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TO: Board of Regents

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RE: Campus Report for the November 2026 Board of Regents Meeting

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- The Miles Community College Athletic Department recently hosted two of its major fundraisers: the annual Pioneer Scramble golf fundraiser on Saturday, August 22, and the annual Pioneer Palooza dinner and auction on Saturday, October 18.
- Miles Community College students joined community members the evening of Thursday, September 10, for a service project honoring local first responders and recognizing the 25th anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks. MCC student-athletes, members of the Miles City Bandits Special Olympics team, and community volunteers gathered on the MCC campus to assemble nearly 100 gift bags for local first responders. The bags were delivered September 11 as a gesture of appreciation for those who dedicate their careers to serving and protecting the community. The project gave participants an opportunity to work side by side, build connections, and reflect on the spirit of unity and service that emerged across the country following September 11, 2001. The project was supported by the Alliance for Campus Community Engagement and the Montana Campus Network for Civic Engagement.
- Miles Community College was proud to partner and host the Cultivating Careers Expo in conjunction with the Montana Chamber of Commerce Foundation and several other local organizations. This event provided eastern Montana high school students with the opportunity to learn about various career technical jobs available to them. They participated in hands-on experiences as they rotated through several different stations around campus. The event welcomed over three hundred high school students from Miles City, Ekalaka, Hysham, Wibaux, Lame Deer, Broadus, Rosebud, Forsyth, Colstrip, as well as many area homeschoolers.
- Miles Community College hosted a free public screening of a virtual presentation by Dr. Haley Omeasoo on Thursday, October 22, as part of the MCC Speaker Series. During the presentation, Dr. Omeasoo discussed how forensic science, DNA analysis, and culturally informed practices are used to help locate and identify missing and murdered Indigenous people and return them to their families and communities. The Miles Community College Speaker Series brings experts and specialists to campus to share their knowledge on a variety of topics. Each presentation features a different subject and is free and open to the public.
- The Associated Students of Miles Community College (ASMCC), along with other MCC student organizations and Pioneer athletic teams, hosted the annual Fall Carnival Night on October 27, 2026. The annual event, a family-friendly Halloween themed carnival with activities and treats for hundreds of local school-aged children, is part of the “MCC Cares” program, where MCC students log volunteer hours through community events and civic engagement. ASMCC has spearheaded this annual event since 2019, and it is a favorite Halloween holiday event in the local community.