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## Northern Network News

The Official Newsletter of MSU-Northern - November 19, 2021

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### First Generation College Student Video



## Play Festival Headlines with “I Taught Two Dogs to Fly a Plane”



For MAT's fifth annual 24-hour play fest, six different teams spent only 24 hours to create six fully staged 10-15-minute plays. Every year a headline from that day's newspaper is randomly drawn and every team must incorporate the drawn headline as a line of dialogue: this year's headline was: "I taught two dogs to fly a plane" taken from the *Guardian*. Additionally, each team was given a prop that they had to include in the play - those props were: a Yoda puppet, a whiffle ball bat, a stuffed walleye, a retro telephone, an overlarge key, and a football.

MAT had a crew of six people working logistics and technical aspects including MSU-Northern faculty and staff members Dr. Grant Olson, Dr. Kalin Amende, and Taryn Wallon. The seven writers included MSU-Northern faculty and staff members Dr. Gwen Hart and Morgaine Evans-Lomayesva. MSU-Northern faculty, Dr. Joyce Mphande-Finn, and student, Wakefield Guyant were two of the six directors. Also involved were 22 actors including MSU-Northern students Zavier Baldwin, Ethan Davison, Makena Silvey, Cassandra Lucas, Louis Durward and Jonathan Michaelson.

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## Four Skylights Received All-Conference Honors

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## All-Conference VOLLEYBALL



Frontier Conference Commissioner Kent Paulson announced the 2021 Frontier Conference All-Conference volleyball teams. MSU-Northern had four of its Skylights volleyball players named on these teams.

### 2021 Frontier Conference All-Conference Volleyball First Team

- Rylee Burmester, MSU-Northern, 5-10, Sr., OH; Star Valley, Wyo.
- Alana Graves, MSU-Northern, 5-11, So., MH; Ballantine, Mont.

### 2021 Frontier Conference All-Conference Volleyball All-Freshmen Team

- Alyssa Pretty Weasel, MSU-Northern, 6-0, OH/RS; St. Xavier, Mont.

### 2020-21 Volleyball Champions of Character

- MSU-Northern, Kaitlyn Murdock, 5-4, So. DS/L; Lodge Grass, Mont.

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## Northern Montana Health Care Administrative Council Visits Campus



Recently the Northern Montana Health Care Administrative Council was on campus to tour the College of Health Sciences nursing and integrated health sciences labs. They were here to see the progress and improvements that have been made to the programs in the college.

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## Three Lights Wrestlers Take First at Colorado Mesa Open

After a successful dual against the rival Providence Argos, the Montana State University-Northern wrestling turned its attention to its first tournament of the season, and a new one at that.

This past weekend, Northern competed in the Colorado-Mesa Open, hosted by NCAA Division II UC-Mesa. The tournament featured a host of NCAA DII and DII teams, including Air Force, Northern Colorado, Colorado State, Fresno State, Wyoming, and more, and the Lights more than held their own, crowning three champions.

- Martin Wilkie placed 1st and scored 15.0 team points.
- Rylin Burns placed 1st and scored 20.5 team points.
- Isaac Bartel placed 1st and scored 21.0 team points.

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## Blood Drive Saves Lives



The Red Cross blood drive was on campus last week (Nov. 10) from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. There is currently a critical blood shortage, so every pint of blood given could represent the difference between life and death. A special thank you to everyone who donated.

## MSU-Northern Honors Veterans



Last Wednesday (Nov. 10), MSU-Northern's Office of Veteran Services provided refreshments to all of Northern's Vets in the Veteran's lounge (Cowan Hall 321). The lounge is a great place for Vets to relax, study, and explore services available to Vets. For more than 25 years, MSU-Northern has administered

the Veterans' Upward Bound (VUB) program, which provides a statewide network of free classes, services, and support to Montana's veterans. Whatever the academic or transition needs, VUB is here to help veterans plan and prepare for their next step.

VUB is currently offering workshops and self-guided online tutorials with tutoring support. They also have placement testing, career interest exploration, and tutoring available online. Veterans Upward Bound is funded by the U.S.

Department of Education and is administered by Montana State University-Northern.

[Learn more...](#)

## Last Week for Employer Interviews



Throughout the semester, outstanding employers have been on our campus to interview students for co-ops and rewarding careers. This week finishes a semester of outstanding job search opportunities with two major powerhouse companies. Tractor and Equipment (T&E) conducted an info session on Monday and interviewed students for co-ops and full-time jobs on Tuesday. T&E is a CAT dealer with locations in Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming and is a long-time partner and supporter of MSU-Northern.



Kiewit was also on campus this week with an info session on Wednesday and interviews on Thursday. Kiewit is one of North America's largest engineering and construction companies and a consistent supporter and recruiter of MSU-Northern students.

During fall semester, MSU-Northern nursing students had the opportunity to connect in-person and virtually with employers. Visits included the Northern Montana Health Care, Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital, Benefis Healthcare and the Mayo Clinic.

Students are always encouraged to attend the info sessions and learn about as many companies as possible. The MSU-Northern Career Center

continuously works to connect students with employers and is already scheduling on-campus recruiting events for spring semester.

[Learn more...](#)

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## Native American Art Exhibit Honors Leland Winston Stewart



The Little River Institute has put five watercolor pieces on display in Cowan Hall in memory of Leland Winston Stewart (March 10, 1955 – October 16, 2021) and as a way to honor National Native American Heritage month. Leland was a generous man and a friend of the Little River Institute and Sweetgrass Society. He supported the Sweetgrass Society by donating paintings to help fund the annual powwow. Leland was lost to COVID-19 one month ago.

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## MSU-Northern Degrees Receive High Ratings

A bachelor's degree in a program is an achievement that could pay dividends. Those with four-year degrees often earn more than those without a degree or even a two-year degree. Whether you are interested in the healthcare fields, accounting, or another area of study, a four-year degree can get you started on the way in your dream career. If you're contemplating pursuing a bachelor's degree in Montana, you have quite a few options in Big Sky Country.

Universityhq.org ranked MSU-Northern's bachelor's degrees 5<sup>th</sup> and our master's degrees 4<sup>th</sup> in the state.

[Learn more...](#)

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## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### **Thanksgiving Schedule:**

The campus will be closed for Thanksgiving on November 25 & 26.

There will not be a Northern Network Newsletter next week because of Thanksgiving.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### **November is National Native American Heritage Month**

The Little River Institute would like everyone to join them as they celebrate National Native American Heritage Month. They would like to invite everyone to join them in recognizing their distinct history and culture through the following activities:

#### **The Annual Orange Shirt Day – Nov. 19**

Wear an orange shirt to raise awareness of the many Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women was important to Leland and the Sweetgrass Society. The red watercolor piece at the center of Leland's Cowan Hall display was done for this purpose. Should you wish to help in the efforts to search for missing Indigenous people in Montana.

#### **The Boarding School Era: Lasting Scars – Nov. 19**

The Little River Institute in partnership with the Office of Diversity presents the lecture entitled, "The Boarding School Era: Lasting Scars" by Dr. Ann Douglas. This lecture is a presentation to educate, enlighten, and explore paths of recovery. Join us for a presentation by Dr. Douglas focusing on the historical and intergenerational trauma caused by the kidnapping, loss, and displacement of the boarding school era. Learn about ways native and non-native allies can support the healing process. This lecture is November 19 at 1-2 in the Little River Institute. Presentation will be live streamed for those unable to attend in person:

[Click here to watch live...](#)

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## **The Last Best Waltz – Nov. 19-20**

Montana Actor's Theatre is please to present two nights of live music as local bands honor the group known as, "The Band." "The Band" was a Canadian-American rock band formed in Toronto, Ontario, in 1967.

It consisted of four Canadians and one American: Rick Danko, Garth Hudson, Richard Manuel, Robbie Robertson, and Levon Helm.

"The Last Best Waltz" is the name given to the group's farewell concert where some of the best musicians in the world came together to honor the group. MAT is please to honor "The Band" with two nights of some of the best musicians in Havre. The concerts will be at 7:30 p.m. in the MSUN/MAT Theatre. Doors and Backstage Lounge open one half hour before show begins. Adults \$15, Students/Seniors/Military \$10, MSUN Students free with valid ID. Tickets available locally at Havre Chamber, The Computer Center, & Company Apparel, and Bear Paw Meats.

[Purchase Tickets online...](#)

### **Friday – Nov. 19**

- Nick Crawford Band
- The Cover Band
- Steeds

### **Saturday – Nov. 20**

- Music From Big Dirt
  - The Milk River Band
  - Counting Coup
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## COMMUNITY HAYRIDES!

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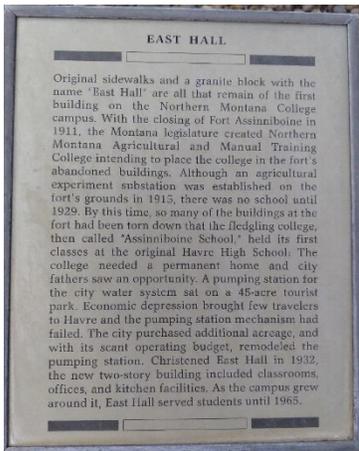
## #352 Campus Quiz

Earlier this Fall the NNN TidBit had a little campus quiz where is this located? Due to the number of e-mails and comments, here is another quiz. If you want

to participate, send me an e-mail and explain where each of these items are located.



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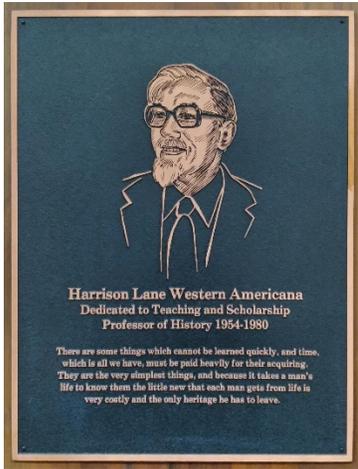


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Please e-mail me your guesses to [wjlanier1963@yahoo.com](mailto:wjlanier1963@yahoo.com).

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