MSUN Community Center Open House

On Monday (Oct. 31) the MSUN CARE team had an open house at the newly established “Community Center” in the Student Family Housing. The old community room is the new home of the Food Pantry that used to be in the SUB and the “Dress for Success” program. The “Dress for Success” program is designed to have professional clothes that students can use for job interviews or to improve their wardrobe appropriate for new jobs. The CARE team is accepting donations for basic household goods and professional
attire. We will share additional information about these programs and how to donate to them in the weeks to come! Those who attended the open house enjoyed samples of crockpot recipes that represented food often available in the food pantry.

For the last two weeks of each semester, the community center will be hosting a donation drive – an opportune time for students who are graduating to donate furniture and items they don’t plan to take with them. Additionally, through the end of November 2022, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation will be hosting a matching donation program, matching every dollar raised for the MSUN community center’s food pantry, up to $2500. Contact the Northern Foundation for more information on how to donate to the program.

Dr. Cortese Starts the Fall 2022 Brown Bag Lecture Series

MSU-Northern kicked off its Fall 2022 Brown Bag Lecture Series on Monday, October 31, with a presentation by Dr. Giuseppe P. Cortese, MSUN Associate Professor of Biology. His presentation was titled, “Precision Psychiatry: Using Genomic Medicine to Identify Disease Mechanism Underlying Psychiatric Disorders.” Dr. Cortese discussed the clinical and scientific benefits of a precision medicine-based approach for targeting individual pathophysiology associated with psychiatric disorders.
Trunk or Treat Provides the Goodies

MSU-Northern Athletics and various student groups on campus collaborated on the first-ever Trunk or Treat Halloween event on Monday. Hundreds of kids from Havre and the surrounding area attended and enjoyed trick-or-treating and games with Northern’s students and athletes. There was representation from seven teams (Men’s and Women’s Rodeo, Men’s and Women’s Basketball, Wrestling, Volleyball, and Men’s and Women’s Cross Country) as well as the PAS Club (Professional Agricultural Students), ASMSUN Student Senate, CET (Civil Engineering Technology), The MSUN Nursing Club, and Chi Alpha. The winner of the themed costume contest as voted on by the Student Athlete Advisory Council was women’s basketball (Minions), with volleyball (Smurfs) taking second place. In all, they had over 100 MSU-Northern students and athletes participate in the event!
The MSU-Northern Skylights volleyball team was pleased to honor their three senior players before the match against the Bulldogs on Saturday (Oct. 29). The players are Shay Waldbillig, Marlee Bender, and Kaitlin Murdock. “Together these seniors have helped build the solid foundation every successful program needs. They exhibit a combination of loyalty, pride, leadership, work ethic, and most importantly, teamwork. They have certainly made their families, host families, friends, professors, fans, and the Havre community proud with their contributions both on and off the court. I am thankful to have had the opportunity to be their coach, and I look forward to their future successes,” said head volleyball coach Jerry Wagner.

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Murder on the Orient Express Delights Crowds
Agatha Christie’s *Murder on the Orient Express* is in its second week of a three-week run. Just after midnight, a snowdrift stops the Orient Express in its tracks. The luxurious train is surprisingly full for the time of the year, but by the morning, they realize that one passenger is dead. An American tycoon lies dead in his compartment, stabbed eight times; his door is locked from the inside. Isolated and with a killer in their midst, the passengers rely on detective Hercule Poirot to identify the murderer – in case he or she decides to strike again. This show will run on following dates Nov.3-5, 10-12.

For Tickets...

**Dealership Donates a Prius to Auto Program**

Ressler Motors in Bozeman, Montana, donated a used 2013 Toyota Prius to MSU-Northern’s automotive program. This car had engine problems that the owner did not want to spend the money to fix, so it was donated to the program. Once repaired, this vehicle will be a great addition to the program because it contains 3rd generation hybrid technology which will provide an opportunity for students to work on various types of hybrid vehicles. MSU-Northern is in the process of becoming a Technical Education College Support (TECS) Elite school with Toyota. These vehicles are very important to our upper division courses and for curriculum in the TECS Elite program. If you have a vehicle you would like to donate to the program please contact Kevin Holzworth at kevin.holzworth@msun.edu or 406-265-4151.
Montana Grow Your Own – Kick-Off Event was held Tuesday, November 1st, at the Great Falls College-MSU Heritage Room. The 67 attendees, primarily high school students, represented Great Falls, Browning, and Havre school districts and their administrators. Dr. Angela McLean, Director of American Indian/Minority Achievement and K-12 Partnerships in the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education, coordinated the event with the assistance of Dee Lynn Hoyt and Curtis Smeby, projects directors at Blackfeet Community College and MSU Northern, respectively. Dean Beth Durodoye and Chair Joey Todd from Northern’s College of Arts, Science, and Education were also in attendance to support participating students.

Superintendent Tom Moore showcased a new video highlighting the value of teaching in Montana. Teaching is the glue that holds society together and allows all citizens to prosper and acquire the American dream. Video testimonies clearly articulated that teaching is a worthy and valuable profession for our Montana communities. Teachers make a difference, and these high school students are the future.

Parents and grandparents were also in attendance to celebrate with the high school students currently enrolled in the process of becoming a Montana educators. These high school trailblazers are the teachers of tomorrow who will have the opportunity to continue taking college courses that are dual credit and offered at Blackfeet Community College, Great Falls College MSU, and MSU-Northern. It was an exciting evening for participants to celebrate their successes and consider additional opportunities in the 2023 spring and summer semesters.
Murillo Won the Halloween Gift Basket

Approximately 30 people participated in Dr. Valerie Guyant’s skull contest throughout October. By Halloween, there were 393 skulls scattered throughout her office space. This includes a 3D column printed by Barry Brownlee that included over 200 individual skulls. While challenging, we did have several people who were close. Mattiah Murillo was the winner of the gift basket, which included donations from the Alumni office, the Office of the Dean of CASE, Deborah Bradley, and the center piece – a Venom skull printed and painted by Barry Brownlee. Our close runner’s up were Devin Carmona and Zavier Baldwin. Thanks everyone for taking part in the fun!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Days Off in November

**General Election Day** ~ No Classes, Offices Closed – Nov. 8

**Veterans Day** ~ No Classes, Offices Closed – Nov. 11

**Thanksgiving Holiday**
- No Classes, Offices Open – Nov. 23
- No Classes, Offices Closed – Nov. 24-25

**The Next NNN will be December 2**

Due to Veteran’s Day and the Thanksgiving holiday the next issue of the NNN will be on December 2. Have a safe and happy holiday and don’t forget to vote. Send items for the December 2, 2022 NNN by noon on November 30 with NNN in the subject line.
**Bookstore Pre-game & Game-day Sales**

For your convenience, the MSU-Northern Bookstore will be open today from 8 am - 4:30 pm and Saturday November 5th from 9 am - noon. All football logo items will be 30% off. Many additional sales will be available so come in and check it out! Also you will want to stop into the bookstore before the game to warm up with a hot latte or hot cocoa.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**November 2022 Diversity Calendar**

- Military Family Month
- National Native American Heritage Month
- November 1-2 — Dia de los Muertos
- November 1 — Military Family Appreciation Day
- November 11 — Veterans Day
- November 13-19 — Transgender Awareness Week
- November 16 — International Day for Tolerance
- November 20 — Transgender Day of Remembrance
The History of the Cree and the Bear Paw Mountains - Nov. 10

Join us to hear Mr. Alvin Windy Boy Sr. speak about living his entire life in the Bear Paw Mountains on the Rocky Boy’s Reservation. Mr. Windy Boy has over 20 years’ experience as a cultural resource management expert and protector of cultural sites and resources. You won’t want to miss this presentation – we hope to see you there! The presentation is Thursday November 10th from 12-1 in the SUB.

Veteran Portrait Project Show – Nov. 11
MSU-Northern’s instructional designer, Jason Geer, will be highlighting the lives of some of our local veterans through a photo show he is calling the Veteran Portrait Project.

“Being a veteran, I hear a lot about PTSD, drug addiction, homelessness but not very much about what good veterans do. I wanted to be able to tell a positive story about local veterans and their passions using lifestyle portraits,” said Geer. “I started shooting over a year ago with a goal of 25 portraits, now I have a total of 28 portraits in the show. It started with a couple vets I knew then grew through word of mouth. Because of this, I was able to meet so many interesting people that I otherwise might not have met. I hope that people attending the show will be able to see veterans in a different, positive light,” said Geer.

The show is set for Veteran’s Day, November 11th, at Crawfords Distillery in Havre. Doors open at 3:00 pm with the unveiling at 5:30 pm. There is no cost to attend, however, donations will be accepted and applied to a local veteran project. Crawfords has graciously offered to donate $1.00 per drink purchased. “I am looking forward to telling everyone about the amazing things that our veterans do in our community,” said Geer.

Jason Geer served from 1990-1994 with most of his time spent on the west coast. He was stationed on the USS California, CGN 36, in Bremerton, Washington.

**NEXT WEEK’S CALENDAR**

**Today, Friday, November 4**  
SkyLights Volleyball @ Montana Tech - 7:00 PM  
MAT Presents: Murder on the Orient Express - 8:00 PM

**Saturday, November 5**  
Lights Wrestling @ NWC Trapper Open  
Lights Football vs Rocky Mountain College - 12:00 PM  
SkyLights Volleyball @ Carroll College - 2:00 PM  
MAT Presents: Murder on the Orient Express - 8:00 PM

**Tuesday, November 8**  
General Election Day ~ No Classes, Offices Closed

**Wednesday, November 9**  
Lights Wrestling @ University of Providence - 7:00 PM
**Thursday, November 10**
Skylight Basketball vs University of Alberta-Augustana - 5:00 PM
MAT Presents: Murder on the Orient Express - 8:00 PM

**Friday, November 11**
Holiday ~ Veterans Day ~ No Classes, Offices Closed
Skylight Basketball vs Campbellsville University-Harrods - 5:30 PM
MAT Presents: Murder on the Orient Express - 8:00 PM

**Saturday, November 12**
Lights Wrestling @ Bison Open
Lights Football vs Montana Tech - 12:00 PM
MAT Presents: Murder on the Orient Express - 8:00 PM

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**Northern Time Machine (1958 Northern Football)**

As last week’s TidBit stated Northern was to begin Conference play in Football in the Fall of 1958. At the time there was no Frontier Conference and the Lights of Northern Montana College played in the Montana Collegiate Conference. Using the Vande Bogart Library Archival Collections I thought it would be interesting to check out that first season. In the November 13, 1958 issue of the NoMoCo there was the following article that wrapped up the Lights season, where they finished with a 2-3 record.
The Lights were led on offense by halfback, Warren Karst and Larry Rice on defense. Here is a picture from the November 27, 1958 NoMoCo.

Warren was named to the All-Conference Team, thus becoming what is believed to be the first Northern Light to receive that honor.

If the Karst name sounds familiar, it should. This past spring Warren’s son Rod Karst was inducted into the Montana Coaches Hall of Fame. Please check out the April 8, 2022 NNN (TidBit #364) for the TidBit on MCA Hall of Famer, Northern Alumni, former ASNMC President and current Glasgow Mayor, Rod Karst. NNN2022-04-08.pdf (msun.edu)

Here is a picture of the Karst family from the spring of 1986 at the Delta Alpha Theta reunion.
Please continue to check back for more NNN TidBits! If you see anything that you would like me to highlight, please send it to me at wjlaniervr1963@yahoo.com