

# Northern Network News

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The Northern Network News is the official internal newsletter of MSU-Northern. When you have information you would like the campus to know about, e-mail it to Jim Potter at [potterj@msun.edu](mailto:potterj@msun.edu) and clearly mark it as for the NNN.

## President's Day

Monday Feb 19 is President's Day there will be **no classes** and offices will be closed. The Library will be closed on Sunday but open on Monday from 1 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

## Portal Outage Today at 5:00 p.m.

The MyMSU Portal (<https://myportal.montana.edu>) will be unavailable for use beginning 5pm today February 16th until approximately 12pm Noon Sunday February 18th, while Bozeman upgrades to a new version of the portal software. Access to Portal services (e-mail, channels, Course Studio, and Groups) will not be available during this maintenance period. Email sent to the Portal during this outage will be held in queue for up to three days by an email gateway and delivered when the Portal is brought back online.

Please make plans in advance for these services being unavailable during this maintenance period. Faculty please make sure your students are aware of this outage.

## Second Annual ReSPONSE Theme Competition

In honor of Women's History Month (March) and Sexual Assault Awareness Month (April) ReSPONSE will conduct their second Annual Theme Competition. This year's theme is "Honoring Women who work for Peace."

### **Competition Guidelines: The following aspects will be considered:**

1. Entrants must be currently enrolled students at MSU-Northern.
2. Content (relationship to theme)
3. Expression of subject material within chosen media (e.g., well-written essays, appropriate graphics and music)
4. Appropriate imagery (written or visual)
5. Creativity within chosen media
6. Appearance (well-designed visually, regardless of media)

### **Submission Guidelines: Deadline for submissions is Wednesday, March 14, 2007.**

1. Submissions may focus on individuals or agencies and organizations.
2. Format may be written (e.g., prose or poetry), photographs or other art, music, or multi-media.
3. Written material must be a minimum of 3 pages and a maximum of 8 pages. Other media should be equivalent, for example a series of theme-related poems, a series of photographs, a combination of music and photography, etc. Audio and video entries must be 3 to 8 minutes in length.
4. Submit all entries (written and visual) on CD, DVD, or by email
  - a. to the ReSPONSE office, 1129 Bonine Dr. (Student Health/ReSPONSE building, behind Morgan Residence Hall)
  - b. email to [response@msun.edu](mailto:response@msun.edu)
  - c. hard copies may be submitted, but work must be in electronic form for judges' consideration.

**Prizes: In each category, ONE winner; up to THREE honorable mentions**

1. Each winner's work will be posted on the ReSPONSE website, and visual work will be displayed in the Vande Bogart Library
2. The overall winner in each category will receive a \$50.00 cash prize!

In my previous email regarding upcoming career fairs I neglected to mention the 2nd Annual "Almost" Spring Job & Internship Fair at MSU-Bozeman. So, here is a new list with this information included:

## Career Fairs

Career fairs are an excellent opportunity for our students to network with several companies in a more relaxed person-to-person setting. While hiring is not usually done at a career fair, it is often the first step in the hiring process. Please make your students aware of this opportunity and encourage them to attend if possible.

I would strongly recommend that students interested in attending the fairs visit the web sites and review the information available there. From this information students can determine if the recruiters that are participating and the jobs that are available would make this a worthwhile event for them to attend.

For more information students may also contact the Career Center.

### **2nd Annual "Almost Spring Job & Internship Fair**

MSU-Bozeman – Strand Union Ballrooms

Thursday, February 22, 2007

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For more information please visit their website at:

[www.montana.edu/careers](http://www.montana.edu/careers)

### **Big Sky Career Fair**

The University of Montana – University Center 3rd Floor

Wednesday, February 28th

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For more information please visit their website at:

[www.umt.edu/career/bscf/bigsky.htm](http://www.umt.edu/career/bscf/bigsky.htm)

## Recruiting Visits

Upcoming recruiting visits for both full-time and Cooperative Education positions include:

Western States - Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>. A general information session will be given at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> in the Hensler Auditorium. Interviews will take place on the 22<sup>nd</sup> in the Career Center for both Co-op and full-time positions. (Diesel & Automotive)

Wyoming Machinery – Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. Interviews in the Career Center. Recruiting for both full-time and Co-op positions (Diesel & Automotive)

R.D.O. Equipment – Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>. A general information session will be given at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, February 27 in the Hensler Auditorium. Interviews will take place on the 28<sup>th</sup> in the Career Center for both Co-op and full-time positions.

## New Board of Regent Member

On Monday, Feb. 12, Governor Schweitzer appointed Todd Buchanan of Billings to Board of Regents. Buchanan is an Independent from District 2 and replaces Mark Semmens. Buchanan is the co-owner and

financial advisor with Buchanan Capital LLC in Billings. In addition to other investment experience, Buchanan also was the executive director of ZooMontana. He graduated from Montana State University-Bozeman with a bachelor of science in business marketing. Following graduation, he spent over two years with the U.S. Peace Corps in Nicaragua as a small business development specialist. Buchanan currently serves on the board of directors for the Montana Conservation Corps, Parnly Billings Library Foundation, Downtown Billings Association, Downtown Billings Rotary and the Magic Magazine (Lee Enterprises).

## Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan

Montana State University-Northern has completed a draft of its Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan and is asking for public comment. The plan has identified the natural and technological hazards the campus faces and has assessed the campus' vulnerability to each. Mitigation actions have been developed to protect human life, reduce loss and provide for continuity of operations. Once the plan is approved, the campus will qualify for mitigation funds available through FEMA. MSU-Northern has identified the following hazards as its top concern: Hazardous Material Incidents, Structure Fire, Terrorism, Wildfire, Wind-Hail, and Winter Storms-Extreme Cold.

A draft version of the MSU-Northern Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan is now available for public review and comment. Please visit the project website at <http://206.127.65.86/PDM/Index.htm> and download the draft plan. A copy of the plan is also available at the Library on the MSU-Northern campus. Comments should be submitted by February 28, 2007 to Sharon Caven, Risk Management/Fiscal Officer, MSU-Northern, P.O. Box 7751, Havre, MT 59501 or e-mailed to: [caven@msun.edu](mailto:caven@msun.edu).

## February Sub-Zero Special

If the temperature dips below zero, you will receive \$.50 off any drink made by the friendly coffee cart staff! The actual temperature must be below zero Fahrenheit (not just the wind chill) and must be reported at [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com).

## A Northern Tidbit

Since 1982 there have been 316 Student Excellence Award recipients. We currently have eight of those recipients employed here at Northern. Faculty and staff members who received the award while attending Northern include; Vicki Clouse, Krista Milligan, Cynthia Small, Wane Boysun, Trygve Magelssen, Andy Morris, Anna Bateman and Amy Boehm.

## Upcoming Dates

### Feb. 16

Science and Math Club Meeting 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

### Feb. 17

Lights Wrestling @ Regional Tournament 10:00 AM

Skylights Basketball vs. University of Great Falls 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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### Feb. 18

Library CLOSED

### Feb. 19

President's Day - No Classes, Offices Closed

Special Library Hours

## Feb. 20

Faculty and Staff Open Forum 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Intramural Volleyball 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

## Feb. 21

SSS Pancake Supper 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Intramural Volleyball 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

## Feb. 22

2nd Annual "Almost Spring" Job & Internship Fair-Bozeman 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

## Feb. 23

Skylights Basketball vs. UM-Western 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Lights Basketball vs. UM-Western 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Hi-Line Concert Association Presents: Alexandre Moutouzkine 7:30 PM

## Feb. 24

Skylights Basketball vs. Montana Tech 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Lights Basketball vs. Montana Tech 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM