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Message from the Student Senate

Editor,



The Associated Students of Montana State University - Northern support Chancellor Greg Kegel, and the MSUN Administration, in the building of a sports complex. This sports complex and field on MSUN's campus will increase the ongoing retention and recruitment efforts. The MSUN administration is creating a positive movement towards the future of Northern; this will achieve growth in our enrollment. An increase in enrollment will allow for more academic funding. It should also be public knowledge that the football field will be funded with private donations.

Furthermore, providing a sports complex for students on campus within walking distance of the residence halls ensures students make it safely back to their rooms. The sports complex will also provide a weight room for athletics to use, thus freeing up the existing weight room below the gym for all students to use. The new sports complex will host classroom space and student tutoring space along with tons of other benefits to all current and incoming students here at Montana State University - Northern.

Collin Miller 1/18/18

ASMSUN President

Feature Video - Criminal Justice Classroom Spotlight



This Past Week

MSU-Northern Observes MLK with Lessons from the Civil Rights Movement



The presentation, *Making the Struggle Count: Lessons from the Civil Rights Movement* by Dr. Tobin Miller Shearer, illustrated how the strategies from the Civil Rights era offered didactical lessons in regards to nonviolence theory. Dr. Miller braided the stories of Ruby Sales, Jonathan Daniels, Stokely Carmichael, Ruby Bridges, Fannie Lou Hamer, Rosa Parks, Andrew Young, Wyatt Tee Walker, Bill Connor, and Charles Billups with the principles of nonviolence theory such as in warfare there is always cost involved and how

nonviolence movements result in community action deeds, not just in individual endeavors. All those involved should always be ready to take risks and be aware that the possibility of action that might not necessarily be pacifist. Likewise, nonviolence deeds are ethical deeds of persistence, and many, many cases are not short term. Dr. Miller also talked about how the events planned by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. were carefully organized and how during his time his proposals were very controversial. Only after his death has he been recognized and honored as a heroic pacifist leader. Dr. Tobin Miller Shearer is the Director of the African-American studies at the University of Montana where he is also an Associate Professor of History. He is a frequent writer, speaker, and commentator on historical and contemporary issues of race, religion, and the civil rights movement. His most recent book is *Two Weeks Every Summer: Fresh Air Children and the Problem of Race in America*. The Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) sponsored this presentation. Many thanks to all the students, faculty, staff, and community who attended and particularly Dr. Samantha Balemba-Brownlee and Jamie Underwood and their students for hosting this presentation.

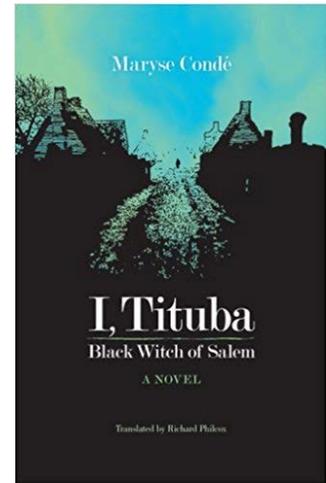
Students Enjoy SALT Conference



From all around the northwestern region of the U.S., campus Chi Alpha groups gathered in Dillon, MT, for Big Sky SALT this past weekend. SALT stands for Student Activist Leadership Training and is both a fun and intense weekend for students who choose to attend. Northern's Chi Alpha director, Tyler Boyce, took two students this year, Jubal Pierson and Kendrah Rangel. The main speaker was Sarah Malcolm, one of the Chi Alpha leaders at Yale. Her messages were powerful yet succinct. Everyone seemed to enjoy her teaching very much. Alongside Malcolm's talks, various other leaders from our region taught breakout sessions on topics ranging from thriving in the marketplace to dating and relationships. There was something for everyone who wanted to learn and grow during the weekend, and though Northern's group was small, the students were impacted and walked away with many new insights, friends, and a renewed motivation to live out their faith with strong convictions.

Book Club: I Tituba, Black Witch of Salem

In celebration of African-American History Month in February, the English Department and the Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) are sponsoring the book conversation on this novel written by Maryse Condé. This historical fiction novel was originally published in French in 1986, but it was translated into English in 1992. It won the French Grand Prix award for women's literature. *I Tituba, Black Witch of Salem*, is about the life of Tituba, a biracial girl born in Barbados to a young slave woman and an English sailor. She is an orphan who grows up with an old spiritual herbalist named Mama Yaya. Tituba soon gets involved in the Salem Witch Trials situation, which only sets her up for more hectic events in her life. Those who are interested might request a copy of the novel to the ODAMP any time before February 26, 2018. The conversation will take place Tuesday, February 27, 2018, at 5.00 pm at the Multicultural Center, Cowan Hall 308.



New Safe Zone Allies



Top photo, (left to right): Nealy Thompson, Briant Wolf, Erika Anderson, Destiny Martin, and Rybecca Panchuk. Bottom photo, (left to right): Jess Henderson, Admissions Administrative Associate; Dr. Samantha Balemba-Brownlee, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice; Amber Spring, Student Support Services Counselor of facilitator of Safe Zone Module II, Ally Development.

Important Announcements

Important Dates for Spring Semester 2018

Financial Aid Refunds: Direct Deposits will be processed on Monday, January 22nd and deposited on Thursday, January 25th. Checks will be processed on Tuesday, January 23rd and mailed out Wednesday, January 24th. All Refunds will be processed weekly thereafter.

Last day to charge at the Bookstore:	January 19th
Confirm Attendance & Accept Charges	Friday, January 19th
Last day to add full semester classes	Thursday, January 18th
Last day to add first half semester classes	Tuesday, January 16th
Last Day to Drop a Class without a "W"	Tuesday, January 23rd
Last Day to Drop a Class with a "W"	Wednesday, March 21st

Students participating in Spring Commencement are reminded to order their caps/gown/tassel from the Bookstore prior to Feb 14th.

Refund Schedule-for Complete Withdrawal

75% Refund	Tuesday, January 16th - Friday, January 19th
50% Refund	Saturday, January 20th - Tuesday, January 23rd

Fee Refund-for Course Load Reduction

100% Refund	Tuesday, January 23rd
0% Refund	Starting Wednesday, January 24th

Deferred Installment Payment Schedule: (\$30 processing fee is added)

* 25% of total fees due:	Friday, January 5th
* 50% of total fees due:	Friday, February 2nd
* 75% of total fees due:	Friday, March 2nd
* 100% of total fees due:	Friday, April 6th

Last Day to Waive Student Health Insurance: January 31st, 2018

NO EXCEPTIONS

Upcoming Events

January Events Calendar

- 19 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5:45 p.m.)
- 19-20 Karaoke (Tip It Bar, 8:30 p.m.)
- 20 HS Ice Hawks (Havre Ice Dome, 10 a.m.)
- 20 Skylights/Lights Basketball vs Montana Tech (Gym, 6/8 p.m.)
- 21 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5 p.m.)
- 22-23 Intramural Activity (Gym, 8-10 p.m.)
- 24 Books and Babes (Havre Hill county Library, 10:15 a.m.)
- 24 Story Time (Havre Hill County Library, 10:30a/3:30 p.m.)
- 24 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5:45 p.m.)
- 24 Open Mic & Karaoke (Tip It Bar, 6:30 p.m.)
- 24 Kid Ace - Illusionist/Magician (Ballroom, 8 p.m.)
- 25 Lego Time and Robotics (Havre Hill County Library, 3:30 p.m.)
- 25 Winter Reading Series (Havre Hill County Library, 7 p.m.)
- 25 Theater Thursday (Ballroom, 8 p.m.)
- 25-26 Dinner with Friends (MAT Theatre, 8 p.m.)
- 26 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5:45 p.m.)
- 26 Skylights/Lights Basketball vs Lewis-Clark State (Gym, 6/8 p.m.)
- 26-27 Hi-Line Hell Freeze Adult Hockey Tournament (Havre Ice Dome, 6 p.m.)
- 26 Karaoke (Tip It Bar, 8:30 p.m.)
- 27 Dinner with Friends (MAT Theatre, 8 p.m.)
- 27 Skylights/Lights Basketball vs UM-Western (Gym, 6/8 p.m.)
- 27-28 Arctic Games Ice Fishing Tournament & Raffle (Beaver Creek Reservoir, 8a)
- 27-28 Hi-Line Hell Freeze Adult Hockey Tournament (Havre Ice Dome, 12 p.m.)

- 27 Karaoke (Tip It Bar, 8:30 p.m.)
- 28 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5 p.m.)
- 29-30 Intramural Activity (Gym, 8-10 p.m.)
- 31 Karaoke Night (Ballroom, 8 p.m.)
- 31 Books and Babes (Havre Hill County Library, 10:15 a.m.)
- 31 Story Time (Havre Hill County Library, 10:30 a.m./3:30 p.m.)
- 31 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5:45 p.m.)

Dinner with Friends - Jan. 18-20, & 25-27



Montana Actor's Theatre, in partnership with Valley Furniture & Masters Sports, are pleased to present *Dinner with Friends*. At a dinner in their Connecticut home, Gabe and Karen (played by Jay Pyette and Tricia Williams Ferry) are shocked to learn that their best friends, Tom and Beth (played by Tom Cichoz and Angela Murri), are getting a divorce. Through the play, we watch them grapple with what this means for each friendship, and for Gabe and Karen's own marriage. Time Magazine writes, "Marguiles writes about relationships with such intelligence and spiky humor that his comedy-drama...becomes something quite wonderful." *Dinner with Friends* is also the winner of the 2000 Pulitzer Prize for drama.

Join MAT for a thought-provoking evening about the joys and pitfalls of love, marriage, and life. Shows are at 8:00 p.m. on January 18-20, and 25-27. Doors and backstage lounge opens at 7:30. Adults are \$15. Seniors, students, and military members are \$10. MSU-Northern students, staff and faculty can attend free at the door with current I.D.s. on a space available basis.

Spanish Speaking Group Meeting - Jan. 24

Welcome back! The next group meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, January 24, at 7.00 p.m., at the Multicultural Center, Cowan Hall 308. All who wish to brush up their speaking Spanish skills are welcome to attend. For more information, contact the Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) 265-3589 or mcc@msun.edu

Nationally Acclaimed Motivation Speaker Coming to MSU-Northern - Jan. 24

Are you looking to learn the secrets for how to succeed in school and life by applying success principles? MSUN Student Support Services presents: AREL MOODIE and The College Success Program. Arel is a best-selling author, entrepreneur and nationally acclaimed public speaker. He went from the projects on welfare to building a million dollar business. Please join the Northern student body on Wednesday, January 24th, at 4:00 PM in the GYM for a fun, interactive presentation you won't want to miss! His campus presentation will follow with a 3-hour in-depth student leadership training on Thursday, January 25th. If interested in the Thursday training, please register with Amber Spring: amber.spring@msun.edu.



For more information on Arel's presentations, see the following link: <https://youtu.be/bMyjcZcSb1k> or <https://youtu.be/-hE1YI9Vi4>

2nd Annual Beef 'N' Brews - Feb. 9

MSUN Collegiate Stockgrowers Club is hosting their second Annual Beef 'N' Brews on Friday, February 9th. This is a progressive dinner held in conjunction with the Montana Producer Conference with one stop for appetizers and another for dinner and dessert. This event is meant to bring producers and consumers together as well as highlight Montana beef, breweries, and wines. To Register: Email stockgrowers@msun.edu by Friday, January 26th, with reservation name and party number.

Check-in is 5:00-5:30 p.m. at the Best Western Great Northern Hotel
The cost for community members is \$50 per person and the cost for MFU Producer Conference attendees is covered in their conference price.

We Love Northern Ball - Feb. 10



The MSU-Northern Alumni Foundation invites you to the 'We Love Northern' Ball, 'A Mid-Summer Night's Dream.' This gala event will be held Saturday, February 10th, at 6pm in the Northern Armory Gymnasium. Enjoy fine cuisine, live music by Cash for Junkers and a chance to bid on one of our Montana Experience packages. Tickets are available for \$50 per person or a reserved table of 8 for \$500. Proceeds benefit Northern student scholarships. Contact the Northern Alumni Foundation for your tickets at 265.3711 or visit <http://www.northernalumnifoundation.org/wnb2018.html>.

Weekly Columns

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By Bill Lanier

I would like to highlight Northern Alumni Melanie Blount-Cole. Melanie is the Superintendent of Frazer Public School. Frazer is a small community down the road about 190 miles to the east from MSU-Northern and Havre. Melanie graduated from Northern with a Bachelor's degree in education. She then earned a Master's degree from Montana State University in Bozeman in Educational Leadership. Congratulations Melanie you make Northern proud.

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