

# NORTHERN NETWORK NEWS

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## TekNoXpo Enjoys Lunch



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## *From the Chancellor*

*By Dr. James Limbaugh*

As we head into the summer, I want to thank each of you for your contributions to an extraordinary year at MSUN. As the result of your efforts, we have, among many accomplishments,

- Posted an increase in enrollment through aggressive recruitment and retention initiatives;
- Opened the Learning Success Center;
- Expanded the capabilities of our website;
- Implemented an emergency notification system;
- Completed the first phase of our academic program prioritization review with the submittal of all necessary documentation to the Board of Regents;
- Received continuing accreditation from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities; and
- Witnessed all five of our NAIA teams (men's basketball, women's basketball, women's volleyball, men's wrestling, and football) attain national ranking (the only school in the Frontier Conference to have done so), as well as bringing to campus the Frontier Conference Championship in volleyball, a national third-place in wrestling, and national appearances by both basketball teams.

Your commitment to our students and to the University continues to be deeply appreciated.

Trish and I wish for each of you the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful summer of Montana even as we prepare for yet another stellar year at MSUN.

## *This Week on Campus*

### **Last NNN until September**

Another school year has ended, so this will be the last issue of the Northern Network News for this school year. I want to give special thanks to everyone who contributed information to the NNN. I especially want to acknowledge Dr. James Limbaugh, Marianne Hoppe, Vicki Gist, Kimmi Boyce, Val Hickman, Ligia Arango, Mary Heller, and Denise Brewer for their weekly contributions. I also want to thank Pam Hillery, McKenna Mielke, Molly Grubb and Betty Clark for helping to proofread the weekly issues. Have a great summer break, and the Northern Network News will return in September.

- Jim Potter, Director of University Relations and Editor of NNN

### **Retirement Reception**



MSU-Northern hosted their annual retirement reception this Tuesday for nine people who collectively have dedicated 148 years of service to the University. Those who retired this year were: (pictured left to right) Sharon Keeley, Judy Bricker, Greg Hester, Fred "Pete" Everingham, Allan Culp, Stacey Gonzalez, and Marianne Hamilton also not pictured were Carmen Alvarado and Darlene Bricker.

### **Teacher Education Exit Presentations**



Great excitement and expectation filled the SUB Ballroom this Monday as this semester's student teachers attended their exit ceremony and presented their final presentations. The student teachers who presented were: Judith Barthol - Elementary Education/Reading, K-12; Kira Bigler - BF Social Science, 5-12; Charla Cline - Elementary Ed/Reading, K-12; Janet Crowder - Elementary Ed/Reading, K-12; Darold Debolt - BF Social Science, 5-12; Ross DeRoche - HPE, K-12; Hope Hedges - Elementary Ed/Reading, K-12; Rylee Horton - BF Social Science, 5-12; Jodi Jakober Geiger - General Science, 5-12; Derek Lear - Dual Major: Elementary Ed and HPE, K-12; Rachel Love - Elementary Ed/Reading, K-12; LaVon Myers - HPE, K-12; Liberty Nichols- Industrial Technology, 5-12; Derek Rogers - Elementary Ed/Reading, K-12; Katrina Sears - Elementary Ed/Art, K-12; Travis Somerfeld - BF Social Science, 5-12; and Rachel Wagner - Elementary



Ed/Reading, K-12. Congrats to all the student teachers who will soon be joining the workforce as full-time professionals.

## TekNoXpo



This week, Montana State University-Northern held the 6th Annual TekNoXpo (Technology-Knowledge-Exposition). Big Sky Pathways hosted the event at MSUN, and the program invited high school juniors and seniors interested in the College of Technical Sciences. The event sought to highlight programs such as diesel technology, agriculture, automotive technology, business, engineering, plumbing, electrical, and welding.

Montana's Governor Steve Bullock welcomed the students to the TekNoXpo, and led a discussion addressing the topics of workforce readiness and future demands. Following the discussion the students separated into groups to learn more about each of the highlighted programs. Students were able to better understand the GPS systems and technology used in modern agricultural machinery, learn techniques used to recover petroleum and natural gas from the upper section of the earth, and take part in the Equipment Rodeo which is always a highlight of the event.

## Student Art Exhibit





Nestled in the center of Northern's campus is Pershing Hall, and out of it flows endless amounts of artistic talent, whether it be from the ceramics class students, budding graphic designers, or the community orchestra. In order to display some of the growing skills in the fine arts, Professor Joel Soiseth has organized a student art show. Paintings, drawings, photographs, jewelry, and ceramic pieces line the walls and exhibit space in the upstairs gallery in the SUB. Please stop by and take a look at the fine work our students have created. The show ends today, April 25th at 5 p.m.

## Chicago Opens Tonight



The Montana Actor's Theatre has been working on their version of Chicago for several months and will be opening their doors for an audience tonight. Chicago is a musical with music by John Kander, lyrics by Fred Ebb and a book by Ebb and Bob Fosse. Set in Prohibition-era Chicago, the musical is based on a 1926 play of the same name by reporter Maurine Dallas Watkins about actual criminals and crimes she reported on. The story is a satire on corruption in the administration of criminal justice and the concept of the "celebrity criminal." This show is directed by Audrey Barger and Rachel Dean and will be shown on the following dates: April 25-26, May 1-3, and 8-10. The show begins at 8 p.m. nightly with the doors and backstage lounge open at 7:30 p.m. in the MSUN/MAT Theatre. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$15 for students and seniors. MSUN students may attend for free with a valid I.D. card. GALA tickets are \$30 with the Spring Gala Event occurring on May 10 at 6:30 p.m. A GALA ticket includes hors d'oeuvres, a "Cell Block Sangria," and a ticket to the last performance. Costumes are encouraged but not required.

This show contains adult language and themes and is not be suitable for younger audiences.

## Campus Improvement Week and Campus Cleanup Day



The Northern family came together this week in honor of Earth Day and in preparation for the upcoming graduation. The Lights Basketball team was just one of the many teams that scoured the campus for garbage and any unsightly eyesores, cleaning up everything they could to take care of our beautiful campus and prep it for all the families and friends who will be travelling here for commencement. Joseph Vernon and all the participants did a wonderful job sprucing up the grounds and bettering the earth as a whole.

## Master Class and Concert with Jack Glatzer



A few interested musicians took the opportunity of a lifetime and attended a master class with world renowned violinist Jack Glatzer this Monday. Glatzer was able to answer questions and give helpful hints to the string players. Then on Tuesday, Glatzer displayed his expertise by connecting his violin music to art, history, and civilization and offering a breathtaking performance. The lilting melodies made for a night to remember.

## 13th Annual Tucker Montgomery Folf Tournament

The 13th Annual Tucker Montgomery Folf Tournament took place this week. The tournament included singles, doubles and team divisions, and the winners were:

- . Alex Hansen - First Place
- . Brad Shields - Second Place

## Northpoint Auction - Last Night

477 students earned NorthPoints this semester. Nearly 60 of those students earned more than 5000 points. Those students were entered into a special drawing for a Blender Set, a Black & Decker rechargeable screwdriver and a Triple Step Cabinet. They also had around 25 silent auction items and 30 live auction items - after the auction they played 12 regular bingo games with a blackout bingo to finish off the night. The prize for Blackout Bingo was a 7" Android Tablet. Prizes throughout the night ranged from house-ware items, NFL memorabilia, lawn chair, jewelry, etc.



## Important Announcements

### Spring Book Buy Back

MSU-Northern Bookstore's "Spring Book Buy Back" starts on April 28 and runs until May 2 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. Stop by and have some coffee and a cookie and sell back your used books. No receipt is required; just bring in your student I.D.

## Finals Schedule Spring 2014

If Your Class is:	Your Final is:
MWF 8:00-8:50	Wednesday 1:00-2:50
MWF 9:00-9:50	Monday 3:00-4:50
MWF 10:00-10:50	Tuesday 3:00-4:50
MWF 11:00-11:50	Wednesday 3:00-4:50
MWF 12:00-12:50	Monday 8:00-9:50
MWF 1:00-1:50	Tuesday 8:00-9:50
MWF 2:00-2:50	Wednesday 8:00-9:50
MWF 3:00-3:50	Thursday 8:00-9:50
MWF 4:00-4:50	Monday 10:00-11:50
TR 8:00-9:50	Tuesday 10:00-11:50
TR 10:00-11:50	Wednesday 10:00-11:50
TR 12:00-1:50	Thursday 10:00-11:50
TR 2:00-3:50	Monday 1:00-2:50
TR 4:00-5:50	Tuesday 1:00-2:50
Evening	Regular class meeting time

## *Upcoming Events*

### **38th Annual Sweetgrass Society Pow Wow - April 25-26**

The 38th Annual Sweetgrass Society Pow Wow is scheduled for April 25-26 in the MSU-Northern Armory Gymnasium. Grand Entry will begin Friday, April the 25th at 6 p.m. Admission is free. Come celebrate and enjoy Montana's Native culture. Stacey Gonzalez retired MSUN Multi-Cultural Director will be honored at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday during the Pow Wow. For more information, call Jaakko Puisto at 265-3595.

### **Havre Nurses' Pinning- May 2 at 2:00 p.m.**

The hardworking Havre and Great Falls nursing students of MSUN look forward to their pinning from the time they start the program. It is a great honor and accomplishment to be pinned as a nurse. Their speaker this year is Joey Treywick, and additional comments will be made by Chancellor, Dr. James Limbaugh, Arlys Williams, Pamela Civiletti, Brigit Hemmer, Christina Bradbury and Kelly Cassidy. If you'd like to celebrate with this year's nursing graduates, the Nurses' Pinning Ceremony will take place on Friday May 2, 2014, at 2 p.m. at the Fifth Avenue Christian Church (2015 5th Avenue). A reception will be held immediately following the ceremony.

### **Northern Montana Plains Indian Museum Grand Opening - May 2 at 4:00 p.m.**

The campus community is cordially invited to the official opening of the Louis and Antoinette Hagener Museum of the Northern Montana Plains Indian on Friday, May 2, at 4:00 p.m. in the Vande Bogart Library. This event brings to life a vision established sixty years ago, with the gift of a collection of Native American artifacts to Northern Montana College. Our museum will allow MSUN and the community at large to celebrate the numerous Native American cultures of the Hi-Line and will offer a significant opportunity for educational outreach and research. We hope you will be able to attend.

### **Founder's Excellence and Athletic Hall of Fame - May 2 at 5:00 p.m.**

The Founders' Excellence and Hall of Fame Dinner will be held on May 2 in the Ballroom of the MSU-Northern Student Union Building beginning with a social hour at 5:00 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m. This year, the Excellence Award will be presented to Tom Patrick. In addition they will be inducting new members into the Athletic Hall of Fame. This year's inductees are Andy Smith and Kyle Fisher. Tickets for the dinner are \$30.00 each. Please call and make reservations through the Foundation Office at 265-3711 or email [msunfoundation@msun.edu](mailto:msunfoundation@msun.edu) before 5:00 p.m. Thursday April 24th.

### **MSU-Northern Graduation - May 3 at 10:00 a.m.**

MSU-Northern's commencement ceremony is set for Saturday May the 3rd at 10:00 a.m. in the MSU-Northern Armory Gymnasium. 303 students will be receiving degrees. Our speaker this year will be Dr. Denise M. Juneau, Montana State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Juneau has maintained a long-standing commitment to education and lifelong learning and is sure to offer meaningful and relevant insights as she addresses MSUN's 2014 graduates.

Gilbert Horn will receive an honorary doctorate in Humane Letters. Gilbert Horn served in the United States Army from 1940 until 1945. Horn was a sought-out member of Merrill's Marauders for his Native American language skills as he was one of the original "Code Talkers." This is only the second time in Northern's 85 year history that they have awarded an honorary doctorate.

Holly Cartwright and her grandfather will be providing the special music during graduation.

After commencement, swing by the Vande Bogart Library for refreshments, and visit the new Louis & Antoinette Hagener Museum of the Northern Montana Plains Indian.

### **Lewistown Nurses' Pinning- May 4**

Lewistown's Nursing Pinning Ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 4th, at 2:00 p.m. at the Fergus Center for the Performing Arts located at 1001 Casino Creek Drive. A reception will be held in the cafeteria after the ceremony. MSU-Northern Lewistown is very proud of our 15 students graduating in 2014!

## Summer Session Starting- May 12

With finals week upon us summer break is just around the corner, and MSU-Northern's summer session will begin May 12th. Have you registered for classes yet? Whether your goal is to graduate early, catch up on classes you've missed, or just take a class or two you enjoy, summer session provides a great opportunity to complete a broad variety of coursework. In addition to select majors and minors, classes are available in each general education category. Cooperative education experiences for summer might also still be available in your field (see your advisor and Mary Heller in the Career Center). You are strongly encouraged to register by April 30th in order to help ensure that you get the classes you want, although registration will remain open for most classes until mid-May (depending upon course start and end dates).

## Weekly Articles

### Vintage Northern

By Valarie Hickman



In June 1931 Dr. VandeBogart and Frank Bousat, a Havre architect, collaborated on a plan for the campus. In this plan the area where Pershing Hall was built was designated as a stage with the hill to the west as an amphitheater. Pershing Hall was designed with this plan in mind. The west side of the building, between the wings, was a stage. The first on-campus graduation was held in the spring of 1934 in the "Greek Theater." Besides graduations, the stage was used for plays and musical events. The realities of Montana weather limited the use. In 1953 the stage was transformed into biology laboratories and classroom space.

### Computer Corner

By: Marianne Hoppe

#### Take quick action

In Outlook 2013 you probably know you can click the red X icon that appears on the right when you hover over a message in your inbox to delete it, and you can click the flag icon that's also to the right to flag a message for follow up. Here's what you might not know: if you are using the reading pane view, there is a dark blue bar on the left side of unread messages and if you hover over a message that has been read a light blue bar appears on the left. If you click that light blue bar the message will be marked as unread. All of these quick actions can be also applied to multiple emails at the same time.



## From Your Learning Success Center

By Ligia Arango

### Celebrate Small Victories

For some of you this is graduation time and with it comes the start of a new page in your life. For some of you this is the end of a semester and the start of summer: may be an internship, maybe a summer job. As you complete and start stages in your college life, remember to take the time to treat yourself to something fun. Celebrate your small victories along the road. You will be confident, charged up and ready to work toward the next step.

### @ Your Library

By Vicki Gist

Are you preparing for finals? The Vande Bogart Library is open extended hours during finals week. The library is open this Saturday, April 26th from 1:00-5:00 p.m., Sunday from 1:00-11:00 p.m., Monday-Wednesday from 8:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. and Thursday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Watch for complimentary coffee which will be available most evenings starting at 5:00 p.m. Good Luck on your finals, and have a great summer.

Congratulations to all who will be receiving a diploma during the commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 3. After commencement, be sure to stop by the library for refreshments with your family and friends, and visit the new Louis & Antoinette Hagerer Museum of the Northern Montana Plains Indian.

### A Pinch of Salt

By Kimmi Boyce

#### It's a Wonderful Life

Some of you reading this will be graduating in May. Some will continue on at Northern, and some people reading this have been out of college for a very long time. Regardless of who you are, if you're reading the NNN, you've probably been a college student and experienced that most wonderful time in life. Here's a light-hearted end-of-the-semester-Pinch-of-Salt comprised of some silly (or truthful) indicators that you might be a college student.

You might be a college student if...

- You've done a price comparison for Top Ramen at multiple stores
- Your backpack is the reason behind the strange curve in your spine
- You've seen two consecutive sunrises without sleeping
- You are personally keeping a local pizza shop in business
- You've lived in a place with three couches, none of which match
- Your social life consists of a date with a study carrel in the library
- You celebrate when you find a quarter
- It takes a shovel to uncover the floor in your room
- You look for a tray to carry food with when you visit home
- You've visited Walmart 3 times this week
- You've hoarded food under your bed for when it snows and you don't want to leave your dorm

Congrats to all the upcoming graduates. You will soon breathe a sigh of relief as you accept your diploma, throw your hat, and enter a new stage of life, one that may be even more beautiful than the one you're leaving. Good luck, and be blessed.

## 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."

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