

Northern Network News

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Happy Holidays

I want to thank everyone for their support and submissions to our campus newsletter during the past semester. The campus will be officially closed on December 25 and January 1. This will be the last NNN until January 12 so please notice the changes to the schedules for the break. I also want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Gym Closed

Due to repairs the gym will be closed from 12/16/06 to 12/29/06. The gym will be accessible on 12/30/06. Faculty and staff may use the Wellness Room during the hours of 8-5 when the building is open (December 18-22 & 26-29, January 2-5).

Library Hours During the Break

December 14-15, Thursday-Friday	7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
December 16-17, Saturday-Sunday	CLOSED
December 18-20, Monday-Wednesday	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
December 21-22, Thursday-Friday	8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
December 23-January 1	CLOSED
January 2-5, Tuesday-Friday	8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
January 6-7, Saturday-Sunday	CLOSED
January 8-9, Monday-Tuesday	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
January 10, Wednesday	Resume normal hours

Book Buy Back Ends Today

Book buy back ends today, Friday the 15th and it goes from 8 AM to 1 PM. Students must bring receipts for their books along with any supplemental material that came with their books. We have a list of prices posted in the entry to the SUB if they want to find out the prices ahead of time.

Grades Due

Faculty members your grades are due next Tuesday December 19 by noon in the Registrar's office.

Cabin Fever Starts Next Week

The 14th annual Cabin Fever Institute will begin classes on Monday. The various topics were chosen from suggestions given to us at the conclusion of last years' program and from other suggestions we have received in the past. Some of this year's topics include Welding, Pesticide Training, Photoshop, Grant Writing, AutoCad, Horseshoeing and Foot Care, Beef Production, Dutch Oven Cooking, Wine Tasting, Aromatherapy, and Fuzzie Wuzzie Rugs. A two-day "Renewable Energy" conference will be held on January 3rd and 4th. This conference will cover such areas as hybrid vehicles, solar electric and solar hot water, bio-diesel, and wind energy. Now is the time to take a fun class in something that interests you – so register today.

To register, call the Hill County Extension Office at 406-265-5481 Ext. 233. Enrollment for many of the classes is limited, so please call as soon as possible. Cabin Fever brochures are located throughout campus. If you are interested in receiving a brochure or for further information, please contact Sandy Jappe at Ext. 4148.

We Love Northern Ball

The ball is scheduled for Saturday, February 3 in the SUB and will begin with no-host cocktails at 6:00; a fabulous dinner at 7:00; live and silent auctions and dancing with Sax Cadillac from approximately 8:00-12:00. For anyone who has attended this event in the past, you know what a fun time it is. All of the proceeds from the Ball go towards student scholarships.

This year we will conduct a competition between campus departments (academic and support) to put together items that can be sold at the silent or instant auctions. You can provide individual items or a group of items in a theme basket(s). These "theme items" would be at the discretion of the department members. The department whose donations generate the most dollars in bidding will be able to choose a scholarship recipient and have the scholarship presented in the name of the winning department.

The item or items can be anything from baked goods, homemade crafts, tickets, clothes or whatever you want. The only stipulation is that the committee does not want our employees to be downtown soliciting items from local businesses. These items should be made, acquired and paid for by the department employees as a whole. The local community of Havre will be asked independently by others on the "We Love Northern" committee to make donations to the event.

Please take some time to visit with your colleagues and come up with some ideas for a donation. We will try to visit each department soon to answer any questions you may have. In the meantime, if you have any questions, you can contact Jim Potter, Janice Brady, Debbie Ritz, or Cindy Small.

Scholarship Applications

2007-2008 Scholarships Applications are available at the Financial Aid Office. Remember financial aid is awarded on a first come first served basis so the sooner you get your application in the better chance you have of receiving some financial help.

Cooperative Education

Students interested in a Cooperative Education Experience for spring semester 2007 should make an appointment to see Gail or Terry as soon as possible.

Minimum Wage

As of 1/1/07, the minimum wage increases to \$6.15 per hour. If you have anyone that needs to be increased, please send Jennifer Henderson an email so she can make new time sheets. It is important that this get taken care of over break.

Construction Update

Pershing Hall's heating system is scheduled to be officially completed today. The Physical plant is planning on spending the next two weeks cleaning and painting. They will be moving the faculty members back in the building as soon as the appropriate areas are finished. The building will be open for classes next semester.

Upcoming Dates

Dec. 15

Fall Semester Ends!

Finals End Today

Book Buy Back (8:00 AM - 1:00 PM)
Residence Halls Close at Noon (12:00 PM)
Lights Basketball vs. Dixie College at home (7:00 PM - 9:00 PM)

Dec. 17

Lights Basketball @ Adrian College (3:00 PM - 5:00 PM)

Dec. 18

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Lights Basketball @ Azusa Pacific (12:00 PM - 2:00 PM)
Lights Wrestling @ Southern Oregon/Portland State (3:00 PM)

Dec. 19

Grades Due by noon in the Registrar's office
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Dec. 20

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Lights Wrestling @ Reno Tournament of Champions (9:00 AM)

Dec. 21

Cabin Fever

Dec. 25

Closed for Christmas

Dec. 28

Lights Wrestling @ Midlands Invitational (Multi-Day Event)
Skylights Basketball @ University of Mary (7:00 PM - 9:00 PM)

Dec. 29

Skylights Basketball @ Dickinson State University
Lights Wrestling @ Midlands Invitational (Multi-Day Event)

Dec. 30

Lights Basketball vs. University of Saskatchewan at home 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Jan. 1

Closed for New Years Day

Jan. 2

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Jan. 3

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Jan. 4

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Skylights Basketball @ Rocky Mountain College (6:00 PM - 8:00 PM)
Lights Basketball @ Rocky Mountain College (8:00 PM - 10:00 PM)

Jan. 5

Cabin Fever

Jan. 6

Lights Wrestling @ Dickinson State Classic (9:00 AM)

Skylights Basketball @ Carroll College (6:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

Lights Basketball @ Carroll College (8:00 PM - 10:00 PM)

Jan. 7

Residence Halls Open @ (9 a.m.)

Jan. 9

Orientation and Student Registration (8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Jan. 10

Spring Semester Classes Begin