Apr. 28
Sweetgrass Society Pow Wow
MAT presents "The Nerd" 8:00 p.m.

Apr. 30
Finals Week
Textbook Buy Back

May 1
Finals Week
Textbook Buy Back

May 2
Finals Week
Textbook Buy Back

May 3
Finals Week
Textbook Buy Back

May 4
End of Spring Semester
Finals Week
Textbook Buy Back ends at 1:00 p.m.
Nurse's Pinning Ceremony 1:00 p.m.
Nurse's Pinning Reception 3:00 p.m.
Founder's Dinner 6:00 PM

May 5
Commencement 10:00 a.m. Gym
Graduation Brunch 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  Student Union Building