

The Official Newsletter For MSU-Northern

September 4, 2009

CENTREVOL Rocks Lunch



Centrevol, an independent 4-piece rock band based in Long Beach, California rocked out the SUB during lunch today. For more information on other upcoming activities, check out their website at: http://www.msun.edu/stuaffairs/stuactivities/upcomingevents.htm.

Enrollment Up



Energy Saving Tip #2

One great way to save energy is to be sure to turn off all lights in offices, bathrooms and conference rooms when they are not being used.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 4 Centrevol" Concert (SUB Dining Hall) 12 p.m. Sandpit Volleyball (Assembly Church) 7 p.m. Biodiesel Workshop Skylights Volleyball @ U-Mary

Sept. 5 Canoeing & Picnic (Bears Paw Mtns) 1 p.m. Lights FB vs. Carroll College (Helena, MT) 1 p.m. Biodiesel Workshop Skylights Volleyball @ U-Mary S.A.T.U.R.D.A.Y Market 8:00 AM - 12:00 p.m. Lights Football @ Carroll College 1:00 PM - 4:00 p.m.

Sept. 6 Mt. Otis Hike (Bears Paw Mtns) 2 p.m.

Sept. 7 Labor Day Holiday No Classes, Offices Closed

Sept. 8 Student Senate Meeting 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Wall Climbing 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Sept. 9 Badminton 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Sept. 10 Last day to add classes Chi Alpha Meeting 7:00 PM -8:00 PM ZIV Concert 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Sept. 11 Biodiesel Workshop: Pressing Oils & Feedstock Analysis MSU-Northern Rodeo @ Northwest College Homecoming Nomination forms due today by 5 p.m. Skylights Volleyball vs. University of Great Falls 7:00 The preliminary and unofficial enrollment figures for this fall 2009 semester are up from last fall by 4.39% in headcount. As of today, we have 1273 students taking classes at Northern. This figure will very slightly over the next two weeks as students add and drop classes but all preliminary reports say we will be up this semester.

OPI Pre-Visit



On Wednesday, the Montana State Accreditation Co-Chairs, Linda Peterson (Office of Public Instruction-OPI) and Audrey Peterson (UM) met with Fred Smiley and Darlene Sellers, campus accreditation coordinators, to work out the details for the eight member team's visit to Northern on November 15-17. The Board of Public Education accredits all programs preparing elementary, secondary, school counselors and administrators for licensure to work in Montana's K-12 schools. Northern has 7 undergraduate majors, 4 minors, and 3 graduate programs (including a post-master's) which will be reviewed this fall by the State.

Party Bus to Carroll Game

The incredible fans at Lelok Travel have pulled together a party bus to take people to the Carroll game on Saturday. The tickets are \$25 for a round trip ticket to the game, free beer and you will be able to join a free tailgate party at the game! You will have to purchase your own ticket to the game and bring your own liquor if you want liquor. You will need to be at LelokTravel by 8:00 a.m. and the bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. There are a limited number of seats available so call Lelok Travel at 265-1283 to get your ticket.

Festival Days Parade

If you plan to have a float in the Festival Days Parade which is September 19 or would like to help decorate a float, please contact Jim Potter 3727 so he can coordinate Northern's portion of the parade. Northern is also the official sponsor of the parade and therefore will be at the head of the parade. This is Northern's 80 year anniversary so we have adopted the slogan "80 Years and Beyond" for our portion of the parade.

PM - 8:30 PM

Sept. 12 Biodiesel Workshop: Pressing Oils & Feedstock Analysis Motorcycle Safety Basic RiderCourse® MSU-Northern Rodeo @ Northwest College S.A.T.U.R.D.A.Y Market 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Lights Football vs Rocky Mountain College 1:00 PM -4:00 PM 2009 Alumni Scholarship Social & Auction 6:00 PM - 11:55 PM

Employee E-Board

The Employee E-Bulletin Board is designed to provide MSUN employees with a means of communicating information to others about a variety of topics not considered Official Business of MSU-Northern. Examples of appropriate postings might include items for sale, garage sales, fundraisers, bake sales, and lost pets. If you have an item to post, send an e-mail to Kathy Jaynes at kjaynes@msun.edu.

Check out the E-Board to see what's going on right now: http://www.msun.edu/hr/bboard.htm

Pep Band Rehearsals

We are pleased to announce that MSU-Northern will once again have a Pep Band in the home stands cheering on our teams. If you play an instrument and would like to be part of this fun and exciting group, please call Jim Potter at 3727. Rehearsals are every Monday from 4:30-6:00 p.m. in the basement of the Student Union Building. This Monday the rehearsal will be from 6-8 p.m.

MSUN Athletic Bus Update

Members of the community have taken it upon themselves to raise the funds necessary to purchase a new 36 passenger bus for our athletic teams. This is a gift to the college. Mike Campbell will be flying to Denver next Tuesday and he will be driving the bus back to campus. We hope to have pictures in the next issue of the NNN. We also plan to have the bus in next week's Festival Days Parade.

ABC's of Biodiesel



Students learn how to make their own biodiesel fuel. During this Friday and Saturday Biodiesel workshop, students will learn about Glycerol settling Biodiesel washing and they will conduct some basic tests on the new fuel. This workshop was hosted by Northern's Biodiesel Innovation and Testing Center.

Northern Visits Medicine Hat College

Frank Trocki, Joe Callahan, Janice Brady, Shauna Albrecht and Stacey Gonsalez went to Medicine Hat College on Wednesday to talk about ways the two schools can work together to provide a better 2+2 package for our Canadian Students. They have graciously opened their doors for our recruiters to visit on a regular basis.

Volleyball Tournament at U-Mary on Web

University of Mary plans to videostream all six games of the tournament live at <u>www.northernsun.tv</u> or <u>www.pennatlantic.com</u>. Each game is already on their schedule. It will probably be a single camera view with/out

an announcer, but you should be able to view them all. All games are FREE! They will also be streaming livestats. Go to <u>www.umary.edu/livestats</u> and click on volleyball.

Youth Build Program

MSU-Northern is pleased to partner with Stone Child Community College to develop the North Central Montana Youth Build program. This program will provide free training for 80 young people ages 16 to 24 who will work and train with experienced construction professionals to build energy efficient homes using green techniques and technologies. Students will split time between the classroom, construction site and working on getting their GED. This program starts October 1st. The grant is one of the few, if not the only, Youth Build programs awarded to a "rural" area.

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 this 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 second annual Chokecherry Stomp on September 12th to raise money for the Lewistown campus. The event has a \$20 admission and features great food, a brewfest, wine tasting and music by Erik "Fingers" Ray. Doors at the Fergus County Trade Center open at 7:00 p.m. Contact Janice Brady if you want more information or if you need a room reserved.

HOMECOMING 2009

MSU-Northern 2009 Homecoming will be September 19, 2009 during Festival Days weekend. The Lights will be "taking on" UM Western at the Blue Pony Stadium. Students may attend the game free of charge with a current MSUN ID.

All MSU-Northern Clubs and Organizations are encouraged to nominate a Homecoming King & Queen candidate. The deadline for nomination forms is September 11th at 5 p.m. Please turn in your completed forms to the Student Union Building Information Desk. There will also be a mandatory candidate meeting on September 11th at 5 p.m. in the SUB Fireside Lounge to go over the election rules.

Homecoming Activities

Tuesday, September 15-17 - Elections (on-line) Tuesday, September 15 - 1pm - Hello Walk Painting Tuesday, September 15 - 4:30pm - BBQ & Pep Rally (Dining Hall) Tuesday, September 15 - 6pm - Wall Climbing (Weight Room) Wednesday, September 16 - 7pm - Mini Golf (Pro Putt) Thursday, September 17 - 7pm - Folf Challenge (Meet at the SUB) Saturday, September 19 - 1pm -Lights Football vs. UM Western (Blue Pony Stadium) Saturday, September 19 - 1½ time coronation Saturday, September 19 - 10pm- Homecoming Video Dance (SUB Ballroom)

WALL CLIMBING BEGINS

Wall Climbing begins September 8th in the Gym Weight Room at 6 p.m. and continues every Tuesday night throughout the semester. If you have an interest in rock climbing but haven't had the opportunity to try it, then you will enjoy this activity. Technique, rope work & safety will be taught. Experience is not necessary. Bring loose fitting clothes and wear good shoes. This activity is free to all MSU-Northern students with a current ID.

BADMINTON ON THE LAWN

Take advantage of this beautiful Montana weather and come on out and play a quick match of badminton on the SUB Lawn. The ASMSUN Intramural & Recreation council will be sponsoring this event on September 9th at 3 p.m.

ZIV CONCERT

MSU-Northern Student Activities is proud to present to the Northern campus and Havre community contemporary rock band "ZIV" on Thursday, September 10th at 8 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. "ZIV" is a story about ambition and love for music. About a band that formed not to be famous or to achieve great wealth, but rather to make beautiful music. Their debut album "Fearless" won "Independent Record of the Year" by melodic.net in 2007. Check their music out on www.zivmusic.com.

This concert is free to MSU-Northern Students, Faculty and Staff and for other community members, \$5/Adults and \$3/Students.

Rumor Buster

By Jim Potter

There is a rumor around campus that the Athletic bus was purchased with college funds. I want to be the first person to quickly stomp out that vicious rumor. **The college did not purchase the Athletic Bus.** This is a wonderful gift from the people in the community who want to make sure our Northern athletes are able to safely travel to and from their games. Northern will be paying for the gas and maintenance but that cost is a fraction of what it costs to rent a bus. One bus will not meet all of our travel needs but it will make a significant impact on our travel costs.

Outlook Tip

By: Marianne Hoppe Write more effective e-mails... in reverse

t's easy to overlook something important when you're dashing off an e-mail - like an attachment, a subject line, or even a coherent point. Sometimes it's the little things that increase your productivity. Instead of entering the main message text, then addressees and subject, and finishing with an attachment (which is the order 99% of us do almost every time), follow these steps:

- 1. Attach the files. Starting with this step mean you won't forget to add the attachments at the end. It also helps you keep the message focused on the main point, which is probably related to the attached files.
- 2. Write the body text. Be sure to relate the message to the attachments and the desired outcome of sending the message.
- 3. Write the subject. Now that you've written the message, the subject should be like a thesis statement a concise restatement of the body. It also eliminates messages with blank subject lines, which are mysterious, confusing, and bad etiquette.
- 4. Add recipients. Doing this last prevents you from accidentally sending the message without the subject line or attachments. It also allows you to smartly select who to send it to based on all the work you put into the first three steps.

Can't remember a tip? Find them all on the ITS website! http://www.msun.edu/its/info/tips.htm

Tidbits

Will be back next week.

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