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Harry Stuber skating in front of the old gym and the UM campus in the early 1900s. (rewrite as desired)

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#### **SHARED HISTORY**

My father, Harry Nevoy Stuber, and my mother-inlaw, Evelyn Lee Davis, both graduated from MSU [as UM was known then] in the early 1900s. Both left extensive photos of the area. Enclosed are some photos of campus at that time that might be of historical value. The man on the skates is my father.

SUSANA S. HERBERT

Seattle

**Editor's Note:** The photos will be donated to UM Archives and Special Collections.

#### **MONTANAN KUDOS**

I just want you to know I really appreciate your magazine. I have degrees from three universities, and yours is the only alumni magazine that I read. Thanks for your efforts.

ROBERT "BOB" ALLEY '60 M.ED. Wichita, Kansas

## **50 YEARS OF OVAL SIDEWALKS**

This coming 2018 summer will be the 50th anniversary of the all-grass Oval at UM being torn up in the summer of 1968 to make way for the brick walkway. I don't know if you people are aware that before fall 1968 the Oval was all grass. Anyway, I was a student at UM working a summer job for the Physical Plant, and it was my crew that tore up the sod from the Oval to make way for the coming walkway. Looking back on it from 50 years, it seems like a big deal now. At the time we were just young students, and it was our only summer

job. The full-time employee who worked for UM and was the head of the Physical Plant was named Thor or Thorwalden if you want to look this up. Anyway, I thought this fact was at least worth a letter to you.

LOUIS BONINI '69, M.A. '71 Billings

#### **EDUCATORS NEED RESPECT**

I received my issue of the Montanan today and read with interest your article on Seth Bodnar. While I am excited with the prospect of Mr. Bodnar as UM's president, I felt like the article had a negative spin on "career educators." I hold a master's degree in curriculum and instruction from UM and have a school library media endorsement from the UM as well. I am proud to be a "career" educator. I felt like the article looked down on people who choose to be educators or people who choose to stay in education and make it their career, rather than a starting point. It irked me that the article said his father "rose from teacher to superintendent," as if teaching is something to "rise" from and that "although he lacked for nothing growing up, his parents weren't rich."

We struggle to recruit and maintain quality educators. One of the things that makes this difficult is the low amount of respect educators are given by the general public, and in this case, the author and editors of the article.

JESSICA DUFRESNE M.ED. '07

Hamilton

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# AROUND THE OVAL









## A Presidential Rite of Passage

On Feb. 15, new UM President Seth Bodnar followed in the footsteps of 15 of his predecessors by meeting one of the University's treasures, Emma B. Lommasson '33 M.S. '39, who at 106 is likely UM's oldest alumna. (If you know of older Griz, we want to know about them.) Lommasson came to UM from Sand Coulee, Montana, in 1929, spending 58 years at the University as a student, teacher, staff member, student adviser and registrar. Her grace and kindness made a huge impression on students and her fellow employees, and in 2001 the Lodge was renamed the Lommasson Center in her honor. She has met all but the first four of UM's 19 presidents, and she lamented to Bodnar how she wouldn't be able to be his registrar. She was reluctant to dole out any advice, but finally offered, "Life is what you make of it. Stay positive and don't complain. I'm just another person who attended the University from a small town, and I found out it's the most wonderful place."

Clockwise from top: Emma Lommasson meets with UM President Seth Bodnar for the first time this past winter in her retirement home. Lommasson's college yearbook photo A portrait of Lommasson in 1977 Lommasson at a Commencement Lommasson at her 100th birthday party at UM Lommasson joins former UM President Royce Engstrom and his wife, Mary, on a bench dedicated in her honor outside her namesake building. Emma gets a hug from former UM President George Dennison at one of her birthdays in the Lommasson Center.



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### THE PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE



Dear Friends,

During our recent Employee Appreciation Week, I took the opportunity to learn (by doing) the work of several other employees on campus. One job that was particularly challenging was that of one of our campus arborists. These tree care professionals are responsible for maintaining the trees on campus – an important job as the UM campus also serves as Montana's state Arboretum.

After getting into the harness and rigging with ropes up into a nearby Douglas fir, I went to work pruning the branches. My brief time as an arborist-in-training gave me an interesting new perspective about one of the many jobs on campus that I had not known much about.

These first few months as president of the University of Montana have similarly given me the opportunity to learn more about the extraordinary people in our community. As I have engaged with students, faculty, researchers, donors, staff, alumni and volunteers, I am reminded that we all bring unique talents, expertise, and perspectives to UM and, together, we do incredible work.

We are on an exciting path. Earlier this spring, I released a draft titled "University of Montana Strategy for Distinction" with preliminary recommendations to position our university for national leadership in areas of academic excellence, to meet the needs of current and future students, and to address a \$10 million budget deficit over the next three years. This strategy is the culmination of two years of work on the campus, encompassing strategic planning efforts and a broad program prioritization effort for our academic programs and administrative services.

My time with the arborists provided me with a new perspective. At UM, we must will move forward seeking many perspectives from our stakeholders. You will inform our decisions and provide a holistic lens through which we can envision an exciting future. If we proceed together with the common goal of a vibrant university offering the most impactful education for our students, we can mine these many different perspectives and ideas to create something truly exceptional.

These first months as your president have gone by quickly. I have traveled to Billings, Havre (in February!), Helena and the Flathead Valley in addition to meeting with many in our Missoula community. As I work my way around the state, I see great optimism for our future. I know that by working together and combining our diverse talents and skills, we are creating a stronger UM.

Seth Bodnar, UM President

UM President Seth Bodnar works to prune a tree with a campus aborist.

# Notable Quotable

- UM has launched a new **Big Sky Poll** to reveal public opinion in Montana. Polls during spring semester asked about elected officials, national monuments, taxes and support for the 6-Mill Levy. The Big Sky Poll is directed by UM Associate Professor Sara Rinfret, director of UM's Master of Public Administration program, and UM marketing Associate Professor Justin Angle. Seven graduate seminar students from UM's MPA and Business Analytics programs assisted with the poll, which reached out to 603 randomly selected Montana registered voters. More polls are planned.
- UM Dining has created a burger that is a cut above the rest, according to the national James Beard Foundation's 2017 Blended Burger Project Campus Edition contest. The Blended Burger Project is part of an initiative to make the iconic, American hamburger better by blending ground meat with mushrooms to create a patty healthier for people and more sustainable for the planet. UM's blended burger took first place in the medium-sized universities category in the competition. Patrick Browne, UM associate director of residential dining, developed the winning recipe.
- Dr. Jon Harbor recently was named UM's new executive vice president for academic affairs and provost. Harbor currently serves as associate vice provost for teaching and learning and as executive director of digital education at Purdue University. As a professor in Purdue's Department of Earth, Atmospheric and Planetary Sciences, he brings extensive research and teaching experience. He will begin his full-time duties at UM on Aug. 1.
- Andrew Sean Greer MFA '96 learned this spring that he had won the 2018 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction for his novel "Less." A native of Washington, D.C., Greer studied creative writing at UM. His book follows a novelist who accepts invitations to obscure literary events across the globe to avoid an ex-boyfriend's wedding. Greer was working in Italy when

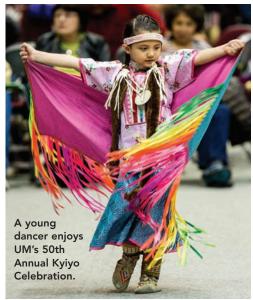
## STILL DANCING:

Kyiyo Celebrates Native Culture for 50 Years

yiyo means "bear" in the Blackfeet language, making it an apt name for a powwow and cultural celebration held every year at UM in the very heart of Griz country.

The 50th Annual Kyiyo
Celebration at UM's Adams
Center was held this April.
Hundreds of the best Native
American dancers and
drummers from across Indian
Country gathered on campus to
celebrate the milestone event.

Hosted by the Kyiyo Native American Student Association, the event is one of the oldest student-run powwows in the



student-run powwows in the country and allows the Native American community to share its culture with the UM campus, Missoula and beyond through traditional dance and song. The theme this year was "Honoring Our Past, Inspiring Our Future."

As usual, the event included three grand entries that turned the Adams Center into a vast drum that echoed with traditional singing and jingling outfits – a place swirling with the beguiling colors of Native regalia. Events also included the return of a basketball tournament and the handgame. Honored guests included UM President Seth Bodnar, U.S. Sen. Jon Tester and Earl Old Person, the chief of the Blackfeet Nation who has served as the Kyiyo master of ceremonies for many years.

"This year's club has worked nonstop to bring together a celebration worthy of this remarkable anniversary," said Danielle Vazquez, president of the Kyiyo Native American Student Association.

The Kyiyo club at UM predates 1960 and was formally recognized as an official UM organization during the 1968-69 school year. The formation of the club began in 1968 when a number of Native and non-native students began meeting. Founding Kyiyo student organization members were Lorraine Edmo, Rodney Miller, Kenneth Ryan, Lloyd Coon, Harold Gray, Chris Roberts and Rex Swoboda.

Striving to follow in the footsteps of activism and advocacy that the first club walked, the 2017-18 club has championed many Native issues in the UM and Missoula communities. The celebration included the family team dance and an art exhibit honoring Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, plus a hand drum contest in memory of those lost to suicide.

The Kyiyo student association plays an integral role in promoting the cultural traditions and customs of all Native Americans. Through extracurricular activities offered throughout the year, Kyiyo engages UM employees and students in Native cultural identities to support cultural diversity. Kyiyo is open to all Native American and non-native students, as well as community members.

THE BOTTOM LINE:

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The value of the five-year contract recently signed by Trumaine Johnson with the NFL's New York Jets. Johnson was a standout defensive back for the Griz from 2008 to 2011.

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The number of years UM students have produced "Business: Made in Montana," a television program that airs on MontanaPBS.

OTO BY TODD GOODRICH



## **Business Students Help Refugees With Taxes**

Taxes are complicated enough for citizens born and raised in America, so for the refugee community of Missoula, filing taxes can be an overwhelming prospect. The UM Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program partnered with the International Rescue Committee to ensure Missoula refugees a smooth introduction to the American tax system this year.

"Taxes were very hard. I could not do them alone." said Shewit Hadera, a refugee from Eritrea who described the assistance his family received as a very positive experience. "I am very happy."

Above: UM Master of Accountancy student Sahar Qasem Muthna helps a refugee family file taxes.

Kate Jennings, senior director of development at the UM College of Business, helped initiate the refugee tax program. She's a family mentor through the IRC and knew the college's VITA program could help. VITA is a collaboration between the College of Business and the IRS that offers free tax help to those with low to moderate income.

"There was a lack of understanding of how taxes work in the United States," Jennings said. "Some of the refugees are coming from communities that do not have banks. They've never used checks or a debit card, and so the idea of taxes coming out of your paycheck is very abstract."

The IRC was eager to partner with VITA. The year-old Missoula organization is the only refugee resettlement chapter in Montana. It assists refugees during the resettlement process and provides support for successful beginnings in the United States.

In the past year, more than 100 refugees have come through the IRC to Missoula, with

## **UM Student Selected for Kennedy Center Performance**

THE UM DANCE PROGRAM BOLSTERED ITS STANDING AS ONE of the nation's most decorated institutions with another stellar showing at the recent American College Dance Association Northwest Regional Conference in April.

In addition to having both UM dance pieces selected for the conference's gala concert, the adjudicators chose one of those performances - graduate student Tsiambwom Akuchu's stunning solo "Every^Man (Alright)" - to represent the entire region at the esteemed John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., on June 7-9. (Akuchu graduated in May.)

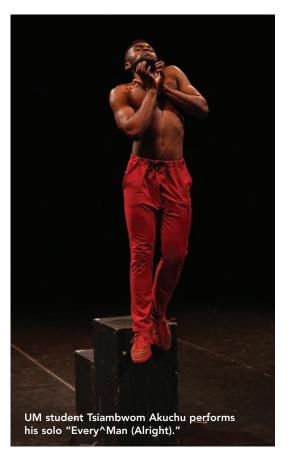
The regional conference attracted over 500 students, artists and educators from throughout the Northwest, offering college dance programs the opportunity to showcase 43 original works and receive constructive feedback from nationally and internationally renowned adjudicators.

"This is the second consecutive year the UM Dance Program has had both of its pieces selected for the event's gala concert," said Nicole Bradley Browning, a UM dance professor.

One adjudicator compared ACDA to a modern dance version of basketball's March Madness, and Bradley Browning said, "UM's overall strong showing, and especially with its Kennedy Center selection, amounts to a Final Four appearance by a program with a reputation for overshadowing bigger schools."

Akuchu's solo received raves from the adjudicators, who wrote: "Every^Man (Alright)' is an evocative and stirring piece, representative of the African-American experience from slavery to the present. The work is deeply embodied, solid in its canonical foundation, eminently relevant and critically necessary; an injection of survival."

Akuchu's performance stood alone as the only one to receive a standing



The national ranking of UM's Master of Accountancy Program for program's with less than 17 full-time faculty members. The ranking was from the Public Accounting Report's 36th Annual Professors Survey.

The number of UM researchers listed among "The World's Most Influential Scientific Minds" by Clarivate Analytics. The highly cited researchers were Ragan Callaway, the recently retired Steve Running and Michael Schwartz.

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## **Griz Claw Their Way** to March Madness

## It was an amazing season for the Montana men's basketball team.

The Griz finished with a 26-8 record, winning both the Big Sky Conference regular-season and tournament titles and advancing to the team's first NCAA tournament since 2013. The 26 wins are the third-most in Montana history and featured historic achievements, including 13 consecutive victories, a 14-0 record at home and a school-record seven straight road wins.

The wild ride ended March 16, when the Grizzlies fell to the seventh-ranked Michigan Wolverines, 61-47, in the first round of the NCAA tournament. As they did all year, the Griz played stellar defense – trailing by only 5 at the half – but they couldn't muster enough offense to close out the game. The Wolverines went on to lose to eventual national champion Villanova, 62-79, in the title game.

"Their heart, their passion, their desire to perform," head coach Travis DeCuire said, describing what he'd remember about this year's Griz team. "I think I have a group of young men that gave me everything they had, and you can't say that for every team every year. These guys were all in."

Some other accomplishments from the season:

- · Montana finished its home slate undefeated. It marked the first time in 26 seasons, and the fifth time ever, that the Grizzlies have posted a perfect home record.
- Montana set a school record with seven consecutive true road wins from Dec. 28 through Feb. 3.
- It marked the fifth time in program history that a Montana team has won both the regular-season championship and tournament title.
- Montana was named to the NABC Team Academic Excellence Award for the second consecutive season (cumulative GPA above 3.0; 100 percent graduation rate).
- The Grizzlies won their first 13 conference games. The winning streak was one game shy of tying a school record and was the third-longest active streak in the NCAA at the time.
- On Dec. 30 and Jan. 4, Montana won back-to-back games by 30 points, marking the first time in 44 seasons Montana had accomplished that feat. The team's 13.3 margin-ofvictory average during Big Sky play was the best in the league.
- Swept the season series against rival Montana State, pushing the series advantage in Montana's favor for the first time in the 117-year history of the rivalry (149-148).

Griz guard Ahmaad Rorie drives to the basket against two Michigan defenders during the NCAA tournament.

## **DeCuire for** What Ails You

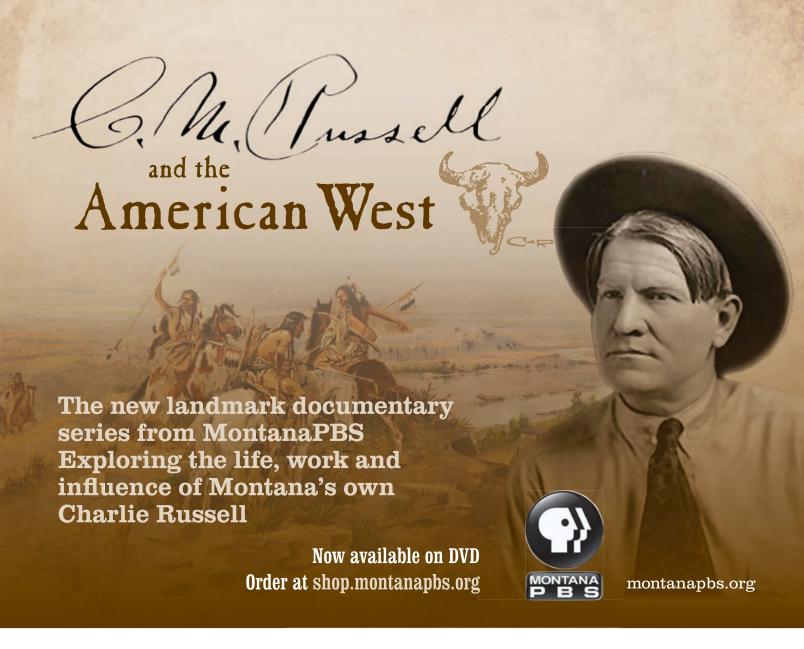
Griz head coach Travis DeCuire has reached 50 wins faster than any other coach in Big Sky Conference history - his record is 55-17 since 2014 - and the accolades are starting to roll in.

He was named the Big Sky Conference Coach of the Year after leading Montana to a 16-2 mark and an outright league title. Then the National Association of Basketball Coaches named him the 2017-18 District 6 Coach of the Year. The award is voted on by fellow head coaches across the country.

Montana had a balanced offense that ranked among the league's best, but it was its defense that led to great success, ranking in the top 25 nationally for turnovers forced, steals and turnover margin.

After this season, DeCuire agreed to a three-year contract extension, helping all of Griz Nation feel better.





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## **FACETIME:**

## MICHAEL BABCOCK '98

When Michael Babcock left UM with a computer science degree in 1998, he packed up his Camry and drove to the hills of Hollywood. Discovered by Jim Henson's Creature Shop through an article he wrote on software development, Babcock was called west to work in animatronics for the movie industry.

As an architect at Jim Henson, Babcock won a technical Emmy in 2009 for his Henson Digital Performance System, which allows puppeteers to perform digital characters in real time.

Now Babcock works as a tech lead for DreamWorks' SciTech Award-winning Premo animation software, developed in-house and used for movies like "Home," "Trolls," "Boss Baby" and "How to Train Your Dragon 2."

"I feel like that's a great opportunity for somebody like me to develop the software from the ground up," Babcock said. "There's not very many places you get that opportunity."

So what are some examples of shows or movies that have used HDPS? Probably the biggest show that we did was "Sid the Science Kid," a children's show on PBS that was performed real time. We did a bobblehead for this horrible Ice Cube movie. And we did a few other things.

What's some of the feedback you heard from HDPS? They really liked it. It was real-time interacting because they could essentially shoot it as if it was like a liveaction TV show, with the traditional three cameras, directors right there, multiple takes and the performers improvising. In traditional animation, you don't really have that luxury because it's such a slow process, so everything has to be planned ahead. You don't have that type of spontaneity.

How did you get started in computer coding? I got my first computer when I was 12, and that was a little portable Radio Shack computer, TRS-80 model 100. I wasn't really programming, and it wasn't until I actually went to college that I got into it. The Intro to Computer Science was Ronald Wilson at the Computer Science Department, and he was a really good teacher. I both liked the classes, and I found out that I was pretty good at it, so it was a combination that made me decide to major in computer science.

How did you end up at DreamWorks? I

ended up getting an offer from DreamWorks Animation to work on their custom animation software. I joined that team in early February 2012, and they hadn't released the new software yet, so they had their previous generation animation that they were using for several years. It was a pretty old-fashioned system. You were

basically animating by typing numbers into a spreadsheet and couldn't really see the results instantly. The new system that they were developing was called Premo, and a lot of focus was on speed so the animators could do stuff just very intuitively and instantly. The animators really loved it, and "How to Train Your Dragon 2" was the first movie that used that.

Could you walk me through animating in Premo? There's actually not a lot of set-up for the animator. Somebody's already set up what characters are in a shot and rigged the characters. When an animator comes in, they watch their shot that the rest work on, and they see the character right there in front of them. They can pull and push the character like a puppet – sort of direct interaction. That was the big focus of Premo – getting away from going to a spreadsheet or some other more technical view. You're mostly working directly in the 3-D environment.

DreamWorks? Probably my favorite
DreamWorks movie is "How to Train Your
Dragon," and I liked that even before I
went to work for DreamWorks. It's kind of a
biased opinion.

The first one used the older software, called Emo, so that's why Premo is named as it is, sort of a play on previous gen. Premo, because it allows the animator more fast, intuitive control, means they can spend more time on creatively improving animation. They can animate more complicated shots. If you look at some of the shots of "How to Train Your Dragon 2," they have lots of dragons and crowds of people, and there's lots going on.



### What does a typical day look like for you?

Now that I'm tech lead, I'm in more meetings and design discussions. I still really enjoy talking to users and getting their feedback, so that's what my personal favorite part is.

Instead of day-to-day sitting in front of a computer programming a specific feature, a lot of it is planning the feature, designing the feature, and then, once a developer implements it, mentoring them, looking at their code.

What is the work environment like at DreamWorks? I'd say it's very positive. First of all, it's a beautiful campus, more like a campus than a corporate building. There's koi ponds and fountains, so it's just a nice place to work. You get free food, free breakfast and lunch. And just in general, they treat people pretty well.

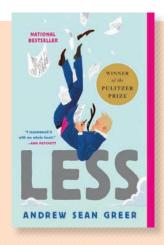
As far as developing software, it's kind of interesting being on a bigger team with more planning versus, when I was at Henson, we were really close to production. So each day, (with) the deadlines and the stress of production, you'd be in constant panic mode, trying to fix things. But now we're in a separate R&D department, so it's a little bit more relaxed.

Do you have any personal projects you're excited about? My dad is interested in ancient Chinese, and then my sister kind of followed him, and she's studying Chinese, so I've done little tools to help them, like dictionary tools and translation system tools. My uncle, Ray Babcock, was (a computer science professor) at MSU in Bozeman, so I guess the computer gene runs in the family.

- Interview by Courtney Brockman '17?

## **BOOKSHELF**

Here's a look at 10 new books from authors with University of Montana connections.



#### **LESS**

By Andrew Sean Greer LB/Boudreaux, 2017 hardcover, 272 pages, \$26. Backbay Books paperback, May 2018, **\$15.99** 

Andrew Sean Greer was at dinner in Italy in mid-April when his phone filled with messages. People were congratulating him for winning the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction for his sixth book, "Less." "I did not see *this* coming!" he told the San Francisco Chronicle. The novel, a romantic comedy, tells the story of Arthur Less, a failed novelist turning 50 who accepts a series of invitations that take him around the world. Greer earned his MFA in creative writing at UM.

## THE RENDING AND THE NEST

By Kaethe Schwehn Bloomsbury, 2018, 304 pages, **\$26** 

Novelist Kaethe Schwehn's heroine, Mira, is shopping at a mall with her brother one moment and the next wakes up to find that her brother

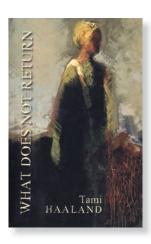


has disappeared in an apocalyptic event that has taken 95 percent of Earth's population. The event comes to be known as the Rending. Mira finds a sort of home in a ramshackle postapocalyptic community where people become less and less sure of their futures. Schwehn earned her MFA in creative writing at UM.

#### WHAT DOES NOT RETURN

By Tami Haaland
Lost Horse Press, 2018, 80 pages, \$18

This new book is poet and teacher Tami Haaland's third collection of poems. They serve as an account of caregiving at the end of a mother's life, a story that poet Melissa Kwasny calls "exquisite and necessary." Haaland earned undergraduate and master's degrees in English Literature at UM and now teaches at Montana State University-Billings. She served as Montana's Poet Laureate from 2013 to 2015 and has taught creative writing workshops in prisons, schools and community settings.





### SPEAK, CAIRN

By Lisa Kundrat
Finishing Line Press, 2018, 27 pages, \$14.99

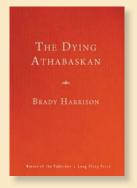
UM graduate Lisa Kundrat's new book of poems is informed by her experience and love of travel and adventure in the natural world. The work takes her readers through a boreal forest by canoe, a soak in a Montana mineral hot springs and fruit-tree planting on the coast of Ecuador. Our voyages may be lonely, she says, but when we add a stone to a cairn we are connected to other travelers; "We speak to each other through stones."

#### THE DYING ATHABASKAN

By Brady Harrison

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THE SYNTHETIC AGE: OUTDESIGNING EVOLUTION, RESURRECTING SPECIES, AND REENGINEERING OUR WORLD

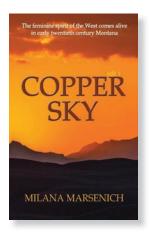
By Christopher J. Preston

The MIT Press, 2018, 208 pages, \$25.95

Until recently, most of the forces and events that shape our planet have been natural, unplanned and out of the hands of humans, Christopher Preston says. But today, humans have genetic engineering, climate engineering, de-extinction and nanotechnology in their control to reshape the natural world. But are we capable of using technologies ethically and safely? Do



we understand what's at stake? Are we capable of resisting hovering commercial interests in favor of the good of all life on Earth? Preston is a professor of philosophy and research fellow at UM's Mansfield Center.



#### **COPPER SKY**

By Milana Marsenich
Open Books, 2017, 339 pages, **\$16.95** 

Milana Marsenich sets her historical novel in the copper camp of Butte in 1917. She tells the story of an unlikely friendship between two women with very different lives. Kaley Shane is trapped in a life of prostitution and struggles to find a safe home for her expected child. Marika Lailich, a Slavic immigrant, wants to become a physician but must first navigate around her old-world father's plans for an arranged marriage. Marsenich earned an MFA in creative writing at UM.

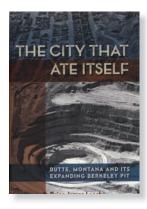
## THE CITY THAT ATE ITSELF: BUTTE, MONTANA

AND ITS EXPANDING BERKELEY PIT

By Brian James Leech

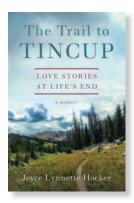
University of Nevada Press, 2018, 414 pages, \$39.95

Historian Brian Leech got his start with an undergraduate degree from UM. Now a history professor at Augustana College, Leech used oral histories, interviews and archival discoveries to a create a social/environmental/labor history about mining in Butte. He explores the effects of the expansion of the Berkeley Pit on Butte's neighborhoods and people, past and present. He hopes his readers will consider the costs to mining communities of the minerals they use in everyday life.



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Ginny Merriam is a 1986 graduate of UM's School of Journalism.



THE TRAIL TO TINCUP: LOVE STORIES AT LIFE'S END

By Joyce Lynnette Hocker
She Writes Press, 2018, 278 pages, \$16.95

Joyce Hocker is best known as a Missoula clinical psychologist in private practice and author of a best-selling university textbook "Interpersonal Conflict." She wrote her new book, a memoir, after the loss of four family members within two years. All buried in Tincup, Colorado, the loved ones inspire Hocker to investigate death and loss and to reexamine the key moments that have mapped the trail of her own life. Hocker earned her doctorate in clinical psychology at UM.



## COMMON MOSSES OF WESTERN OREGON AND WASHINGTON

By Bruce McCune and Martin Hutten
Wild Blueberry Media, 2018, 148 pages, \$40

Written by a botanist and an ecologist with decades of experience teaching about and studying mosses in the Pacific Northwest, this new book is a guide to 200 species of mosses in 529 color photos and text. The authors intend to provide useful information for naturalists, serious amateurs and professional botanists with interests in the miniature plants in the forests of the western United States and Canada. McCune earned his undergraduate and master's degrees from UM's botany department.

BY **JACOB BAYNHAM**PHOTOS BY **TODD GOODRICH** 

FOR 100 YEARS, ROTC

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It's an hour before sunrise on a Tuesday in April, and campus is quiet. The Oval is empty, the dorms dark. Behind the shifting clouds, a waning moon and a handful of stars hang in the velvet sky as if they were pinned there. Snowflakes drift to the ground like tiny white parachutes. Somewhere a ventilation system groans to life. And then the east doors of the Schreiber Gym swing open into the stillness.

The first thing out of the building is a guidon, a maroon and silver pennant with a Griz print, attached to a wooden pole. Behind that is the young man carrying it. He wears a Kevlar helmet, a load-bearing vest, camouflage fatigues and a rucksack filled with 35 pounds of gear. Behind him, 40 more uniformed men and women pour out of the door in identical kit. They maneuver quickly to the north, beneath the shadowy hulk of Mount Sentinel. The only sound is the murmur of their boots on the pavement. Even the birds are silent.





The men are clean-shaven. The women have their hair pulled back. They are lean and fit with a military bearing, but they are not soldiers – not yet. They are the cadets of Grizzly Company, UM's Reserve Officer Training Corps. And while the rest of the University sleeps, they are doing what ROTC students do every morning: physical training.

Today's PT is a 5-mile ruck march, which the cadets consider short. On other days they put in 10 or 12 miles. A week ago, six cadets gave up their spring break to compete in the Bataan Memorial Death March, a 26.2-mile slog through New Mexico's high-altitude desert. Their feet are still raw and blistered.

With the guidon always at the front, the company tramps through snow over the Clark Fork River on the Van Buren Footbridge and crosses East Broadway. Bleary-eyed commuters watch them through their windshields. The cadets move at their own pace; some walk, others run.

Cadet Chris Blaser is among them. A 19-year-old sophomore from Boise, Idaho, Blaser has been set on serving in the military since high school. He came to UM on a full-ride ROTC scholarship. The scholarship has conditions: He must maintain good grades, perform well in physical training and stay out of trouble. If he falls short, he'll have to pay back the scholarship. And when he graduates, he'll have to repay the Army with four years of service, plus two years in the reserves. Blaser is undaunted.

"Leadership and service have always been a big part of what I do," he says. "I want to give back to my country. And I love the mountains. That's why I chose the Army."

Blaser turns off of the road at a trailhead, where a path snakes up the side of Waterworks Hill. By now, other cadets are already on their way down. Blaser encourages them as they jog past.

"Good work, Paulsen!"

"Good job, Greg!"

"We're like a big family," Blaser explains. "We're with each other all the time. It's fun to be around people who are working hard alongside you."

Blaser reaches the turnaround point, a blinking radio tower on the ridgeline. The morning sky has turned the color of chalk. Down below, the lights of Missoula sparkle. Traffic hums. Academic responsibilities await. Blaser is majoring in political science and minoring in Russian. This week he has to write an essay comparing Plato's "Republic" with Huxley's "Brave New World."

But here on Waterworks Hill, he is midway into a lesson in the other half of his education – the half that is preparing him to be a lieutenant in the Army. Students like him have been training at UM to serve in the military for 100 years now. Blaser seems to relish it. His uniform matches the tawny tufts of grass poking out of the fresh snow. His cheeks are red with exertion. His eyes are bright.

"There really isn't a better way to start your morning," he says.

"The basics of a leader are still the same," he says. "Leadership is a team sport. You can't be authoritarian. You have to work with everyone around you to be successful."

Those skills make cadets successful in civilian careers, too. Not all ROTC graduates go on to active duty in the military. Some choose to go into the National Guard or the Army Reserves. Some serve their required time and start civilian careers. Whatever they end up doing, Carlson says the cadets benefit from training at a civilian university.

"They have to learn to manage their time," he says. "They have their ROTC requirements, but they also have to do what the physics department or wildlife biology department says."

he idea of training future military officers on college campuses goes back to 1819, when Capt. Alden Partridge endeavored to create "citizen soldiers" at Norwich University in Vermont. Later, the Land Grant Act of 1862 gave each state 30,000 acres to create institutions of scientific learning. In return, these institutions offered courses in military tactics.

But the ROTC as we know it wasn't born until President Woodrow Wilson signed the National Defense Act of 1916. World War I was raging in Europe, and the U.S. Army needed an influx of educated officers. Universities around the country stepped up to fill the need by creating military commissioning units on their campuses.

The idea stuck. Today, more than 270 Army ROTC programs operate at universities and colleges around the country, comprising the largest officer-producing entity in the military. The program's principles are emblazoned on the black and gold ROTC shield. A lamp signifies the pursuit of knowledge. A sword represents the valor of soldiery. And a Greek helmet recalls the ancient concept of the warrior-scholar who wielded both.

UM created its ROTC program in 1918. Two years of participation was mandatory for all male students. Cadets dug trenches on campus, erected canvas tents and practiced bayonet drills between classes.

Over the years, interest in ROTC has mirrored the ebb and flow of U.S. military engagements. In the 1960s, the University ended mandatory participation in ROTC due to the protests over the Vietnam War. In the 1970s, women were allowed to join. Then in 2000, UM's ROTC program partnered with Carroll College in Helena. Together, about 75 cadets from Grizzly Company and Saints Company make up the Grizzly Battalion.

The man commanding that battalion is Lt. Col. Chad Carlson, the son of a game warden from Big Timber. He works out of an office in a wing of the Schreiber Gym, the home of UM's ROTC since 1926.

Carlson has short red hair and an easy smile. He was commissioned as an Army officer after graduating from the ROTC program at Gonzaga University in 1997. He served two tours in Iraq, where he specialized in the dissection and disposal of improvised explosive devices. He's now in his 21st year of active duty and his fourth year as the leader of Grizzly Battalion.

Carlson says that while the ROTC curriculum and physical requirements have changed over the past century, the fundamental goal is the same: to create quality leaders for the Army.



Carlson says the University benefits as well. They get bright, driven students who graduate on time with scholarships paid by the government. The cadets enrich the campus life in other ways, too.

"It's always good for a community to have a military presence," Carlson says. "With no nearby military base, folks in Missoula could forget the military exists. If you lose that connection, people will stop appreciating it."

That's why Carlson and the other instructors – they're called cadre – stress the importance of engagement. Cadets work parking detail during sporting events. The color guard performs at local events. And, most audibly, they fire a replica mountain howitzer cannon in Washington-Grizzly Stadium after the national anthem and every Griz score.

Carlson says he's often impressed with the way ROTC students take risks to develop themselves. One cadet was afraid of heights, so he signed up for airborne school and learned how to jump out of airplanes.

"They are willing to challenge themselves, academically and mentally," he says.

He also thinks the program is stronger because of its location. Cadets here conduct training exercises in real wilderness environments. The majority of cadets are from Montana, and Carlson has noticed they tend to have good situational awareness – they notice deer on the side of the road, for example. They also tend to be raised on a strong ranching and farming work ethic.

"That's very attractive to the Army," Carlson says. "You don't have to teach them to work; you just have to teach them the Army."

The Grizzly Battalion has commissioned 1,940 officers in the past 100 years. Its alumni include two three-star generals, five two-star generals and three one-star generals. There's no telling how far the

current cadets will go. That's why it doesn't feel like a chore for Carlson to report to Schreiber Gym before dawn each morning to meet them for PT.

"I'm just proud of them," he says. "They're a great group of cadets, a great group of students. It makes you feel good about the future of our country when you deal with these kids every day."

etired Army Brigadier General Colleen McGuire was once one of those kids. She grew up in Missoula and joined the Army reserves while she was still at Sentinel High School. In 1978, in her junior year at UM, she became a cadet in Grizzly Company. The program was then 60 years old.

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"It was a different culture back then," she recalls. "The male cadets did not truly adhere to military grooming standards – this was the '70s."

McGuire was the only woman in her class group. She had different PT standards but otherwise she was treated like the men. "You still had to put so many rounds downrange and hit a target," she says.

McGuire excelled at shooting. Her father served 30 years with the Army Reserve and would often take the family out into the woods for a picnic and target practice. Backpacking and navigation were second nature to McGuire, skills that came in handy during her ROTC training exercises in the hills around Missoula.

"It was really just an extension of a camping trip, with Army jargon," McGuire says. "It was fun. I was getting college credit for this."

McGuire was active on campus in other ways. She was a cheerleader and a member of Delta Gamma. She was an involved student in the School of Journalism. But it was the ROTC program that gave her some of her closest friends and the personal development that has reverberated throughout her life.

"I would consider it a leadership laboratory," she says. "You get the chance to learn, experiment and grow your own leadership style in a relatively safe environment with your friends. You really get to know yourself, too."

McGuire applied those lessons well. Upon her graduation in 1979, she had a gold bar pinned on her shoulder and became a second lieutenant in the Army's military police. After 33 years of service, McGuire had risen to become the first woman Provost Marshal General of the Army – the chief of military police.

"It's the pinnacle of your career," she says. "You can't aspire to something like that, because it's just truly unbelievable."

She credits her success in part to UM's ROTC program, which gave her a civilian college experience with training that prepared her for a military career. And even though a lot has changed in the 40 years since she was a cadet, McGuire says she would do it all over again if she could.

"I admire the heck out of kids who are joining the military and ROTC now," she says. "We weren't facing then what we are now. It's a different world. We really need well-balanced human beings as leaders, and I think ROTC does that."

adet Jane Summers wasn't feeling very balanced last spring when she found herself alone in the woods with a map and a compass, in the middle of the night. In fact, she was feeling hopelessly lost.

Summers, an athletic student from Arroyo Grande, California, had just joined ROTC as a sophomore and was making her first solo attempt at land navigation in Lubrecht Experimental Forest outside Missoula. Navigation didn't come easy for her, but she had prepared for this exercise. She was in uniform, with a load-bearing vest, a backpack and a red-tinted headlamp. All the cadets had been given different coordinates to locate a small red box tied to a tree branch with a code on it. Summers had plotted her coordinates, measured the degrees on

her compass, charted the distance and planned her route. But now, she couldn't make heads or tails of the map. The trees gave up no secrets. Hours passed, and she didn't see a single other cadet.

"The forest was dense and dark,"
Summers remembers. "I was imagining the wildlife. I was definitely very frightened. I hit rock bottom."

So she took a few deep breaths. She told herself she could do this. And she tried to figure out where she was. She

found a dirt road that she couldn't locate on the map. She followed it to an intersection and eventually returned to her starting point. She tried again and found her red box.

Summers is a junior now, majoring in exercise science. She's also in a sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta. The cadre stresses that cadets should prioritize academics over ROTC, but Summers seems to excel at both. When she's not studying for a statistics test or writing a paper for biomechanics, Summers is learning how to treat a collapsed lung on the battlefield. (Insert a large-bore needle above the third rib to decompress the plural sac.) On Wednesday afternoons, she practices small-unit maneuvers in Pattee Canyon, sometimes in knee-deep snow, with all her gear and a rubber duck rifle. She also finds time to practice swimming 100 meters in her uniform and honing her accuracy with an M-9 pistol.

She has a busy summer ahead of her, too. She'll attend Advance Camp in Fort Knox, Kentucky, a national gathering of ROTC cadets that tests the skills they've learned and ranks their performance. After that she'll go to Indonesia for a cultural training with that country's navy.

Summers doesn't know how her career in the military will pan out. But she's happy with the path of personal growth she's charted with ROTC. And she's come a long way from that night she was lost in the woods.

"I'm so much more confident with land navigation now," she says. "I also understand that whatever you're working through, if you take deep breaths and apply what you know, if you understand your fears but don't let them take over, then there really aren't many things you can't accomplish." Is



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BLACKFEET SCHOLAR AT UM A RISING STAR IN ETHNOBOTANY

BY ERIKA FREDRICKSON
PHOTOS BY TODD GOODRICH

hen Rosalyn LaPier was a girl living on the Blackfeet Reservation in Browning, her family would travel to Great Falls to do their grocery shopping. Their route always took them through backcountry roads. And for LaPier, that meant sitting through a meandering drive as her grandmother told stories about the landscape along the way.

"Growing up, you get tired of those stories," LaPier says, laughing. "How many times can you drive to Great Falls and hear the same stories over and over again? Of course, now it's rote; I do that now with my children."

LaPier later learned that her grandmother's storytelling process wasn't just idle conversation. It was a means by which vital knowledge – including indigenous science – was passed down to subsequent generations. Those stories were, and still are, inextricably linked to Blackfeet religious beliefs about the natural landscape.

"There are a lot of stories about where plants came from," LaPier says. "Those stories show how you use them and how they're connected to the supernatural realm. Stories are one method of memory."

Now an award-winning indigenous writer, ethnobotanist and associate professor in UM's Environmental Studies program, LaPier teaches about "the intersection of traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) learned from elders and the academic study of environmental and religious history."

TEK was first defined by Manitoba-based professor Fikret Berkes in his 1999 book "Sacred Ecology" as involving three tenets: knowledge (information passed down through generations), practice (how people use that knowledge to support their livelihood) and belief (the religious or worldview of a culture through which they understand knowledge and practice).

"The difference between indigenous science and what I would consider western science is that added component of religious belief," LaPier says, "and how that does inform a view of the natural world."

LaPier learned about science from her great aunts and her grandmother, Annie Mad Plume-Wall, a Blackfeet scientist and doctor. Mad Plume-Wall had in-depth knowledge of plants, including lichen and fungi. She understood weather patterns. And she had learned this knowledge from her grandmother and great grandmother.

LaPier talks about how her grandmother taught her how to "hold soil in her hand and breath in deeply to gauge how much tannin was in the roots of a medicinal plant." As she grew older, Mad Plume-Wall encouraged LaPier to write down the stories and knowledge she had taught her about medicinal plant use. Her grandmother knew that with future generations, Blackfeet knowledge and the voices of indigenous science would be passed down through the written word, and in English.

LaPier has taken her grandmother's directive to serious lengths. An enrolled member of the Blackfeet Tribe of Montana and Métis, her written work, academic teaching and activism provide

a dimension to the national science community that has long been ignored. She has worked to elevate an essential viewpoint in a country that often dismisses ideas outside western research and practice. And in the past couple years, she's gotten a lot of recognition for that.

aPier is the first and only enrolled Blackfeet tribal member with a tenure-track position at UM, and in early February it was announced that she had received the George M. Dennison Presidential Faculty Award for Distinguished Accomplishment. She is only Native American to receive the award. As chair of the national board for the March for Science, she's also a driving force in the national conversation about science and activism.

LaPier considers the academy her second career. Before coming to UM six years ago, she spent 10 years teaching at a communitybased tribal college Native American Educational Services College and 15 years at the Piegan Institute, a nonprofit chartered in 1987 to research and preserve Native American languages. It was the elders in her community who encouraged LaPier to go back to school and get her Ph.D., and she came to UM to study environmental history. Since starting work as a professor at UM in 2012, she's continued to build on the projects she was working on in the nonprofit world.

Her writing has appeared in The Washington Post, High Country News, Newsweek and Indianz. com, among others, and her first book "City Indian: Native American Activism in Chicago, 1893-1934," written with UM Professor of Native American Studies David R.M. Beck, won the 2016 Robert G. Athearn Book Award for best book on the history of the 20th century American West.

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In "City Indian," LaPier and Beck explore what kind of Native activism existed during the time period when conservationists and preservationists were reforming policy. Last year, LaPier published "Invisible Reality: Storytellers, Storytakers and the Supernatural World of the Blackfeet," a book that closely examines the third tenet of TEK: religious beliefs. It's composed of family vignettes and history, with an emphasis on how Blackfeet supernatural beliefs interact with the

culture's history and relationship to the natural world. Her overarching question for the book was, as Blackfeet moved onto their reservation and their landscape began to shrink, how did they adapt? And the answer she found helped bring into focus the ways in which belief systems are inextricably linked to environmental history.

"Based on a lot of interviews," she says, "the Blackfeet never thought of themselves as adapting to the natural world. They always thought that nature could adapt to them through their connection to the supernatural realm."

The book also provides key examples of how the supernatural cannot be separated from indigenous science. In one section, LaPier offers a few tales of Morning Star — a being of the Sky world — and

his Star Child. The stories in which the supernatural interacts with the human realm, play out in practical and scientific ways for Blackfeet culture. The Star Child becomes the North Star, by which the Blackfeet navigated the Great Plains, told time and calculated the seasons. The North Star's earthly counterpart, the prairie puff ball, provides medicine and tinder.

"It's a mnemonic device to share knowledge," LaPier says. "So if you're hearing that story over and over again, the knowledge of how you collect these plants is being passed down from generation to generation."

ut, then again, all science is filtered through some kind of worldview.
LaPier argues that western scientists working in the United States have a distinct American lens through which they view their work. This lens is not often acknowledged in the science field, and remains a blind spot when it comes to western science definitions of nature or approaches

to environmental conservation and restoration.

"That includes our own created, constructed mythologies about nature, including the belief in 'wilderness' as a separate place," she says. "As an empty place. A pristine place. It's what the fathers of conservation and preservation from 100-plus years ago would argue was wilderness. That's our American belief system. We still carry that today."

That concept is especially pronounced in the country's definition of national parks. They are often seen as places separate from humans when, in fact, national parks were created by driving humans out of them.

LaPier's current project focuses on purification practices in Blackfeet culture. She started that work before she came to UM, when she was at the Piegan Institute working with elders whose knowledge of plants used for smudging was vast. The elders were concerned that young Blackfeet members were only familiar with a few of the most

common plants: sweetgrass, sage and sweet pine. Through interviews with elders and natural history research, LaPier began compiling a list of all the plants used for purification such as the inner bark and sap of a Cottonwood tree.

In 2016, LaPier was awarded a fellowship at Harvard Divinity School as a visiting assistant professor of women's studies, environmental studies and Native American religion. She spent her time at the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology and in the stacks at Divinity school's huge library. She compiled a list of more than 30 plants used by Blackfeet, plus eight natural elements, including water, also used for purification practices. She studied the plants ecosystems and explored the concept of purification in terms of religion and gender.

"There were two sides to this project," LaPier says. "The science

side – understanding the botany and ecology, and a humanities side – understanding the religious meaning."

Her third book based on that research, "Plants That Purify: The Natural and Supernatural History of Smudging," will explore the worldview of the Blackfeet and what their ideas of purity are, and it will also compare those concepts to similar purity beliefs in other religions, such as Catholicism.

"Some are very elaborate, some are less elaborate. I was interested in a compare and contrast to what other religions thought about purity and purification and look at what the Blackfeet thought about those concepts."

n 2017, after the nationwide Women's March, LaPier got involved in a discussion on social media about how scientists needed a similar march. Within a few days a group had mobilized, and LaPier joined a nine-person steering committee to set the idea in motion.

The March for Science is described as "a global community of science supporters for nonpartisan advocacy in service of equitable and effective science and science policy."

LaPier, who also has an undergraduate degree in physics, got involved because of the presidential election and what she saw as an assault on science, especially in how it impacted tribal communities – Standing Rock being a prime example.

"Second," she says, "I wanted to make sure that indigenous voices would be heard."

Before the March for Science, LaPier and three other Native American scientists and scholars created an "Indigenous Science" declaration that states: "Let us remember that long before western science came to these shores, there were scientists here. Western science is a powerful approach, but it is not the only one."

Jenny Kurzweil, the director of communication and marketing for the Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) says the declaration is essential to the future of science.

"It was a really powerful and extremely important way of bringing indigenous scientists and indigenous ways of knowing into the forefront of a major national conversation on science," Kurzweil says. "It was done in a way that hadn't been done before."

On Earth Day in 2017, an estimated 100,000 people, including LaPier, gathered in Washington, D.C., for the March for Science, while more than a million in 600 cities and towns worldwide held satellite events. In the following months, the March for Science has organized into a nonprofit and started a new initiative called Vote for Science, which aims to keep science central to policy making.

"You want to be sure that when policy decisions are being made that people are using actual evidence-based science to make the decisions," LaPier says. "If science is not in the room when these decisions are being made, we as the American public will suffer the

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aPier's academic work and activism caught the eye of several leaders and organizations. In October 2017, she was invited to give the keynote speech at the SACNAS National Diversity in STEM conference in Salt Lake City. In her speech, she talked about what the role of scientists and scholars would be in the creation of policy, including "what voices would be heard and what voices would be silenced."

LaPier reminded the audience that Native Americans did not become citizens until 1924, and they were not given rights to religion and language until 1978 and 1990, respectively.

"I think unfortunately in the U.S. today we tend to believe that citizenship and

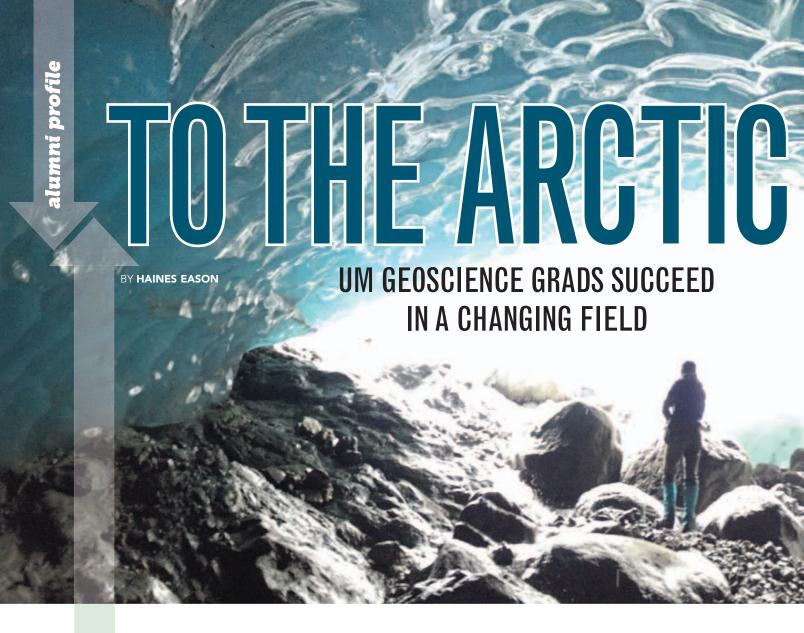
speaking English provide individuals their only voice and their only reason to be heard. I don't think that's true," she said. Quoting from the Indigenous Science Declaration she added, "Science as concept and process is translatable into over 500 indigenous languages in the U.S. and thousands worldwide. Indigenous science provides a wealth of knowledge and a powerful alternative paradigm by which we understand the natural world and our relation to it."

LaPier is part of a movement that is impacting science and the humanities, in both the academic and activist realms. Importantly, it's empowering groups of people who have long been excluded from the table, to be able to speak their truth – and in that sense, carry on the hard-earned knowledge and practice passed down through generations.

"Use your voice to stand up for science, which I believe is under threat," she told the audience in Salt Lake City. "But also use your voice to stand up for our grandmothers. For those who are not born as U.S. citizens, for those who don't want to speak English, for those who are doctors but without a degree, we need to let their voices be heard." MI



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Lee-Gray Boze, at 5 foot 10 and wiry in frame, might not be who you think of when you think of a caver — or an arctic explorer for that matter. Always wide-eyed and grinning, sporting a coarse red beard, perhaps it's Boze's trim appearance and boyishness exuberance that belie his adventurous nature. Take him at face value and you'd never suspect he's perpetually scrambling down into caverns or picking his way across shifting mountainsides of scree.

He's unassuming, so when he asks if you want to go on an adventure, you think, "Sure, why not? What trouble could I really get into with this guy?" Well, soon after I first met him, I found myself hanging from a 50-foot rope, inching my way down into a cavern in the heart of a Wyoming plateau perforated by a network of holes large and small and collectively known as Horse Thief Cave.

The trip, and Lee-Gray's infectious passion for Horse Thief Cave, was proof positive that I had made the right decision to attend the University of Montana. I'd come for writing; Boze landed in the Department of Geosciences.

Boze knows Horse Thief Cave, and many other caves in that region, backward and forward, headlamp on or off. On that first trip, he led me and other greenhorns to an exposed wall in a vast cavern from which a shoulder of fossilized brain coral jutted, cadaverous and otherworldly. We passed from pitch darkness through chambers spotlighted by small holes in the roof above us. The illuminated portions of cave floor were cluttered with jackrabbit bones – remnants of desperate, dodging, ill-footed flight from coyotes or hawks. We switched off our lamps and listened as our heartbeats filled our ears, watched as our minds spun northern-lights-like displays in the blackness that engulfed us. And then, when we'd had enough, we ascended that 50-foot rope back up to the blazing daylight.



So what does someone like Boze do for a living? Everything described above, as well as map caves, plumb the sea floor for greenhouse gases, conduct earthquake experiments ... all with only an undergraduate geosciences degree from UM. After he graduated in December 2007, Boze took a job with Sunburst Consulting, performing geologic analysis, mud logging and geosteering (aiming drills) in the Bakken Shale. It was tough, solitary work, and there were serious drawbacks. But there were perks, too.

"I learned a lot at Sunburst, often through a trial by fire," Boze says. "They put you to work on the very first day and expect you to learn as you go. But the pay was good: I was able to pay off my student loans way ahead of schedule.

"However, I was frustrated by people's general disconnection to their job. Many were just there for the paycheck, and I came to the conclusion that my primary motivation comes from the passion for why we do things as much as what we are doing. I realized I was much happier working in public service and felt that I could contribute to broader understanding the natural world."

Boze's geologic analysis work led him to Jewel Cave National Monument, where he had interned as a college student. There he led mapping expeditions and conducted research on the geology and hydrology of the cave. He then transitioned to Menlo Park, California, where he worked in the United States Geological Survey's Earthquake Science Center as a geophysicist. After Menlo Park it was Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Falmouth, Massachusetts, where he has worked since 2015. Cue the Arctic explorer bit.

Boze and a handful of his Woods Hole colleagues now are researching gas hydrates, sometimes called methane clathrate, a substance believed to be commonly trapped deep on the ocean's floor. Some see gas hydrates as a rich new fuel source, while others foresee a doomsday greenhouse gas set for release as the planet warms. To study this particular fossil fuel, Boze and his colleagues travel to some hard-to-reach places. Examples include coastal shelves accessed only by large research vessels in the open ocean and places like Svalbard, Norway, a cluster of islands situated about 500 miles south of the Arctic Circle.

In today's job market saturated with degree-laden candidates, Boze, with his B.S. in geosciences, might not seem to stand out. But he insists his degree has given him more-than-solid footing, and he credits more than just his college coursework with his success. Specifically, he credits UM geosciences department faculty and their willingness to connect with their students.

"Marc Hendrix I liked because he impressed me," Boze says. "After the first day, I realized he had memorized everyone's name, including

mine, which is weird and different. I definitely annoyed him a lot with my all-over-the-place attitude, but he had the patience to sit down with me, help me to focus and follow through."

## Hendrix laughs fondly when Boze is mentioned to him.

"I still have pictures and postcards on my office wall from Lee-Gray," he says, following up by asking how Boze is doing out in Massachusetts and how his wife is faring. Boze and his wife, Brandi, were married in 2014. You can hear a touch of wistfulness in Hendrix's voice when he learns Lee-Gray has a daughter, Adeline, who is going on a year now.

Hendrix's interest in his students' well-being is genuine. And his sincere concern for his students has translated into concrete careers for many of them. In 2011, Hendrix and UM colleague Michael Hofmann

received a phone call that resulted in a business venture that has produced tremendous personal and professional opportunities for them, as well as eight UM geosciences graduates. The call was from a large oil firm that had a substantial backlog of core samples in need of analysis. It wasn't long after that Hendrix and Hofmann launched AIM GeoAnalytics in Missoula. The company has grown steadily since.

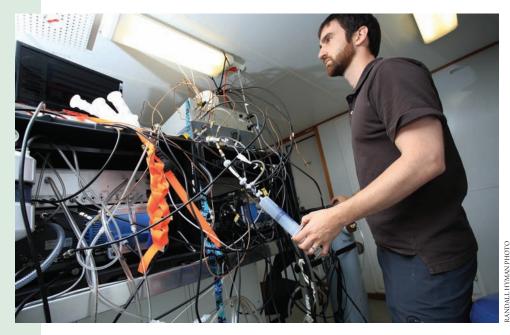
"We're trying to grow organically," Hofmann says. "The last couple of years we've been adding more senior staff – people who have a lot of experience. We've started some employees as interns at first. It gives us a chance to know them and them a chance to know us."

To date, AIM has provided internships to several UM students, expanding the company's impact locally. The company is a hybrid endeavor. It is not a business-first undertaking but instead a privatepublic partnership with the University. That model allows Hendrix and Hofmann the flexibility to ensure the business provides opportunities for UM students and the research and exploration work that might not happen at an organization where profits come first.

"There are a lot of crossovers between what we do here at AIM and what we do for the University and with the University in terms of educating students," Hendrix says. "That's one of the reasons we were really enthusiastic to get this venture started. The University has a number of different revenue streams that include government sources and grants and contracts, but one of the things that has over the years been maybe underutilized is the idea of liaising businesses with the University to educate students in real-world, applied situations."

## Even if UM could be doing more liaising with the

businesses world, something must be working. Talk to UM geosciences chairman Jim Staub about how the program's graduates fare in the real world, and you'll learn that 75 percent of undergraduates find



Since 2015, Boze has worked at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Massachusetts, where research has taken him to the Arctic to study gas hydrates.

employment after graduation. For graduate students, that number jumps to 95 percent.

"There are two things going on," Staub says. "The demand for geologists and geoscientists is expanding, and all us baby boomers are getting ready to retire or are retiring," Staub says. "So, there's a natural expansion and need for geoscientists. For at least the next 10 to 15 years, again because of the baby boomers, that need will only be exacerbated."

Staub is a deliberate, no-nonsense man whose career has encompassed both the professional and the professorial. He grew up on a Pennsylvania dairy farm not far from the site of the nation's first oil well, the Drake. He knew early on that dairy work was not for him and geology was, and in 1977 he took employment as a mine and exploration geologist and chief engineer with Cannelton Industries, a coal-sector company. Cannelton provided the coal needed for the manufacture of steel.

A lot has changed since the late '70s, and Staub asserts the role of geologists and geoscientists, and the training that UM provides, has kept pace. He has seen a significant expansion in the opportunities available

to geologists and geoscientists, chiefly in the environmental sector.

"However the environmental problem got there or whatever the societal need is, a geologist can help," he says. "Let's say you're a rancher, and you need more groundwater. Is there a way, through applying basic ideas of geology and geoscience, to resolve the problem you have?

"At the end of the day, what we do as a profession is simply try to solve the needs of society."

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## Sometimes problem-solving might translate to cleaning

up a site that has run its course, such as an exhausted mine site or an abandoned landfill. Tetra Tech, a Pasadena, California-based global consulting and engineering firm, has operated a Missoula office since 1997, and employs nine UM geoscience graduates; five in the environmental group (managed by Jerry Armstrong '85) and four in the geotechnical and construction materials testing group (managed by Brian Crail '16 and Chuck Goodman '15).

Geotechnical engineer Marco Fellin echoes Staub's sentiments: There is growth potential in the environmental and materials science fields. "There's a lot of opportunity within Tetra Tech for that," Fellin says. Geoscience graduates are working in such diverse areas as minerelated cleanup, groundwater modeling, groundwater monitoring and cleanup, environmental site assessments, environmental permitting, environmental soil sampling and testing, and construction and geotechnical materials testing and inspection."

"Tetra Tech works for a diverse group of clients in Montana and throughout the world, and there's a wide variety of work available,"

institutions must provide more trained graduates who are ready to work.

"We're right now in higher education at a point where things are changing," Hendrix says. "A lot of universities are struggling financially, enrollments are down, and of course everyone is looking at the cost and the revenue."

"Again, I'm a biased, applied scientist, but I think that students who are exposed to the applied world through university and business partnerships and competitive internships, for example, can gain valuable real-world perspectives that they wouldn't otherwise have. The sense I get from being in the classroom is that students really want to know what goes on in the 'real' applied world and the skills they need to succeed there.

"In many ways the game is changing, such that those skills are evolving. There's a lot more emphasis on integration of problem solving as opposed to rote memorization of facts. What I'm trying to say is, I think that one of the ways that universities can actually grow

and provide more opportunities for students while bettering society in the process is through stronger ties with businesses."



Tetra Tech of Missoula, part of a global consulting and engineering firm, brims with UM geoscience graduates. Pictured left to right are Darik Coppedge '16; Conor Sheehy '17; Will Wagner '15; Brian Crail '15; Natalie Morrow '95, M.S. '02; Chuck Goodman '14; and Jerry Armstrong '88. Bill Craig MS 94' is not pictured.

Fellin says. "We work for private industry, local contractors, federal government agencies and the Montana Department of Transportation.

Recent geoscience-related work has included on-site soil sampling and testing following the California fires, oversight during sinkhole mitigation in Louisiana, setting up and operating the Missoula Geotechnical testing laboratory,

and oversight for load testing of ground anchors and materials testing for a UM building construction project.

## Ask all involved parties and they'll say the same thing:

There's both an increasing and diversifying demand for geoscience graduates. And, as demand grows and becomes more nuanced,

# When one asks Boze to reflect on his career, he

characteristically looks to the future instead of the past, and he expects, perhaps with as much excitement as ever, more changes ahead. Ask him where he would go if time and budgets were no barrier, and his reply is, without pause:

Mars. Then, after a longer pause, he admits that journey may be one for his baby girl.

Ask him about more terrestrial career pursuits, specifically about his old adviser Hendrix's take

on universities' need to expand private-public partnerships, and he concurs.

"I think that the study of geoscience is so dynamic, and the technology is changing so drastically so often, it's critical to remain competitive," Boze says. "Also, traditional natural resources are no longer as scarce as they used to be."

Boze agrees with Fellin and Staub, too.

"I believe the future of geoscience will be in preservation of alternative resources," he says. "I believe that open spaces and wilderness areas – both the preservation and restoration of them – will provide more sustained economic opportunity for Montana and the country than mining or extraction.

"And I hope I – and others like me from UM – will be there to help." MI



Haines Eason graduated from UM in 2006 and works as a communication professional with the University of Kansas. He and his wife, Joni, are expecting their first child in August. Read more of his writings at haineseason.com.

## **RAISING MONTANA**

# \$1 Million Gift to Jumpstart Health Care Initiative at UM

ontana has a looming health care crisis. According to UM economist Bryce Ward, the state will need about 16,000 new health care workers in the next decade as baby boomers retire from the health care workforce and need more medical care themselves.

Since launching its Health and Medicine initiative in 2016, the University of Montana has been at the center of efforts to solve this issue. Now, thanks to \$1 million in seed funding from the Madrona Hill Foundation, UM will expand its commitment to educate health care practitioners for communities across Montana.

The gift will provide investments in UM Health and Medicine (UMHM) over the next five years. Key initiatives include the creation new health care professional training programs and funding to attract and support students in the health professions.

"The Madrona Hill Foundation's investment will significantly improve health care outcomes for all Montanans," says Reed Humphrey, dean of the College of Health Professions and Biomedical Sciences and the head of UMHM.

"Everyone deserves access to high-quality care providers, and with private support UMHM is taking the lead in ensuring that happens."

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Medicine supports improved health outcomes for Montana's many residents through strategic partnerships and by educating practitioners to serve cities, towns and rural communities across the state. The UM campus now houses seven clinics, over 20 laboratories and some 55 degree paths in health and medicine studies – from two-year to doctorate programs.

With the Madrona Hill Foundation's seed funding, UMHM will facilitate the launch of an innovative occupational therapy training program in collaboration with Montana State University-Billings. The program was approved by the Montana University System Board of Regents in May 2017.



At a press event on March 22, Mark Burnham of the Madrona Hill Foundation helps announce a gift to boost UM Health and Medicine efforts. A feasibility study funded by Montana's Office of Public Instruction showed a desperate and growing need for occupational therapists in the state and identified creating a training program at UM as a key way to address the problem. Occupational therapy complements physical and speech therapy in returning individuals to full function and quality of life.

The funding also will create the Burnham Family Population Health Fellowship for doctoral students in public health, as well as the Burnham Family Practice in Montana Scholarship. Population health Fellows will focus on evidence-based solutions to reduce the economic and social burden of preventable illness in communities, while the scholarship will support

UM students in the health care field who plan to practice in rural and underserved areas of Montana and the region.

"With our gift, we hope to spur positive change in Montana's health care landscape and to inspire others to invest in the future of one of UM's most innovative and productive new programs," said Cheryl Burnham, president of the Madrona Hill Foundation.



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Top: Tim Hauck,

safeties coach with the

Philadelphia Eagles.

(right) celebrates the

win with his brother,

coach Bobby Hauck,

Griz football head

in Minneapolis.

Philadelphia Super Bowl

Above: Tim Hauck

## As a two-time All-American free safety for the Montana Grizzly football team, TIM HAUCK '89

garnered a reputation for ferocious tackles and violent pass disruptions. Nicknamed "The Hitter," Hauck went on to a 13-year NFL career, starring on defense and special teams.

He retired from playing in 2002 and started coaching, working in both the college and NFL ranks. Then this winter he added to his long list of greatest hits by earning a Super Bowl ring as safeties coach with the Philadelphia Eagles.

"It was an unbelievable moment when the clock struck 0:00 in Minneapolis," Hauck says. "I had lots of emotions, but I almost felt surprised. I thought, 'Dang, we just won the whole thing.'

"Obviously the last few months have been special, enjoying different celebrations of the victory," he says. "We have moved on at this point and need to find a way to repeat."

Winning the Super Bowl is the pinnacle for most football players, and Hauck narrowly missed that honor as a player. He left the Green Bay Packers a year before they won it, and the same thing happened with the Denver Broncos.

With the win, Hauck joined an elite group of UM alumni. Marty Mornhinweg earned a Super Bowl ring helping coach Brett Favre in Green Bay. Jimmy Farris earned one as a player with a New England Patriots squad, and Brock Coyle earned his ring playing with the Seattle Seahawks. Bob Beers received two rings as a scout for the Denver Broncos.

Hauck smiles when asked whether he'll make an extra effort to flash his new bling at family gatherings – especially around his older brother, Bobby, the Griz head coach.

"Bobby and I are both ultra-competitive, which is probably the reason we have success in our given professions," Hauck says. "But even though we have always competed, we're also each other's biggest supporter. I remember 10 minutes after the Super Bowl win, and we were down on the field together for the post-game ceremony, and I told him, 'I got mine, now go get yours [meaning a Griz national championship].'

"I will follow the Griz very closely," he says. "To tell you the truth, I think I get more excited for his games than my own. It's hard not having any control!"

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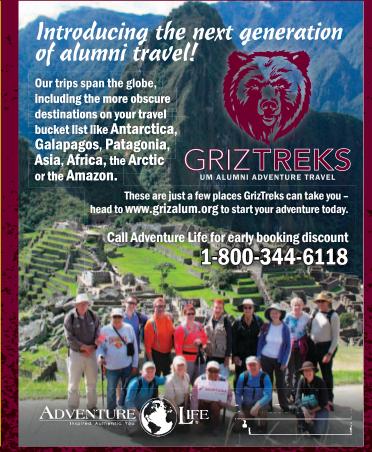
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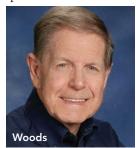
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#### 1950s

NEWT BUKER '51, M.Ed. '56, Victor, taught music in Victor, Rudyard and Sunburst in Montana. He earned his education doctorate from the University of Oregon in 1966. He raised his family in Olympia, Washington, where he retired after 25 years in Washington state government. He also organized a musical group, Wrinkles of Washington (or WOW), made up of retired folks in the Olympia area, to help support older citizens' programs. He later co-founded Entertainment Explosion, another musical senior troupe that in 12 years has raised over \$350,000 for homeless kids in local counties. He and his wife, Stick, have raised four kids and enjoy seven grandsons and the "princess."



RICHARD D. WOODS '56, Chicago, Ill., collaborated with the Valley County Museum in Glasgow to publish "World War I: Valley County, Montana." To create the book, he curated and organized news clippings that expressed common themes during the era, and he has published four additional books of a similar nature related to both Phillips and Valley counties. He's currently working on his next book, "Montanans Talk Rattlesnake."

1960s MARK LEWING '68, Stevensville, published "Lakota Lore: A Compendium of Thoughts and Knowledge of the Dakota Nation" in 2017. The books lays out the rich cultural heritage of the mighty Sioux Nation, the only Native American fighting force significant enough to back down the United States of America.



A forestry graduate who retired from the Montana Department of Natural Resources in 2003, Lewing wrote "Lakota Lore" for his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, most of whom have Lakota heritage. Two of his granddaughters have already earned top grades for their "Lakota Lore"based book reports. POUL NIELSEN (he's second from left) '68, Medicine Hat, Alta., is a retired visual communications professor at Medicine Hat College. He competed for Canada in the luge at the 1972 Winter Olympics in Sapporo, Japan, an experience he recounted to the Medicine Hat News in February. Nielsen was introduced to the sport while a student at UM in the late 1960s.





#### SIGS AT SEELEY

When **PAT SCHRUTH** '72, Seeley Lake, was faced with massive snow accumulation and water damage at his house, the Sigma Chi asked for help from his current fraternity brothers at UM. Six actives showed up to help shovel and get the job done. Pictured are, left to right, Dan Olmstead, Alan Logsdon, Zac Kremer, TJ Sundquist, Daniel Cupparo, Tanner Boston and Schruth.

#### **1970**s

#### ZANDER BLEWETT J.D.

'71, Great Falls, was named to the 2018 Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America list, ranking him among the best personal injury lawyers in the country. He was the only Montana attorney named to the list, which is compiled by the legal media company based on research, editorials, submissions and nominations. Blewett has handled nearly 100 jury trials, securing some of the largest injury verdicts and settlements in Montana history. UM's Alexander Blewett III School of Law bears his name thanks to a \$10 million donation made



in 2015 – funds from which also support one of the only consumer law programs in the nation. **ROB HOLSTON** '73, Ketchikan, Alaska, is the founder of Lighthouse, Totems & Eagles Excursions, which he started in 2001 after a

Zander Blewett was named to the 2018 Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America. **J.D.'71** 

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long career as a music teacher in the Ketchikan Public Schools. He and his wife, Pamela, operate two passenger vessels that take about 16,000 guests each season on tours along Alaska's Inside Passage. The company contracts with several large cruise companies, and Rob has been chosen as a "Tour Guide of the Year" by

Princess Cruise Lines for 10 years running. In his spare time, he plays lead trombone in the Windjammers Jazz Band and also performs as a solo act, Obvious Jazz.

BOB TUMAN '74, Kalispell, retired last fall after serving 18 years as the recreation supervisor for Flathead County Parks and Recreation.



The Harrison Ski Group, which includes many UM alumni and supporters, spent a week skiing in Zermatt, Switzerland, in February. Pictured (seated) are LINDA A. WINSLOW '73, Seattle, Wash.; Bill Caras, Missoula; Twila Wolfe, Missoula; KELLY FLAHERTY SETTLE '80, Helena; MARCIA DAVENPORT J.D. '89, Helena; and **NANCY WINSLOW** '81, Missoula. Standing are, left to right, JOHN ALKE '73, J.D. '76, Helena; MARK TEYNOR '14, Stevensville; Rochael Teynor, Stevensville; FRANK R. "RANDY" HARRISON '75, J.D. '83, Missoula; Jan Dietrich, Billings; DAVID DIETRICH J.D. '84, Billings; RICHARD CROSBY '68, Helena; CRAIG CHARLTON J.D. '01, Helena; MOLLY HARRISON HOWARD '72, Missoula; PAT MAHER '77, Cave Creek, Ariz.; Mary Kincaid, Missoula; ANNE GARRETSON '87, Missoula; CHASE HARRISON '12, Missoula; GREGORY LOVELLETTE '80, Missoula; BECKY **SMITH POWELL** '76, Whitefish; **JEFF GRAY** '79, Great Falls; CAROLYN GRAY MATTINGLY '12, Great Falls; JAMES CHARLTON '75, Helena; SUSAN KIRIAKOS LEWIS '83, Whitefish; DONALD LEWIS '81, Whitefish; GARY CHUMRAU J.D. '77, Missoula; DANA CHRISTENSEN J.D. '76, Missoula; **GEORGE OLSEN** '64, Missoula; **SHARON** PALMER '72, Missoula; THOMAS STOCKBURGER '74, Missoula; and JEFF GORDON '81, Missoula.

DAN CEDERBERG '75, J.D. '79, Missoula, was named the 2018 Downtowner of the Year by the Missoula Downtown Association. An MDA board member for 31 years, Cederberg's contributions have helped transform the downtown into an area booming with unprecedented development and economic activity. He now is retired from the board, and the award will be renamed the Dan Cederberg Downtowner of the Year Award in his honor.

HENRY DURAY '76,

Devil's Lake, N.D., retired in September after a 42-year career with the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department, most recently as the manager of Grahams Island State Park. He told the Dickinson Press that he estimates he served more than 4 million park visitors and was on the job for thousands of nights of camping during his career. JOHN FRALEY '76, Kalispell, retired last year after 40 years of working in Montana conservation and management, most recently as the regional education and outreach specialist for Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks. CHRIS ZARBA '78, Annapolis, Md., retired in January after nearly 40 years with the federal **Environmental Protection** Agency, most recently as the director of its Science Advisory Board. He also served in leadership roles for the agency's National Center for Environmental Research, Office of Research and Development, and the Health and Ecological Criteria Division, Office of Water.

**KEVIN ELLIOTT** '79, Goleta,

Calif., is the supervisor

of Los Padres National



Forest in southern California. Before starting at Los Padres in January, he served as supervisor at Sequoia National Forest in Porterville, Calif., for seven years. During his 37-year career with the agency, he worked in national forests in Utah, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Wyoming, Idaho and Montana. He also worked out of the agency's Washington, D.C., headquarters.

**1980s KEN BARNHART** '83,
Sidney, joined Sidney
Sugars as factory
controller last summer.
As factory controller, he
supervises the local factory

accounting, auditing and strategic planning functions to maximize returns, which includes analytical review and forecasting to provide pertinent financial management reporting and support at all locations.



**SALLY STANBERRY** '84, Missoula, retired last year as Youth Homes director of operations after more than three decades with the agency.

CARIN SULLIVAN '88, Butte, received the E.B. Craney Award in the Radio Station Promotion category for "United Blood & KMBR Christmas Promotion." Through the Montana Broadcasters Association and the Greater Montana

Carin Sullivan received the E.B. Craney Award in the Radio Station Promotion caegory. '88



**KEVIN MAZZUCOLA** '85, Collegeville, Pa., is the executive director of the Philadelphia Auto Show, an annual nine-day event that drew about 250,000 people the Pennsylvania Convention Center in January. The show's associated charitable arm, the Auto Dealers CARing For Kids Foundation, donates millions of dollars to local charities and programs each year.

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Foundation, the award recognizes excellence in all aspects of electronic media. Sullivan, a production director, program director, producer and host of a midday show on KMBR FM, also was recently promoted to operations manager of Cherry Creek Media in Butte.

#### 1990s CRISTOBAL "CRIS" VALDEZ

'90, Decatur, Ill., is the president of Richland Community College in central Illinois.



#### STEFANI GRAY HICSWA

'91, Powell, Wyo., wrote a chapter on work/life integration for "Generation X Presidents Leading Community Colleges: New Challenges, New Leaders," which is available on Amazon. Hicswa earned her doctorate from the University of Texas at Austin in 2003 and served as president of Miles Community College in Miles City for seven years before being named president of Northwest College in Wyoming in 2013.



CARL PERINO M.S. '96, Point Pleasant, New Jersey, is an educator who recently gave a TED talk on

education and standardized testing. The talk, "Children Are Not Standardized," is online at http://bit. ly/2HrrFaL.

LAURA PLUID '92, Fortine, is in her 26th year with the tiny Fortine School District, where she currently serves as principal while also teaching eighth-grade math, first-semester music and overseeing the school's greenhouse operation. DOUG KUNTZ '95, Great Falls, is a personal financial adviser at Waddell & Reed. He develops customized financial plans, recommends investment strategies and counsels clients throughout Great Falls and the surrounding area. He has been a financial adviser for eight



years and has 25 years of

experience in sales.

STEVEN MIETZ M.S. '94, Crescent City, Calif., is the superintendent of Redwood National and State Parks in California. He has more than 18 years with the federal government, including time with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Geological Survey. He joined the National Park Service in 2003. COLBY TANNER '97, Dallas, Penn., is an assistant professor of biology at Misericordia University. ADAM THYGESON '97, Oregon City, Ore., was named the 2017 Oregon Coach of the Year by the

U.S. Track and Field and

Cross Country Coaches

#### LETTER FROM THE ALUMNI DIRECTOR

t's finally springtime at your University of Montana. As I write this, Mount Sentinel is wearing one of those low-cloud beanies, and I'm not quite sure if it is snowing or raining under there.

As alumni, you'll remember this season on campus – playing intramural softball in a snowstorm or not knowing what to wear for the day because the mornings are in the 30s and the afternoons are



in the 70s. Springtime in Montana is always an adventure waiting to happen.
I love spring for all the renewal and new life it brings to our beloved
Montana. The trees are budding, the flowers are poking out of the

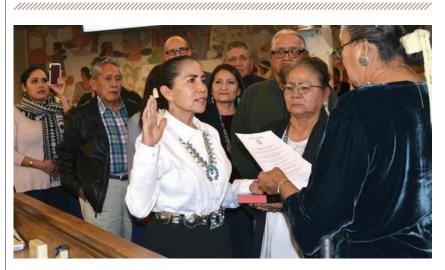
Montana. The trees are budding, the flowers are poking out of the ground, the ice is melting and the rivers are flowing. The birds are back (montanaospreycam.com), the days are longer, the outdoor decks in downtown Missoula are lively, the hikers to the M are plentiful, and the Oval is filled with slack-liners, Frisbee throwers, sunbathers and guitar strummers.

And the grizzlies are emerging from a long, bleak, cold, dark winter's hibernation. They are leaner, yet strong as they ever were; hungry, yet taking care to find the right food that will make them ready for the new season; determined, but mindful of their important role in the ecosystem or caring for their cubs.

UM is looking at its own spring figuratively and literally. We are emerging from a long, frigid winter that has been full of challenges, but we have a new gardening team paying close attention to our roots. We are planting seeds, nourishing our budding programs and renewing all aspects of what has made us great for 125 years. Like any spring season, we will face the occasional storm, but we will emerge from this den with greater determination and a deeper hunger to reshape ourselves for a new future. Your support, advice and encouragement is at the root of it all.

Sincerely,

Jed Liston '82, '00
ALUMNI RELATIONS DIRECTOR
UM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT AND CEO



**JOANN B. JAYNE** J.D. '93, Farmington, N.M., was confirmed as chief justice of the Navajo Nation Supreme Court in January, and she is now the third woman ever to serve as the tribe's chief justice. Previously, she owned a law office for 17 years in Arlee, and she served in the Montana House of Representatives from 2001 to 2008.



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2 Griz Gradfest

9-17 Griz Treks: Riviera Rhapsody

10-12 Montana Treasures: 50th Class Reunion

14-24 Griz Treks: Gems of the Danube

23 Griz on Tap, Missoula

JUNE

17-28 Griz Treks: Gaelic Exploration

Griz on Tap, Missoula

**16-24** Griz Treks: Breathtaking Bordeaux

19 Annual gathering at Flathead Lake

**SEPTEMBER** 

**30-OCT. 6** Homecoming Week

**OCTOBER** 

2 Hello Walk

House of Delegate Meeting

5 Distinguished Alumni Awards, Yell Night Pep Rally, All-Alumni Social

6 Homecoming Parade, All-Alumni Tailgate, Montana vs. Portland State

13-24 Griz Treks: Glorious Greece

**NOVEMBER** 

17 118th Brawl of the Wild, Missoula; Griz/Cat watch parties, nationwide

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Association. He has coached the Oregon City High School boys track and field team since 2004, and last spring the team won the 6A state title for the first time in school history.



#### **2000s**

Global law firm Morrison & Foerster elected MEGAN JENNINGS '01. San Francisco, Calif., to the firm's partnership in January. Her practice focuses on land use



and environmental permitting, transactional matters and compliance. Jennings counsels project developers throughout the California Environmental Ouality Act review and land-use entitlement process, and she has particular experience advising on complex development issues for renewable energy projects, hospitals, corporate campuses and multifamily/ mixed-use facilities. Jennings also counsels clients on compliance with state and federal environmental regulations, including water quality, endangered species and climate change-related laws, and on environmental and land-use aspects of real estate, financing and corporate transactions. LIAM BURKE '02, Trumbull, Conn., is an attorney at Carmody, Torrance, Sandak & Hennessey LLP in Stamford, Conn., who specializes in complex civil and commercial litigation. He recently joined the board of the Tiny Miracles Foundation, an





IVARS DRULLE M.F.A. '03, Riga, Latvia, was part of an artistic duo that won the "Most Artistic Coin of the Year" award at the 2018 World Cash Show in Berlin, Germany. The coin, a Latvian euro issued through the Bank of Latvia, pays homage to the work of Latvian entrepreneurs, as well as the country's strengthening economic independence and national self-confidence.

Laurie Dickinson Lee is the co-founder and CEO of Swift Visa and Passport Services. '02

organization that provides emotional support, practical assistance, supplies and information to families of infants born prematurely.

#### LAURIE DICKINSON LEE

'02, Chicago, Ill., is the a co-founder and CEO of Swift Visa and Passport Services, which specializes in expediting U.S. passports and travel visas. With a network of partnerships nationwide, Swift serves clients in all 50 states, helping companies, travel groups and individuals obtain U.S. passports and international visas in as little as one business day. As CEO. Laurie heads client acquisition and oversees



corporate accounts. She also is a Huffington Post Blog contributor and a graduate of the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program, Chicago's Cohort 14. **HEATHER HODGSKISS** '03, '06, Choteau, relocated her physical therapy practice, Pivot Physical Therapy, to the historic Hirschberg building in Choteau last fall. With 11 years of experience as a physical therapist and four years as a physical therapist assistant, she has provided services to people of all ages, from children to senior citizens..

BENJAMIN KENNEDY J.D. '04, Reno, Nev., was named a member attorney of Dickinson Wright PLLC.

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His practice is focused on real estate finance, joint ventures, acquisition, disposition, complex title matters, development, leasing and sales.



KYLE DENTON '05, Vail, Colo., was named the 2017 Realtor of the Year by the Vail Board of Realtors. Denton, a broker associate for Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Colorado Properties, also was the recipient of the 2016 Chairman Circle Diamond



Award, given to Berkshire Hathaway brokers whose sales volume is in the top one half of 1 percent nationwide.

WINSTON MAROSEK J.D. '05, Greenville, S.C., was promoted from associate to counsel by the partners of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP. Marosek joined the firm in 2011 and practices family law.



CHRISTINA WEGNER '05, Cedarburg, Wisc., is vice president of marketing for The Vollrath Company. She is responsible for the development and execution of marketing communications and branding strategies across the company's domestic and international businesses.

KAYLA GAHAGAN '06, Rapid City, S.D., is a

n has worked for

Kayla Gahagan has worked for newspapers all over the country as a freelance journalist. '06



JONATHAN FUSARO '07, Bishop, Calif., pictured left, studies the population and management of black bears as a bear biologist for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.



TOM FIGARELLE '06, Great Falls, is the executive director of the C.M. Russell Museum. A Great Falls native with a background in education, Figarelle also has been an officer in the Montana Army National Guard for more than a dozen years. As executive director, he aims to foster the connection that native Montanans feel when they look at a piece of Russell's iconic art. "Russell is recognized as perhaps like the patron saint of Montana in many respects," he told the Great Falls Tribune. "A Great Falls native has an opportunity to add some further life and energy to how the community should perceive the treasure that we have in The Russell."

freelance journalist who has worked for newspapers all over the country. Her work has appeared in Reuters, Al Jazeera America, the Denver Post, Midwest Living, The New York Times and YES! Magazine.

RYAN COLEMAN '07, J.D., M.B.A. '11, Chicago, Ill., negotiates commercial cloud transactions for Google's Platform as a Service (PaaS) business. He is based in Google's Chicago office.

ANTHONY MCCORMICK

'07, J.D. '10, Seattle, Wash., was promoted to counsel at the Perkins Coie law firm, where he's part of the trust and estate planning practice. He counsels his clients in both the tax and non-tax aspects of estate planning, with a specific focus on estate planning strategies to efficiently minimize taxes through the creation of wills, trusts, business entities and

charitable organizations and the use of gifts, sales and other wealth-transfer strategies.



SEAN GIBBONS '08, Seattle, Wash., in June will join the faculty at the Institute for Systems Biology, which is affiliated with the University of Washington, as an assistant professor and the Washington Research Foundation Distinguished Investigator. His lab will study the ecology and evolution of the human gut microbiome.



STUART MAYES '08, Middlebury, Ind., is the regional sales manager for ARBOC Specialty Vehicles, where he is responsible for servicing existing accounts and establishing new customers throughout the U.S. and Canada.

ANGELA MONROE

'08, Wichita, Kan., is an anchor /reporter for CBS affiliate KWCH in Wichita. She joined the station after working for an NBC affiliate in Palm Desert, Calif.

CATHERINE VENABLE
MOORE M.F.A. '08,
Fayetteville, W.Va.,
is a writer and radio
producer whose current
projects include works

of narrative nonfiction set in Appalachia. She has co-founded several public history projects in her home state of West Virginia, including the Paint Creek Audio History Project, Cedar Grove documentary project and the West Virginia Mine Wars Museum. The Local 1440 of the United Mine Workers of America also inducted her as an honorary member for her work to preserve the history of the organization. **JACKSON PALMER** '08, Los Angeles, Calif., published his debut novel, "The Meek," last spring. The novel, the first in a trilogy called The Unbound, is

set in a postapocalyptic, dystopian Los Angeles. "I wanted to examine a world where everyone is stripped of their comfort, but also to suggest that people might find out that they're happier when they're trying to survive," he told the Flathead Beacon. "We're so complacent nowadays that we've lost our sense of purpose." Palmer, a native of Somers, spent several years after graduation traveling around the country with the Montana Repertory Theatre before moving to L.A. to pursue an acting career.

**TIM THARP** M.B.A. '08, Ed.D. 14, Helena,

Tim Tharp is the deputy state superintendent at the Montana Office of Public Instruction.

'08, Ed.D. 14



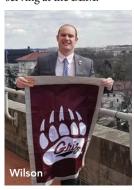
TSHERING TEMPA M.S. '08, Ph.D. '17, Gelephu, Bhutan, is the director of the National Tiger Centre in the Himalayan kingdom of Bhutan. In February, he and other Bhutanese biologists and foresters radio-collared a tiger for the first time – a major milestone in the country's tiger conservation efforts. While earning his doctorate at UM, he investigated the ecology of montane Bengal tigers in Bhutan by examining overall tiger density, factors affecting tiger distribution and how Bhutanese tigers connect to other tigers in the Himalayan subcontinent. Prior to his research, little was known about tigers in the country. Pictured above left with Mark Hebblewhite.



is the deputy state superintendent at the Montana Office of Public Instruction. Tharp began his career in education as a math and history teacher in Scobey and then served as a school superintendent in Dutton, Sunburst and Hobson before joining OPI. He also recently received the MHSA/ MIAAA Gold Pass award for his years of service to the Montana High School Association and interscholastic athletics during his career in the

#### **EVAN MONTANA WILSON**

'08, Shepherd, recently was appointed field coordinator for the Bureau of Land Management. He previously worked under three members of Montana's congressional delegation. He is proud to have earned two liberal arts degrees from UM and looks forward to putting them to good use while serving at the BLM.



JAMIE ARNOLD '09, Bozeman, is the director of solution delivery at Advanced Technology

Group, a global leader in quote-to-cash advisory, implementation and managed services to both mid-market and large enterprise brands in the service provider economy. He has been with the company for more than six years, where he continues grow solutions with a focus on a retention on growth within ATG's Missoula office.



CHRIS BOURASSA '09, Post Falls, Idaho, is director of North American sales for Buck Knives. He works directly with the sales force and marketing team to enhance key customer relationships and facilitate new opportunities for Buck's products in the U.S. and Canada.

ANNA BUCKNER M.A. '09, M.P.H. '11, Salt Lake City, Utah, is an epidemiologist for the Utah Department of Health. Through a five-year grant from the

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, she is studying how the state's residents consume alcohol and how it affects their health. This research on alcohol consumption and evidence-based strategies to combat disease and death related to alcohol could ultimately change how alcohol is sold in the state and elsewhere.

HANNA WARHANK J.D.
'09, Helena, was named a shareholder in the law firm of Church, Harris, Johnson & Williams P.C. She is a member of the firm's tax and transactional practice group, and her practice focuses on business and estate planning, taxation, estate and trust administration, and real property.





**LEE REININGHAUS** '09, M.A. '11, Copper Center, Alaska, is an archeologist for Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve, America's largest national park. Reininghaus, pictured above, documenting a historic log structure associated with the historic Chisana Gold Rush.

#### 2010s

#### TYLER RICHARDSON

'11, Las Vegas, Nev., is a public relations account executive for B&P Advertising, Media and Public Relations. He previously worked as a communications specialist for Dakota County in Minnesota and as a print journalist covering criminal justice and government affairs in Washington and Oregon. He earned a Society of Professional Journalists award for comprehensive reporting, feature writing, investigative criminal justice reporting and breaking news reporting. He also writes about the NBA for national outlets including Bleacher Report and SLAM Magazine.



# STUART CLEMOW '13, M.Acct. '14, Missoula, is a consultant at Advanced Technology Group. His expertise in revenue recognition and financial standards helps mentor the next generation of working professionals during his travels as a Salesforce billing instructor.

#### **MEGAN KEMP** '13, Manhattan, is a physical therapist at Excel Physical

Therapy who specializes

in treatment of upper and lower extremity injuries. BREE ZENDER '16, Reno, Nev., is Reno Public Radio's Morning Edition host and reporter. Zender, a UM journalism and

theater grad, got her start

in public radio hosting Morning Edition and reporting news as an intern at Montana Public Radio.



#### SARAH BECCARI

'17, Missoula, is an implementation consultant and software developer at Advanced Technology Group. She is well-versed in numerous programming and database languages. When she's not developing or implementing software, she enjoys spending time with her two black labs and her nephew. She loves to hike, camp, bird watch and enjoy any other outdoor activity in Montana.

**BERKLEY SVINGEN** '17, Missoula, joined ATG as

a sales support specialist last July. Her role there uniquely positions her to support international deal cycles and allows her to meet and work with people around the world. She recently joined the board of the company's women's affinity group, atgSHE. Together, her roles give her the opportunity to advance her passions for business and gender equality.



## **NICKY OUELLET** M.A. '16, Whitefish, a

'16, Whitefish, a reporter for Montana Public Radio, received the Chris Ruffatto Excellence in Education Award from the Whitefish Lake Institute her work on the podcast "SubSurface: Resisting Montana's Underwater Invaders." The podcast examines what could happen



if Montana fails to stop the coming invasion of zebra and quagga mussels threatening the state's water bodies. Ouellet traveled to the Midwest to report on how invasive mussels changed the Great Lakes region and what they could mean for Montana's future, as well as what the state already is doing to detect and prevent their spread.

#### In Memoriam

We extend sympathy to the families of the following alumni, faculty and friends. Names without class or degree years include UM alumni, employees and friends. To be included in "In Memoriam," the UM Office of Alumni Relations requires a newspaper obituary or a letter of notification from the immediate family.

Material for In Memoriam reached our office by April 15, 2018.

#### **1930s**

Marjorie B. "Marge" Hawke Flynn '39, Billings Elizabeth Preat "Betty" Eiselein Wetzel '37, Bigfork

#### **1940s**

Glenn H. Mueller '40, Kalispell Robert Henry "Ty" Robinson '40, J.D. '48, Missoula Sophronia "Phrona" Beagle Roholt '41, Raleigh, NC Barbara Nell Raymond Scifers '41, Casper, WY Shirleyann Kincaid Horning '42, Portland, OR Helen Louise Johnson Nelson '42, Towson, MD Barbara Adams O'Connell Genest '43, Billings Harry Burton Hesser '43, Scottsdale, AZ Ruth Marjorie Smails McFarland '43, Wittier, CA Marjorie Jean "Marge" Harrison McElwain '44, Missoula Thomas Lyle "Tom" Finch '47, Missoula Bernice "Bunny" Dolven Beall '48, Scottsdale, AZ Andrew Hornick '48, Gallup, NM Richard Lee Merritt '48, San Francisco, CA Charles Frank "Chuck" Nemec Sr. '48, M.A. '50, Helena Richard Hal Henderson '49, M.Ed. '65, Great Falls Charles Richard King '49, Franklin, WI Walter Rivenes Sales '49, Bozeman

#### L950s

George Dickerson "Dick" Boale '50, Hansonville, Australia Richard Quentin Bohlig '50, Kelso, WA Robert "Bob" Dusenbury '50, Anacortes, WA John William Grindy '50, Roseville, CA Stanley P. "Stan" Petersen '50, Malvern, PA Donald Claude Woodside '50, Fair Oaks, CA Harold Earl "Hal" Bennett '51, Ridgecrest, CA Charles R. "Charlie" Zadra '51, M.Ed. '62, Missoula J. "Fred" Bourdeau I.D. '52, Great Falls Barbara Jo Bishop Bush '52, Spokane, WA Ivan Edward Howard '52, Stevensville Orson Ernest Murray '52, Missoula Robert G. "Bob" Nicholson '52, Helena Thomas E. Schessler '52, Clancy Paul M. Wold '52, Billings Robert "Cyrus" Noe '53, M.A. '57, Seattle, WA Barbara James "Jamie" Brennan Stenbeck '53, Idaho Falls, ID Marvin LeRoy Nelson '54, Bozeman Margaret Call Sharood Ruffner '54, Ashburn, VA Harlan LeRoy Hayes '56, Coeur d'Alene, ID Everett "Dean" Phelps '56, M.A. '67, Billings Robert Sam "Bob" Gilluly '57, Anaconda Edmund Clarence "Ed" Hill '57, Polson Joseph Michael "Joe" Crowley '58, Chewelah, WA John E. "J.E." "Shaun" Corette III '58, Chevy Chase, MD Kenneth John "Ken" Egerman '58, Eagle, ID Robert Christian "Bob" Haller '58, Bellevue, WA Melvin William "Mel" Knoyle '58, Salem, OR Calvin Joseph "Cal" Lindburg '58, Ronan Gerald Francis "Jerry" Raunig '58, Kirkland, WA

George August Schuman '58, Billings
Harold Rolfe Archibald '59, Port Orchard, WA
Joseph M. "Joe" Chelini '59, Wise River
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Stanley James "Stan" Hould '59, Kalispell
Patrick Richard "Pat" Leonard '59, Corvallis
Kenneth Paul "Ken" Marceau '59, Papillion, NE
Duane Harlow Swartz '59, Spokane, WA
Marion Lucille Hagler Wolfe '59, Santa Cruz, CA

#### 1960s

Joseph E. "Joe" Nevin '60, Tucson, AZ Leonard Harley "Len" Sargent '60, M.Ed. '65, Farmington, MN Zada Barbara Braun '61, M.Ed. '73, Hamilton Leon C. Odegaard '61, Red Lodge Joseph W. "Joe" Johnston '61, Deer Lodge John Leon Edwards '62, Mission Viejo, CA Raymond J. Martinich '62, Swansea, IL Erwin "Parke" Frizelle Jr. '63, Whitefish Glenn Thomas Jones '63, Butte Robert Morris "Bob" Rogers '63, Missoula Edward Thomas "Ed" Zaback '63, Campbell Hall, NY Ronald Paul "Ron" Foltz '64, Missoula Harold Everett "Hal" Hunter '64, Bozeman Bryce Eugene "Skip" Meyer '64, Opportunity John Seymour O'Dell '64, Chafee, NY Charlene Kay Henderson Ricci '64, Centennial, CO Jim Earl Richard '64, M.S. '66, White Sulphur Springs James Edward "Jim" Stegmiller '64, Portland, OR Theodore Judd "Ted" Williams '64, Polson Elton J. Adams '65, Great Falls Roderick Lincoln "Rod" Blades '65, Nanton, AB Lauren S. McKinsey '65, Clancy Kent J. Harris '66, Red Lodge Norman Schweizer '66, M.S. '69, Huson Daniel Bowman "Dan" Smelko '66, Helena Janice Stenslie Foster '67, Bellevue, WA Frank Shaw Fox Jr. M.Ed. '67, Rochester, MN Carolee Jean Burtch Gillen '67, Great Falls Donna Lee Elder Hale '67, Whitefish Robert E. "Bob" Kaftan Ed.D. '67, Havre Robert Curtis "Bob" Olson '67, Missoula Marie Therese McBride Vanisko M.A. '67, Clancy Janet Elise Ellwood DeBartolo '68, San Jose, CA Clarence Jay/Joseph "Joe" Harrington '68, Helena Albert "David" Moscioni '69, Ewing, NJ

#### **1970**s

Ann Goldhahn '70, Great Falls
John Patrick "Jack" Lynch '70, Butte
John F. North '70, J.D. '73, Helena
LaVerde E. "Bud" Scarr Ed.D '70, Reed Point
Dianna L. Warner '70, Columbia Falls
John Robert Foster '71, Lewistown
Phyllis Lorraine Obstarczyk Hemstad M.Ed. '71,
Great Falls
Walter Charles "Jake" Jakubowski '71,
Coos Bay, OR
Richard A. "Dick" Simonton J.D. '71, Glendive
Dorothea "Dottie" Argo Lowe '72, M.Ed '86,
Missoula

Janet Louise Staples McMaster '72, Bozeman

Rodney Ray "Rod" Lynam '72, Las Vegas, NV

Marlin E. "Bob" Noble '73, Ronan

Ruth Cummings Smith '69, Missoula

Sidney D. "Sid" Sulser M.Ed. '73, Billings
Linda Marie Pope Walrath '73, Missoula
Louis Stern Loeb Ph.D. '74, Beaverton, OR
William Richard "Dick" Crockford II '75, Dillon
Stanley James "Stan" Speck '75, Helena
Richard L. "Dick" Tamblyn '75, Butte
Ethel Claire Kuenning Brown Ed.D. '76,
Anchorage, AK
Lynn Alan Van Hoven '76, Scottsdale, AZ
Maybelle Ames Bockemuehl '77, Missoula

Maybelle Ames Bockemuehl '77, Missoula James Edward "Jim" Farmer '77, Winnetka, IL Suzanne Melanie "Mel" Hoell M.Ed. '77, Ed.D. '06, Missoula

Christine M. Hanson Taylor '77, Missoula Donald Joseph "Don" Dwyer '79, Butte

#### 1980s

Pamela Y. "Pam" Meck '80, Missoula Billie Lou Ryan Large M.B.A. '82, Helena William C. "Bill" McAllister J.D. '82, Billings Sunny Merciea Smith-West Reves '83, Hamilton Louise M. Bailey Evans '84, Helena Betty Lou Hall '84, Idaho Falls, ID Frederick Charles "Fred" Hall '84, '98, Florence Carol Mae Flottman Olson '85, Kalispell Gordon Lee Opel M.Ed '85, Whitefish Kenneth Burt "Ken" Read '52, Missoula Modesto Abarquez "JR" Rosales Jr. '85, Great Falls Deanna Lee Hay Fendler M.Ed. '86, Spokane, WA George William Oechsli '86, Eden, TX Roberta Ann "Bobbi" Sago '87, Spearfish, SD James Austin "Jim" Swenson J.D. '88, Billings Mark Eugene McKinzie '89, Florence Roger Lee Wells '89, Great Falls Dennis Eugene Worsley '89, Roseburg, OR

#### 1990s

Liann H. Ramirez '90, Hamilton
Iris M. Hasselstrom Basta '92, Helena, ID
Larry Dean Veitenheimer '92, Manhattan
Stacey Noelle Hardin '94, Florence
Dale Eugene Poff '94, Potomac
Peggy Sue Bomar Wise '94, Bozeman
Thomas "Campbell" "T.C." Miller '96, Billings
Darrel Clifford Slocum '96, Missoula
Thomas Frank "Tom" Fondell M.S. '97,
Anchorage, AK
Ryan D. Murphy '97, Butte
Carl F. Thrasher M.A.S. '99, Great Falls
John Eaton True '99, Florence

#### 2000s

Jerry Matthew Lamb '00, M.B.A. '01, Coeur d'Alene, ID Todd Wesley Golberg J.D. '04, Richland, WA Krista Jean Mougey '07, Billings

#### 2010s

Mark James Boatman '12, Lolo
Jake Devin Glover '12, '13, Hamilton
Elizabeth Ann "Beth" Webb '12, Kalispell
Robert Francis "Bob" Bishop '13, Wrightsville, PA
Olivia K. "Ollie K." Davis-Hall '13, Browning
Derreck Dennis Ethan Cumin '15, Billings

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Darline A. Brager, Hamilton

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# 2018 SUMMER EVENTS

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#### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

#### WEDNESDAYS:

#### **Out to Lunch Summer Series**

- Weekly Lunchtime Food & Music Festival
- 11 am-2 pm Jun, Jul & Aug in Caras Park
- Live Music, Local Food Trucks & Vendors, Kids' Activities. Admission Free missouladowntown.com/out-to-lunch

#### **THURSDAYS:**

#### Downtown ToNight Summer Series

- Weekly Evening Food & Music Festival
- 5:30-8:30 pm Jun, Jul & Aug in Caras Park
- Live Music, Local Food Trucks & Vendors, Kids' Activities, Adult Bev, Admission Free missouladowntown.com/downtown-tonight

#### THURSDAYS & SATURDAYS:

#### Unseen Downtown Missoula Walking Tours

- River Walk & Basements & Back Alleys for \$7-10 per person
- Offered Thursdays at 5:30 pm and Saturdays at 11:30 am June-Aug missouladowntown.com/tours/unseen-missoula

#### FRIDAYS:

#### First Friday Gallery Night

• Monthly Art & Artist Showcase, 5-8 pm <u>firstfridaysmissoula.blogspot.com</u>

## SATURDAYS & TUESDAYS: Missoula Farmers' Market

- Every Saturday, 8 am-12:30 pm May - October at N. Higgins & Alder
- Every Tuesday, June 19 September, 5:30-7 pm at N. Higgins & Alder

missoulafarmersmarket.com

#### SATURDAYS:

#### Clark Fork Market

 Every Saturday from 9 am-1 pm May - October near the Higgins Ave Bridge clarkforkmarket.com

#### **SATURDAYS:**

#### People's Market

- Every Saturday from 9 am-1 pm through September at Higgins & Pine
- Local, handmade arts and crafts missoulapeoplesmarket.org

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

#### June 22-23:

#### Garden City River Rod Run

- Classic Car Show & Shine with 200+ cars in Caras Park
- Friday Night 5 pm start; Parade at 9 pm; Saturday 10 am-4 pm

fivevalleyfordclub.com

#### June 24:

#### Missoula Summer MADE Fair

- Modern handcrafted open-air market with 120 local & regional artists
- 10 am-5 pm in Caras Park handmademontana.com/

#### June 13-15:

#### Missoula Marathon & Expo

- Montana's Premiere Marathon, plus Half Marathon, 5K and Kids' Marathon
- Beer Run Fri, Expo Sat, Marathon & Half Marathon Sun.

missoulamarathon.org

#### June 28:

#### Celtic Festival Missoula

- Annual celebration of Celtic culture, music, dance & food
- High Noon to 10 pm in Caras Park celticfestivalmissoula.com

#### August 12:

#### Missoula Symphony in the Park

- Annual free symphony orchestra family concert
- 7 pm, Caras Park; bring a blanket or chairs missoulasymphony.org

#### August 24-25:

#### River City Roots Festival

- Annual celebration of Missoula's culture
- Admission free, corner of Main & Ryman
- See ad on facing page rivercityrootsfestival.com





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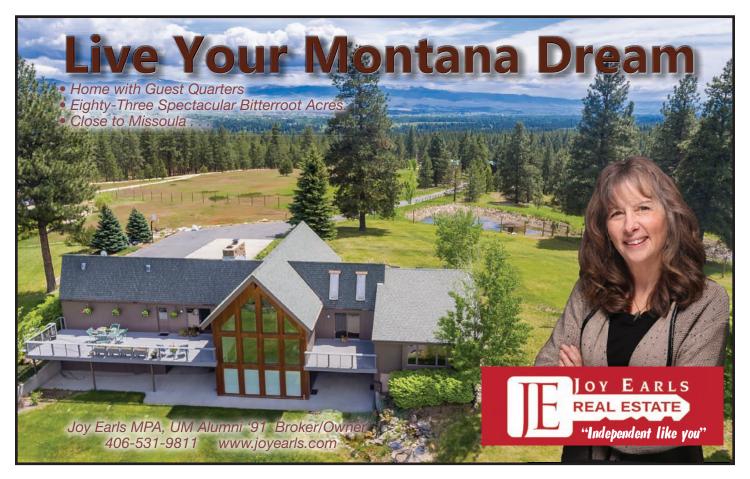


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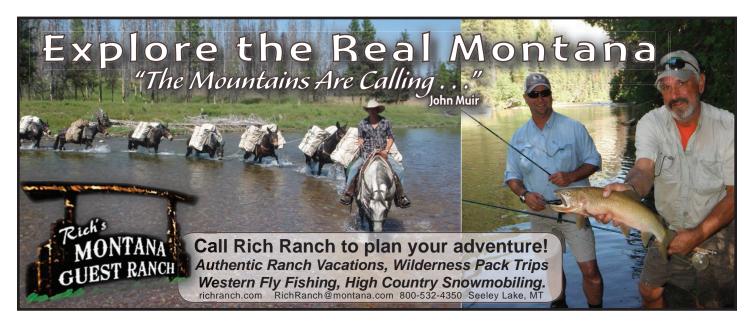
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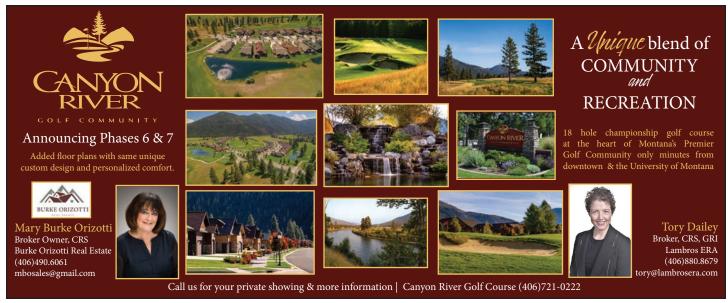
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