Meet Your Student Senate

Standing (L to R) Lana Wagner, Hunter Velk, Patrick Hammond, Jordan Ketchum, Morgaine Milligan, Asher Margotat, sitting (L to R) Sammi Watson, Janae Boles, Riley Mortenson, and Stacie Cornell

The Associated Students of Montana State University-Northern (ASMSUN) also known as the Student Senate would like you to know who they are, what they do, and when they meet. The Student Senate is the group of students who represent the MSU-Northern student body. They help plan events and shape the policies of the campus.

Students are always welcome to come to any of the meetings. This semester the meetings are scheduled for Oct. 20, Nov. 3, and Nov. 10 at 6:30 pm in the SUB fireside lounge. Their office is open and usually has someone in it during normal business hours of 8 AM-5 pm. You can also talk to any of them when you see them around campus. Please send your comments and questions to ASMSUNPres@msun.edu.
Last Friday (Oct. 8), lenders from all the branches of Independence Bank (Havre, Malta, Glasgow, Poplar, Scobey, Conrad, Great Falls, and Plentywood) came to MSU-Northern to see firsthand the new Tilleman Field. This visit was part of their annual meeting. Bill Keller, President of Independence Bank, explained “As always, it was a pleasure to visit campus and walk the turf at Tilleman Field. Like many donors across the Hi-Line, Independence Bank is proud of our hometown University and of the great things the students, staff and faculty are doing up there. I was eager to have our IB Lenders see the stadium firsthand and get a good understanding of why Independence Bank continues to support this project. We all appreciated listening to Chancellor Kegel and learning more about Phase 2 of the construction and plans for the new facility. My hope is that our Lenders will share what they’ve learned with folks in our branch communities, encourage young people to attend Northern and boost support for the University as a whole.”
The MSU-Northern Lights wrestling team kicked off their season last Saturday (Oct. 9) with their annual Alumni Dual in the Armory Gymnasium. The Lights wrestled against some incredibly talented alumni and experienced the skill behind Northern’s nationally renowned wrestling legacy. The MSUN alumni defeated the Lights, 36-22, to win the dual. Many of the alumni who wrestled Saturday had graduated from the program in the past few years, including 2021 alumnus Dylan Veis, who started the dual with a 3-2 win over redshirt freshman Georgino Moraga. Fellow 2021 alumnus, Steeler French, then faced off against redshirt junior Rylan Moldenhauer with the alumnus winning by pin in the second period.

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Faculty Promotions and Tenure Dinner

Pictured (L to R) Dave Krueger, Joey Todd, Neil Moisey, Samantha Balemba, Valerie Guyant, Shad Spangler, Greg Kegel

Last Wednesday night (Oct. 13), MSU-Northern recognized the hard work the faculty have done to achieve promotion and tenure. A dinner was served at the Chancellor’s house to acknowledge the faculty members being honored. There was no tenure dinner last year because of Covid-19, so this year included the recipients from both years. They are:

2020
Dr. Terri Hildebrand-Promotion to Professor and Tenure
Dr. Chad Spangler-Promotion to Associate Professor and Tenure

2021
Dr. Samantha Balemba-Brownlee – Promotion to Associate Professor
Dr. Valerie Guyant – Promotion to Associate Professor and Tenure
Mr. Trygve Magelssen – Promotion to Professor
Dr. Joseph Todd-Promotion to Association Professor and Tenure
Mr. Kevin Holzworth-Tenure for approval at November BOR
Wined Up

On Tuesday evening (Oct.12), MSU-Northern hosted an appreciation social for the 40 employers who registered for the Career Fair. Employers gathered in the Diesel Technology Center (DTC) foyer for beverages and appetizers, and a chance to connect and socialize before the Career Fair on Wednesday.

2021 Fall Career Fair

The Fall 2021 Career Fair was a huge success! Forty (40) employers gathered for the opportunity to visit with the nearly 250 MSUN students who attended the fair. Students seeking co-ops/internships and or full-time employment took advantage of the time to visit with people from local, state, national, and international companies. Eleven (11) employers set up interview schedules to visit with students after the fair.
MSU-N appreciates all the employers who attended, with a special thank you to the Fall 2021 Career Fair sponsors: Modern Machinery, Wärtsilä, Frontline, Ag Solutions, Schellinger Construction Company, Titan Machinery, and Westmoreland Mining.

Lights Lend a Helping Hand to the Community

Once again, the MSU-Northern Lights basketball team helped the community of Havre. This time they cleaned the Palace Bar basement and attic on a beautiful Sunday afternoon (Oct 2). They want to extend a very special thank you to Lora and Jupe Compton for their kind donation to the Lights basketball program.
For over 20 years MSU-Northern has been the home of Montana Actor’s Theatre (MAT). During that time, they have produced over 248 plays. Those plays are made possible by the generous support of the Havre community. For the past 12 years, during the month of October, MAT hosts their annual fundraiser known as Death by Chocolate. It features a live murder mystery, a dinner, and some chocolate (to die for). This year, MAT felt that everyone had heard enough about death with COVID so they made their own version of a 1955 prom. Several of Northern’s staff and faculty came together to provide the band and several Northern students helped serve the meal and act in the short vignettes. It was an outstanding evening and they raised the funds to help produce their shows and purchase a live video recording system. See the list of upcoming shows in the upcoming events section below.

Read more...
Pheasant Jamboree

This year marked the 21st Annual Northern Lights Athletic Scholarship Foundation (NLASF) Pheasant Jamboree, which was held last week October 7-10. The jamboree was maxed out with 20 teams. There were 15 Legends that attended including a new legend representing Major League Baseball. Friday was the trap shoot with 14 teams, the dinner, and live auction. Saturday and Sunday were filled with hunting and they wrapped up on Sunday with the awards dinner. Patrick Construction was the winning team this weekend and graciously donated all of their winning money back to the NLASF. The Jamboree is scheduled annually on opening weekend of Upland Game Bird Hunting.

For more information...
This past Wednesday, October 13, Margarett Campbell and Paul Tuss shared “The Power of the Student Voice.” Both speakers discussed how events such as the Kent State shooting in 1970 or Apartheid in South Africa shaped their development as leaders. Both discussed the importance of using your voice. From voting in elections to standing up for issues on campus, their communities, or the world the student voice is vital. Dr. Campbell discussed successes she had in politics in “reaching across the aisle” to cooperate and support her constituents in the opposing party when she was able. Both encouraged students to “stick their necks out”, take risks, and don’t back down when they feel strongly about something. Reminding them that they are paying for their education and should take advantage of all the opportunities here … including attending every class!

UPCOMING EVENTS

This Year’s MAT Season

- **Kiss of Death** - October 21-23 and 28-30 at 8pm, October 29 and 30 at midnight
- **24 Hour Play Festival** - November 13
- **The Last Waltz** - November 19 and 20
- **Christmas Carol** - December 10-12, 17-22 (not sure on times for that)
- **Spamalot** - January 14-15, 20-22, 27-29
- **Mardi Gras Speakeasy** - February 12
• **The Harvest** - February 25-26, March 3-5, 10-12
• **Anastasia** - in partnership with HPS March 2022 (not sure on exact dates)
• **Charlie’s Aunt Dinner Theatre** - Havre April 8-9 and 15-16
• **Blue Orange** - April 15-16, 21-23, 28-30
• **Happily Ever Before** - Youth show July 28-30 August 4-6
• **Macbeth** - August 26-27

For Tickets...

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**Safe Zone Trainings – Oct. 21, 29**

Thursday October 21 (2:00 - 4:00 pm)
Friday October 29 (10:00 - 12:00 noon)
(attend one or the other) Location TBD
email amber.spring@msun.edu to register

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

The second hour (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, office, or environment.

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.

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**QPR Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Training – Oct. 22**

(with particular attention to LGBTQ mental health)
3:00 - 5:00 pm Friday October 22
Location TBD email amber.spring@msun.edu to register

Question, Persuade, Refer: Three steps anyone can learn to prevent suicide. Just like CPR, QPR is an emergency response to someone in crisis and can save lives. QPR is the most widely taught Gatekeeper training in the world. You will be certified for 2 years.
Forty years ago this week there was a major milestone in the history of Northern. On Saturday, October 10, 1981, Northern held the formal dedication ceremony for the brand new 2.3 million dollar library. The history section on the Northern website states, ‘Planning for a new library building began in earnest in 1975. An attempt to gain funds for the construction of a building was made in the 1977 legislative session. Though the building was approved, no funding was provided. In the 1979 legislative session, however; $2,302,000.00 was approved for the construction of a new library building and plans for its construction were set in motion. Bids were let in March of 1980...”

As you can see by the following articles from the Havre Daily News (October 12, 1981), and the NoMoCo (October 16, 1981), this was a huge deal for Northern, Havre, North Central Montana, the Hi-Line, and the University System!
As part of the dedication William Thackeray and Robert Crowe donated a sculpture named Mustang Monarchs. This sculpture was made by local artist, James Pasma and has been in the library ever since the dedication 40 years ago. Here is clip from the October 9, 1981, NoMoCo.

If you are interested in reading more about the history of the Northern Library, please click on this link [Northern Library [msun.edu]](http://msun.edu)

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