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ASMSUN Participated in Rotunda Day - On Thursday February 13th, five members of ASMSUN Student Senate participated in the Montana Associated Students' (MAS) Student Rotunda Day at the state capitol.

<u>Spring 2025 Career Fair</u> – With 62 companies in attendance, many of which traveled long distances to be in Havre, participants had a unique chance to make meaningful career connections with the student who attended.

<u>Innovative Teaching and Learning Festival</u> The event featured presentations from several MSU-Northern professors, each showcasing unique teaching techniques and technological tools aimed at enhancing student learning and engagement.

<u>Grant to Study Rural Violence</u> Dr. Samantha Balemba, was awarded a \$10,000 "Pilot Planning Project" grant from INBRE. The grant will provide funding for a research initiative with a long-term goal of improving how victims of these crimes interact with law enforcement and healthcare systems in the region.

<u>Grant to study Vitamin D</u> MSU-Northern's College of Health Sciences has been awarded a \$112,156 research grant to launch a year-long study titled Exploring Relationships Between Vitamin D, Exercise, Stress, and Illness with Structural Equation Modeling (SEM).

<u>Coach of Character</u> On Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, MSU-Northern Head Women's Basketball Coach Chris Mouat was honored as the 2023-24 Frontier Conference Coach of Character. With a 20-year tenure, Mouat is the all-time winningest coach in Skylight history, holding a 323-244 career record entering this season.

<u>Trainer of the Year</u> - Robert Tate was honored as the Frontier Conference Athletic Trainer of the Year for 2023-24. Now in his seventh year at MSU-Northern and sixth as Head Athletic Trainer.

<u>"Science Saturday" workshops</u> provides teachers of grades 5-12 with tools to grow STEM opportunities in classrooms across the Hi Line. Participants earned 5 hours of Professional Development Units for each Saturday they attend. The series includes these lectures:

- Science Saturday I: Fluid Mechanics March 8th
- Science Saturday II: Astronomy April 4<sup>th</sup>
- Science Saturday III: Medicinal Plants of Montana May 3<sup>rd</sup>

<u>Study Abroad Program</u> - Over spring break, eleven MSU-Northern students, traveled to London for an immersive study abroad experience. The trip aimed to expose students to different cultures, histories, and global perspectives through hands-on learning and exploration.

<u>PAS Club Attends National Conference</u> - Six students from MSU-Northern traveled to Sheridan, Wyoming, to compete in the 45th National Postsecondary Agricultural Student (PAS) Conference.

<u>Lecture at Cambridge</u> - Dr. Kyra Kaercher was invited to give a lecture at Cambridge University as part of the Ancient Near Eastern Seminar Series—a group run by Cambridge PhD students and supported by the Near East Archaeology and Assyriology department.