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30 Girl Scouts were able to experience different science, technology, engineering and mathematics professions through the <u>STEM Stars</u> event held at the college in November. The program introduced young girls to STEM opportunities.

GFC MSU hosted a series of events to celebrate <u>Native American Heritage Month</u> over the final week of November to recognize and honor the Native American culture and heritage of the region and state.

- On Monday, Nov. 27, the college screened "Wolf Point: Red Road Stories." The film featured Assiniboine tribal members and their stories, memories and provided commentary.
- On Wednesday, Nov. 29, student government hosted traditional native games for students, faculty and staff. Native American Studies instructor Don Fish also gave a presentation on dispelling stereotypes and biases.
- On Friday, Dec. 1, a presentation on "Historical and Intergenerational Trauma of Native Americans" was held. The
 presentation was done by Turquoise Devereaux and MJ Desrosier of TRIO-Upward Bound from the University of
 Montana.

The Great Falls College MSU music department held its first <u>student and faculty recital</u> on November 29. Seven students and three faculty performed, some for the first time, in front of an audience.

On Friday, December 1, GFC MSU's chapter of American Association for Women in Community Colleges (AAWCC) welcomed Rebecca Johns, a certified professional coach to present "Intuition is a Leadership Skill." Johns focused on the exploration of tools and exercises to inform how we lead our lives and how we lead others.

The artist selected to <u>commission artwork</u> in the college's Weaver Library completed his work early this month. Artist, Zane Marsh, utilized the six exposed support pillars in the library for his project. Each pillar focused on one of the following six words representing the college: success, community, knowledge, library, innovate, and educate.

The Great Falls College Community Choir held its annual <u>holiday concert</u> on December 7. Additionally, the choir performed at several events and venues across Great Falls.

Benefis Health System invested \$112,000 to support faculty lines for GFC MSU's nursing and surgical technology programs. This generous gift allows GFC MSU to continue to provide students in these fields with a quality education from leading experts in the professions.

Brian Cayko, GFC MSU respiratory care faculty, recently had an article published in *Your Lung Health* titled, "<u>The Missing</u> <u>Link: Why Allergies and Asthma Often Go Hand in Hand</u>." It is the third year he has been published in this periodical. The content focuses on patient education.

The annual GFC MSU Holiday Luncheon welcomed active duty airmen from Malmstrom Air Force Base. Many of these young men and women are stationed in Great Falls and will not be able to be with their families during the holiday season.

Drs. Leanne Frost and Sandra Bauman successfully completed their doctor of education degrees in mid-November. They were awarded their diplomas at MSU's fall 2017 commencement ceremony. Additionally, both Dr. Frost and Dr. Bauman received Outstanding Graduate in Adult and Higher Education awards.