



MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY NORTHERN

Northern Network News

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Welcome to Spring Semester 2022!

Second semester has just started and already the campus activities are in full swing. If you are new to the Northern Network News (NNN), I want to officially say, "Welcome." The NNN is your best source to find out what is happening at MSU-Northern. It arrives in your e-mail box every Friday morning and we trust you will find the stories informative and encouraging. If you have something you want posted in the NNN, please submit it to potterj@msun.edu by noon each Wednesday with "for NNN" in the subject line. We do reserve the right to edit anything that is submitted.

Fall Graduation Honors 55 Students



On the Saturday before the holiday break (December 4), MSU-Northern held a brief commencement ceremony to honor the 55 students who graduated during the fall semester. Seven of those students walked across the stage and shook the hand of Chancellor Greg Kegel. diesel professor, Greg Clouse, delivered the charge to the graduates. Congratulations graduates you make Northern proud.

Cowboy Christmas Sets New Records



The Rodeo team is pleased to announce they had the best Cowboy Christmas in history! There was 500 people in attendance and they raised \$80K (gross). They had a very successful tractor raffle (thanks to Frontline Ag Solutions). The tractor was a 2020 25 horsepower 1023E John Deere tractor with loader valued at \$16,000. The funds raised from Cowboy Christmas go toward scholarships, travel, and practice facilities. Their goal every year is to increase the number of rodeo athletes at MSU-Northern and provide a better quality rodeo atmosphere.



"We can't thank the community enough for all their support of the MSU-Northern Rodeo Team," said Doug Kallenberger, MSU-Northern's head rodeo coach.

Gift to MSU-Northern for Browning, Cut Bank, and Sunburst High School Graduates Pursuing Trades

MSU-Northern is celebrating a new \$200,000 donation which will be used to create a new endowment for the University. The individuals who made the contribution to the University have asked that this endowment fund student scholarships, specifically for those taking programs that are part of the College of Technical Science. Preference for the scholarship, which will fund \$6,000 a year in perpetuity, will be given to applicants in the trades program who graduated from the Browning, Cut Bank, and Sunburst high schools and are attending MSUN.

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New Branding in Hager Science Center



During the break, Hager Science Center received a large Northern “N” and some MSU-Northern word marks to help give the facility a new shot of school spirit. For the past several years, Hager Science Center has received systematic upgrades to its labs and offices. These new logos enhance the look and feel of the building. Special thanks to Hill County Printing for cutting and installing the vinyl.

SSS Reports Great Outcomes from Last Semester

Last semester, Student Support Services (SSS), student tutors, and professional tutor, Kirk Olson, logged over 706 tutoring hours. The team of SSS tutors provided tutoring for 22 courses, through 559 tutoring sessions and helped 88 unique students. SSS is just one of the many places students can go to get help with their classes. If you need a tutor this semester, come by Student Support Services (in Cowan Hall 211) or the Little River Institute (SUB second floor) today or simply click on the link below to see all of the tutoring options available to you.

Fast Break Lounge Gets Face Lift



The Chancellor's Fast Break Lounge provides a nice way for the Chancellor to meet and thank the season ticket holders between the Women and Men's conference basketball games. The Chancellor provides a light meal, dessert, and drink. The Fast Break Lounge is located under the bleachers in the Northeast corner of the Armory Gymnasium. During the holiday break, the room received a fresh coat of paint, some new signs, photos, and new flooring, which was donated by Valley Furniture. A special thanks also goes to Jerry Veis who is helping extend the legs on one of the tables in that room.

MSU-Northern's Graduate Program Ranks 4th in Montana

Universityhq.org recently released its ranking for the associates, bachelors and masters programs across the country. According to their rankings, MSU-Northern's bachelor's degrees ranked 5th in Montana and our master's degrees ranked 4th in the state.

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MSU-Northern Community Orchestra Christmas Concert



The MSU-Northern Community Orchestra was pleased to take the stage with a holiday concert at Fifth Avenue Christian Church. The theme of the concert was *A Not-So-Silent Night*. It featured traditional favorites like, "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year," "O Come, O Come Emmanuel," "Swingin' on the House top," "The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire)," "A Bach Christmas," "All is Calm (based on Silent Night)," and a medley of songs from "How the Grinch Stole Christmas."

MAT Presented A Christmas Carol With Bunraku Puppets



This holiday season Montana Actor's Theatre featured their first play performed by Bunraku puppets. Bunraku, also known as Ningyō jōruri, is a form of traditional Japanese puppet theatre, founded in Osaka in the beginning of the 17th century. Through the puppets, MAT presented the traditional story of Scrooge being visited by the ghost of his old business partner, Jacob Marley – and then by three ghosts! They are the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Christmas Present, and Christmas Future. This was an excellent show for the entire family.

Win a Half-Court Scholarship

During half time of each home basketball game this semester, students will be invited to the court to participate in the half-court shot contest. If you make your half-court shot, you will be placed into a drawing to be held at half time of the men's game on February 12th, for a chance to win a \$500 scholarship that can be used for your 2022 fall semester bill. You do not need to be present to win! If you hit the RIM you will be awarded a pint of ice cream from the Food Court, courtesy of Student Life.

Lights Wrestling Dominates Dickinson on Senior Night



Wednesday night (Jan. 12), the Lights wrestling team hosted their last home season match against Dickinson State University with a decisive win of 52-0. Five seniors were honored for their outstanding athletic achievements. The seniors are pictured above (L to R) Rylan Moldenhauer, Kaleb Frank, Chase Short, Tyson Thivierge (Head Coach), Nick Kunz, and Isaac Bartel,

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125	Kaleb Frank (MSUN) over Unknown (For.)	0	6
133	Nick Kunz (MSUN) over Zethery Kinternecht (Fall 2:26)	0	6
141	Martin Wilkie (MSUN) over Dante Venema (TF 17-1 0:00)	0	5
149	Colin Silverthorn (MSUN) over Try Fischbach (Fall 4:13)	0	6
157	Connor Harris (MSUN) over Kale Corley (Dec 6-4)	0	3
165	Chase Short (MSUN) over Jackson King (TF 17-2 0:00)	0	5
174	NaKoda Siegel (MSUN) over Lance Kettering (Fall 4:26)	0	6
184	Ethan Roetman (MSUN) over Seth Suvak (Fall 4:10)	0	6
197	No. 1 Isaac Bartel (MSUN) over Sam Adams (Fall 2:09)	0	6
285	Rylan Moldenhauer (MSUN) over Kyle Anderson (Dec 4-2)	0	3

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Students Named to MSU-Northern's Fall 2021 Semester Dean's List

The Montana State University-Northern's fall semester Dean's List contains 342 students. To be included in the Dean's List, students must carry a minimum of 12 credits and earn a grade point average of 3.25 or better. Students who received an incomplete or "F" during this semester are not included on the honor roll listing. The following list of students is organized alphabetically by hometown (please note that many students give a Havre address instead of a hometown address, and thus are listed in the Havre listing).

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Lights Award Drawing Winners Announced

Last semester the CARE team offered a contest to encourage staff, faculty, and students to send notes of encouragement on campus. The program was called the "Attitude of Gratitude" Lights Award Challenge. Every time a person sent an encouragement card to someone on campus their name was submitted in a drawing.

Recipients for the drawing are as follows:

1. BRENT OLINGER - MSU-Northern flannel & Sherpa blanket
2. SANDY JOHNSRUD - \$50.00 Havre Chamber of Commerce
3. CHRIS MOUATT - \$25.00 Northstar Athletics
4. MARY WARD - \$20.00 Bow & Marrow
5. SPIKE MAGELSSSEN - small cookie tray @ The Infinity Bake Shoppe

Even though the challenge is over, please continue to notice positive behaviors and express your gratitude.

Northern Alumni Foundation Hosts Holiday Hayrides



On December 9th and 10th, the Northern Alumni Foundation organized Holiday Hayrides through historic downtown Havre in celebration of the season. Foundation staff and a team of tireless volunteers set up a cheerful space in Town Square, serving hot chocolate, cider, and homemade chili to guests. Santa even stopped by both nights to deliver candy canes to all the kids! Over 120 people hopped on haybale-loaded flatbeds decorated with twinkling lights and braved the weather to sing carols and enjoy the lights of Havre! This family-friendly event couldn't have been accomplished without the support the Foundation's MANY volunteers, board of trustees, the city of Havre, and the Havre Elks Club. Thank you so much to our supporters and to all of our guests!

Foundation Announces New Scholarships Available

The Foundation received financial gifts that funded two endowments and new scholarships. One endowment for \$12,000 will support Nursing Scholarships; one for \$15,000 to support a scholarship for students from class "C" High Schools.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Classes Monday – Jan. 17

In honor of Martin Luther King Day (no classes, offices closed)
Library will be open 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Scholarship Application Deadline - Feb 4

To learn what types of aid are available, how to apply for financial aid and gain access to the scholarship application forms.

[Click here...](#)

Important COVID Links:

[Click here for Hill County Health Department COVID Updates](#)

[Click here for Center for Disease Control COVID information](#)

[Click here for Center for Disease Control flu information](#)

[Click here for Northern Montana Health Care Flu Clinic information](#)

Important Deadlines

Jan 18th (Tuesday)	Last Day to Add Classes (for full session courses)
Jan 18th (Tuesday)	Last Day to Drop without a W (for full session courses)
Feb 21st (Monday)	Presidents Day Holiday (no classes, offices closed)
Mar 7th (Monday)	Midterm grades due to Registrar's Office by Noon
Mar 14th-18th	Spring Break Week (No classes, offices open)

January Diversity Calendar 2022

Jan. 1 – Emancipation Proclamation (Black American): on this day in 1863, President Lincoln declared all persons held as slaves would be free

Jan. 4 – Birthday of Louis Braille (People with Disabilities): French educator Louis Braille created a system of reading and writing for those who are visually impaired. His system, known worldwide as “braille,” remains largely unchanged today

Jan. 6 – Feast of the Epiphany (Christian): a feast day that celebrates the relevance of God incarnate as Jesus Christ

Jan. 14 – Makar Sankranti (Hindu): a festival in the Hindu faith that is dedicated to the Hindu religious sun god Surya

Jan. 17 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Black American): MLK Jr. was an American Baptist minister and activist, revered as one of the great leaders of the American civil rights movement

Jan. 27 – International Day of Commemoration in Memory of Victims of the Holocaust (United Nations): commemorates the approximately 6 million Jewish men, women, and children murdered during World War II

Jan. 29 – Birthday of Oprah Winfrey (Black American): well-known talk show host that was dubbed the “Queen of Media,” philanthropist, and North America’s first black multi-billionaire

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAT Presents Spamalot – Jan. 20-22, 27-29, Feb. 4&5

Due to illness, MAT's production of Spamalot was postponed by one week. MAT is committed to the well-being and health of our volunteers and audience and with that in mind. The show will now be opening on January 20 with added performances February 4 and 5.

Lovingly ripped off from the classic film comedy Monty Python and the Holy Grail, MONTY PYTHON’S SPAMALOT retells the legend of King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table, and features a bevy of beautiful showgirls, not to mention cows, killer rabbits, and French people. Did we mention the bevy of beautiful showgirls? The 2005 Broadway production won three Tony® Awards, including Best Musical, and was followed by two successful West End runs. The outrageous, uproarious, and gloriously entertaining story of King Arthur and the Lady of the Lake will delight audiences as they search for the Holy Grail and “always look on the bright side of life.”

[For Tickets...](#)

Safe Zone Training – Jan. 21

Friday January 21st from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Cowan Hall 202, Conference Room

The first half (Module 1) is focused on building awareness and knowledge about LGBTQ+ identity. Note this module was updated the spring of 2021, so if it has been awhile since you attended, you may want to come and build your knowledge!

The second half (Module 2) is focused on building skills to become a more effective LGBTQ+ ally - in the classroom, your office, or the greater campus community. You will learn the components of Active Listening and tips to build a more inclusive classroom.

After completing both modules, you will have the option to be recognized as an LGBTQ+ ally on the MSUN campus. You will be provided with a Safe Zone placard, which designates your office as a safe, welcoming place on campus and denotes support for LGBTQ+ individuals.

PLEASE email amber.spring@msun.edu to register!

Although targeted for MSUN staff and faculty, students and community members wanting to learn more are welcomed and encouraged to register!

Involvement Fair – Jan. 24

Students, learn how you can get involved this semester by attending the 2022 Community Involvement Fair Monday, January 24th 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., in the MSU-Northern SUB Ballroom. This is your chance to meet representatives from local non-profit agencies, service organizations, campus clubs and much more...

Alumni Auction – March 4

Join us on Friday, March 4th, for a night of fun and fundraising! The Auction is back! More details are coming soon, but for now know that your favorite event of the year is scheduled for this March! This event will have a capped headcount!! Reserve your tickets today before they're gone.

Ticket and table purchases are non-refundable. You must be 18 years old or older to attend the Auction.

Tickets are \$20 per person. Doors open at 5pm, and the Auction starts at 6pm. Your ticket guarantees your seat, and you will enjoy a catered appetizer bar by MSU-Northern Dining Services. Buy your tickets using the form below.

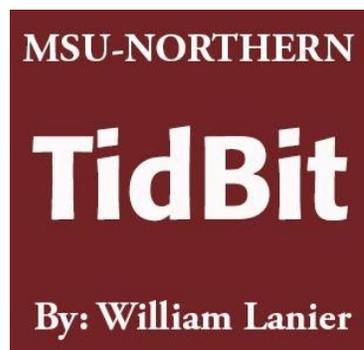
Reserved tables are also available for \$500. They seat eight guests, you get a prime position in front of the stage, and your first drink is free! To reserve a table, call (406) 265-3711.

Interested in donating to the Auction? The Auction is a huge success because of the generous support of businesses and individuals all across the Hi-Line who donate gift cards, specialty items, baskets, cash, or experiences! If you're interested in becoming one of our AWESOME supporters, contact the Foundation today!

Volunteers Wanted! Do you want to attend the Auction for FREE and get involved with a fun organization? Volunteer with us to help run the Auction! Contact us to get started.

**Notice: The Alumni Auction is subject to campus policies and procedures, these will dictate COVID protocols.

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#354 Highlights from the 2022 Hi-Line District 10th Annual BSA Merit Badge College



Thank you MSU-Northern!

This past Saturday MSU-Northern hosted the 2022 Hi-Line District 10th Annual BSA Merit Badge College. This is where Scouts BSA youth take classes and earn/work on a variety of merit badges. After being held at the LDS Church in Havre for the first seven years, in 2020 it was moved to the MSU-Northern campus. This year we had 50 scouts from Great Falls, Lewistown, Shelby, Chester, Gilford, Big Sandy, and Havre.



The Hi-Line District Merit Badge College is currently the longest continuous running Merit Badge College in the state of Montana. Other merit badge colleges held in Montana are held at MSU-Great Falls, MSU-Billings, Carroll College, and University of Montana. Over the past three years, approximately 200 scouts, leaders and parents from around Montana have attended the Merit Badge College on the Northern campus.



I would like to thank the following Northern faculty/staff for having taught merit badges this year at the Hi-Line District 10th Annual Merit Badge College: Trygve "Spike" Magelssen (Electricity), Dr. Carol Reifschneider (Chemistry), Dr. Gary Succaw (Chemistry), Jason Tanner (Welding), Jeremy Siemens (Nuclear Science), Dr. Jack Bieger (Crime Prevention), and Jason Geer (Photography).



Additionally, I would like to thank the following community members for teaching at our Merit Badge College: Anthony Cammon (Personal Management), Paul Nugent (Fingerprinting), Jerry Kuhn (Railroading), Trevor Wilkerson (Nuclear Science), Rami Kuntz (Family Life), Jeffrey Hummert (Game Design), and Steve Schumacher (Space Exploration)

I also would like to thank the following: Tammy Boles (Student Activities), Eva Stokes (Facility Services), Dan Ulmen (Facility Services), Sam Yeon (Facility Services), John Haigler (Facility Services), Dean David Krueger, Mary Brown, Becky Toth, Jim Potter, Jennifer Thompson, Conrad Heimbigner, Kougar Lanier, and the Community Alliance Church. Without all these people this event would not have been nearly as successful.

The scouts, volunteers, parents, and leaders look forward to continuing and expanding this partnership with Northern in the future. Again, thank you MSU-Northern!

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