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Northern Network News

The Official Newsletter of MSU-Northern - September 2, 2022

Welcome to the Northern Network News

The Northern Network News (NNN) is MSU-Northern's weekly newsletter designed to keep you informed about all the wonderful things happening on our campus. The NNN comes out every Friday during the school year (with the exception of vacations and holidays). If you want something included in the NNN, please submit it to potterj@msun.edu by Wednesday at noon, and make sure you include "For NNN" in the subject line of your email. Thanks in advance for your contributions and suggestions. I look forward to reporting on an exciting new year at MSU-Northern.

Jim Potter, Director of University Relations.

Students Participate in Welcome Weekend Orientation Experience



This week students spent four days engaging with varying campus groups in new and exciting ways. Friday, the 26th was move-in & university check-in for all students living in university-owned housing. On Saturday, the 27th, we hosted our traditional new student orientation and on Sunday, the 28th, we welcomed back all students to campus for an afternoon festival to kick off the year.

Chancellor Greg Kegel was one of the first to welcome the incoming students to MSU-Northern. He pointed out some of the new facilities that are available for them to enjoy and congratulated them on choosing Northern for their University Experience.

Second Annual Aurora Borealis Festival Enjoys a Great Turnout



Last Sunday, August 28, as part of the Welcome Weekend opening experience, students took part in the second annual Aurora Borealis Festival. Students, staff, and faculty enjoyed an evening of live music, local food trucks, lawn games, a chance to visit with campus clubs and organizations, as well as local businesses and community organizations.

Wet-Willy Keeps the Tradition Alive



Since 2008 Wet Willy has been a Northern Welcome Week tradition. The event featured a fun, slippery, wet time careening down Northern's North hill. The event is sponsored by Chi Alpha. If you are looking for a great club to get involved with this is a great option. They meet every Thursday night at 7:30 in Morgan's Red room. They are a friendly non-denominational Christian club full of people who love to hang out and have fun.

Havre's National Night Out



MSU-Northern hosted the Havre's National Night Out with a free barbecue, live music, and plenty of activities for youth and families interacting with law enforcement, other first responders and their community partners. Night Out is about crime and drug awareness and prevention and about safety, but its focus is on a way to get all these entities together with their community members in a fun atmosphere to make a connection as neighbors.

Attendees were able to interact with representatives from Havre Police Department, along with Hill County Sheriff's Office, Montana Highway Patrol, U.S. Border Patrol, Army National Guard, FBI, and Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, as well as, Havre Fire Department, Bear Paw Volunteer Fire Department, and Hill County Search and Rescue.

Staff and Faculty Orientation



This year's staff and faculty orientation was spread out over several days and recognized MSU-Northern employees celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 or 40 years of dedication and hard work. The Chancellor reminded the campus who we are and where we are going. He presented some of the major accomplishments of last year, and then had several key administrators update everyone on what is happening in their area.

DURING THE SUMMER

Northern CARE Center Now Open in Community Room

The Northern CARE Center is located in the Community Room of Student Family Housing. In addition to housing the Food Pantry, the Center will help students meet other basic needs, such as kitchen supplies, bedding, and hygiene products, to name a few. It also houses the "Dress for Success" program, where students will be able to access lightly used clothing appropriate for interviews, internships, and employment. The Center is in the process of establishing hours, but will be open at several 2-hour time blocks throughout the week. Hours will be posted in the NNN and on the campus

information monitors soon. If you are interested in applying for the Student Coordinator position, would like to utilize the services, or have a donation for the Center please contact one of the CARE Team members (Taryn Wallon, Taylor Tate, Wanda Meredith, Carmen Lunak or Amber Spring) to coordinate your donation drop off.

Diesel Golf Scramble Raises \$15K



MSU-Northern's Diesel Advisory Board hosted their sixth annual Diesel Golf Scramble. The event raised over \$15K for the MSU-Northern diesel program. The two-day event allowed 20 golf teams to compete and to raise some money for the advancement of the diesel program.

Elks Club Donates \$2K for Student Food Pantry



Again, the MSUN CARE Team is thrilled to receive the generous donation of \$2000 for the MSUN Food Pantry from the Havre Elks Club. Two members of the Advisory Board to the MSUN Cares program, Taylor Tate (Assistant Athletic Trainer, MSUN Athletics) and Wanda Meredith (Director, MSUN Student Health Services), were on-hand to receive the donation.

Indigenous PAX Gathering



Montana State University-Northern brought The Hi-Line Indigenous PAX (Latin for peace, productivity, health, and happiness) Gathering to the MSU-Northern campus on August 11th & 12th. The Indigenous communities came together to plan a strategically focused process to support and enhance implementation practices of the PAX Good Behavior Game (GBG) across the region. The Gathering will support a vision for Montana PAX in Indigenous school communities and identify strengths and needs for PAX GBG implementation.

MSU-Northern Represented at Dig It Days



This summer (August 19-20) Dave and Rose Kruger traveled to Billings, Montana, to represent MSU-Northern at the Yellowstone Dig It Days! This fun family-centered event brought industry professionals and families together to learn about the construction industry. Several of MSU-Northern's industry partners provided backhoes, motor graders, dump trucks, excavators, and mini track hoes so that people could climb over, operate, and take pictures. This was an outstanding event focused on educating, promoting, building memories, and planting seeds for future career opportunities.

MSU-Northern Hosted May Board of Regents Meeting



This summer MSU-Northern hosted the Montana University System's Board of Regents (BOR) May 18-19 meeting. The BOR is responsible for the governance and administration of the Montana University System. They have the full power, responsibility, and authority to supervise, coordinate, manage, and control the Montana University System.

The Board consists of seven members appointed by the Governor, and confirmed by the Senate, to seven-year overlapping terms. One of the members of the board is a student appointed by the Governor and is a full-time student at one of the Montana schools.

MSU-Northern Hosted Ag and Education Legislative Committees



The night before the beginning of the Board of Regents meeting (May 17), the Agriculture and Education legislative committees joined the Board of Regents members to tour the new Diesel Technology Center and talk about the many things Northern is doing to meet the ag and educational needs of Montana. Many had never been on the campus before and were impressed by Northern's practical and comprehensive programs. The meal was sponsored by the Montana Farmers Union and featured all Montana grown or produced foods.

Second Year of Industrial Tech Ed students



This summer MSU-Northern administered the second summer session of a three-year program to help meet the growing need for industrial technology teachers in Montana. This program helps teachers who are currently teaching under a temporary teaching license to get the courses they need to become licensed with the appropriate endorsement.

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Traffic Safety Enters 32nd Year



One of Montana State University-Northern's many jobs is to train Montana's traffic education instructors. These are the people who will teach the next generation of new drivers to handle their vehicles with skill and safety. MSU-Northern has been raising up quality drivers' education teachers in Montana since 1968 and has been the only place to get a traffic education endorsement in the state since 1994.

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Garden Club Dedicates New Campus Sundial



On Tuesday, June 28, 2022, the Bullhook Blossoms Garden Club dedicated a sundial and memorial sitting areas in memory of a Hill County “Icon” and one of their charter members, Antoinette “Toni” Hagener. The dedication occurred in front of Hagener Science Center located on the campus of Montana State University-Northern.

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Campus Improvements

This summer the physical plant and other local contractors have been busy getting the campus ready for school to begin. Some of the many campus improvements include the following:

- Exterior deliver/dock area curb turn pad installed in the back of the Food Service dock area
- Cowan Hall lighting project-new interior lights on all three floors
- Main floor Cowan Hall - all walls and ceiling painting
- Concessions stand renovation that included abatement of flooring, new flooring, new paint and installation of new three-compartment sink
- Complete exterior painting of both the SUB and Food Service
- Football locker room floors painted
- Completion of exterior building signage installed on most campus buildings
- New flooring installed in seven resident hall rooms

- New fencing around the football field
- New laundry units installed in the resident halls
- Continuation of the electronic exterior door lock project
- Pershing Hall restroom renovation-all new paint, stall walls repainted, flooring abated and new flooring installed
- Two new campus wayfinding signs were manufactured and installed
- New flooring in the Auto Tech entry way
- Karen Terrell Memorial area - South East side of Cowan Hall
- Painting of all exterior concrete benches and garbage cans
- Oval by the football field landscaped
- Eleventh Street main marquee sign was painted and give a new logo
- Roof drain repairs were made to Hagener Science Center Building to prevent flooding in the Pit
- Food Service-Food Court-new stall walls were installed
- Mackenzie Hall - kitchen repainted with new LED lighting
- Mackenzie Hall office - mailboxes were removed and a window was installed making the area more inviting and welcoming
- Ladders were installed in our elevator pits for employee safety

Library Upgrades



The Vande Bogart Library is excited to welcome you back to MSU-Northern with the following changes in the library:

- Two Fit Desks, one on the main floor and the other downstairs
- Two 3D Printers located on the table next to Computer Lab A
- Lactation Room located on the main floor next to the Conference Room

Finally, be sure to check out our new website (thanks Emilee Luke!): <https://www.msun.edu/library/>. Please contact librarian Belinda Potter for library instruction requests, either in your classroom or in our computer lab here in the library. Also, be sure to contact us for any 1:1 research assistance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Add Drop Deadline

Last day to Add *AND* to Drop classes without receiving a "W" grade is Tuesday, September 6.

New library's hours for fall 2022:

- Monday-Thursday—7:30 AM-7:00 PM
- Friday—7:30 AM-5:00 PM
- Saturday—Closed
- Sunday—1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Pure Gold Nominations

Pure Gold is accepting nominations for the fall semester.

<https://www.montana.edu/puregold/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, September 2, 2022

- MSUN Athletic Hall of Fame presentation

Saturday, September 3, 2022

- **Lights Football vs Southern Oregon University 11:30 am**
- Come cheer the Lights on at their first home game of the season as they take on the Southern Oregon University Raiders! The game will start at 11:30 am at the Tilleman Field. Tickets are available at the gate for \$10/Adult, \$8/Senior/Student and free to all MSU-Northern Students/Faculty/Staff with a current MSUN ID, and kids 5 and under – FREE
- S'mores & Friends – MacKenzie Hall BBQ space – 8:00 pm

Sunday, September 4, 2022

- Hike Rotary Falls – Beaver Creek Park

Monday, September 5, 2022

- Holiday ~ Labor Day Holiday ~ No Classes, Offices Closed

Tuesday, September 6, 2022 All Day

- Last day to add *AND* to drop classes without receiving a "W" grade

Friday, September 9, 2022

- MSUN Rodeo @ Northwest Community College
- SkyLights Volleyball: Frontier-North Star Conference Challenge - 12:00 PM

Saturday, September 10, 2022

- SkyLights Volleyball: Frontier-North Star Conference Challenge- 11:00 AM

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TidBit

By: William Lanier

Welcome to the NNN TidBit (#368)

The NNN TidBit would like to wish all Northern students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends of Northern a SAFE and enjoyable new school year. For those of you who are new to the NNN, welcome! To returning readers, welcome back. The NNN TidBit is a weekly column centered on Northern, alumni, or various other Northern connections. This is the 368th edition of the NNN

TidBit, which first appeared in the January 26, 2007, issue of the Northern Network News. In case you were wondering that would be 5,698 days ago or 15 years, 7 months, and 7 days!

The hope is that the TidBit is something that, you the reader, will enjoy and look forward to each week. I would like to thank all who have sent me e-mails in the past.

PLEASE if you have an idea for the NNN TidBit, send me an e-mail at wjlanier1963@yahoo.com
Again, have a great year.

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