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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Jane Karas, Ph.D., President, Flathead Valley Community College

RE: Campus Report for the January 2024 Board of Regents' Meeting

- FVCC's nursing program will honor its current classes of 10 Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) graduates and eight practical nursing (PN) graduates during a traditional pinning ceremony in December.
 - <https://dailyinterlake.com/news/2023/dec/13/fvcc-honors-nursing-graduates-at-pinning-ceremony/>
- FVCC's Logger Sports Team Captain Seth Buckman received the Montana Athletes in Service Award from Montana Campus Compact for his volunteer work with Underwater Soldiers and the Flathead County Sheriff's Office Crisis Intervention Training sessions.
 - <https://nbcmontana.com/news/local/fvcc-logger-sports-team-athlete-receives-athletes-in-service-award>
- FVCC's Lincoln County Campus in Libby, MT is adding a welding course Tuesday evenings in the spring in partnership with Libby High School. The course will be held at Libby High School and taught by FVCC instructors in response to community needs in local welding education and career opportunities.
- The Wachholz College Center's Wanda Hollensteiner Art Gallery on the campus of FVCC welcomed distinguished Montana artist Kevin Red Star. Red Star is famous for his authentic depictions of Crow culture through his art. The exhibition coincides with the Glacier Symphony and Chorale's tribute concerts for Native American Heritage Month held in November in the College Center's McClaren Hall.
- The Honors Program at FVCC hosted the Fall Honors Student Research Conference where over 20 students presented their research and results from the semester. Students were judged in poster presentations, honors oral presentations, and STEM oral presentations.
- FVCC's Culinary Institute of Montana offered opportunities to learn new skills, taste delicious dishes and support student scholarships this holiday season: a trio of Thanksgiving pies for pick up, a free turkey carving demo, and a traditional holiday dinner by FVCC's award-winning Executive Chef Howard Karp.
- FVCC music student, D'Andre Conant, won the Montana Teachers National Association state piano collegiate-level competition on November 2 in Kalispell. He now moves on to represent Montana in the Northwest division, then hopes to progress to the national competition.