

Northern Network News

The official newsletter for MSU-Northern

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New Baby on Campus

Congratulations to Wane and Kitty Boysun – and a very warm welcome to the newest member of the COTS family, Cole Boysun! **Cole Boysun** was delivered at 5:50 p.m. yesterday. He weighed 9 lb 10 oz and was 21 ½” long. Wane said that both Cole and Kitty are doing great!!

Medicine Hat College Trip



On Tuesday, November 27th Chancellor Alex Capdeville, Provost Joe Callahan, and Jim Potter visited Medicine Hat College and talked with their administration about ways the two schools could work together. Northern already has a transfer agreement with Medicine Hat College for our Elementary Education program but now we want to develop one with our Business program. One of the options we are considering is on-line hybrid courses delivered in Medicine Hat.

Northern's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

Just a reminder that Northern's Christmas Tree lighting will be this Friday, November 30 from 4:30-5:00 p.m. In the main foyer of Cowan Hall in front of the Registrar's office.

Also, the Christmas baskets will be raffled off at that time. If you wish to purchase tickets please stop by the Business Office and get your tickets ASAP.

To top this exciting half hour off – the Christmas music will be provided by a special ensemble of our own staff and faculty. It will be something you won't want to miss! And, of course there will be the Food Service's "world famous" oatmeal raisin cookies.

Havre's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

The town will have their Christmas tree lighting at the town square on Saturday, December 1 at 5:30 p.m. You will want to get there early as they will be lighting the tree early in the program so everyone can enjoy it while Kirt Miller's 4, 5 & 6 graders sing Christmas Carols and the dancers from the North Star Dance Studio perform. Santa will be flying in from the North Pole so bring your kids.

Piano & Pipes Christmas Concert



Jan Wiberg rehearses the community choir in preparation for the annual Piano & Pipes Christmas Concert. The concert is this Sunday, December 2 at 2:00 p.m. at the First Lutheran Church and will feature MSU-Northern's Community Chorus, Community Ensembles, Bell Choirs, Soloists, and Church Choirs. There is no admission charge and a donation will be taken to benefit local hunger relief efforts.

Robinson Wins Championship



Northern Rodeo Team member Kirsty Dee Robinson won the Big Sky Region's 2007 goat tying championship. She was ranked first in the region after the season's first event and never relinquished her lead in the standings. Her Big Sky championship qualified her for the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyoming where she placed 28th nationally and won an academic scholarship, one of only three awarded to women attending a four-year college and competing at CNFR.

Scholarship Applications Now Available

Scholarship applications are available at any of the following locations: Financial Aid Office, Admissions Office, Gym Office, Registrar's Office, Brockman Center, Library, Info Desk (SUB), Dorm Offices, Business Office, Student Support Services. They are also available online at the following link:

<http://www.msun.edu/stuaffairs/finaid/pdf/ScholarshipApp0809.pdf>

Return completed applications to the Financial Aid Office by February 1.

Please contact Lexy Fisher at 265-3787 if you would like some applications to distribute in your area or if you have any questions.

Book Buy Back

The Northern Bookstore will be conducting their annual "Book Buy Back" from December 10th to the 14th. It will begin at 9:00 AM and end each day at 2:30 PM. Cash will be given for books. Receipts are required. Students should also bring all supplemental material that came with their books as it sometimes gets them more money. There will be a list of prices posted outside the bookstore on Friday November 30th, so you can find out how much you can expect to receive for your books.

Upward Bound Dates

The Northern Central Montana Upward Bound Program has tentatively set the dates for their summer component that is held on the Northern campus. These dates will be June 2, 2008 through July 3, 2008.

Kids Night Out

The 10th annual "Kids Night Out" will take place this Sunday afternoon, December 2nd from 2-7pm. So mom and Dad can get out and shop. This event is sponsored by the Skylights volleyball team. All proceeds go the Skylights scholarship program.

- This is for grades K-8
- Features organized and supervised activities like volleyball and arts and crafts
- Cost is \$10 advance and \$15 at the door.
- For more info Call Coach Ryan at 265-4112

Northern Showcase – Timely Trio Concert

The Timely Trio is back by popular demand. This group consists of Kim Callahan, Dena Tippetts & Mavis Filler and is known for their tight harmonies and folk, acoustic style. The concert is December 6, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the H.H.S. Auditorium. Tickets for this concert are available at the door for \$7.50 for students \$12.50 for adults. Passes for the entire Northern Showcase series are also available at the door.

ABET Accreditation Visit

Representatives from the Technology Accreditation Council of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (TAC/ABET) visited the campus from November 11 through the 14 to determine the accreditation status of the Civil Engineering Technology program. The team consisted of a team chair, representing the Board, and a team member, representing the American Society of Civil Engineers. Overall, the team found no deficiencies and has recommended that Northern's CET program continue to be accredited until the next regular review. This is the highest recommendation for accreditation a team can make. The recommendation will be presented to the full Accreditation Board during their next meeting during the summer of 2008 for final determination. The visiting team commended the program for professional and enthusiastic faculty, excellent job placement for graduates, good relationships with industry and an overall excellent program.

Play Tryouts

Tryouts for the next play, a Pulitzer prize winner, "How I Learned to Drive" will be next Tuesday, December 4th, at 7 p m in the Cowan Hall theater. Jay Pyette will be the director, and Brenda Skornogoski will be the assistant director. The play is scheduled to run in late February.

Northern Montana Volleyball Club

The first practice for the Northern Montana Volleyball Club will take place this Sunday, Dec 2nd at 7:30 pm at the Armory Gym, Players from grade 5-12 welcome. For more info call Coach Ryan at 265-4112.

MAT Test in Great Falls

We are offering the Miller's Analogy Test (MAT) on Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00 p.m. in Room B-129 at the MSU Great Falls College of Technology. The test takes approximately 2 hours. Please bring a couple of HB2 pencils for use during the test. The cost is \$50.00 and a check should be made out to MSU-Northern. Official ID is also required.

Please share this with your colleagues and encourage others to attend to take the test if they are interested in the Learning Development Masters or the Counselor Education Masters offered at MSU-Northern.

"Power of One" Awards

In honor of The White Ribbon Campaign, MSU-Northern's ReSPONSE and the DELTA Project will honor individual men who make a difference in ending men's violence against women. Award recipients meet the standards of The White Ribbon Campaign, symbolizing a man's pledge to never commit, condone, or remain silent about violence against women. On Saturday, December 1, two men – one from campus and one from the community – will be honored during half-time of the men's basketball game, which begins at 5:00 p.m. in the MSU-Northern Armory Gymnasium. Join us to honor the "Power of One" award recipients!

New Scholarship Available

The MSU-Northern Foundation has received an endowment from the family of C. Lowell Purdy. The endowment will fund a memorial scholarship called the C. Lowell Purdy Memorial Scholarship, established by his three children; Judy Purdy Fountain, James Lowell Purdy, and Barbara Purdy Leak. The Scholarship is available to a North Star graduating high school senior that plans to attend MSU- Northern full-time. Hi-Line students wishing to apply should contact their school counselor or the MSU-Northern Foundation office at 265-3711.

Computer Tip of the Week

Internet Explorer 7 - Reduce Temporary Internet File Space

By: Marianne Hoppe

The temporary Internet files clutter your hard drive with copies of each page visited. These can build up over time and take up disk space. Even more bothersome is that instead of getting new pages each time, Internet Explorer often takes the page out the temporary Internet files. If the website you are viewing is updated frequently, you may not be seeing the current web pages!

To clear your temporary files in Internet Explorer 7:

1. Launch Internet Explorer.
2. Select the *Tools* from the menu bar.
3. Then select *Internet Options...* from the drop down menu.
4. Under *Browsing history*, click the *Delete...* button.
5. In the *Temporary Internet Files* section click the *Delete files...* button
6. You will be asked if you are sure you want to delete the files - Click *Yes*.
7. Once the delete is complete, click *Close* and then *OK*.

If you've never cleaned out these files, the delete process can take quite a while.

Bonus Tip:

Internet Explorer 7 will automatically delete temporary files, but only if you tell it to.

1. Start the browser,
2. Select *Tools* then *Internet Options...*
3. Click the *Advanced* tab and scroll down to the *Security* section. Check the box next to *Empty Temporary Internet Files folder when browser is closed*.
4. Click *OK*.

Northern Tidbit

By Bill Lanier

Did you know....the Skylights basketball team has had a winning record for 26 consecutive seasons? This is longer than any other college team in the state.

Upcoming Events

Nov. 30

Step Aerobics 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony 4:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Skylights Basketball vs Olivet College 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Lights Basketball vs Madonna University 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM

Dec. 1

Skylights Basketball vs. Dickinson State 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Lights Basketball vs. Dickinson State 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Community Tree Lighting 5:30 PM

Power of One Awards 5:30 PM

Lights Wrestling vs. Northwest College 7:00 PM

Dec. 3

Advance Registration for NEW Students for Spring 2008 8:00 AM

Pilates 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM

Step Aerobics 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM

ASMSUN Student Senate Meeting 5:00 PM
IOC Meeting 5:00 PM - 5:15 PM

Dec. 4

SSS Holiday Feast 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Wall Climbing 6:00 PM
Play Tryouts 7:00 PM

Dec. 5

Pilates 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM
Step Aerobics 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM
Campus Holiday Dinner 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Dec. 6

Lights Wrestling @ University of Great Falls 7:00 PM
NCF ChiAlpha Meeting 7:00 PM
Northern Showcase presents "The Timely Trio" 7:30 PM

Dec. 7

Advance Registration for NEW Students for Spring 2008 8:00 AM
Pilates 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM
Step Aerobics 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM
Lights Basketball @ Corban College 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM

Dec. 8

Lights Basketball @ Warner Pacific College 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM