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TO: Board of Regents

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RE: Campus Report for the March 2022 Board of Regents Meeting

- 125 Miles Community College students were named to the President's Honor List for the Fall 2021 semester, with 25 of those earning a 4.0 GPA. 13 students were awarded their degrees at the end of the fall term.
- Montana Campus Compact has announced that Miles Community College students Laurel Bartos and Elizabeth Hecker are two of the recipients of the 2021-22 George M. Dennison Scholarship Award. Recipients will each be awarded this prestigious scholarship to support their studies in the spring of 2022. The Dennison family has generously donated the funds to award a total of thirteen \$1000 scholarships.
- Sarah Kloewer, English Instructor and Associate Dean for eLearning at MCC, has been named a MUS Teaching Scholar for 2021-2022. The MUS Teaching Scholars program seeks to award faculty members who are committed to building communities of practice around pedagogical innovations. Professor Kloewer has been employed at Miles Community College since 2009.
- Miles Community College will be holding the First Interstate Athletic Hall of Fame induction banquet on Saturday, February 19. After the very first hall of fame held in 2019, this regularly scheduled banquet was not held during 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic and other COVID-19 restrictions but will continue to be an annual event on the MCC campus. Montana radio personality Rocky Erickson of Rocky Erickson Sports will emcee the event. This year's Hall of Fame class includes former Miles Community College athletes Mike Geer (Men's Basketball 1981-83), Scott Breeding (Rodeo 1980-82), Kody Kennedy (Baseball 2007-09), and Jaimie Anderson Wichman (Women's Basketball 1995-97).
- Partnerships between Miles Community College, Flathead Valley Community College, and Miles City Fire and Rescue are providing eastern Montana resident the opportunity to complete Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) or Paramedicine programs without leaving Miles City. Local grant funding (through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration - SAMHSA) is providing opportunities for area residents to take the EMT course free of charge, as well as pay for the Miles City Fire & Rescue employee tuition for those interested in pursuing the paramedic program. The first Miles City cohort of Paramedicine students began classes in January. "There is a statewide and nationwide shortage not only of emergency medical service (EMS) providers but also paramedics," commented Sarah Lewin, Battalion Chief and EMS Officer of Miles City Fire and Rescue. "The expanded opportunity for underserved areas such as Eastern Montana to have access to an entire EMS training program (that includes both emergency medical technician [EMT] and paramedic programs) has the potential to greatly impact the availability of 911 service in Eastern Montana."

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