

## From the Chancellor

By: Dr. James Limbaugh

This fall marks the beginning of two significant years for the University, highlighted by the confluence of several different initiatives that will contribute to our meeting an enrollment target of 1,350 students in the fall of 2014. To illustrate the scope of priority projects in support of our two-year action plan ("The MSUN community engages in innovation that creates enrollment growth that enhances student success"), I invite you to peruse this [overview](#) that summarizes the integration of these important tasks in support of our goal of student success.

A word of explanation is in order about one of the initiatives: "Continue Evaluation of Position Needs." This is a growth management exercise being undertaken by the Chancellor's Council. Every member of the Council has been asked to bring forth suggestions (with full rationale) of the types of positions that may be needed as the university grows. Later this fall we will begin the conversations necessary to prioritize these positions (e.g., when we get to "x" number of students we will need to hire "y" position/s) so that we can maintain and enhance services and support in a timely and proactive fashion. Please note that faculty positions needed to respond to growth are not part of this discussion, but are under the purview of and will be recommended by Academic Council as enrollment growth necessitates additional faculty.

## Legends for Lights Pheasant Jamboree



MSU-Northern's athletes took part in the 12th annual Legends for Lights Pheasant Jamboree fundraiser. This event brought former NFL, NHL, MBL legends and outdoor enthusiasts together for a 4-day jamboree which included trap shooting, pheasant hunting, the Friends & Family Fun Night, and a little storytelling. Participants paid to be included in the shooting and hunting teams, and the money raised during this event will go towards athletic scholarships.

## Upcoming Alumni Auction

Come out and support our Alumni Scholarships! It's the best auction in town! The event will take place on Saturday October 13, 2012 in the Northern Gym. The entrance fee is \$20, which also covers an all-you-can-eat supper from Taco John's taco cart. Great snacks and one free drink will also be provided. Tickets are available at Creative Leisure and the Alumni Office- Cowan Hall 307. The night's festivities will commence as follows:

- 4:30 p.m. Doors Open, Cash Bar
- 5:00 p.m. Taco Cart & Great Snacks
- 6:00 p.m. Auction Starts

Come join us for a great time right after the Lights football game. For more information, send an e-mail to [alumni@msun.edu](mailto:alumni@msun.edu) or call 406-265-3770.

## Comedienne & Celebrity Impressionist Performing- October 16



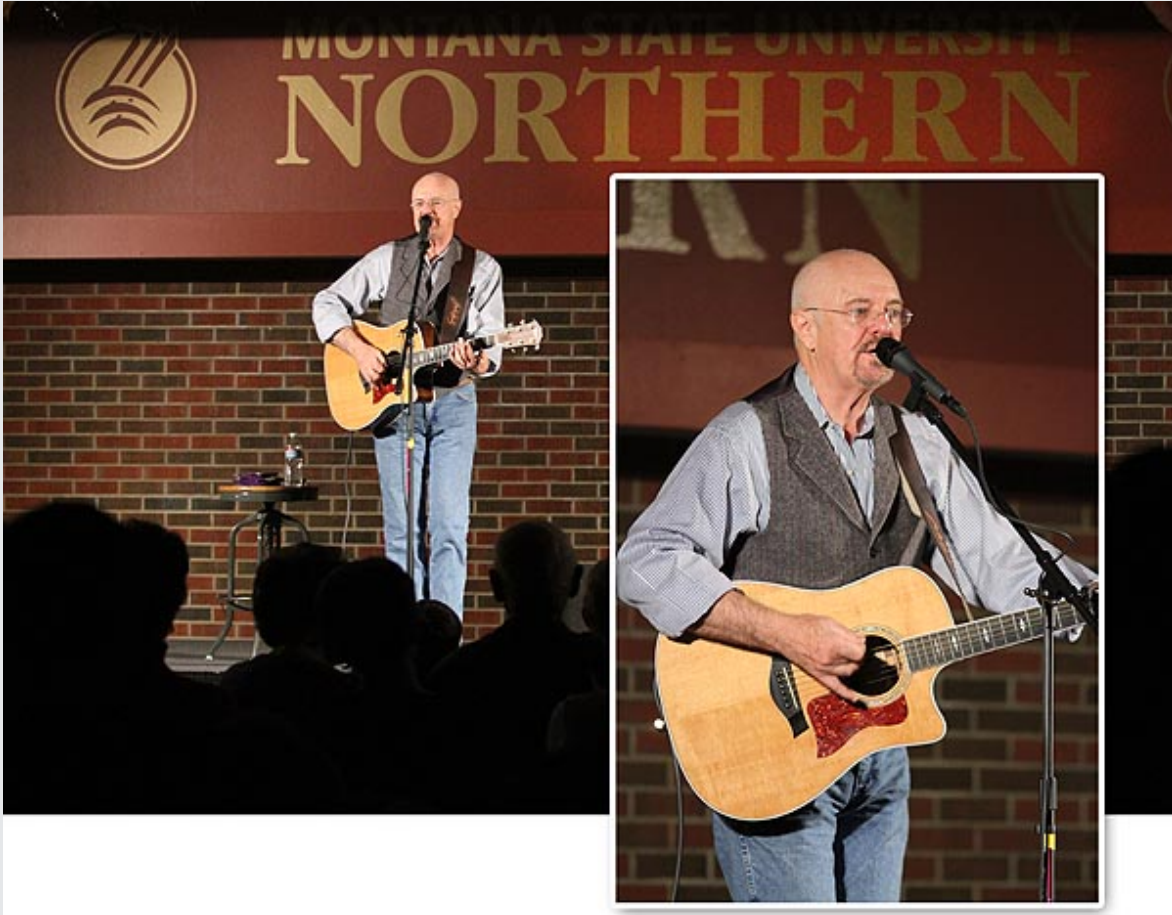
The Associated Students of MSU-Northern are proud to present "America's Got Talent 2011" semi-finalist Melissa Villasenor on Tuesday, October the 16th at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Hailing from Southern California, comedienne and celebrity impressionist Villasenor is most well known as a semi-finalist on last year's "America's Got Talent". Melissa's iconic impressions have been on Comedy Central's "Adventureland," "Family Guy" and "Frank TV."

Villasenor grew up in Los Angeles and started her stand up career at 15 years of age performing at the "Laugh Factory Comedy Camp". After years of hard work, she is now a regular at the "Comedy Store, Improv's, Laugh Factory, and Comedy & Magic Club."

She did her first TV appearance on "The Ellen DeGeneres Show." Recently she played a part as Nora Ephron on Fox's "Family Guy". Villasenor wrote and will star in her one woman show called, "I'm Not Myself." Villasenor is one of the most in-demand comedians in the College/University market...this is one show you don't want to miss! Admission for this performance is free to MSU-Northern students, faculty and staff. Community members may attend for \$5/adult and \$3/students.

## Northern Showcase Season Begins

James Lee Stanley



James Lee Stanley was Northern Showcase's opening act for this season, and his performance was truly worthy of the opening slot. His musical ability and wit captivated the audience. Stanley started the season off right. Everyone should attend the upcoming Northern Showcase performances. The talented line-up promises enjoyment for all audiences.

### **Michael Strickland**

The Northern Showcase Concert Association is proud to present pianist and composer Mike Strickland. Strickland will perform on Tuesday, October 23, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. in the Havre High Auditorium. Many styles of music have influenced Strickland, so he has evolved into a one-of-a-kind piano artist.

Strickland has toured throughout the United States as a solo artist and with his trio, The Mike Strickland Trio. He is known for his exceptional musicianship and arrangements, his virtuosic technique, and his unmatched ability to connect with the audience on a personal level.

As a composer, he has racked up some impressive achievements. In addition to his music airing for 7 seasons on CBS Sports PGA Golf, it has also been heard on the NBC, FOX and ABC networks. Sales for his 22 CDs have climbed to over 300,000 and are distributed throughout the nation and digitally throughout the world.

Admission for this performance, if you do not have a Northern Showcase Concert Association season pass, is \$15/adult and \$10/student. Season passes will also be available at this performance for \$125/family, \$60/adult and \$35/student.



## Bio-Energy Advanced Fuels Lab Grand Opening



MSU-Northern's Bio-Energy Advanced Fuels Lab is almost ready to create and test oils and bio-fuels. To celebrate this new development, we will be holding a grand opening ceremony complete with an open house, ribbon cutting, and barbeque. On October 16, 2012 the event will begin at noon. Senator Jon Tester will be present and will meet and greet attendees until 12:30 p.m., when he is scheduled to speak. Many dignitaries will be present at this momentous occasion. The grand opening is a celebratory event signifying the great strides MSU-Northern has made in the area of bio-energy.

### Fall 2012 Career Fair

The Fall 2012 Career Fair will be held Tuesday, October 16 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Student Union Building Ballroom. Nineteen employers (local and national) will be on campus recruiting for full-time, part-time and internship opportunities. Further details and a list of employers can be found on CareerExpress at <http://msun.edu/career/>.

Here are some tips concerning this fair:

- Bring a few copies of your resume
- Research the companies before you come
- Dress to impress
- Act professionally

This event is held exclusively for current MSU-Northern students and alumni.

### Mid-Term Study Groups

On October 17 & 18 in the MSU-Northern Food Court from 7-9 p.m., the Student Life department will be offering a location for students to get together for mid-term studying. A tutor from the Advising Center will be available during the study time. Just bring your books and your study-buddy and we will provide the brain food and refreshments.

### Northern Clubs Join the SubZero SuperHero Plunge

On November 3, MSU-Northern will be teaming up with the Special Olympics to host the "SubZero SuperHero Plunge" after our football game versus Dickinson State University at Blue Pony Stadium. All MSU-Northern clubs and groups are invited to put together a team of 4 to take the plunge. Each team will have to get \$100 in pledges, and registration forms are available at the gym.

### Advance Registration for Spring Semester 2013

Graduate & post-baccalaureate students may register at any time beginning October 29, 2012.

**SENIORS**- Wednesday, Oct. 31- any time after 8:00 a.m.  
(Semester Credits Earned: 90 or above)

**JUNIORS-** Friday, Nov. 2- any time after 8:00 a.m.  
(Semester Credits Earned: 60-89)

**SOPHOMORES-** Monday, Nov. 5- any time after 8:00 a.m.  
(Semester Credits Earned: 30-59)

**FRESHMEN-** Wednesday, Nov. 7- any time after 8:00 a.m.  
(Semester Credits Earned: 0-29)

**NEW STUDENTS-** Tuesday, Nov. 13- any time after 8:00 a.m.

Student classifications are as of summer semester 2012, so your class standing does NOT include fall semester 2012 classes.

## **Veteran's Day Celebration**

On November 9, 2012 at precisely 11:11 a.m., MSU-Northern will be hosting a Veteran's Day Celebration on the south lawn by the Student Union Building on campus. The very specific commencement time for this ceremony celebrates the signing of the peace treaty that ended World War I. This treaty was signed during the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918, so because November the 11th is on a Sunday this year, Northern will commemorate that date on the 9th, but at 11:11 a.m.

The Veteran's Day Celebration will be a short program consisting of a presentation of colors, taps, a commemorative song called "Angel Flight," and a roll call of the Montana casualties from the War on Terrorism. This short event is meant to bring honor to the men and women who served and continue to serve Montana and the United States of America so valiantly. The public is welcome to join us as we celebrate and honor our country's heroes.

## **Travel Opportunities for Students, Faculty, Staff and Community Members**

There are two wonderful opportunities for students, faculty, staff, and community members to expand their horizons with overseas travel in 2013.

First, over spring break, March 10-18, a group is leaving from Great Falls and heading to explore Ireland with an escorted tour. The trip starts in Shannon/Killarney then heads south to the Ring of Kerry, east to Blarney and Cork, then north to Dublin where they will experience St. Patrick's Day. There is also an optional tour to Belfast. If you are interested, please contact Carol Reifschneider (265-4126), Tracey Jette (265-3566) or Randy Bachmeier (265-4152).

The second opportunity is to Turkey. Brenda Skornogoski is the group leader. The group leaves Great Falls May the 14th for a 13-day adventure that circumnavigates Turkey. The tour starts in Istanbul, continues through Troy to Izmir (also known as Smyrna) with an optional side trip to Ephesus and the last home of Mary of Nazareth. The trip continues to Anatalya which is located on the Mediterranean Sea. This area is referred to as the "Turquoise Coast". From there the tour goes to Cappadocia which is an area similar to our "Badlands" with very unique building structure - sort of like our local "hoodoos". The tour continues through the capital of Ankar and then back to Istanbul. If you are interested, check out the specifics at:

<http://www.gate1travel.com/Skornogoskigroup.aspx#hotels> or contact Brenda Skornogoski (262-7776), Randy Bachmeier (265-4152) or Carol Reifschneider (265-4126).

## **Flu Shots for Students**

Students can get a flu shot for \$17.00 at the MSU-Northern Student Health Service Office, located in the Student Union Building Room 228. The Student Health Service Office is open Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Closed Friday)

A Physician's Assistant is also available on Tuesdays from 1-2:30 p.m. and Thursdays from 10:30 a.m.-Noon.

## Graduation Applications Due

Graduation applications are due in the Registrar's Office by November the 2nd. Students will need to complete their application and program sheets with their advisor.

Forms are available in the Registrar's office or at <http://www.msun.edu/registrar/graduation.aspx>.

## Weekly Columns

### @ Your Library

By Vicki Gist

What's happening at the library? There are new displays. What books are the people of Northern reading? Well, take a look at the campus "Read" posters in the library entryway. Many of these books can be checked out from our library. You can also check out books pertaining to the upcoming election. The "Election 2012" display, near the stairs, contains books discussing the candidates and the issues of this year's election.

The library now has an area for children to play. This area is located downstairs in the juvenile book collection area, near the Advising & Learning Centers. Here you will find a collection of toys and books for children to play with while you study at the nearby tables or work on a computer.

### Alumni in Action

By Autumn Elliot



*Skylights*  
*Volleyball*

*Lights*  
*Football*

# Join Us



<b>October 19th</b>	<b>October 20th</b>
Butte	Helena
Metals Sports Bar & Grill 8 West Park Street 4-6:30 pm	Northern Football Tailgate Carroll College tailgate area 11 am
Then to Montana Tech to CHEER on the Skylights	Cheer on our Lights
	Volleyball Social Brewhouse
<b>\$5.00 per person per event</b> <small>Thank you for your support</small>	939 Getchell Street, Helena 4-6 pm
<b>Questions and to RSVP</b> Please call: 406-265-3770 or email: <a href="mailto:alumni@msun.edu">alumni@msun.edu</a>	Then to Carroll to cheer on our Skylight Volleyball





## Computer Corner

By Marianne Hoppe

### Word 2010 Tip

#### Double-click shortcuts provide quick access to Word formatting options

Most of us probably spend more time formatting our documents than we should, so shortcuts matter. You could spend time looking for the right options, but sometimes a double-click provides quicker access to formatting options. Here are a few:

- Double-click the gray area of the horizontal ruler, or anywhere on the vertical ruler to open the **Page Setup** dialog. (If you double click the white area of the horizontal ruler the Tabs dialog will open)
- Double-click the indent marker on the horizontal ruler to open the **Paragraph** dialog.
- Double-click the **Move Table Columns** marker on the horizontal ruler (they are the small squares you see when you're in a table) to display the **Tables Properties** dialog.
- Double-click any tab to hide the ribbon (double click a tab again to bring it back).
- Double-click the header or footer area to open it for editing.
- Double-click an **AutoShape** to display the context-sensitive Formatting toolbar

## A Pinch of Salt

By Kimmi Boyce

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. National Breast Cancer Awareness Month seems like one of the most widely celebrated "National Months," as well it should be. Breast cancer should not be taken lightly, since the breasts are located so closely to the lymph nodes, which makes the cancer more likely and able to spread into the body's systems. Early detection is key in the process of eradicating breast cancer. That being said, I do not think it is out of place to mention preventative methods in a college e-paper, because I would rather have our young women learn about breast cancer detection early, before entering the "dangerous age range," than to remain ignorant and be surprised by the disease. But instead of trying to reinvent the wheel, I am referring you to the National Breast Cancer Foundation Inc. for in-depth symptoms and signs. Click [HERE](#) to read about symptoms and signs of breast cancer, so you and your loved ones can stay aware and stay healthy.

## Mission Statement

"MSU Northern, a teaching institution, serves a diverse student population by providing liberal arts, professional and technical education programs ranging from certificates through master's degrees. The university promotes a student centered and culturally enriched environment endorsing lifelong learning, personal growth and responsible citizenship. The university partners with a variety of community and external entities to enhance collaborative learning, provide applied research opportunities, stimulate economic development and expand student learning experiences."