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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Dr. Stacy Klippenstein
President, Miles Community College

RE: Campus Report for the January 19 Board of Regents Meeting

- Miles Community College received notice on December 10 that the City of Miles City and Custer County were both awarded Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) totaling \$650,000 which will allow Miles Community College to purchase the old National Guard Armory to be used for its Heavy Equipment and CDL Programs. The College is still waiting for the results of a \$593,000 Economic Development Administration Grant that would be used toward the renovations of the Armory.
- Dr. Rita Kratky has been hired as the Vice President of Academic Affairs at Miles Community College and will begin in that capacity January 1, 2016. Dr. Kratky is currently serving as the Dean of Workforce Development and Continuing Education at Miles Community College where she has been responsible for workforce development, community outreach, and multiple grant initiatives. Prior to MCC, Dr. Kratky was the interim CEO/Dean for Montana State University-Billings City College.
- Phi Theta Kappa, a student honor society at Miles Community College, was busy spreading holiday cheer in December. The organization spent \$400 purchasing toys that were donated to the local Toys for Tots Program. The students also had a donation drive on campus for the local Custer County Food Bank. Along with food, the organization donated \$350 to the food bank to be used toward the purchase of food and toiletries.
- The Miles City Police Department sponsors a "Shop with a Cop" program where local police officers take a select number of children in financial need shopping for Christmas presents for their families utilizing money donated from the community. The children are escorted around town in police cars and are allowed to shop at various locations for presents. This year, Miles Community College's women's basketball team helped the children wrap their presents for their families and the Associated Students of Miles Community College donated \$200 toward the purchase of toys.
- The Miles Community College Rodeo Program has been selected as a 2016 *Montana Pro Rodeo Hall and Wall of Fame Great Montana College Rodeo*. The Montana Pro Rodeo Hall and Wall of Fame was founded in 2001 to honor Montana's professional rodeo champions. The induction ceremony will be held on January 30, 2016.
- As part of the TAACCCT IV Grant, Miles Community College began offering its CNA course for credit during the Fall 2015 semester. There were seven students who completed the CNA course this fall. Two more courses are scheduled for spring semester. Work is also being done to include Sidney as a clinical site for the CNAs. MCC has increased its CNA course offerings to five sessions over the academic year (two fall semester, two spring semester, and one summer semester).

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