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During Spring Break

Safety Workshop



During the break, Northern's Strategic Advancement Team and Safety and Disaster Committee members took part in an all-day safety training that prepared them for how to respond if a shooter were to threaten the campus. Five area policemen ran the seminar during which the attendees learned several survival skills that could be used to help them Run, Hide or Fight. They learned how to disarm a shooter, and utilize existing objects to lock or barricade doors. The hands-on portions of the class included shooting scenarios where the trainees were exposed to more realistic dangers so they could practice their newfound safety techniques. This was an outstanding workshop and more of these sessions will be conducted in the future so all staff and faculty will have the opportunity to learn the skills.

PAS Club Members Attend National Conference



Six MSU-Northern Postsecondary Agriculture Students (PAS) club members participated in the National PAS Conference held in Kansas City, Missouri on March 16-19. The conference featured agricultural tours, guest

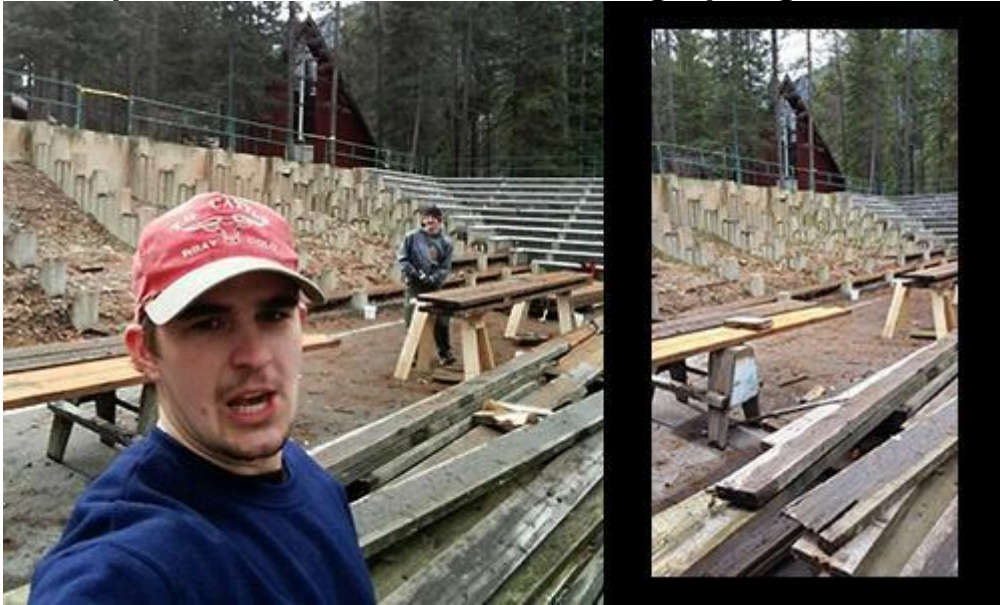
speakers, entertainment, a career fair, and break-out sessions on several topics. Team members participated in the college agriculture quiz bowl, a soils specialist contest, a crops specialist contest and the "Speakers in Agriculture Impromptu Speaking Contest. Approximately 600 PAS members from throughout the United States attended the conference. MSU-Northern student and PAS member Kasee Clark stated, "It was truly amazing how many students from the various colleges that participate in PAS are truly passionate about the future of agriculture and are taking the steps to prepare for it." Brandy Tannahill, another Northern PAS member, said, "It was really exciting to be around so many motivated agriculture students at the conference and really interesting to shoot the breeze with them and learn about their regional farming practices. It was an honor to represent Montana and a challenge to compete against PAS's best and brightest from around the country. I, for one, can't wait to go back next year."

Northern Hosts Leadership High School



Montana State University-Northern hosted the 16th annual Leadership High School Awards Luncheon. Chancellor Kegel was on hand to congratulate the 18 Havre High School Juniors and presented them each with a \$1,000 tuition waiver to Northern. They learn to develop their leadership skills through involvement in Havre's community and various volunteer opportunities including job shadowing at various businesses in town. Coach Sherry Winn gave some words of encouragement to help motivate them for success.

Chi Alpha Students Give Back During Spring Break



Two Northern Chi Alpha students, Wyatt Ullery and Jerid Simonson, travelled to Hungry Horse, Montana over spring break to give back during their time off. The men worked alongside Chi Alpha director Tyler Boyce as they engaged in demolition, cleaning, rebuilding, and maintenance work for Glacier Bible Camp (GBC). The trio helped clean rooms in the Glacier Lodge, painted halls and rooms in Teakettle Lodge, and helped tear down and begin to rebuild the camp's outdoor amphitheater. The students worked hard and all their efforts were greatly appreciated by the staff at GBC, but moreover, the men's work will affect hundreds of people who will utilize the camp this spring and summer. Good work Wyatt and Jerid; you make Northern proud!

This Past Week

Montana Author Speaks Honoring National Women's History Month



In celebration of Women's History Month, the Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) invited author and teacher Caroline Patterson to speak. Her presentation, "Montana Women Writers" was a charming representation of Montana's history intertwined with literature spanning a section of 100 years. She focused on prominent Montana women who, in her words, "...shaped the landscape of the American West." Cristina Estrada-Underwood, Director of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs said, "It is through the eyes of these early pioneers we can have a glimpse of, for example, how Butte, Montana was in the 1860s or what life was like in Great Falls in the 1950s and 1960s."

Throughout her talk, Patterson referred to her book *Montana Women Writers: A Geography of the Heart*. She touched on the lives of Nannie T. Alderson, B.M. Bower, Mary MacLane, and others. These women were from other states and countries but came to Montana and impacted it greatly with their lives and writings. Some were dreamers, some were southern belles turned pioneer, some were lesbians, and some were simply strong women with much to say and share with the world.

Patterson ended the session by asking attendees to share stories of strong women in their own lives. Tales of precious great-grandmothers, fiery aunts, and beloved mothers flowed from the hearts of those in attendance. The presentation was set for an hour, but the conversation was so interesting and heartfelt, many people stayed long after the one-hour mark.

American Indian Student Retention Lecture with Dr. Pepion



As part of the Indigenous Education Lecture Series, Northern and the Little River Institute brought Dr. Donald Pepion to address three audiences on the topic of American Indian Student Retention. Pepion currently teaches at New Mexico State University and offered a wealth of knowledge on his main topic, from years of personal experience in secondary education.

Founders' Excellence Award Winners Announced

The MSU-Northern Alumni Foundation is excited to announce the 2016 Founders' Excellence Award recipients: Tom Baker and Dr. George Bandy. A special ceremony will be held on May 6 on MSU-Northern's campus.



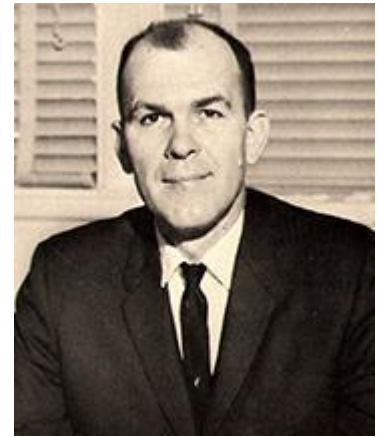
Tom Baker was born and raised in Havre, Montana. He attended grade school at St. Jude's Catholic School and high school at Havre Central. After graduating from Havre Central in 1966, he attended Northern Montana College.

Baker's business, Baker Amusement Inc., was founded in 1977. He and his partner Ken Myers went on to form K&T Partnership and through the years have acquired various businesses and real estate properties.

Baker currently serves on the Northern Lights Athletic Scholarship Foundation board. He is a member of the Elks, Eagles, Havre and Chinook Chambers of Commerce, and the National and State Coin Operator Association. Baker enjoys going to his grandsons' activities and sporting events. He is a big fan of MSU-Northern Lights and Skylights athletics, likes to golf, and participates in the NLSAF Pheasant Hunt.

Dr. George Bandy dedicated the majority of his 56 years of life to education. He graduated in 1944 from Folsom High School in Folsom, California and immediately entered the U.S. Navy, serving two years. Bandy earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Sacramento State College in 1950 and 1953, respectively. He earned his doctorate in education from the University of Montana in 1967.

In 1956, he joined the faculty of Northern Montana College (now Montana State University-Northern) where he became the Lights' first football coach. During his tenure at Northern, he also served as the Lights' baseball coach and men's assistant basketball coach.



Over the years, Bandy held many positions at Northern. Initially he was a physical education instructor, science teacher, and coach. In addition, he was the director of athletics. While an assistant professor, he became chairman of the Health and Physical Education Department. In 1963, Bandy became an associate professor in the Teacher Education Division. He then added coordinator of secondary education and supervisor of secondary student teachers to his job roster. In 1965, Bandy took a leave of absence to finish his PhD at the University of Montana. After returning from Missoula, Bandy was the acting dean of the Division of Teacher Education and the director of summer session for several years. In 1970, Bandy was named chairman of the Education Department. After holding that position for several years, Bandy was academic vice president and director of graduate studies. In 1975 he was acting president of Northern. Bandy moved to Dillon to assume the presidency of Western Montana College in July of 1976. Bandy completed his career in education when he retired as acting commissioner of higher education in June of 1979.

Bandy had a life-long interest in sports. While in the military, he was a naval base boxing champion. He played center on the University of Southern California football team. Bandy was introduced to and fell in love with Montana when he played semiprofessional baseball for the Great Falls Electrics. A physical fitness advocate, Bandy was a long-distance runner who took up running 26-mile marathons after the age of 50. Throughout his life, Bandy enjoyed camping, hunting, fishing, and hiking in the Treasure State. He died in July of 1983, at age 56, in a sailing accident at Canyon Ferry Lake near Helena, Montana.

The Founder's Excellence Award presentation ceremony will be held in conjunction with MSU-Northern's Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony starting at 6 p.m. on May 6 in the Student Union Building Ballroom on MSU-Northern's campus. Tickets for the event are \$30 per person, and dinner is included. For tickets and more information, contact the MSU-Northern Alumni Foundation at (406) 265-3711.

New Carpet in the MSUN/MAT Theatre



The theatre in Cowan Hall underwent a much needed update this week, as it received brand new carpet throughout the facility. The new carpet gives the area a sharper, cleaner look.

March Madness Bookstore Sale

The biggest and best sale ever is happening right now at the MSUN Bookstore. It's the March Madness sale. Buy one apparel item or beverage container for full price and get a second of equal or lesser value for \$1. This includes select items from Nike, Ping, and Under Armour. You're not going to want to miss this sale. Come on down and take part in our bookstore's March Madness.

Student Bar-B-Que



Last night all of the campus clubs came together for a Bar-B-Que with chancellor Kegel.

Important Announcements

Easter Sunday Library Hours

The Vande Bogart Library will be open on Easter Sunday, March 27 from 4 p.m. until 10 p.m.

No Easter Egg Hunt on Campus

There will be no Easter egg hunt on the campus this year, so please let your friends and family know that this event will not be occurring as previously planned.

Exit Counseling Sessions for Spring Graduates- Apr. 19 & 20

Attention spring graduates, federal regulations require any student who receives a federal student loan to attend an exit counseling session upon completion of his or her program. The upcoming exit counseling sessions will take place on Tuesday, April 19 at 12 p.m., 3 p.m., and 6 p.m. and again on Wednesday, April 20 at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., and 5 p.m. in the library computer lab B. If you are unable to attend one of these sessions, please contact Karen Terrell at 265-3776 or stop by Cowan Hall 213 G (Financial Aid Office) to set up an appointment.

American Indian Education Fund Scholarship deadline April 4th

Attention Native American, Alaska Natives, and Pacific Islander students, the deadline for the American Indian Education Fund Scholarship is fast approaching.

The scholarship application is open to high school seniors and current college students. There is also a graduate scholarship application available.

All applications must be complete and postmarked by April 4th to be considered. The applicant criteria also includes attending an accredited university or technical/vocational school, be enrolled as a fulltime student, have a GPA between 2.0 and 3.4 (but all students are encouraged to apply) or an ACT score above of 14. Scholarships can be used only for tuition and books (online colleges are not applicable).

[Click Here](#) to download the application for undergraduates

[Click Here](#) to download the application for graduates

[Click Here](#) for more information about the scholarships

Deferred Installment Payment Due Dates

(a one-time \$30 administrative charge does apply):

25%: Friday, January 8th, 2016

50%: Friday, February 12th, 2016

75%: Friday, March 11th, 2016

100%: Friday, April 8th, 2016

Pre-registration for fall 2016 is coming up quickly. If you have made no payments and have a balance owing that is greater than \$250.00 - your summer/fall 2016 registration may be delayed or denied. Please contact Business Services to make payment arrangements.

Summer 2016 Class Schedule is now up on Banner Web

[Click here](#) to download a copy of the Summer 2016 Pre-Registration Schedule.

Graduation Garb- a Reminder for Spring 2016 Graduates

Do not forget to reserve your graduation cap, gown, and tassel for the upcoming graduation ceremony to be held on May 7, 2016. To place your order, please visit the MSU-Northern Bookstore (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.) You can also download and email the order form bookstore@msun.edu, or you can place a phone order by calling 406-265-3728. Since the March 6 deadline has passed, orders will now incur an additional \$5.00 charge.

Continuing MSUN Students

**Complete your 2016-2017 FAFSA
By April 15th**

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**You will be entered to win a \$250 gift certificate
to the MSUN Bookstore**

Go to fafsa.gov today!

Questions? Call 265-3787 or stop by the Financial Aid office

Faculty Workshops

The Little River Institute Indigenous Education Conf. - April 28-29

The Little River Institute Indigenous Education Conference, hosted at MSU-Northern, is intended to showcase personal experiences, recent research, and current events that impact the lives of Native American students, their families, and their communities in Montana and across Indian Country.

The Little River Institute invites both students and faculty at Northern, at high schools and universities across the region, to submit proposals for presentation at the conference. For more information including the Request for Proposal forms, contact Erica McKeon-Hanson at erica.mckeonhanson@msun.edu or visit www.littleriverinstitute.org.

Quality Matters - Anytime Online

Quality Matters (QM) is an organization devoted to effective design in online learning. QM offers professional development workshops and certifications that are available to instructors anytime online. QM also has a system by which instructors can get peer feedback on their online or blended courses. If you are interested, please contact Caleb Hutchins in Extended University.

Upcoming Activities

The Filharmonic- Mar. 29



With Los Angeles as home base, The Filharmonic is a six-member group of Filipino-American youngsters who were featured in NBC's hit musical competition, *The Sing-Off*. Making the semi-finals and finishing the first Sing-Off National Tour and sharing the stage with The Black Eyed Peas and Pentatonix, then being part of the Universal Pictures hit movie, *Pitch Perfect 2*, is only the beginning of their amazing journey!

Their melodic vocal style exemplifies an urban-esque hip-hop sound with 90's nostalgia. www.thefilharmonic.com

Come to the 5th Avenue Church for this special event. Transportation for MSU-Northern students will be arranged from the residence halls for this event. Admission is free for MSU-Northern students, faculty, and staff. For community members, the cost is \$5/adult and \$3/student

Red Cross Blood Drive- Mar. 30

Every day, area hospitals are filled with cancer and surgery patients, premature babies, accident victims and other ill or injured people who need blood transfusions to survive. Blood cannot be manufactured, it can only come from donors and because all blood and blood products are perishable, the supply must be replenished constantly. That's why the Red Cross is asking for your help!

MSUN will be sponsoring another blood drive on March 30, Wednesday in the SUB from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. To register, you can go to redcrossblood.org, the front desk in the SUB, or contact Sherry Kegel at 265-3599 or e-mail at sherry.kegel@msun.edu. She would be happy to schedule you.

Annual MSU-Northern All Sports Banquet- Mar. 30

The third annual MSU-Northern All Sports Banquet will be held on Wednesday, March 30 at 6 p.m. in the Armory Gymnasium at MSU-Northern. The All-Sports Banquet is a chance for the campus and community to say thanks to our student-athletes for all the hard work and dedication they give to MSU-Northern, and Northern also likes to say a special thank you to the senior student-athletes at the event. The banquet will be a time to relax and reflect on the success of our athletic programs and is open to the public with a charge of \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under 13. Tickets can be purchased at the door. This event is not a

fundraiser or auction, just a time to sit and enjoy a nice dinner with our student-athletes, their parents, and our fans.

8-ball Tournament- Mar. 31

Come on out to the Pin-n-Cue in the SUB for an 8-ball tournament on March the 31st from 7-9 p.m. Sign up in advance at the SUB Information Desk.

Spring Fling- Apr. 1

The Northern Lights Athletics Scholarship Foundation (NLASF) will be hosting the Spring Fling Annual Dinner and Auction on April Fool's Day this year. The Spring Fling is a fun community event organized by the NLASF to raise funds for MSU-Northern athletic scholarships. This event is rated the best live auction and dinner fundraiser on the Hi-Line, and after an amazing dinner, the NLASF presents awards of excellence to the student athletes of Montana State University-Northern.

Cocktails start at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. An individual ticket costs \$75, or you can reserve a table for eight people for \$800. For more information, call (406) 262-8893.

Tribal Transfer Day - Apr. 1

Tribal Transfer Day will focus on the theme "Eliminating Roadblocks to Success." In this one-day event, attendees will learn more about transitioning to a 4-year university while enjoying free breakfast, lunch, and refreshments, and hearing presentations on online learning, sports, student activities, Native American activities, and much more. Attendees will also be able to take a campus tour, visit faculty advisors, visit with Native American students currently enrolled at Northern, and visit with members of the Northern Native Alumni Association. Keep your eyes open for up-coming registration information.

Spring 2016 Indigenous Movie Nights

This movie series is sponsored by the Native American Studies Program, and highlights films written, directed, produced, and cast by American Indian and indigenous artists and filmmakers. Following each film there will be a short discussion about the major themes and issues within the stories. Everyone is welcome. Light refreshments will be available. All movies will be held in Hensler Auditorium, ATC Building from 6-8 p.m. The remaining film this year is:

RHYMES FOR YOUNG GHOULS - Thurs. Apr. 14

Teenage Revenge in the "Kingdom of the Crow"

Weekly Columns

TidBits

By Bill Lanier

Northern has many faculty, staff, students and alumni that are active in their communities in various activities and service organizations. This past weekend, here in Havre, several Boy Scouts leaders that have Northern affiliations were honored for their service to the youth in the Hi-Line district (Chester to Malta to Big Sandy and in between) of the Montana Council. First, current Vice-Chancellor for Finance and Administration, Brian Simonson was awarded the Hi-Line District Webelos Leader of the Year. Second, Northern alumnus David Mcleod, received the Hi-Line Cubmaster and Hi-Line Scouter of the Year awards. Lastly, Jennifer Fanning Thompson, received the Hi-Line Scoutmaster and the Hi-Line District Award of Merit. Way to go everyone; you make Northern proud!