Northern’s Web Site Rates High
The National Research Center for College & University Admissions (NRCCUA) recently hired a group of college students to review 3643 college websites. They evaluated the sites for content, ease of use, functionality and looks. We are pleased to report that Northern’s web site was ranked 713th out of 3643 and received an overall grade of a B-. That is an amazing score when you consider that some of the top schools spend a small fortune and hire world class web designers to produce their sites. Congratulations to Marianne Hoppe for an outstanding job producing Northern’s Web Site.

Northern Football Shatters Records
In the latest NAIA Division I Football rankings, our MSU-Northern Lights moved up this week from #12 to #7 in the nation after their 20-0 win over Montana Tech.

Marc Samson was named Frontier Conference Defensive Player of the Week, the NAIA National Defensive Player of the Week and the Victory Sport Network National Defensive Player of the Week. Samson a 5-8, 174 lb. senior defensive back from Helena returned a Justin Kegel pass 102 yards for a door slammer against the Orediggers of Montana Tech and pushed Northern out in front 20-0. This new school record interception was one of three on the day for Samson and the third time in his career at Northern that he has returned an interception for a touchdown. Samson also added 8.5 total tackles on the day.

Also, MSU-Northern running back/punter Donny Saisbury was named the Frontier Conference Special Teams Player of the Week. Donny a 6’2”, 235 lb. senior from Helena had eight punts for 375 yards in Northern 20-0 win over Montana Tech. Saisbury connected on an 80-yard punt, which was a new school record, also his 375 yards punting was a new school record.

The Lights are home this weekend at Blue Pony Stadium as they take on the Bulldogs of the University of Montana-Western. Kick-off for the game is at 1 p.m.
Congratulations to Marc, Donny and the Lights football team

Career Center News
By: Terry Lilletvedt

The fall recruiting season is under way! Additional information and sign-up sheets for interview times are available in the Career Center located in Donaldson Hall. Upcoming recruiting visits for both full-time and Cooperative Education positions include:

Foundation Coal – Sept. 18th. General Information Session is at 9:00 a.m. in the Hensler Auditorium, ATC Building. Interviews will be in the Career Center (Diesel & Automotive Students)

Fairbanks Morse – Sept. 25th & 26th. General Information Session is at 4:30 p.m., on Sept. 25th in the Hensler Auditorium, ATC Building. Interviews will be in the Career Center on Wednesday, Sept. 26th. (Automotive & Diesel Students)

The 20th Annual MSU-Bozeman Career Fair will be held in the Strand Union Ballrooms on the Bozeman Campus, Wednesday. October 3rd, from 9 am to 3 pm. MSU-Northern students are welcome to attend. Information on the fair is available in the Career Center or on MSU’s web site at: http://www.montana.edu/careers/events/fair_info.html

Commissioner Stearns Visits Campus

Students, faculty, staff and community members met last Friday with Commissioner Sheila Stearns to talk about ways to improve the Montana University System.

Name Badges
We want all employees to wear an MSU-Northern name badges during the upcoming visit of the NW accreditation team from Oct 14-17. If you do not have a Northern name badge with your current name and position on it, we will arrange to have one made for you. These name badges can then be worn for many other functions as well as everyday.

If you are in need of an MSU-Northern name badge, please email Debbie Ritz at ritz@msun.edu with your current information. She will need this information by today, Friday, September 14.

**Campus Committees**
The following campus committees need to provide a membership list to Jim Potter. Also identify the Chair of your committee and give brief description of what your committee does and when it meets. This information will be compiled and distributed to everyone on campus.

- Assessment and Accreditation Committee
- Academic Senate
- Federation Administration Committee
- Labor Management Committee
- Parking & Traffic Committee
- Safety & Disaster
- Wellness
- Indian Education for all

**Festival Days Parade**
Don’t forget the Festival Days parade is this Saturday. I want to challenge all departments to come out and walk in the parade. It looks like it will be fantastic weather. If you want to walk in the parade please wear your Northern clothing and meet at the high school parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Since we are one of the first floats we normally line up on the road by Rod’s Drive-in. My department will supply the candy for you to throw if you are walking. I will not be providing the candy for all of the sports and club floats just for the people walking.

I look forward to seeing you there.

**Pep Band Needs You**
The Northern Pep Band is starting up again this year. Most of the members from last year are back but we still need some more brass. If you play an instrument and want to play in the Pep-Band please contact Jim Potter (CH 216 or ext. 3727).

**Homecoming Nominations**
Attention Club Advisors: Get your club registration forms turned into the Student Information Desk or Athletic Office on or before September 21st in order to qualify your club to nominate Homecoming candidates.

Club Registration forms and Homecoming Candidate forms are available at the SUB Information Desk or in the Athletic Office.

**Northern Alumni Homecoming Schedule**
Friday, October 5th, 2007

- 6:00 p.m. Skylights basketball vs. Alumni
- 8:00 p.m. Lights basketball vs. Alumni
- Hall of Fame Awards
- @ Half-time of the men’s game
9:30 p.m.         Hall of Fame Reception-Donaldson
                  Alumni Commons

Saturday, October 6th, 2007

11:00 a.m.        Alumni join the tailgate at the field
1:00 p.m.         Game time at Blue Pony Stadium
                  Lights vs. Eastern Oregon
4:00 p.m.         Alumni Homecoming BBQ-sponsored by Stockman’s Bank, Gary & Leo’s IGA,
                  Northwinds Casino and Holden’s Hot Wheels
6:00 p.m.         Alumni Annual Meeting-at the BBQ
8:00 p.m.         Lights Wrestling vs. Alumni

Pepsi Northern Classic Skylights Volleyball Tournament
Check www.msun.edu/athletics web for times.

**Northern Tidbit** by Bill Lanier
Did you know that Cowan Hall was built in 1953 at a cost of approximately 1.2 million dollars and the replacement cost today would be approximately 9.8 million dollars?

This information may be found on page 183 of the MSU-Northern 2007 Self Study (Prepared for Northwest Commission on College and Universities). Please go to http://techsci.msun.edu/NWCCU/ to read the entire report. As the Northwest Commission will be here in October.

**Upcoming Events**

**Sept. 14 (Festival Days Schedule)**
8 AM-8 PM   Friends of the Library Book Sale (Library meeting room)
NOON-6 PM  Festival of Quilts Show (Holiday Village Mall Community Center)
**2 PM– 8 PM**  **Havre Festival Days Craft Show** (Great Northern Fairgrounds)
5 PM - 7 PM **Festival Days Friendship BBQ** (Town Square)
6 PM-10 PM  Car Show & Street Dance (2nd Street between 5th & 6th Avenues)
6 PM  48-Hour Softball Tournament (6th Avenue Softball Field)
7 P.M.  Blue Pony Football vs. Sidney (Blue Pony Field)
                  MSU-Northern Rodeo
                  (Great Northern Fairgrounds)
9 P.M.  Other Brothers Band   (VFW Club)

**Sept. 15 (Festival Days Schedule)**
ALL DAY  48-Hour Softball Tournament  (6th Ave. Softball Field)
7 AM-2 PM  Kiwanis Pancakes (VFW)
**8 AM-Noon**  **S.A.T.U.R.D.A.Y. Market** (Town Square Area)
10 AM  **Havre Festival Days Parade including Pet and Doll Parade**
10 AM.-6 PM Festival of Quilts Show (Holiday Village Mall Community Center)
**11 AM-6 PM**  **Havre Festival Days Craft Show** (Great Northern Fairgrounds)
NOON-5 PM  Friends of the Library Book Sale (Library Meeting Room)
1 PM  MSU-Northern Football vs. Western (Blue Pony Field)
2 PM  Fun Run/Walk (Bill Blatrusch Nature Trail)
4 PM – 7 PM  Teen Car Show (Boys & Girls Club)
5 PM  MSU-Northern Rodeo (Great Northern Fairgrounds)
6 PM Car Audio Fights – Registration 5 P.M. (Independence Bank parking lot)
8 PM –11 PM Teen Dance (Boys & Girls Club)
9 PM “Elvis” Impersonator (VFW Club)

**Sept. 16 (Festival Days Schedule)**
ALL DAY 48-Hour Softball Tournament (6th Ave. Softball Field)
9 AM Dodge Ball Tournament Fundraiser Registration 8 A.M./ Games 9 A.M. (MSU-Northern Gym)
10 AM MSU-Northern Rodeo (Great Northern Fairgrounds)
NOON–4 PM Hi-Line Quilt Guild Festival of Quilts Show (Holiday Village Mall Community Center)
2 P.M. Punt, Pass and Kick competition, children ages 8-15 (HHS Practice Football Field)
St. Mark’s Episcopal Church Croquet Tournament & Ice Cream Social (St. Mark’s Episcopal Church Lawn)

**Sept. 17**
Skylight Golf @ Carroll College Invitational
Walking Club 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
ASMSUN Student Senate Meeting 5:00 PM
Intramural Soccer 6:00 PM

**Sept. 18**
Last Day to Drop a Class without receiving a "W" grade
Skylight Golf @ Carroll College Invitational
Intramural Soccer
Intramural Bellydancing 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Walking Club 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Wall Climbing 6:00 PM

**Sept. 19**
Board of Regents Meeting (Billings)
Walking Club 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

**Sept. 20**
Board of Regents Meeting (Billings)
Intramural Bellydancing 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Walking Club 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
NCF ChiAlpha Meeting 7:00 PM
Havre Police Protective Concert "Restless Heart & Tom Brush" 8:00 PM
Mask Making 8:00 PM

**Sept. 21**
MSU-Northern Rodeo @ Miles City Community College
Board of Regents Meeting (Billings)
Skylight Volleyball vs Carroll College 7:00 PM
Sept. 22
MSU-Northern Rodeo @ Miles City Community College
Lights Football vs Carroll College 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Skylight Volleyball vs Rocky Mountain College 7:00 PM

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