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MSUN - More than a Field



The newly completed Tilleman Field on MSU-Northern's campus is more than just a field; it's the culmination of a community effort to improve student life at Northern.

New Campus Sign Illustrates Phase Two



The MSU-Northern Foundation has put up a billboard showing the campus an architectural rendering of what phase two of the new Northern Multipurpose Center (NMC) might look like.

Senator Daines Toured MSU-Northern



U.S. Senator Steve Daines was on campus, Wednesday, (Oct. 14). During his short 1-hour visit, he had a tour of campus and met with several campus leaders and faculty members. Assistant Professor Lorren Schlotfeldt was on

hand to explain how Northern's plumbing apprenticeship program prepares a qualified plumbing workforce. Senator Daines was very impressed with our facilities and how Northern's programs are meeting the needs of Montana.

COVID-19 Grant Money Available to Help Students Purchase New Laptops

"Montana State University-Northern has received Higher Education Emergency Relief Grant funding from the Department of Education as part of the CARES Act. This funding is available to qualifying students for assistance with expenses that have been/will be incurred due to the disruption of campus operations from COVID 19 (i.e. purchase of laptop/printer/wifi/etc.). Qualifying individuals can receive up to \$700. These grant funds are limited, so please complete and return the application as soon as possible. You can find it at http://www.msun.edu/finaid/docs/COVID19_APPFORM.pdf. The Financial Aid Department will review and confirm your eligibility for these funds, and will let you know if your application has been approved."

Facemask of the week – Show your School Spirit



One of the best ways students have been showing their school spirit this year has been with Northern branded facemasks. Several departments brought in a limited supply of Northern branded facemasks (alumni, athletics, and admissions to name a few). The Northern bookstore, located in the Student Union Building (SUB), also has a nice selection of MSU-Northern branded facemasks for sale. Show your school spirit while you keep the campus safe and have classes face to face. Go Lights!

Important Announcements

Food Court Announcement

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Food Court will be running the next two weeks with only the Grill and C-Store open. The Mexican and sandwich/salad bar lines will be closed. We will be making fresh grab & go sandwiches and salads daily that will be available. We will continue to have our dinner specials for the week. In addition, their Mexican line becoming Chinese is going to be moved to the week of October 26-30th. At this time we are planning to reopen the Dining Room on Wednesday of this week but meals will still be boxed up to go.

Spring 2021 Registration Dates

Registration for spring semester begins on November 2. Upper classmen have the opportunity to register first so they can get the classes they need to graduate. Remember your class standing does not include fall semester 2020 classes. You can register for classes after your registration date just not before.

- Graduate and Post-Baccalaureate – Nov. 2
- Seniors (90+ Earned Credits) - Nov. 4
- Juniors (60-89 Earned Credits) - Nov. 6
- Sophomores (30-59 Earned Credits) - Nov. 10
- Freshmen (0-29 Earned Credits) - Nov 12
- New Students - Nov 16

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House Decorating Contest

The MSU-Northern Foundation is looking for up to 9 more houses to join our “Deck the Halls” holiday fundraiser. This is a cheerful event where we want you to go ALL OUT in decorating the outside of your house for the holidays. For one month, from November 21st to December 21st, individuals will be able to vote for their favorite house by donating on our crowdfunding site. It doesn’t cost a thing to participate and there will be a cash prize for the winning house! More details about the competition will come later in November. The money we raise from this event goes back to support Northern students.

There are just 9 spots left and you have until November 1st to register. If you know someone who puts together fabulous outdoor decorations each year, you can nominate them. Just send their name and phone number to alumni@msun.edu and we will reach out to see if they want to join the “Deck the Halls Competition.”

Follow us on Facebook ([Northern Alumni Foundation](#)) or check our website ([msunfoundation.org](#)) for more updates about this event and other events to come!

Montana Associated Students Hiring Student Lobbyist

Montana Associated Students (MAS) is hiring their student lobbyist to advocate for Montana University students statewide! The position is the perfect opportunity to become more involved in political advocacy while also standing up for your fellow students! Email your resume and a cover letter to asum.vicepres@mso.umt.edu to apply!

Upcoming Events

Corporate Interviews Available

Companies will be conducting information sessions with our students either in-person or through Zoom Virtual presentations. The schedule for upcoming company information sessions is as follows:

· October 19th	Peterson CAT	Virtual
Presentation		
· October 21st	Tractor & Equipment	In-Person
· October 28th	GE Wabtec	In-Person
· November 4th	Butler	In-Person
· November 9th	Holt Ag Solutions	In-Person
· November 16th	Tilleman Motor Company	In-Person

All info sessions will be available through Zoom. See Career Express for the link. Remember to schedule your interview through Career Express, ideally one-week prior to the industry visit, as spots are limited. For questions, please contact Jen at 265-4198 or Lisa at 265-3708 in the Career Center. The above schedule is subject change.

Events to Observe LGBTQ+ History Month

During the month of October, MSUN Safe Zone will be observing LGBTQ+ History Month and celebrating National Coming Out Day with the following virtual events:

QPR Suicide Prevention Training - Wed. 10/21, 11:30-1:00 pm

Earn your certification in QPR Gatekeeper Training; this month additional information will be given on LGBTQ mental health disparities.

Initiate@8 (co-hosted with Residence Life) - Thurs. 10/22, 8:00 pm

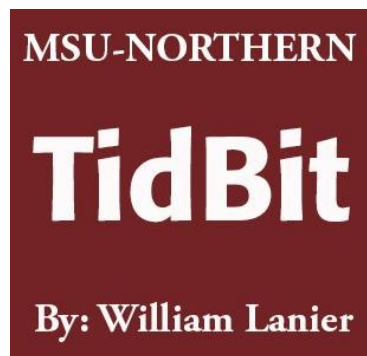
Initiate awareness, initiate change, initiate engagement, initiate involvement. ALL students are invited to a virtual chat to share and discuss ideas and opportunities you'd like to initiate at Northern.

“This is How it Always Is” Virtual Book Club Discussion (co-hosted with Havre-Hill County Library) - Thurs. 10/29, 4:00-5:00 pm

“..a novel about revelations, transformations, fairy tales, and family. And it's about the ways this is how it always is: Change is always hard and miraculous and hard again; parenting is always a leap into the unknown with crossed fingers and full hearts; children grow but not always according to plan. And families with secrets don't get to keep them forever.” Start the book today and join us for a virtual discussion the end of the month!

Initiate@8 (co-hosted with Residence Life) - Wed. 11/4, 8:00 pm

Initiate awareness, initiate change, initiate engagement, initiate involvement. ALL students are invited to a virtual chat to share and discuss ideas and opportunities you'd like to initiate at Northern. All events will be hosted virtually on Zoom. Please contact Amber Spring in Student Health Services to register for the activities and receive the Zoom call information. If you are interested in the QPR or Safe Zone trainings, but unable to make these times or dates, please contact Amber to find out about future trainings.



The Real Mindset List

The September 11, 2020, TidBit in the Northern Network News had a link to the “The Marist Mindset List.” This list was drastically different than “The Beloit Mindset List” that we all came to enjoy over the past 20+ years. Ron Nief, Tom McBride and Charles Westerberg created a new list recently for those of us that truly missed “The Real Mindset List.”

Here we have Ron's, Tom's and Charles' observations on the world of entering college students this fall:

“The 18 year-olds starting classes at colleges and universities this fall--the first students in American history forbidden by circumstance from hugging their fellow high school graduates--may reasonably expect to live until 2087. Half of them will need more than four years to finish college with most of them

choosing a major based on job prospects. They are generally cynical with two thirds indicating they feel people are basically untrustworthy.

1. Chicago Cubs fans have never been “long suffering.”
2. Smokey Bear has always been on the lookout for wildfires, not just forest fires.
3. Elon Musk and Space X have always been working to make rides to space available and affordable.
4. From SARS to Ebola to COVID-19, pandemics have always been a concern in their lives.
5. Their backpacks have always been lighter as they have carried home fewer physical books.
6. Tom Brady has always been winning Superbowls.
7. Their world has always been revolving around an Axis of Evil.
8. Roomba has always been scooting around the floor, leaving things cleaner in its path.
9. Jason Bourne has always had an identity problem.
10. The Spanish peseta, Italian lira, and French franc have never been legal tender.
11. There have always been known knowns, known unknowns, and unknown unknowns.
12. Cars have always been able to park themselves.
13. NATO has always included most of Eastern Europe.
14. The TSA has always welcomed their families to their flights.
15. Autumn air has always held the aroma of pumpkin spice lattes.
16. Human beings have always been sending one another electronic signals through their nervous systems.
17. Bernard Law was never Archbishop of Boston.
18. Switzerland and East Timor have always been members of the United Nations.
19. Important and powerful people have always cautiously watched for white powder in their mail.
20. Dialing a mobile phone has always been soooooooooo last century.
21. Kale, carrots and Peruvian potatoes have always brought a tasty shade of purple to a meal.
22. WorldCom has never been around to offer cell service.
23. Dieters have always been counting carbs down on South Beach.
24. A Latina, Frida Kahlo, has always been honored on an American postage stamp.
25. There has always been an African Union.

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