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Julius Scott and Michele Uhrich were named 2020 Montana All American Scholars. As members of the Beta Eta Omicron Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the two were nominated for and earned a place on the Montana All-American team and now are eligible to be named to the national All-American team.

Jacque Henry, a 2019 Great Falls College <u>respiratory therapy graduate</u>, is working on the front line with COVID-19 patients in Spokane, WA. Jacque has not reconsidered her career choice during the pandemic, as she cannot imagine doing anything else but taking care of her patients regardless of their illness.

The Great Falls College <u>Eagle Feather Ceremony</u>, normally held the same day as commencement, was delayed this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This summer, two ceremonies were held to accommodate recipient schedules. In total, six students were eligible and received a beaded, blessed eagle feather.

A graduate of the Great Falls College <u>registered nurse program</u>, Bethany Evans has put her degree to work right here in Great Falls in Benefis Health System's ICU. She has worked directly with COVID-19 patients and is grateful for the experience she has gained.

MSU-Northern and Great Falls College are <u>continuing to work together</u> to provide area students with bachelor-level classes. This fall, MSU-N is scheduled to offer education and business courses on the Great Falls College campus.

The Center for Lifelong Learning hosted in person <u>Kid's Camps</u> this summer. A variety of camps were offered, such as creative writing, roller skating, creating video games, woodworking, cooking, and yoga. Thanks to a generous grant from the Dr. Baker Foundation, scholarships for the creating video game camps were provided to students who on their own would not have been able to participate. More than 100 kids enrolled in the camps, and many parents expressed their appreciation for holding them in person.

Great Falls College MSU's trades division has been busy this summer working with the civilian employees of the 583rd Missile Maintenance Squadron as they earn qualifications and brush up on welding skills so they can work on the life extension and modernization of the Minuteman weapon system. The trades division also has been helping Phillips 66 with certification tests through the American Welding Society accredited test facility.

Great Falls College staff members, Becky Sullivan, Mandy Wright and Wayne Breau collaborated to create "Two-Year Teaching and Tech" podcasts as a way to provide information on technology tools available to instructors for online and in-person teaching. The trio also holds weekly Workshop Wednesdays via WebEx where instructors may participate live or watch the recording at a time convenient for them.

The Center for Lifelong Learning provided free, 30-minute webinars in July and August to give tips to workers returning to the workplace after months of working at home, tricks for running smooth online meetings, help in changing directions in life and work, and, finally, revealing the secrets of Windows 10.

Working closely with the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education and the local City-County Health Department, the <u>Great Falls College Healthy Fall Task Force</u> is working hard to keep the campus and community up-to-date with information assisting faculty, staff, students and the general public. Notable at this time is the requirement of <u>face coverings</u> while on campus.