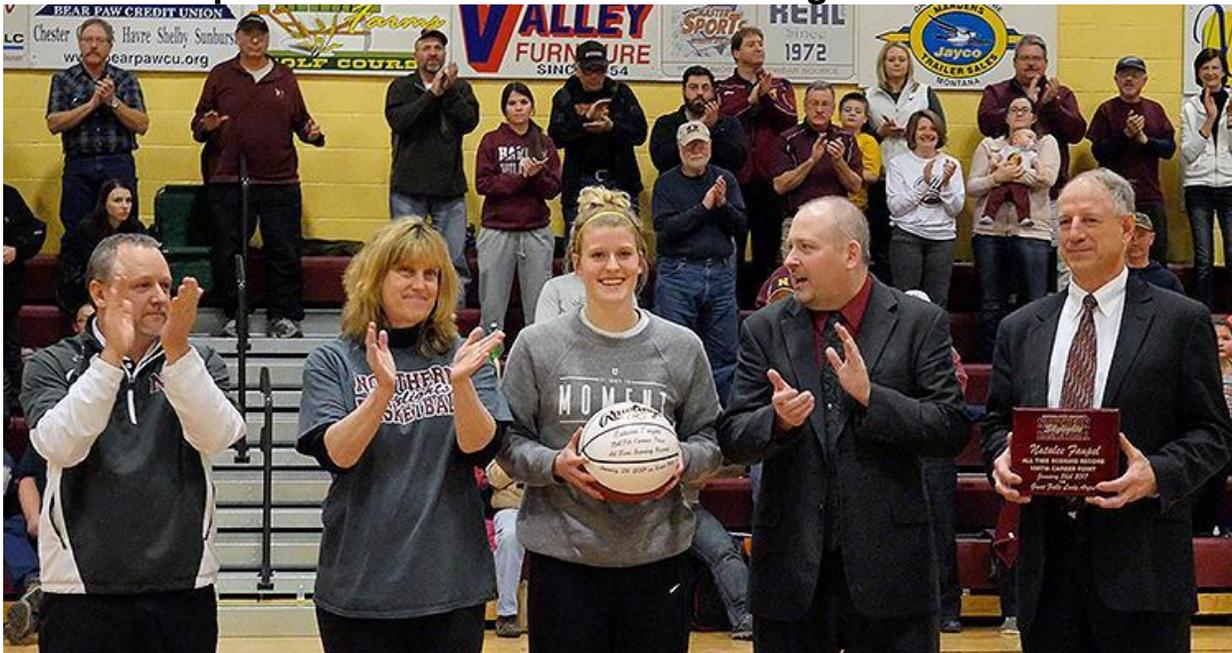


This Past Week

Natalee Faupel Becomes New All-time Leading Scorer



Heading into last night's game against UGF, Skylight senior Natalee Faupel was a single point behind Jodi Kruta for second on the Skylight all-time career scoring list. Last night, she surpassed not only Jodi Kruta, but she also broke Shiela Green's 25-year record of 1566 points. Faupel is now the new all-time leading scorer and there are still many games left in the season.

Last night, during the half time of the men's basketball game Natalee Faupel was presented with a basketball and plaque commemorating her accomplishment. Presenting the ball was Athletic Director Christian Oberquell, her mother, Cheri, Skylight basketball coach Chris Mouat, and MSU-Northern Chancellor Greg Kegel.

During her career, Natalee has received countless honors and has helped lead the Skylights to three straight NAIA National Tournaments. She has won eleven Frontier Player of the Week Awards and has earned Academic All-Conference honors three times. She has also been a First Team All-Frontier selection twice, and was last year's Frontier Conference Most Valuable Player. She was also a WBCA and NAIA First Team All-American.

Natalee now stands alone as the all-time leading scorer in Skylight history. Congratulations, Natalee, you make Northern proud!

Northern Partakes in National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week

This past week, several MSU-Northern staff and faculty members, and representatives from the Hill County Health Department organized a week of events to increase awareness of prescription drug abuse for the campus and the greater community. The following activities were part of that week:

"Bitter Pill" Art Exhibition



Monday night, Renee Nelson, an intelligence research specialist with the Drug Enforcement Agency's pharmaceutical diversion in Billings and the curator of the traveling art exhibit entitled "Bitter Pill: Montana Lives Affected By RX Abuse," This show is a traveling art exhibit featuring more than 30 pieces by professional and amateur artists. It documents experiences and views on prescription and opiate drug addiction and recovery. It is meant to raise discussion about the issues of prescription drug and opioid addiction. This unique display of art will be on display in the Vande Bogart Library through Sunday.

Documentary & Discussion: "Chasing the Dragon"

On Tuesday MSUN students and staff and community members attended the showing of a documentary put out by the FBI and the DEA to raise awareness of opioid abuse and the downward spiral often caused by addiction. This documentary gave a face to the horrific effects of opiate addiction. Following the film, attendees discussed the difficulties in confronting friends and family members along with how to safeguard their homes. Pharmacist, Dominique Preputin, reminded the audience of "Take Back" programs, where pharmacies and the police station provide receptacles for consumers to properly dispose of their unused or leftover medications. Use the link below to view the documentary.

<https://www.fbi.gov/video-repository/newss-chasing-the-dragon-the-life-of-an-opiate-addict/view>

Prescription Drug Abuse in Hill County



On Wednesday, CJ Reichelt, Team Leader for the Tri-Agency Drug Taskforce & Audrey Barger, Judge of the Hill County Drug Court discussed the impact of prescription drug abuse in our community. Sgt. Reichelt shared information about actual pharmaceutical drug cases he has worked in Hill County and addressed many questions from the audience. Judge Barger had seven volunteers from the audience represent seven different scenarios of actual drug abuse. Each scenario started with a different set of problems. By the time they were done most ended up in jail, homeless and/or without a job. Most of the problems started out with a simple drink or pill just to calm their nerves, and before long, they had lost everything. This was one of the most graphic, yet tragic reminders of how things can go horribly wrong when people make the wrong choices.

Panel Discussion

Last night, representatives from health care, addiction treatment services, law enforcement, the judicial system, reservation communities, along with community members in recovery addressed MSUN and the greater Hill County community in a discussion about prescription drug abuse.

Questions about these events contact, Sherry Kegel, Student Health Services Director (sherry.kegel@msun.edu), Cristina Estrada-Underwood, Director of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (c.estrada-underwood@msun.edu) or Amber Spring, Counselor (amber.spring@msun.edu).

First Chancellor's Lecture of the Semester "Diamonds for Dummies"



This past Tuesday night in the Hensler Auditorium, gemologist and owner of Heirloom Jewelers in Havre, Jan Leibel, discussed "everything you wanted to know about diamonds but were afraid to ask." Most people think of diamonds as 'white or clear, but diamonds come in many colors. Leibel shared some the various characteristics of diamonds and she had several samples of diamonds and gemstones available for people to view.

Speech and Drama Debate Competitions Continue

Last Saturday, Havre High School hosted the Class A Eastern Division Speech, Debate and Drama Tournament on the campus of MSU-Northern. This weekend Chinook High School is hosting the Montana Class B-C State Speech-Debate-Drama Tournament on the Northern campus. There will be more than 500 high school students on the campus today and tomorrow. Please be sure to welcome them to our campus.

Northern Hosts OneMSU Suicide Prevention and Student Mental Health Meeting

In the spring of 2015, at the request of the Commissioner of Higher Education and the Montana Board of Regents, the Suicide Prevention and Student Mental Health Task Force was formed to assess student mental health services and suicide prevention efforts throughout the Montana University System (MUS) and make recommendations for improvement.

The Task Force consisted of 24 diverse members representing MUS and community colleges. They developed three objectives:

1. Develop and host a statewide summit on suicide prevention
2. Conduct assessments of current practices and policies and recommend changes and improvements
3. Develop best practices and common training approaches that can be shared and followed by campuses

MSU President Waded Cruzado wants the MSU campuses to not only meet the taskforce objectives but to make recommendations that will exceed basic expectations. To accomplish this, Cruzado sent MSU-Bozeman's Vice President, Dr. Chris Kearns, Dean of Students, Matt Caires, and their Director of Counseling and Psychological Services, Elizabeth Asserson to meet with members of MSU-Great Falls, MSU-Billings and MSU-Northern to discuss and develop an OneMSU plan to implement the recommendations from the task force on the MSU campuses.

On January 12th, the representatives from Bozeman met with members from the Northern campus. The discussion centered around Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Training, Clinical Services, Behavioral Intervention Teams, Lethal Means Restrictions and Postvention. The goal is for members of each campus to work on a template to gather information from each campus and make recommendations to OCHE in the form of a OneMUS report/recommendation.

Important Announcements

2017-2018 Scholarship Applications Deadline is January 27th

Attention all continuing students: Your last day to apply for Northern scholarships is TODAY, January 27 by 5:00 p.m. You can apply online by logging into Banner Web-MyInfo. Last year we awarded \$220,000 in continuing student scholarships. Please contact the Financial Aid Office, at 406-265-3787, with any questions. Don't miss this opportunity to earn scholarships for all your achievements!

IMPORTANT DATES For Spring Semester 2017

Financial Aid Refunds: Direct Deposits will be processed on Monday, January 23rd and deposited on Thursday, January 26th Checks will be processed on Tuesday, January 24th and mailed out Wednesday, January 25th All Refunds will be processed weekly thereafter

Last Day to Drop a Class with a "W"..... Wednesday, March 22nd

Deferred Installment Payment Schedule:(\$30 processing fee is added)

- * 50% of total fees due: Friday, February 3rd
- * 75% of total fees due: Friday, March 3rd
- * 100% of total fees due: Friday, April 7th

Last Day to Waive Student Health Insurance: January 31st, 2017 - NO EXCEPTIONS

Order Your Graduation Cap and Gown

Are you graduating May 2017? The Bookstore now has order forms available for your cap, gown, and tassel packages. Order before March 10, 2017, to avoid a \$5 rush fee. You may also order through www.jostens.com. If you are graduating with your Master's, the online ordering will not be available through Jostens.com. Announcements are available for purchase in the store or you may customize them through Jostens.com. Click Here to download your order form.

Jump Start Your FAFSA - Before Feb. 10

More good news! The 2017-2018 FAFSA is now available. Starting this year, you can now use your prior year's completed taxes. When filling out the FAFSA, use 2015 tax information. Get a jump start on FAFSA and financial aid by applying now. Be stress-free and apply today! The link to the FAFSA is: <https://fafsa.ed.gov/> Priority deadline is February 10, 2016. If you have questions, contact the financial aid office at 406-265-3787 or finaid@msun.edu.

Upcoming Activities

12 Angry Women - Jan 26, 28 and Feb. 3

12 Angry Men - Jan. 27, Feb. 2, and Feb. 4



A 19-year-old man has just stood trial for the fatal stabbing of his father. "He doesn't stand a chance," mutters the guard as the 12 jurors go into the bleak jury room. It looks like an open-and-shut case. Until one of the jurors begins opening the others' eyes to the facts. "This is a remarkable thing about democracy," says the foreign-born juror, "that we are notified by mail to come down to this place and decide on the guilt or innocence of a person; of a man or woman we have not known before. We have nothing to gain or lose by our verdict. We should not make it a personal thing." But personal it is, with each juror revealing his or her own character as the various testimonies are re-examined, the murder is re-enacted and a new murder threat is born before their eyes! Tempers get short, arguments grow heated, and the jurors become 12 angry men/women.

This show has two casts... A cast of women and a cast of men so please note which dates have the cast you want to see. Tickets are; \$15/Adults, \$10/Students/Seniors/ Military and MSUN Students are Free with valid ID. Evening shows begin at 8:00 p.m. Doors and Backstage Lounge open one half hour before show begins.

Little River Institute Presents:

American Indian Education Presentations - Feb. 1

The Little River Institute invites you to a presentation on Montana's diverse American Indian Tribes and Cultures including a discussion of the seven Essential Understandings for all Montanans which are embedded in our state's Indian Education for All (IEFA) Act (MCA 20-1-501) on Wednesday, February 1st. Mike Jetty and Stephen Morsette, Indian Education Specialists with Montana's Office of Public Instruction, will return to the campus of MSU-Northern to lead this important discussion. You may choose to attend one of the following presentations that best fits your schedule on February the 1st:

- * 11 a.m. in Brockman Center 211
- * 1:30 p.m. in Cowan Hall 112
- * 4 p.m. in Cowan Hall 112

Contact Erica McKeon-Hanson at erica.mckeonhanson@msun.edu with any questions regarding the presentation.

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Listen to "Diverse Northern" Radio Program - Feb. 2

Program Topics: The We Love Northern Ball & the Criminal Justice Program

There are several special guests invited in the next Diverse Northern edition; Jim Benet and Becka Stone, from the Northern Alumni Foundation will be talking about the next edition of this gala that this year has a theme the Kentucky Derby. Additionally, Shaneen Rainingbird, Northern Criminal Justice graduate, will be talking about her journey in the field with the objective of encouraging women to consider joining programs traditionally perceived as 'only for men.' All this information plus the most varied music in all languages, genres, times, and rhythms in Diverse Northern. Every Thursday at 11.00 a.m., 90.1 FM, KNMC. If you are out of the area, joining us online at www.msun.edu/knmc.

Book Discussion of "Kindred" - Feb. 6

In recognition of Black History month during February, the English Department along with the Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAM) are organizing a book discussion that will take place at the Multicultural Center (Cowan Hall 308) Feb. 6th at 4.00 p.m. All those who have checked out the book for reading are ready to start the conversation. "Kindred" is a piece by Octavia Butler, who is recognized as one of the first professionally successful female writers of color in the science fiction and fantasy genres. The story revolves around a black writer and her ancestry in the antebellum south; this novel proposes a very smooth style appropriate for novice readers.



Spring Career Fair - Feb. 9

2017 Spring Career Fair: Thursday, February 9th 9 a.m. - noon, Armory Gymnasium
Employer Registration Deadline: Thursday, February 2nd
Call the Career Center for more information: 406-265-4198

Women in Traditionally Male Dominated Fields - Feb. 9

The Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) along with the Montana Women's Foundation are sponsoring the event "Women in Traditionally Male Dominated Fields." The objective is to encourage women to learn about programs like Agricultural Technology & Agricultural Mechanics, Automotive, Criminal Justice, Civil Engineering, Diesel Technology, Electrical Technology, Plumbing, and Welding. These presentations, hands-on activities, and panel discussion will take place Feb. 9th, 2017 from 8.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. starting in Hensler Auditorium. Registration is available at www.msun.edu/multiculturalcenter. For more information contact mcc@msun.edu or call 406-265-3589.

We Love Northern Ball - Feb. 11

This year's theme is the "Kentucky Derby." So get ready for a night at the races at this year's 'We Love Northern' Ball, February 11th at the Armory Gymnasium. Enjoy an evening of games, dancing, and fine southern cuisine. Havre's very own, The Plowed Under Band will keep you dancing into the night. Make a pledge to student scholarships and be entered to win our grand prize getaway package.

Tickets and table sponsorships are available by calling the Northern Alumni Foundation at 265-3711 or visiting northernalumnifoundation.org. General seating tickets are \$100 per person and reserved tables of eight are \$1,000 (includes all access to the bar). See you February 11th at the 'We Love Northern' Ball!



Yvonne Tiger: "IndiVisible: African-Native American Lives in Americas - A collection of the Smithsonian Institute's traveling exhibit and Yvonne Tiger lecture" - Feb. 21

Tuesday, February 21: MSU-Northern Vande Bogart Library

Within the fabric of American identity is woven a story that has long been invisible—the lives and experiences of people who share African American and Native American ancestry. "IndiVisible" is the Smithsonian Institute's traveling exhibit that reveals unique information about the little-known history of people with dual African-American and Native American ancestry. It is a display of large panels that discuss the cultural integration of these blended marriages and the ancestors caught between preserving their individual heritage and embracing both cultures. Art historian, Yvonne Tiger, earned a Master of Arts in History and a Master of Arts in Art History from Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts. Her Art History degree focused on Native Americans. Yvonne Tiger's Tribes (Cherokee, Creek, Seminole) are intrinsically linked into this history and are featured in the "IndiVisible" display.

Joan Bird: "UFOs and Extraterrestrials in Montana" - Mar. 30

Thursday, March 30: Applied Technology Center, Hensler Auditorium

Author, researcher and zoologist, Joan Bird, will present important, well-documented Montana cases of UFO evidence, including nuclear missile shutdowns, government UFO investigations, and the science behind crop circles. She will also share stories of contact and what we have learned from cosmic visitors. Montana is home to some of the most significant, well-documented and interesting UFO reports in the history of ufology (The study of UFO's).

International Poetry Reading - Apr. 4

Campus and community members are invited to help us celebrate a love of poetry and languages at an International Poetry Reading on the evening of April 4th in the MAT. Co-organizers Valerie Guyant, assistant professor of English and Cristina Estrada-Underwood, Director, Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs invite members of the community, international students, national students, faculty and staff, whether native speakers or just learning a language for the first time, to join us in celebrating our collective linguistic and cultural diversity by volunteering to read, chant, sing and sign in languages other than modern, standard English. We wish to give people who speak another language a chance to share their language, and we want to give people in the audience the opportunity to enjoy those languages and admire those who speak them.

At this time, we are asking only to know what language you plan to share with the audience in an approximately five to ten-minute presentation. We ask that you send in a copy of your selection in the original language and in translation to be included in the program. Please contact Valerie Guyant at Valerie.guyant@msun.edu or 406-265-4173 to volunteer or if you have any questions.

Jack Glatzer: "Solo Violin Recital with Integrated Art History Program" - Apr. 10

Monday, April 10: Applied Technology Center, Hensler Auditorium

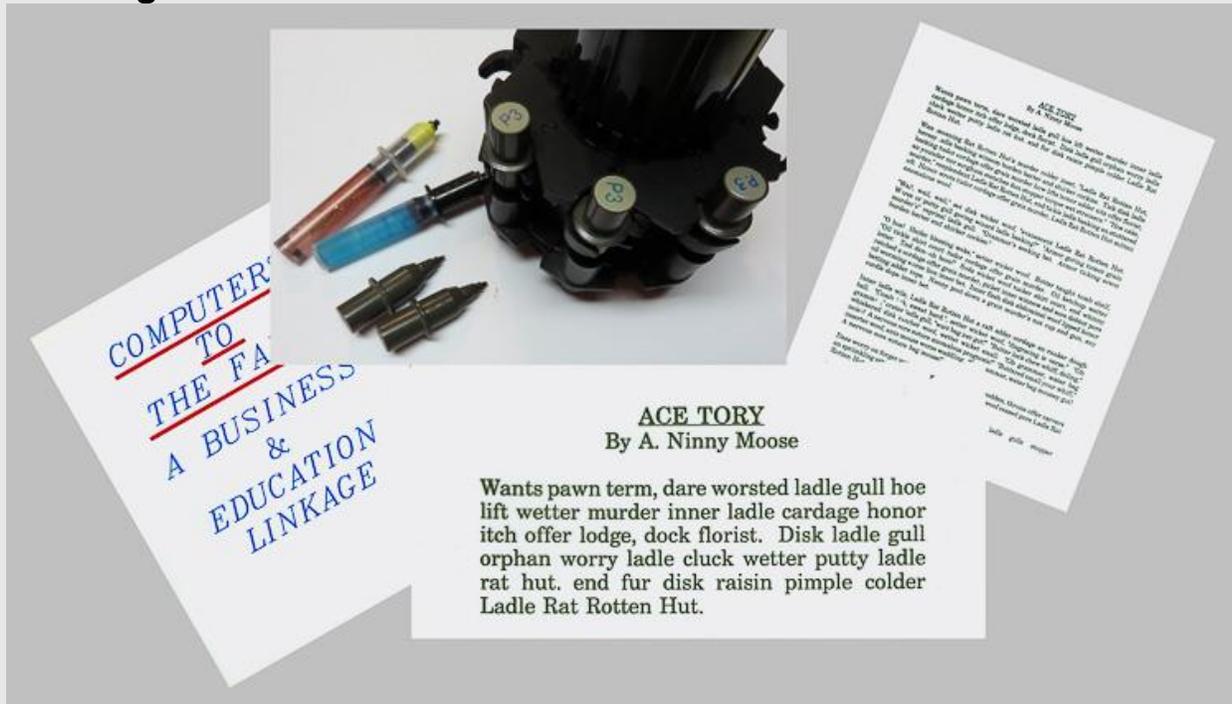
Returning to Havre for a sixth year and known for his wealth of instrumental beauty, world-class American violinist who resides in Portugal, Jack will perform a solo violin recital. He introduces each musical work by an informal and intimate commentary and links music to art, history, and civilization.

Weekly Columns

Northern Technology Snapshot

by Thomas M. Welch - Agricultural Technology Educator at MSU-Northern

Growing Fonts at Northern



The ability to use devices to easily vary font sizes when preparing teaching and presentation material is wonderful. My early years of teaching and learning were handicapped by small font sizes. Instructors were mostly limited to 10 point Courier and many students and conference attendees squinted to see small typeface when text was projected onto screens. We had one electric IBM typewriter in Brockmann Center that had a typeball which one could manually change to make a little larger font. Early word processing software also lacked in making variable font sizes which forced me to acquire special label software. Early dot matrix printers had limitations as well, when printing larger fonts.

Pictured with this article are some plotter pens from the past and a color transparency that I made many years ago. Northern's drafting program had acquired amazing carousel pen plotters and these were able to plot vector based colored text and graphics onto paper and overhead transparency film. What a marvelous advancement in presentation technologies! I distinctly remember working late one night in the mid-1980s with our current chancellor and using AutoCAD drawing software to make a series of large colored text transparencies. These were for former Northern President Bill Merwin to use at a presentation in Helena. I attended the presentation and the projected text was large, crisp, colored and very impressive to the audience until a leading legislator pointed out that the word school was misspelled on one of our high tech Northern transparencies! Unfortunately, everyone in the room was able to clearly see the stunning, albeit incorrect, word. The presentation went on but the remaining marvelous transparencies were abandoned! Enjoy and learn from today's many wonderful fonts: use them correctly and appreciate their growth.

Northern Sports Recap

By Kristie Pullin

January 20

In Frontier Conference action, Northern hosted the Montana Tech Orediggers and came out with a sweep.

The No. 11 **Skylights** held off a fourth quarter comeback by the Orediggers to win the contest 56-52. The Skylights leading scorer was senior forward Sierra Richards with 17 points (seven rebounds). Northern moves to 5-2 in the Frontier (15-3 overall).

A stingy defensive effort by the **Lights** allowed them to cruise past Tech 62-36. Leading the way for Northern was senior forward David Straughter with 15 points (six rebounds). With the win, the Lights move up to 4-3 in conference play (14-4 overall).

January 21

In their second home game of the weekend, the MSU-Northern took on Lewis-Clark State College.

The **women's game** was a battle the entire contest, but the No. 2 Warriors pulled away in the fourth quarter to defeat the No. 11 Skylights 75-66. Senior guard Natalee Faupel led the charge for Northern with 27 points and seven rebounds. The Skylights are now 5-3 in conference play (15-4 overall).

In the **men's contest**, LC State hit 11 three-point shots in the game to help them get the 67-49 win over the Lights. Junior guard Cameron Epps paced the Lights with 12 points. Northern now holds a 4-4 record in the Frontier Conference (15-5 overall).

In **wrestling** action, the No. 3 Lights traveled to Marshall, Missouri to participate in the Missouri Valley Invitational. Out of the 33 teams in attendance, Northern finished fifth with 102 points. Senior Ben Stroh (184) claimed yet another tournament title with a 9-3 decision in the championship match. Sophomore Brandon Weber (157) placed second in his weight division while his brother Matt Weber (sophomore) finished third in the 141 division. Also claiming a spot on the podium was senior Taylor Kornoely (285) who finished fifth in the heavyweight division.

Breaking Records

Lights junior forward Ryan Reeves recently became the new record holder for most blocks in a single-season by finishing with four against UM-Western to give him 41 on the season. He surpassed Kevin Owens' single-season record of 40 set back in the 1994-95 season. Reeves is currently sitting at 43 total blocks after this weekend's contests.



Congratulations Natalee Faupel for becoming Northern's new All-time Leading Scorer!

FROM THE CAREER CENTER

By Mary Heller

Recently, I've had a few students ask how they should prepare for the Spring 2017 Career Fair. To answer their questions, I've given the following information:

CAREEREXPRESS: If you don't have an account on CareerExpress, GET ONE! This online system offered through the Career Center is your key to information. Once you've built a profile, you can view all of the employers who are coming to the fair so you know who you want to visit with that day.

RESEARCH: One of the biggest pet-peeves of employers who recruit from Northern is that the students have no idea who they are. Use CareerExpress, Google, Bing or other search engines to research the companies you are interested in. The representatives of those companies will be highly impressed that you've done your research and have more questions for them at the Fair.

DRESS: Many universities require students to dress in business attire when attending a university-sponsored Career Fair for their students. MSUN Career Center does not make that requirement, however we do wish to see our students dressed nicely. While it is understandable that students are in classes that day, they should be mindful of the representation they give to employers. Clean jeans and shirts that are tucked in is an adequate presentation. Also, remember to wash your hands for the handshakes you will be doing and make sure your hair is neatly combed. Please do NOT wear sweatpants, pajamas or bunny slippers! However, if you are interviewing with any employers that day then you do need to dress in business attire.

RESUMES: I highly suggest that students make sure their resumes are current and in excellent condition. Be sure you have faculty and staff edit your resume to check for any errors before handing them to employers. The deadline for editing help on your resume from the Career Center is Monday, January 30th. Make sure you have a folder to keep them in for protection and have made enough copies to hand out to the employers you are interested in.

PRESENTATION: Our culture likes firm handshakes and eye contact. Practice those things with a friend or even in front of a mirror and then use the technique at the Fair.

FINALLY: Don't forget to ask for their business card! You never know when that contact information will come in handy.

The fair will be held on Thursday, February 9th from 9am-noon in the Armory Gymnasium. It is open to employers, students and alumni. Employers have until February 2nd to register and we anticipate a large number this spring.

Please come to the Career Center for more tips on any of the items presented in this article. See you at the Fair!

Call Jen Henderson or Mary Heller in the Career Center for further information. 265-4198

The Computer Corner

By Marianne Hoppe

Cleaning up your desktop

There's nothing wrong with a messy desk, but at some point you might need to impose a little order on the chaos. Cleaning the piles of paper and junk from your real-life office desk might take a weekend of labor but cleaning up a Windows desktop is considerably easier.

If you like the convenience of using the Desktop folder as a temporary storage place, you can hide the clutter in seconds: Right-click any empty space on the desktop, hover over **View**, and then click to remove the checkmark from **Show Desktop Icons**. All the Desktop icons will vanish. But don't worry, all your shortcuts and files are still there, they're just no longer covering up your chosen background image or slideshow. You can go back and re-check the **Show Desktop Icons** box to show them all again on the desktop, or you can open File Explorer and click **Desktop** under **Favorites** in the left section of the screen, or type and **Desktop**

in the address bar. In Windows 8 or 10 you could also **Pin** a Desktop shortcut to the Start menu for easy access.

A couple other options on the desktop's **View** menu allow you to change icon size (fair warning: the large Icons setting will make the icons is **really** large), and to align the desktop icons to a grid so they snap neatly into position.

TidBit

By Bill Lanier

This week I want to feature Northern Alumni, Mr. Shane Etzwiler. Shane a 1988 Graduate of Northern Montana College, with a Bachelors Degree in Business Technology. He is currently the General Manager of the Holiday Village Mall in Great Falls, Montana. Shane was recently hired to become the President/CEO of the Great Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, he will begin this position on February 1, 2017. His work experience also includes working for Herberger's, Hobby Lobby and, Cabela's. While a student at NMC, Shane was active in Student Government and Program Council (previously named Central Board and Student Activities Board). Congratulations Shane!

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