

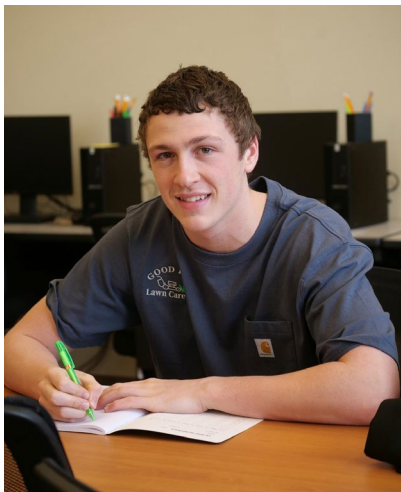


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Rogan Barnwell Chosen to Attend Future Leaders Summit



MSU-Northern is pleased to announce that Rogan Barnwell has been selected to attend the TRIO Future Leaders Summit in Washington, D.C., from April 13–17, 2025. He is one of 30 students across the United States chosen for this opportunity.

The TRIO Future Leaders Summit helps students develop leadership skills, connect with policymakers, and explore careers in public policy. The application process included personal statements, a recommendation from Carmen Lunak, the director of Student Support Services, faculty recommendations, and a demonstration of leadership potential. Rogan

was honored and excited to be selected, especially as he has never been to Washington, D.C.

Rogan is from Great Falls, Montana, and graduated from C.M. Russell High School. His mother, Julie Barnwell, is a director at Great Falls College of MSU and has been a strong influence in his life. He chose to attend MSU-Northern to stay close to home and continue playing basketball.

Rogan is majoring in Business Administration. Instead of a traditional internship, he runs a lawn care and Christmas light installation business with his brother, Brant. Through this business, he has gained experience in marketing, customer service, and team management. After graduation, he plans to expand the business with his brother.

At MSU-Northern, Rogan has been involved in basketball and served as a Resident Assistant, and he is a member of SSS. He values the friendships and

experiences he has gained during his time at the university. He looks forward to learning from the Future Leaders Summit and bringing back new insights to benefit his business and community.

Chi Alpha Club Attends S.A.L.T. Conference in Idaho



Pictured above (L.to R.) Jonathan Wamsley, Caedon Seymour, Tyler Boyce, Bridger Kellogg, Aubree Erickson, and Elaine Reed.

During the Martin Luther King Jr. long weekend, members of the Chi Alpha Club traveled to Pocatello, Idaho, to attend the Student Activist Leadership Training (S.A.L.T.) conference, organized by Chi Alpha Campus Ministries. This four-day event brought together Chi Alpha clubs from Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, and Utah, gathering over two hundred students eager to grow in their faith and leadership skills.

This year's conference focused on mission work, featuring fifteen missionaries from around the world. Among the speakers were two missionaries, including one who spoke passionately about opportunities in rural Alaska. They encouraged students to use their degrees to secure teaching positions in remote villages across the tundra, emphasizing the impact they could have both educationally and spiritually in these communities.

The weekend was an incredible opportunity for Northern students to see Chi Alpha's broader impact and connect with peers from other campuses. Chi Alpha is an interdenominational Christian club dedicated to building community through events and personal connections across college campuses nationwide.

For students interested in joining, the Chi Alpha club meets every Thursday at 7:30 PM in the Morgan Hall Red Room.

Student Spotlight: Tate O'Neill



Growing up in Great Falls, Montana, Tate O'Neill was familiar with the colleges across the state and had traveled through Havre many times. When it came time to choose where to continue his education and football career, MSU-Northern stood out as the perfect fit. Now the kicker for the MSU-Northern Lights football team, Tate is pursuing studies in Civil Engineering, Business, and Graphic Design, balancing academics with athletics while preparing for a dynamic future.

One of the most exciting opportunities Tate has embraced during his time at Northern is the Disney College Program, an internship that allows college students to gain hands-on experience working for Walt Disney

World. Through this program, Tate has taken on the role of a Jungle Cruise Skipper, guiding guests through the famous slow-moving boat ride while delivering classic Disney humor. But beyond telling jokes, this role has given him an inside look at how Disney operates one of the most successful entertainment companies in the world.

During Welcome Week, he learned about Disney's business objectives, safety procedures, and customer service standards. His responsibilities include maintaining safety standards, monitoring guest flow, and ensuring every visitor has a memorable and enjoyable time on the ride.

Beyond his daily duties, Tate has taken full advantage of Disney's additional learning opportunities. The College Program offers classes in leadership, company history, and even the chance to meet with Disney managers to gain

insights into theme park operations. These experiences have already helped him grow into a confident leader, equipping him with skills that will benefit him in both his studies and future career.

For Tate, this internship is more than just a job—it's a stepping stone to his dream of working in Disney Imagineering, the creative force behind Disney's theme park design. He has always been fascinated by how Disney brings different worlds to life, crafting immersive experiences that captivate millions of visitors. His goal is to be part of the team that creates those magical environments, using his background in engineering, business, and design to contribute to the future of Disney parks.

Although his journey at Disney has just begun, Tate is already laying the foundation for a career in theme park design. With the skills and experiences gained through MSU-Northern and the Disney College Program, he is on track to turn his passion into a reality, bringing magic to guests for years to come.

Hill Country Revue Too Opens Tonight!



Montana Actors' Theatre is thrilled to bring you the Hill Country Revue Too—a knee-slappin', heartwarming, and downright hilarious variety show that celebrates our community's unique charm! Written and performed by local talent, this homegrown production is packed with fresh comedy, lively music, and stories that highlight the people and quirks of the Hi-Line.

Back for its second year, the Revue features all-new skits, musical performances, and reimaged tales of hometown legends, local radio, and Hi-

Line “history.” Whether you’re here for the laughs, the music, or the small-town nostalgia, there’s something for everyone!

Join us for performances on February 7, 8, 14, and 15 at 7:30 PM in the Little Theatre at Cowan Hall. Don’t miss this unforgettable night of entertainment!

[For Tickets...](#)

***Outta the Muck* Kicked off Black History Month Film Series**



On Tuesday, (Feb. 4) The Vande Bogart Library showed the film *Outta the Muck*. Which is the first film in this month-long film series.

Outta the Muck is a 2022 documentary that explores the deep-rooted history, resilience, and culture of a Black family in Pahokee, Florida, a small town known for its rich football legacy and tight-knit community. Co-directed by Bhawin Suchak and Ira McKinley, the film follows McKinley as he returns to his hometown, reconnecting with family and uncovering the struggles and triumphs of generations who have endured systemic challenges while preserving their identity and traditions. Blending personal storytelling with social commentary, *Outta the Muck* offers a powerful look at heritage, perseverance, and the role of community in shaping identity.

Throughout February the MSU-Northern Vande Bogart Library is celebrating Black History through cinema. Attend film screenings on Tuesday each week at 3PM near the Northern Brew coffee shop on the library’s main level. Drop by and stay as little or as long as you like! To watch on your own, all films can be found on Kanopy through the library’s A-Z databases.

- Feb. 11 - *Mary Lou Williams: The Lady Who Swings the Band*
- Feb. 18 - *Uppity: The Willy T. Ribbs Story*
- Feb. 25 - *The Black Emperor of Broadway*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring 2025 Career Fair – Feb. 19

The Career Center reminds students and alumni to attend the Spring 2025 Career Fair on Thursday, February 19. Stop by the Gym between 9 am - 12 noon to network with potential employers, learn about job opportunities and share your resume. Forty-eight companies have registered to attend. Many of these companies have traveled a long way to be here in Havre and they are eager to visit with students. Attendees are encouraged to take the time to stop by each table.

2nd Annual Casino Night – Feb 26

SUB, doors open @ 6:30 pm, tables open 7-9 pm (Texas Hold 'em, Roulette, Black Jack, Poker, etc.) Live music by Velvet Skyline from 8-10pm in the Lights Lounge w/ Vegas themed mocktail bar & snacks! ASMSUN has sponsored \$5000 in prizes. Must be a CURRENT MSUN student & show ID.

NEXT WEEK

Friday, February 7

- ASMSUN Friday Night Lights – 7-9 PM
- Sledding -sub sled hill
Board games and hot cocoa – Lights lounge
- HILL COUNTRY REVUE TOO, MSUN Theatre, - 7:30 PM, FREE w/ MSUN ID

Saturday, February 8

- Lights Basketball vs Montana Tech 12:00 PM
- Skylights Basketball vs Montana Tech 2:00 PM
- Lights Wrestling vs Embry-Riddle 3:00 PM
- HILL COUNTRY REVUE TOO, MSUN Theatre, - 7:30 PM, FREE w/ MSUN ID

SuNday, February 9

- Super bowl Sunday – Morgan Hall Lounge – 2:00 PM

Tuesday, February 11

- Black History Month Film Series - 3:00 PM

Wednesday, February 12

- Lights Wrestling vs University of Providence - 7:00 PM

Thursday, February 13

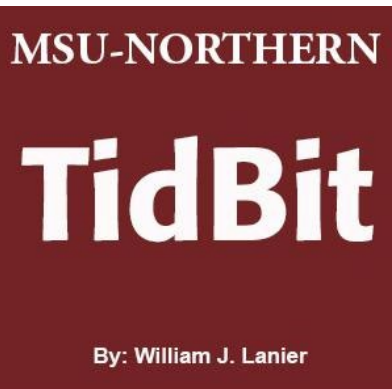
- Skylights Basketball vs Montana Western - 5:00 PM
- Lights Basketball vs Montana Western - 7:00 PM

Friday, February 14

- HILL COUNTRY REVUE TOO, MSUN Theatre, - 7:30pm, FREE w/ MSUN ID

Saturday, February 15

- Skylights Basketball @ Rocky Mountain College - 2:00 PM
- Lights Basketball @ Rocky Mountain College - 4:00 PM
- HILL COUNTRY REVUE TOO, MSUN Theatre, - 7:30pm, FREE w/ MSUN ID



(#428) Northern Athletic Hall of Fame

Did you know that the Northern Athletic Hall of Fame first inducted athletes in 1994? Since its inception the Northern Athletic Hall of Fame has now inducted nearly 100 individuals and four teams. Before you know it the 2025 nomination deadline will be upon us.

Do you see know someone that should be in the Hall of Fame? By my really rough estimate Northern has probably had more than 4,700 Student Athletes and coaches in its history. If you have followed Northern athletics over any period of time, you probably can think of a few that you strongly believe should be in the Hall of Fame. Here is a link to see the entire list of all current Hall of Famers; [MSU-Northern Athletic Hall of Fame List](#)

Did you know that anyone and everyone can submit a nomination? Here is the form if you are interested in submitting a nomination. [MSU-Northern Hall of Fame Nomination Form](#). Now is the time to be thinking and getting those nominations together.

While there are other items needed to complete the nomination, it all starts with the initial nomination. Please read the Selection Committee Guidelines and Criteria to make sure the person you are nominating meets the criteria.

[Click here for HOF Selection Guidelines...](#)

If you would like assistance with completing a nomination form, researching information or any questions please let me know and I will be more than happy to help you out. Please contact me at wjlanier1963@yahoo.com
Have a great day!

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