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MSU-Northern's Ag Program Ranks 11th in the Nation

The screenshot shows the Learn.org website interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for Degrees, Subjects, Careers, and Resources, along with a search icon. Below this is a 'Find Your Degree' sidebar with four dropdown menus: 'What is your highest level of education?' (set to 'Select your education level'), 'What subject are you interested in?' (set to 'Agricultural Studies'), 'Narrow your preferred subject area', and 'Where do you want to attend class?' (set to 'Select a location'). A 'Search' button is at the bottom of the sidebar. The main content area shows 'Degree Programs / Agriculture Degrees' and the title 'Agriculture Degrees'. Below the title is a small image of two people in a field and a text box that reads: 'The study of agriculture can lead to a variety of careers, including those associated with consulting, farming, management and research. Read on to learn more about degree programs and useful courses for agricultural scientists or workers, as well as how much you might earn in the field.'

This week Learn.org published their 2020 rankings, for The 50 Best Agriculture Degrees (2020-2021 school year). They ranked MSU-Northern's Ag degree as #11 in the nation. Since 2003 Learn.org has been

helping millions of students research potential schools, degrees, and careers, and this list of the 50 Best Agriculture Degrees (2020-2021 school year) will help potential students learn about Northern's excellent offerings.

To compile this list they considered hundreds of universities across the country and selected Montana State University-Northern based on academic and career resources, the quality of education, faculty, and more.

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MSU-Northern Participates In Montana College Application Week



MSU-Northern's Admissions Evaluator Molly Fishburn-Matthew processes applications generated from high school students taking part in Montana College Application Week and using the new ApplyMontana.org website.

The event is designed to help high school seniors learn about Montana colleges and universities and submit a college application during the school day. New this year is the introduction of the ApplyMontana.org central application site, which allows students to apply to any campus within the Montana University System in one place, for free. The Montana College Application Week runs from September 28 through October 9.

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Campus Enjoys 91st Birthday Cupcakes



Many people will say that it seems like yesterday, but in reality it has been 91 years since the doors opened at Northern Montana College (September 1929). This week, in honor of Northern's 91st birthday, Becky Toth and her amazing staff in the Food Court, made a batch of cupcakes. Nine decades later, a lot has changed, but our resolve to meet the educational needs of the highline remain constant. MSU-Northern plans to have cupcakes every September to serve as a countdown to our 100-year anniversary in 2029. Becky, thanks for the tasty reminder of the years gone by.

Advanced Fuels Center Moves into Second Year of USDA Grant

Last year MSU-Northern's Advanced Fuels Center received a total of \$467K from USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture to develop a lubricity improver additive from plant oil and lignin. Lubricity improvers are added to fuels and engine lubricants to help reduce engine wear and to maximize engine efficiency by minimizing friction. As manufacturing and automotive industries are moving toward environmental sustainability, modern machinery and engines will need advanced fuels and lubricants containing such additives.

Welcome to Your 2020 Student Senate



MSU-Northern has a student governing body called the Student Senate which is also known as the Associated Students of Montana State University Northern (ASMSUN). Senate representatives are elected by the students and they conduct a variety of activities throughout the year. The role of the senate is to be the primary communication link between the administration and the student community. The Senate offers an opportunity to develop leadership, civic awareness, community involvement, and basic understanding of human relations. The Student Senate office is located in the Student Union Building across from the campus health department. They usually meet on Wednesday and are now conducting their meetings online.

This year's ASMSUN membership consists of:

- **President:** Riley Mortenson,
- **Vice President:** Jeri Copenhaver
- **Administrative Assistant:** Maggie Shane
- **Business Manager:** Dylan Chvilicek
- **Program/Recreation/Media Coordinator:** Janae Boles
- **Food Pantry Coordinator:** Tiffany Hill
- **Sustainability Coordinator:** Austin Wiese
- **Senators at Large:** Kassidy Compton, Stacie Cornell, Bella Lawless, Morgan Masson, Abbey Morse, Cole Rhodes, Grace Schwenk, Lana Wagner, and Sammi Watson.

Next week's NNN will feature some of the current projects and goals that the Student Senate is working on.

[Learn more about Student Senate...](#)

Checkout MontanaLibrary2Go Resources

Finding yourself with more time on your hands and wondering what to do? Don't forget that the Vande Bogart Library subscribes to MontanaLibrary2Go. This database can be located on our webpage under

“Articles and Databases (<http://www.msun.edu/library/index.aspx>).” Just use your NetID to read ebooks, download books to a reader, or listen to audio books. Most of the titles would be considered leisure reading. Children’s books are also well represented. Any problems accessing this database, please let Vicki Gist know. Enjoy!

[Login Here...](#)



Face Mask of the Week – Dr. Grant Olson

This week the Northern Network News would like to give the “Face Mask of the Week” award to Dr. Grant Olson. Dr. Olson’s mask was chosen out of the thousands of nominations (actually only 1) for its ability to make people smile and its high safety rating. Dr. Olson is only the second person in the history of Northern to be given this very prestigious honor. His commitment to wearing a mask has helped the campus offer classes face to face for yet another week. Congratulations, Dr. Olson and thanks for keeping Northern face to

face.

Let me know (potterj@msun.edu) if you know of others who have an outstanding facemask that needs some recognition.

Important Announcements

Food Court Announcement

ALL FOOD IS TO GO. YOU CAN EAT IN THE DINING ROOM IF...

- YOU HAVE A MEAL PLAN
- YOU USE THE FOOD COURT AS A PRIMARY MEANS FOR FOOD
- YOU EAT THERE EVERYDAY or MORE THAN ONCE A DAY

Otherwise please TAKE YOUR FOOD TO GO This is to help Keep Everyone Safe!!!

Campus Hours This Semester:

As a general rule, all classroom buildings will be open from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday and closed on weekends. Buildings will be open as needed for evening or weekend classes or specific events. Building access is

being limited this year to allow our custodial staff time to clean the buildings for the next day of classes.

Vande-Bogart Library

- Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
- Friday - 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday – Closed
- Sunday – 1-8:00 p.m.

Athletic Center/Gym

- Monday – Friday - 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday - Closed

Food Services

Due to COVID19, hours of operation will allow for an hour between meals for cleaning purposes.

Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- Breakfast: 7 a.m.-10 a.m.
- Lunch: 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Dinner: 4 p.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a limited menu

- Brunch: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Dinner: 2 p.m.-5 p.m.

Please note: Meal service is not provided during Thanksgiving, Winter Break, Spring Break, and when all of the residence halls are closed. Limited hours are available during Observed Holidays when there are no classes and offices are closed.

SUB and SUB Fitness (Wellness) Center

- Monday – Thursday 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.
- Friday 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday Closed

SUB Bookstore – Bookstore Hours are M-F 8-4:30 p.m.

Bowling Alley – Closed

Lights lounge – Closed

Mackenzie Hall – Closed to the public

Morgan Hall – Closed to the public

Upcoming Events

MSU-Northern Rodeo – Oct. 2 & 3

Come support the MSU-Northern Rodeo Team on October 2-3 as they compete in the Bigger Better Barn at the Great Northern Fairgrounds.

Performance start at 7:00 p.m. both nights. Tickets are \$15 at the door, \$12 presale, Seniors 65+ and Students with ID's \$5, Children 10 and under are free. Please bring your mask. Masks will be provided if you do not have one. Come to the gate by the Super 8 if you need to pay, to alleviate any congestion in the Bigger Better Barn.

Rocktober Webstream Concert this Saturday

This Saturday, Oct. 3rd, KNMC and the Montana Actors' Theater will be hosting their first ever live webstream concert starting at 3pm. The event is free to stream and will feature a variety of local and out of town performers. Go to the [KNMC 90.1FM facebook page](#) to find the live stream link.

About the performers:

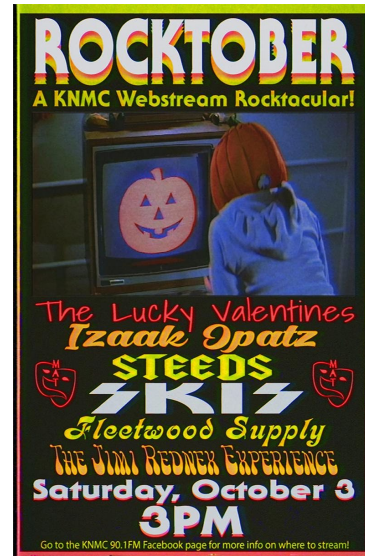
-Izaak Opatz has been writing and performing songs for the last ten years in Montana, Nashville, and Los Angeles. He has released albums with his band The Best Westerns, and as a solo artist. Izaak has shared the stage with Jackson Browne, James McMurtry, Jonny Fritz, and Taylor Goldsmith of the band Dawes. He has been featured twice in Rolling Stone magazine; once as an "Artist you need to know" in 2018, and as one of the "2019 AmericanaFest: 20 Must-See Shows." He played his first show in Havre back in 2014 with his band, The Best Westerns.

-The Lucky Valentines is a folk/americana duo out of Fort Benton that have been making music together for the last 11 years. They have released two albums; their most recent, *Horses*, has been featured regularly on KNMC broadcasts since it was released this summer. They've appeared on Montana Public Radio's Musician's Spotlight and are slated to be guests on PBS's acclaimed 11th and Grant in its upcoming season. The Lucky Valentines made their successful performance debut in Havre at the inaugural Havre Trails Summer Brewfest in 2017. Their sound could be bottled up as "*Bruce Springsteen and Patty Griffin meet Mandolin Orange in a gypsy junk shop.*"

-Steeds,
is a relatively new band from Havre featuring some of the hi-line's best musicians. Most recently, they were the featured house skiffle band during the hit Montana Actors' Theatre production of "One Man, Two Guvnors."

Saturday will also feature 3 local tribute acts.

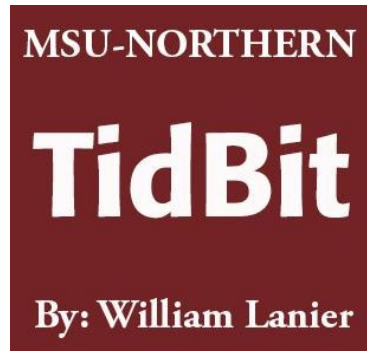
-**SKIS** is a tribute to the band KISS. SKIS claims to be the coldest band in the world.



-The Jimi Rednex Experience is a tribute to Jimi Hendrix and features MSU-Northern students and faculty in their lineup.

-Fleetwood Supply will be performing the music of Fleetwood Mac. Fleetwood Supply made its debut appearance at the first ever Tribute concert at MSU-Northern in 2016.

For more information on where to stream the performances, visit facebook.com/KNMCHavre



Ten More Facts about Northern

Here is my second of two TidBit lists for what I consider to be some of the most interesting stories, facts, or TidBits about Northern that I have come across over the years. List number one was in the September 8, 2020 issue of the NNN. Originally I was going to do a top 10, but realized there were too many to keep it at just 10 and it has been a chore to even keep it at 20.

1. There have been 6 Northern Alumni who have received the Montana Little Sullivan award (Patti Weed 1992, Melani Lowman 1995, Dani Davison 1999, Turk Lords 2000, Emmett Willson 2003 and Brandon Weber 2019). Melani attended Northern for one year before transferring to Dickinson State in North Dakota.
2. Northern has had at least one wrestling All-American for 39 consecutive years and at least two wrestling All-Americans for 37 consecutive years.
3. Bill Danley taught at Northern for 45 years.
4. In 1985, Kim Peters became an All-American at the NAIA National Track & Field Championships by placing 6th in the Javelin.
5. Northern has 35 Academic All-Americans, 185 wrestling All-Americans (not including Academic All-Americans) and 33 National Champions.
6. In 1979, NMC student Zarren Pasma personally presented a check for \$34,372.00 to Jerry Lewis on the Nationally televised MDA Labor Day Telethon on behalf of the NMC MDA Super Dance.
7. Northern Alumni, Dr. Harold Kleinert, founded the University of Louisville Hand Clinic and was involved in the first every hand transplant.
8. Northern is one of four colleges or universities in the United States to have a polar bear as their mascot. Northern is the only NAIA school to have a polar bear as their mascot.

9. Robert Walker of Hays, Montana, designed and created the IRONMAN statue behind the library while a student here at Northern. IRONMAN was dedicated in 1991 to former Northern faculty member, Dr. Lyle Schroeder. The base is made of rock from near the Fort Belknap area.

10. Jim Potter has been producing the NNN (Northern Network News) since September 8, 2006.

Thank you for reading this week's NNN TidBits and again thank you Kevin for the deal. If you have an idea for the NNN Tidbit, please e-mail me at wjlanier1963@yahoo.com.

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