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Northern Network News

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## High School Students Enjoy TekNoXpo



MSU-Northern hosted the 11th Annual TekNoXpo (Technology-Knowledge-Exposition) yesterday (April 18). Participants explored the many programs offered here in the College of Technical Sciences and careers available through our degrees. The programs highlighted were Agriculture, Agriculture Mechanics, Automotive, Business, Civil Engineering, Criminal Justice, Drafting, Diesel, Electrical, Health Promotions, Nursing, Plumbing, Sciences & Welding.

The event was structured to allow students to pick from four career tracks where they participated in three different hands-on

presentation/demonstrations that highlight technologies that are used in technical fields.

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## Magic from an Immigrant Perspective



Using a stunning mix of humor, magic, and mind reading, Nash did a great job entertaining the crowd Wednesday night (April 17). Hailing from Seattle and performing all over the world, Nash Fung is an innovator in the field of magic who routinely creates never before seen illusions. Nash is devoted to expanding the art of magic and sharing his passion with the world. He also mentors other magicians internationally. Nash gained national exposure as a featured performer on Penn & Teller's Fool Us on the CW Network (Summer 2015).

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## Sweetgrass Society Hosted 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Powwow



MSU-Northern's Sweetgrass Society was honored to host the 43<sup>rd</sup> annual powwow in the Armory Gymnasium last weekend (April 12, 13). The powwow featured dance categories for males and females ages 18 to 54 and golden age dancers 55 and older, traditional grass dances, women's jingle, fancy, and traditional dances. There were also dances for the kids which included Junior boys and girls, teen boys and girls, and tiny tots categories.

Devan Kicknosway, who danced at the Sweetgrass powwow, said powwows are great for the community because they introduce the culture to non-native people and makes a younger generation aware of traditions that they may have not been able to be exposed to. The country has many issues surrounding Native American communities, he said, such as the growing issue of missing and murdered indigenous women, and too often people are unaware of them.

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## Bob Quinn Shares His Journey



Internationally renowned Big Sandy organic farmer Bob Quinn was on campus Wednesday, April 17, to discuss and sign his new book, *Grain by Grain*. Quinn and his co-author, Liz Carlisle, are promoting the book at major venues across the U.S. and internationally for about the next year. Bob shared his journey from a traditional “chemical” farmer to an all-natural “organic” farmer. He was also quick to share the negative impact that current farming practices have on our food and the positive benefits of food produced organically. It was a very educational and entertaining evening.

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## Northern Learns About Holographic Epistemology



Montana State University's Assistant Professor of Adult and Higher Education, Dr. Sweeny "Hawk" Windchief, was on campus Tuesday (April 16<sup>th</sup>) to talk about Holographic Epistemology: Mentoring and Leadership. Windchief has done extensive research on leadership development in tribal colleges and universities (TCU's), indigenous peoples, and higher education.

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## MAT Production: I Am (Not) my Mother



Local women telling stories of generations of mothers and daughters in our community. This script was beautifully re-written specifically for the actresses of MAT by playwright Suzanne Beal after traveling to Havre and holding story circles with diverse groups of women across Hill and Blaine Counties. – Apr. 18-20, 25-27

[For Tickets...](#)

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## English as a Second Language (ESL) Spring Course

For those whose English is not their first language and would like to polish their speaking, writing, and listening skills, the Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) is sponsoring a spring course running from this week until the end of June. Classes are scheduled for Wednesdays from 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm and Fridays from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm. This ESL spring course is free, but it does not carry academic credit. Those interested in finding out more, might contact the ODAMP at [mcc@msun.edu](mailto:mcc@msun.edu) or by calling 265-3589.

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## Upcoming Major Events

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### KNMC's 3rd Annual Tribute Concert Set for Saturday, April 27th

Saturday, April 27th, [KNMC](#) is hosting its third annual "[Tribute](#)" concert in the outdoor amphitheater behind Pershing Hall. Tribute is KNMC's year-end celebration featuring 10 tribute bands dressed up and performing the music of their favorite artists.



In the past, Tribute has featured amazing homegrown bands paying tribute to the music of Dwight Yoakam, Fleetwood Mac, The Eagles, Tom Petty, Led Zeppelin, Creedence Clearwater Revival, and many more. A list of this year's Tribute bands will be announced next week.

This all ages event is free to attend and MSU-Northern students with valid current student ID can take advantage of 1/2 priced drinks (must be 21+)

courtesy of Vic's Place Catering and discounts on meals from Streatery and Parker's BBQ Pit.

The Student Education Association (SEA) will be have face painting for kids and other student clubs and organizations can get involved in this event by emailing [knmcradio@msun.edu](mailto:knmcradio@msun.edu) or by sending a message to our Facebook page.

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## **North Central Montana Relay for Life – June 28**

Join the fight against cancer. If you are interested in starting a team, becoming a sponsor, donating luminaria, or to find out how you can help with the upcoming event on June 28, 2109, visit: [www.RelayforLife.org/NorthCentralMT](http://www.RelayforLife.org/NorthCentralMT).

Come out and help us celebrate survivors, remember those who have lost their battle, and fight back against this terrible disease. When we come together, we fight for all the moments that make life worth living. We WALK and raise funds to make more of those moments possible. Together we fight for a world without the suffering of cancer. For more information, call Debra Bradley (406)399-3669 or [mudfun3123@hotmail.com](mailto:mudfun3123@hotmail.com).

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## **Campus Calendar**

### **Friday, April 19**

- Northern Rodeo @ Miles Community College
- University Day ~ No Classes, Offices \*OPEN\*
- Library Hours for University Day 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- MAT presents: I Am (Not) My Mother 8:00 PM

### **Saturday, April 20**

- Northern Rodeo @ Miles Community College
- Library Hours 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Lights Football Spring Scrimmage 1:00 PM
- MAT presents: I Am (Not) My Mother 8:00 PM

### **Sunday, April 21**

- IOC Community Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 PM
- Library Hours for Easter 4:00 PM - 11:00 PM

### **Monday, April 22**

- Library Extended Hours 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM
- Campus Improvement Day 2:00 PM
- Student Senate meeting 6:00 PM

## **Tuesday, April 23**

- Library Extended Hours 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM
- MSUN Retirement Reception 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

## **Wednesday, April 24**

- Library Extended Hours 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM
- Northpoint Auction 7:00 PM

## **Thursday, April 25**

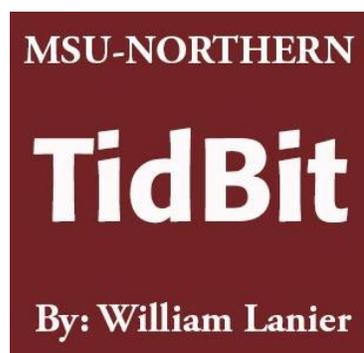
- Library Extended Hours 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM
- Prairie Grizzly Bear Awareness meeting 7:00 PM
- MAT presents: I Am (Not) My Mother 8:00 PM

## **Friday, April 26**

- Northern Rodeo @ University of Montana
- Library Extended Hours 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Spanish Speaking Group 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
- Skylights Basketball Dinner 6:00 PM
- MAT presents: I Am (Not) My Mother 8:00 PM

## **Saturday, April 27**

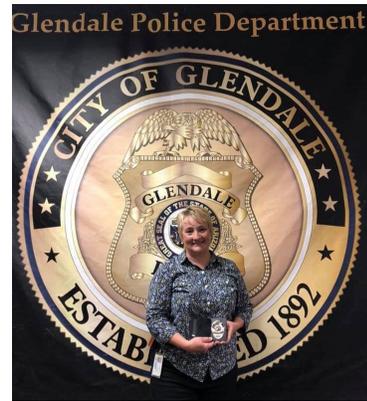
- Northern Rodeo @ University of Montana
- Library Extended Hours 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- 🎵 Tribute 2019 Concert 🎵 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM
- 🎵 KNMC Tribute 2019 Concert 🎵 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM
- MAT presents: I Am (Not) My Mother 8:00 PM



**The Accomplishments of  
Several Northern Connections**

First let me apologize for the missing TidBit last week. In this week's Tidbit, I will be highlighting the accomplishments of several Northern connections.

The first is 1986 Northern Montana College graduate Kellie Reed. Kellie recently retired from the Glendale Police Department (Glendale, Arizona) after 25 ½ years. Kellie, originally from Billings, graduated with a Bachelor of Technology in Drafting Technology-Broadfield. Thank you, Kellie for your public service and congratulations on an outstanding law enforcement career.



Congratulations to Civil Engineering Technology faculty member Jeremy Siemens. Jeremy was recently awarded the 2019 Hi-Line Scouter of the Year for the Boy Scouts of America Montana Council Hi-Line District. Jeremy has been a BSA leader for the past 5+ years. Jeremy's son, Noah, received the Cub Scout of the Year for the Hi-Line District.

Former Northern staff member Mary Ellen Earnhardt, was recently named the Career Lab Supervisor for the Montana Department of Labor & Industry. Mary Ellen was a Counselor/Retention Specialist for the Student Support Services program. Congratulations Mary Ellen!

Also, congratulations to Tristin Achenbach for setting a Big Sky Conference single game record with 16 strikeouts on April 16<sup>th</sup> for the University of Montana Grizzly's softball team. Tristin is the daughter of former Northern Light's basketball standout, Nate Achenbach and former Skylight basketball standout Patty Pohle Achenbach. Great job Tristin!

Congratulations to Northern Alumni, Janice Brady and Dr. Leslie Ruyle on their 2019 Founders Excellence Awards. Janice received an AS in Business Administration, BS-Secondary Business Education and then a Masters of Education in Career Guidance & Counseling in 1991. Dr. Ruyle earned her BS-Interdisciplinary Studies, w/concentrations in Biology & Ecology in 1995 and then went on and received a PhD in Ecology from the University of Georgia. For a complete biography on each, please go to:

<https://www.northernalumnifoundation.org/foundation/founders-excellence-recipient/19foundersexcellence.html> For a complete list of Founder's Award recipients please go to:

<https://www.northernalumnifoundation.org/foundation/founders-excellence.html>

Here is a link to an October 2011 Northern Network News edition that highlights Janice Brady's retirement: <https://www.msun.edu/news/pr-2011/NNNOct14-11.pdf>  
Congratulations!!!



Athletics



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