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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Ron Slinger

President, Miles Community College

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

- MCC will host its 82nd annual commencement on Saturday, May 7, at 10:00am in the Miles Community College Centra Gymnasium. Former Regent Bob Nystuen will provide the commencement address, and Carl D. Mottram, Associate Professor of Medicine – Emeritus at Mayo Clinic College of Medicine, will be honored with the 2022 Distinguished Alumni Award.
- Miles Community College, in conjunction with the MCC Foundation, hosted an Ag Advancement Center (AAC) Open House on Wednesday, April 20. Visitors had the opportunity to tour the AAC facilities, including classrooms, outbuildings, and the greenhouse while watching the MCC Rodeo team practice in the indoor Champion Arena. Included were brief presentations by MCC Foundation members on the history of the building and current fundraising campaigns. MCC Ag and Equine Instructors spoke about courses and programs offered through the college, local job opportunities through community and government organizations, and how students can work with MCC to transfer to four-year institutions. The MCC Rodeo Coach and other MCC staff members provided information on athletics, events, and other community features and benefits of the AAC.
- The Associated Students of Miles Community College (ASMCC) recently sponsored "Women in Agriculture and Natural Resources", a dinner and speaker event aimed at female students pursuing similar degrees. The panelists included female leaders from a variety of professions and area industries who were on hand to discuss their inspiring stories and even featured several MCC alumni.
- O Miles Community College student Laurel Bartos was one of fourteen Montana college and university students recently honored with the Montana Student Volunteer Award by the Governor's Office of Community Service and Montana Campus Compact (MTCC). Honorees of this annual award are college students from across the state who demonstrate dedication to service in their communities while pursuing a college degree or certificate. Laurel, a freshman student from Miles City, found her academic passion by volunteering with Special Olympics Basketball in Miles City. Her experiences were so strong that she has decided to major in Special Education and is currently in the Education Pathways program at MCC. Additionally, she volunteers with the "Raising Our Community Kids Safely" (ROCKS) program which provides a safe place for children to learn, grow, and have fun. Additionally, she was elected by her peers to serve as a Freshman Representative with the Associated Students of Miles Community College (ASMCC) Student Senate.
- Miles Community College Nursing students participated in a disaster drill scenario on campus on March 3, with the help of local agencies/entities Miles City Fire and Rescue, Garfield County Emergency Services, and Holy Rosary Healthcare. Students were involved in a fake emergency situation that included scripted patients and a makeshift hospital on campus, where they learned triage skills and how to properly assess patients.

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