

Northern Network News



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Spring Fling



The Northern Lights Athletic & Scholarship Foundation (NLASF) Spring Fling Dinner and Auction was held last Friday. This annual event included games, live and silent auctions, and a spectacular dinner. The awards ceremony recognized the major sponsors, athletic achievements, and our 2nd annual Bob Bricker Shining Light Award. The Spring Fling was extremely well-attended, since the event took place in the gym this year. Northern is very pleased with the outcome of this year's Spring Fling. The overall totals are still being tabulated, but the private auction alone brought in about \$10,000, and the live auction brought in around \$40,000. Northern thanks everyone who helped make this year's Spring Fling an absolutely amazing success.

Vision Initiative

The faculty and staff at MSU-Northern are in the process of voting on one of eleven vision statements. These statements were compiled from a web-based forum which was designed to gather everyone's ideas. Faculty and staff have until Friday at 3:30 p.m. to cast their vote. Remember you will need your banner I.D. If there is a tie the Chancellor will combine the winning statements. The winning statement will be presented to the campus and community next week and will become the foundation of the Chancellor's Inauguration speech.

Motivational Speaker Bill Deering



Motivational speaker, Bill Deering, who has dealt with a lifetime of stuttering, spoke to MSU-Northern and Havre community members yesterday. Deering discussed his life experiences, involving breaking barriers and limitations in his own life. Deering stuttered so severely, it took over 3 minutes for him to utter his own name. The hope that Deering offered inspired attendees and encouraged them to contemplate how they too can overcome hurdles in their lives.

Inauguration - Next Week

Next Friday will mark Northern's first Inauguration (Friday, April 20, 3:00 p.m., Armory Gymnasium). The Inauguration is open to all faculty, staff, students, and community. Faculty and professional staff have the opportunity to participate in a traditional processional. People participating in the processional will assemble in the first (lower) floor of Cowan Hall at 2:30 p.m. The procedure for lineup will be the same as used for Commencement. People are encouraged to come early so you can enjoy a 20 minute slide show celebrating Northern's past. There will be refreshments in the SUB immediately following the Inauguration. Everyone is encouraged to attend and you can count your attendance as work time if you attend during your normal work time.

6th Annual Yuri's Night a Success



Human spaceflight became a reality 51 years ago with the launch of a bell-shaped capsule called "Vostok 1". The capsule was carrying Soviet Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin, who took his place in history as the first human to leave the bounds of Earth and enter outer space. Thirty one years ago, the first STS Space Shuttle with Captain John Young as Commander of the flight was launched. To celebrate these anniversaries, MSU-Northern hosted the 6th annual "Yuri's Night".

Campus and community members flocked to this free event where pizza was served, the blow-up planetarium was available for viewing constellations, telescopes were set up for star-gazing, "Space Stuff Giveaways" were awarded, and the band "Blind Luck" performed throughout the evening. Yuri's Night is becoming a favorite tradition for many attendees, so if you missed this year's celebration, be on the lookout for updates concerning next year's festivities.

Student Art Show Opens Monday

There will be a reception on Monday April 16 from 6-8 p.m. to mark the opening of this year's Student Art Show. It will be held at the Art Gallery on the second floor of the in the Student Union Building. The show will feature drawings, paintings, and ceramics, multi-media and digital pieces created by the talented students of MSU-Northern. The show is being held thru April 27.

Climate Change



This week, Nobel Prize Winner, Steven Running, was on campus to talk about Global Warming and Climate Change. Running is a professor and director of Numerical Terradynamics Simulation Group in the College of Forestry and Conservation at the University of Montana in Missoula. Running is the sole Montanan on the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in Geneva, Running was selected to join the panel in May 2004 and served as one of 600 authors for three different reports on climate change, including head author for the report "Climate Change 2007: Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability." Running's presentation was part of the MSU-Northern Chancellor's Lecture Series.

Skylights Volleyball New Recruits

Montana State University-Northern head volleyball coach Bill Huebsch continues to add to the Skylights Volleyball Team. Miranda Doing, a 5'11" middle blocker from La Mirada, CA, will be transferring from a college in Anchorage, AK. Doing also played volleyball at Pasadena City College. In high school, Doing was an All-CIF Division III selection as a senior. She played on two suburban league champion squads and saw her team reach the CIF semifinal appearances. Doing is a very involved student. She was a three-year letter-winner in high school, as well as being devoted in the classroom, and involved in various volunteer and community activities. Doing is studying health promotion.

Lewistown, MT native Erin Jensen will be joining the Skylights team as well. Jensen, a 5'8" hitter, won back-to-back Class A state championships with the Fergus High School Golden Eagles. She's also the sister of current Skylight player Dayna Jensen. Jensen is another high-achieving addition to our team. She received the Academic All-State award all four years of high school. Jensen also helped with multiple volleyball clinics for 5th and 6th grade students, and she coached at the Fergus summer camp. Jensen plans to major in nursing and looks forward to joining her sister and the Northern community.

Joining us from Cheyenne, WY is 6'0" outside hitter Abby Nicholas. This Sandy, UT native is transferring from Laramie County Community College to Northern in order to add her special skills to our volleyball team. In high school, Nicholas was the MVP her sophomore and junior years. During her senior year, she was recognized on the 1st Team All-Region team and received a 5A All-State Honorable Mention. Nicholas played for High Country Volleyball Club in Salt Lake City, and also led LCCC to many victories.

Nicholas believes that MSU-N will challenge her both on and off the court and is excited for the challenge.

Miranda Doing, Erin Jensen, and Abby Nicholas, welcome to MSU-Northern!

Points of Pride

Jim Kirkpatrick did a wonderful job on the electrical technology display cases down by Lab 106 in the northeast corner of Brockmann Center's first floor. Northern would like to applaud Kirkpatrick for his industrious nature and thoughtful and dedicated service to the students and the university.

Also, our new SET instructor, Jay Reed, has been completing a lot of safety work in Lab 107-108. Northern thanks Reed for his hard work and dedication.

Jim Kirkpatrick and Jay Reed, you make Northern proud!

11th Annual Tucker Montgomery Folf Tournament

The 11th Annual Tucker Montgomery Folf Tournament will be held on April 25 at 3 P.M. on the campus of MSU-Northern. Registration forms are available on line at <http://www.msun.edu/stuaffairs/stuactivities/docs/2012Spring/FolfTournamentRegForm.pdf> or at the SUB Information Desk. The tournament includes singles, doubles and team divisions. Registration forms are due at the SUB Information Desk by April 24 at 5 P.M. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each division and a free BBQ will follow on the SUB East Lawn.

Tucker Montgomery was a former MSU-Northern student from 1999-2001. During his time at Northern, Tucker belonged to the Alternative Outdoor Sports club that was instrumental in the planning and implementation of the MSU-Northern Folf Course.

Campus Improvement Day - April the 19th

Since 1932, Northern has set aside a day for general campus clean-up and campus improvement. This year's Campus Improvement Day is set for April the 19th at 1 p.m. and is sponsored by the Associated Students of MSU-Northern.

Students, faculty and staff who participate in this event will receive a free t-shirt and may attend dinner that evening in the SUB Dining Hall. Some of the projects assigned this year will be planting flowers, raking and general clean-up. Departments on campus are encouraged to clean-up their own area. This is a day to take pride in Northern and make it the best it can possibly be.

Join a team or work on your own. Campus Improvement Day registration forms are available at the SUB Information Desk. Teams meet at 1 p.m. in the SUB Lobby to receive your t-shirts, work assignments and cleaning materials.

Campus Improvement Day - Entertainment

Jackson Michelson, country singer/songwriter, will perform on April 19th at 5 p.m. during the Campus Improvement Day BBQ. Born and raised in Willamette Valley, Oregon, Michelson is a country singer who takes pride in his roots. The development of his unique style is the result of a lifetime of musical inspiration. When you leave his show, you will have a tune stuck in your head and a smile on your face. His soul infused, country styles pay tribute to some of his greatest influences such as Keith Urban and Sam Cooke.

Jackson's debut EP Dreams was released in October of 2010, which topped the iTunes top 100 charts. He was the Country Showdown Winner in 2010 and has toured in more than 25 states. He has shared the stage with artists such as Lady Antebellum, Darius Rucker, Clay Walker, James Otto, Ronnie Dunn and many more!

Sponsored by ASMSUN Program Council

James Hersch Comes to Havre

On April 16-17, the Associated Students of Montana State University-Northern will be presenting Singer/Songwriter James Hersch. Through his gift of songwriting, singing and guitar playing, Hersch travels the country teaching his audiences the value of community outreach. His "Reach

Residencies" have a powerful impact on both the participants and the audience they serve.

Hersch will be in our community for two days providing his outreach entertainment to the following venues: Highland Park School, Lincoln/McKinley School, HRDC Early Head Start, the Northern Montana Hospital Care Center, the Boy's & Girl's Club, St. Jude's School, the Senior Center and the Eagles Manor. The ASMSUN Program Council will provide bus transportation throughout Monday and Tuesday, April 16-17 to the various venues for those students who want to join James Hersch and his "Reach With Me" campaign. A schedule and sign-up sheet is posted in the SUB Lobby, and the schedule is also on the Student Activities website.

For more information about James Hersch, visit: www.reachwithme.com

MAT Presents Scotland Road



Scotland Road is a play about a woman in nineteenth century clothing who is found floating on an iceberg in the middle of the North Atlantic. When rescued, she says only one word: Titanic. The woman, Winifred, is taken to an isolated spot on the coast of Maine where an expert on the sinking of the liner, a mysterious man named John, has arranged to interrogate her for six days. His goal: to crack her story, get her to confess she's a fake and reveal her true identity; his one clue: her enigmatic references to an unknown place called "Scotland Road."

MAT will be presenting their rendition of Scotland Road in the MSU-N theater in Cowan Hall on the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic- April the 15th, with two special showings, one at 4 p.m. and one at 7 p.m. This anniversary celebration will be a semi-formal gala with hors d'oeuvres served at 5:30 p.m. MAT will present the play on the two weekends following the gala anniversary celebration. The regular season play dates, times, and admission costs are as follows: April 19-21 and 26-28. The doors and backstage lounge open at 7:30 p.m., with the play beginning at 8 p.m. each night. The cost is \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors, and FREE for MSU-N students with current I.D.

Student Health 101

Check out MSU-Northern's Student Health 101 magazine - and enter to win \$1,000:
<http://readsh101.com/msun.html>.

Chancellor's Corner

By Dr. James Limbaugh
Chancellor, MSU-Northern

When I posted the [Action Roster](#) earlier this spring, I also committed to providing you a quarterly report to update you on the progress of the various initiatives posted. This week's NNN entry is my invitation to you to review the [April 2012 quarterly report](#).



On another note, I want to thank everyone who has attended the first four scholarship receptions. The events have provided us the opportunity to hear from donors about their reasons for choosing to invest in the education of MSUN students. The compelling stories behind the scholarships reveal families, businesses, and philanthropic organizations who felt that a gift to Northern provided them a meaningful opportunity to memorialize a loved one, to invest in the future of a profession, or to actively realize their mission of philanthropy. One more scholarship reception is scheduled (Monday, April 16, 6-7:30 p.m., at the Chancellor's Residence). Any member of the MSUN community is invited to join in the celebration of our donors' generosity and our students' achievements. If you would like to attend, please contact Brittnee' Loch in Financial Aid (brittnee.loch@msun.edu) to confirm your participation.

Branding 101

By Jim Potter

What is message mapping and how does it help us fulfill our brand promise?

Message mapping is like a road map. It helps us determine where we are and what direction we need to go to arrive at our desired destination. For all practical purposes message mapping occurs on two levels. The first level, I will call the public level and it represents all of the messages we send to our publics. This is where most of the core messages are defined and communicated to the public through traditional promotional activities like brochures, advertisements, social media etc.

The second level I am calling the private level. The private level is where the rubber meets the road. This level is where people help people in such a way that they fulfill our brand promise. For example, let's say we adopt a vision statement that says we are going to be known for our "supportive, student-centered environment." When a student has a question we will be able to answer their question in a way that the student feels supported and wanted. They will also receive a consistent message from everyone at the college.

Our message map will help us to define the right questions and answers that will help us to answer any questions or problems our students might have. The message map will prove to be a valuable tool to help us evaluate our current actions and help us to develop new ways to meet the needs of our students.

Alumni in Action

By Autumn Elliot



Alumni and readers of the NNN, the Alumni Association is now offering an exciting opportunity for you to give to the "Spring Break 2013- Irish Heritage" group. Students, faculty, staff, and community members have been invited to sign-up for this informational, historical excursion which also includes a credit-based study of the country of Ireland.

The tour will take place over Spring Break in March of 2013 and will be a 12-day excursion (if the trip extension goes through, if not, the trip will be 9 days long). The students and accompanying adults will experience many of the awe-inspiring sites of Ireland including (but not limited to) The Blarney Castle, Trinity College with the Book of Kells, and the "8th Wonder of the World," the Giant's Causeway.

As many of you know, college students do not always have a lot of extra money to pay for exciting trips like this one, so although our students will be fundraising around Havre, we would be very grateful if you would consider giving a tax-deductible donation to this MSU-Northern group.

You can donate with a check, credit card, or cash. All you have to do is contact me at:
P.O. Box 7751 or 406-265-3770 or autumn.elliott@msun.edu

@ Your Library

By Vicki Gist

Looking for some resources for your speech or research paper? Try using the Library's catalog and databases to find books, magazine and journal articles. The Library offers you access to more than 237,000 print and electronic books. You can read 120 current print journals, magazines and newspapers. You also have access to an additional 28,000 full-text electronic journals, magazines, and newspapers, when you search through the 65 different databases to which the Library subscribes.

Even with all these resources, don't be surprised if you can't find that 1 perfect book or article that addresses every point that you want to make in your paper. As a student, it's up to you to evaluate the information that you have found in different resources and then write up your conclusions for your professor to read.

If you have any questions as to which database to search, visit with a Library staff member. You can

stop by the Circulation desk, call or send us an email.

Looking for a quiet place to study during the upcoming crunch time? Watch for extended Library hours beginning Monday, April the 23rd. The Library will be open until 11:00p.m. most evenings and will be open Saturday, April the 28th from noon until 5:00p.m. For a complete listing of hours, visit the Library's web site at <http://www.msun.edu/infotech/library/index.htm>.

Computer Corner

By Marianne Hoppe

Excel 2010 Tip

Copy an Excel sheet from one workbook to another

Here's another technique to copy an Excel sheet from one workbook to another. It's always great to know there's more than one way to do something.

1. Open your source and target workbooks
2. Click the **View** tab and choose **View Side By Side** in the **Window** group. Excel will split the screen, horizontally, between the two workbooks. (Excel 2003: this option is on the Window menu)
3. To **move** a sheet: click the sheet tab in the source workbook and drag it to the target workbook.
To **copy** the sheet: hold down the **Ctrl** key while you drag the sheet to the target workbook.

That's all there is to it!

Note: Moving a sheet might have problems that show up later. If the sheet contains a procedure that references another sheet in the source workbook, Excel will do its best to find the source workbook. If it can't, you'll get errors when you run that procedure.

TidBit

By Bill Lanier

Earlier this week the Skylights and Lights golf teams competed in Lewiston, Idaho for a conference golf meet. The skylights finished in 5th place and they were led by Stacy Sheppard who finished in 21st place. The Skylights leading golfer is Ali Ward who is in 22nd place in the Frontier Conference standings. The Lights finished in 6th place and they were led by Jeremy Jensen who finished in 17th place. Jeremy is currently sitting in 7th place in the overall men's Frontier Conference standings. Next week both teams will be competing in the Conference Tournament.

A Pinch of Salt

By Kimmi Boyce

April is Celebrate Diversity Month:

According to the 2010 Census, the U.S.A.'s population was 308.7 million. Of these 308.7 million people, 38.9 million were fully Black or African American. Pure American Indian or Alaska Natives made up 2.9 million of the total. People of pure Asian heritage numbered 14.7 million. Pure Hispanic people totaled 50.5 million. The remaining 201.7 people in America are either a mixture of races or consider themselves "White." The U.S.A. has been called a "melting pot" of cultures for many years. Celebrate diversity this month by learning more about other cultures, hosting a cultural potluck, or planning some kind of event to bring different cultures together. Have fun and celebrate our wonderfully diverse country!

April is also Community Service Month:

Havre has many places where people can volunteer to help the community. I am highlighting just a few organizations that are always looking for and welcoming helping hands:

- The Boys and Girls Club of the Hi-Line (265-6206)
- Havre Food Bank (265-2007)
- Feed My Sheep Soup Kitchen (265-1629)

Celebrate community service month by offering your time to help others.

Mission Statement

"MSU Northern, a teaching institution, serves a diverse student population by providing liberal arts, professional and technical education programs ranging from certificates through master's degrees. The university promotes a student centered and culturally enriched environment endorsing lifelong learning, personal growth and responsible citizenship. The university partners with a variety of community and external entities to enhance collaborative learning, provide applied research opportunities, stimulate economic development and expand student learning experiences."