

The Official Newsletter of MSU-Northern - August 27, 2021

Summer STEM Workshop



This July, MSU-Northern hosted an Indian Education Professional Development Project, which was designed to develop intensive, high-quality STEM teaching modules supporting indigenous knowledge of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Educators from all over the state came together to learn about ways to use medicinal plants and to learn about indigenous perspectives on water.

Click on photo to watch video...

Orientation and the Aurora Borealis Festival



The Student Engagement Committee hosted their first annual Aurora Borealis Festival. Over 200 students, staff, faculty, and community members were in attendance. Several Northern clubs, along with community organizations set up booths which offered snacks, small takeaway gifts, and an opportunity for students to meet some of the various groups they could get involved with during their time at Northern. Several community food trucks provided the food. A staff band consisting of Corey Kopp, Lindsey Bennett, Grant Olson, and Jim Potter followed by The Nick Crawford Band provided the entertainment. The event served as the kickoff experience for the fall 2021 semester in which all were encouraged to be All "N" for Northern.

First Football Game of the Season

GAME DAY KNOW BEFORE YOU GO...

GATE

- -Tailgate parking opens at 11:00am
- -Ticket Booth opens at 11:00am
- -Seating is first-come, first-served

PARKING:

- -All parties will enter from 13th St
- -No overnight parking
- -Free parking is located in the lot south of the Armory Gymnasium
- -Tailgate parking will not be sold on game day, pre-purchase only

ADMISSION:

- -\$10/Adults
- -\$8/Seniors 55+ & K-12 Students
- -MSUN Staff & Students are free with school ID



This Saturday at 1:00 the Northern Lights will take the field for their first game of the season. It also marks the first football game on Tilleman Field that is officially open to the public. To help make that experience more enjoyable we have developed a simple map showing where to park and where you will need to go to access the game. The VIP and tailgating areas require pre-purchased passes. No passes will be sold for those areas on game days. Everyone will enter campus on the south side on 13th St. The map clearly shows which entrance is for which area. Tier 1 and 2 pre-purchased parking will enter by the Facilities Plant, general admission will enter at the far east entrance. We will have parking attendants directing traffic to the appropriate areas. Cost of admission is \$10 or \$8 for seniors and students. Anyone who does not have a parking pass will be guided via fence towards the ticket booth to pay the admission fee. Seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis. We are expecting a large crowd for the first game, so come early. Spectators may sit wherever they like, in the bleachers or on the grass. Gates will open at 11 a.m. with game time at 1 p.m. Alcohol is only permitted in the fenced-off tailgating areas.

Students Enjoy the Hill Once Again



MSU-Northern's Chi Alpha club created quite a splash with their annual Wet Willy event and BBQ Monday night (Aug. 23). Students were able to relax from their first day of classes by sliding down the slippery college hill and enjoying a BBQ hamburger. The club has been hosting this exciting event since 2007.

"The Lights Hero" Sandwich Joins the Team

One of the many outstanding concession items that will be available at this Saturday's football game will be the "The Lights Hero," the official sandwich of the Northern Football Team. It features:

- Shaved Roasted Seasoned Pork
- Teriyaki Coleslaw
- Sweet Chili BBQ Sauce
- Served on a Wheat Montana Brioche Bun

Available in the Concession Stand at Northern Football Home Games \$5.00/ Sandwich \$7.00/ Combo (Sandwich, Chips, & Drink)



Darleen Sellers Retires



Dr. Darleen Sellers, Interim Dean of the College of Arts, Science, and Education and Professor of Counselor Education, retired after 23 years of dedicated hard work at MSU-Northern.

When asked about her time at Northern, she said, "My pride and joy is Northern's counselor education program. It is so exciting to me to see former students who graduated 20 years ago still teaching in rural schools or who now hold doctorates and are administrators, focused on making positive change in their communities.

"Looking back on my work and my life, I'm filled with hope. I've always felt that I've followed my heart and I feel blessed that MSU-Northern made it possible for me to be able to fulfill my dreams. I am proud of the impact I have made at Northern and the impact Northern has made on me," said Seller. Darleen, you make Northern proud! We will miss you!

New Interim Library Director

Belinda Potter is the new Interim Library Director. Belinda has served in several capacities in MSU-Northern's Library and is well-prepared for continuing the excellent service that the Library provides to our students, faculty, staff, and community. As we look to the forward, Belinda notes, "I look forward to the challenge of being the interim library director for MSU-Northern. I have enjoyed working at the Vande Bogart Library since 2002 and I look forward to continuing to work with you in making the library a welcoming and learning space on campus for all of us. If you have ideas, come by and share them with me. Feel free to contact me with questions you may have on accessing resources or finding information. I love



working with students and if you find a student in need of some research help, continue to send them my way. I will continue as the Instruction/Reference librarian and am available to teach classes on using library resources. I look forward to a great academic year."

New Coffee Shop Opens in SUB



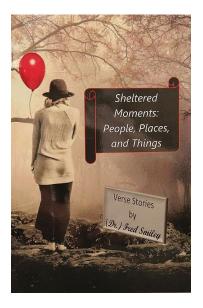
Books 'N Beans not only offers what you have traditionally come to expect from our MSU-Northern Bookstore, but now features a full-service coffee shop as well, serving specialty coffees, hot tea, iced drinks, and blended drinks. You can choose from more than 25 different flavors and all drinks are available in either 16 or 20 oz. sizes for hot drinks and 16 or 24 oz. sizes for cold drinks.

Additionally, we have added new seating in Books 'N Beans for those looking for a new place to hang out or study. Come down to the SUB, see the changes, and let the Books 'N Beans team make you a fabulous drink!

Books 'N Beans is open daily, Monday through Friday, from 8 AM to 4:30 PM. Don't forget that Books 'N Beans will also be open 9 AM to 1 PM on Saturday, August 28th prior to the first Football Game. See you all there!

Click here for a menu...

Former Professor Releases Poetry Book



MSU-Northern retired education professor, Dr. Fred Smiley, recently released his third volume of poetry entitle "Sheltered Moments." Built upon Dr. Smiley's experiences as student, teacher, professor and journeyer, this book contains adventures of mind, body, and spirit. Readers are invited into such divergent locations as a beach walk, a circus sideshow, and an old theater. The poems offer unforgettable character, including a fragile homeless person, a wary town crier, and unique professional wrestler. Smiley divides the book into three domains: real and imagined people, past and present places, and meaningful and eventful things.

2020 Montana Census Data Now Available

Here are some of the highlights of the 2020 census data:

Montana Total Population: 1,084,225
Montana Housing Units: 514,803
Population of Hill County: 16,309

People per square mile: 5.6/people per sq. mile

Click here to see the 2020 census data...

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vande Bogart Library is open for you!

Meet up with your study group, study in a quiet location (downstairs), get assistance on locating information for your classes, have a coffee, or just come hang out! Faculty, Belinda Potter is still available to offer library instruction for any of your classes.

Hours: Monday-Thursday 8 am to 9 pm; Friday 8 am to 5 pm; Sunday 1 pm to 5 pm, Saturdays closed

Electronic resources are available 24/7 online at: https://www.msun.edu/library/services.aspx

Important Fee Dates:

For full session courses:

Confirm Attendance & Accept Charges (avoid late fees & class cancellation):

Friday, August 27th

Last Day to Add a Class: Monday, August 30th

Last Day to Drop a Class without a "W": Monday, August 30th Last Day to Drop a Class with a "W": Tuesday, October 26th

Refund Schedule - for Complete Withdrawal

100% Refund Sunday August 22nd

90% Refund

Monday, August 23rd – Wednesday, August 25th

75% Refund

Thursday, August 26th – Saturday, August 28th

50% Refund

Sunday, August 29th – Monday, August 30th Fee Refund - for Course Load Reduction

100% Refund Monday, August 30th

0% Refund Starting Tuesday, August 31st **Deferred Payment schedule** (\$30 administrative charge)

25% of total fees due Friday, August 20th

50% of total fees due Friday, September 17th

75% of total fees due Friday, October 15th

100% of total fees due Friday, November 12th

Academic Schedule

Last day to Add/Drop classes without a "W" grade Mid Term Grades Due Last day to drop a class and receive a "W" grade Registration for Spring 2022 begins

Monday Aug. 30 Wednesday, October 13 Tuesday, October 26 Monday, November 1

Friday, November 19 Friday, December 10 Tuesday, December 14

New MSU-Northern COVID Guidelines

COVID is still present in our community so to help us reduce the risk of COVID and the highly contagious Delta variant we want everyone to follow these simple guidelines:

- We strongly encourage everyone to get vaccinated. Contact Student Health Services for the latest information on how to get vaccinated
- Cannot require mask use, but masks protect yourself and others
- Disposable masks are available all over campus
- Social distancing is encouraged
- Cleaning and sanitizing helps reduce the spread
- Open windows to decrease disease transmission
- Stay home if you have symptoms and get tested
- Hill County Health Department will conduct contact tracing
- Those who test positive will be isolated
- The County Health Department will determine who is to be isolated or quarantined
- Academic help will be available to students in quarantine
- Student Affairs will coordinate other services as needed

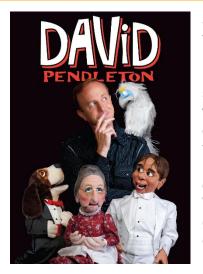
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UPCOMING EVENTS

An Evening with Ventriloquist David Pendleton – Sept. 7

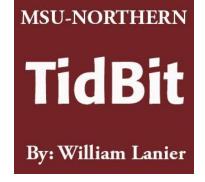
In celebration of the Hi-Line Pregnancy Resource Center's 10th Anniversary, they are offering a fun-filled evening with ventriloquist and comedian David Pendleton. This fundraising event is open to the public and is scheduled for Tuesday, September 7 at the Fifth Avenue Christian Church. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the program begins at 7:00, dessert and coffee will be served afterwards. A freewill offering will be taken.

As one of the nation's premier ventriloquists, David will make you believe that anything can talk! David is a seasoned professional, an in-demand comedian, and expert ventriloquist whose unique and clean brand of humor has won



audiences over throughout the world — keeping them laughing from start to finish. David brings to his show a wide range of comedic characters including lovable but blunt Aunt Tilly, a 94-year-old spinster; quick-witted trouble-maker Mack Elroy with his sidekick Buford the Beagle; and rounding out the cast, Vern, a slightly misguided albino vulture. David (with his assistant Lynda) has performed in a wide variety of venues for an array of hosts across the country and around the world. Whether it's a convention or corporate event, a cruise or a theater, David Pendleton makes any event a time to remember!





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"TidBit Time Machine List"

Over the last several years, one of my first TidBits of the year has been sharing the "The Mindset List." In the fall of 1997, Ron Nief, Tom McBride, and Charles Westerberg of Beloit College created the first "The Beloit College Mindset List" to give faculty a sense of reference for the incoming freshman class (traditional age students). Then each August, up through 2019 they created and distributed "The Mindset List." Then in 2020 Marist College took over the list and it became "The Marist Mindset List."

The fall 2020 list was drastically different than "The Beloit Mindset List" that had been produced over the previous 20+ years. Thus, Ron Nief, Tom McBride and Charles Westerberg created a new list last September/October. As of August 25, 2021, I have not seen a list, so I took it upon myself to create something similar, but different – "TidBit Time Machine List."

The "TidBit Time Machine List" is broken down in three sections: Northern Events, National Events, and World Events. This list is based on the graduating high school class of 2021. Students celebrating their high school graduation in 2021 were mostly born in 2003. This list then is basically a summary of what was going in the year 2003! Here I present the first 'TidBit Time Machine List"

Northern Events

- Dr. Alex Capdeville was in his second year as a permanent Chancellor of Northern.
- Northern's plumbing degree was approved by the Board of Regents.
- Planning for Northern's 75th anniversary was underway.
- Northern hosts its third "Legends for Lights Pheasant Jamboree." A
 fundraising event hosted by the MSU-Northern Foundation, the event
 features NFL legends and benefits Northern's athletic department.
- Tyson Thivierge and Emmett Willson were crowned National Champions with Tyson being named the Outstanding Wrestling of the NAIA National Wrestling Tournament.
- Deon Jones was and still is the Northern Lights All-Time Leading Scorer.
- Sheila Green at the time was the Northern Skylights All-time Leading Scorer. Sheila is now number 2 on the All-Time List.

National Events

- Cost of stamps \$0.37
- The Space Shuttle Columbia disaster takes place on February 1, 2003. The Columbia disintegrated upon re-entry, tragically killing all on board.
- Apple launches I-tunes which becomes a major success selling 10 million songs within 4 months of launch
- The National Do Not Call List starts providing consumers an opportunity to limit telemarketing calls.
- New movie releases included: Finding Nemo, Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl, and 2 Fast 2 Furious.

- DVD's top VHS sales for the first time and Best Buys Stops selling VHS tapes.
- President of the United States was George W. Bush.
- Top Music Artist was 50 Cent.

World Events

- Saddam Hussein, former President of Iraq, is captured in Tikrit by the U.S. 4th Infantry Division.
- The final Concorde flight took place. The Concorde was a supersonic, high-end passenger jet that flew at twice the speed of sound. The first Concorde flight took place in 1969.

Thank you for reading and hopefully you enjoyed going back in time to see what was happening at Northern, in the United States and the World! Again, if you have any suggestions for a TidBit please e-mail me at wjlanier1963@yahoo.com

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