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Welcome to the Northern Network News. This e-mail newsletter is provided weekly, except during the summer and scheduled academic breaks, to subscribers who include students, alumni, employees and friends of MSU-Northern.

Last Issue for the Summer

This will be the last issue of the Northern Network News for this school year. The next issue will be the first Friday in September. If you have business information that you need to distribute across campus during the summer please feel free to use the "All Users" distribution list. A special thanks to everyone who contributed information to the NNN and to Bill Lanier, Marianne Hoppe, Vicki Gist, and Dr. Steve Hesske for their regular contributions. Also, I want to thank Janice Brady, Debbie Ritz, Sandy Jappe and Susan Jappe for helping to proof read it every week. Have a great summer break and I will see you again in the fall.

Pow Wow Huge Success

The Northern Sweetgrass Society's annual Pow Wow at the Northern was a huge success last weekend. Hundreds of people came from all the country to compete and perform in this year's Pow Wow. A special thanks to all the people that worked so hard to make this event run smoothly. Arena Director, Kenneth Gardipee and Julius Not Afraid, were the Master of Ceremonies for this year's Pow Wow.

Sue Swan and Dr. Jan Wiberg Retire
Tuesday afternoon the campus gave Sue Swan and Dr. Jan Wiberg a retirement party. Together they have over 50 years of service to MSU-Northern. Jan will be the Faculty Marshal for this Saturday's Commencement Ceremonies.

Nurses Pinning Today
MSU-Northern's Nurses Pinning ceremony will be next Friday, May 8 at 1:00 p.m. at 5th Avenue Christian Church. Over 30 nursing students from our Havre, Great Falls and Lewistown campuses will receive their nursing pins. BSN students who are also graduating this weekend will be recognized. There will be a reception to follow at the church.

Commencement Ceremonies
Saturday, May 9th 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 9, in the Armory Gymnasium. U.S. Senator Jon Tester will deliver the commencement address and the group Choral Fusion will provide special music.

Summer Hours
The Chancellor has approved that MSU-Northern will again observe Summer Hours beginning Monday, May 11th. Summer hours will be from 7:30-4:00 with a ½ hour lunch period. Of course this is at the discretion of each office/department and should be arranged with each supervisor. Please be sure to put signs on your doors and change your voice mail messages to reflect summer hours. The summer hours will end on August 21.

Graduation Brunch Tickets
Graduation Brunch Tickets are at the SUB Information Desk. Brunch is held in the SUB Cafeteria immediately following the Commencement ceremony on May 9th. Graduates get 2 complementary brunch tickets. Additional tickets can be purchased for $7.00.

Computer Tips
By Marianne Hoppe
More Google tips!

Get the weather
Type weather city name or weather zip code (as in weather havre montana or weather 59501) to get a quick report of the current conditions and forecast displayed at the top of the search results.
Track packages
Have a FedEx, UPS, or USPS tracking number? Just enter it in the Google search box for the latest package status.

Sports Scores
To see the latest scores and schedules for sports teams type the team name or league name into the search box. This is enabled for many leagues including the National Basketball Association, National Football League, National Hockey League, and Major League Baseball.

Area Codes
To see the geographical location for any U.S. telephone area code, just type the three-digit area code into the Google search box and look at the first search result.

Tidbits
By Bill Lanier
Tomorrow (May 9, 2009) marks the end of the final semester for two distinguished Northern employees, Sue Swan and Dr. Jan Wiberg. Sue has been an employee of Northern since August 1, 1991 and Dr. Wiberg has been employee since September 1, 1979. In 1991 Magic Johnson announced he was HIV positive and a postage stamp was $0.25. Earlier in 1991 the Northern wrestling team won their first National Championship. In 1979 Jimmy Carter was President, gas was $0.86 a gallon and a postage stamp was $.06. Here on the Northern campus East Hall was demolished. Thank you Sue and Dr. Wiberg for all you have done for Northern.

Upcoming Events
May 8,
Alumni 50 Year Class Reunion
Spring Semester Ends
Nurses Pinning Ceremony & Reception 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Northern Founders' Excellence Awards 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

May 9
Alumni 50 Year Class Reunion
Commencement Day 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Stone Child College Graduation Pow Wow 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM

May 10
Mother's Day

May 11
Extended Summer Session Begins
Pre-Summer Semester Begins

May 12
Spring Semester Grades Due in Registrar's Office