Deathtrap Opens This Weekend

The Montana Actor's Theatre has hit another home run with their latest show entitled Deathtrap by Ira Levin. The plot is simple but effective. Sidney Bruhl is a once-successful playwright whose last several productions have flopped at the box office. He then receives a script by a novice writer named Clifford Anderson for a stage thriller entitled Deathtrap. Bruhl tells his wife Myra that the script is brilliant and he then concocts a murder plot whereby he will offer to help Anderson rewrite the script, but will instead kill him and pass the play off as his own. Needless to say, the plan quickly spirals out of control.

The show will be in the MSUN Theater for the next three weekends: November 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 27 & 28. Doors and bar open at 7:30 p.m. shows start at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are $10/adults and $8/seniors or students, MSUN students are free with current student ID. Credit cards are now accepted. Some language and adult content.

OPI Visit Next Week

MSU-Northern will experience the final stage of the OPI/PEPPS Teacher Education Accreditation Review this next week Nov. 15-18. The accreditation team will examine all aspect of teacher preparation programs at Northern. The final report will be submitted in the spring to the Board of Public Education. Teacher Education is a vital component of the academic programs at MSU-Northern. The Institution looks forward to a very comprehensive review. Provost Joe Callahan wishes to thank Northern's co-coordinators Darlene Sellers and Fred Smiley and all MSU-Northern employees and students who have helped in the preparation of this important visit.
Northern Students Help with Elf Drive

In spite of the tough economic times, the ELF Food Drive was a big success again this year. MSU-Northern students helped the Havre Fire Department go door to door during the past two days to collect canned goods to help the local food bank meet the needs of the Havre community.

Basketball Home this Weekend

The basketball schedule has changed a bit for this weekend from the originally published schedule. Tonight (Nov. 13) The Skylights and Lights Basketball teams will be playing against Dickinson State University at 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. respectively. The Lights will also be going head to head with Minot State University on Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

Campus Celebrates Thanksgiving

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Wall Climbing

7:00 PM
Throwing Toasters

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM
3 on 3 Basketball

Nov. 18
Workshop: Fuel Performance & Testing with AVL North America

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Wii Competition

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Lights Wrestling @ Northwest College

Nov. 19
Board of Regents meeting
(Bozeman)

Workshop: Fuel Performance & Testing with AVL North America

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Chi Alpha Meeting

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Lights Wrestling @ University of Great Falls

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Turkey Bowl

Nov. 20
Board of Regents meeting
(Bozeman)

Lights Basketball @ Montana Tech Tournament

Nov. 21
Lights Basketball @ Montana Tech Tournament

Lights Wrestling @ Spokane Open

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Skylights Basketball vs. Southern Oregon University @ Great Falls
The MSU-N Food Service hosted their annual Thanksgiving/ Harvest Dinner last night for the campus community and their families. They served Turkey with stuffing, Ham, Mashed potatoes and gravy, Candied Yams, Corn, Dinner rolls, Cranberries, Vegetable tray with dip, Tossed green salad, Spinach salad, Pistachio salad, Waldorf salad and for dessert they had Pumpkin and pecan pie.

Throwing Toasters - "One Man Comedy Rock Band"

Comedy rock band, Throwing Toasters, combines the hilarious songwriting of Tenacious D with the onstage energy of Barenaked Ladies. The only difference is that all their songs are clean and there is only one band member, Grant Baciocco. The rest of the members seem to be figments of Grant's imagination. This does not seem to deter this one man Comedy Rock show from being a side splittingly funny and super high energy affair.

The show will be November 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Student Union Building Ballroom. Tickets are available at the door for $5/Adults and $3/Students and FREE to MSUN students, faculty & staff.

ABC's of Biodiesel Workshop Hits the Road

MSU-Northern's Bio-Energy Center is bringing the ABC's of Biodiesel Workshop to other schools and universities in Montana. The workshop had been offered at Blackfeet Community College, MSU-Northern and most recently at the UM College of Technology in Missoula. The workshop will also hit the road to MSU Billings the first week of January 2010.

The ABC's of Biodiesel Workshop is developed by the Center for students, science teachers and biodiesel enthusiasts who are interested in the basic Chemistry involved in biodiesel production. The workshop includes lecture, laboratory and demonstration. Participants will be introduced to biodiesel production technology and will gain hands-on experience in preparing biodiesel in laboratory scale.

The workshop is funded through WIRED. For more information about the workshop or if you are interested in bringing the workshop to your campus, please contact Jon Soriano at 265-3717 (Email: nestor.soriano@msun.edu).

Great Falls Open House

You're invited to an Open House reception at MSU-Northern at Great Falls campus, on December 8, 2009 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Northern Alumni Association, this will be an informal get together for Northern alumni and friends. This is open to the public so bring a friend. We will have snacks and beverages.

Chancellor Frank Trocki will give a brief welcome and an update on Northern and the programs offered in the Great Falls area. Representatives from our Administration, Faculty, Recruiting, Alumni and Foundation Offices will be there to visit and answer your questions. We are interested in discussing how Northern can better serve you and your community. For more information call me at (406) 265-3770 or email me at bricker@msun.edu.
Cowboy Christmas
The MSU-Northern Rodeo Booster Club and Team are currently planning their annual Cowboy Christmas Dinner/Auction. This event is the Rodeo Team's primary fund raiser of the year and all benefits are used toward financing MSU-N Rodeo team travel expenses, practices, and scholarships.

Cowboy Christmas is an all-you-can-eat prime rib dinner followed by a live auction and dance. There is also a silent auction, raffle items, door prizes, games, and a poker table throughout the evening.

Date: November 14, 2009
Time: 5:00 p.m. doors open for no-host cocktail hour
       6:00 p.m. Dinner
       7:00 p.m. Live Auction
Location: Eagles Club
Price: $50/couple, $30/single

If you have any questions, please call Troy Solomon @ 390-6886 or Karene Faber @ 265-1241

Northern Video of the Week:
SkillsUSA Highlight video
Every year Northern hosts the state SkillsUSA competition (formerly VICA). This is last year's highlight video.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jH9CKass8Tk

Upcoming Employer Recruiting Visits
Wärtsilä will be on campus December 1st and 2nd to recruit for both Summer Co-op and Full-Time positions.
- General Information Session will be held December 1st from 9:00 - 1:00 in Hensler Auditorium.
- Interviews are scheduled for December 1st and 2nd in Brockmann 104. Sign up for an interview time on the CareerExpress website at www.msun.edu/stuaffairs/career

Land O’ Lakes/Cenex Harvest States will be on campus December 2nd and 3rd to recruit Agriculture students for both Summer Co-ops and Full-time employment.
- Information Session will be held December 2nd 1:00 - 1:45 in Hensler Auditorium. Recruiters will be available until 3:00 that day for individual questions.
- Interviews will be held on December 3rd in Brockmann 104. Sign up for an interview time on the CareerExpress website at www.msun.edu/stuaffairs/career

Please see Jennifer or Tracey in the Career Center (CH213) if you have any questions or need assistance with CareerExpress.

Computer Corner
Outlook Tip: Customize Outlook's Contact display
By Marianne Hoppe
Contacts are entries for people you communicate with using Outlook. When you create a contact, you can store more than just an email address. For instance, you can store company names, addresses and phone numbers.

By default, Outlook sorts contacts by first names and then last names, which isn't always efficient. For instance, you might remember a contact only by their company name. In a list sorted by first names, how would you find a person when you can't remember a first or last name?

Fortunately, there are a number of ways you can view all that contact information. Open your contact folder, click "View" on tool bar and then move to "Current View". You'll see a list of
different ways to view your contacts. For our example where we can't remember a person's name only their company, we'd select "By Company".

After you've selected the view you like for your contacts, if your needs are a bit more complex you can then use the "Customize Current View" option on the Current View list. In the "Customize View" dialog box you can click "Fields" to add or delete the information that Outlook displays. And to change the way Outlook arranges contacts, click "Sort".

There are so many possibilities, that it might take a bit of experimenting to get the right mix for you, but it's worth it!

**Tidbits**

By: Bill Lanier

You may know that the MSU-Northern Gymnasium was designed by architect Oswald Berg of Bozeman, but did you know that Oswald was also one of the designers of the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse on the MSU Bozeman campus. At the time the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse was built it was "the largest wooden arched roof structure in existence". Oswald Berg was also the architect for Morgan Hall and the Student Family Housing apartments on the Northern campus.