

Northern Network News

The official newsletter for MSU-Northern

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By: Jim Potter, Director of University Relations

When you have information you would like the campus to know about, e-mail it to Jim Potter at potterj@msun.edu and clearly mark it as for the NNN.

Spring Fling Tonight

Tonight is the Spring Fling, a fundraiser for Northern's Athletics department. It will start with cocktails at 6 p.m. dinner at 7 p.m. an auction at 8 p.m. and dancing with Pete's Little Big Band from 9-12 p.m. There are a limited number of tickets available (\$50 each) so contact Edie Smartt (265-3761) if you are interested in a ticket. This is not the I Love Northern Ball which will be held on April 21.

Donation for COT Recruiting

Four representatives from the Foundation Coal Company out of Gillette, Wyoming were on the campus Tuesday to do some recruiting and to present Northern's College of Technical Sciences with \$5,000 for them to use for new student scholarships. They have agreed to provide this amount of money for four years.



(L to R) Mitch Stageberg, Jeff Carter, Tom Reynolds, Ken Ferguson, Greg Kegel and Mike Meyer pose to receive the \$5,000 check for new student scholarships.

Pick up Your Graduation Apparel

If you are graduating in May, please come by the Northern Bookstore as soon as possible to pick up your graduation apparel. It is best to come in early to assure that we have your size of gown. It takes just a few minutes to put together a cap, gown and tassel package. The cost is \$20. We also have announcements available. They are beautifully done and have all the pertinent information in them so that your friends and family can plan to share the day with you. The cost is \$10 for a pack of ten announcements (included is name cards, inner envelopes and mailing envelopes). Please don't wait to pick up your items. We are here to help you from 8 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Congratulations from the Northern Bookstore.

Finalizing Graduation Applications

The Registrar's Office is in the process of finalizing the graduation applications. Therefore, if you are an advisor who is reviewing an application we would like to encourage you to turn in your applications as soon as possible. The Registrar's Office needs them to complete the commencement program and finalizing the graduation processes. Every graduating senior needs to complete a graduation application whether or not they intend on participating in Commencement.

Webboard Server Down

The Webboard server (learner.msun.edu) will be offline for much of the day today due to diagnostics and hardware replacements. We apologize for any inconvenience this may pose.

Baskets for the Ball

The I Love Northern Ball is only a month away and many departments have completed their Basket. If your basket is finished, then please drop it off to my office (Jim Potter) as all of the baskets will be photographed for the Ball web site. Many of the baskets will be placed in the display case in the entryway to Cowan Hall. All baskets will need to be turned in by March 30th. The person or department whose basket sells for the highest amount will be given one of the ten scholarships (of at least \$500 each) that will be awarded from the Ball profits. Their scholarship will then be awarded to the student of their choice. To view the items for the Ball, please go to: <http://welovenorthern.msun.edu/items.htm>



Shauna Albrecht, Lexi Fisher, Cindy Small and Betty Clark proudly display the quilt they made for the I Love Northern Ball. This quilt is made from old Northern T-shirts and is on display in the case by the 2nd floor entryway of Cowan Hall.

MSU-Northern Parking and Traffic Committee

The MSU-Northern Parking and Traffic Committee is made up of faculty, staff and students. This committee meets periodically throughout the academic year to hear appeals and to make recommendations regarding parking and traffic items. The meetings are open and are announced through the campus e-mail. There will be one more meeting this year. For more information on Northern's parking and Traffic policies go to: www.msun.edu/admin/policies/304-1.htm

SAF Presents Scholarship Money



On Wednesday March 21 Kelly Chapman (center right) from the Student Assistance Foundation presented Chancellor Alex Capdeville with a check for \$36,596 to be used for student grants. Also pictured are Lynn Hamilton Chair of Montana Board of Regents and Lexi Fisher.

Career Center News

Several employers are scheduled for recruiting visits next week.

Tilleman Motors – March 27th. They are recruiting for a full time Service Technician for the Ag Equipment area. A general information session is scheduled for 9:00 in the Hensler Auditorium. Interviews will follow in the Career Center. (Diesel, Farm Mechanics, & Automotive)

Hoven Equipment – March 29th. They are recruiting for a full-time Service Administrator position and a Co-op position in the Service Department. Job descriptions for the positions are available in the Career Center. Ag, business, automotive, and diesel students are encouraged to apply for the Service Administrator position. Auto and diesel students can apply for the Service Dept. Co-op position. A general information session will take place in Hensler Auditorium at 9:00 am that day. Interviews will follow in the Career Center.

The Career Center, in conjunction with the MSU-N Student Senate, are hoping to assist students with transportation to two upcoming Career Fairs. The fairs are:

Helena Area Career Fair - Wednesday, April 11th

University of Montana Educator's Fair - April 29th & 30th
(The transportation being planned is only for the 30th)

If you are interested in attending one of these fairs please sign up for the Helena fair in the Career Center or for the Educator's fair please sign up at the Information Desk at the Sub or in the Career Center. Once we

determine how many students are interested in attending we can decide on a method of transportation and cost per student. The deadline for sign-ups has been extended to March 30th.

Please stop by the Career Center or the Student Senate office for more information.

Hypnotist to Perform at SkillsUSA

Steve Meade's Virtual Reality Tour Comedy Hypnosis Show will be held on the MSU-N campus on April 3rd at 8pm in the Armory Gymnasium for SkillsUSA conference participants and campus students/faculty and staff. Volunteers and the audience will be held spellbound as they are taken on a lifelike mental vacation using the power of hypnosis and their minds...

The powerful hypnotic commands from Steve will quickly have the stage hypnotism volunteers dropping like flies, and the jaws in the audience dropping in amazement...

The first stop on this mental vacation may be Jamaica, where they'll believe they're right on the beach soaking in those tropical rays, and before they know it they'll think they're at a beach party competing to be the world's greatest reggae dancers...

Maybe they'll think they have turned into aliens or a famous musical star such as Madonna, Michael Jackson or even Elvis... Who knows where The Virtual Reality Tour Comedy Hypnosis Show will take you - but you are guaranteed to laugh so hard - that TEARS WILL RUN DOWN YOUR FACE!!!

Sponsored by SkillsUSA and the Associated Students of MSU-Northern - this event is totally FREE of charge.

Country Concert for Campus Improvement Day

Miko Marks was named "2006 Female Vocalist of the Year" by Indie World in Nashville putting her in the company of big names like Dolly Parton. She was also named "Best New Country Artist for 2006" by New Music Weekly Magazine and her debut album, Freeway Bound was named "Country Album of the Year" at the Independent Music Awards. Among the judges were country legends Wynonna Judd and Patti Loveless.

Chris Gray has been on the music scene since 1997 in clubs, casinos and dance halls from Louisiana to Florida. His first big break came when he opened for George Strait, Tim McGraw, Kenny Chesney, Mark Wills, The Dixie Chicks and Martina McBride at the Louisiana Superdome for George Strait's "Straitland Festival".

Miko and Chris will be performing at MSU-Northern in the Armory Gymnasium on April 19th at 8pm. Tickets will be available April 9th at the MSU-N SUB Information Desk, MSU-N Gymnasium and Creative Leisure.

Check out their websites:

<http://www.mikomarks.com>

<http://www.chrisgray.com>

Student Awards Convocation Day

Friday, April 13 has been declared Student Awards Convocation Day. The awards ceremony will be held at 10:00 am in the SUB Ballroom. The Chancellor has requested that faculty excuse their classes that day from 10-12 so that students, faculty and staff may attend the awards ceremony. Immediately after the ceremony, there will be a reception for everyone beginning at approximately 11:30. I hope you will take time out of your schedules to join us and help congratulate the student award recipients.

Campus Improvement Day

Thursday, April 19 we will have Campus Improvement Day. This has been a tradition at Northern for many years and is a day that faculty, students, and staff can participate in a variety of campus improvement activities, (i.e. planting flowers, picking up trash and paper, etc.). This day is devoted to developing a sense of pride among the college community by improving the appearance of our campus. If possible, the Chancellor asks that you cancel classes between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. on this day so that all students can take part in this activity. A BBQ for participants will be held beginning about 4:00 near the SUB. Also that evening, there will be a Country band "Miko Marks and Chris Gray" out of Nashville, performing at 8:00 in the Gymnasium. Tickets will be available through Denise Brewer and Student Senate prior to the concert. Proceeds will help with marquee expenses.

Although offices are kept open during the Campus Improvement Day, staff members with the support of their immediate supervisors, may form clean-up teams and participate in campus improvement. Please contact Anita Strommen, Vice President of Associated Students, at extension 3714 if you are interested in forming a team or if you would like to help with a project.

A Northern Tidbit By: Bill Lanier

So far this academic year MSU-Northern has had six student-athletes receive NAIA Scholar-Athlete Awards (Academic All-American). Volleyball team members Jeanna McPherson and Tera O'Haire , Women's Basketball, Jayla McPherson, Chelsie Serle and Kylee Starr and from the Lights Wrestling team Mike McPeak.

Upcoming Dates

Mar. 23

NLASF "Spring Fling & Auction" 2007 6:00 PM SUB

Mar. 26

Advance Registration for Summer & Fall Terms Begins
Intramural Co-ed Softball 6:00 PM

Mar. 27

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Mar. 28

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Mar. 29

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Mar. 30

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Mar. 31

Governor's Best and Brightest Scholarship Applications Due