

Northern Network News

The official newsletter for MSU-Northern

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Orientation Winner



This past week was the first week of school and orientation was packed with team building exercises, Bar-B-Q's, Dances, workshops, seminars, club fairs, drawings and more. Congratulations to Rebecca Skierka who won the flat screen TV as part of the orientation activities.

Students - Finalize Your Registration

Students, you need to complete your registration by making a payment arrangement with Business Services. They have several options for doing this, including on-line, mail, or in person. The deadline for pre-registered students was August 29. Currently we have about 250 students who still need to make those arrangements. Failure to complete your registration will result in a \$40 Late Fee. If you have any questions, please contact our office of Business Services at ext. 3733, or stop in Cowan Hall 207. Thank you.

Paintball Course



The Montana Army National Guard set up their portable paint ball course as one of the many activities that were available for students to participate in during the first week of school. Over 80 students took part in this activity.

1st Annual Wet Willy

The Chi Alpha club will be hosting the first annual “Wet Willy” on Tuesday, September 9th from 6-8p.m. on the Sled Hill by the SUB. Come join the students on sled hill for a large Slip-n-Slide activity. They will be tubing down on "Willy". Root beer and free t-shirts will be given to all participants.

Alumni Scholarship Auction

It's not too early to get your tickets for the Scholarship Auction scheduled for September 13th. That's only a week from this Friday. The tickets are only \$15 per person and include food and some beverages. Plan to join us for some great fun in a worthy cause. The theme is “Black Tie and Blue Jeans” so you can pull on your blue jeans and boots....and your black tie (and shirt) and join us. We use the money to fund our 17 alumni scholarships and special projects. Board members on campus who have tickets are: Lexy Fisher, Carol Jestrab, Becky Nicholson, Tracey Jette, and Michele Calvert or you can come see me in the Alumni Office, Cowan Hall room 307.

Farmer's Market

There is still time to participate in the S.A.T.U.R.D.A.Y. Farmers Market which continues through Saturday, September 20th, Havre Festival Days weekend. The Market runs from 8AM to noon at the Town Square. The Market provides an atmosphere that celebrates locally produced goods. Shoppers can purchase locally grown vegetables, home made baked goods, and outstanding crafts.

Havre Clean up Day

Saturday, September 13th, is Havre PRIDE clean up day. On this day the community is asked to take some time between 9:00 am and noon and focus on cleaning up our community.

ACT Testing

If you have not previously taken the ACT test and are under 21 years old, the ACT test is required to be admitted to MSU-Northern and be eligible for your financial aid funds. The test will be administered on Saturday, 9/6/08 in Hensler Auditorium in the ATC Center at 12:45 p.m. It will take approximately 4 hours. Please bring \$27 (check preferred or can be charged to your fees), a picture ID, a four function calculator and two #2 pencils.

ID Cards

All students are required to have a MSU-Northern ID card. There is no charge for the initial ID card (\$10.00 for replacement cards). This ID card is required to check out books at the Vande Bogart Library and to get into sporting events. Pictures will be taken on Saturday afternoon and Sunday and can be picked up at the Admissions Office one week later.

Chokecherry Stomp

The Central Montana Education Center is hosting the first Chokecherry Stomp on September 6th to raise money for the Lewistown campus. The event has a \$20 admission and features Shane Clouse and Stomping Ground. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Contact Janice Brady if you want more information or if you need a room reserved.

New Emergency Notification System

The New Emergency Notification System provides MSU-Northern students, faculty, staff, parents and others critical information in the event of an emergency. The system delivers emergency messages through text messaging, voice messages over cellular or landline phones, and e-mail.

Enrollment in MSU Alert is free and voluntary. If you do not enroll in the system, you will not receive critical text or voice messages on your cellular and landline phones. Enrollment also allows you to enter an e-mail account you wish emergency messages sent to, if other than your myportal or work e-mail account.

The MSU Alert system will only be used for critical messages, testing and maintenance of the system. You will not receive spam through the system and your personal information will not be used for commercial purposes.

Enrollment is strongly recommended. If you have already enrolled, please ignore this message. Enrollment is easy and takes only a few minutes. Go to www.montana.edu/msualert to enroll now.

Community Chorus Begins Sept. 15

The MSU-Northern Community Chorus, directed by Dr. Jan Wiberg and accompanied by May Stevens will begin its fall rehearsal schedule on Monday evening, September 15th. Rehearsals will be from 7:00 to 8:50 p.m. in Room 208 of Pershing Hall on the MSU-Northern campus. All experienced singers are invited to participate.

Comedian in Concert September 11th

Comedian Chad Daniels from Fergus Falls, Minnesota will be performing live in the Student Union Building on September 11th at 8 p.m. Chad has appeared on the Late Late Show with Craig Kilbourn, Comedy Central's "Live at Gotham", and taped his own half hour special "Comedy Central presents.....Chad Daniels." Check out his website at www.chaddanielscomedy.com.

MSUN Students, Faculty and staff are admitted free of charge and tickets will be available at the door for \$5/adult and \$3/students.

Festival Days Activities

Festivities start on Friday (Sept. 19) with the Festival of Crafts and Commercial Show at the Fairgrounds and the Community Friendship BBQ at the Town Square.

The big event of the weekend is always the parade on Saturday morning. If you plan to have a float in the parade, please contact Jim Potter (3727) so he can coordinate Northern's portion of the parade. This year's parade will include a ribbon cutting celebration for the 1st Street project, with the Chamber, the City, MDT and Nelcon Construction.

Saturday is full of activities for all from the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast to the Teen Car show and car audio fights. Northern will be celebrating homecoming throughout the weekend with volleyball games and the homecoming football game against Carroll College Saturday afternoon at 1:00 p.m.

Sunday continues with the 48-hour softball tournament, a Dodge-ball Tournament, a croquet tournament and ice cream social and the Jaycees Soapbox Derby. There is something for everyone to enjoy throughout the weekend. Commemorative mugs and buttons are again being offered and will be distributed in the coming days. The mugs are \$5.00 and the buttons are \$1.00.

Rumor Busters

There was a rumor that a mountain lion had been seen running around campus. We took the sighting seriously and called the local Fish and Wildlife office. They set up traps and caught a large dog that was the size and color of a mountain lion. Everyone is confident they caught the right animal and that there never was a mountain lion.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 6

Motorcycle Safety Basic RiderCourse®
ChiAlpha Fellowship Kick off Camp Out in the Bear Paws
SATURDAY Market 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Lights Football @ Rocky Mountain College 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Sept. 7

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Sept. 8

Yoga 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM
ASMSUN Senate Meeting 5:15 PM
Mandatory meeting for Homecoming Candidates 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Sept. 9

Yoga 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM
ChiAlpha Fellowship 1st Annual Wet Willy Waterslide 5:30 PM
Wall Climbing 6:00 PM
Welcome Back Recreation Party 7:00 PM

Sept. 10

II/R Weight Training for Women 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Yoga 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Sept. 11

Last day to add classes

II/R Weight Training for Women 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Yoga 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

ChiAlpha Fellowship Meeting 7:00 PM

ChiAlpha Fellowship Scavenger Hunt 7:00 PM

Skylights Volleyball @ University of Great Falls 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Sept. 12

II/R Weight Training for Women 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Yoga 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Sept. 13

SATURDAY Market 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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

Scholarship Social & Auction 6:00 PM - Midnight