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GFC MSU dental hygiene students demonstrated how braces work and the importance of brushing and flossing at the Children's Museum of Montana's new Tooth Booth. Over 800 people attended the exhibit.

GFC MSU participated in the annual United Way of Cascade County's Pacesetter Campaign. The faculty and staff raised \$14,000 that will go back into the community impacting health, education, and financial stability of the residents of Cascade County.

Dr. Wolff attended the Montana Chamber of Commerce's 2015 Annual Healthcare Forum Conference along with Dr. Frankie Lyons, Health Sciences Division Director, and Eleazar Ortega, Healthcare Transformation Specialist with the HealthCARE Montana Grant. Information regarding healthcare myths, facts, redesign, and system reform was presented.

Several GFC MSU programs have completed programmatic accreditation visits and reporting. The respiratory care program accreditation was reaffirmed through the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC). Surgical technology received reaffirmation of accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP). Most recently, the Emergency Medical Services programs hosted an accreditation site visit with Committee on Accreditation for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (COAEMSP) and will receive notification later this spring.

During fall 2015 semester, Dr. Cherie McKeever's anatomy and physiology (A&P) class discussed the power of each individual and the unforeseen ripple effect that can happen through professional competency and skill, as well as personal acts of kindness and generosity. Hence, REAP was born - Ripple Effect of A&P. Dr. McKeever's A&P students collected an entire truckload of donations for the Children's Receiving Home and the YWCA Mercy Shelter, including clothing, bedding, diapers, coats, hats, gloves, personal hygiene and toiletry items. Thank you Dr. McKeever and students!

The Great Falls College/Community Choir held three holiday concert performances in December. Both performances featured a variety of sacred and secular holiday favorites, which were performed by the College Community Choir, a men's sextet, a ladies quartet, and an a cappella ensemble. In addition, the Great Falls College Children's Choir made its debut appearance.

GFC MSU's Student Services Division held a donation drive to benefit the Great Falls Pre-Release Center. Toiletries, pens, writing pads, hat, socks, gloves, toys, and money were collected. Thank you to everyone who donated!

As part of developing a seven-year strategic plan for the college, representatives of GFC MUS faculty and staff completed an academic prioritization process during fall semester 2015.

The annual Holiday Luncheon was a great success! GFC MSU faculty and staff were treated to good food, music by the College Community Choir, and the company of eight airmen and airwomen from Malmstrom Air Force Base.

As a member of the Montana Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors, CEO/Dean Wolff attended Business Days at the Capitol. Included in the events were a State of Business address by Montana Chamber president Webb Brown, a keynote address by Governor Bullock, and a closing address by Representative Ryan Zinke. Breakout sessions focused on workforce, labor law, entrepreneurship, and exports.