

Northern Network News

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Violence Awareness Month Reminder

Just a reminder that this is Domestic/Relationship Violence Awareness Month, there are a number of displays on campus designed to help us become more aware of this growing problem. Please take some time and look at these displays.

OCHE Announces WIRED Grants

The Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education has chosen four post secondary institutions to receive funding under Montana's New Homestead Act: Workforce Innovation and Regional Economic Development (WIRED). The successful institutions include: Dawson Community College, Fort Peck Community College, Miles Community College and MSU-Northern. All of these institutions reside within the 32 Montana counties designated for these federal funds. The institutions will share the million dollar annual three-year allocation. The funds must be used to provide job training or assist in the development and implementation of model activities related to the bio-products industry. Details about our portion of the grant are still being worked out but we want to thank and congratulate Larry Strizich and Greg Kegel for writing, submitting, and receiving funding for the WIRED grant.

Construction Update:

The first layer of asphalt has been laid. The rain will delay the second layer until next week. The lines and the rest of the curbs and sidewalks will need to be finished before the parking lot will be opened for use. Weather is the main obstacle at this point. Northwestern Energy has run most of the power lines for the light poles. The light poles are on backorder and are expected within the next two months. In the mean time, the landscapers are installing the sprinkler system and have started to plant the trees and shrubs.

Montana Sign installed the new sign on Wednesday and we hope to have it operational by the end of next week. The sign is a great addition to the campus and we want to thank Student Senate for raising the money and donating the sign to the campus.

Make a Mask

On Wednesday, November 1 at 7:00 p.m. in MacKenzie Hall, ReSPONSE will be hosting a mask making activity designed to raise peoples awareness of how relationship violence is hidden (masked) in society, and to demonstrate how men can break stereotypes to stop violence.

This event is a tribute to Relationship Violence Awareness Month (October) and the White Ribbon Campaign (November). They will provide the masks, glue, glitter, feathers, yarn and paint. You just need to bring your creativity and ideas.

For more information, contact Emma Hofer or Matt Anderson, RA's or Margaret Meggs at ReSPONSE (265-3557)

NOTICE: THIS IS AN ADULT ACTIVITY, OPEN TO ALL NORTHERN STUDENTS. LANGUAGE AND DISCUSSIONS MAY NOT BE SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN. PARENTS ARE EXPECTED TO STAY WITH THEIR CHILDREN TO DISCUSS ANY DIFFICULT TOPICS.

Football Game Notice

If the Blue Ponies lose tonight's game against Butte Central then our game against Carroll College next Saturday (Oct 28th) will be moved to 5:00 p.m. If the Blue Ponies win tonight then our game against Carroll College will be played at 1:00 p.m. as planned.

We will keep you informed as we know more about the schedule.

Handicap Parking Spots

Please note that the handicap parking spots are intended for handicap parking only even after school hours. We are noticing a lot of people using those spots after hours. If this trend continues we will be forced to issue tickets to vehicles parked in the handicap parking spots after hours. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Photo Contest

The Northern Lights Newspaper will be conducting a photo contest as a regular feature of the Northern Lights Newspaper. If you have a funny or interesting photo that you would like to submit please drop it by the newspaper office in the basement of the SUB or e-mail it to: tonya.shortt@myportal.montana.edu

Banner Outage

Please be aware that Banner will shut down today and will remain down until Monday, Oct 23rd. This includes Banner Web.

Upcoming Dates

Oct. 20

Banner down for update

10:00 AM Intermediate Belly Dancing

11:00 AM Beginning Belly Dancing

1:00 PM Step Aerobics

7:00 PM Skylights Volleyball vs. Carroll College (Havre)

Oct. 21

1:00 PM Lights Football vs. Rocky Mountain (Billings)

7:00 PM Skylights Volleyball vs. Rocky Mountain (Havre)

Oct. 23

10:00 AM Intermediate Belly Dancing

11:00 AM Beginning Belly Dancing

1:00 PM Step Aerobics

8:00 PM Intramural Volleyball Tournament (Gym 214)

Oct. 24

Tractor & Equipment – General Information Session at 9:00 a.m., in the Hensler Auditorium, (ATC) with interviews following the session in the Career Center (Diesel and Automotive Students)

8:00 PM Intramural Volleyball Tournament (Gym 214)

Oct. 25

Tractor & Equipment – General Information Session at 9:00 a.m., in the Hensler Auditorium, (ATC) with interviews following the session in the Career Center (Diesel and Automotive Students)

1:00 PM Step Aerobics

Oct. 26

Wyoming Machinery – General Information Session at 9:00 a.m., in the Hensler Auditorium, (ATC) with interviews following the session in the Career Center. (Diesel & Automotive Students)