



**MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY
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Northern Network News

The Official Newsletter of MSU-Northern - April 26, 2024

Last NNN of the Semester

Another school year is coming to an end, so this will be the last issue of the Northern Network News for the 2023-24 academic year. I want to express special thanks to everyone who contributed information, articles, and photos to the NNN. I especially want to acknowledge contributors Bill Lanier, Colton Tash, MaeLea Willis, Shawn Huse, Tammy Boles, Amber Spring, and Sierra Woodward. Finally, I want to thank Marianne Hoppe for working diligently on the NNN archives, and helping to make sure that the stories are working correctly on our website. Have a great summer break. The Northern Network News will return in the fall.

- Jim Potter, Director of Communications and Marketing and Editor of NNN

MSU-Northern Campus Sizzle Reel



A short sizzle reel showcasing some of what MSU-Northern has to offer.

2024-2025 ASMSUN Senate Sworn into Office



During the Student Recognition Reception Wednesday afternoon, the outgoing senators were acknowledged, and the new members were sworn in for next year. The outgoing members were

- Noah McDermott - Vice President
- Brailynn DeMers - Business Manager
- Olivia Fletes - Administrative Assistant
- Ian Flynn, Keanan Engelhardt, Olivia Isakson, - outgoing At-Large Senators

Chancellor Greg Kegel was on hand to swear in the incoming 2024-2025 ASMSUN Student senate. The members and their positions for the 2024-2025 school year are:

- Bridger Beach, President
- AJ Harris, Vice President
- Aiden Perkins, Business Manager
- Kaiya Doney, Administrative Assistant
- Garret Bliss, At-Large Senator
- Hunter Velk, At-Large Senator
- Jason Rice, At-Large Senator
- Jordan Ketchum, At-Large Senator
- Jordan Kittleson & Stuart Jenks, fall elected At-Large Senators

Eight Students Receive a Student Excellence Award



Since 1982, Northern has presented Student Excellence Awards to students who have achieved personal, educational, and professional goals and who have made meaningful and substantive contributions to our campus, local, and global communities. Student Excellence Awards recognize Northern students who have exemplified a commitment to the pursuit of high academic achievement and significant student engagement. This year, the student excellence recipients go to: (L to R) Logan Taylor, Ryley Kehr, Emily Feller, Shyann Krass, Olivia “Liv” Isakson, Olivia Fletes, Macee Murphy, and Kaden Fickel, (not pictured) Congratulations, you make Northern Proud!

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Three Golden N Recipients Named at Student Recognition Reception



The Golden "N" is considered the most prestigious award an MSU-Northern faculty or staff member can receive because all nominations come from the students and students also decide on the recipients. This year, ASMSUN Student Senate awarded 3 Golden N Awards in 3 categories.

The "Inspirational Educator Award" was presented to Taryn Wallon, Assistant Dean of Students.

The "Name and Story Award" was presented to Dr. Casey Donovan, Assistant Professor of Mathematics.

The "Excellence in Teaching Award" was presented to Dr. Kasthuri Udayakumar.

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Logan Taylor Receives Montana Student Volunteer Award



The Montana Student Volunteer Award recognizes volunteers across the state who have dedicated their efforts to serving the community while also pursuing college. Logan Taylor is this year's recipient from Montana State University-Northern. He was recognized in a virtual ceremony last week and was presented with a certificate from the Governor's Office at the Student Recognition Reception.

Logan is an online student majoring in Community Leadership with an emphasis in Non-Profit Management and a minor in psychology. He will graduate this spring.

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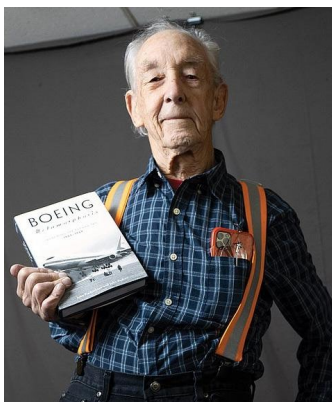
This past week, the SUB Ballroom was set up with tables, chairs, and couches for students to relax and prepare for finals week. Each night featured a different activity to help them relax. Some of the activities included: painting, yoga, messages, board games, video games and more.

Voices of the Hi-Line, International Poetry Reading



Fifteen presenters celebrated their love of poetry and languages at the International Poetry Reading, "Voices of the Hi-Line," on the evening of April 24th, in the Cowan Hall Theatre. Co-organizers Valerie Guyant, associate professor of English, and Gwen Hart, assistant professor of English, pulled together a vary diverse presentation with over 21 languages represented, including Old English, Russian, German, Sumerian, Northern Cheyenne, Lakota, Sindarin, Bemba, Mapompo, Chichewa, Tonga and many more.

Alumni spotlight: John Andrew



John Andrew graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1949 and attended Northern Montana College (MSU-Northern) during the 1949-1950 school year, but had to leave his studies here due to illness. Later, he received a degree in civil engineering from Gonzaga University, followed by an MBA from Harvard Business School. Mr. Andrew once told Chancellor Kegel that the education he received at Northern, brief as it was, was every bit as good as anything he received at Gonzaga University or Harvard Business School.

Mr. Andrew found a job at Boeing, simply by filling out an application in person. He went on to design and engineer one of the largest buildings in the world, the Boeing Everett Facility. The facility was used to build the Boeing 747 in 1966, and was sized around at an astonishing 250 million cubic feet. At the time of construction, Mr. Andrew was featured on the front page of the Seattle Sunday Times with a scale model of the factory.

Mr. Andrew's book chronicling his time at Boeing, "Boeing Metamorphosis, the launching of the 737 and 747, 1965-1969," is co-authored with John Frederickson.

After his retirement, Mr. Andrew set out to ski every developed ski hill in North America. During this quest, he visited MSU-Northern once again when he was in the area to ski the Bear Paw Ski Bowl.

BNSF Provides Water for Students



Last week, the City of Havre issued a Drinking Water Health Advisory. BNSF Milk River Division donated 3 pallets of bottled water to the MSU-Northern Residential Education department on Wednesday to be distributed to students living in the residence halls and on-campus apartments.

Russ Stinnett, BNSF Safety Facilitator, stated, "When the boil water advisory was issued, I thought about the students living on campus and knew most of them didn't have the ability to boil water in their rooms. This was something I knew BNSF could do to help people in our community." Assistant Dean Taryn Wallon and her staff were humbled by the donation. "In times of need, I am always impressed by the support we receive from the community. It means a lot to our students," Wallon said.

***Outside Mullingar* – Is a Delightful Romantic Comedy**



Are you ready for a journey to the enchanting Irish countryside? Join us for an unforgettable theatrical experience as we present *Outside Mullingar*, a captivating play that will sweep you off your feet and transport you to the lush, rolling hills of Ireland. Set in the charming rural town of Mullingar, Ireland, the story revolves around the lives of two neighboring families, the Reillys and the Muldoons. You'll follow the endearing journey of Anthony and Rosemary, two introverted souls bound by family ties and secrets, as they navigate the bumpy road to love. With humor, tenderness, and a dash of Irish whimsy, this play explores the complexities of human connection and the beauty of finding love in unexpected places. The show will run April 12-13, 18-20, 25-27 at 8 pm in the MSUN/MAT Theatre. Free to students with current student ID's

[Click here for tickets...](#)

Show Your MSU-Northern Pride



Get your MSU-Northern yard signs! They are currently being sold at the Havre Chamber of Commerce, Beaver Creek Perk, and Master Sports for \$20! Show your MSU-Northern pride and support for MSUN activities & events!

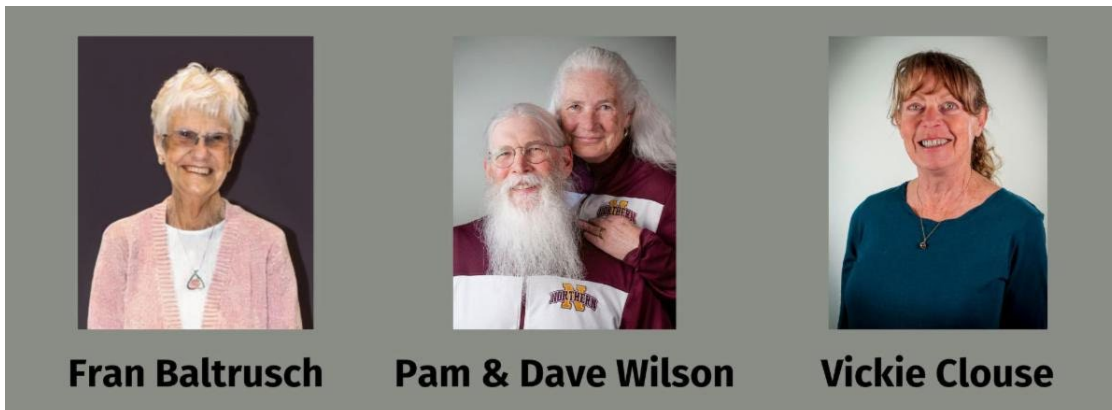
UPCOMING EVENTS

Seeking Student Submissions for Student Symposium Adjacent to Commencement

We are looking for students willing to display finished projects from this past academic school year at graduations and during the Board of Regents meeting on May 15 & 16. We want to highlight all the wonderful things going on at MSU-Northern to other students, our faculty, staff, and parents and alumni. We are aware that some projects are too large or difficult to transport to the venue to make a true presentation possible. Last year, we also included a slide show of projects and events. If you gather anything of this nature, please forward to Valerie Guyant at valerie.guyant@msun.edu for this year's presentation. For inclusion of other projects or posters, please contact Valerie Guyant by Wednesday May 1st. Setup for the event will take place Friday, May 3rd, at 4:00 pm inside the library breezeway. People are also encouraged to bring their displays directly their for setup.

Thank you for your support.

MSU-NORTHERN FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2024 FOUNDERS' EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS - Apr. 26



The MSU-Northern Foundation is proud to announce the recipients of the esteemed 2024 Founders' Excellence Awards. This year, the Foundation honors Fran Baltrusch, Pam and Dave Wilson, and bestows a posthumous award on Vickie Clouse for each of these individual's outstanding contributions to both Montana State University-Northern and the broader community.

[More Info...](#)

Late Night Breakfast- April 28

For students who will be cramming for finals and need a late-night boost, the dining Hall will be offering a late-night Breakfast from 9 PM to 10 PM on Wednesday, April 28th.

Volunteers in charge of cooking pancakes should plan to be there by 8:15 PM, at the latest, to ensure that things are ready for students at 9 PM. Steven Don and Chad Spangler are usually our Master Pancake Flippers and are quite the pros. However, we can use help in many other areas and know the students enjoy seeing so many staff members there with them at such a fun event.

Spring 2024 Brown Bag Lecture Series: “Unlocking Sustainable Aromatic Hydrocarbon Production” – May 1

MSU-Northern will continue its Spring 2024 Brown Bag Lecture Series with a presentation titled “Unlocking Sustainable Aromatic Hydrocarbon Production: Insights from Experimental and Theoretical Investigations,” by Dr. Randy

Maglinao, Senior Research Scientist at the Advanced Fuels Center; Evan Davison, a recent MSUN graduate; and Amos Taiswa, MSUN graduate and PhD Candidate at Montana Tech Nanotechnology Laboratory.

The event will be held on Wednesday, May 1st from noon to 1:00pm in Hensler Auditorium in the ATC building, and it is open to the public. Sack lunches are provided but limited, so attendees are encouraged to RSVP by Monday, April 29th at www.msun.edu/otle/brownbag.aspx or by calling 406-265-3775.

[Learn more...](#)

Nurses Pinning Ceremony– May 3

Come support the 2024 ASN Nursing class as they participate in their traditional pinning ceremony. The ceremony will take place in the SUB Ballroom at 3 pm. Jenni Pula will deliver the charge and there will be a reception after the ceremony. The nurses' pinning is a historical tradition dating back to the 12th century! The pinning symbolizes the acknowledgment of those who are about to embark on the journey of nursing and the dedication that is required of those who chose this profession.

Graduation – May 4

Graduation is scheduled for May 4th at 10:00 a.m. in the Armory Gymnasium. This year's Commencement speaker is Flint Rasmussen. After graduation, there will be a Student Symposium adjacent to commencement in the Library breezeway.

[Click here to watch live simulcast...](#)

* Attention all required attendees: please meet in the basement of Cowan Hall no later than 9:30 a.m. to line up and process into commencement.

CALENDAR

Friday, April 26

- MSUN Rodeo @ UM
- MSU-Northern Student Art Show – Library - 7:30 AM - 10:00 PM
- 2024 Founders' Excellence Awards - 5:30 PM
- MAT Presents: Outside Mullingar - 8:00 PM

Saturday, April 27

- MSUN Rodeo @ UM

- MAT Presents: Outside Mullingar - 8:00 PM

Monday, April 29

- Finals Week

Tuesday, April 30

- Finals Week
- Congressional Primary Debates (Republicans) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Wednesday, May 01

- Finals Week
- Brown Bag Lecture: Unlocking Sustainable Aromatic Hydrocarbon - 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Thursday, May 02

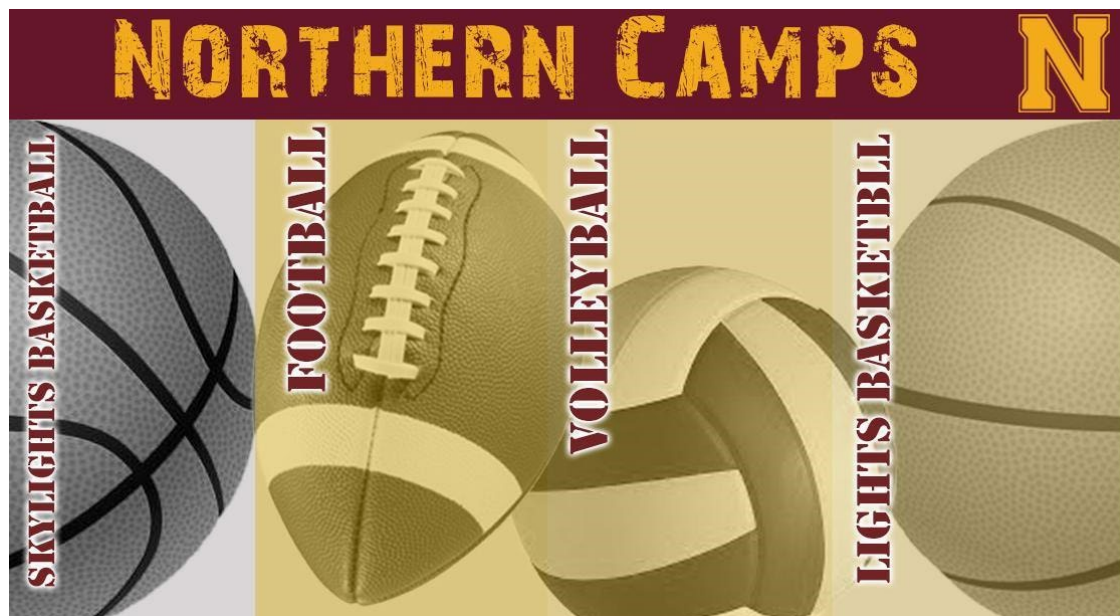
- Finals Week
- Spring Semester Ends

Friday, May 03

- Nurses Pinning – 3:00 PM SUB Ballroom

Saturday, May 04

- Commencement 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM - Gym



2024 Summer Sports Camps at MSU-Northern include:

LIGHTS BASKETBALL 2024 Camps

Lights Youth Camp June 11-14 Grades entering K-4
Lights Basketball Camp June 11-14 Grades entering 5-9
Lights Summer League June 3 League held Monday evenings
For more information, contact:
Coach Shawn Huse: shuse@msun.edu (406) 265-4131

SKYLIGHTS BASKETBALL 2024

Skylight Middle School Camp June 23-26 Grades entering 6-9
Skylight Youth Camp June 17-19 Grades entering K-5
Skylight Summer League June 6 League held Thursday's evenings
Hoops For A Cause August 7 K-4 boys & girls from 9am-11am
5-8 girls from 11:30am-1:30pm
5-8 boys from 2pm-4pm
For more information, contact:
Coach Chris Mouat: cmouat@msun.edu (406) 265-3584 or
Coach Sierra Woodward: sierra.woodwards@msun.edu (406) 265-3779

SKYLIGHTS VOLLEYBALL 2024

Skylight Kid Camp July 30-Aug.1 Grades entering 3-5
Skylight Jr. High School Camp July 29-August 1 Grades entering 6-8
Skylight High School Camp July 29-August 1 Grades entering 9-12

For more information, contact:
Coach Jerry Wagner: jerry.wagner@msun.edu 406) 265-4112

LIGHTS FOOTBALL 2024

7-7 Tournament/Big Competition June 20 Grades entering 9-12
Big Competition Youth Camp May 18 Grades entering K-8
Lights Skills Camp June 23 Grades entering 9-12

[Sport Camps - Montana State University Northern Athletics \(golightsgo.com\)](https://golightsgo.com)

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TidBit

By: William Lanier

(#415)

Life Advice/Tips from Bill Lanier

With the school year winding down, I would like to give out some FREE advice! Many of these are things I wish that I had known earlier in life. Not that I would have listened to any of it. But just maybe this might help one person out there.

1. Take the time to thank the people who have helped you to get to this point in life.
2. Appreciate the path you have taken to get where you are right now. Life is a journey not a destination and everyone has their own journey and that is ok. Enjoy your journey.
3. Always keep learning and moving forward. Life will throw things at you but keep moving forward and learning.
4. Do not let arguments and disagreements ruin friendships. You are not always going to agree with others and others are not always going to agree with you and that is also ok. That is what makes us all unique.
5. Be open to criticism, put your ego aside and take the time to listen and hear what they are saying. You may learn something. Too many times people are listening to respond and do not actually hear the message.
6. For the love of everything that is good in this world, do not argue on Facebook or any other social media site. Be very careful what you post on-line, nothing is ever completely private.
7. Always work on communicating. In my opinion, one of the single biggest issues in the world is not being able to communicate effectively. This includes your jobs, families, friends, and social activities.
8. Remember no job is too small. That one job may be the key to the door that will open to a career path that you never had thought about!
9. Never quit a job unless you have another job to go to. It is much easier to get a job when you have a job.
10. Be open to try new things and new adventures. You never know what you can do or are capable of doing until you try!
11. As you move on in life and no matter where you go, give back to your community, I guarantee you will get more out of it than you put into it.
12. Work hard at whatever it is that you are doing, be on time (15 minutes early), be a good citizen and everything else will fall into place (from former Northern Wrestling Coach David Ray).

We have come to that time of the year! This will be the last NNN TidBit. I would like to thank Jim Potter MSU-Northern for allowing me to continue to be part of Northern.

I would also like to thank all of you all who have read, commented, enjoyed, and made suggestions to me this year regarding the NNN TidBits. If you have

any additional suggestions, please let me know by e-mailing me at wjlanier1963@yahoo.com Again, thank you and hope to see and hear from you this summer and fall! Be safe and take care. Go Northern!

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