

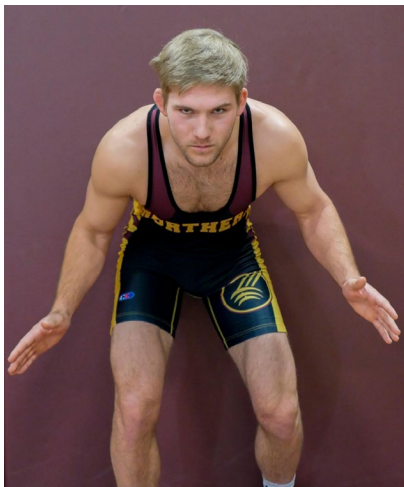


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Northern Network News

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## BARTEL NAMED CCC MEN'S WRESTLER OF THE YEAR



After winning his first NAIA championship, MSU-Northern's *Isaac Bartel* was named the Cascade Collegiate Conference Men's Wrestler of the Year. Bartel, a senior 197-pound grappler, became a four-time NAIA All-American after winning his weight class at the NAIA National Championship earlier this month. He never finished below third place in his collegiate career, taking third as a freshman, followed by back-to-back runner-up finishes.

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## Hannah Pate to participate in 2021 Newman Civic Fellowship



Hannah Pate, a third-year student studying community leadership at MSU-Northern, has been chosen to participate in Campus Compact's 2021 Newman Civic Fellowship. She will be part of the Newman Civic Fellows class of 2021, consisting of 212 community-committed students representing Campus Compact member colleges and universities from 39 states, Washington, D.C., and Mexico.

As a 2021 Newman Civic Fellow, she will have access to a variety of virtual and in-person learning opportunities during the 2021-2022 academic year, including a national conference for Newman Civic Fellows. Fellows will also have access to exclusive scholarship and post-graduate opportunities. These opportunities support fellows in their personal, professional, and civic growth.

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## Corporate Partners Seek Trained Employees



The Tilleman Motor Company of Havre and the Tractor & Equipment Company (T&E) out of Great Falls were on campus this week to conduct information sessions and face-to-face interviews with potential employees. Both

companies have a long-standing tradition of hiring outstanding Northern grads and are part of our auto and diesel advisory boards.

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## Northern Archives Available Online

The Vande Bogart library staff have been busy digitizing many of Northern's archives so they can be viewed online. These items include:

- Northern student newspapers from 1932-2007
- The earlier Northern catalogs (bulletins) from 1929-1949
- Northern yearbooks (annuals) from 1953-2007
- Photos of Northern's history
- Photos of most of the Hagener museum items
- Historical photos of Havre and Hill County

[Click here to view Northern's archival collection...](#)

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## Library Roof Repaired



The beautiful weather has made it possible for the repairs to continue on the VandeBogart Library roof. Korb Construction did the original cleanup and installed the temporary covering. Maddox Roofing out of Great Falls is doing the new roof membrane and parapet wall cap. The Mechanical attic loft roof has been almost completely repaired. Nault plumbing is working on the new sewer vent and roof drain pan. Glassworks will be installing the new skylight. Jones Plumbing and Heating are working on the relief fan unit and Shine Electric will be working on the new photo eye control for the exterior



lights. The rest of the roof will be finished this summer. Special thanks to all our local contractors who have helped to keep the library open and safe.

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## RDO Visits Campus



RDO Equipment Company was on campus Wednesday (Mar. 17) to explore ways to enhance the long-standing partnership with MSU-Northern. Chris Cooper, Chief Operating Officer, Adam Gilbertson, Vice President, and Dale McLaury, Regional Aftermarket Manager toured the DTC, ATC, and the Advanced Fuels lab and joined Chancellor Kegel, Diesel faculty, and campus leadership in a roundtable discussion on ways they can enhance Northern's diesel program and help fill the pipeline for highly trained technicians. During the visit, MSUN students shared feedback on the high-value of the RDO Integrated Controls training they received in 2020.

RDO Equipment Co. is a large, dynamic company with more than 75 locations in nine states supporting agriculture, construction, environmental, irrigation, positioning, and surveying equipment from leading manufacturers including John Deere, Vermeer, and Topcon.

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## Students Enjoy a Taste of the Tropics



On February 25, the students at MSU-Northern took a mental break from the cold and enjoyed a day from the tropics. Students dressed up in tropical clothing, played some tropical games in the SUB and enjoyed some Italian sodas. The event was planned by the Student Engagement Committee of the Associated Students of MSU-Northern. Stay tuned for more exciting events from the Student Engagement Committee.

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## Tom Welch Receives Emeritus Status



Last week, March 11, the Montana Board of Regents voted unanimously to grant Emeritus status to retired MSU-Northern Professor Thomas Welch. The word emeritus, pronounced "eh-MER-ih-tus," is Latin, originally meaning "veteran soldier." In academia, the title of "Professor Emeritus" is conferred on those professors who have shown their longstanding dedication and commitment to the University and higher education.

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## Northern Continues to Move Toward Our Strategic Goal

For colleges all around the country, the past year has been one of the most challenging yet with so many unforeseen changes. However, even amidst the adversity, Montana State University-Northern has managed to increase its enrollment from 2020 fall semester with a current headcount of 1060 students. Our student body is made up of 87% Montana residents and many of them are 1st generation or low-income students. MSU-Northern was rated the #1 school for economic mobility in Montana – that means that students who begin in the bottom 20% of all income earners end up in the top 20% after graduation.

COVID-19 has led Northern to implement several safety protocols around campus, which have kept our classes face-to-face and have allowed students to continue hands-on learning rather than being restricted to online learning alone. The overall success of Northern's student body is, and will continue to be, the main priority for MSU-Northern.

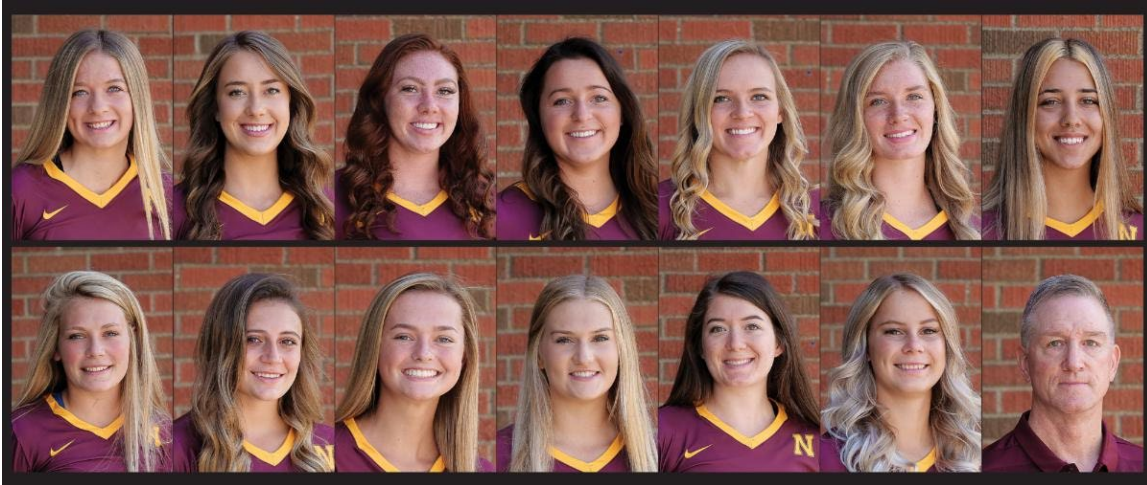
## MSU-Northern Spotlights Women's History Month



March is Women's History Month and the NNN is pleased to feature four women from Chuck Terry's Welding 180 class who are working very hard to complete their welding certificates. Thank you all for setting a strong example for other women and students in our community. Pictured L to R is Tiffany Holley, Taylor Watz, Brailynn Demers, and Colleen Armstrong. You make Northern proud!



## Skylights Volleyball Club Fundraising Letter Now Available

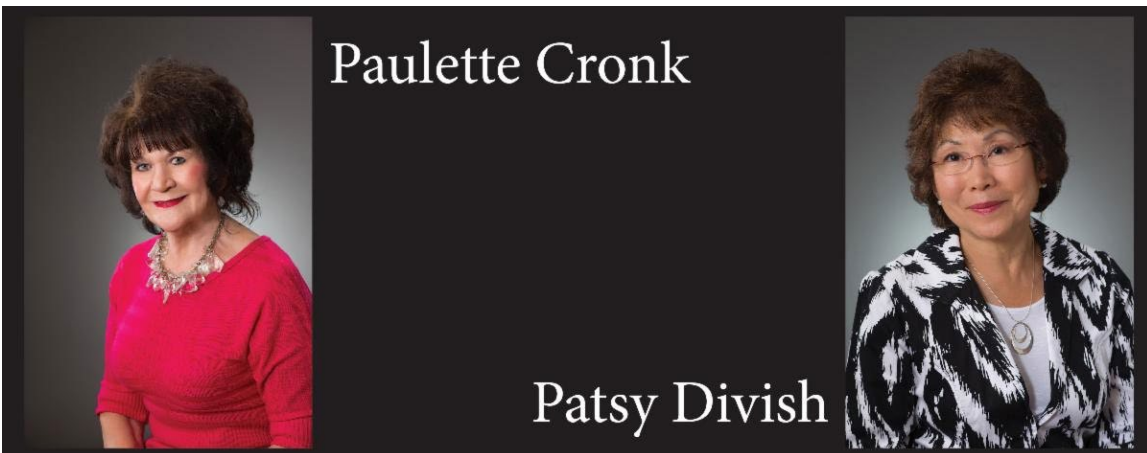


Check out the latest newsletter from Jerry Wagner, and find several ways that you can give to the Skylight Volleyball team. The funds generated from the Volleyball Club enhance scholarship offers, recruiting efforts, and provide positive team-building experiences. They also help cover team travel costs, necessary team gear, and uniforms.

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## Founders Excellence Recipients Announced



The MSU-Northern Foundation is excited to announce the 2021 Founders Excellence Award recipients Paulette Cronk and Patsy Divish. Both were nominated and unanimously approved by the Northern Alumni Foundation Board for their tireless dedication to Northern and their countless hours of volunteer work at the Foundation.

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## **Student Spotlight: Meet Kyle Vandenaere! 2nd Year Nursing Student from Conrad**



### **Tell us about yourself and why you chose Northern**

“My senior year of high school I wasn’t quite sure what I wanted to do, but Dave Boles offered me a golf scholarship at Northern and I decided to make the leap and head to Havre. Also, growing up on a farm, it was definitely a bit of a surprise for everyone when I chose to join the nursing program at Northern.”

### **What made you decide to enter into Nursing?**

“Growing up in a small town, I wanted to open my mind up more and I’ve always been interested to know what else is out there, so nursing is one of those things that I knew I could do anywhere in the country. It’s also a way for me to help others from diverse backgrounds, which is something I’ve already gotten to do a lot of in the nursing program.”

### **What are you involved in on campus?**

“I’m on the golf team as well as the Student Athlete Advising Council. While being a part of the council, I’ve helped out fellow athletes with managing their schedules but I’ve also been able to help run athletic events and meet a lot of new people in the process.”

### **Do you have any advice for incoming nursing students?**

“Just know that everyone involved in the nursing program will take great care of you and be sure to use every resource available to you. Don’t hesitate to reach out to anyone for help and connect with your fellow nursing students when you can; you help each other out that way.”



### **Favorite memory at Northern?**

“I remember some elementary kids being invited to watch some of Northern’s basketball games and even though I wasn’t one of the players, they looked up to me. It was just fun to see how excited they were to be around college athletes and be part of the game – they loved it.”

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## **Important Announcements**

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### **NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO? WORRIED ABOUT A FRIEND?**

We’d like to remind students that Student Health Counseling Services offers FREE individual, relationship, family, group and substance abuse counseling services. Both face to face and virtual (WebEx) sessions are available. Call 406-265-3599 for an appointment.

[Click here for more info...](#)

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### **COVID-19 Testing 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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### **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 their federal funding, including student financial aid programs.

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## COVID Precautions

All of the same COVID precautions 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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## Upcoming Events

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### FIRST FRIDAY SUICIDE PREVENTION WORKSHOPS – April 2, May 7

For the remainder of the semester, QPR Suicide Prevention Trainings will be facilitated via Zoom on the 1st Friday of each month from 1:00-2:30 PM. (April 2 and May 7)

Question, Persuade, and Refer are three steps anyone can learn to help prevent suicide. Just like CPR, QPR is an emergency response to someone in crisis and can save lives. QPR is the most widely taught gatekeeper training in the world. The training is about 90 minutes and your certification will be active for 2 years. Trainings are free and limited to 25 participants. To register, email Amber Spring at [amber.spring@msun.edu](mailto:amber.spring@msun.edu).

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### Annual Tribute Band Concert – May 15

At this time, KNMC is moving forward with plans to host their annual tribute concert on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, as either a web-stream concert or social-distanced in-person concert strictly adhering to county health department guidelines. "Tribute" is our spring music event and is KNMC's way of paying tribute to all of the hard-working students, faculty, and staff of MSU-Northern at the end of the school year. Local musicians sign up and form "tribute bands" who then dress up and perform the music of their artist of choice.

If you are a musician that is interested in participating, contact Dave Martens at 406-390-1238

### ARE THINGS FEELING HEAVY?

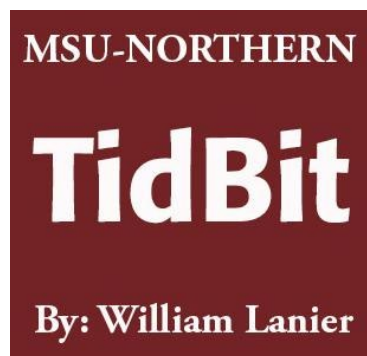
#### ... Let's talk it out!

The last 12 months have been loooooongggg. Many are expressing that things just feel "heavy." Research refers to this reaction as burnout, emotional

exhaustion, or alarm fatigue. Many of you are carrying a load with stress related to school, home life, work, your health, your finances . . . Several of you are bearing that load in addition to the load of others. When you are a "helper," friends, family members, co-workers & even strangers open up and share their personal struggles, relationship & family conflicts, work & school stressors with you. This can be a lot ... especially when you may be struggling yourself! We are providing this time to help you talk through an issue, provide you with support, and connect you with resources. Taking care of yourself as you are caring for others is imperative to reducing burnout! Students, staff & faculty are all welcome to call in. Meets Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 pm on Zoom. Email [amber.spring@msun.edu](mailto:amber.spring@msun.edu) for the link to join the Zoom call. ARE THINGS FEELING HEAVY? ... Let's talk it out!

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## #337 - Northern Wrestling by the Numbers - 2021 Edition



With the 2020-21 wrestling season having concluded two weeks ago with the 64th Annual National NAIA Wrestling Tournament, here is my annual "Northern Wrestling by the Numbers – 2021 Edition." The biggest difference from past years is that this includes this year's National Tournament (not this year's number of Academic All-Americans).

1976- The year that Dr. Dave Greenwood was named the Frontier Conference Wrestling Coach of the Year.  
208- All-Americans (does not include Academic All-Americans) that Northern has produced  
136- Number of wins by Tyson Thivierge as Northern Light wrestler (4th all-time in Northern history)  
128- Number of wins by Isaac Bartel (placing him 7th all-time in Northern history)  
112- Number of career pins by former Northern Light Ethan Hinebauch (most in NAIA history)  
51- Number of years Northern has had a wrestling team (began in the fall of 1970)  
51- Number of teams at the 2021 NAIA National Wrestling Championships  
50- Number of wins by former Light Emmett Wilson in 2004  
40- Consecutive years, Northern has had at least one All-American  
38- Consecutive years, Northern has had at least two All-Americans (top 8)  
38- Consecutive years, Northern has finished in the top 16 at the national tournament (1984-2021)



- 34- Academic All-Americans Northern has produced (does not include 2020-21)
- 33- Individual national champions from Northern (3rd all-time in NAIA history)
- 29- Number of times Northern has finished in the top 10 at the national tournament
- 17- Number of times Northern has finished in the top 5 at the national tournament
- 14- Number of times Northern has finished in the top 3 at the national tournament
- 12- High school state championships won by Northern alumnus Scott Filius as Head Coach of the Havre High Blue Ponies
- 11- Place taken by the 2020 and the 2021 teams at the NAIA National Tournament
- 10- Place taken by the 2019 team at the NAIA National Tournament
- 9- The number of Northern wrestlers that were named the NAIA Outstanding Wrestler (most all time in NAIA history).
- 8- The number of Northern wrestlers that earned the Gorriaran Award at the NAIA National Tournament Wrestler (most all time in NAIA history).
- 8- Place taken by the 2015 and the 2017 teams at the NAIA National Tournament
- 7- Number of national championships by Turk Lords (4 individual and 3 team)
- 6- National team titles won by Northern (4th all-time in NAIA history)
- 7- Number of individuals that were four-time All-Americans in the history of Northern (including Isaac Bartel)
- 5- Number of Head Coaches that have coached the Northern wrestling teams (Dr. David Greenwood, Jason Liles, David Ray, Dan Troupe and Tyson Thivierge)
- 4- National individual titles won by Turk Lords
- 4- Place taken by the 2018 team at the NAIA National Tournament
- 3- National individual titles won by Emmett Willson
- 3- Number of Northern Lights that are in the NAIA Hall of Fame (David Ray, Emmett Willson and Turk Lords).
- 3- Number of Northern Lights that won a National Championship and went undefeated the same year (Randy Street, Emmitt Willson and Isaac Bartel)
- 2- National individual titles won by Corey Borges and Stryder Davis
- 2- Place taken by the 2016 team at the NAIA National Tournament
- 1- Dan Hodge Trophy winners by Northern (Emmett Willson, still the only NAIA wrestler to ever win this award).

If there are any additions or corrections to this list, please let me know by e-mailing me at [wjlanier1963@yahoo.com](mailto:wjlanier1963@yahoo.com) Thank you.

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