

# NORTHERN NETWORK NEWS

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*This Week on Campus*

## Halloween Celebrated in a "Spirited" Way



Students came for the Halloween volleyball game against Westminster dressed in festive costumes last Friday night. This was one of the many Halloween activities that occurred last week. The other activities included: The Associated Students of MSU-Northern a campus and community Halloween party for children and their families and the student Halloween dance featuring "The Hitman" DJ, all of which were great fun and successes in their own right.



## Red Cross Blood Drive



Giving blood is a selfless act of service that could benefit and/or save a stranger's life. This week the American Red Cross held a blood drive at MSU-Northern, and the Northern family stepped up to the plate. Everyone who participated was part of a life-giving effort that will bless hundreds of lives.

## Listening Maze is Fun Lesson



This week Terry Blosser's Interpersonal Communication classes used a listening maze activity to test their listening skills. Students were required to safely guide their blindfolded partners through a maze of

obstacles and other distractions. Guides were not allowed into the maze, so the partners had to strategize their communication challenge.

Last week Blosser's classes "went to the moon" for a survival activity that required effective interpersonal skills in group decision-making. Everyone made it safely through the maze this week, but several students didn't make it back from the moon last week.

## Lecture Combines History and Culture

The Montana State University-Northern, Chancellor's Lecture Series presented "Before the Homesteaders: The Northern Montana Buffalo Slaughter" by Dr. Donald Klinko this past Thursday. Klinko shared his findings and interest in the methodical slaughter of most of the North American bison population of the Great Plains during the period 1871 to 1884. The presentation was enlightening, especially because the bison have such a tie to the Hi-Line area's history.

For information concerning the upcoming events, please visit the website to see the fall 2014 Chancellor's Lecture Series:

<http://msun.edu/news/calendar/events2014/ChancellorSeries.aspx>

## Bingo Winner Announced

The winner of this month's blackout bingo was Tyrell Henderson. He won a 7" Android 4.2 Wi-Fi touch-screen tablet.

## Edgar "Ole" Larson- Former MSUN Coach age 92



Dr. Edgar "Ole" Larson was once an MSUN coach. Where is he now? He is 92 and still an active swimmer along with being a terrific ambassador for MSUN and the Havre area. Chinook natives Dave Forsyth and his wife spotted Larson at the 2014 World Huntsman Senior Games in St. George, UT at the beginning of October, as he was participating in the week's swimming events like Forsyth's wife. The Huntsman World Senior Games is the largest annual multi-sport event in the world for athletes ages 50 and over. Its focus is world peace, health, and friendship. This year it attracted some 10,800 athletes, including some from Montana. While at the Huntsman Games, Larson had a busy schedule swimming in the men's 50, 100, and 200 meter breast stroke, the 100 and 200 meter freestyle, and the 400 and 800 meter freestyle; that's seven events! He won medals in some of these events. He has been swimming at this event for the past fourteen years and has boxes of medals to show for it.



Larson informed the Forsyths that he coached a variety of sports at MSUN from 1950 thru 1962. He and his wife Gardia (now deceased) raised their family in Havre. Larson moved from Havre to coach at MSU-Bozeman, Valparaiso, and Appalachian State. Larson is too humble to broadcast his own accomplishments, but we know from a little research that he was a coach to be remembered. He was even inducted into Appalachian State's 2012 Athletics Hall of Fame.

Even though it's been a long time since serving at MSUN, Larson remembers the names of students he coached while in Montana. He impresses everyone with his humble yet competitive spirit, his love for MSUN, and the Havre area. He has tons of friends both in and out of the swimming community. His last comment to the Forsyths as they left Las Vegas was how much he enjoyed talking about MSUN and Havre and that he was reminded that he needed to send MSUN a check. What a guy! This story is one example of how deep-rooted the love for the Northern family can be.

If you have an inspiring story like this one, don't hesitate to contact University Relations Director Jim Potter at [potterj@msun.edu](mailto:potterj@msun.edu) and share your story.

## *Announcements*

### **Mandatory Federal Loan Exit Counseling Session**

#### **Attention fall graduates:**

Federal Regulations require any students who receive a Federal Student Loan to attend an exit counseling session upon completion of their program. MSU-Northern invites you to attend one of our annual exit counseling sessions. The sessions will be held:

**Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. (NOON) and 5:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, November 20, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. (NOON) and 5:30 p.m.**

Both sessions will take place in the library basement, Computer Lab B. During the sessions you will learn about the following information:

- Consolidating your Federal Student Loans
- Deferments
- Forbearance
- Repayment Options

Please contact Financial Aid/Financial Success at 265-3787 for more information.

## *Upcoming Events*

### **SubZero SuperHero Polar Plunge - Nov. 8**

Come to the Blue Pony Stadium on November 8 around 4:00 p.m. (after Northern's football game against UM Western) for the SubZero SuperHero Polar Plunge. This is a unique opportunity for individuals, organizations and businesses to support Special Olympics Montana athletes by taking an icy dip into freezing waters.

Don't be left out of the cold. Register today for the plunge, and let the fun begin. All it takes is at least \$100 in pledges and nerves of steel. For more information go to: <http://www.somt.org/events/plunge/subzero-superhero-plunge/>

### **Aces Up Band to Perform on Veteran's Day- Nov. 11**

The Associated Students of MSU-Northern are sponsoring a country concert with band "Aces Up" on November 11, 2014 at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Tickets for this concert are \$5/adults and \$3/students with MSU-N students, faculty and staff admitted free of charge.

It has long been said that country music belongs in the South, but the Enumclaw, WA based group Aces Up is challenging that notion. With a unique blend of blue collar country and the raw energy of the famous Seattle rock scene, they deliver hard hitting, boot stomping, feel good country music that consistently sells out the Northwest's premier venues. In addition to receiving national airplay, Aces Up has shared the stage with country music artists Gretchen Wilson, Jake Owen, The Band Perry, Uncle Kracker, Jack Ingram, Steve Holy, Emerson Drive and many more.

It is no surprise that Aces Up has quickly become a favorite of even the most discerning country music fans and a welcome addition to the playlists of committed rockers.

Give them a listen at: [www.acesupcountry.com](http://www.acesupcountry.com)

## **Veteran's Day Celebration- Nov. 12**

Northern family, please gather together with Northern's veterans for a Veterans Day Celebration beginning at the flag pole at Cowan Hall on November the 12th at 12:00 p.m. Following the ceremonies there will be a grand opening of the Veterans Success Center located in 115 Hagener Hall including refreshments and meeting veterans. Please come and enjoy the celebration of our country's heroes.

## **Ping Pong Night- Nov. 12**

Wednesday, November the 12th at 7p.m., the Intramural & Recreation Council will be hosting a double elimination ping pong tournament in Morgan Hall. Sign up at the SUB or just drop in. Prizes will be awarded to the winner.

## **Radio Station Meeting - Nov 12**



Come to the radio station meeting and learn what you need to do to become a DJ with the campus radio station. The next meeting is November the 12th at 5:30 p.m. in the SUB Fireside Conference Room.

- Share your musical tastes with the community
- DJ's are eligible for up to \$2500 in scholarship money
- Equipment is easy to learn

## **Secrets to Winning a Scholarship Part 2 - Nov. 13**

Please join us for the second of two very informative workshops on applying for scholarships. The first section of the workshop occurred this past week, but all students are welcome to attend the second portion which will take place Thursday, November 13 from 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. in the MSUN Library Computer Lab. November's workshop will focus on perfecting your scholarship essay. Bring your rough draft for guidance, suggestions and proofreading. Attending students will receive 700 North Points! Students who attend both sessions will receive a free 4GB Flash Drive from Financial Success!

Presented by:

Jaymie Freidank, Director of Advising

Sandy Johnsrud, Financial Aid  
Karen Terrell, Financial Success

## Outstanding Faculty Workshops - Nov. 15

Rigorous Grading Using Microsoft Word AutoCorrect: Plus Google Docs Workshop  
Hosted by Erik Bean, Ed.D., the sessions will run for an hour plus a Q & A time.

Please consider coming to one of two sessions on Saturday, November 15, 2014 in Cowan Room 113.  
The first session begins at 10:00 a.m., and the second session begins at 1:30 p.m.

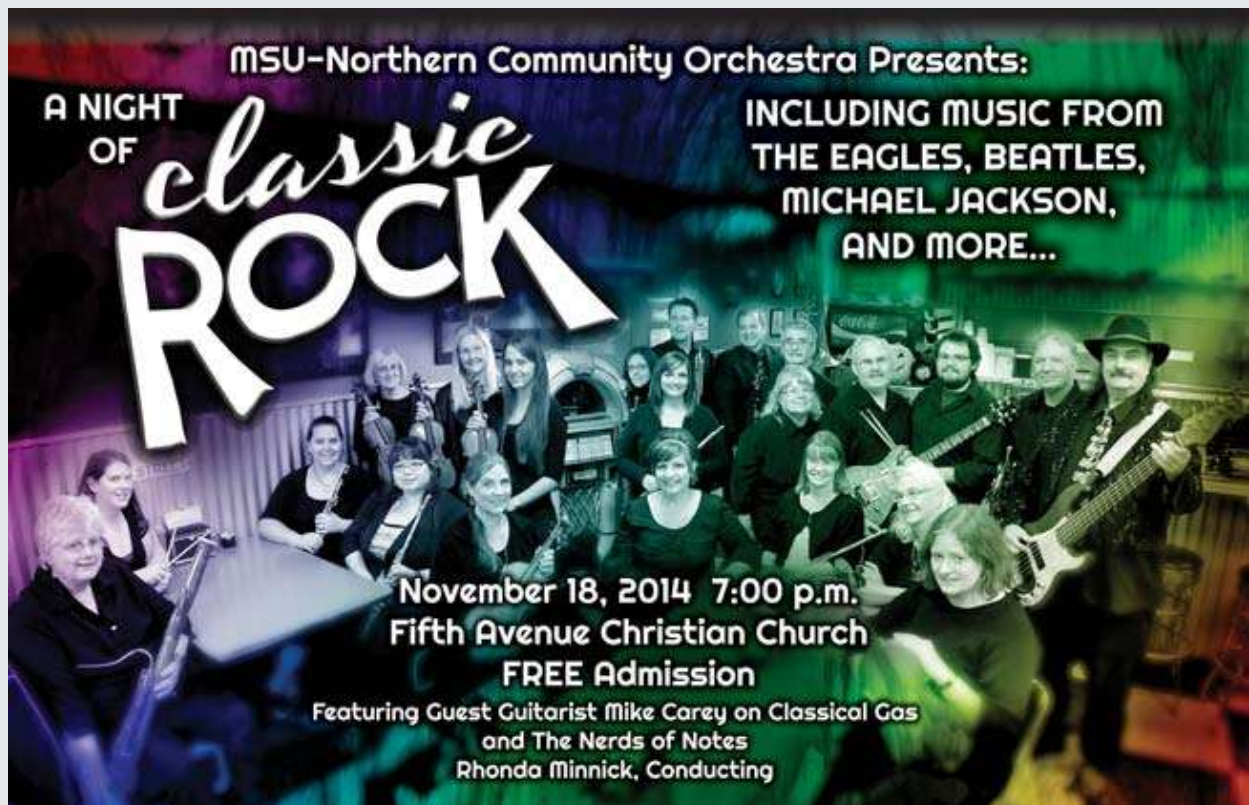
Dr. Erik Bean will show us how to increase rigor and grade faster using Microsoft Word AutoCorrect.

Erik will demonstrate how to:

- Insert APA and MLA Feedback & Grammar in seconds
- Insert Pictures, Sound, & Video Comments
- Enable AutoCorrect in Word Prior to 2007
- Enable AutoCorrect in Word for MAC
- Backup and Restore AutoCorrect
- Enable AutoCorrect Action in Google Docs

Contact Justin Mason, ext.3775, to reserve a seat at one of the two sessions. Books will be provided free of charge to participants.

For more information: <http://www.gradingefficiently.com/>



MSU-Northern Community Orchestra Presents:  
A NIGHT OF *classic* ROCK  
INCLUDING MUSIC FROM  
THE EAGLES, BEATLES,  
MICHAEL JACKSON,  
AND MORE...  
November 18, 2014 7:00 p.m.  
Fifth Avenue Christian Church  
FREE Admission  
Featuring Guest Guitarist Mike Carey on Classical Gas  
and The Nerds of Notes  
Rhonda Minnick, Conducting

## Weekly Articles

### Tidbits

By Bill Lanier

Did you know that former Skylight great (and all-time leading scorer) Sheila Green Gerding is beginning her 20 year as head coach at Minot State University? Coach Gerding has won 324 at Minor State University.

## The Computer Corner

By Marianne Hoppe

### Windows 8.1

#### Monitoring Storage Space

Windows 8.1 Update lets you monitor how much space your apps take up -- which is a good thing, since Microsoft designed this update to run on tablets with as little as 16 GB of memory.

If you need to free up space in a hurry, do this:

1. Swipe from the right side of your screen or hover your mouse in the upper or lower right corner of your screen to open the **Charms** menu
2. Tap **Settings**, then go to **PC Settings**,
3. Select **PC and devices**, and then **Disk space**.
4. From here you can click **See my app sizes** and it will show you a list of the apps that are installed sorted from largest to smallest.
5. To remove an app just tap an app and then click the **Uninstall** button.

You can even empty the recycle bin from the main Disk Space screen.

MSUN staff and faculty who aren't running Windows 8.1 on their desktops or laptops can contact the ITS Help Desk (3765) to schedule an upgrade.

## Grammar Gal

By Kimmi Boyce

### Seen vs. Saw

I cannot tell you how many times I have seen the word "seen" used where the word "saw" belongs. This simple switch seems more prevalent in speech than in writing, but either way, it is worth addressing. "Saw" is the past tense form of "see." This form of "see" can be used by itself, without the aid of a helping verb like this:

I saw that movie last year. He cringed every time he saw the dent in his hood.

"Seen," on the other hand, is known as the past participle form of "see" and requires a helping verb, such as "have" or "was" like this:

I have seen many live musicals. The comment was seen as inappropriate for national news.

It is never correct to use "seen" without a helping verb like this:

I seen you at the mall yesterday. This is incorrect.

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