March 14, 2011

Dear Eastern Montana College or Montana State University Billings Alumni,

On behalf of Dr. Rolf Groseth, our new MSU Billings Chancellor; Reno Charette, Director of American Indian Outreach Center; Tammy Rea, Coordinator of the Diversity Center; Dr. Jeff Sanders, Professor of Native American Studies; and Hilary Gourneau, Intertribal Indian Club President, you are cordially invited to the 43rd Annual MSU Billings Powwow slated for Friday and Saturday, April 8-9th, 2011 at the Alterowitz Gym on the MSU Billings campus.

**MSU Billings Native American Alumni Breakfast**

Our new MSU Billings Chancellor, Dr. Rolf Groseth is hosting a breakfast for the Native American Alumni before the Powwow on Saturday April 9th at 9:00 am in the Student Union Ballroom (SUB). Please join us for a delicious meal, meet the new Chancellor and celebrate our success stories. You may navigate to the MSU Billings Home page, scroll to bottom, click on A for American Indian Outreach Center, click on MORE under the NEWS section to register for the breakfast. If you are reading the letter online, you may click here to register for the MSU Billings Alumni Breakfast. You can call 406-657-2182 for additional information.

**Education is Our New Buffalo Scholarship**

We are launching a new scholarship campaign to earn money for American Indian students who attend MSUB. The campaign is called Education is Our New Buffalo. Please support Indian students by purchasing the powwow program, tee shirts, 50/50 tickets, dropping a few dollars in the blanket dances, and buying raffle tickets.

**Don Burnstick, Native American Comedy Hour**

And if that isn't enough, Don Burnstick will entertain on Saturday, April 9th 8:00 pm in Petro Hall Theatre. Don is a Cree from the Alexander First Nation located outside of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. The youngest of 15 children, coupled with the fact of growing up on the reserve, taught Don a variety of means of defending himself, not the least of which became his use of humor.

Don has established himself as one of Canada’s best comedian of all times. His highly acclaimed comedy show "You Might be a Redskin - Healing Through Native Humour", is a comedic performance, that humorously portrays First Nations people, their habits, likes and dislikes.

**Ticket Information:**
- $15.00 per person
- Tickets will be sold at Petro Theatre ~ Saturday before the show.
- MSU Billings Student: “free” with current student ID—must reserve your seat through your instructor.

We hope you’ll mark your calendar and plan to attend the 43rd Annual MSU Billings Powwow Friday and Saturday. We look forward to hosting you at the MSU Billings Native American Alumni Breakfast Saturday morning and that you will find some time to attend Don Burnstick Saturday evening.

Respectfully,

Karen Snell

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