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By: Jim Potter, Director of University Relations

Last Issue of 2008

Christmas Break

MSU-Northern will be closed December 25 and 26 for Christmas.

Chancellor's Search Update



MSU President Dr. Geoff Gamble and Montana Commissioner of Higher Education Dr. Sheila Stearns visited the campus on Tuesday December 16, 2008. They met with various groups from the campus and the community to get input about the characteristics people wants to see in a new chancellor for Northern. The President and the Commissioner were also interested in hearing about ways to conduct the search in a way that would maximize input from the campus and community.

President Gamble explained that MSU-Bozeman will cover the cost of hiring an outside search firm. He will start the selection process and hopes to hire the outside search firm in January. He will establish a search committee, which will be comprised of about 12-14 people. Interim Chancellor Rolf Groseth has agreed to Chair the committee which will also have membership from (MSU-Billings) and (MSU-GF) campuses and from Northern faculty, foundation and alumni, the professional and classified ranks, dean or chair, member from the Havre community and a member from one of the tribal colleges. The committee will review the candidates and bring the top two or three to the campus and community for more extensive interviews. The

committee will make a recommendation to President Gamble and he will make the final decision. Gamble said, he hopes to have the Chancellor in place by the start of the fall semester.

Donaldson Heating System Update

MSU-Northern would like to thank Bob and Mike Nault of Nault Plumbing and Heating, and Lorren Schlotfeldt for their efforts to restore the heat to Donaldson Hall after the feed tank failed. On their own time and money, they spent many long hours last Thursday repairing the burnt out pumps, leaking pipes etc., and managed to get it working and spent many hours monitoring it through the bitter cold of last weekend.

The system is still very questionable so they, also on their own time and money, purchased two large electric heaters to keep the lobby and Commons areas heated enough to keep the flooring from buckling and the plaster walls from cracking and crumbling.

Planning Process for New Automotive Technology Project Begins



Northern's automotive faculty and administrators met the architects from CWG in Helena and Rich Hilmes from the State Architecture and Engineering Division for an all-day planning meeting to begin the planning process to define the goals and needs for Northern's New Automotive Technology project. The architects will take these ideas and concepts and will develop their preliminary drawings for this new project. The planning money for this building came out of the last Legislative session.

Cabin Fever Schedules

The Cabin Fever Schedules are available at the Office of Extended Learning.

Skylights Take to the Hills



On Thursday afternoon the Skylights Basketball team introduced the girl's team from Bellhaven College to some good old fashioned sledding. This was the first time several of the girls from this Mississippi school had ever seen snow.

Shape Up Montana

Shape Up Montana is a fun, interactive three-month team competition from February 1 - May 1 that encourages Montanans to develop healthy physical activity and eating habits. The teams are made up of a minimum of four and a maximum of ten people. We will recognize achievement in two separate categories: Weight Loss due to healthy, appropriate eating and physical activity and Accumulated Activity based on logging miles using an conversion chart. The 2009 Accumulated Activity category is divided into 4 groups: Beginner, Intermediate, Experienced and Professional Teams. Each week the Shape Up Montana support team will send team members activity articles, nutrition information, and yummy healthy recipes to help keep your team motivated. In addition, weekly activity/nutrition challenges will be posted to earn bonus miles. A resource page is also available for other valuable health and fitness information.

This is a statewide program, and it would be nice to have a couple of teams from Northern. If you want to be a part of Northern's team(s) please call Jennifer Henderson before the January 13 deadline.

For more information on Shape Up Montana go to: www.shapeupmontana.org

Graduation Applications Due

Graduation applications are available at the Registrar's Office and most be returned to the Registrar's Office on Friday, December 19, 2008 for:

- 1. Students who will be completing their degree requirements Spring or Summer 2009 semesters, REGARDLESS IF THEY ARE PARTICIPATING IN COMMENCEMENT 2009 ACTIVITIES.
- 2. Students who will be completing their final semester Fall 2009 and intend on petitioning to walk through the Spring 2009 Commencement Ceremony.

Please use blue or black pen and verify that all required signatures are present.

Library Hours

Library hours for December 15-19 are as follows:

Monday-Wednesday 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Thursday-Friday 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Library Hours for December 20-28:

Monday-Wednesday, December 22-24 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Thursday-Sunday CLOSED

Library Hours for December 29-January 4:

Monday-Wednesday, Friday 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, Saturday, Sunday CLOSED

Library Hours for January 5-13:

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday CLOSED

Please visit us 24/7 on the web at http://www.msun.edu/infotech/library/index.htm

Ball Ticket Winners

The second and final set of winners has been drawn for tickets to the "We Love Northern" Ball to be held on Saturday, February 7, 2009.

The winners of one ticket each are:

- Autumn Elliot
- Lynnette McClenahan
- Tyrgve "Spike" Magelssen
- Stephen Leggitt
- Jamie Underwood

These tickets are sponsored by Heart River Hearing Aid Practice. They were for any employee who has never attended the ball in the past. - Have fun at the ball!!!

Ball Jewelry Raffle



One exciting part of the I Love Northern Ball is the annual Jewelry raffle. Two items will be raffled the first is a Genuine Amethyst Necklace Set in Sterling Silver & 18k Gold -Donated by JM Donoven. The second item is a Fresh Water Pearl, Quartz & Volcanic Rock with Rhinestones Necklace, Bracelet & Earrings -Donated by Heirloom Jewelers. Raffle tickets are on sale and are 1 ticket for \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20. This item will be drawn at the We Love Northern Ball on February 7. To purchase tickets please see Janice Brady or one of the ball committee members.

MAT Presents Season's Greetings and Santaland Diaries





Montana Actor's Theatre is pleased to present two short monologues entitled Season's Greetings and Santaland Diaries by David Sedaris in the MSU-Northern Little Theatre on December 12-13 and 19-20 at 8:00 p.m. lounge opens at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 Adults and \$8 for Seniors/Students. MSU-Northern Students are free with current student ID. Adult content: Not appropriate for children.

Openings at Northern

<u>Women's Head Volleyball Coach</u> – Responsible for recruiting, scouting, eligibility, player development, fundraising, scheduling, and teaching. Full-time non-tenure track, Salary DOE, MUS benefits.

<u>Career Center Director</u> – Responsible for the overall organization and management of the MSUN Career Center. Oversees day to day operations including supervision of staff, monitoring budgets, and policy development. Oversees cooperative education program, student placement, on and off campus employment and assist with employer recruiting.

For complete vacancy announcements, see www.msun.edu and click on employment.

Computer Tips

Outlook 2007: Force replies to reach multiple recipients

By Marianne Hoppe

A problem arises when you need recipients to reply to everyone receiving a message. The responding recipient must remember to click **Reply All** instead of **Reply**. If the recipient forgets to click **Reply All**, then you're the only one who will see the reply, forcing you to forward it to everyone else. Before you send the message, you can configure it to reply to everyone:

- 1. When composing the message, click the little expansion arrow in the lower right corner of the **Options** area on the **Message** tab.
- 2. In the **Message Options** dialog box, in the **Delivery Options** section, check **Have Replies Sent To** which will automatically enter your e-mail address.
- 3. Next, click the **Select Names** button to the right and select all the appropriate recipients.
- 4. Click **Close** to return to your message.

When any recipient responds to the message, regardless of which Reply choice they click, the reply will go to everyone you specified in the **Have Replies Sent To** option.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 19

Fall Semester Ends Graduation Applications Due Finals Week Book Buy Back 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM MAT presents "Santaland Diaries" 8:00 PM Library Hours: 7:30am - 5pm

Dec. 20

Skylights Basketball @ University of Montana 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM MAT presents "Santaland Diaries" 8:00 PM Library CLOSED

Dec. 20

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Dec. 22

Library Hours: 8am-1pm

Dec. 23

Grades Due in Registrar's Office

Library Hours: 8am-1pm

Dec. 24

Library Hours: 8am-1pm

Dec. 25

Christmas ~ Offices Closed Library CLOSED

Dec. 26

Christmas Holiday ~ Offices Closed Get your Northern Showcase Concert Association tickets half off Library CLOSED

Dec. 27

Library CLOSED

Dec. 28

Library CLOSED Lights Wrestling @ Midlands Invitational

Dec. 29

Library Hours: 8am-1pm

Lights Wrestling @ Midlands Invitational

Dec. 30

Library Hours: 8am-1pm

Dec. 31

Library Hours: 8am-1pm

Lights Basketball vs. King's University College 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Jan. 1

Holiday ~ New Years Day Library CLOSED