Research studies have shown repeatedly that the individual interactions between student and faculty or student and staff make a significant difference in a student's academic and personal success. To celebrate the contributions of our faculty and staff in achieving our educational mission, a new web-based series will begin next month: "Faculty Focus," "Staff Spotlight," and "Student Stories." In this series, every four-six weeks we will highlight two of our employees and one student-not only for what they contribute to MSUN, but for who they are as unique individuals. I invite you to send directly to me a nomination (or nominations) of those faculty, staff, and students who you feel are outstanding representatives of MSUN. Our Public Relations office will interview those nominated, and a feature article will be posted to the web. Please provide your input as we celebrate the true essence of MSUN-our people.

Bio-Energy Advanced Fuels Lab Grand Opening

MSU-Northern held a grand opening ceremony for their newly renovated Advanced Fuels Building on Tuesday, complete with an open house and barbeque. Senator Jon Tester was present to speak and meet attendees. Senator Tester helped secure the 2.2 million dollar grant which paid for the renovation of this facility. The building was filled with dignitaries and people who gathered to celebrate the great strides MSU-Northern has made in the area of bio-energy.
Our most recent Alumni Auction was a great success. The event brought in $13,439 for scholarships. MSU-Northern thanks Taco John’s, The Gallery Lounge, Coke, Radio Shack, and Northern Alumni Board members for all their help and involvement and we thank the Northern athletes for working at the auction.

Fall 2012 Career Fair

The Fall 2012 Career Fair was held in the Student Union Building Ballroom last Tuesday. Nineteen employers (local and national) were on campus recruiting for full-time, part-time and internship opportunities. More than 140 students attended the event and were able to meet and confer with employers from various types of businesses. Career fairs offer great networking opportunities for students, so if you missed this fair, keep your eyes open for updates on the next career fair.
Chancellor’s Lecture Series Presents
LYLE JOHNSON

Lyle Johnson, master bronze sculptor of Native American and Western Art will be on campus to talk about his award winning monuments and sculptures on Tuesday, October 30, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. Johnson specializes in sculptures which help remind people of cultural events and parts of America’s heritage which should not be forgotten. The campus community and general public are cordially invited to attend the lecture. Admission is free.

Northern Showcase to Enjoy Second Performance
Michael Strickland

The Northern Showcase Concert Association is proud to present pianist and composer Mike Strickland. Strickland will perform on Tuesday, October 23, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. in the Havre High Auditorium. Many styles of music have influenced Strickland, so he has evolved into a one-of-a-kind piano artist.

As a composer, he has racked up some impressive achievements. In addition to his music airing for 7 seasons on CBS Sports PGA Golf, it has also been heard on the NBC, FOX and ABC networks. Sales for his 22 CDs have climbed to over 300,000 and are distributed throughout the nation and digitally throughout the world.

Admission for this performance, if you do not have a Northern Showcase Concert Association season pass, is $15/adult and $10/student. Season passes will also be available at this performance for $125/family, $60/adult and $35/student, including half-price season tickets for new members ($61.50, $30, or 17.50).

A Shot of Reality

ASMSUN Program Council is sponsoring “A Shot of Reality” an interactive comedy/educational program about the dangers of alcohol and will be held on Thursday, October 25, 2012 at 7 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom.

The program provides an honest, engaging, humorous and sober new look at alcohol awareness on campus. "A Shot of Reality" educates students about encountering alcohol in a college environment. Entertaining and informative, two performers present the show in the form of a birthday party for the student audience. Alternating between hilarious improvisations, in which the audience participates, and educational sketches which drive home facts and statistics, "A Shot of Reality" will make audiences laugh, think, and inform them about their behavior toward alcohol. This show tackles the topics of alcoholism, binge drinking, social mistakes, assault, health risks, drunk driving and more. This has been a highly effective program. The goal of "A Shot of Reality" is to talk to students as their friends instead of preaching at them as their parents. We realize certain students will choose to drink. We want them to be educated. We want them taking care of each other and themselves.

All performers have extensive training in alcohol awareness education, improv comedy, and interactive theater.

This event is free for the campus and the community.

Visit www.shotofrealityshow.com for more information

Sue Ost Announces Retirement

After thirty-one years of service to Northern Montana College and Montana State University-
Northern, Sue Ost, Director of Business Services and Chief Financial Officer, has announced her retirement, effective December 31, 2012.

Sue began her career at NMC/MSUN in the mailroom, and over the years has progressed through the ranks to her current position, holding responsibility for prudent management of the university's $15 million budget. She has provided significant leadership for the university in times of substantial fiscal challenges and, as a result of this leadership, the university is on solid financial ground.

Please join MSU-Northern in congratulating Sue on her service to the university. We will still have benefit of her experience for the next two and one-half months, and we will soon be announcing an appropriate event in which we will have the opportunity to express our appreciation for her contributions.

A national search for her replacement will begin immediately.

**Northern Clubs Join the SubZero SuperHero Plunge**

On November 3, MSU-Northern will be teaming up with the Special Olympics to host the "SubZero SuperHero Plunge" after our football game verses Dickinson State University at Blue Pony Stadium. All MSU-Northern clubs and groups are invited to put together a team of 4 to take the plunge. Each team will have to get $100 in pledges, and registration forms are available at the gym.

**Advance Registration for Spring Semester 2013**

Graduate & post-baccalaureate students may register at any time beginning October 29, 2012.

- **SENIORS** - Wednesday, Oct. 31- any time after 8:00 a.m.
  (Semester Credits Earned: 90 or above)

- **JUNIORS** - Friday, Nov. 2- any time after 8:00 a.m.
  (Semester Credits Earned: 60-89)

- **SOPHOMORES** - Monday, Nov. 5- any time after 8:00 a.m.
  (Semester Credits Earned: 30-59)

- **FRESHMEN** - Wednesday, Nov. 7- any time after 8:00 a.m.
  (Semester Credits Earned: 0-29)

- **NEW STUDENTS** - Tuesday, Nov. 13- any time after 8:00 a.m.

Student classifications are as of summer semester 2012, so your class standing does NOT include fall semester 2012 classes.

**Veteran's Day Celebration**

On November 9, 2012 at precisely 11:11 a.m., MSU-Northern will be hosting a Veteran's Day Celebration on the south lawn by the Student Union Building on campus. The very specific commencement time for this ceremony celebrates the signing of the peace treaty that ended World War I. This treaty was signed during the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918, so because November the 11th is on a Sunday this year, Northern will commemorate that date on the 9th, but at 11:11 a.m.

The Veteran's Day Celebration will be a short program consisting of a presentation of colors, taps, a commemorative song called "Angel Flight," and a roll call of the Montana casualties from the War on Terrorism. This short event is meant to bring honor to the men and women who served and continue to serve Montana and the United States of America so valiantly. The public is welcome to join us as we celebrate and honor our country's heroes.

**Graduation Applications Due**

Graduation applications are due in the Registrar's Office by November 2, 2012. Students will need to complete their application and program sheets with their advisor.

Forms are available in the Registrar's office or at [http://www.msun.edu/registrar/graduation.aspx](http://www.msun.edu/registrar/graduation.aspx).
@ Your Library
By Vicki Gist

Did you know that many of the databases available at the library will send you a list of the articles published in the new issue of your favorite ejournals? The Gale and Ebsco databases allow you to set up a personal account and to create "Alerts". Alerts can be for articles from a single journal (Journal Alerts) or for articles on a research topic (Search Alerts). You can choose how long and how often to receive the alerts. Use the "Full-Text Locator" (found on our library's home page) to locate a full-text source for your favorite journal. Pick a database that includes your journal and then create a personal account in the database. The next step is to create an alert. Now, when a new issue is published, you will receive an e-mail with a list of the articles in that issue. Just click on the articles that you want to read. This can be an easy way to keep up with your professional journals as well as favorite recreational magazines.

In the Ebrary Academic Complete database, you can create your own bookshelf. First, create an account. Then, as you browse this full-text book database, you can add books to your bookshelf. This is an easy way to keep track of books of interest to you. Ebrary includes more than 80,000 books and many of these books are published by major publishers and university presses.

Alumni in Action
By Autumn Elliot
Saturday, October the 20th, at 1 p.m. is the Northern Alumni Wrestling dual. Come out and see the new Lights team and see all of your favorite wrestlers from the past.

Ronnie Oliver
Wes Barrett
Anthony Weerheim
Beau Lasalle
Dustyn Azure
Aaron Jenson
Colt Heger
Rudy James
Bobby Mantle
Austin Ouellette
Evan Hinebauch
Emmett Willson
Turk Lords

Computer Corner
By Marianne Hoppe

Outlook 2010 Tip
Appointment Intervals

The Calendar view defaults to 30-minute intervals. If you would like a more (or less) granular display, you can change the default interval. With your calendar open:

1. Right-click in the time bar in the day or week view.
2. Select one of the intervals options from the list that is displayed - 60, 30, 15, 10, 6 or 5 minutes.

Your calendar view will immediately change to display the new intervals.
Get excited MSU-Northern, because October is National Cookie Month! Cookies are an internationally enjoyed simple delicacy, but the tasty treat, naturally, has a different title in each region of the world. In England and Australia cookies are referred to as "biscuits." Spain calls them "galletas." Germans use the words "keks" or "Plätzchen" (if they are Christmas cookies). Italians enjoy amaretti or biscotti. Our "cookie" word comes from the Dutch word "koekje" which means "small cake."

The first documented cookies were made with the purpose of testing cake batters. Over the years, recipes have evolved, and now millions of cookie types have their own set of preparation directions and are no longer second thoughts in a cake-making process.

For one cookie recipe (Oreo Stuffed Chocolate Chip Cookie) that people all over the Internet are ecstatic about, click HERE. [http://veryculinary.com/2011/03/22/oreo-stuffed-chocolate-chip-cookies/](http://veryculinary.com/2011/03/22/oreo-stuffed-chocolate-chip-cookies/) (Cookie history information from research on whatscookingamerica.net.)