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Work Continues on Donaldson Hall



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This Week on Campus

20 New Laptops in the Library



(Pictured L to R) Ligia Arango, Val Hickman, Belinda Potter, and Vicki Gist proudly display the new rack of 20 laptops which are now available for students to sign out in the Vande Bogart Library. Students with a current I.D. can sign one of these computers out for four hours at a time. Several departments on campus came together to provide the funds to make this project a reality. For more information on these new computers see the Library column below.

East Hall Remembered



The Havre/Hill County Historic Preservation Commission donated a plaque to the campus to remember the site of historic East Hall. Present for this historic moment was (pictured L to R) Debbie Vandeberg, Lynda Taplin, Keith Doll, Gary Wilson, Becki Miller, James Limbaugh, Wade Bitz and Dan Ulmen.

East Hall was one of the original buildings on the campus. It was the Havre Park Pumping Station before it was renovated into classrooms and administrative offices. It was a majestic old building which served the campus well until it was demolished in 1979.

Today the area where East Hall once stood is a picnic area. This plaque and the headstone from the building now serve as a reminder of all the wonderful contributions this building made to the town and the campus. Next time you are enjoying a picnic on the East Hall Lawn you will want to take a few minutes to read the plaque and reflect on our past.

Career Fair



This year's fall Career Fair enjoyed record numbers. There were 26 employers on hand to talk with 220 students. The employers that attended the event were: 21st Century Equipment (John Deere), Ag West Supply, Anderson Steel, BNSF, Butler Machinery, Cellular Plus, CG AG Consulting, Fastenal Company, GE Transportation, Halliburton, Hill County Electric and Triangle Communications, Hoven Equipment, Midway Rental, Modern Machinery, Montana Army National Guard, Montana Highway Patrol and Department of Justice, Moodie Implement Company, Northwest Farm Credit Services, RDO Equipment Company, Sanjel USA, The Sherwin Williams Company, Thrivent Financial, Torgersons, and Tractor and Equipment.

Student Art Show Opened



There is a new Student Art Show in the SUB Art Gallery. The Gallery is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. 5 p.m. and will run until Nov. 1st. This is an exceptional group of talented students, and everyone is encouraged to visit the gallery while the show is open.

MSU-Northern Earns NAIA Champions of Character Five-Star Institution Award

MSU-Northern recently earned the 2012-2013 NAIA Champions of Character Five-Star Institution Award. The Champions of Character Program strives to promote high levels of moral reasoning within athletic students across the nation.

The Champions of Character Program believes that "character is handed down from one generation to the next." Champions of Character desires for students to maintain a healthy balance between social and moral reasoning, and MSU-Northern's student athletes have learned this balance from observing character-driven adults and coaches. "This award says a great deal about our coaching staff and our student-athletes and how they conduct themselves on and off the playing field and in the classroom" said MSU-Northern's Athletic Director and Head Athletic Trainer Christian Oberquell.

Important Announcements

Attention Students

If you are completing your degree during the upcoming spring or summer semesters, your graduation applications are due by December 1, 2013. Applications can be picked up and returned to the Registrar's office (Cowan Hall 220).

Next Blood Drive - November 6

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be Wednesday, November the 6th, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Three ways you can register. Online at American Red Cross (<http://www.redcrossblood.org/donating-blood>), sign up at the Info desk in SUB or contact the campus nurse, Sherry Kegel at ext. 3599, and she will help you set up an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome, but those with appointments will be taken first.



Pure Gold Program

The Pure Gold program provides an opportunity to recognize Montana State University (Bozeman, Billings, Northern and Great Falls) faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends for their contributions.

Whether it's an individual act, or a sustained effort of exemplary service, please take time to nominate an outstanding faculty, staff, student, alumni or friend. Acknowledge their commitment to our university; they are Pure Gold!

To submit your nomination visit the Pure Gold website located at:

<https://www.montana.edu/puregold/>.

Upcoming Events

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month



On October 26th MSUN will support Breast Cancer Awareness month by encouraging everyone to wear pink at the men's football and women's volleyball games. The MSU-Northern Bookstore is offering a deal where if you buy a T-shirt with one these logos (see above photo) they will donate 20% to the local non-profit organization: Hi-Line Women Against Breast Cancer.

Did you know...

In 2013, it is estimated that among U.S. women there will be:

* 232,340 new cases of invasive breast cancer.

* 39,620 breast cancer deaths.

(Statistics taken from Susan G. Komen webpage)

We also want to take this time to educate our community on the different types of cancer that exist and how those cancers have also affected members within our community.

We encourage the community to wear the color representing any cancer that has impacted you personally or a loved one on this day. Below is a chart for all of the cancer colors.



Jitterbug Workshop

The Associated Students of MSU-Northern Program Council is sponsoring a Jitterbug Workshop on October the 29th at 7 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. The jitterbug is a dance style that was popularized during the 1930s by jazz great Cab Calloway. Calloway thought dancers looked similar to hyperactive bugs on the dance floor as they adjusted to the ebb and flow of music.

Pam Wilson will be teaching the workshop where you will learn basic jitterbug moves. This workshop is free to any faculty, staff or student one who wants to learn a little more about the dance. Come on down to the SUB on October the 29th and get acquainted with the Art of Jitterbug! You can practice your new moves at the Halloween Costume Dance on October the 31st.

3 on 3 Basketball Begins Soon

The Intramural & Recreation Council has scheduled 3 on 3 Basketball beginning October the 28th in the Gymnasium at 8 p.m. Pick up your rosters at the SUB Information Desk and return them by next Friday, October the 24th at 5 p.m. T-

shirts will be provided for all participants, and the winner of the tournament (held on November 18-19) will receive a free pizza gift certificate for their team.

Campus/Community Halloween Party

The Associated Students of MSU-Northern will be hosting a Campus and Community Children's Halloween Party on Thursday October the 31st at 5:30 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. Children will participate in the Fishing Pond, Musical Chairs, Bean Bag Toss, Mini Golf, Marshmallow Toss and all sorts of Spooky Games. Bring your children in their Halloween costumes and they will have a "Monster" of a good time! Chili and brownies will be served along with refreshments.

Halloween Costume Dance

Did you hear about the Halloween Costume Dance at the SUB on Monday at 9 p.m.?

Create those Halloween costumes and come on out for a great time! Thursday October the 31st at 9 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom, "The Hitman" DJ service will play your favorite tunes for this costume dance. Prizes will be awarded in three categories. Participants will be judged on the most creative, the scariest, and the cutest costumes. Refreshments and pizza will be provided. This dance will be sponsored by your local entertainment committee "ASMSUN Program Council".

Weekly Articles

This week in Athletics

By Laramie Schwenke

After their bye week, the Lights football team moved up six spots to the number 18 spot in the nation. They stand in 3rd place in the Frontier Conference with a 4-2 record. The Lights travel to Oregon to take on Southern Oregon University this Saturday. SOU also received national votes.

The Skylights volleyball team is coming off a big win against the University of Great Falls and will hit the road for two big games this weekend. The first will be a rematch with the Argonauts and then on to Lewiston, Idaho, to take on the Warriors of L-C State. The Skylights remain perfect in the Frontier Conference at 8-0 and are 17-4 overall. Our volleyball team is ranked #30 in the nation while continuing to receive national votes.

The men's basketball team is off to a 1-0 start this season with a 59-37 win over Concordia University College of Alberta. The Lights are gearing up for back-to-back games against the University of Regina at the Armory gymnasium October the 18th and 19th. Both games are scheduled for 7 p.m. tipoffs.

The Skylight basketball team is still hard a work with practice and will open their season hosting the University of Lethbridge on October the 24th at 7p.m. in the Armory.

The Lights wrestling team recently wrapped up their annual alumni dual on October the 5th. The Lights will hold the annual Maroon vs. Gold inters-quad on Thursday October the 22nd at 7 p.m.

The men's and women's rodeo teams have completed the fall portion of their schedule and the results can be found under the Rodeo link on the MSUN athletics web page. The men's team took home the team title from the rodeo at Miles Community College. They will begin the spring portion of their schedule starting in April.

@ Your Library

By Vicki Gist

Don't want to pack your laptop to campus today? Is your favorite computer in use at the Library? Want to work online with your Tutor? Need to quickly access a file on your Z: drive and to print something on the Library printers? Well, the Library now has 20 new wireless laptops for current students, faculty, and staff to use! Simply show your MSUN NorthCard (I.D. card) at the Library Circulation Desk to check out one of these laptops. With the new computers you can access files on your Z: drive and print to the Library printers. The laptops can be used anywhere in the Library. These new laptops are being provided courtesy of the Learning Success Center, College of Education, Arts and Sciences, and Nursing, Information Technology Services, Extended University, the Library, and other campus departments. Come on in and check them out!

From Your Learning Success Center

By Britanni Bergtoll- Writing Tutor

Time

Do you find that writing papers is intimidating? To avoid the paper for as long as possible, do you procrastinate? Do you bank on an adrenaline rush to help you through the paper at the last minute? Next time, try thinking of yourself as a competent, organized writer. If you give yourself time to write multiple drafts and put in the extra work, you will be much more satisfied with your results! For more help on the writing process, stop in and see us at the Learning Success Center.

A Pinch of Salt

By Kimmi Boyce

Last Monday boasted two special noteworthy anniversaries, one being my birthday, and the other being Columbus Day. Since Columbus Day's longevity outshines the celebration of my birth by hundreds of years, this week's blurb is dedicated to some interesting facts you may not know about the acclaimed explorer.

1. Columbus was not trying to prove that the world was round. Pythagoras and Aristotle had both made this observation years and years prior to Columbus's explorations, so most educated individuals of his time already believed in the earth's spherical appearance.

2. Nina and Pinta were not the official names of two of Columbus's ships. Pinta is the Spanish word for "painted one" or "prostitute." The mariners aboard the ship gave this vessel its nickname. The ship actually named the Santa Clara was given a less risqué nickname, being dubbed the Nina after the ship's owner, Juan Nino. We know the Santa Maria by its true name, but it also had a nickname, La Gallega, after the area in Galicia where it was constructed.

3. The Santa Maria was destroyed on Christmas Eve of 1492 when a cabin boy ran the ship into a coral reef. When Columbus returned to Spain, he rode aboard the Nina but had to leave about 40 crewmembers behind, without the use of the Santa Maria. These crewmen were supposed to start the first settlement, but when Columbus returned in the fall of 1493, none of those men were alive.

I gleaned this information from: <http://www.history.com/news/10-things-you-may-not-know-about-christopher-columbus>

Visit this website for seven more interesting facts about Columbus and his escapades.

Mission Statement

"MSU Northern, a teaching institution, serves a diverse student population by providing liberal arts, professional and technical education programs ranging from certificates through master's degrees. The university promotes a student centered and culturally enriched environment endorsing lifelong learning, personal growth and responsible citizenship. The university partners with a variety of community and external entities to enhance collaborative learning, provide applied research opportunities, stimulate economic development and expand student learning experiences."

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