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Northern Network News

The Official Newsletter of MSU-Northern - January 22, 2021

## NNN Welcomes You to Second Semester

Welcome to the Northern Network News (NNN). We are very excited to welcome everyone back to campus for another semester of face-to-face instruction. The Northern Network News is MSU-Northern's weekly newsletter designed to keep you informed about all the wonderful things happening on our campus.

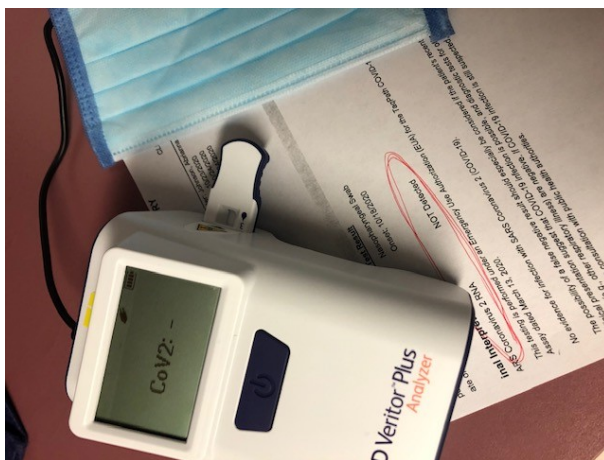
This semester the NNN will come out every other Friday during the semester. The scheduled publication dates are Jan. 22, Feb. 5, 19, Mar. 5, 19, April 2, 16, & 30.

If you want something included in the NNN, please submit it to [potterj@msun.edu](mailto:potterj@msun.edu) by Wednesday at noon, and make sure you indicate in the subject line "For NNN."

Jim Potter, Director of University Relations

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## COVID-19 Testing Now Available on Campus



This past week students were able to get a free 15-minute COVID test in the residence halls. This is an exciting new step to help prevent the spread of COVID for both symptomatic and asymptomatic individuals since we want to maintain in-person class delivery, athletic competitions, and minimize quarantines.

Any student may make an appointment to be tested with Student Health Services at any point throughout the semester. Simply call (406) 265-3599 to schedule your test.

Testing remains voluntary. However, we strongly encourage all students to be tested upon returning to campus to ensure that we are able to identify and respond to any positive cases as quickly as possible.

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## **MSU-Northern Partners with Little Big Horn Community College**



Dr. David Yarlott, President of Little Big Horn Community College (LBHCC), was on campus yesterday (Jan. 21) to sign a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Northern to collaborate on developing a certificate program in building maintenance. MSU-Northern's Apprenticeship Education Coordinator, Lorren Schlotfeldt, will make recommendations for curriculum, equipment, and lab facilities needed for the program. MSU-Northern intends to offer two courses, NCCER Electrical Principles and Practices and NCCER Plumbing 1, which will serve as a replacement for LBHCC residential wiring and plumbing courses.

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## Watch MSU-Northern Athletics Online

MSU-Northern's athletic competitions are back. Games are only available by simulcast. Use the following links to enjoy Northern Athletic events this semester.

[Click Here for the Athletics Website...](#)

[Click Here to watch the game...](#)

[Click Here to Listen to the game...](#)

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## 347 Students Named to Fall 2020 Dean's List

The Montana State University-Northern's fall semester Dean's List includes 347 students. To be included in the Dean's List students must carry a minimum of 12 credits and earn a grade point average of 3.25 or better. Students who received an incomplete or "F" during this semester are not included on the honor roll listing. The following list of students is organized alphabetically by hometown (please note that many students give a Havre address instead of a hometown address, and thus are listed in the Havre listing).

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## MSU-Northern Student, Jennell Huff, Received the George M. Dennison Civic Engagement Scholarship



MSU-Northern's business administration and community leadership senior, Jennell Huff, was one of 16 students across Montana to receive the George M. Dennison Civic Engagement Scholarship. The Montana Campus Compact (MTCC) gives this highly competitive award to students who are heavily involved in volunteer work and are making a significant difference in their institutions and communities.

Jennell Huff is a model of civic engagement, actively serving her immediate community and beyond as everything from a notary public to volunteering as an officer on multiple local and state boards. These included current treasurer

and past president and secretary of the Wilsall Foundation serving the Shields Valley, current vice president and past board member of the Montana Financial Education Coalition, and current chair of the Montana Elder Fraud and

Exploitation Prevention Network. Congratulations Jennell, you make Northern proud!

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## Industry Donations Bolster MSU-Northern Diesel Program



MSU-Northern has received the donation of a trainer engine worth more than \$100,000, courtesy of Interstate Power Systems (IPS). In a strong show of continued support for Northern and its students, IPS' generous donation further bolsters the robust array of training tools available to students in the diesel program, and will help them continue to learn and train on state-of-the art equipment.

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## Vande Bogart Library Roof Repaired



MSU-Northern's Vande Bogart Library roof was damaged on Wednesday (Jan. 13) due to the high winds. The main entryway roof was damaged in three areas, mainly over the mechanical equipment loft. No one was hurt when the waterproof membrane and some perimeter framing blew off due to extreme wind gusts.

Mechanical fasteners appear to have failed which made it possible for the wind to get under the membrane and peel it off. There does appear to be some damage to the chiller system but the heating system located in the attic loft appears to be undamaged. A temporary covering has been installed to make that portion of the roof waterproof, safe and operational. A new roof covering is being scheduled for this summer.

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## Nursing Student Receives Rocky Mountain Scholarship



Amber Sitz of Dillon is one of four Montana students to receive a \$1,000 scholarship from Rocky Mountain Supply, Inc. Sitz is a Nursing student at MSU-Northern. She is the daughter of Jim and Tammi Sitz of Dillon. Rocky Mountain Supply's scholarship program aims to make a positive impact on recipients in their education, their community, and the industry within their field of study. Congratulations Amber, you make Northern Proud!

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## Important Announcements

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### Marijuana on Campus Still Prohibited

Montana voters passed two recreational marijuana laws in November 2020. The passage of these laws does not affect existing MSU-Northern or Montana University System policies that prohibit the possession and use of marijuana on campus property and in MUS programs. Federal laws make marijuana use, possession, manufacture, and distribution illegal. Colleges or universities who fail to comply with this federal regulation could lose eligibility for these federal funding, including student financial aid programs.

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### COVID Precautions

All of the same COVID precaution that existed last semester are in place for this semester.

- Maintain a social distance of 6 feet
  - Wear a mask in campus buildings
  - Wash your hands often
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## Apply for Scholarships Today

If you are planning to attend MSU-Northern during the Fall 2021 semester or beyond then you will want to fill out a scholarship application. Deadline for applications is February 5, 2021. Scholarships range from \$100-\$3000 and are awarded based on your cumulative credits earned as of the Fall 2020 semester, so your load for the spring semester will not have an impact on your application. You may receive more than one scholarship from MSUN, especially if you take the extra time to complete a separate scholarship application.

### How to apply:

- Log into MyInfo
- Choose the Financial Aid tab
- Click on '2021-2022 Continuing Student Scholarship Application'
- Complete and submit!

This application covers about 90% of the MSUN scholarships. The scholarships that require a separate application and essay can be found at <http://www.msun.edu/financialaid/scholarships/CurrentStudents.aspx>

Students are encouraged to apply for outside scholarships through a search engine such as Fastweb, or for Montana residents, by going to <https://www.reachhighermontana.org/scholarships>

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## Hello and welcome to 2021!



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# TidBit

By: William Lanier

As we all know 2020 was a year that many would like to forget, but with all the negative things that transpired, there were still some great things that happened. One of those things was that MSU-Northern hosted the Hi-Line District 8<sup>th</sup> Annual BSA Merit Badge College for the first time. On January 9<sup>th</sup> of this year, the Northern campus hosted the Hi-Line District 9<sup>th</sup> Annual BSA Merit Badge College. These Merit Badge Colleges are where Scouts BSA take classes and earn/work on a variety of merit badges. Merit Badge Colleges have become popular around the country in the past 10 years. Here in Montana Carroll College, Great Falls College MSU, MSU-Billings, and University of Montana have all hosted similar events. The current longest consecutive Merit Badge College in Montana is the Hi-Line District's Merit Badge College thanks in large part to MSU-Northern.

In 2020 we had scouts from all over Montana including: Billings, Great Falls, Choteau, Shelby, Chester, Gilford, Big Sandy, and Havre. But due to COVID we offered a smaller Merit Badge College that was limited to local scouts. While we would have preferred a larger event, it would not have been prudent at the time.

This event would not have been possible if it were not for the following Northern staff and faculty: Tammy Boles, MSU-Northern Student Activities; Dean David Krueger, College of Technical Sciences; Lorren Schlofeldt (Plumbing), Jeremy Siemens (Civil Engineering), and Northern student, Nicholas Montagino.

Additionally, I would like to thank the following community members and scout leaders for their support and assistance: Jessie and Carol Fulbright, Lianna and Conrad Heimbigner, Dr. Jim Kuesel, Kougar Lanier, Anthony Cammon, the MSU-Northern COVID Committee, and the Hill County Health Department. We have begun planning the 2022 college and are extremely excited to offer a wide range of classes. In fact, our first confirmed class for 2022 is Nuclear Science which will be taught by Northern faculty member Trygve "Spike" Magelssen.

The scouts, volunteers, parents, and leaders in the Hi-Line District and the Montana Council look forward to continuing and expanding this partnership with Northern in the future. Again, thank you MSU-Northern!

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