

## Official Public Notice



MSU-Northern will host a series of public forums on the subject of the university's naming the new football field the Tilleman Field:

- Tuesday, September 8 from 9:00am – 10:00am in the SUB Ballroom
- Tuesday, September 8 from 12:00 – 1:00pm in the SUB Ballroom
- Tuesday, September 8 from 5:00 – 6:00pm in the SUB Ballroom

Face coverings are required for all attendees; please adhere to all social distancing requirements.

Comments may be sent to [chancellor@msun.edu](mailto:chancellor@msun.edu) or to the campus at PO Box 7751, Havre, MT 59501.

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## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Linda Hoover <lindahoover413@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 6, 2020 10:25 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Naming of Field

I will not be able to attend any of the forums.

I however would like it known that I am one of the "positive" ones when it comes to naming the field Mike Tilleman Field or Tilleman Field. I was not proponent for the field, however, I have ALWAYS stated that Mike Tilleman has done more for the football program over MANY years, than anyone realizes. It is a good choice to name it for Mike.

Linda Hoover

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Ruth Burnham <rburnham51@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 4, 2020 11:55 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Naming of new stadium

Dear Chancellor Kegel,

Thank you for soliciting alumni input for the naming of MSUN's new stadium. I agree that naming it after Mike Tilleman would be most appropriate, but I am wondering if something like "Tilleman Field on the Hi-Line" might give it a more local, unique flair. Just an idea!

Again, thanks for the opportunity to offer suggestions, and thank you also for Northern Network News and all your other online communications!

Yours truly,  
Ruth (Zachau) Burnham (attended NMC 1970-72)

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Raela <raela@itstriangle.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 3, 2020 6:35 PM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Football field

Greg,  
I think naming the new football field the Tilleman Field is a great idea.  
Raela Hulett

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** lhinlb@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 8:51 PM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison

I think it would be great to name the new football field after Mike. It would be a nice way to recognize the hard work that he has devoted to Northern. And he is a great guy.

Please consider this next step for the new field.

Loren Hansen  
PO Box 1948  
Bigfork, MT 59911

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Allen <alchambers@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 6:26 PM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Naming football field

I would like to see the new field named: The Tillman Lights Field. We need to keep the Northern Lights history a part of name.

Thank you for taking comments.  
Allen Chambers "Class of 1972" Go Lights!!

Sent from my iPhone

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 1:27 PM  
**To:** 'Sandra White Eagle'  
**Subject:** RE: MSU-Northern Seeking Public Input  
**Attachments:** MSUN Honors Mike Tilleman.pdf

Hi Ms. White Eagle,

Thank you for your inquiry. Please see the attached press release that includes additional information about the Tilleman family and their impact on MSU-Northern athletics.

Best,  
Rachel

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**From:** Sandra White Eagle <2paints@nemont.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 12:20 PM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison <rachel.hutchison@msun.edu>; 2paints@nemontel.net  
**Subject:** RE: MSU-Northern Seeking Public Input

[Who is Tilleman?](#)  
[Is Tilleman a MSUN alumni?](#)

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## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Mary Brown  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 11:02 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** RE: MSU-Northern Seeking Public Input

Oh, I see. Well, I won't be at any of the public forums, but if you would like me input, I think it is a good idea, given Mike Tilleman's involvement in the football program over the last couple of decades.

Thanks,  
Mary

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**From:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 02, 2020 10:52 AM  
**To:** Mary Brown <mary.brown15@msun.edu>  
**Subject:** RE: MSU-Northern Seeking Public Input

It's required in order to get Board of Regents approval.

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**From:** Mary Brown  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 10:36 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison <[rachel.hutchison@msun.edu](mailto:rachel.hutchison@msun.edu)>  
**Subject:** RE: MSU-Northern Seeking Public Input

Hi, Rachel,

Not meaning to sound strange at all, but I thought naming the field Tilleman Field was already a done deal. With that in mind, why have public forums about it now? I am just curious!

Thank you,

*Mary*

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## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Tracy Job <tracyj@garyandleos.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 12:59 PM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Cc:** Laura Malisani

Tilleman Field gets my vote.  
Tracy Job, Gary and Leo's

*Sent from my Verizon Motorola Droid*

## Rachel Hutchison

**From:** Joe Malisani <joem@garyandleos.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 12:50 PM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Tilleman Field

Good afternoon,

I would like to take a moment to pass on my thoughts as I will not be able to attend the public forum addressing the field. Having been a member of the community for the last fifteen years and 2012 MSUN Graduate, I have had the wonderful opportunity to watch Mike & Gloria Tilleman's influence on MSUN's success through the years. I have the upmost respect and admiration for the Tillemans, watching them support the community and MSUN. Tilleman Field is the perfect name for the new football stadium.

Best,  
Joe Malisani  
joem@garyandleos.com  
406.399.0878

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** stox4lm@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 12:41 PM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** RE: Please name the NEW Football Field in honor of the Tilleman Family

Dear Greg,  
Please name the newly constructed football in honor of Mike and Gloria Tilleman and their family. Northern and the entire community have benefited from their support and generosity for many years.  
Thank you,  
Michele Hansen  
PO Box 1948  
Bigfork, Montana

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Seth Hawkins <hawkins.seth@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 11:51 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Public input

Dear chancellor,

It feel as if there is just about nothing for students to do short of frequenting the local water holes. Gyms and dub should be opened back up to normal hours allowing students to do something productive. This will also help many students face the challenges winter provides.

Sent from my iPhone

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Fred Paulsen <fpaulsen@ccs.coloma.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 11:41 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Football Field

Hi Greg- I am a 1976 graduate of what was then Northern Montana College.[NMC] I'm not sure if there were naming rights already in place for your new football complex. My suggestion is to have the facility become Tom Reynolds Field at Tillman Stadium. I believe Tom is an individual that has done so much for Northern in several different capacities. Tom was instrumental in helping Tom Nielson recruiting me to Havre to play basketball for the Lights. I came sight unseen and it was one of the best decisions I ever made! I know Tom was at Northern for several decades and was the face of Northern athletics for a long time. I guess the other thing is you could have Tillman Field at Tom Reynolds Stadium. Thanks for your time. Fred Paulsen. GO LIGHTS !!

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Judy Bricker <brickerj211@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 11:18 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Tillman Field

Chancellor Kegel, I know my perspective is limited, and I'm sure there were many who were instrumental in bringing back football and for promoting and working for the program, I don't know who was more faithful and devoted than Mike Tillman. It's fitting that it should be named Tillman Field. Judy Bricker

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Robert <boettrae@itstriangle.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 10:45 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison

Greg Great to name the new field after Mike T. Robert Boettcher

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Karla Bolken <bolkenk@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 10:04 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Naming

Greg,  
I am out of town and not able to attend one of the forums. I also am not sure what the question is, so my thoughts may be off the mark.  
Initially, I questioned the naming of the field, The Tilleman field. I do wonder how the Baltrusches feel about it, since their contribution was significant as well. And we are hoping similar contributions are still coming in phase 2 & 3. I also know that many institutions have a policy against naming buildings for donors who are still living.  
I do appreciate all that Mike & Gloria have done for Northern athletics. If we are to name the field in their honor, The Tilleman field works better for me than the Tilleman family field and carries the same meaning.  
Hope all is well there,  
Karla  
Sent from my iPhone

## Rachel Hutchison

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**From:** Fern Johnson <fljoo53@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 2, 2020 9:19 AM  
**To:** Rachel Hutchison  
**Subject:** Tilleman's field

You know there are many, many supporters of MSUN than just the Tilleman's. Many not as fortunate to have the financial resources as the Tillman's or the need for public glorification. Many, many of us gave with no expectation of public acclamations. Many, many of us gave the same or close to the same percentage of our income as the big donors, our income is not as great. That does not mean that we are any less deserving. Actually, and personally, I think it is horrible if Tilleman's contribution was contingent on having the field named for them. I get it, that this happens all the time because it is an advertising write off for them. But what about the citizens, alumni, and students of Havre and MSUN? They don't get a write off after spending thousands. My suggestion is keeping the name in tuned with the school and it's history, not some donor. How about something as simple as "Northern Field" or Northern Lights Field". Thank you for considering my input.

Sent from my iPad