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TO: Board of Regents
FROM: Dr. Stacy Klippenstein
President, Miles Community College
RE: Campus Report for the March 5 Board of Regents Meeting

- James Hersch, an inspirational guitarist who spreads a sense of community through his performances, was invited to Miles City by the Associated Students of Miles Community College in January. In addition to his campus performance, James was able to bring his music to the local Friendship Villa Care Center (77-bed assisted living facility), to over 50 pre-school children at Head Start, as well as nursing home residents at the Federal Veteran's Facility in Miles City.
- The men's and women's basketball teams in coordination with Phi Theta Kappa and the Associated Students of Miles Community College held "Pioneers in Pink" on Saturday, February 7 during home games against Western Wyoming College. Gate ticket sales, 50/50 ticket sales, half-time pop shoots, and individual donations went to benefit the Miles Community College Relay for Life Team to help support cancer research.
- The Miles Community College Rodeo Club is hosting the High Class Buckaroo Bash on Saturday, February 14 at the MCC Centra. The Buckaroo Bash is the Rodeo Club's primary fundraiser with proceeds going to help fund scholarships for the athletes on the College's Rodeo Team. Silent and live auctions throughout the evening feature artwork, leatherwork, jewelry, and other items.
- A national search is being conducted for the Vice President of Administrative Services at Miles Community College. The position closes Friday, February. The goal is to have the new vice president hired by late spring.
- A newly released economic impact survey, *Demonstrating the Value of Miles Community College*, documents the vital role Miles Community College plays in the economic future of students and the MCC service area, which includes 22 counties in southeastern Montana. The report concludes that the average annual return on investment for taxpayers is 5.4% and that for every dollar a student invests in their education at MCC, they receive a cumulative \$5.50 over their working career. The study was conducted by Economic Modeling Specialists, Intl. The Executive Summary of the study can be found at <http://www.milesc.edu/AboutUs/EconomicImpactStudy/>.
- The Miles City Job Fair will be held Thursday, April 9 from Noon to 4 p.m. at the Miles Community College Centra. This event is sponsored by MCC, the Miles City Job Service, and the Employer Support of The Guard and Reserve. The Miles City Job Fair provides employers the opportunity to interview job seekers for employment as well as build their applicant pools. Job seekers of all ages have the opportunity to interview on the spot and visit with many local and regional employers.
- Miles Community College is preparing for its year seven visit by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) which will occur April 22-24, 2015. Evaluators will be on campus to conduct the comprehensive evaluation. Miles Community College's accreditation was most recently reaffirmed after a visit in April 2012 that addressed Standards One and Two.

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