

Northern Network News

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2006 Homecoming Schedule

Monday, October 9th

8pm – Come out and watch Intramural Volleyball

Tuesday, October 10th

Student Senate and Homecoming Elections (online) 7pm- Super Games (SUB)

8pm – Come out and watch Intramural Volleyball

Wednesday, October 11th

Student Senate and Homecoming Elections (online)

5pm – Homecoming Rehearsal (candidates)

Thursday, October 12th

Student Senate and Homecoming Elections (online)

1pm – Hello Walk Painting

4:30pm – BBQ (SUB Lawn)

6pm – Pie the Homecoming Candidates (SUB Lawn)

Friday, October 13th

11am - Homecoming Rehearsals (candidates)

3pm-6pm – Decorating for dance (candidates)

6pm – WBB vs. Alumni (GYM)

8pm MBB vs. Alumni (GYM)

Saturday, October 14th

9am- Alumni Brunch (SUB Ballroom)

11am- Lights Wrestling vs. Alumni (GYM)

1pm - Lights Football vs. Western (Blue Pony Stadium)

6pm- Skylights BB vs. Univ. of Calgary (GYM)

10pm – “Boogie Fever” Homecoming Dance (SUB Ballroom)

11pm – Grand March of Candidates (SUB Ballroom)

Sunday, October 15th

10am – VB vs. Alumni (GYM)

2pm- WBB vs. Regina (GYM)

4pm- UGF vs. Calgary (GYM)

Flu Shots

The flu vaccine has not yet arrived. Nurse Sue will send out a campus wide e-mail as soon as her vaccines arrive.

Basketball Benefits Boiler

Last night the Northern Lights and Skylights basketball teams held a scrimmage at St. Jude's to help the school raise some money for a new boiler. The event was well attended and gave the teams a chance meet some future Northern students and potential basketball players. It also gave them a chance to show off their skills before the season begins. Way to go teams!

Career Center News

Companies continue to schedule recruiting visits to Northern this fall. Additional information and sign-up sheets for interview times are available in the Career Center in Donaldson Hall. Upcoming recruiting visits for both full-time and Cooperative Education positions include:

Fairbanks Morse – October 10th & 11th General Information Session Tuesday Oct. 10 at 4:00 pm, Hensler Auditorium, ATC Building Interviews, Wednesday, Oct. 11th at the Career Center (Diesel & Automotive Students)

Modern Machinery – Oct. 12th. General Information Session 9:00 a.m., Hensler Auditorium, ATC Building Interviews in the Career Center (Diesel & Automotive Students)

Western Federal Lands Highway Division – Oct. 23rd. General Information Session 9:00 am, Hensler Auditorium, ATC Building Interviews following in the Career Center (Civil Engineering Tech and Design Drafting)

Tractor & Equipment – Oct. 24th. General Information Session 9:00 a.m., Hensler Auditorium, ATC Building Interviews following in the Career Center (Diesel and Automotive Students)

Wyoming Machinery – Oct. 26th. General Information Session 8:30 am, Hensler Auditorium, ATC Building. Interviews following in the Career Center (Diesel & Automotive)

Western Energy – Oct 30th & 31st General Information Session 4:00 pm, Hensler Auditorium, ATC Building on Monday, Oct. 30th. Interviews, Tuesday, Oct. 31st in the Career Center (Diesel & Automotive)

Domestic/Relationship Violence Awareness Month

October commemorates Domestic/Relationship Violence Awareness Month nationwide. The highest rate of relationship violence applies to women ages 16-24, and more than 50% of women will experience some type of violence from an intimate partner in their lifetime. While women's victimization by relationship violence is 95% or higher of reported cases, relationship violence can happen to men, too. It can and does occur in any type of intimate relationship: dating, marriage, co-habitation or roommate arrangements. It occurs between couples who are straight, gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender. For college students, the most common forms of these crimes are dating violence, sexual assault and stalking.

ReSPONSE is sponsoring a number of displays and events to bring attention to issues of relationship and dating violence this month.

Purple Shawl Display

ReSPONSE and the Sweet Grass Society raise awareness about domestic violence on Native American reservations. A display will hang in the Main Entrance of the Vande Bogart Library in honor of Native American Heritage. Images of purple shawls will raise awareness of the problem of violence that occurs on the reservations around the state. Messages are displayed on the shawls to encourage people to change their behaviors. These shawls will hang throughout the month of October. There will also be a display of the teachings of the Eagle Feather and the Medicine Wheel.

T-Shirt Display

A paper T-shirt display will also hang in the Main Entrance of the Vande Bogart Library. The shirts symbolize the effects of and/or feelings about violence against women. The concept is based on the national Clothesline Project in which victim/survivors of domestic violence design T-shirts to tell their stories in a unique way by using words or artwork to decorate the shirts. These displays offer:

- An educational tool to raise awareness of the effects of domestic violence;
- A healing tool for victims, allowing survivors, friends and family to turn their backs on some of the pain and walk away; and
- An acknowledgement for those who are still suffering in silence, letting them know they are not alone and that help is available.

Flag Displays

Flags with images of women and men will be displayed on the front Pershing lawn, near the Hello Walk. The images represent victims of domestic violence in Hill County and surrounding areas. According to the HRDC Domestic Abuse Program, 317 people reported domestic violence in and around Hill County within the past year; Native Americans number 162 victims and non-natives number 155. Approximately 5% of victims who report domestic violence are men.

Each orange silhouette represents 10 women and each white silhouette represents one man. Images of tribal flags from all seven reservations will also be on display; one flag from each reservation will represent one man and 22 of each flag will represent women.

Purple Ribbons

Purple ribbons will be available at several campus locations; all campus members are encouraged to wear a ribbon throughout October.

Purple denotes the bruises – seen and unseen, physical and emotional – suffered by victims of domestic/relationship violence. Wearing the ribbon indicates awareness that interpersonal violence is a societal problem and signifies support for preventing and ending violence against women.

Student Activities

The on-going Women Students' Discussion Group continues in MacKenzie Hall on Wednesdays at 7:00. For the time being, the group will meet in the 9th Floor Lounge area. The Women's Discussion Group is open to all female students, whether living on or off campus. For more information, call ReSPONSE at 265-3557.

ReSPECT, the peer theatre project of ReSPONSE, reorganizes for the school year this month, too. Focused on MSUN student participation, ReSPECT welcomes inquiries from staff, faculty and alumni, too. ReSPECT volunteers present challenging scenes, skits and short plays on relationship and dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. Designed to promote discussion and facilitated by a ReSPONSE staff member or trained Peer Educator, programs will be available to classes, organizations and other campus and community groups. For more information, contact Margaret at 265-3557 or meggs@msun.edu.

Residence Hall activities in October may also focus on relationship and dating violence awareness and healing, too. Notices will be posted in Residence Halls for these events.

Boys and Girls Club Lunch

The board of directors of the Hi-Line Boys and Girls Club is inviting the college community to join them for a lunch and a tour on Thursday, October 12, anytime between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.!

Since they opened their doors in July of 2002, they have had 1,158 local kids become members and have benefited from their services? The Club is available to kids ages 6-18, for only a \$10 annual fee! They would

not be able to provide these services without the generosity of so many individuals and community organizations. The HELP Committee and Boys & Girls Club of the Hi-Line are pleased to be given the opportunity to participate in the State Charitable Giving Program.

You are always welcome, and encouraged, to visit the Club and view these milestones in person! If their luncheon does not fit into your schedule, you may call Tim Brurud or Krista Solomon to set up a personal tour!

Upcoming Dates

Oct. 6

Legends for Lights Pheasant Jamboree & Taste of Havre! (Multi-Day Event)
Intermediate Belly Dancing 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Beginning Belly Dancing 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Step Aerobics 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Oct. 7

Legends for Lights Pheasant Jamboree & Taste of Havre! (Multi-Day Event)
Lights Football @ Montana Tech 1:00 PM

Oct. 8

Legends for Lights Pheasant Jamboree & Taste of Havre! (Multi-Day Event)

Oct. 9

Columbus Day (NOT a University Holiday)
Intermediate Belly Dancing 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Beginning Belly Dancing 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Step Aerobics 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Intramural Volleyball 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Oct. 10

Homecoming Election (Multi-Day Event) 8:00 AM Start Time
Intramural Volleyball 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Oct. 11

Homecoming Election (Multi-Day Event)
Step Aerobics 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Oct. 12

Homecoming Election (Multi-Day Event)
Skylights Volleyball @ Westminster 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Oct. 13

Intermediate Belly Dancing 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Beginning Belly Dancing 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Step Aerobics 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Skylights Basketball vs. Alumni 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Skylights Volleyball @ UM-Western 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Lights Basketball vs. Alumni 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM