Capital Campaign Public Launch – Northern celebrated the receipt of $3.15 million in corporate donations for its Auto Diesel Technology Center on Oct. 18 at the Northern Light’s football game. The corporate gifts were from the Washington Foundation, Burlington Northern Santé Fe Railway, General Electric Transportation, and Independence Bank. President Cruzado, Senator Tester, and Regent Tuss were on hand for the event. Northern hopes to raise an additional sum from the community and alumni to supplement the corporate gifts.

TAACCCT - Health Care Grant - Northern is scheduled to receive $637,940 towards the growth and development of its health-related programs. The grant though the U.S. Department of Labor TAACCCT - “Montana CARE” (Creating Access to Rural Education), will allow 15 two-year community colleges and tribal colleges to partner with 39 healthcare providers to improve and expand the opportunities for Montanans.

Enrollment – saw a 10% increase in its incoming freshman class with increases in our Criminal Justice, Diesel, and Electrical programs. Northern also recorded an increase in its Native American student population.

Northern Appreciation BBQ – The Havre Community hosted an MSU-Northern Appreciation Barbecue to welcome MSU-Northern’s new chancellor and foundation director. The event included a free BBQ, activities for kids, tours of campus, faculty demonstrations, and a chance to see where the new Auto/Diesel facility will be located.

Leadership Montana – Northern hosted a day with Leadership Montana on October 17th. Tours of the BioEnergy Center and other workforce related programs were given to 55 members of Leadership Montana. The tour was followed by a pitch-fork fondue barbeque at the Applied Technology Center.

Festival Days - MSU-Northern was a primary sponsor of the Festival Days Parade. Many Northern students, faculty and staff enjoyed the festivities by walking or riding in the parade. This year’s parade kicked off a week of Homecoming activities.

Homecoming - MSU-Northern enjoyed an eventful homecoming week (Sept. 22-27). The week included a door-decorating contest, the painting of the “Hello Walk”, the Homecoming Court receiving a pie in the face, a glow run, homecoming dance, and a bonfire.

Native American Week - This year’s festivities kicked off at Northern with the Sweetgrass Society teepee raising and included the diabetes walk at Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation, Terry Brockie’s lecture on current Indian issues, a beadwork workshop, Indian taco sale, round dance and berry soup and bread meal.

Spanish Heritage Month - The Multicultural Center and The International Friends of MSU-N began celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept 15 – October 15) by presenting, “The Art of Making Perfect and Delicious Tortillas,” a cooking demonstration by Alicia Jeffrey and Norma Ralph.

Chancellor’s Lecture Series
Montana Repertory Theatre - Monday, September 8, 2014 @ 7:30 pm
Richard Ellis - Tuesday, September 23, 2014 @ 7:30 pm
Philip Burgess - Thursday, October 9 @ 7:30 pm
Donald Klinko - Thursday, November 6, 2014 @ 7:30 pm
Ellen Baumler - Tuesday, April 14, 2015 @ 7:30 pm