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This Week on Campus

MSU-Northern Alum Helps GE Prepare for Obama Visit



As President Barack Obama prepared to speak at a General Electric (GE) plant in Waukesha, Wisconsin, Todd Sellner, an MSU-Northern diesel alumnus who works for GE, helped prepare for the President's visit. During President Obama's visit, he addressed hundreds of workers at GE's Gas Engine Plant in Waukesha. President Obama says Wisconsin is a model for the nation when it comes to training workers for highly skilled manufacturing jobs. It's quite inspiring for us in Montana to see a Northern graduate taking part in preparations for such a notable event. Great job Todd Sellner! You make Northern proud.

For the complete story on the President's speech in Waukesha, visit:

<http://fox6now.com/2014/01/30/pres-obama-visits-ges-gas-engine-plant-in-waukesha/>

MSU-Northern Alum Named to State Boards

Last Friday, Governor Steve Bullock announced that Northern alumna Brenda Gardipee of Box Elder, has been named to the Montana Youth Justice Advisory Council. The council was established in 1972 in order to examine existing juvenile legislation and juvenile correctional facilities, and to propose revisions in the law.

Gardipee is becoming part of The Montana Board of Crime Control (MBCC). According to the montana.gov website, "The MBCC serves to improve the juvenile justice system through planning, research and development of statewide juvenile justice programs under the Montana Youth Court Act, federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002 (the Act) and related federal regulations and guidelines developed by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention."

As the human service division director of the Chippewa Cree tribe, Gardipee will be a wonderful addition to the council, and we expect great things from this Northern alum. Way to go Brenda Gardipee. You make Northern proud.

Northern Prepares to Host 2014 Career Fair

The Montana State University-Northern Spring 2014 Career Fair is set for Tuesday, February 11 and will be held in the MSU-Northern SUB Ballroom from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The Career Fair is open to registered employers, all currently enrolled MSU-Northern students, and alumni seeking various job opportunities. There will be employers interested in students from every academic program offered at MSU-Northern. This event will give Northern students and alumni the chance to meet with employers from all over the United States.

MSU-Northern has hosted two career fair events every academic year since the spring of 2010. With more attention towards degrees like criminal justice, the Career Center is seeing an increase in the number of employers and students attending. The Spring Career Fair is closed to employer registration now with 32 employers registered. This is the highest registration of employer participants to date.

"We were busting at the seams in the SUB Ballroom last fall with 26 employers and all the students, now we will really be crammed in that space!" says Mary Heller, Director of the Career Center. "I know it will be packed but I really did not like the idea of turning any employers away because all of our students need this experience. I think I might have to move it to the Armory Gym next year, though." Heller added.

Every Career Fair, employers have an opportunity to become the one Gold Sponsor of the event. The higher registration cost entitles them to receive a larger front table set-up at the fair, a full page color ad in the Student Guide and some advertising perks on and off campus. The Spring 2014 Career Fair Gold Sponsor is Butler Machinery Company from North Dakota. Heller stated that Butler will be sharing the event with employers from as far away as Alaska and Texas.

All currently enrolled MSU-N students and alumni are welcome to attend the event and possibly sign up for on-campus interviews. They will need to have a profile on the University's on-line career system called CareerExpress and are encouraged to register early for the fair on that site.

For more information please contact the Career Center at 265-4198 or visit <http://www.msun.edu/career/>

Northern Student Focuses on Success



Caralee Fortin is a senior in Northern's Diesel Technology: Equipment Management option. Fortin has had an unusual path to her impending degree: a high school drop-out at 16 in 1992, she received her GED in 2010 and began school that fall. In the intervening years between high school and her GED, she became the mother of two boys, Brendan and Brayden, who are the light of her life and her inspiration and motivation to achieve her career goals. When asked what pushed her to return to school after such a hiatus, she said, "Your failures are what drive you to success. I'm not going to let my failures define me as a person; I am going to rise above them." Fortin will tell you that she is going to succeed so her boys will also want to further their education and achieve success. Contributing to Fortin's success was her involvement in Student Support Services, a TRIO program. "Student Support Services provided a learning environment that promoted my success as a student, but also gave me a place where I could feel comfortable to pursue my career goals." Caralee is on track to graduate with honors this spring. Keep up the good work Caralee, You make Northern Proud.

Suggest a Speaker for 2014-2015 MSU-N Chancellor's Lecture Series

Do you know of a speaker who will energize and inspire the audience? Do you know of a speaker who will spark a spirited discussion, provide useful information or influence opinions? Do you know of a speaker that has a talent in drama, music, poetry, literature or art? Do you know of an innovative thinker, political leader, business professional or respected author? If so, we would like to hear from you! To suggest a speaker for the 2014-2015 MSU-Northern Chancellor's Lecture Series, please complete the Nomination Form, available on the Chancellor's Lecture Series webpage:

<http://msun.edu/news/calendar/events2013/ChancellorSeries.aspx>.

If you have questions, please contact a committee member: Debra Bradley, Virginia Braithwaite, Denise Brewer, Rod Ridenour, Carol Reifschneider, Fred Smiley, Joel Soiseth or Barb Zuck.

Required Training for Faculty and Staff



All faculty and staff are required to take Bloodborne Pathogen (BBP) and Active Shooter on Campus training. Two time slots for the training will be available next week, during which participants will be given the opportunity to take both sessions. The BBP session involves viewing a DVD that takes approximately 15 minutes followed by a short quiz. The Active Shooter on Campus training will begin directly after the BBP session and involves viewing a 25 minute DVD followed by a short quiz. The Active Shooter on Campus training is part of the ongoing preparation that the Safety and Disaster Committee has initiated to help prepare the campus for emergency situations.

Monday February 10 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon

Thursday February 13 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

We are requesting that arrangements be made so all faculty and staff can attend one of these sessions. Thanks for your help.

Important Announcements

SIGN UP FOR INT/REC COED VOLLEYBALL

Get your volleyball teams together for the Spring Coed Volleyball league that begins on February the 10th at 8 p.m. in the Gym. Teams must consist of 3 men and 3 women with only one former or current collegiate student (who has played in the last two years) on each team. Rosters are due February the 7th at 5 p.m. at the SUB Information Desk. Games will be held every Monday and Tuesday night from February 10-February 25. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team during the tournament to be held on March 3-4.

Get Your Graduation Garb

It is that time again. We are gearing up for graduation. If any of you need to order regalia for graduation, please let Sue Solomon (in the MSUN Bookstore) know no later than March 10, 2014.

She will need the following information:

For master's or doctorate (these are rentals), Prices are approximately \$60.00-70.00

Information needed: degree, school, height, and weight

For bachelor's or associate's (these are class keepers) price is \$35.00

Information needed: degree, height, and weight

Upcoming Events

Barefoot in the Park - Feb 7-8, 13-15



MAT has outdone themselves with their production of BAREFOOT IN THE PARK. The show is packed with some of the best acting and directing in town. Here's the list of characters and the actors portraying each:

Corie Bratter - Mary Kaercher
Paul Bratter - Ty Hedalen
Ethel Banks (Corie's Mother) - Pam Veis
Victor Velasco - Mike Zook
Harry Pepper (Telephone Man) - Shawn Reichle
Delivery Man - Martin Holt

Opposites attract when Corie and Paul Bratter are newlywed. He's a straight-as-an-arrow lawyer and she's a free spirit always looking for the latest kick. For their first home, they live in an apartment on the top floor of a brownstone in New York City. During the course of four days, the pair learns to live as a "couple" while facing the usual daily ups-and-downs. He's too staid, too boring and she just wants him to be a little more spontaneous: running "barefoot in the park" would be a start...

Tickets will be \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors, and MSUN students get in free with their I.D.s. The play will be showing in the MAT/MSUN Theater on February 7-8, February 13-15.

Spirit Night Schedule

Feb. 7 Basketball Gold Night

Feb 8 Basketball Think Pink Night

Feb. 12 Wrestling Maroon Night

Feb. 20 Basketball Black Out

Feb. 21 Basketball 80's Night

Chi Alpha Hangout Events

Chi Alpha (XA) is a non-denominational Christian group on campus. XA meets every Thursday in the former "Red Room" (now dubbed the "Cocoa Room" for its lovely new carpet) in Morgan Hall at 7 p.m., and everyone is invited. After every meeting, there's a different activity. Here is the next after-XA-event (generally beginning at 8 p.m.):

February 13: the "Not-So-Newlywed Game" featuring some familiar faces from around the campus



We Love
Northern Ball
Barn Dance Style
February 15, 2014

The 28th annual
We Love Northern Ball is
"going country" with a
prime rib dinner
and dancing in
the Armory Gymnasium.

Dress up or wear your
favorite jeans, boots,
and bling.

*Friday, February the 7th will be your last day to purchase tickets.
So call today at 265-3720 and reserve your place
at this exciting fundraising event!*

The Ball Committee would like to thank
the following sponsors for their support:

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The Doyle Brothers Concert - Feb. 18

The MSUN Program Council is bringing in The Doyle Brothers, February the 18th at 7 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. Tickets will be available at the door for \$5/adults and \$3/students. MSUN students, faculty and staff are admitted free of charge.

For Todd and Ryan Doyle, family is everything. It can define who you are. It can create intuitive bonds through shared experiences. It can drive you crazy, but it always brings you home. And this is the absolute core of the Doyle Brothers.

Having been lovingly described as "young guys doing old songs in a new way," the duo stems from a rich musical heritage that was inescapable. During their formative years, their house was constantly filled with influences coming from record or tape collections, radio stations or just fooling around singing. The vocalizing may have come naturally, but it wasn't until they were in their late teens that their efforts to play in a group came to fruition.

Their 10-plus year tenure has brought them the opportunity to share the main stage of the Hard Rock Calling Festival with Sir Paul McCartney, Elvis Costello, Crosby, Stills & Nash, Crowded House, Stevie Wonder, Pearl Jam, Corinne Bailey Rae, The Gaslight Anthem and more. Don't miss out on this amazing duo! Come out to see the Doyle Brothers.

For more information contact Denise Brewer at: 265-3732

Chili Feed Fundraiser for Bob and Vicki Hayes

There will be a free will donation chili feed for Bob and Vicki Hayes on Sunday, February the 23rd at the Eagles Club from 12 noon -3 p.m. The money raised at this event will help defray Bob's medical expenses. Vicki Hayes is a dedicated faculty member and a wonderfully upbeat and loving person. Please don't hesitate to attend this event to bless Vicki and her husband Bob during this trying time of their lives.

Presentations on Harassment and Sexual Assault - Feb. 25

The first informative presentation on sexual harassment was a success with a solid attendance of several students including the men's basketball team and various faculty and staff members including the basketball coach.

As a follow-up to the first speech, there will be a presentation by Ryan Pearson (Havre Police Department Officer) on sexual assault, Tuesday February 25, 2014 at 7 p.m. in Morgan Hall. The Residence Life staff is co-sponsoring these presentations, as they feel the information is invaluable and relevant.

Weekly Articles

This week in Athletics

By Laramie Schwenke

The Lights basketball team swept two road games last weekend beating the University of Great Falls 54-50 and Lewis-Clark State College 78-71. The Lights are tied for first place in the Frontier Conference standings with a record of 7-3, as their overall record is 19-5. In the latest NAIA National Poll the Lights entered back into the rankings at #23. The Lights will play Montana Tech Friday night and Lewis-Clark State College Saturday night. Tipoff times are set for 8 p.m. both nights in the Armory.

The Skylights basketball team split on the road last weekend as they beat the University of Great Falls 52-51 and lost to #13 nationally ranked Lewis-Clark State College 80-68. The Skylights are currently in third place of the Frontier Conference standings with a record of 7-3 and an overall record of 17-5. In the latest NAIA National Poll, the Skylights fell two spots to #19. The Skylights will play Montana Tech Friday night and Lewis-Clark State College Saturday in the Armory. Tipoff times are set for 6 p.m. both nights.

The Lights wrestling team beat Embry-Riddle in a dual 36-17, last weekend in Havre. The Lights had six individuals come away with victories in their respective weight class. Next up for the Lights is a dual against the University of Great Falls on Wednesday, February 12. The senior Light wrestlers will be honored before the dual. First match is set for 7:30 p.m. in the Armory.

The Computer Corner

By Marianne Hoppe

Outlook/Word 2013 tip Turning off Read Mode

In Outlook 2013 when you double-click on a DOC or DOCX file that is attached to an email message, Word pops up in "Read Mode" (it's also rather confusingly called "Reading View"). This might work for you if you are using a touch device, but with regular computers documents often don't display correctly.

To have these types of documents open as regular editable Word documents:

1. Open Word,
2. Click **File**,
3. Click **Options**,
4. With **General** selected in the left-hand column, look near the bottom on the right-hand side and **uncheck** the box that says "Open e-mail attachments and other uneditable files in Reading View."
5. Click **OK**.
6. Restart Word.

From the Career Center

By Mary Heller

How to Prepare for the Career Fair - Part 2

The Career Fair is coming! All current attending students and alumni should attend the fair. This is not only an excellent place to find a job, but also an opportunity to network, learn about possible cooperative education placement and explore a variety of industries. Maybe you are a student who has yet to find a field of study you really enjoy. This is your chance to talk with a variety of employers and get an idea what the possibilities are. You may be a student who is preparing to graduate but aren't sure if your degree will fit with certain employers. This day can provide you with opportunities to discuss where you may fit in with a company in an informal setting.

Last week we talked about CareerExpress, resumes, and how to dress for the fair. Here are a few more recommendations to help you prepare for the Career Fair.

* What do you say to recruiters?

What possible employer would want to talk to the Grinch? The first rule of thumb is to smile! Second, is make eye contact and give them a firm (but not too hard) handshake as you introduce yourself. During that introduction of your name while shaking their hand, ask, "What types of positions do you have for a graduate in Business and Ag Operations Technology with interests in marketing and public relations?" (or whatever fits your field of study and interests) That will get the conversation flowing. If you're still unsure, you can also say, "Hi, I'm Jane Doe. I was wondering what types of positions you may have in your company for someone who is majoring in Community Leadership and Health Promotion?" Some of these companies are very large and, while they may appear to only be interested in Diesel Technology, someone has to run their Human Resources or Marketing departments. You never know where you may fit in, so find out at the Career Fair!

*** Should you do some research beforehand?**

In a word: YES! The Career Center will post all of the employers attending the event on CareerExpress. All you have to do is go to the employer webpage to begin researching them so you are prepared for more questions while standing at their table.

*** Still unsure?**

At the very least, visit with them about their company and get some business cards. You just never know when those contacts may come in handy in your future!

Please contact the Career Center for more information at 265-4198 or stop in 213 Cowan Hall to talk with Jennifer Henderson or Mary Heller.

From Your Learning Success Center

By Ligia Arango

Online Learning Tips

- Establish a regular learning schedule, and keep it. Have a calendar with all the due dates for assignments, papers and tests.
- Pace yourself. Start an online or a paper folder to keep your assignments, check it every week to make sure you are not falling behind.
- Have a dedicated study place that is clean and quiet with no distractions.
- Talk about your online courses to friends and/or co-workers. This will help you make the class more real. Get a mentor that can help you with your goals and can encourage you if you start to lose heart.
- Set a goal: "I will succeed." Write it on a piece of masking tape and tape it somewhere you are forced to see it every day.
- In short, don't sabotage your own success. Being organized will take you half-way down the road to success with online classes.

Remember there is online tutoring at the Learning Success Center. learningsuccesscenter@msun.edu or 265-4133.

@ Your Library

By Vicki Gist

Are you looking for information regarding a business or doing research on a business topic? The library has several databases and many print and electronic books to assist you with your research. A good place to start your search is with the Business Resources LibGuide (<http://libguides.msun.edu/business>). In this guide you will find recommended databases for locating articles on business topics, print and electronic books, statistics, legal information, and company and stock information.

If you are an investor, do check out the information that can be found in "Standard and Poor's NetAdvantage," "Business Insights: Essentials," and the "Wall Street Journal." These databases include information that can be a good complement to that found in online sources such as Yahoo Finance, CNNMoney, and others.

Don't forget that you can search the databases from home-simply type your NetID username and password into the MSU-Library-Login box. If you would like assistance with these databases or any others, stop by or call the library staff. We are here to help.

A Pinch of Salt

By Kimmi Boyce

Olympic Events

Do you know what all the Olympic events are? Do you really know the "luge" event includes? Well here's a list of some of the lesser known events and a description of what the athletes will be doing in each sport.

Biathlon: This event includes country skiing and rifle-shooting. At each stop the competitors have five bullets and five targets. They must take penalty meters if they miss their marks.

Curling: This game is related to shuffleboard. The players aim and send polished rounded granite stones sliding down the ice (curling sheet) towards four target areas (known as the "house"). Athletes aim for the middle of the "house."

Freestyle skiing: This competition includes aerials, moguls, ski cross, ski half-pipe, and slope style. Moguls are areas with lots of bumps wherein athletes must make tight turns.

Luge: This event includes a one or two person lightweight sled on which athletes careen downhill feet first. Of all the sledding events, luge is the most dangerous, with athletes sometimes achieving speeds of 87 mph. The track includes banked, curved-in areas for high speed turns.

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