

The Official Newsletter For MSU-Northern

October 23, 2009

Math & Science Club Celebrates Mole Day



Northern's Math and Science Club joined hundreds of colleges from around the country to celebrate Mole Day by giving away free Carmel rolls and coffee. Celebrated annually on October 23 (10/23) from 6:02 a.m. to 6:02 p.m., Mole Day commemorates Avogadro's Number (6.02 x 10^23), which is a basic measuring unit in chemistry. Mole Day was created as a way to foster interest in chemistry. Schools throughout the United States and around the world celebrate Mole Day with various activities related to chemistry and/or moles.

For a given molecule, one mole is a mass (in grams) whose number is equal to the atomic mass of the molecule. For example, the water molecule has an atomic mass of 18, therefore one mole of water weighs 18 grams. In general, one mole of any substance contains Avogadro's Number of molecules or atoms of that substance. This relationship was first discovered by Amadeo Avogadro (1776-1858) and he received credit for this after his death.

International Dinner November 3rd

Northern's Students in Free Enterprise will be presenting their 14th annual International Dinner on Tuesday, November 3rd from 5-7 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. This is your chance to enjoy delicious Cuisine from around the Globe, including a whole roasted pig. They will also have a special speaker from the U.S. Border Patrol and live bagpipe music. Tickets are available from Lanny Wilke at 265-4165 or Barb Zuck at 265-4175. They cost \$8.00/adults or \$10/door \$5/children 6-13 children under 6 are free.

Energy Saving Tip #9

When possible, replace your incandescent lamps with smaller fluorescent lamps. In addition to saving electricity they will also last longer.

Upcoming Events

Oct. 23

Biodiesel Workshop: Safety & Hazmat Training

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Skylights Volleyball vs. Westminster College

Oct. 24

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Lights Football @ University of Montana-Western

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Skylights Volleyball vs. Lewis-Clark State College

Oct.26

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM Intramural Volleyball Tournament

Oct. 27

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Employer Recruiting Visit: Modern
Machinery

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Student Senate Meeting

> 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Wall Climbing

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM Intramural Volleyball Tournament HazMat & Safety Workshop



MSU-Northern's Bio-Energy Center's offered a free workshop designed to give participants an introduction to hazardous materials handling for oil and fuels. This workshop was free of charge and open to all members of the general public. Workshop participants received OSHA & EPA HazMat Awareness Certification!

Grant Writing Workshop

Strategic Grant Development Workshop will be held at the University of Montana, Missoula, November - 16 - 18, 2009. Learn from the experts how to prepare, write and secure proposals from various funding agencies.

With the 2009 Economic Stimulus Package, comes new opportunities for your institution to receive funding. Doing so requires proper strategy and knowledge which will be demonstrated in this interactive workshop. Space is limited so seating is available on a first-come first-serve basis.

To register online, go to http://www.isfdsonline.com or for more information please call (877) 414-8991or by emailing info@isfdonline.com with your basic information to reserve seating. Additional discounts are available for groups that would like to participate in this interactive workshop.

Oct. 28

1:30 PM - 5:00 PM Employer Recruiting Visit: Modern Machinery

> 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Wii Competition

Oct. 29

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM 3 on 3 Basketball Meeting

> 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Chi Alpha Meeting

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Skylights Volleyball @ Carroll College

7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Northern Showcase Presents: Dennis Stroughmatt

Oct. 30

3 on 3 Basketball Rosters Due

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Halloween Fun Run

5:30 PM IOC Community Halloween

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Skylights Basketball vs. Azusa Pacific University

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Skylights Volleyball @ Rocky Mountain College

7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Lights Wrestling @ North Idaho College

Oct. 31

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Lights Football vs. Eastern Oregon University

Correction

It is Sarah Griffith not "Griffin" as reported in last weeks NNN. Sorry for the mistake.

Alumni Games



Last Saturday alumni from all over came back to campus to play Northern's existing teams. It was a lot of fun for everyone involved and some of the "old timers" were able to show they still had it. The Hall of Fame awards were given at the half of the Lights basketball game.

New Campus Nurse



Jamie Smith is the new Director of Student Health/Employee Wellness. She has over 12 years of experience as a registered nurse. Jamie is a former graduate of the MSUN Nursing program and has worked for the

Northern Montana Hospital and the Hill County Health Dept. Jamie's office hours, starting on November 2, will be 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Flu Shot Clinic

There will be a flu shot clinic on Oct. 27th from 3-5 p.m. over at the gym conference room. They will have some pediatric doses for ages 6-36 months and some for four years and up for people with children that need to be vaccinated.

NORTHERN SHOWCASE BRINGS CREOLE MUSIC TO HAVRE

Dennis Stroughmatt Trio et l'Exprit Creole (French Creole music & culture from Old Upper Louisiana) will be in concert on October 29, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the HHS Auditorium

Hidden away in the Missouri Ozarks is a language and culture that has been studied by just a few scholars. Their songs, recorded on wax cylinders by song catchers decades ago and thought to have been lost forever, are still alive today in sleepy little towns with names like Old Mines. Potosi and Sainte Genevieve. The French frontier of North America, described simply in today's history books as the Louisiana Purchase, began in the late 1600's. Fast forward to the late twentieth century, when a young college student named Dennis Stroughmatt sought out this living history, and was embraced as one of their own by the Creole people he met. With his great grandfather's fiddle in hand (though he didn't know very well how to play), Dennis spent every free moment immersed in learning the old French language, the heritage and customs, and the oral traditions of these private people. Resurrecting this music, Dennis is joined by two musicians with Creole ancestry, Jennifer Stroughmatt and Rob Krumm, to bring this music to audiences across the continent, in a band that keeps alive the Creole Spirit.

This is the second performance of the Northern Showcase Concert Association Series and will be held on October 29th at 7:30pm in the Havre High School Auditorium. Series tickets will be available for this performance as well as individual tickets.

Series: Adult \$55, Student \$30 and Family \$115 Individual: Adult \$15 and Student \$10 For more information on this performance: www.creolefiddle.com

Northern Showcase website:

www.msun.edu/stuaffairs/stuactivities/showcase.htm

HALLOWEEN FUN RUN SCHEDULED

The ASMSUN Intramural/Recreation committee is scheduling a 1 mi Fun Run on October 30th at 5 p.m. Come dressed up in your favorite Halloween costume and take a jog around the campus. Free t-shirts will be given to those who participate.

HALLOWEEN COMMUNITY DINNER/PARTY

The Associated Students of Montana State University-Northern will be hosting a Community Halloween Party for all area children on October 30th in the SUB Dining Hall from 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. MSU-Northern's clubs and organizations will provide ghoulish games, Halloween treats, Face Painting, cookie decorating, a pinata and much more.....

All witches, warlocks, ghouls and goblins are invited to attend the campus Halloween Dinner in the SUB Dining Hall on Friday, October 30th from

4:30-6:45 p.m. MSU-Northern students can come dressed in their favorite costume and your admission will be free. Children under 6 will be admitted free of charge and all others will pay a small fee of \$7.00 for a Spooky Dinner.

Menu items are:
WITCHES STEW (BEEF STEW)
BAT WINGS (CHICKEN DRUMMIES)
EYE BALLS (MEAT BALLS)
BRAINS (BUTTERED NOODLES)
WEEDS (SPINACH)
DINNER ROLL W/ BUTTER
SALAD AND CONDIMENT BAR
CARMEL APPLES
CUPCAKES

Fire Sprinkler System Upgrade

Northern received a grant for \$47,467 from the State Risk Management Office to update our current fire sprinkler system in the SUB, Food Services and Brockmann Center.

October is National Cyber Security Awareness Month

This week's tip: Don't Accept Offers of "Free PC Scans" That Pop up When You Use the Internet

Secure Computers LLC paid a \$1,000,000 fine for offering "free spyware scans" that told users their systems had been infected with spyware, even if the system was clean. They are not the only ones doing this - when you surf the Web you are still likely to see pop-up windows like that. Some "scans" don't just give misleading results: they actually try to install malware on your PC. Often the screen pop-ups only have a "scan" button and no "cancel" or "quit" option. In fact they could interfere with your PC no matter which of the buttons you choose. Be safe: close pop-ups like this by clicking on the X in the very top right corner of the browser window. And be sure your browser's pop-blocker is turned on! (In IE: Tools -> Internet Options -> Privacy; in Firefox: Tools -> Options -> Content)

ADVANCE REGISTRATION FOR SPRING SEMESTER 2010

Registration for Spring Semester 2010 opened on Oct. 21. There will be a slight delay in the registration process while the Banner computer system is being upgraded. Please look at the following schedule for the time that applies to you.

GRADUATE STUDENTS MAY REGISTER AT ANY TIME

SENIORS (Earned 90 credits or more)
JUNIORS (Earned 60-89 credits)
SOPHOMORES (Earned 30-59 credits)
FRESHMEN (Earned 0-29 credits)
NEW STUDENTS
Wed, Oct 21 8:00 a.m.
Thurs, Oct 22 8:00 a.m.
Tues, Oct 28 8:00 a.m.
Wed, Oct 29 8:00 a.m.

These are just the start times. They are designed to give upper classman the first choice on their required courses. You can register anytime after the above date. Students are encouraged to register ASAP to ensure they get the courses they need. Your class standing does not include the credits you earned Fall Semester 2009.

Banner System Get Upgrade

All Banner systems will be unavailable (MyInfo, WebReports, Online tuition payments, MSTR, PG7TST, PG8TST) from Thursday 11:59 p.m. Oct 22nd through Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Oct. 27th in order to complete the upgrade to

Banner 8.

New MyInfo PIN Required

When the Banner 8 upgrade goes into effect on October 27th, all MyInfo PINs will be expired. Users will need to change their PINs the next time they log into MyInfo.

New MyInfo PINs must be: Between 8 and 15 characters long Contain at least one letter (a-z, A-Z) Contain at least one number (0-9) and can contain (NOT required): \$,*,%,@,#, & Keep in mind the new PINs are case sensitive (upper case, lower case letters).

MyInfo users will also be required to set up two security questions. The security questions exist so that users will have the ability to reset their own MyInfo PINs by clicking the "Forgot PIN?" button rather than have to contact the Registrar's office or HR. If you still have questions or need help with passwords, please stop by the ITS Helpdesk in Cowan Hall 117B or call 265-3765.

Annual Halloween Chili Feed

On Friday, October 30, 2009, Business Services will be hosting their annual Halloween Chili Lunch for the campus. From 11 am - 1 p.m. they will be serving a special super-secret recipe chili, homemade corn bread, apple cider, and delicious desserts. All staff and students are invited and welcome.

Unnecessary Farce - Now Running



This comedy by Paul Slade Smith and directed by Audrey Barger is about two cops, three cooks and eight doors. The show opens next week and will run October 22-24 and 29-31. All shows begin at 8:00 p.m. Doors and bar open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the door \$10/Adults \$8/Seniors and Students. MSUN Students are free with a current student ID. Play contains some adult language and humor.

Employers to Visit Campus

Modern Machinery will host a General Information Session on Tuesday, October 27th from 11:30 - 1:00, lunch will be provided. They will begin interviewing students at 1:30, continuing through Wednesday, October 28th. They are interviewing for Summer Cooperative Education positions.

Interviews will be held in Brockmann Center 104. While their current schedule is full, students may sign up on the waiting list and we will do our best to get everyone interviews.

All interview schedules are posted on CareerExpress at www.msun.edu/stuaffairs/career or call the Career Center at 265-3708.

Computer Corner

Microsoft Office Recently Used File List value

By Marianne Hoppe

Office 2007 finally loosened up the old restriction of 9 documents in "Recently Used" lists, and you can set those apps to list as many as 50 of your most recently used files. The option is a little hard to find though:

- 1. Click the Office button and select the **Options** button in the lower right (in Word it will be "Word Options", in Excel it's "Excel Options", etc).
- 2. Select **Advanced** in the left pane.
- Scroll down to the Display section and enter the setting you want for Show This Number Of Recent Documents.
- 4. Click OK.

Tidbits

By: Bill Lanier

This weekend the Northern football team travels to Dillon for a conference football game. Did you know that Western's Athletic Director, Mark Durham is a Northern Alumnus? Mark graduated from Northern with a master's degree in 1992.

For you UFC (Ultimate Fighting Championship) fans. This weekend at UFC 104 will have a Northern connection. Former Northern wrestler, Chase Gormley, is scheduled to fight in one of the preliminary fights. Chase is currently 6-0 in the UFC.

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