



## Provost Finalist Visits Campus



Dr. Stephen Adkison visited Northern this week. He was the second candidate to visit the campus for the Provost position. Currently only two candidates have been asked to come to campus. Now the decision lies with the search committee to review everyone's comments and determine if one of these candidate is a fit for Northern.

## Spring Fling 2010

MSU-Northern's 5th annual Spring Fling (Northern Lights' Athletic Scholarship fundraiser) will be held on April 9th. The event will take place in Northern's SUB Ballroom. Tickets are \$100- which gets two people in. The doors open at 5:30 P.M. with the dinner starting at 7 P.M. Dinner will be a prime rib and shrimp meal, and a bar will be open. At the Spring Fling there will be cash drawings including one at \$500, one at \$250, two at \$100, and one at \$50. Also taking place at this year's festivities will be a silent auction, a live auction- which starts at 8:30 P.M., a shotgun raffle, 50/50 drawings, and games. Some of the auction items include: Cobo San Lucus Mexico trip (8 days, 7 Nights), Northern Montana golf package, Bobcat/Griz football and basketball packages. All this and more at the 2010 Spring Fling! Included in the price of the ticket is admission into the Vince Lombardi Jr. speech. (Vince Lombardi Jr. courtesy of Luminary Group, [www.vincelombardi.com](http://www.vincelombardi.com))

## MSU-Northern Hosts 39th Annual SkillsUSA Conference

Montana's SkillsUSA held their 39th annual State Leadership & Skills Conference on the MSU-Northern campus this week (March 29th-31st). MSU-Northern has hosted the event since 1972. SkillsUSA is a nationally based club for high school and college students that offers competitive opportunities where students learn the skills needed for their specific area of interest in the workforce. Northern welcomed the annual gathering again this year, utilizing much of the campus' space for the many presentations

### Energy Saving Tip #26

In the summer it is helpful if you try to use fans instead of the air conditioner when possible.

### Upcoming Events

#### April 2

University Day ~ No Classes, Offices \*OPEN\*

7:30 AM - 5:00 PM  
Special Library Hours

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Co-Ed Intramural Softball  
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8:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Steam Boiler Workshop

#### April 3

Library CLOSED

#### April 4

Library CLOSED

#### April 5

6:00 PM  
Co-Ed Intramural Softball

#### April 6

6:00 PM  
Co-Ed Intramural Softball

6:00 PM  
Wall Climbing

7:30 PM - 9:30 PM  
Northern Showcase Presents:  
Intersection

#### April 8

11:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Bone Marrow Registry Drive

and competitions offered.

Dedicated SkillsUSA students from 37 chapters from around the state gathered to participate in the various competitions this week. This year's theme for the conference was: "SkillsUSA: Champions at Work- Connecting the Opportunities." SkillsUSA is a well-participated club in Montana- with about 365 students coming to compete, 275 judges, 52 advisors, 32 contest chairpersons, and 3 headquarters staff. The three days of competition were well attended- with the 365 students taking part in 35 categories, resulting in a total of 674 participation slots (many students chose to participate in more than one category). The category that had the most participants this year was the team event called- SkillsUSA Quiz Bowl with 168 participants. Various welding categories were also popular, as was the competition in automotive service technology. Other types of competition include: various drafting opportunities, diesel technology, carpentry, cabinet making, 3-D visual animation, and many others. The winners of each category have an opportunity to compete in the national gathering in Kansas City, Missouri June 20th-25th. Along with the national competition option students can receive medals of bronze, silver, or gold (according to their achievement status), scholarships, donated prizes, and personal glory.

[View the Results on Northern's website](#)

## Northern Receives Land Gift for Agriculture Scholarships



The MSU-Northern Foundation in Havre recently received an appreciable land gift to be used for MSU-Northern agriculture student scholarships. The land was given by the late Myrtle Bergstrom in honor of her brothers Algot H. Bergstrom and Eugene W. Bergstrom. The Bergstrom land is located in northwestern Hill County where the family farmed for many years. The 960 acres of farmland is expected to generate approximately \$15,000 of scholarship money per year. This is the first group of students to receive this scholarship.

Tom Welch, Professor of Agriculture Technology at Northern, said, "What a generous, wonderful and sustaining gift this is! It is most fitting that this farmland, which has provided its owners and others with renewable food and fiber for generations, will now also provide renewable scholarship money to students preparing for careers in the essential industry of agriculture." MSU-Northern offers a four-year Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture Operations Technology, a two-year Agricultural Technology Degree and an Applied Agriculture Minor which complements other four-year majors such as Business.

The campus plans to award a portion of this scholarship money to new students planning to major in agriculture and a portion to continuing agriculture majors. New students interested in attending Northern can contact the Admission's Office Toll Free at (800)662-6132 x3704 or by

April 9

5:00 PM

Motivational Speaker Vince Lombardi, Jr

5:30 PM

Spring Fling

emailing [admissions@msun.edu](mailto:admissions@msun.edu).

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## Linda Moore Speaks at Conference

MSU - Northern College of Technical Sciences is hosting a Campus and Community Brown-bag Lunch and Educational Presentation!

Linda Moore, an Associate Director of Knowledge Management for Nestlé, is traveling to Havre from Michigan and will speak about "The Importance of Storytelling in Leadership, Collaboration and Knowledge Sharing". She will use the principles established in Squirrel Inc.: A Fable of Leadership through Storytelling by Stephen Denning, and also speak about some of her experiences.

The luncheon will take place on Monday, April 19, 2010 from 11:15 A.M.- 12:45P.M. in the Hensler Auditorium in the ATC Building.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this special educational presentation. Lunch will be provided for all participants.

To help plan for the lunch, please reserve your spot and contact Barbara Zuck, Assistant Professor of Business, by phone at (406) 265-4175 or by email at [barbara.zuck@msun.edu](mailto:barbara.zuck@msun.edu).

## Dr. Snider's Essay on Emerson

Dr. John Snider has been at work on an essay entitled "Notes on Emerson's American Scholar" for about a year. He will present the essay on April 14th, 2010 at 4 P.M. in Cowan Hall room 300. Refreshments will be served at his reading. Snider hopes his essay will inspire the public, faculty, and students to take seriously Emerson's thoughts on educating and producing true scholars through a more transcendent education.

## Grand Opening of New Motors Lab

A brand new motors lab has been completed in the bottom of MSU-Northern's electronics building. The celebration of this grand opening will be held on April 9th, 2010 from 11 A.M. - 1 P.M. This is an open invitation for anyone who wants to check out the new lab. There will also be a barbeque. Come check out Northern's new motors lab!

## Windows 7 Training

On Tuesday, April 6th from noon to 1 P.M. in the Hensler Auditorium MSU-Northern is hosting a training opportunity for the latest Windows program- Windows 7. Bear Paw Technologies will be heading up this event. Included in this event is a firsthand look at Windows 7 which will help you to do tasks you must do everyday easier and faster. This means you can share files and devices easily, find the information you need, stay productive anywhere, and protect your data. You'll be able to see a live demo of Windows 7, ask Microsoft partners questions about upgrading your system, and get a chance to win great prizes. Prizes include: a Microsoft LifeCam Vx-5000, Microsoft Office Project Professional 2007 software, and a copy of Xbox 360 "Forza2". Also as an attendee of the event you may be eligible to receive: a \$150 Technology Deployment Services Voucher. Don't miss this fun and exciting event. Space is limited, so be sure to register today! Contact the Chamber office at 265-4383 or at [chamberdesk@havremt.net](mailto:chamberdesk@havremt.net) to register.

## Library Hours for this weekend

The Library building has shortened hours since there aren't classes on Friday, April 2, University Day.

Library building hours for April 1-4 are:

Thursday, April 1      7:30 AM-5:00 PM  
Friday, April 2        7:30 AM-5:00 PM  
Saturday, April 3      closed  
Sunday, April 4        closed

Please remember that you can get to all of the library's databases and catalog 24/7 at: <http://msun.edu/infotech/library/>

## Companies Looking for Students

In addition to a number of openings that have been posted into CareerExpress recently, the following employers have scheduled upcoming recruiting visits on campus. Further information and detailed job descriptions for all postings can be found on CareerExpress at [www.msun.edu/stuaffairs/career](http://www.msun.edu/stuaffairs/career) or by stopping in to the Career Center Room 213 Cowan Hall.

### **Tuesday, April 6th - Torgerson's**

Recruiting for Full-Time Mechanics  
8:00 a.m. Information Session, Hensler Auditorium  
9:00 a.m. Interviews, Brockmann 104

### **Thursday, April 8th - Lithia Motors**

Recruiting for Interns and Full-Time Mechanics  
9:30 a.m. Information Session, Hensler Auditorium  
10:15 a.m. Interviews, Brockmann 104

### **Tuesday, April 13th (Tentative) - Kiewit Mining Group (Buckskin Mine.)**

Recruiting for Business Management Intern and Full-Time Business Manager. Cover letter and resume must be submitted to Career Center by April 9th for consideration for an interview

### **Tuesday, April 20th - RDO Equipment**

Recruiting for Mechanic Interns  
Cover letter and resume must be submitted to Career Center by April 16th for consideration for an interview

## Northern Sons Concert - July 11th

The Alumni Office is pleased to announce that the Northern Sons will be returning to campus this summer for another concert. Some of you will remember them as an outstanding folk music group from the mid 60's. Charlie Clikeman, Dr. Gary Funk, Bruce Rampelberg, and Dr. Bob Casad have continued to hone their music (and comic) talents so when they get together, it's hard to believe they haven't continued playing together. They have all had outstanding careers in fields other than music, with the exception of Dr. Gary Funk who has had a stellar career in education most recently at the University of Montana where he has sort of retired. They have graciously returned several times to share their wonderful talent with the Northern family and the Havre community. Please mark July 11th on your calendars as a day to come to campus to celebrate some of the best of Northern! You'll enjoy great entertainment and music with these fine sons of Northern. More info later as the details are worked out.

## Vince Lombardi, Jr. Speaks at Northern - April 9th

Vince Lombardi, Jr. the son of Hall of Fame football coach Vince Lombardi and one of the country's leading motivational speakers, will make an appearance in our Gym on April 9th at 5:00 P.M. He will also be speaking at the Spring Fling and all of you who have purchased spring fling tickets will

get into the gym for free!

The focus of his talk will not be how to achieve in football, but how to achieve in all walks of life, including leadership, motivation, commitment, accountability, and what it takes to be a champion on and off the field!! It should be great for all athletes, teachers, business men and women and anybody who wants to listen to a great motivator!

This will be open to the public and tickets will be only \$5/Person.  
Vince Lombardi Jr. courtesy of Luminary Group, [www.vincelombardi.com](http://www.vincelombardi.com)

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## Computer Corner

By Marianne Hoppe

### Exchange Server Upgrade

This week we completed the move to a new our Exchange email servers - Kudos to Gary Garland for the success of this project! Some of you may have already noticed the change to the Outlook Web Access page. Along with this upgrade we've also increased mailbox sizes ten-fold... but continuing to keep your mailbox cleaned up will help us keep our backup costs down.

Our computer tip this week is related to the upgrade: an added feature for the Out of Office Assistant. You can now schedule when your Out of Office message is active! To do this:

1. Click on **Tools**
2. Select **Out of Office Assistant...**
3. Click the **Send Out of Office auto-replies** radio button
4. Check the **Only send during this time range** box
5. Select the date and time you want the system to start sending the auto-replies
6. Select the date and time you want the system to stop sending the auto-replies

No more having to remember to turn off the Out of Office Assistant when you return to campus!

## Tidbit

By Bill Lanier

Back in the Fall of 1960 and Spring of 1961 there was a student who attended Northern Montana College and was on the Northern football team. This former student is seen in the back row (3rd from the right) of the football team picture that was in the Northerner (yearbook) and the Northern Reflection on page 109. He then went on and spent several years as a radar technician (he may have been doing that while attending Northern). Since that time he has appeared in numerous stage productions, movies and TV shows. Some of his credits include; Trading Places (1983), The Bodyguard (1992), That Thing You Do! (1996), Hope Floats (1998) and Night at the Museum (2006) to name a few. He was also in the TV shows Yes, Dear, JAG, The Sopranos among others. This actor and former Northern student is none other than Mr. Bill Cobbs. For more information and pictures please go to <http://www.imdb.com/name/nm0167850/>

This information was gathered by Allan Sorenson, Judy Bricker, Jane Stuart and myself.