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Decisions for the Fall 2020 Semester: MSU-Northern is committed to ensuring our campus and our community remain safe as we continue to face COVID-19. The first day of classes at MSU-Northern will commence as scheduled on August 31st. A modified schedule will be in place that will include face-to-face lectures and labs and also ensure that students will not be expected on campus after Thanksgiving break. Workgroups have been established to address the safest way to phase open the campus, welcome our students back, and develop a flexible modified schedule. Summer sessions will continue to run fully online as planned.

Graduation Boxes to 2020 Spring Graduates: MSU-Northern shipped 246-graduation celebration boxes as a special congratulation to our graduates. These boxes included a card from the Chancellor, diploma cover, car license plate frame plus a pen, key chain, and business card set. All Spring 2020 graduates are invited to participate in the Fall 2020 commencement ceremonies.

Nurses Pinning Celebrated Online: A nurses' pinning ceremony is a tradition meant to honor and celebrate the students' journeys to becoming nurses. It's a time to celebrate their accomplishments and for the students to thank their professors, fellow classmates, family, and friends for helping them succeed. It's an important symbol of nursing students' hard work and dedication.

Research Grant to Study Algae in Beaver Creek: MSU-Northern received funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Montana INBRE (Idea Network of Biomedical Research) program. The research to be conducted this summer (2020) involves MSUN students and faculty gathering information on conditions and growth of algae in Beaver Creek, a waterway important to agriculture and recreation.

New 360 Campus Tour: Now, potential students can take a self-guided journey through the campus using their computer or mobile device. This tour features seventy 360-degree interactive photos of various locations around Northern's campus, as well as numerous photo galleries, videos, pop-up interactive elements, narrated information boxes, links, and more.

New Automated External Defibrillators: Eight new automated external defibrillator (AED) cabinets/units were recently installed in some of the buildings on campus. The Safety and Disaster (SAD) committee purchased these AED units with MUS Workers' Compensation SafetySmart funds. This fund is available to enhance campus workplace safety.

MSUN's International Poetry Reading 2020: The MSU-Northern English department presented their Fourth Annual International Poetry Reading event in an online format. Some performers read in their first language; others have mastered the language; and others are still learning it.

GOLDEN N RECIPIENTS 2020: This year's Golden N award recipients were Linda Collins, Robert Tate, and Greg Clouse. The University thanks them for all they contribute to the Northern family and how they make Northern a better place for students to receive an "Education that Works."

The ASMSUN Student Senate members for next year are: Riley Mortenson – President, Jeri Copenhaver - Vice President, Madison Laux - Business Manager, Maggie Shane - Administrative Assistant, Austin Wiese - Sustainability Coordinator, Janae Boles - PRM Coordinator, Tiffany Hill - Food Pantry Coordinator. Senators at Large are: Dylan Chvilicek, Cassidy Compton, Stacie Cornell, Morgan Mason, Abbey Morse, Cole Rhodes, Grace Schwenk, Lana Wagner, and Sammi Watson.