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## Northern Network News

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### Feature Video - Nursing Classroom Spotlight



## This Past Week

### Career Fair Weathers the Storm



The Montana State University-Northern Spring 2018 Career Fair had 50 employers register but 42 employers braved the weather to meet with students and potential employees. The Gold Level Sponsors who took their place at the front of the Fair were Peterson CAT of Oregon, Modern Machinery of Missoula, and Pape' Machinery of Washington. The four Maroon Level Sponsors were Torgersons, LLC of Great Falls, GE Transportation of Havre, Hi-Line Rental of Havre, and Big Sky Resort of Big Sky.

Many of the companies who attended the event were from Montana; however, many of them have job opportunities out-of-state. We are thankful that local businesses including Northern Agriculture Research Center, Havre Probation and Parole, Independence Bank, and Bullhook Health Center come to the fair each year. The Fair was only held the one day, but many employers stayed into the afternoon and on Friday to conduct interviews.

### Auto Advisory Board Enhances Program



MSU-Northern's Auto Advisory Board was on campus this week to talk about curriculum, facilities, recruiting, and upcoming events Like TekNoXpo and SkillsUSA. MSU-Northern has been exploring some of the many specific automotive training programs that can be embedded into existing college automotive programs and delivered to students. MSU-Northern is currently a Ford Maintenance and Light Repair School. We are also in the process of adopting the Mopar Career Automotive Program into our automotive program. These programs greatly enhance our degrees and make our students more marketable.

## Leadership Montana Visits Campus



This year, Leadership Montana came to Havre to gain some insights into our community and campus. During their visit, they visited the BNSF Diesel Shop, had a presentation on American Indians and Higher Education by the Little River Institute, toured the new Diesel Technology Center and enjoyed dinner.

Leadership Montana is open to all professional sectors of Montana and is designed to enhance leadership skills of those in various stages of their career. Every year, 40 individuals, from across the state, meet once a month from September to April, to visit seven different communities across the state. They are able to see firsthand the issues affecting our state, build powerful connections with their classmates, and connect with a network of committed alumni who live and work throughout Montana. To date, Leadership Montana has over 500 graduates, including alumni, who are leading Montana in a number of ways. Leadership Montana exists to develop leaders committed to building a better Montana through knowledge, collaboration, and civility.

## Trade Students "Dig" the New Excavator



The plumbing and electrical programs recently purchased a Gehl model M08 Mini Excavator. This new piece of equipment allows our students to learn how to dig and level trenches and then use compaction equipment to complete the ground preparation. We used to rent or borrow equipment to do this lab assignment and this allows the programs to do the labs more often and gain additional experience on an excavator. Even though this excavator is small, the controls are the same as the controls on the larger units. This makes it possible for students to gain the skills needed to operate the large excavators. Special thanks to Damen Bricker and Mike Tilleman from Tilleman's Equipment for giving MSU-Northern's Plumbing & Electrical Department an exceptional deal.

## Lights Win Last Home Wrestling Match



Wednesday, MSU-Northern hosted our last home wrestling match of the season, and as is tradition, we featured our senior wrestler Logan Foster. We have some great young wrestlers that are getting better all the time. As the 13th-ranked Lights dominated the sixth-ranked Argos 27-15. The team seem to be peaking just in time for the Cascade Conference Qualifier, which takes place Feb. 17, in Ashland, Oregon. The winners of that conference will determine which teams will be going to Nationals. For more details, [Click here](#), for the full story in the Havre Daily News. Way to go Lights! You make Northern Proud!

## Artist of the Month



This month our guest artist is Roberta Edwards, a member of the Havre Art Association and student enrolled at the oil painting class at MSUN. Edwards decided to enroll at MSUN after, according to her, "...exploring the paint and sip scene in Great Falls and Billings." She presents her piece Bruce (16"X 20" oil). She adds, "I am thankful to have found the most relaxing and fulfilling hobby I have ever had. I am drawn to color and light and love to mix things up by changing the subject matter to create my own reality. Painting blue cats, purple trees, turquoise people, and green skies makes me happy! Successful landscapes elude me, but I hope to improve in that area. I enjoy painting people's and creature's faces. Maybe someday I will learn how to paint their bodies!"

This creation has a personal connection with her expressed in a parallel way: "I am older and married and I have been referred to as a non-traditional student. I have no children, which for this part of the world is unusual. I live in a remote area and drive two hours roundtrip to attend class. Although I share many similarities with most people here at school, my life is very different from anyone I have met here. Bruce [this picture] represents the intrinsic beauty of

all humans, and also references the distress of being different."

The MSUN Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) invites local and regional artists to exhibit their pieces, preferably those that have some link to multicultural themes. For more information, contact [mcc@msun.edu](mailto:mcc@msun.edu) or call (406) 265-3589.

## Important Announcements

### Important Dates for Spring Semester 2018

#### Last Day to Drop a Class with a "W"

Wednesday, March 21st

Students participating in Spring Commencement are reminded to order their caps/gown/tassel from the Bookstore prior to Feb 14th.

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

- \* 75% of total fees due: Friday, March 2nd
- \* 100% of total fees due: Friday, April 6th

## Upcoming Events

### February Activities

- 9 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5:45 p.m.)
- 10 Valentine's Day Vendor & Craft Show (HRDC, 10 a.m.)
- 10 We Love MSUN Ball (Gym, 5 p.m.)
- 11 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5 p.m.)
- 12-13 Intramural Activity (Gym, 8-10 p.m.)
- 14 Books & Babies (Havre/Hill County Library, 10:15 a.m.)
- 14 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5:45 p.m.)
- 14 Karaoke (Ballroom, 7:30 p.m.)
- 15 Dan Henig - musician (Ballroom, 7:30 p.m.)
- 16 Skylights/Lights Basketball vs Carroll (Gym, 6/8 p.m.)
- 16 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5:45 p.m.)
- 16 Backcountry Film Festival (MAT Theatre, 6:30 p.m.)
- 17 Bridal Fair (Holiday Village Mall, 10 a.m.)
- 17 Skylights/Lights Basketball vs Rocky Mountain College (Gym, 6/8 p.m.)
- 18 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5 p.m.)
- 19 President's Day (No classes, Offices closed)
- 20 Intramural Activity (Gym, 8-10 p.m.)
- 21 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5:45 p.m.)
- 21 Student Support Services Lunch and Learn (CH211, 12-1p.m.)
- 21 Skylights/Lights Basketball vs University of Providence (Gym, 6/8 p.m.)
- 22 Theatre Thursday (Ballroom, 7:30 p.m.)
- 23 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5:45 p.m.)
- 25 Public Skate (Havre Ice Dome, 5 p.m.)
- 26-27 Intramural Activity (Gym, 8-10 p.m.)
- 27-28 Frontier Conference Playoff Basketball, TBD, (Gym, 7 p.m.)

### 2nd Annual Beef 'N' Brews - Feb. 9

MSUN Collegiate Stockgrowers Club is hosting their second Annual Beef 'N' Brews on Friday, February 9. This is a progressive dinner held in conjunction with the Montana Producer Conference with one stop for appetizers and another for dinner and dessert. This event brings producers and consumers together as well as highlights Montana beef, breweries, and wines. To Register: Email [stockgrowers@msun.edu](mailto:stockgrowers@msun.edu) by Friday, January 26, with reservation name and party number.

Check-in is 5:00-5:30 p.m. at the Best Western Great Northern Hotel

The cost for community members is \$50 per person and the cost for MFU Producer Conference attendees is covered in their conference price.

## **We Love Northern Ball - Feb. 10**



The MSU-Northern Alumni Foundation invites you to the 'We Love Northern' Ball, 'A Mid-Summer Night's Dream.' This gala event is Saturday, February 10, at 6 p.m. in the Northern Armory Gymnasium. Enjoy fine cuisine, live music by "Cash for Junkers" and a chance to bid on one of our Montana Experience packages. Tickets are available for \$50 per person or a reserved table of eight for \$500. Proceeds benefit Northern student scholarships. Contact the Northern Alumni Foundation for your tickets at 265.3711 or visit <http://www.northernalumnifoundation.org/wnb2018.html>.

## **Monthly Civil Discourse Series: Speak Up, Responding to Every Day Bigotry - Feb. 12**

The February Civil Discourse workshop is: Speak Up, Responding to Every Day Bigotry. This session will provide information about the impact of bigotry and how to respond effectively. The workshop will explore a series of strategies that will help bystanders to intervene on a potentially problematic situation, effectively stopping or diffusing the situation before it gets out of hand. Participants will build a conversation about the dynamics of the incidents and will perform role-playing. At the end of the workshop, there will be brochures available provided by the Southern Poverty Law Center, institution that is also providing the curriculum. This workshop is facilitated by Dr. Samantha Balemba, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and Cristina Estrada-Underwood, Director of the ODAMP. It will take place, Monday, February 12, at 9.00 a.m. in Hensler Auditorium. It is free and open to all.

## **Dan Henig, Poetic Singer/Songwriter - Feb. 15**



Dan Henig's tracks evoke the radio friendliness and sing-along-ability of mainstream music stars like John Mayer and Sara Bareilles. However, listen deeper and you'll find behind the euphonious hooks a lyrical depth - and at times darkness more suggestive of Leonard Cohen, one of Dan's influences. Dan has recently returned to his roots, releasing his remarkable self-titled EP and touring across the Midwest. Above all else, Dan loves creating distinctive and unforgettable original music.

He'd choose writing songs and playing his guitar over anything else, and his commitment and talent shine through. Along with his commitment to his art, Dan has a unique ability to remain accessible without "selling out" to fully embrace the poetic depth of songwriting while giving his audience an ironic wink. He is a versatile performer who encourages audience participation and spontaneity, delivering performances that are fresh and relevant. This event will be February 15, in the SUB Ballroom at 8:00 p.m.

## **Informational Session about the American Association of University Women (AAUW) - Feb. 15**

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is a national organization whose mission is the advancement of equity through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. In order to belong to this organization, women must have graduated with a college degree or must be currently pursuing a college degree-men are also welcomed to be part of this organization. The Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) is sponsoring an informational session, having as guests regional representatives as well as current local members. Those who would like to have more information, stop by at the

MSUN library, Thursday, February 15, 2018, from 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm. For more information, contact the ODAMP at 265-3589 or [mcc@msun.edu](mailto:mcc@msun.edu).

## Chinese/Lunar Year - Feb. 16

This year Chinese/Lunar year will be celebrated Friday, February 16. The Chinese/Lunar calendar is based on the monthly cycles of the Moon's phases as opposed to the solar calendars, whose annual cycles are based only directly on the solar year. According to the Chinese Zodiac, this year is the year of the dog. In many Asian countries like China-of course-Japan, Korea, Laos, and Vietnam, just to cite some, Lunar year is observed (it is also observed in Asian territories). Joining the celebration, the MSUN Food Court will be serving a Chinese menu the entire week (open for lunch and dinner from 11.00 am -8.00 pm) and the radio show Diverse Northern Thursday February 15, at 11.00 am (KNMC 90.1 FM College Radio), will have a special selection of traditional Asian music. Our best wishes to the students and the families in the area who will be celebrating New Year next week.

## Defensive Tactics Demonstration - Feb. 25

Dr. Samantha Balemba and Dr. Jack Bieger will be conducting a defensive tactics demonstration for CJ students and women who want to get some assault / rape prevention and or fighting techniques. Dr. Bieger will be wearing a special assault suit so students can gain some actual contact experience. Bring significant others for more fun. The training will be February 25, 2018, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Gym weight room.

## Comedian Barry Brewer - Mar. 28



Born and raised on the South Side of Chicago, Barry Brewer began his comedic career in 2001. He has since traveled the country and abroad performing at the nation's top comedy clubs, colleges and events. As a stand-up comedian, Barry has performed on a number of high profile platforms including television appearances on national networks, such as Comedy Central (Gabriel Iglesias Presents...), BET (Comic View) and TvOne (Who's Got Jokes).

His desire to express his comedic talent has expanded into the area of film. "The Parking Lot" and most recently, "The Perfect Plan" (2013) starring comedian Tommy Ford (Martin) in which he wrote, executive produced and starred. With his exceptional comedic style and relatable delivery, Barry Brewer is a star on the rise and one of Hollywood's fresh, new entertainers to

watch. This event will be March 28, in the SUB Ballroom at 8:00 p.m.

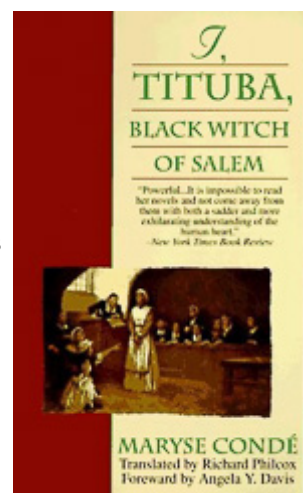
## Movie "Instructions Not Included" - Feb. 21



This family comedy, "Instructions Not Included" (No se aceptan devoluciones), will be shown Wednesday, February 21, at 6.00 p.m. in Hensler Auditorium. This English/Spanish movie talks about the story of little Maggie (age 6-years-old) who grows up in LA with her Mexican father always hoping to meet her American mother. One day, her mother shows up only to change everybody's lives forever. This movie is free to all.

## Book Club: I Tituba, Black Witch of Salem - Feb. 26

In celebration of African-American History Month in February, the English Department and the Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) are sponsoring the book conversation on this novel written by Maryse Condé. This historical fiction novel was originally published in French in 1986, but it was translated into English in 1992. It won the French Grand Prix award for women's literature. *I Tituba, Black Witch of Salem*, is about the life of Tituba, a biracial girl born in Barbados to a young slave woman and an English sailor. She is an orphan who grows with an old spiritual herbalist named Mama Yaya. Tituba soon gets involved in the Salem Witch Trials, a situation that only sets her up for more hectic events in her life. Those who are interested might request a copy of the novel to the ODAMP any time before February 26, 2018. The conversation will take place Tuesday, February 27, 2018, at 5.00 p.m. at the Multicultural Center, Cowan Hall 308.



## Safe Zone Module III: Unpacking and Undoing Individual Heterosexism - Feb. 28

This workshop is a conversation to identify the beliefs and practices that intentionally or unconsciously privilege heterosexuality as the only sexual orientation, and how in some cases these practices constitute microaggressions. The facilitator of this workshop is Cristina Estrada-Underwood, Director of the Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP). This workshop will take place Wednesday, February 28, at the Fireside Conference Room, from noon to one. Participants must have completed Module I, Awareness and Education. For more information, contact the ODAMP at 265-3589 or [mcc@msun.edu](mailto:mcc@msun.edu)

## Conversations with a Safe Zone Ally

For those who would like to talk to an ally, there will be an ally available at the Multicultural Center, Cowan Hall 308: February 7th and 21st; March 7th and 20th, and April 4th and 25th, all these days at 6.00 pm. Safe Zone provides a safe and welcoming environment for LGBTQ individuals and allies: meaningful conversations and understanding.

## BPA Raffle - April

MSU-Northern's Business Professionals of America (BPA) club is hosting two raffle drawings. The first raffle is for two reserved seats in the gym, good for all Northern-sporting events for the 2018-2019 season. The second raffle is for a reserved parking spot for the 2018 football season. Both drawings will be in the spring after sports have concluded.

Tickets for both raffles are \$5 each. Winners of the raffles will be contacted by phone. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, please contact BPA President, Tana Marble at [tkmarble95@gmail.com](mailto:tkmarble95@gmail.com).

Funds raised will be used to help finance BPA's trip to the National Leadership Conference in Dallas, TX this May. Last year all five students placed top three in at least one of their competitive events. In fact, Northern had three National Champions! Great job BPA!

Thank you for supporting MSU-Northern's BPA club!

## Diverse Northern (Radio Program) - Every Thursday

The show airs every Thursday during the school year from 11.00 a.m. to noon at KNMC, 90.1 FM and online by linking to [www.msun.edu/KNMC](http://www.msun.edu/KNMC). Diverse Northern includes music in languages other than English as well as invited guests with information about campus life and community affairs. Like us on Facebook Diverse Northern: <https://www.facebook.com/DiverseNorthern/> and Like on Facebook KNMC: <https://www.facebook.com/KNMC-901-FM-College-Radio-132839406764397/>. If you would like to participate in the show as a guest, contact the Office of Diversity Awareness and Multicultural Programs (ODAMP) at 235-3589 or [mcc@msun.edu](mailto:mcc@msun.edu). If you missed the live editions, you can always listen to the podcasts now available on the Diverse Northern Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/DiverseNorthern/>.



## Weekly Columns

### TidBit

By Bill Lanier

In this week's TidBit I am highlighting the Chinook High (CHS) School boys basketball team. Chinook High School, like many Hi-Line Schools, has a deep connection to Northern. The Principal at CHS is Northern Alumni, Matt Molyneaux, the Athletic Director is Paula Talbot Molyneaux another Northern Alumni (on a side note I myself had Paula's dad, Bud Talbot, as a teacher years ago at East Junior High School in Great Falls). Paula was also a member of the Northern Skylight Volleyball team. The CHS Boys' Basketball coach is another Northern Alumni, Mike Seymour. The connection to Northern extends to the team as well. On Tuesday night, Cord Schneider, lead the team in scoring (22 points) and he is the son of former Northern Lights player, John Schneider (aka from the PA announcer at the time "Schneid the Glide"). This last weekend Chinook was lead in scoring by Isaac Bell with a new CHS record of 51 points. Isaac is the son of Northern Alumni Joan La Tray. Isaac is also the nephew of former Northern staff member Deb La Tray. By the way, the 51 points is the most a high school player has scored this season (as of today).

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