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The college hosted the annual Essential Action Tools (EAT) Day on September 5. The event showcased resources available to assist students with childcare, food security, housing, financial coaching, dental, medical, and mental health services. In addition, NorthWestern Energy sponsored the event and provided a scholarship.

General Distributing Co. sponsored the Third Annual Burger Burn and served lunch to the campus community. The event provided an opportunity for students, faculty, and staff to get to know each other outside of the classroom setting.

GFC MSU celebrated Native American Heritage Day on September 25 and 26. Dugan Coburn, GFC MSU Pathways Advisor, and Don Fish worked with the Native American student group and other students to raise a tipi. Dugan gave a presentation on its cultural importance and why the tipi was so well-suited for the plains. The celebration also welcomed Native American high school students to the college where they participated in various events on campus including a tour of the Native American Enrichment Center. The students also learned about opportunities at the college and received information on how to apply and pay for college.

High school seniors from Fairfield anatomy and physiology classes toured the college on September 27. The tour highlighted the opportunities available to students at Great Falls College MSU.

On October 3, Great Falls College MSU hosted the kickoff to the MUS Roadshow tours. The event featured six professors and their research activities taking place throughout the university system.

GFC MSU students give all they can to their studies. They also fully commit to their community by participating in Service Saturdays through the college. Students volunteer their time and energy to organizations including the Salvation Army, St. Vincent DePaul, and Rescue Mission in an effort to make Great Falls a better place.

On October 4, the college hosted an Artist's Reception in the Weaver Library for local Artist, Paul Hogan, who was selected to commission a metal art sculpture for the library. The three-dimensional sculpture reflects the library and modern education by featuring welded books and Wi-Fi to represent global connectivity.

GFC MSU recently finished the first 8-week session of the new 8-Week Advantage program. The 8-Week Advantage is designed using high quality, high impact practices that focus on increasing credit accumulation, student retention and completion as well as increasing student success.

On October 8, Med Prep students from Helena toured the college's fully simulated hospital and learned about available healthcare opportunities.

Chemistry faculty, Dr. Dan Casmier, is again offering Science at the College demonstrations. Science at the College started as a way to make science fun and approachable for students but has since grown and now includes prospective high school aged students, community members, and middle school aged students.

The Dental Hygiene and Physical Therapy Assistant programs had accreditation site visits in October to ensure the programs are meeting industry and educational standards. Both received positive feedback and will maintain their national accreditation.

The Great Falls College Community Choir performed "100 Years of Broadway" for the campus and community. The concert featured music from the Tin Pan Alley Days of Broadway to contemporary musicals.