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MSU-Northern Athletics Sizzle Reel



This video was made to showcase Northern's athletic offerings for the NAIA interactive map. To learn more about Northern's athletic programs, visit golightsgo.com.

Football Team enjoys 47th Annual Sweetgrass Society Powwow



On April 12th & 13th The Sweetgrass Society hosted the 47th annual Sweetgrass Society Powwow. The Powwow featured over 100 dancers, registered in categories for males and females ages 18 to 54, and golden age dancers 55 and older. The dance competition included categories for men's traditional, grass, fancy, chicken, and Crow style. The women's categories featured traditional, jingle, fancy and Crow style. This year, Northern's football team took part in festivities by joining in their own grand processional and sponsoring the Tiny Tots division while handing out Candy.

Student Spotlight: Cactus Runsabove



Meet Cactus Runsabove! Cactus is a freshman, and on the Northern Lights Football Team. Cactus was recently a part of the 47th Annual Sweetgrass Society Powwow this past weekend. We asked Cactus about his experiences dancing in Powwows throughout his life:

“From when I was young, I always felt a sense of purpose and pride while participating in powwows. Not only would this affect me positively with my mental and spiritual health, but dancing gave me a sense of confidence in myself for school and sports. The opportunities that powwows have brought to me so far are

too many to count, and I'm grateful to be part of the dance circle when I get the chance to."

MSU-Northern Student Art Show Now in Library



The MSU-Northern Student Art Show held its grand opening in the Vande Bogart Library on Monday. The event is a celebration of talent and expression that showcases the remarkable creativity of Northern's students. This student art show features an array of artworks including painting, sculptures, digital art, photography, and everything in between. Come to the Vande Bogart Library and take a look at the outstanding expressions of creativity. The show will run until April 26th and is open to the public.

Student Ambassadors Help Keep the Highway Clean



MSU-Northern Student Ambassadors went the extra mile... that's right they cleaned two miles of Highway 234 leading out to the Bear Paws. The cleanup was part of an ongoing "Adopt a Highway" program that Havre started many years ago.

The MSU-Northern Student Ambassador team are college students who work in conjunction with the Admissions Office and the Chancellor's office to support campus events. They give tours to prospective students, help with campus events like "We Love Northern Ball", and they also do community service events like the highway cleanup.

MSU-Northern Honors 79 Years of Dedicated Service



On Tuesday, April 16, a crowd gathered in the SUB Ballroom to honor the many years of hard work and dedication to MSU-Northern by Valerie Hickman (42 years), Suzanne Hunger (6 years), James Morrow (11 years), & Linda Osterman (20 years). Each of the retirees received a desktop clock as a small thank you for their years of hard work. Congratulations! You make Northern Proud. Enjoy your retirement!

Dr. Hildebrand Shares Her Research on Algal Blooms



On Wednesday, April 17, Dr. Terri Hildebrand, Professor of Biology at MSU-Northern shared the results of her “Algal Blooms Community Health Literacy Program.” In her presentation, Dr. Hildebrand sought to characterize water conditions in Beaver Creek and its incoming tributaries as they exist in Beaver Creek Park in Hill County. Two seasons of data collection yielded significant baseline information on the water system's aquatic geo-morphology and chemistry. In addition, a survey assessed community knowledge of HABs. Using a Community Based Participatory Approach (CBPA) that involves regional stakeholders, results from this work may reduce the occurrence of regional HABs and improve the quality of local waters, as well as the economical and recreational opportunities they provide.

Special thank you to the many students and faculty who helped collect the monthly samples and perform the various tests. This research could not have been done without you.

The Library Helps Celebrate Poetry Month



April is National Poetry Month! In honor of this occasion, the library hosted a poetry reading event on April 18. Assistant Professor of English, Gwen Hart was one of the primary readers. The library is also celebrating National Poetry Month with a display featuring poetry books from the library's collection, encouraging readers to get inspired by this impactful literary art form.

MSUN Professor's Alzheimer Research Published in Journal of Neuropathology and Experimental Neurology



MSU-Northern's Associate Professor of Biology, Dr. Giuseppe P. Cortese, is one of nine researchers that contributed to an article recently published in the Journal of Neuropathology Experimental Neurology titled: ZCCHC17 knockdown phenocopies Alzheimer's disease-related loss of synaptic proteins and hyperexcitability.

According to the Abstract: The researchers previously found that ZCCHC17 protein declines in Alzheimer's disease (AD) brain tissue before there is significant gliosis and neuronal loss, that ZCCHC17 loss partially replicates observed splicing abnormalities in AD brain tissue, and that maintenance of ZCCHC17 levels is predicted to support cognitive resilience in AD. In this study, they assessed the functional consequences of reduced ZCCHC17 expression in primary cortical neuronal cultures using siRNA knockdown. They found that ZCCHC17 loss partially phenocopies AD-related loss of synaptic proteins and hyperexcitability.

[Read more...](#)

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...](#)



Dr. Gwen Hart is hosting "30 Days of Prompts" this month for National Poetry Month through Bear Paw Arts Journal. The prompts are based on the pieces of poetry, flash fiction, and micro memoir published in the first issue of the journal.

Writers and teachers can access the prompts for free on the Bear Paw Arts Journal Facebook page. Just search "Bear Paw Arts Journal" on Facebook. Each day, there is a short video that explains that day's prompt. Links to the pieces that inspired the prompts are available in each Facebook post. The submission period for Bear Paw Arts Journal opens May 1st. People can submit their best work for consideration for the next issue.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Extended Library Hours:

The MSU-Northern Vande Bogart Library has extended hours for the last week of classes, April 22nd - 28th (extended by one hour per day plus open all weekend)

- Monday - Thursday - 7:30 AM-10:00 PM
- Friday - 7:30 AM-6:00 PM
- Saturday - 12:00 PM-5:00 PM
- Sunday - 12:00 PM-5:00 PM

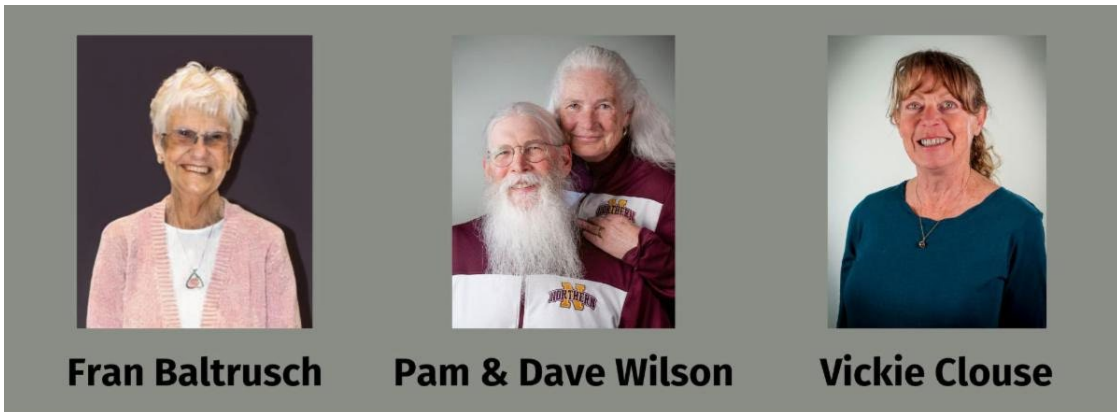
UPCOMING EVENTS

Voices of the Hi-Line, International Poetry Reading - April 24

Campus and community members are invited to celebrate a love of poetry and languages at the International Poetry Reading, "Voices of the Hi-Line," on the evening of April 24th, at 7.00 pm in the Cowan Hall Theatre. Co-organizers Valerie Guyant, associate professor of English and Gwen Hart, assistant professor of English, invite members of the community, students, faculty, and staff to celebrate our collective linguistic and cultural diversity in the form of a poem, song, or chant. All pieces will be read/performed in any language other than standard modern English. Ancient languages, modern languages, and fictional languages are all encouraged.

If you are interested in performing, please email Valerie.guyant@msun.edu. Kindly include the name of the poem (if you already know it) and the language you will be using.

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.

The public is invited to attend the award celebration on April 26th, which will take place at the MSUN Student Union Building. The evening will commence with a cocktail hour at 5:30 PM, followed by dinner at 6:30 PM. Tickets for the event are \$40 per person, and attendees are kindly requested to RSVP by April 19th to secure their spot.

For those wishing to join in celebrating the 2024 Founders' Excellence Award recipients, please reserve your seat by calling the MSU-Northern Foundation at (406) 265-3711 or sending an email to alumni@msun.edu.

[More Info...](#)

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CALENDAR

Friday, April 19

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- MSU-Northern Student Art Show and Exhibition - 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM
- SOAR Event for New Students - 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
- MAT Presents: Outside Mullingar - 8:00 PM

Saturday, April 20

- MSU-Northern Rodeo @ Miles City Community College
- MAT Presents: Outside Mullingar - 8:00 PM
- SPRING COMMUNITY CLEAN UP - Town Square 10am-12noon
- NORTH CENTRAL MONTANA HOT RODS INDOOR CAR SHOW, Holiday Village Mall - 10am-4pm,

Sunday, April 21

- MSUN Rodeo @ Miles City Community College
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Monday, April 22

- MSU-Northern Student Art Show – Library - 7:30 AM - 10:00 PM

Tuesday, April 23

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Wednesday, April 24

- MSU-Northern Student Art Show – Library - 7:30 AM - 10:00 PM
- Student Affairs Recognition Reception - 4:30 PM
- ASMSUN Student Senate Meeting - 7:00 PM
- Voices of the Hi-Line International Poetry Reading - 7:00 PM

Thursday, April 25

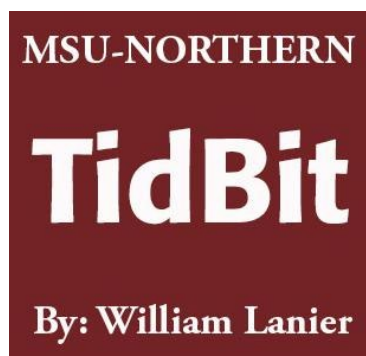
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Marcella Springer Holden

In the fall of 1982, a young woman from Big Sandy by the name of Marcella Springer, began her freshman year at Northern Montana College. In June of 1986 she received her Bachelor of Technology Degree with a major in

Business. After working at Buttrey's Food and Drug here in Havre, Marcella Springer Holden began her career at Triangle Telephone in January of 1990.

Now fast forward 34 plus years later Marcella is now retiring from Triangle Telephone (May 10, 2024).

While at Northern Montana College, Marcella was active in Delta Alpha Theta (DAT) and SPURS. Both student organizations that provided service to the campus. Her Senior year Marcella was president of DAT. After graduating from Northern Marcella served on the Northern Alumni Association for 10 years. Earlier this year Triangle Telephone / Hill County Electric CEO, Craig Gates, presented Marcella with the Lifetime Achievement Award. In my opinion is so very deserving to such an outstanding Northern Alumni and dedicated employee!

Congratulations Marcella on your distinguished career and upcoming retirement!!



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