

NORTHERN NETWORK NEWS

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This Past Week

Festival Days Parade



Last week was the 36th annual Havre Festival Days Parade. Northern was honored to once again host this outstanding community event. This was one of the largest parades in the history of the celebration.

Northern Celebrates Back to Back Wins



Northern's annual Festival Days football game was against Carroll College. The team did an outstanding job in defeating Carroll 28-14. The victory was a nice addition to the Volleyball team's win against Rocky Friday night. The next home football game is Oct. 8 against Eastern Oregon and is scheduled to kick off at 6:00 p.m. so our Legends for Lights football guests can enjoy the game.

Hello Walk Gets a "Facelift"



As is tradition for Northern clubs, each group gathered at the Hello Walk to stake a claim on a concrete slab on the staircase between the Dining Hall and Pershing Hall. The clubs get together and work side by side to collaborate on the new stair art for the year. The Hello Walk is lovingly named to welcome people to the campus with its location and bright colors. Good job everyone. The steps are looking fantastic again.

2nd Annual Suicide Awareness Walk



Nearly 100 people gathered on the Northern campus last Thursday for the 2nd Annual Suicide Awareness Walk. Juliana Hallows, the Suicide Prevention Coordinator for Montana Veterans was the keynote speaker. She noted that Montana has been in the top 5 states in the nation for rates of suicide, due to access to firearms, social isolation, the shortage of mental health professionals and the high number of residents living in rural remote areas. Also, the negative stigma surrounding mental health becomes a barrier to seeking help. She encouraged attendees to "be the life raft" for those feeling they are swimming alone in the turbulent waters of their lives. Hallows told participants that if they are concerned someone is feeling suicidal, they should take it seriously, ask if the person is feeling hopeless or having suicidal thoughts, validate their feelings and do their best to get them in touch with the help they need - even sitting with them while they call a crisis hotline. She reminded attendees that, "Suicide is preventable, but it is going to take each and every one of us being there".

Death by Chocolate



The 2016 Death by Chocolate fundraiser for Montana Actors' Theatre (MAT) was arguably the best yet! Over 250 guests enjoyed a pirate-themed evening, complete with a life-sized pirate ship, "drunken" sandwiches, a pirate murder mystery, and (of course) chocolate, including hand-made rum truffles and chocolate-caramel coins and two chocolate fountains. MAT announced their shows for the 2016-17 season, which were then auctioned off to "Producers" who will receive 8 free tickets to the show and a special dinner. The big prize of the evening was a raffled trip to Cabo, won by Kristiny Lorett. In all, the event raised over \$55,000 for the theatre.

The Montana Actors Theaters 2016-17 Season is listed in the Upcoming Activities section of the NNN. Mark your calendars now and come out and enjoy the shows!

American Indian Heritage Week



This week, Northern's Little River Institute honored the cultural heritage of our American Indian students and their families by celebrating American Indian Heritage Week. The activities began with a Tipi raising and the Traditional Blessing, and included painting, hand games, arrow-throwing, lessons in beading and instructions in American Indian food preparation. In addition, the Sweetgrass Society showed the movie "*Skins*."

Dave Caserio Shares Walt Whitman



The first presentation in this year's Chancellor's Lecture Series was a readers-theatre presentation by Dave Caserio based on the work of Walt Whitman. The presentation was followed by an open-ended discussion of the material and the literary, contemporary, and historical questions and issues it invokes. His performance was accompanied by Parker Brown on acoustic bass. Based on the poetry, prose, journals, and letters of Walt Whitman, Caserio took the audience from the election of Abraham Lincoln to the heady onset of the Civil War, from battlefield to the hospital ward, through the long years of war and the death of Lincoln.

Video Feature

Northern's Biology Program Video



Click on image to watch the video

Important Announcements

2016 Fall Semester Dates to Remember

Last Day to Drop a Class

Monday, October 31st

Deferred Installment Payment Schedule: (\$30 processing fee is added)

- 50% of total fees due: Friday, September 23rd
- 75% of total fees due: Friday, October 21st
- 100% of total fees due: Friday, November 18th

Graduation Applications are due: Nov.14

Upcoming Activities

Fall 2016 Indigenous Movie Nights

The series, sponsored by the Native American Studies Program, showcases films written, directed, produced, and cast by American Indian & Indigenous artists and filmmakers. Each film is followed by a short discussion about the major themes and issues within the stories. Everyone is welcome. All of these movies will be in Hensler Auditorium, (in the ATC) and will begin at 6 p.m.

Tues, Oct 11 - THE DOE BOY

A hunting mistake causes a young Cherokee boy to run away from home and seek the advice of his grandfather.

Weds, Nov 16 - THE ACTIVIST

A fictionalized account of the behind-the-scenes political intrigue of the 1873 Siege at Wounded Knee.

Mon, Dec 5 - CHRISTMAS IN THE CLOUDS

Christmas laughs, love, a vegetarian chef, and mistaken identities, on a reservation ski-resort.

Mariachi Huenachi Concert at MSUN - Sept. 26



In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, Mariachi Huenachi from the Wenatchee, Washington High School will be performing a concert interpreting the most emblematic pieces of popular Mexican music. The concert will take place September 26, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the MAT/Cowan Hall theatre. The next day, students from the high school, the middle school, and Sunny Side School will have the opportunity to enjoy a show as well. The admission is free and doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

Alumni Auction - Oct. 1

Come support Northern student scholarships at the Northern Alumni Auction! We're keeping the classic live, silent and Chinese auction formats and adding a few extras.

This year there will be games, an appetizer bar, and the option to reserve a table! That's right, no need to send your spouse to hold a place. A table can be reserved by calling the Alumni Foundation office but make it quick as reservations are limited. P.S. that reservation also includes a complimentary drink provided by the Gallery Lounge so call the Foundation today! 406.265.3711.

Reserved Table of 8 - \$350
General Seating Ticket - \$30

Chancellor's Lecture Series

"Duelling Paintbrushes: George Catlin and Karl Bodmer on the Missouri" Lecture on Tuesday, October 4, 2016



Kristi Hager will present a rich visual record of the High Plains at a unique time after Lewis & Clark but before the arrival of railways and photography. Two painters traveled up the Missouri River within a year of each other, George Catlin in 1832, Karl Bodmer in 1833. They had very different temperaments and very different styles of painting the same Indian villages, the same chiefs, the same sacred rituals, the same bison herds, the same river bluffs. Audience members consider whether they would rather have a painted portrait, a photograph, or the buffalo robe of Mandan Chief Ma-To-Toh-Pa (Four Bears).

Please join us for a stimulating lecture on the MSU-Northern campus on Tuesday, October 4, at 7:30 PM in Hensler Auditorium, Applied Technology Center. This presentation is free and open to the public.

2016 Hi-Line Veterans Helping Veterans- Oct. 6

The 2016 Veterans Stand Down will be held Thursday October the 6th at the Montana State University-Northern SUB Ballroom. The Stand Down is a collaboration of the VFW Post 497, the American Legion Post 11, MSU- Northern and several other organizations. The purpose of the Stand Down is to assist Veterans with any needs they have. We will have representatives from the Veterans' Affairs, Montana Veterans, Job Service Associations and will provide health screening and counseling services.

The Stand Down is intended to be an all-inclusive event for the entire community to assist Veterans. We would appreciate any assistance to make this a success.

We are looking for assistance with services, monetary donations, and volunteers to host and direct individuals to the various representatives. We would also welcome donations that can be used as door prizes or giveaways.

If you are interested in assisting with this, please contact us at hilinevetsd@gmail.com or Scott at 406-265-4641.

Montana Actors Theatre 2016-2017 Season

Evil Dead: The Musical

October 14-15, 20-22, and 27-29, Special Midnight showings 22 and 29

Readers Theatre

November 4-5 January 13-14 March 31 and April 1

Hansel and Gretel Christmas Panto

December 9-11, 15-18, and 22-24

12 Angry Men/Women

January 2021, 26-28, and February 2-4

Valentine's Day Burlesque and Cabaret

February 11

Jesus Christ Superstar

March 3-5, 9-12, and 16-18

Black Comedy Dinner Theatre

April 6-8, 13-15, and 21-22

The Wind in the Willows

May 5-7, 11-14, and 18-20

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

July 27-29 and August 3-5

Fundraiser for Melissa Ruby - Nov. 12

A benefit fundraiser for Melissa Ruby, the wife of ATDI assistant professor Kevin Ruby will be held November 12 at 4 p.m. in the MSU-Northern SUB ballroom. Melissa is in the hospital in Billings, MT battling Guillain-Barre Syndrome. This is a rare disorder in which the body's immune system attacks the nerves. Melissa will be spending the next few months in the hospital. Friends of the family are having a Spaghetti versus Chili cook off to raise money to help with medical & travel expenses. Come out to show your support and help us decide what is liked better - Spaghetti or Chili. There will also be a 50/50 raffle, silent auction and door prizes. We look forward to seeing you there!

Weekly Columns

A Northern Technology Snapshot

by Thomas M. Welch - Agricultural Technology Educator at MSU-Northern

MSU-Northern - "PAS IT ON"



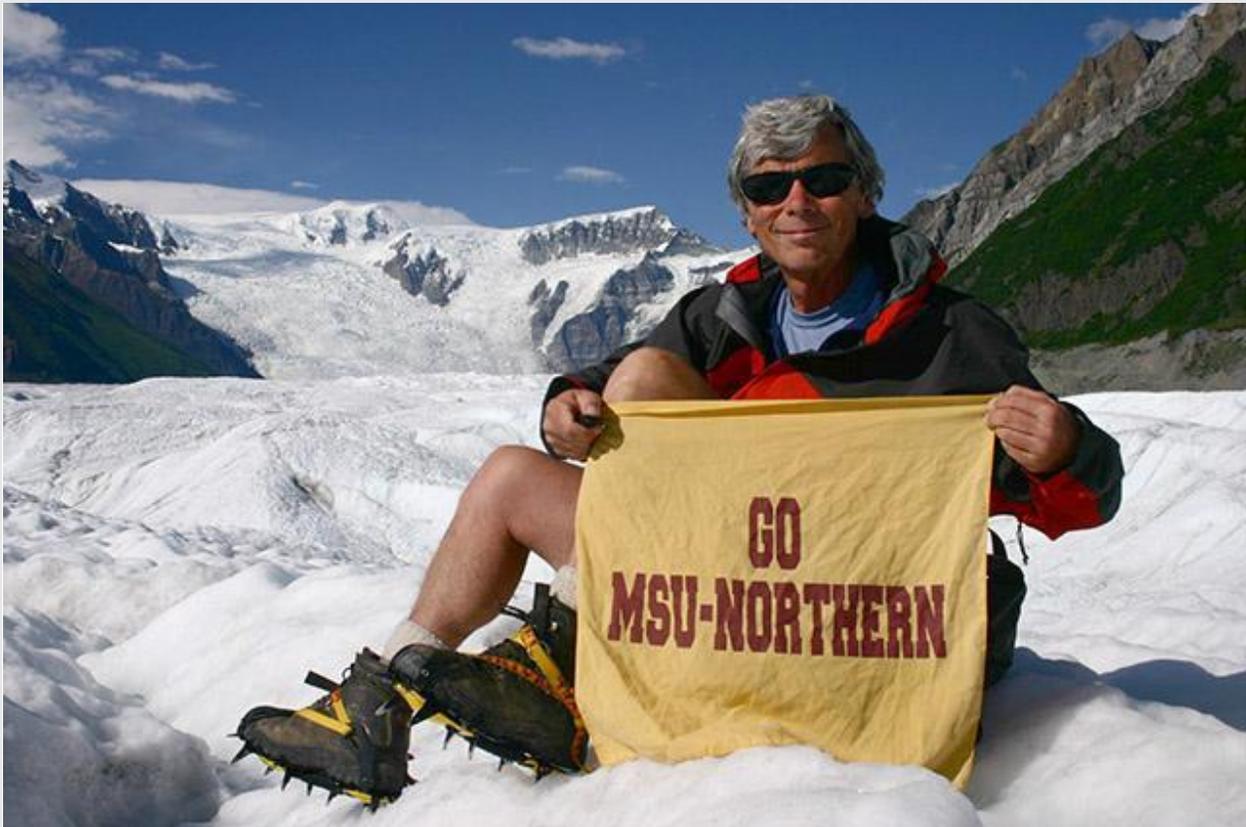
Pictured left to right: Justin Funk, Owen DeBruycker, Kyla McNamara, Bill Danley, Aron King, Riley Mortenson, Meagan Passon, Alissa Borlaug, Luke Stulc, Thomas Welch

A number of our MSU-Northern students have a familial connection to our university and these connections sometimes span several generations. Pictured with this article are eight current Northern students that faculty member Bill Danley and I have as students. What makes this photo extra special is that all of the students in this photo are progeny of a parent of previous Northern students that Bill and I also taught in classes a number of years ago.

One of the National Postsecondary Agriculture Students (PAS) organization's mottos has been "Agricultural Excellence - PAS IT ON." I got our Northern PAS Club started in the 1981-82 school year and our first PAS Club president was Tony Stulc. Thirty some years later his son Luke Stulc, pictured in the photo, was last year's PAS Club president! A number of the students in this photo are or have been PAS members and also have a parent who was also in PAS. In fact, freshman Riley Mortenson is the daughter of Paul and Rachel (Riley) Mortenson who met at Northern as agriculture students and both were very active PAS Club members. How is that for "passing it on?"

Somehow, Northern's maroon and gold becomes a part of our students and this allegiance is often passed on to their children and the connection continues. Interestingly, we have also had a lot of our agriculture students get married to other Northern agriculture students. Bill and I could probably list at least a dozen or more examples of such marriages. Another curious education link, with the pictured students, is the fact that I also taught one of the student's parents in high school and my wife had two of these students in one of her kindergarten classes. So, if you have a long teaching career at Northern, you will most likely have a student with a familiar last name or have a student with a family resemblance to a student from a previous generation. Good luck remembering their first names, as it was so hard for me to not call Luke "Tony", Justin "Owen", and now it is hard not to call Riley "Rachel." It is not surprising that these eight students are fine Northern students and examples of Northern education being passed on to another generation.

Northern Goes the Distance!



Terry Blosser proudly displays his "Go MSU-Northern" bandana on the Root Glacier near Kennicott, Alaska at the base of the Stairway Icefall, one of the biggest in the world, with ten-story high chunks of ice cascading down the mountain behind him. Way to "Go the Distance" Terry!

Help Northern "Go the Distance" by taking a picture of yourself with a Northern, shirt, hat, bandana etc... in some place outside of Havre and email it to potteri@msun.edu with a brief description of where the photo was taken and if we like it we will put it in an upcoming NNN and publish it on Northern's Facebook site.

@ the Library

By Tyler Lamb

Ideas are the most resilient thing in the world. They spread incredibly fast, can lay dormant for millennia, and once exposed they can be very difficult to get rid of. Throughout history, empires, governments, and even individuals have tried to censor ideas, mostly by banning their delivery vehicle...books. The Vande Bogart

Library is celebrating Banned Book Week! We are celebrating our freedom of ideas and the right to choose what we read. We are displaying books that have been challenged for censorship here in the states or banned internationally. We also have a selfie wall and encourage folks to take a picture while being "Booked for Reading". Everyone who takes a picture will be signed up for a drawing... and of course we encourage you to Facebook, Snapchat, and Instagram your selfies! We hope to see you there, and remember...read like a rebel!

TidBit

By Bill Lanier

I made a mistake in last week's TidBit by stating that David Ray took over the Northern wrestling program from David Greenwood. Between Coach Greenwood and Coach Ray was Coach Mr. Jason Liles. Since I had forgotten to mention Coach Liles, I thought I would summarize his career.

Some of the highlights during his 9 years at Northern include; two time NAIA National Champions (1991 and 1992), four NAIA District-12 championships (1988, 1990, 1991 and 1992), six individual national champions, 48 All-Americans and a dual record of 89-38-1. The NAIA National championship in 1991 was the first ever for Northern for any sport. Coach Liles was inducted into the Northern Athletic Hall of Fame in 2003.

Moving on from Northern, Coach Liles became the head coach of the South Dakota State University Jackrabbits. During his 19 years he became the winningest coach in SDSU history with a 148-143-5 record. Coach Liles lead the Jackrabbits to 9 consecutive top five finishes at the NCAA division II national tournament, 11 individual national titles and 47 All-Americans. With the 2004-05 season Coach Liles lead the transition of the Jackrabbits from NCAA division II to division I. Their record in their first year at the NCAA division I level was 10-8.

At the conclusion of his time at SDSU, Coach Liles' coaching career totals included; 28 years as a head coach, over all dual record of 237-181-6, 17 individual national champions and 95 all-Americans.

I would like to thank everyone who spotted the omission and let me know. If you need to contact me, please send me an e-mail at wjlanier1963@yahoo.com. Thank you.

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