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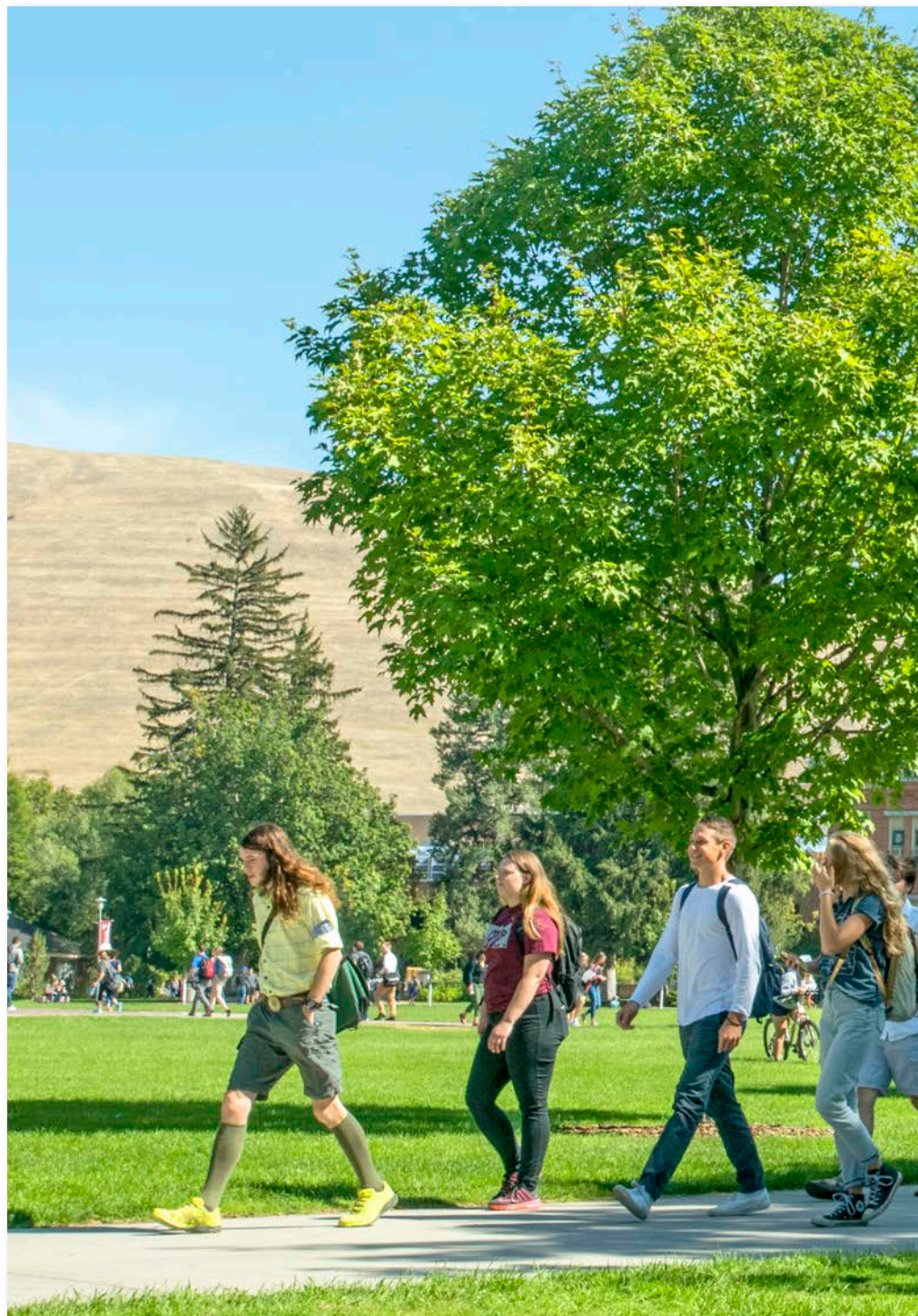
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DON'T FORGET SMOKEY

I recently read an article on the Pearl Jam concert held in Washington-Grizzly Stadium. You probably have already been corrected that there actually have been five concerts in the stadium. The first concert was May 1988 and featured Smokey Robinson and the Miracles. I have seen some of the articles that described it as a huge failure. Leading up to the concert, the weather had been very poor and it was announced that the event would be moved into the Harry Adams Fieldhouse if there was rain in the forecast. This undoubtedly had an impact on attendance. For those of us who did attend, it turned out to be a beautiful day, and Smokey was outstanding. One of my greatest concert memories!

Don Milken '88

Liberty Lake, Washington

Editor's Note: Don, we appreciate you alerting us to the omission. The Montanan apologizes, and we are crying "The Tears of a Clown."

GIANCHETTA WAS GREAT

As a former faculty member (1980-2004) of the UM College of Business, I read with pride the article about the college's 100th anniversary. However, I was disappointed by the author's failure to appropriately acknowledge the role played by former UM College of Business Dean Larry Gianchetta.

Modest as he is, Gianchetta always has been reluctant to toot his own horn, but as his associate dean for 17 years, I saw firsthand all the hours and efforts he put in to initiate and nurture the many programs and activities that served as a framework for much of the success of business graduates highlighted in the article. He was the one who moved the college into what we called "experiential learning" – thus the development of the entrepreneurship program, the success of the Ruffatto Business Plan Competition and the growth of internship opportunities for students.

I know that current UM College of Business Dean Shook, along with the college's outstanding faculty, will sustain and hopefully enhance all of these student opportunities. However, let's not forget to recognize that Larry Gianchetta was a dominant force in making the college what it is today.

Bob Hollmann

Green Valley, Arizona



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WHERE'S YOUR GRIZ BEEN?

Kelsey McCauley '17 sports a Griz shirt while hiking the Great Wall of China at Badaling. McCauley, a UM business college graduate, lived in Shenzhen, China, for a year, teaching English to children ages 5 to 13. Congratulations, Kelsey, you have won a \$50 gift card to The Bookstore at UM.



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GRIZWALD!

GRIZWALD BY NEAL WIEGERT



"I told him he was on the endangered species list."

Meet Grizwald, UM's cartoon bear. Last issue, we asked readers to submit captions for this illustration. The winning caption went to **Darrell Malcolm '70**, of Camino, California. Congratulations, Darrell! You have won a Griz stadium blanket.



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AROUND THE OVAL

Griz Nation Holds First Fall Commencement

By Cary Shimek

For the first time in its 125 year history, the University of Montana offered a Fall Commencement Ceremony for graduates who completed their degrees midyear. Nearly 800 students finished their degrees after fall semester, and 157 of those participated in the new event at a packed Dennison Theatre.

The featured speaker was Montana Attorney General Tim Fox, who holds three degrees from UM: geology (1981), law (1987) and a Master of Public Administration (2018).

Fox congratulated the new graduates for not taking 34 years to finish their degrees, which is how long it took him to earn his last one. And the final push wasn't easy.

It happened like this: When meeting President Seth Bodnar for the first time, Fox admitted he had nearly completed his MPA decades ago and that it "was one of my great regrets to have started something and not finished it."

Bodnar encouraged the working attorney general to finish up by taking courses online. Fox was connected with Sara Rinfret, the MPA program director, and was excited to get started. Then a month later, he was diagnosed with colon cancer.

He called Rinfret to let her know he couldn't enroll and that his goal had receded again.

"She basically told me that I could do this, that I should stay on course and that she and my University would support me along the way," Fox says. "And thank you, Dr. Rinfret, for your encouragement and solid support. And I know what our faculty does, they do it from the heart. They have done it for all three of my degrees."

He completed much of the research for his thesis after cancer surgery, but then came chemotherapy, and horrible sickness put him in the hospital for a week. He had done a lot of reading and writing for his degree while hooked up to IVs and between chemo sessions, but again he was ready to quit. Then he called Rinfret.

"Two things were very clear after our conversation," Fox says. "First, Dr. Rinfret genuinely cared about me. And second, quitting was not an option."



Montana Attorney General Tim Fox addresses the assembly at the first-ever UM Fall Commencement Ceremony on Dec. 15.

"You know, Albert Einstein once said, 'In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity.' But sometimes it takes an encourager to help see that opportunity. So this summer after 34 years, I finished my MPA, defended my thesis and received my diploma. And the most encouraging news is that the doctors now tell me there is no sign of cancer."

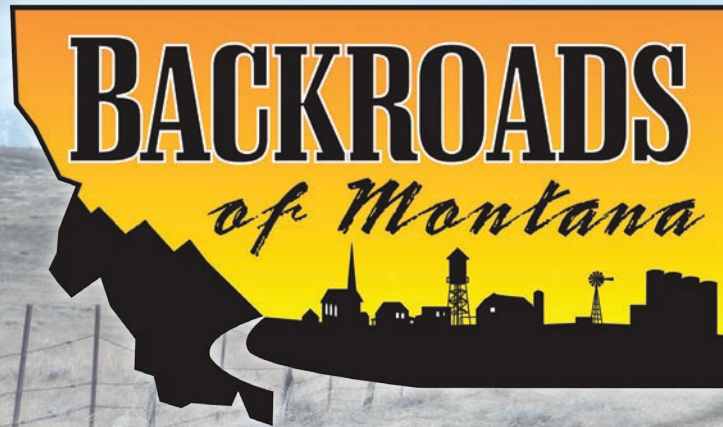
Encouragement was a major theme of Fox's speech. He says he tries to engage in acts of encouragement each day, and he invited the graduates and their families to make it their mission to make others feel better about themselves, inspire people, persevere and recognize good work, dedication and accomplishments.

Fox is a Republican, and he was joined on stage by Jon Tester, a Democrat and Montana's senior U.S. senator. Tester presented his top 10 life lessons learned as a farmer. When he reached No. 1, he held up his left hand with its missing fingers and deadpanned, "Never mess around with power equipment."

Both politicians mentioned how well they have worked together, and Bodnar praised them for that: "It makes me feel incredibly grateful that we have leaders who exemplify through their actions the importance in engaging in an exchange of ideas – not necessarily always agreeing – but always treating each other with respect and dignity and working for the betterment for all Montanans."

"And I want to thank both of these individuals for being here today and for your example to all of us."

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■ **U.S. News & World Report** ranked UM the No. 1 university in Montana in its annual listing of best colleges in the country. UM came in at No. 201 overall in the national universities' category, which includes both public and private institutions. The report also ranked the **UM College of Business** tops in the Big Sky Conference. The 2019 Times Higher Education World University Rankings also rated UM the best in Big Sky Country.

■ Campus hosted several luminaries from the worlds of academics, literature and politics during fall semester. Among these were “Wild” author **Cheryl Strayed**, former U.S. Vice President **Joe Biden** as part of his “American Promise” tour, Harvard University economist **Lawrence Summers** – a former U.S. treasury secretary – and Harvard literature and poetry Professor **Elisa New**, creator of the “Poetry in America” public television series.

■ In addition to serving as UM's 19th president, **Seth Bodnar** now also holds the title of major in the Montana Army National Guard. Bodnar was sworn into the Montana Army National Guard by Maj. Gen. Matthew Quinn at Fort Harrison near Helena on Jan. 8. The president joins **Alex Butler**, president of the Associated Students of UM, who also serves in the Montana Army National Guard. Officials suspect having both university and student body presidents serving together in the military is unique in U.S. higher education.

■ UM students and graduates passed the certified public accountant exam at a rate higher than any other four-year public school in the West in 2017. UM's **69.5 percent pass rate** on the four-part exam is the highest in Montana and well above the national average of 52.9 percent, according to new rankings from the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy.

the president's perspective

President Seth Bodnar speaks at the November Board of Regents meeting in Missoula.

Dear Griz Family,

As I look back on the fall semester and to our work ahead, I am struck by the collective effort that makes the University of Montana so special. The magic of UM is not – and has never been – about one person's effort. UM's successes belong to all of us, especially to our proud alumni and friends.

This is why I am so excited to share with you the momentum behind and the impact of our most ambitious fundraising campaign in the history of UM: Campaign Montana – Think Big. Be Bold.

Why does this campaign matter? The University of Montana offers a world-class education. Many of you saw recently that we were recognized by U.S. News and World Report as the No. 1-ranked university in Montana. This campaign will allow us to sustain this excellence and to build upon our tremendous strengths across the sciences, the arts and humanities, and our professional schools.

I want to highlight another and arguably more important reason Campaign Montana matters. While UM offers an exceptional education, we do not limit access to this education to the elite, select few. UM's mission – at its core – is to provide a world-class education that's accessible to people from different starting points and all walks of life.

Marrying quality with accessibility is a critical pillar of our country's long-standing social compact that promises an affordable, excellent education for all who seek it. It's an audacious goal, worthy of our democracy, and when we deliver on this compact, we transform not just individual lives but entire communities. This is the defining challenge of our time, and at UM we are tackling this challenge with boundless energy.

As I told our campus community this past fall, when new students arrive on the Oval, they bring with them not just their duffel bags, their new bedding and their laptops. They bring with them their hopes and their dreams for a brighter future. They entrust these, their most precious possessions, to us. I am humbled and honored to be part of an institution that is worthy of that sacred trust.

Our charge is to ensure that every one of these students succeeds. Campaign Montana empowers us to enhance accessibility for our students through scholarships, study abroad opportunities, undergraduate research and career development programs. It empowers us to elevate exceptional and innovative academic programs, and to provide new and renovated learning environments.

I am unabashedly optimistic about UM's future. Thank you for thinking big and being bold alongside us.



Seth Bodnar, UM President



Seth Bodnar officially was installed as UM's 19th president during a rainy Oct. 26 on the steps of Main Hall. His wife, Dr. Chelsea Bodnar, and their children were at his side. The installation ceremony was one highlight of "Inauguration Weekend: A Celebration of Service," which focused on those who serve through engagement, education and research. About 350 volunteers packaged meals on campus that weekend, and the Bodnars helped deliver 50,000 packaged meals to the Missoula Food Bank on Nov. 6.

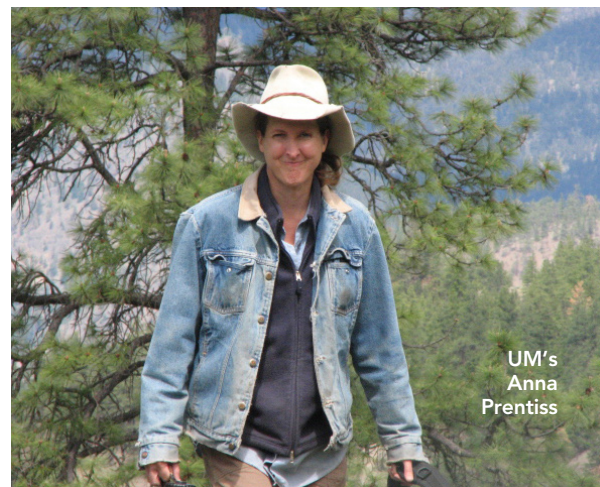
Archaeologist Earns Highest Professor Rank

Dr. Anna Prentiss, a UM anthropology professor and archaeologist, was named the University's 12th Regents Professor during the Nov. 15 Board of Regents meeting in Missoula. Regents Professor is the top rank awarded to faculty members in the Montana University System.

"I'm just so very honored to be named Regents Professor – particularly given the extraordinary faculty on this campus," Prentiss says.

She joined the UM faculty in 1995 and became a full professor in 2009. Her research interests include hunter-gatherers, village societies, ancient technology, evolutionary theory, and the method and theory of archaeology. Her fieldwork has taken her and the scores of UM students she has mentored around the globe, from British Columbia and Alaska to Patagonia.

Prentiss has written and co-authored six books, including 2017's "The Last House at Bridge River," which details a comprehensive study of a single-floor aboriginal home in British Columbia during the 19th-century Fur Trade period. At the Board of Regents meeting, Jenny McNulty, dean of UM's College of Humanities and Sciences, said, "(Prentiss) embodies the idea of the scholar-teacher. Her students describe her as the best mentor ever."



UM's
Anna
Prentiss

THE BOTTOM LINE:

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Number of the world's most highly cited researchers based at UM, according to Clarivate Analytics. The UM honorees were Fred Allendorf, Cory Cleveland, Philip Higuera, Gordon Luikart and Steven Running.

11th:

The national ranking of UM's Alexander Blewett III School of Law on a national best value list created by PreLaw Magazine. The ranking recognizes schools where graduates have excellent chances of passing the bar and getting a job without taking on excessive debt.

Gift to Send More Interns to Washington, D.C.

The Max S. Baucus Institute has received an endowed gift of \$1 million from the Dennis and Phyllis Washington Foundation that enables 10 UM students to intern in congressional and policy-related offices in Washington, D.C., every summer.

Two other gifts to the Baucus Institute from Lee Freeman and Tony James also will provide start-up funding to grow the institute's programs focused on public service.

This past summer, five UM students comprised the first cohort of Baucus Leaders to intern in Washington, D.C. The interns were placed in the offices of Sen. Steve Daines, Sen. Jon Tester and Rep. Greg Gianforte, as well as the offices of the Senate Finance Committee and the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

With the gift from the Dennis and Phyllis Washington Foundation, the Baucus Leaders program now will double the number of UM students interning in the nation's capital every summer.



The 2018 Baucus Leaders were, from left, Noah Hill, Shane St. Onge, Marianna Yearboro, Katie Wilkins and Makkie Haller.

"We're so grateful that this support from the Washington Foundation will build student leaders who want to follow in Ambassador Baucus' footsteps of engaging in meaningful work to benefit society," says Paul Kirgis, UM law school dean.

"The Baucus Leaders program directly aligns with our goal to open doors for young people to help them to realize their dreams," says Mike Halligan, executive director of Washington Foundation. "The opportunity to work with public officials at the national level on issues of critical importance to the country, while at the same time gaining an understanding of the importance of public service, cannot be overstated."



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The University's College of Visual and Performing Arts highlighted **Emily Graslie '11**, chief curiosity correspondent at Chicago's Field Museum, during its 19th annual "Odyssey of the Stars – A Celebration of Artistic Journeys."

Each year's "Odyssey of the Stars" honors outstanding UM visual and performing arts alumni and tells the story of their artistic journeys, showcasing the many different roads to success that an artist can travel.

This year's March 2 performance honored Graslie while showcasing students and faculty members from UM's Art, Media Arts, Music and Theatre & Dance schools.

Graslie earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts in painting from UM, drawing inspiration from the Phillip L. Wright Zoological Museum's vertebrate collection. She worked at the museum during college as a volunteer intern. A year after graduating, she drew more inspiration from the experience as she co-created the educational YouTube channel "The Brain Scoop."

Her ease in front of the camera, enthusiasm and energy has attracted nearly 500,000 subscribers. As chief curiosity correspondent, she uses a variety of media to communicate the importance of natural history museums. She collaborates with museums of natural history and connects scientific discoveries with real-world issues, teaching her fans with passion and joy.

Graslie's numerous awards and recognitions include being a recipient of the American Alliance of Museum's Nancy Hanks Award for Professional Excellence, six-time Webby Award honoree and nominee in the Online Science/Education Channel and Web Personality/Host categories, one of Chicago Tribune's 2017 Chicagoans of the Year, and a member of Forbes' 2018 "30 Under 30" list in education. Additionally, a butterfly species in Ecuador recently was named after her.

For more information visit the "Odyssey of the Stars" website at <http://www.umt.edu/umarts/odyssey>.

3.19:

The record-setting average term GPA of Griz student-athletes last semester. This is the highest GPA mark since the brawn-and-brains department started keeping records in 1999.

\$3M:

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UM Lands \$10M Contract to Fight the Flu

The National Institutes of Health last semester awarded a \$10 million contract to the University to develop a new universal flu vaccine.

The five-year award went to **Dr. Jay Evans**, director of UM's Center for Translational Medicine and a research professor in the Division of Biological Sciences.

"Influenza virus infection is a serious public health problem that causes severe illness and death in high-risk populations," Evans says. "Although vaccination remains the most effective way to prevent this disease, mismatch between vaccine strains and circulating strains can lead to a sharp drop in vaccine effectiveness. Thus, a critical unmet need is the next generation of vaccines capable of inducing broadly protective immune responses against the influenza virus."

Other UM researchers included on the award are **Hélène Bazin-Lee** and **David Burkhardt**, both in the Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences. The project also includes investigators from the University of California, San Diego; the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai; and Inimmune Corp., a corporate development partner based in UM's business incubator.

Evans says the team of vaccine researchers in UM's Center for Translational Medicine has spent more than 10 years working on the discovery and development of new vaccine adjuvants – components added to a vaccine to improve the immune response.

One such discovery, a synthetic dual-TLR adjuvant combination system called TRAC-478, shows great promise to improve both seasonal and pandemic flu vaccines and could be broadly applicable to other vaccines as well.

"There is remarkable research ongoing at UM that could transform the lives of countless people," Evans says.



Doctoral student Kris Short works to prepare vaccine formulations for UM's Center for Translational Medicine.



UM Chemist Takes Students on a Wildfire Ride

Most aircraft slicing through the smoke above wildfires either drop water or smokejumpers in an effort to manage fire on the ground. But one plane – a flying laboratory carrying researchers from UM – has the capacity to change what we know about future fires.

Last summer, the four-engine cargo plane spent more than 100 hours above fires burning in the West, collecting data about the chemical composition of smoke and how it changes over time and travel.

The National Science Foundation C-130 sampled wildfire plumes in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Nevada and Montana. The results will provide a new understanding of air quality and how it may affect populations downwind.

Assistant Professor Lu Hu from UM's Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, along with four UM graduate students, were part of the research team funded to work on the study through a multimillion-dollar collaborative NSF project called the Western Wildfire Experiment for Cloud Chemistry, Aerosol Absorption and Nitrogen, or WE-CAN. It is the "largest, most comprehensive attempt to date to measure and analyze wildfire smoke," according to the NSF.

Hu and his atmospheric chemistry group are leading the investigation into the chemistry and emission of organic pollutants from smoke. The team deployed UM's new mass spectrometer on the C-130 research aircraft.

This instrument provided real-time measurements of volatile organic

compounds in wildfire smoke and more insight into organic gas composition than previously possible. The emissions from wildfires are typically toxic, and they can form ground-level ozone and fine particulate matter, which are linked to serious health impacts and regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

"We expect to observe many toxic species from smoke that had been rarely characterized or reported before," Hu says. "This unprecedented and rich dataset will help us better predict air quality downwind and understand how fire smoke impacts the climate system."

Back in the lab on campus, Hu and his team worked to interpret how cloud chemistry, aerosol absorption and reactive nitrogen in wildfire plumes affect air quality, nutrient cycles, weather, climate and the health of those exposed to smoke.

The collaborative study includes researchers from five other institutions. As part of this project, Hu teaches students aircraft observations in UM's new Atmospheric Chemistry course. There were more than 30 students across three universities in the course, including seven students from UM.

The course brought the C-130 flying laboratory into a classroom. Students learned about the aircraft-based mission design and flight planning, and they planned and executed three flights with the C-130 aircraft in early September.

"Bringing cutting-edge research into a classroom is very fun and a great experience for both students and instructors," Hu says.



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Lisa Parks '90

Lisa Parks is the ultimate media scholar. When she's not exploring digital privacy rights in Washington, D.C., or network ownership on the Blackfeet Reservation, she envisions what types of satellites soon might enter our skies.

And now she is the recipient of a 2018 MacArthur Fellowship – also known as a “genius award” – which provides \$625,000 to support her research on the cultural impacts of satellite and media technologies.

“I was very shocked when I got the call about the MacArthur Fellowship,” Parks says. “I’m honored, but it feels a little strange, because there are so many brilliant and creative people in the world.”

Parks, who teaches at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, earned her Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin-Madison but credits her background in political science and history at UM for helping develop her passions and curiosities.

“I think that my experience at UM actually gave me a rich platform to grow from intellectually, and it shaped my interests in geopolitics and social justice issues around the world,” she says.

Parks shared with the Montanan some details about her research and what's next in the world of satellites, global media and information technologies.



Could you describe what geopolitics is?

This term has to do with the ways in which nation-states position themselves to achieve strategic advantage in international relations. It relates to everything from how they assert control over their territorial boundaries and natural resources; with whom they form partnerships, coalitions and foreign policies; and how they organize political and economic activities to accumulate power and control in a region, or even globally.

How did your interest in satellite technologies evolve?

The first countries to launch satellites were those that had a lot of financial and political power. I became interested in understanding how geopolitical and economic relations on Earth translate into orbit. By looking at satellites and the history of their development, I learned who the dominant players in space were and what kinds of satellites they were launching. Over time, I also explored how satellites supported the globalization of the internet and mobile telephone networks.

I'm really interested in facilitating technological literacy about and citizen engagement in our world telecommunication system. I try to think about these issues not only in the United States, but also in other countries where I've been working, such as Mongolia or Tanzania. Which countries own satellites and which do not? We

have a lot to learn from the minor players or the nation-states on the fringes or outskirts of the systems of world power.

What surprised you in these countries?

A lot of people, when they think about technology and innovation, tend to think of places like Silicon Valley. When I go to rural Zambia or Tanzania, I'm amazed by the innovation and creativity of people in low-income communities. People re-use, repurpose and repair technologies like mobile phones, computers, television sets and radios, rather than throw them away. They have to figure out how to keep machines running because they do not have funds to buy new ones, and they have quite a bit of technical knowledge to share.

How do you see foresee satellite technology changing in the next couple decades?

Right now there is a major shift in the satellite industries. You have these new players from Silicon Valley – like OneWeb and SpaceX – developing non-synchronous satellite constellations in different orbits. The satellites are much smaller and cost less, and they're going up in part to try an extend internet services to developing regions. So these emerging satellite constellations will likely change the way people access mobile phone systems and internet.

The other area where there's a lot of experimentation is in remote-

sensing satellites – satellites that are close to the Earth's surface and constantly taking pictures. They're used for archeology, military strategizing, meteorology, forestry and many other purposes. The costs and size of remote sensing satellites have dropped, and many more are being launched. There are a lot of things to keep track of up above.

What are some ethical problems or questions that arise?

If you look at the Outer Space Treaty of 1967, orbit and outer space were supposed to be owned by and used in the interest of all humankind. What we have seen is the privatization and the domination of orbit by a few rich companies and rich nation-states.

The UN Office for Outer Space Affairs tries to oversee and help provide guidelines related to the use of orbit and so does the International Telecommunication Union, but they have limited enforcement power. It's up to us as citizens to keep informed about these issues, so that we can pressure leaders to abide by international treaties related to orbit and space. If we don't, then we may see problems like orbital debris, congestion and pollution in orbit that increase the risk of objects falling back to Earth or intensified militarization of the domains surrounding the Earth.

What research are you currently doing in your lab?

In January, I took MIT graduate students to Tanzania to lead a workshop called Social IT Solutions. Tanzanian students worked in teams and developed six different projects using information technologies to address social challenges that ranged from accessing market prices of fresh produce to reducing wait times in long lines at the hospital or bank.

This spring my lab is starting up a reading group in the area of artificial intelligence and machine learning, and we will explore how media studies research interfaces with AI. There's a lot of new research coming out, and MIT is a leader in that area. What are Google and Facebook doing with all of our personal data? How does Netflix know which movies or TV shows we want to watch? These are the kinds of issues we will be getting into.

Any major takeaways?

I want to convey a message to UM students: I hope they will think in really ambitious ways about what they can do in this world and where they can go. I had no idea when I was a UM student that I would have a career doing research on satellites, global media and information technologies and would be honored with a MacArthur Fellowship. Dream big, give back and go for it.

Interview by Courtney Brockman '17

BOOKSHELF BY GINNY MERRIAM

Breaking and Entering: The Extraordinary Story of a Hacker Called 'Alien'

by *Jeremy N. Smith*

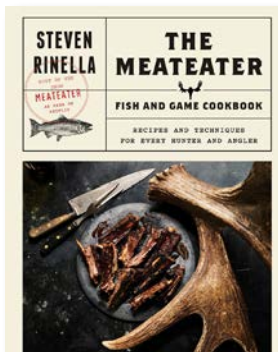
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2019, 304 pages, **\$28**

Jeremy Smith's third nonfiction book tells the story of Alien, a professional hacker – or, as she puts it, a “penetration tester and digital forensics specialist.” She and her team work for individuals and institutions who want to test their security or have been hacked and want to find out who did it and how. Smith, who earned an MFA in creative writing at UM, brings the reader along as he discovers her mysterious world.

The MeatEater Fish and Game Cookbook

by *Steven Rinella*

Spiegel & Grau, 2018, 350 pages, **\$35**



Chef, outdoorsman, writer, and television and podcast personality Steven Rinella tells his readers, “Wild game represents both the first and final frontier in cooking.” His new book tells us how to field dress, prepare and cook animals from caribou to wild pigs. The recipes include Wild Goose Pastrami, The Perfect Fried Catfish Sandwich and Bullfrog Legs with

Butter and Wine. The photos take us from the field to the plate. Rinella earned an MFA in creative writing at UM.

Breath

by *Robert Lee*

FootHills Publishing, 2018, 80 pages, **\$16**

“We share the air/until/one by one/the ones I know and need/stop breathing,” poet Robert Lee writes in the title poem of his new book. In this collection, Lee takes on retirement, love, friends, winter and more, and he wraps up with letter poems in the Richard Hugo tradition. Lee worked his way through an MFA in poetry at UM in mid-life and teaches for the Missoula Writing Collaborative.

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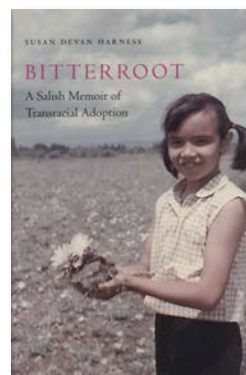


Robert Lee

Bitterroot: A Salish Memoir of Transracial Adoption

by *Susan Devan Harness*

University of Nebraska Press, 2018, 368 pages, **\$29.95**



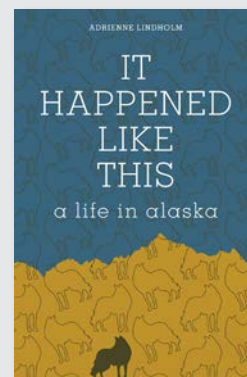
Susan Harness dedicates her book to several loved ones “And to all my families.” Born on the Flathead Indian Reservation, she was adopted by white parents at the age of 2 after a social worker removed her from her home because of “neglect.” At 15, she began asking about her birth family but didn’t begin to find answers until early adulthood. Harness explores home, belonging and the historical injustice of the American Indians’ story of assimilation. She earned her anthropology degree at UM.

It Happened Like This: A Life in Alaska

by *Adrienne Lindholm*

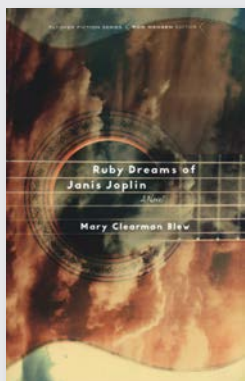
Mountaineers Books 2018, 208 pages, **\$16.95**

In her new book, Adrienne Lindholm is usually wearing a backpack or skis, flying in a float plane or navigating challenging waters. Bears and moose figure in the stories, as does driving rain. Such is Alaska. As so many people do, Lindholm went to Alaska for “a summer” and is still there 18 years later. Wilderness, she believes, is where we become our best selves. She earned a master’s degree in environmental studies at UM and works for the National Park Service.



If you are a UM alum with a recent book release, don’t forget about your alma mater. To be considered for Bookshelf, you must send a copy of the book, along with any press materials and contact information, to: Montanan, University Relations, 203 Brantly Hall, Missoula, MT 59812. Submission of materials does not guarantee that your work will be featured.

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



Ruby Dreams of Janis Joplin

by *Mary Clearman Blew*

University of Nebraska Press, 2018, 246 pages,
\$19.95

Mary Clearman Blew, an award-winning writer and professor emerita of English at the University of Idaho, set her new novel in the fictional Montana Hi-Line town of Versailles. Ruby Gervais buses tables two nights a week at the local bar until the Idaho Rivermen invite her to join their band. Blew explores small-town life, its dark underside and its generosity. Blew grew up outside Lewistown and earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in English at UM.

Howl Like a Wolf!

by *Kathleen Yale*

Storey Publishing, 2018, 80 pages, **\$18.95**

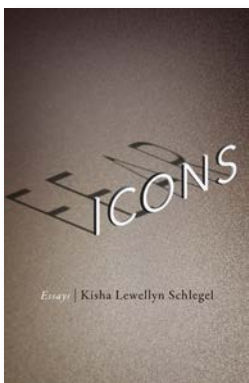
In her new book, Kathleen Yale teaches her readers to rattle like a rattlesnake, spray like a skunk, joke like a raven and sing like a humpback whale. Aimed at young readers, all ages can learn about the lives of 15 animals from the wild and engage in imaginative play while doing it. Yale shares her knowledge as a wildlife field biologist and freelance writer and editor. She earned a degree in environmental studies at UM.



Fear Icons

by *Kisha Lewellyn Schlegel*

Mad Creek Books/The Ohio State University Press, 2018, 187 pages, **\$19.95**



Kisha Schlegel won the Gournay Prize for a first book-length collection of essays by an emerging writer. A graduate of UM's Environmental Studies Program and assistant professor of English at Whitman College, she explores the icons in modern American culture that frighten us, along with those that soothe. She writes of the love and wonder her young son inspires, the horror of the nightly news, a televangelist, the Dalai Lama and plaque between the teeth as she examines all the roles we each play in everyday life.

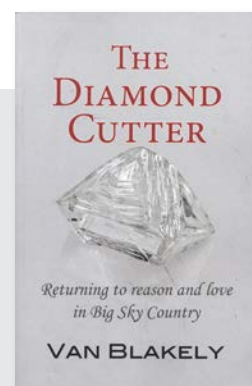


Anaphora

by *Kevin Goodan*

Alice James Books, 2018, 62 pages, **\$15.95**

UM alum Kevin Goodan grew up on the Flathead Indian Reservation, where his stepfather and brothers were tribal members. His collection of poems is an elegy to his cousin Jimmy, who hanged himself in the family's woodshed at 21. The untitled poems call up the still-raw sense of shock and loss and the harsh edges of small-town, rural life alongside November rain. Goodan teaches at Lewis-Clark State College in Idaho.



The Diamond Cutter: Returning to Reason and Love in Big Sky Country

by *Van Blakely*

Bantry Bay Publishing, 2018, 135 pages,
\$9.99

Van Blakely earned his undergraduate and master's degrees in business at UM and is a member of the management team at Montana Rail Link. But his new novel draws on other things: love of Montana, love for family and admiration for the classic rock of Tom Scholz. His characters are four friends growing up in western Montana in the 1970s and '80s whose lives evolve in diverse ways.



A CAMPAIGN FOR UM

Historic effort invites supporters to Think Big. Be Bold.

By Erika Fredrickson

It might seem like the cards were stacked against Mark Boatman, but he never really saw it that way.

He was diagnosed with Duchenne muscular dystrophy when he was 5, a degenerative disease that required him to use a wheelchair. When his condition led him to needing a ventilator to breathe, he landed in a nursing home for three years. And he might have stayed there, in Jamestown, North Dakota, if he hadn't been determined enough to start an online ventilator support group, which is where he met some friends who encouraged him to move to Missoula and, eventually, enroll at the University of Montana.

"The day he told us he was considering moving to Missoula we were a little bit in shock," says his mother, Linda Boatman. "He relied on 24-hour care, so we weren't pleased. But it was Mark's life, and we didn't want to get in the way of that."

Institutionalization is common for people with degenerative diseases like Mark's, but when he enrolled at UM's School of Journalism in 2007, he changed the trajectory of his life. With the help of his live-in roommates and the support of the University, Mark's talent for reporting shone through.

Journalism Professor Dennis Swibold says Mark excelled at writing in his Public Affairs Reporting class, always turning in crisp, clean copy and tackling the two-story-per-week requirement. He wrote about issues linked to the American with Disabilities Act, and he often challenged UM to up its game in regard to access. The University, in turn, supported him with a scholarship and provided him with technological support that furthered his success.

“He did remarkable work,” Swibold says. “It was publishable work, even as a junior. He was precise, and he always had a strong point to make. He found a life here and an independence he couldn’t find anywhere else.”

After graduating in 2012, Mark asked his parents about giving back to UM by establishing a scholarship with their help.

“Getting his degree was an awesome experience for him,” Linda says. “He really felt that journalism had given him a voice, and he wanted to give that to others.”

Together, the three of them started the Boatman Family Scholarship, which would be awarded to a promising journalism student involved in the community. When the scholarship was announced, Mark spoke about why he decided to create the fund.

“Pursuing a degree in journalism while having a severe disability isn’t easy,” he said at the time. “The UM School of Journalism accommodated my needs as a disabled student while pushing me to become a competent professional. This gift is to show my appreciation to the school and to assist journalism students who are working toward professional success.”

Mark passed away in December 2017 at the age of 42, living long past what was predicted for his condition. At his funeral, professors and students spoke about his perseverance and talent, and the legacy he left behind at the J-School. If the cards were stacked against him in the beginning, by the end, he’d come out on top. And the scholarship, which his parents plan to keep funding for as long as they can, was his way of paying forward that access for generations of journalism students to come.

Mari Hall, a 2018 UM graduate working as a reporter for the Missoula Current, was a recipient of the Boatman scholarship in 2017.

“The scholarship means so much to me, and I was honored to receive an award on behalf of Mark and his family,” Hall says. “I remember contacting Mark before he passed

while I was working on a research paper about the lack of journalists with disabilities in the newsroom. Though Mark passed before I could speak to him, I know he would have taught me a lot because he was a leader on this topic. I’ll always cherish this award, because it made a difference to me.”

Mark Boatman’s example is just one of many stories about how donors have helped generations of students. In a time when public funding for education has decreased, private funding, like the Boatman scholarship, has become more vital than ever to higher education.

In October, UM President Seth Bodnar made a historical announcement at the UM Foundation’s annual gathering of the President’s Club, which includes donors who annually contribute \$1,000 or more. Bodnar shared his bold vision for UM and issued a call to action that triggered buzz around the Homecoming weekend activities. The University was embarking on its most ambitious fundraising campaign ever – Campaign Montana: Think Big. Be Bold. – with the goal to raise \$400 million.

“Our collective charge is to ensure that every UM student succeeds,” the president said. “To ensure they persist to complete their degrees. To ensure they are supported and given access to the best possible learning environment. To ensure they are prepared not just for their first jobs – but also for their fifth. To ensure they are ready to lead their communities and this nation as educated, innovative, productive citizens.”

After five years of a quiet phase with \$325 million already gifted or pledged by incredibly generous donors, the University was now at a crossroads with important work to do.

“Our aim is to make this University – your University – a national model for how we deliver on our compact to marry accessibility with quality and provide a transformative experience – in and out of the classroom – to help our students realize their own potentials while impacting the communities they live in,” Bodnar said. “This is the defining challenge of our time, and at UM we tackle this challenge with boundless energy. We need your partnership. Your passion and commitment

are more critical now than at any time in UM history.”

The unprecedented campaign already has inspired donors who want to support UM’s students, programs, facilities and faculty.

“University alumni and friends are deeply committed to success for students and achievement of the UM mission,” says Cindy Williams, president and CEO of the UM Foundation. “As we see in the campaign’s momentum so far, donors are investing generously in strategic initiatives that create pathways to success.

“President Bodnar and Provost Jon Harbor’s plan for student success is comprehensive – with strategically crafted programs and the activation of professionals, tools and assets to serve students,” she says. “UM supporters are eager to learn how they can help achieve life-changing outcomes for students. Their investment will continue to shape this remarkable transformation.”

The UM Foundation, in its mission to inspire philanthropic support to enhance excellence and opportunity at UM, is an active participant in the president’s call to action for partnership.

“The promise made by the UM Foundation’s board of trustees, the Campaign Montana executive and steering committees, and our 55 professional staff members, is to help connect UM donors with the programs they are passionate about,” Williams says.

Scholarships Launching Lives

Brit Garner’s work in international wildlife conservation sounds about as wild as the animals she studies. Her projects have focused on a wide range of scientific subjects, including invasive herpetology in the Everglades, shark attack risk assessments and DNA analysis of seals. As a doctoral candidate in UM’s renowned Wildlife Biology Program, she’s used big data

analytics typically reserved for economics, business and marketing and applied these methods to international wildlife conservation.

"These new tools are what allows Netflix to suggest shows to us, businesses to optimize marketing strategies, Facebook to use targeted ads," she says.

Netflix uses machine learning to predict what viewers want to watch next, but the application can be used in conservation, too.

"One of the coolest uses I've seen of machine learning in international conservation is happening right now in Africa," she says. "There are teams using training sets of rhino poaching data to streamline algorithms that are now predicting where the next poaching event might occur. And, it's working."

Science communication also interests Garner – in other words, how professional scientists communicate their knowledge to the general public. Her UM education and connections led her to a production company called Complexly (owned by UM alumnus and YouTube entrepreneur Hank Green) for whom she co-hosts a wildly popular YouTube channel called "Sci-Show Psych," which has more than 400,000 followers. She also is the sole host, researcher and writer for another channel called Nature League, which launched in March and serves as the perfect example of Garner's ability to look at conservation through a global lens and explain it to the everyday viewer.

In April, Garner was awarded the W.A. Franke Endowed Fellowship in Wildlife Biology to support her continuing efforts at UM at a time when the Wildlife Biology department had just been ranked No. 1 in North America by Academic Analytics.

"This really changes the game for me," she says. "To have an endowed fellowship to do what I'm doing is a huge deal."

The fellowship is part of a large donation made in 2016 by Bill and Carolyn Franke and their family. The Franke family's \$24 million gift is the largest single gift in the University's history, and it has caused a powerful ripple effect for students and programs alike. Of the \$24 million, the W.A. Franke College of Forestry and Conservation received \$18 million to support fellowships, scholarships, initiatives, faculty, internships and technology. The other \$6 million went toward the Franke Global Leadership Initiative, which supports students across all

disciplines as they explore global challenges through hands-on, collaborative projects.

Franke family members are not UM alumni, but they have a deep appreciation for Montana. They believe strongly in the power of education, the importance of conservation and instilling a global perspective in today's students. Over the course of the past decade, the family has developed a strong relationship with UM.

"What struck me was how a single family could be interested in really different applications of philanthropy and different areas of study," Garner says. "When it was announced there was a lot of excitement in the forestry building – first of all because it is beyond generous, and also because it's really cool to have someone recognize the work we're doing is worthy."

The fellowship will allow Garner to reduce her financial burden and focus on her rigorous exams and projects. It will give her a chance to meet in person with international task forces. She also plans to attend conferences where she can represent her research, as well as network with some of the world's biggest players currently working in international wildlife conservation.

"With private donations, there's a very active choice being made on the part of the private individual," Garner says. "With their donation they are saying, 'I believe in what you're doing, and I want to be a part of it.' It means a lot to me because of that personal touch."

The passion donors have for UM has resulted in a vast array of scholarships. During Campaign Montana, donors have gifted and pledged more than \$100 million for student support. Several of those millions have been awarded to undergraduate and graduate students in the past few years. Other gifts have been directed by donors to endowments. These gifts will be invested and provide scholarship awards in perpetuity through investment earnings.

The type of scholarships established by donors include need-based awards to ensure students with limited resources have access to college. These include four-year renewable Presidential Leadership Scholarships awarded for academic merit that waive the full cost of in-state tuition, student-athlete scholarships that support promising athletes in their studies, and recruitment scholarships that attract top

high school students from across Montana and around the nation. In addition, graduate fellowships, like Garner's, financially support students pursuing graduate degrees. Despite this generosity, more financial support in the form of private scholarships is needed to ensure access to higher education and a thriving academic community for students.

Some donors, like Chris Halko, give because they have personally benefitted from their experience as Grizzlies and believe in the value of a UM education.

When Halko graduated from UM in 1995 from the School of Pharmacy, there was a shortage of jobs in his field, especially in bigger towns like Missoula. So Halko set his sights elsewhere. Thankfully, Jim Willits, a 1967 UM pharmacy graduate, contacted Halko and invited him to Fort Benton to check out the Benton Pharmacy, which Willits had owned for several decades.

"I came out here on a Saturday, and I met Jim and went and played the golf course," Halko recalls. "And thought, 'I think I'll give this a try.' At the time I was 22, single, didn't know what I wanted to do. I started filling in for Jim, and I just fell in love with Fort Benton, fell in love with independent pharmacy and fell in love with the area."

Halko wasn't a stranger to the area: He'd grown up on a ranch in Centerville not too far away. But being back there, working at the charming old brick-and-wood store, re-energized his interest in small-town community life, and he started to see his presence there with greater purpose.

One of his inspirations was Willits himself. In 1993, Willits and his wife, Caroleen, set a goal to give \$100,000 to UM over the course of several years.

"Jim really never said, 'You need to invest in your community or you need to invest in your university,'" Halko says. "He just did it, and so he led by example. He is very generous, and so I ran with that."

Halko took over the pharmacy in 2005 and opened another in Big Sandy in 2010. A few years later, he started his own scholarship fund with his wife, Terri, for the Skaggs School of Pharmacy, providing a \$2,000-per-year stipend for pharmacy students.

"It's been one of the most rewarding things I've ever done to meet these kids and hear their stories," Halko says. "They write the most beautiful thank-you letters, too."

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I understood what it was like to struggle to make payments in college, so it's very heartwarming to hear from them."

Pharmacy scholarships benefit students like Sylvia Gomez. She received several while studying at UM.

"I spent time volunteering and shadowing in several different areas of health care and found that pharmacy is what I was most interested in," she says. "I find the interaction between body and medicine fascinating. Pharmacy is a field that will keep me challenged and learning throughout my career."

Scholarships allowed her to focus on her studies and gave her the opportunity to volunteer at the Missoula Urban Indian Health Center, Ronald McDonald House, Red Cross Blood Drive and tutoring other students. Since graduating in 2016, Gomez has worked at the Benton Pharmacy. It's a big change for her, having grown up in larger towns in California and going to school in Missoula, but she's come to love the community and the flexibility of working for an independent pharmacy.

"Benton Pharmacy keeps a close relationship with the University of Montana, and it's always great to have students with us on rotation," she says. "I think the student always gets a good hands-on experience and the opportunity to learn about a lot of different aspects of pharmacy."

\$16.7 million strategic initiative, funded by Headwaters Foundation and anchored at UM, which would invest in one of the most critical stages of Montana's youngest children.

Research shows the 0-to-5 age window is developmentally critical for children. When children lack basic needs, including food, health care, safety and intellectual stimulation, the negative effects reverberate for years to come, often leading to advanced problems as adults that require greater investment from society. Headwaters Foundation, the nonprofit funding the initiative, learned from western Montana communities about the need to fill those gaps, and they recognized in UM the expertise to lead the way.

Brenda Solorzano, CEO of Headwaters Foundation, told how the initiative came to be, describing half-jokingly about having "600 cups of coffee up and down Montana" with stakeholders and holding 16 community meetings in 16 counties, including the Flathead Reservation, to figure out where the work needed to be done.

But it's UM that Headwaters has trusted as the hub for this major undertaking. The University will administer \$5.2 million of the grant for the program office and will serve as the go-to resource for the program's major collaborators, which include the UM Center for Children, Families and Workforce Development; Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies; and the Childwise Institute.

At UM's College of Health Professions and Biomedical Sciences, which will serve as a hub for the initiative, the funding will support faculty

and students to coordinate the endeavor. The college is renowned for cutting-edge research in areas like preventative care and holistic health education, and for forming interdisciplinary collaborations both on campus and in the community.

"As a research university, UM is poised to address the emerging and complex issues of our time," says Reed Humphrey, dean of the college. "Zero to Five aligns with our growing expertise in health and medicine,

and we're delighted to be a partner."

Private grants like Zero to Five support new programs at UM that enhance student experience and elevate colleges and schools on campus in ways that have far-reaching impacts.

Another example of the power of philanthropy is the \$1 million grant recently extended by the Madrona Hill Foundation to elevate UM's Health and Medicine Initiative. The program was launched in 2016 to support improved health for Montana residents through strategic partnerships and by educating practitioners to serve rural communities across Big Sky Country.

With the Madrona Hill Foundation's seed funding, the initiative will help launch an occupational therapy training program at UM that was approved in May 2017 in collaboration with Montana State University-Billings, fund fellowships for doctoral students in public health and provide scholarships for students in health care fields who plan to practice in rural and underserved areas of Montana and the region.

UM's Flathead Lake Biological Station is another program supported through private gifts. The station is a worldwide leader in freshwater research, and right now it's engaged in vital work to prevent invasive mussels from invading and potentially ruining an ecosystem that stretches from Montana to the Pacific.

And while FLBS is one of UM's oldest funded programs, the Montana Media Lab exemplifies a new exciting program supported by private donors. The lab, directed by Anne Bailey, is housed in the School of Journalism to help UM students learn how to tell multimedia stories and engage audiences through modern technology and platforms.

The lab will help make UM and Missoula a center for new media projects. Workshops taught by professionals from around the world will provide expertise in subjects such as web design, data visualization and social media strategy. And like so many privately funded programs, it allows a unit like the School of Journalism, which has long been ranked among the best in the nation, to continue providing students with a transformative education.

Programs for Progress

On a frosty day in mid-December, about 200 people gathered within the warm walls of spectrUM Discovery Area in Missoula. UM's hands-on science center is a colorful space often filled with children exploring the wonders of water, gravity and the solar system through a variety of exhibits. On this particular day, it brimmed with a who's who of science and health community leaders. The crowd buzzed with anticipation to hear about Zero to Five, a

Student Success: The Heart of Everything

“At this university you can access an education that is on par with that of any institution in this land,” President Bodnar says. “As good as one can get at the Harvards, the Stanfords, the MITs of the world. But what’s different about the University of Montana is that our mission is to ensure that high-quality education is accessible to people from all starting points and different walks of life. We deliver this education not just to the select few, but rather to the many.”

At the center of Campaign Montana is a new effort dubbed the Student Success Initiative. Ensuring students achieve success in college seems like an obvious concept but the thinking and strategy behind the initiative is exciting, radical and more complicated than it seems. What does student success actually look like? And how do you deliberately, systematically make it happen?

Bodnar spends a lot of time thinking about how students’ experiences at UM will prepare them for success in life, and contemplating the mechanisms that will ensure students receive the education and engage in experiences that will help them fulfill their potential. UM has many of resources to ensure that happens, and it recently added another: New Vice Provost for Student Success Sarah Swager was hired to oversee the campus programs and resources that help students flourish.

Despite having so many pieces in place for a successful education, most universities still struggle to connect students with key resources and support. Those gaps in the system reduce the percentage of students who complete a degree and can diminish the career trajectory of graduates.

Bodnar and Jon Harbor, executive vice president for academic affairs and provost,

and their teams have defined a pathway for students that systematically ensures touchpoints with critical academic advising, faculty mentoring, experiential learning and career resources along

their journey.

It’s a holistic approach that at its core identifies the factors in a student’s life that impact success.

“Our top priority at this University is to place student success at the center of everything

we do, so every decision we make, every discussion we have, we analyze it through that lens,” Bodnar says.

One of the changes the University is implementing involves academic advising. In many university settings, students are advised solely by faculty who are already meeting demands associated with teaching and research. UM has hired professional advisers and will seek private support to hire several more, who will help students map their education. These professional staff augment the important mentoring undertaken by faculty to engage students in research, connect them with professional networks and advise on career opportunities.

“The research shows nationally that students are far more successful if they have a professional academic adviser – someone who has been trained in that field, where that’s their only focus,” Harbor says.

“Those academic advisers use a lot of data and analytics to really provide the support students need to get them thinking about their entire career plan and how not just their courses, but their clubs and their summer experiences and internships, fit into that entire plan for their life.”

UM also will implement other services and technology to track a student’s progress toward goals in all areas of their studies. If students begin to struggle in a class, the adviser can identify the trouble early and connect the students with resources to support successful learning outcomes and completion of the course. Advisers also are trained to identify students’ strengths and direct them to scholarships, internships and extracurricular activities that are stepping stones to their educational and career goals.

Programming such as internships and

study abroad can be available to students with financial need through private support and have a significant impact on a student’s success in college. Creating more of those opportunities for students across campus is part of the initiative. The goal is to create a stronger, more-fulfilling student experience that generates the entrepreneurs, artists and leaders of tomorrow.

With private investment, UM will offer more distance-learning opportunities, so students who need to learn remotely because of family or work obligations can pursue and complete degree programs too. Expanded summer programs will help those with complicated schedules, such as student athletes, student teachers and others with complex schedules. These students often find themselves challenged to complete required coursework.

Emergency funds fill out the picture. Some students might struggle to pay a medical bill and tuition, which can derail them for a whole semester, making it more likely that they won’t return to complete their degree. A financial safety net can help a student stay in school and fulfill their potential.

Bodnar explains that students who start off on the right foot from the beginning realize the best outcomes. For instance, students who enroll in the Freshman Wilderness Experience, a four-day immersive experience with other new students held before formal classes begin, build a network that gives them an instant community, and those students are 10 percent less likely to drop out.

“Really, we are thinking about the wellness of students, not just at the health center, but in the classrooms and the residence halls,” Harbor says. “This weaving together of what used to be separate areas of the University makes sense to students. When you are a student, you live a 24/7 day. The number of hours in a classroom or doing homework is actually a small number of your total 24. So how do we think, as a University, of that total experience? Because it’s that total experience that prepares you for that total life.”

The UM College of Business is perfectly poised to be a campus model for student success, partly because the students there train for their chosen career from their first class. Students learn about marketing theory or accounting in the classroom but also spend time at companies in the

community and meet with successful alumni, some of whom have risen to the top of Fortune 500 companies.

Business students also learn critical skills, like how to network in a professional setting, engage during a business lunch, develop a compelling resume and pitch themselves in an interview.

The business college's Gianchetta Student Success Center, named after Larry Gianchetta, longtime business school dean, and his wife, Dee Dee, offers a one-stop shop for all advising, career services, graduate programs, internships and scholarships. In the first six weeks of operation, 1,670 students visited for undergraduate services and about 240 for graduate services.

The college has offered academic advising, a career development program and internship support for a long time, but scattered in separate places. The student success center brings together all these pieces of the puzzle. Academic advising helps students figure out how to fit an internship into coursework, deliberately craft a career path and more.

In addition to trained staff, the student success center gives students access to a variety of technologies donated by alumni and businesses, like the conference room where they have a professional setting to participate in Skype job interviews.

"There is very positive momentum around the new student success initiative," center Director Kathleen Tarkelson says. "Imagine how future support will impact all students and the professionals helping them."

learning. It's the type of space where you feel inspired just by being there.

"It's a very flexible space," says Adrea Lawrence, education college dean. "I see small groups of students working together. I see students doing robotic experiments for Science Methods, programming Lego robots and using them in the atrium during class to see how they might work with elementary-age children. The spaces are well-used inside and outside of class."

This year, the college will celebrate yet another addition to the building, also funded with a \$10 million gift from the Washington Foundation – along with a \$5 million gift from the Alice Lee Lund Charitable Trust – to expand space for early childhood education, counselor education and the Montana Digital Academy, which offers online classes to rural schools across the state. Like the 2009 addition, the new one will include features conducive to the learning that prepares future educators.

Even in its construction phase, you could walk into the new addition from the old 1948 wing of the college and feel like you'd stepped through a magic doorway into the future. Three stories tall, it provides 35,000 square feet of collaborative space, with preschool classrooms designed to be flexible so student educators can reconfigure the room to experiment with multiple ways of teaching. There are observation rooms and ceiling microphones, so early childhood education students can learn from preschoolers as they naturally respond to social situations. Technology classrooms feature furniture on wheels to disrupt the traditional row-by-row classroom setup.

One of the most striking rooms is a two-story auditorium named in honor of UM alumna Alice Lee Lund, which seats nearly 600 people and

can be used to for conferences or a space for special events. Lund earned bachelor's and master's degrees from UM and was a passionate lifelong educator. Before her passing in 2001, she established a charitable trust and named the college one of its beneficiaries.

The architecture and flexible flow of the addition is breathtaking, but what happens

inside is just as striking. The early childhood education program, which is a much-needed area of study, is a major focus.

"Montana is a one of a handful of states that doesn't have public preschools," Lawrence says. "And the benefits of a really robust preschool environment play out over the long term – over many decades – paying dividends in terms of benefits to society."

Student teachers are instructed using cutting-edge research and techniques, and discover how to help children learn to solve problems in a variety of contexts. Because the college has a reputable clinical component, which places student teachers in classrooms across the state, what they learn at the college has immediate impacts on the greater community. Lawrence says the college hopes to fund an early childhood education director position to fortify the program.

Donors who supported the education college building and its technological features understand that modern and collaborative learning environments, endowed faculty, student scholarships and new programs are important. These are passionate people who fund aspects of the college that elevate it. One major supporter is Betsy Ross Wilcox, who along with husband A. Warren Wilcox, co-chaired the five-year silent phase of Campaign Montana. She is committed to the well-being of children, and established the Intermountain Children's Home Doctoral Fellowship to create a link between the college's counselor education program and the nonprofit, which serves children in need of therapy.

"Expanding counselor education in the new addition will provide more room for curricular growth, training experiences and help to ensure the wellness of Montanans," says Wilcox of her gift to the college. "It is through education and relationships that lives are changed, and we are grateful to be able to make a difference."

UM alumnus and supporter Dennis Eck believes that liberal arts are the heart and soul of a UM education. With this in mind, he and his wife, Gretchen, gave more than \$8.3 million to help the College of Humanities and Sciences overhaul the classroom wing of the Liberal Arts Building. They've renovated classrooms, installed advanced technology, upgraded infrastructure and given the building a grand entrance onto the Oval, among other improvements.

Thinking Big With Buildings

In 2009, the Dennis and Phyllis Washington Foundation gave \$14 million to the UM College of Education to transform the education building. It's not just that the 27,000-square-foot addition expanded the space for the college's five departments. It also made the building dynamic in a way that was inviting to students and conducive to innovative

"This modernization of the Liberal Arts Building, without tearing the building down, serves as a proof of concept for upgrading the University's facilities without changing the campus's characteristic beauty," Dennis says. "Gretchen and I are proud to have our name associated with a project that will impact students every day and hope to inspire other donors and the state to support higher education."

Funding Elite Educators

John and Frank Craighead are best known for their research on grizzly bears in Yellowstone National Park from 1959 to 1971. At the time they started their inquiries, there was little science about the animal, including how it lived and how many were in the wild.

The Craighead brothers spent a lot of time learning about the bear's biology, but they made remarkable strides when they began putting radio collars on the bears for tracking. Their work led them to fight for designated wilderness areas for bear habitat, and they also documented their research through a National Geographic television special so the public could understand the life and challenges faced by UM's animal namesake.

That legacy of research and public education is what has made the Craighead name so admired in the world of conservation and biology. And at UM, where John J. Craighead led the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit for 25 years, the name is a powerful magnet for top-tier researchers and educators.

Jedediah Brodie is the current John J. Craighead Chair of Wildlife Biology, an endowed position established in 2005 with \$2.5 million contributed by private donors.

Brodie received his doctorate from UM in 2007, and he's distinguished himself in numerous ways: He was a Fulbright Research Fellow to Malaysia from 2011 to 2012, and he is a lead author of the Intergovernmental Panel on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Asia-Pacific Assessment. He studies the ecology and

conservation of large mammals in tropical rainforests, including how these mammals are endangered by habitat loss and unsustainable hunting.

"My team and I do fieldwork in the jungle to look at habitat selection by different species and to find out how they respond to anthropogenic threats," Brodie says. "We then work with local government agencies to identify particularly important areas for conservation, such as habitat

corridors that allow the species to move among national parks."

He also studies how climate change affects wildlife and plants in Alaska's national parks, and he directly incorporates what he learns about wildlife

— and the social and political process of conservation — into the classes he teaches at UM. All of which is in the spirit of the Craighead endowment.

"John Craighead was a towering figure in wildlife conservation, and it's both an incredible honor and very humbling to be in an endowed position in his name," Brodie says. "Being in this position really facilitates the research that I do, as well as the engagement with government agencies to affect on-the-ground conservation."

Meanwhile, Suzanne Tillemann, a professor of management and marketing and department chair in the College of Business, has worked on research supported by the Knick Family Faculty Fellowship, which she received in spring 2017. It's a competitive fellowship, funded by UM Foundation trustee and alum Bill Knick and his wife, Cherrie, which recognizes research stars. This support allows Tillemann to focus on her work and advance the frontiers of knowledge.

Tillemann's work doesn't have the same public visibility as an apex predator, but it's immensely important for the world we live in. She's been recognized for her work on industrial symbiosis, including firms that generate and repurpose waste. She also looks at social movements and sustainable entrepreneurship within businesses, revealing a larger story about what kinds of choices businesses make and why.

"Receiving the fellowship indicates in my field that the University supports and recognizes my research," Tillemann says. "And my research will continue and be

better because of the fellowship."

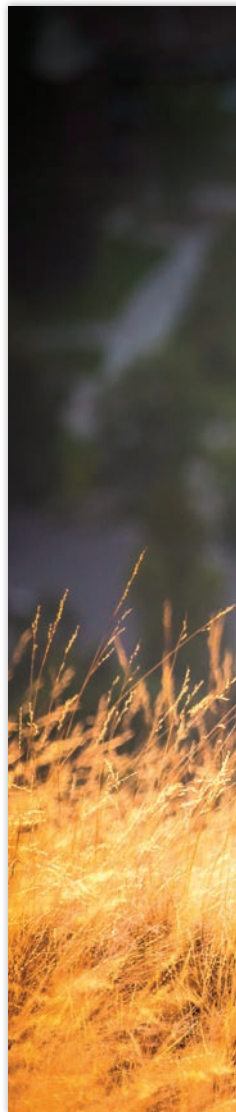
Just last year, distinguished UM historian Richard Drake was named the inaugural Lucile Speer Research Chair in History and Politics. The Speer Chair was established by a generous donor who wanted to honor the work of former UM documents librarian Lucile Speer, who was passionate about civics and politics, volunteering for the League of Women Voters, the Missoula Democratic Club and Eugene McCarthy's campaign in 1968. At 73, she was the oldest delegate at the 1972 Montana Constitutional Convention, which rewrote Montana's constitution.

The Speer Chair recognizes a distinguished scholar who explores both history and politics, and Drake is a shining example. He joined UM's history department in 1982 after teaching at the University of California, Los Angeles; UC Irvine; Wellesley; and Princeton. In the years since, he has published five books, with a sixth coming out next year.

"I'm deeply honored to hold this position" Drake says. "I'm really still adjusting to what it will mean in my scholarly life."

Williams, the UM Foundation CEO, says that when private donors choose to fund faculty, they create a ripple effect that builds the academic and research infrastructure of the University.

"Often that is part of what is deeply satisfying about giving that kind of gift," she says. "There are donors who desire to elevate an academic program by providing the University with funding that can attract or retain faculty who lead their field. On campus, nationally renowned faculty mentor and engage undergraduate and graduate students in research. They also attract new students and faculty from other institutions who seek the opportunity to collaborate with them."



Think Big. Be Bold.

The vision for Campaign Montana is bold because the opportunity to dramatically increase student degree completion, foster success in careers and develop engaged global citizens has energized University leaders to resist the status quo. You don't achieve greatness without leaping. Visit any UM department website and you can find hundreds of fascinating programs and opportunities to enhance the student experience that would benefit from private support. And because UM is not an island, it makes sense that gifts as big as a building renovation and as small as a \$1,000 scholarship keep giving. Because when UM students, faculty and staff succeed, these wins echo into the future.

"The founders said an educated citizenry is the bulwark of our republic, so when I think about the success of this institution, in part that success rests on our work providing that educated citizenry," President Bodnar says. "It's not just the workforce, which is important. Of course we want our students to be engaged productive citizens who are effective in their jobs. But we also want citizens who can adapt, because the one thing we know about this world is that it changes pretty quickly. How do we build our University so we can help students be the most successfully agile? Not just here, but over the course of their careers?"

"That's what's at the heart of it –

fulfilling our incredibly important mission in the most effective way we can," he says. "To do this well – to be a national example

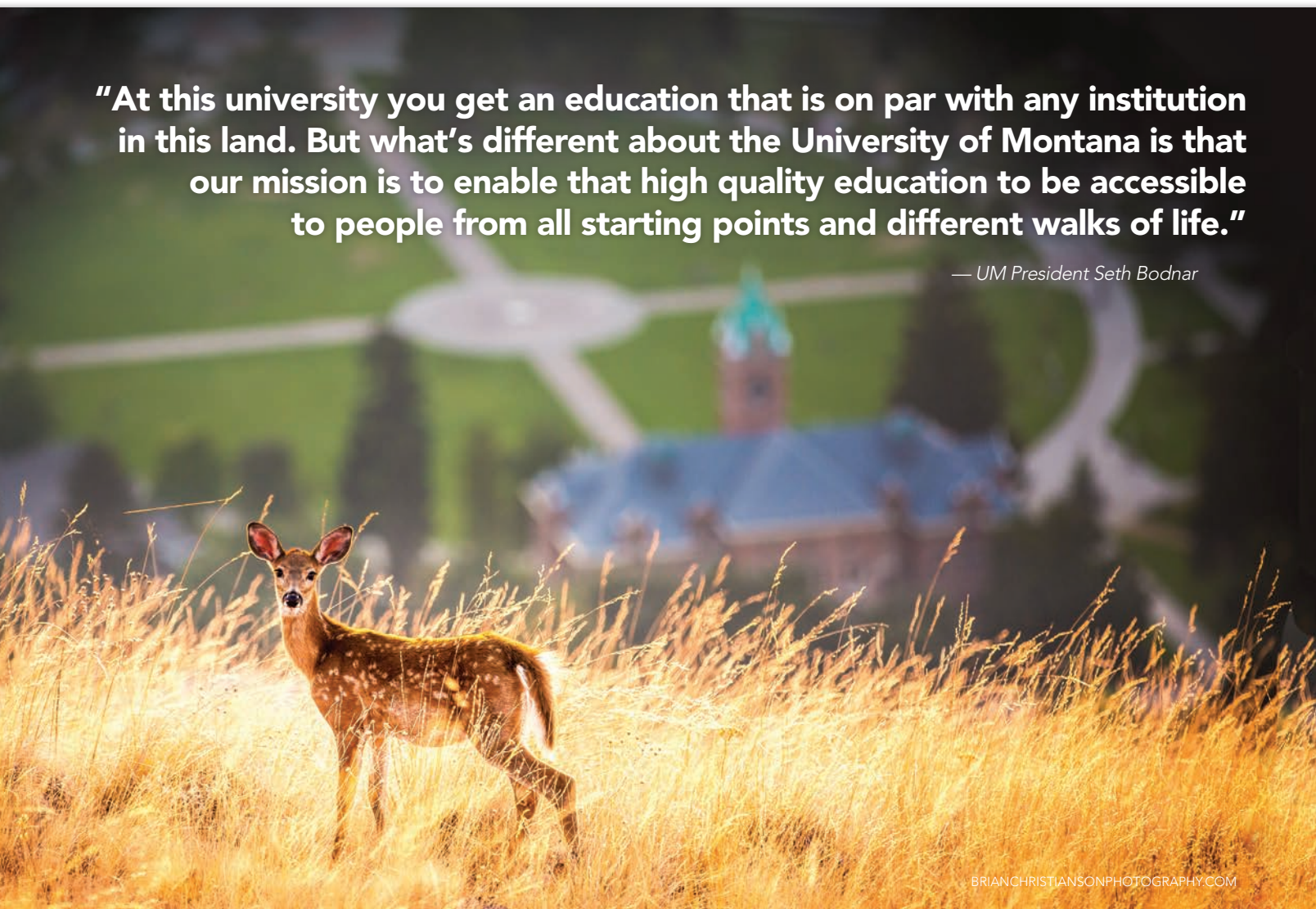
of excellent service to students – requires significant resources. As an institution we are investing the resources, but we won't achieve the level of excellence to which we aspire without significant private support – and I think it's support that has tremendous impact." ■



Erika Fredrickson is a freelance journalist based in Missoula. She graduated from UM's Creative Writing Program in 1999 and earned a master's degree in environmental studies in 2009.

"At this university you get an education that is on par with any institution in this land. But what's different about the University of Montana is that our mission is to enable that high quality education to be accessible to people from all starting points and different walks of life."

— UM President Seth Bodnar



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Over seven years, we aim to inspire \$400 million to elevate every student, college, school and program.

THE LIVES WE CHANGE WILL
CHANGE THE WORLD

Since 1950, the University of Montana Foundation has delivered on its mission to inspire philanthropic support to enhance excellence and opportunity at UM.

The University of Montana Foundation is an independent, nonprofit organization that serves UM by managing private fundraising efforts, donations and investment of endowed gifts. Governed by a Board of Trustees, the UM Foundation operates under an agreement with UM that is reviewed and approved by the Montana University System Board of Regents.

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These Foundation stakeholders believe in the power of generous people to make a difference in the world. They believe philanthropy definitively shapes UM as a world-class institution that improves the life of every student.

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these
generous
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\$109 million FOR STUDENT SUPPORT



\$74 million RAISED FOR PROGRAMS



30,839 GENEROUS DONORS



15 NEW ENDOWED FACULTY POSITIONS



\$35 million FOR FACULTY & STAFF



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13.9 PERCENT OF ALUMNI HAVE GIVEN



34,388 GIFTS UNDER \$100



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OUR GOAL **\$400 million**

“**Campaign Montana is exactly what the spirit of Griz pride, grit and generosity is all about. Imagine how students and faculty will feel when alums, friends and community members come together and blow past \$400 million.**

Imagine when we can tell them that more donors than ever before have invested in them and their success in life.

Big or small, every dollar matters here.”

— Campaign Montana Co-Chair, Mark Burnham

TRANSFORMATIVE GIFTS

Lead Donors | 2013-2018



UM's single largest gift, \$24 million from **Bill and Carolyn Franke and their family**, supports the W.A. Franke College of Forestry and Conservation and the Franke Global Leadership Initiative. The Franks are supporting undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, research and innovation.

UM alum **Tom Cotter**, who grew up on a ranch near Townsend, committed \$11 million of his estate for scholarships – the largest pledge for scholarships in UM's history.

Joe Cornell committed to helping in-state Montana students pursue their educational goals by including support for scholarships in his estate plan.

Alexander and Andrea Blewett donated \$10 million to endow an Access to Legal Education Scholarship Fund, create a consumer law program and provide flexible funding at the Alexander Blewett III School of Law.



The **Dennis and Phyllis Washington Foundation** and the **Alice Lee Lund Charitable Trust** made leadership gifts of \$10 million and \$5 million, respectively, to expand space for early childhood education, counselor education and the Montana Digital Academy within a new addition to the Phyllis Washington Education Center. Several other leadership donors supported the project. The new center opens its doors this spring.



The **Dennis and Phyllis Washington Foundation** made gifts totaling nearly \$6 million to support EdReady Montana, the innovative statewide math readiness program.

Kevin and Kyle Washington, on behalf of the **Dennis and Phyllis Washington Foundation**, contributed \$7 million toward the Washington-Grizzly Champions Center. The center provides a new weight and training room for all student-athletes, as well as specialized locker room and meeting room facilities for Grizzly football. Other leadership donors supported this project as well.



Dennis and Gretchen Eck renovated the 1950s-era Liberal Arts Building, adding new infrastructure, technology and furnishings. The building is the most-used on campus. To thank them for their \$8.3 million in contributions to the project, the University named the south wing Dennis and Gretchen Eck Hall.

A donor, who asked to remain **anonymous**, surprised the UM Foundation by sending an unexpected \$5 million check by U.S. mail to fund scholarships for students with financial need.

LEADERSHIP PRIORITIES

STUDENT SUCCESS

Opening the doors to higher education is not enough – we must provide the services and resources students need to persist and succeed. Enhancing our student success program is a top priority over the next several years, and we hope our vision will inspire you to support these efforts.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

At UM, a little generosity goes a long way. A modest investment in a student can lead to great returns. A primary goal of our campaign is to increase the number of scholarships available to students in all schools and colleges. These include recruitment scholarships, need-based awards, Presidential Leadership Scholarships, graduate student fellowships, student-athlete scholarships and field-of-study awards.

EXCELLENCE FUND

Unrestricted support ensures our students and faculty have access to the essential opportunities and resources they need to thrive. With your gifts, we can nimbly respond to these opportunities that are not afforded through state support or tuition revenue.

REACH YOUR PEAK WITH A MOUNTAIN OF SUPPORT.

A transformative, holistic student experience

Your success is broader than time spent in the classroom. A UM education seeks to develop and enrich the whole student, whether it's through academics, financial literacy, mind/body wellness, career planning or a study abroad experience. We prepare students for the dynamic and complex world you'll enter upon graduation. A UM education transforms your life and you will, in turn, transform your communities and the world.

A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

PREPARATION AND ENTRY
Steps to get you ready for an outstanding experience and the connections to help plan your transition to UM

GROWTH AND DISCOVERY
Build ongoing relationships, foster skill development and support for academic, career and life goals

LAUNCH
Plan graduation and next steps for achieving post-graduation goals

BEAR TRACKS

You and your parents make tracks to campus in the spring of your senior year to take care of the business of going to UM.

BIG SKY EXPERIENCE AND NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

These two experiences at the start of your freshman year combine to set solid social and academic foundations for your success at UM.

FIRST-YEAR SEMINAR

Freshmen like you engage in purposeful learning around key student success topics during your critical first semester on campus.

GRIZ 360
A HOLISTIC UM APPROACH

FACULTY
Teaches, coaches and mentors for the discipline

ADVISOR
Advises student throughout college

STUDENT

ADVISING MODEL

You will have a professional academic advisor specially trained to help you stay on the academic path to graduation. And you will also have a faculty mentor who will help you understand the connections between what you learn in the classroom and your career path, as well as the importance of transformational learning opportunities along the way.

INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL EDUCATION

At UM, we invest in your future with scholarship and financial aid programs. But we also facilitate financial planning conversations, tools and connections to enhance your financial education.

EXPLORATORY

MAJORS

GENERAL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Students need a common base of knowledge. At UM, we believe that begins and ends with the liberal arts. With more than 50 percent of Fortune 500 CEOs coming from the liberal arts ranks, we know being able to think critically and communicate well serves any profession now or in the future.

UM is placing **student success** at the center of all we do, and driving excellence and innovation in teaching, learning and research.

THRIVING WITH YOUR SUPPORT

A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

CAREERS OF IMPACT

We'll get you ready for not only your job but continued success in life.



DEGREE COMPLETION AND CAREER OBTAINMENT

When you walk across the stage at graduation, you will be prepared for your first, fourth, fifth and final career.

INTENTIONAL CONNECTIONS

At UM, we have created many intentional connections through programs like faculty mentoring and coaching, House Calls, Griz Guides, Living-Learning Communities, Wellness Advocates and more. At every opportunity, we work to increase your social and professional networks in meaningful, robust ways.

TRANSFORMATIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Not all learning comes from books and in the classroom. Much of it comes when you put what you have learned to use during a study abroad trip, or working with a professor on undergraduate research or even going into the field to do data collection.

INTERNSHIPS AND CO-OPS

You'll be served well by internships and co-ops that give you opportunities for hands-on learning — putting skills you learn in the classroom to work in the real world.

FLEXIBLE EDUCATION

Online and summer courses are just two ways we make it easier for you to take the classes you need when you need them. We allow you to set your own pace, add depth and breadth or just spend a summer in Missoula. We meet students where they are and provide the education of a lifetime.

WELLNESS — CURRY 360°

A new model of health care, Curry 360° treats the whole body and mind. We are using this same theory on campus, as well. We know you are more than just your major; you are a part of our community and live, study, work, engage and play 24/7. You need more than just professors in a classroom; you need professionals to guide you to the next chapter of your life.

CAREER SERVICES AND SUCCESS PLANNING

You will engage with Career Services throughout your time on campus to discover skills, values and interests in connection to majors and careers.

Alumni and friends can ensure all UM students stay on track to complete their degrees.

Your gifts will:



Provide incoming students with resources and coursework they need to be college ready.



Connect every student with both a professional academic adviser and a faculty mentor and offer a structured pathway to navigate career preparation and opportunities.



Ensure students participate in high-impact educational practices, such as first-year orientation and seminars, internships, co-ops, undergraduate research and capstone projects.



Create an emergency grant fund to empower students to transition past a moment of short-term financial need and continue in their college career.



Help students, especially those who are first-generation and underrepresented at UM, find their home on this campus, with tailored opportunities and support to help them persist to graduation.



Augment traditional classroom learning with more access to special summer experiences, such as field coursework, study abroad programs and internships with local companies.



Drive innovation in the classroom through enhanced pedagogy and collaboration.

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CAMPUSWIDE UNIT PRIORITIES

Voices from around the Oval and beyond

Endowed Chairs, Professorships and Faculty Fellowships:

Recruiting and retaining executives is crucial to all successful businesses. It's no different at the **College of Business**. We compete with elite universities for top talent. To recruit successfully, we must offer competitive packages. The prestige and opportunity that comes with a named professorship helps us do so.

The nation's leading institutions like UM rely on endowed faculty positions to attract and retain renowned professors, scientists and creative scholars. With contributions from donors, the **College of Visual and Performing Arts** and other colleges and schools aim to expand the number of endowed faculty positions. High-caliber faculty move our programs forward, attract exceptional students and contribute to a rich and rewarding campus culture.

Scholarships and Graduate Fellowships:

Scholarships and fellowships both at the undergraduate and graduate level help **College of Humanities and Sciences** students reduce or eliminate debt and focus on their studies. They also help us recruit high-achieving students with diverse backgrounds and the potential to excel at UM. In addition, we believe transformative experiences like study abroad and research help students grow as individuals and in their careers. Privately funded stipends put these experiences within reach for more students.

To recruit exceptional students, the **College of Health Professions and Biomedical Sciences** must provide competitive fellowships. We aim to endow at least two new postdoctoral research fellowships and graduate student research assistantships. We also will create more part-time and summer research stipends for undergraduates, allowing them to gain valuable training.

The Davidson Honors College aims to grow the number of scholarships available to all honors students, including the Presidential Leadership Scholarships. These scholarships provide needed support for top students from around Montana and the country as they develop their knowledge and leadership skills at UM.

Grizzly Athletics scholarships attract top recruits and allow them to compete at the highest level. Student-athlete scholarships are at the core of our mission and success. They also allow these students to receive a high-quality college education at reduced or no tuition.

Signature Academic Programs:

Signature programs at the **Blewett School of Law**, such as our nationally recognized programs in Natural Resources and Environmental Law and Indian Law, rely on the support of donors to provide unique opportunities to students while serving the needs of Montana and the Rocky Mountain West.

The Max S. Baucus Institute inspires public service by training and educating the next generation of public servants. In the summer of 2019, the institute will send 10 UM undergraduate and graduate students to intern in Washington, D.C., and eight law students to study in China.

Montana has a workforce gap on the horizon. Economists predict the state will see an increase of 7,000 jobs per year over the next several years. **Missoula College** provides Montanans the premier training they need to fill these jobs. Donors can make an investment in Montana by supporting our academic program development and efforts to collaborate with local industry to respond to workforce needs.

Learning Environments:

The new wing of the **Phyllis Washington Education Center** at the **Phyllis J. Washington College of Education and Human Sciences** will allow us to expand our early childhood education program significantly. We will open two new preschool classrooms, with accompanying space for UM student learning and observation. Gifts of all sizes will help us purchase materials for a rich preschool environment and will underwrite a full-time program director. Among other exciting initiatives, this addition provides a full suite of classrooms and therapy rooms for the Department of Counselor Education; a state-of-the-art auditorium that can host large classes, statewide meetings and national conferences; and new offices for the Montana Digital Academy. Naming opportunities throughout the addition are available.

The **School of Journalism** believes in "learning by doing." Key programs we aim to bolster through Campaign Montana include Montana Journalism Abroad, which allows students to report stories overseas; the Native News Honors Project, which covers issues affecting Montana's 12 tribes; and the Crown Reporting Project, an opportunity for graduate students to work with a mentor and report on environmental issues in our region.

The W.A. Franke College of Forestry and Conservation manages two properties in the beautiful Blackfoot Valley used for research and education. Since 1937, the 28,000-acre Lubrecht Experimental Forest has been a place for innovation in forestry, resource management and ecosystem science. With private support, the college will renew its commitment to Lubrecht and the nearby Bandy Ranch by adding more collaborative and hands-on learning opportunities.

The fundraising priorities of every college, school and program spring from the University's strategic plan. As work is underway to advance **student success**, each academic unit aims to achieve individual priorities to enhance accessible, world-class academic programs, enrich UM's dynamic learning environments and expand the boundaries of our faculty's knowledge and collaborations.

The Clinical Psychology Center serves clients from around western Montana while acting as a vital training clinic for students in the clinical and school psychology programs at the College of Humanities and Sciences. With private support, we will build a much-needed addition to the existing center, increasing space for mental health service delivery, psychological testing and research, as well as services geared toward the needs of Native American communities. The expansion will support the center's key objectives to become a state-designated mental health center, serve up to five times more clients and more fully integrate practitioners from disciplines like counseling, social work, pharmacy practice and physical therapy.

Research and Innovation:

UM Health and Medicine at the College of Health Professions and Biomedical Sciences supports improved health outcomes for Montanans through campus interdisciplinary academic enrichment, strategic partnerships and educating practitioners to serve communities across the state. The UM campus houses seven clinics, over 20 laboratories and some 55 degree paths in health and medicine studies – from two-year to doctoral programs. Private support is fueling the growth of this important and valuable initiative to serve Montana.

As the **Flathead Lake Biological Station** conducts the vital work that supports its mission, our laboratory personnel, researchers, technicians, educators, non-faculty scientists and IT professionals need the support of generous donors to ensure our scientific research, monitoring and educational programs are sustained and positioned to advance.

Impact Funds:

Each Impact Fund across campus helps ensure UM's excellence by providing unrestricted support where and when it is needed most. With your gifts to an Impact Fund, **all schools, colleges, programs and Grizzly Athletics** can provide essential opportunities and resources students and faculty need to thrive.

For the **Broadcast Media Center**, the Impact Fund is a key resource to keeping public media flexible and relevant, providing the capacity for collaborative journalism, experiments with local cultural and arts programming, an intensive focus on single issues across program genres and engagement of independent producers for special projects.

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Bender hikes a high plateau on day three of his epic trip.

Nate Bender '12 Climbs 27 Montana Mountains in One Trip

It all began with a bit of peer pressure. Wanting to keep up with some friends at UM, Nate Bender '12 decided to give trail running a try.

"Growing up, running wasn't something that was fun in of itself," he says.

On a challenge, he ran the Le Grizz 50-miler along the Hungry Horse Reservoir, which left him "physically trashed." But it also helped set him out on his path. In 2016, he climbed all nine of Idaho's 12,000-foot-plus peaks – the "Idaho 12ers" – in less than 38 hours.

Now two years later, Bender has accomplished a feat unclaimed by anyone else: He is the first to link all 27 of Montana's peaks over 12,000 feet in one trip.

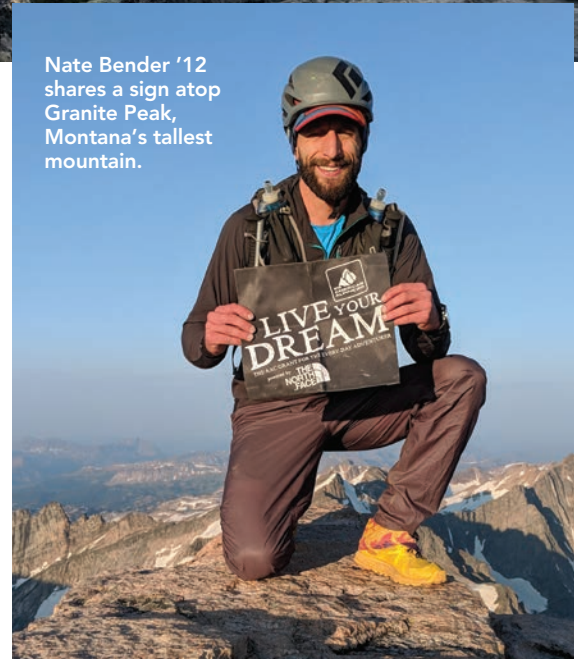
Bender undertook significant training for his endeavor. He spent long days in the Beartooth Mountains, embarking on eight different scouting trips to learn the terrain and obstacles he would encounter. In addition to working full-time, he trained 20 to 30 hours a week at the gym or in the mountains, preparing especially to climb loose rock.

"Just because you're a fit runner doesn't mean you'll be comfortable on that kind of terrain," he says. "The route is nearly entirely off-trail. It's quite rugged, with seemingly endless miles of boulder fields and rocky ridgelines."

Bender set off on his journey in mid-August. Three pacers accompanied him, and friends and family set up at the three places the route crosses established trails to serve as his support crew.

The route winds along the rock ledges, ridgelines and high plateaus the Beartooths are famous for. The last peak on the journey requires overcoming a difficult, natural, 40-foot rock tower guarding the summit.

Nate Bender '12 shares a sign atop Granite Peak, Montana's tallest mountain.



"The fact that some of the hardest terrain of the route comes in the last few feet below the final summit makes overcoming it all the more hard-won and rewarding," Bender says.

As he scaled over the last peak and a thunderstorm blew in, Bender says, "It was surreal." The support crew cheered and clanged cowbells when he descended the final trail with a record-setting time of four days, six hours, 44 minutes and 19 seconds – and a total of 100 miles and 48,000 feet of ascent behind him.

For Bender, his fulfillment comes from the support he received to accomplish a goal two years in the making.

"Everyone pulling together to help me pull this off is really special to me," he says. "That camaraderie is what makes a trip like this especially meaningful."

– By Courtney Brockman

1960s



Lawrence

Ralph Lawrence '61, Spuyten Duyvil, N.Y., recently went on an Honor Flight to Washington, D.C., with 69 other veterans. He attended UM on the Korean G.I. Bill and will turn 83 this June.

E.M. Risse '61, The Woodlands, Texas, relocated his regional strategy practice from the Piedmont of Virginia to The Woodlands in Texas. He is working on completing his third book on human settlement patterns, and his first two are available from Amazon.

Carl Cain '62, Missoula, retired from the U.S. Forest Service this past July after 15 years in the Washington State Department of Natural Resources and 41 years of federal service. He plans to stay in Missoula.

David Van Nuys M.A. '64, Rohnert Park, Calif., received the American Psychological Association Presidential Award for his Shrink Rap Radio podcast, which features more than 600 episodes on everything from psychedelic consciousness to emotional eating. Van Nuys is emeritus professor of psychology at Sonoma State University, where he worked as a department chair for seven years. He also runs a market research consulting business and blog

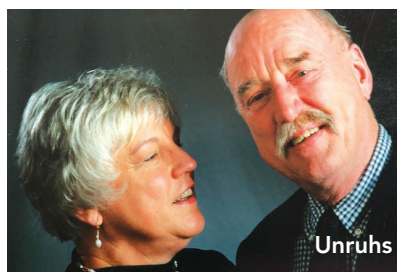
and has served on numerous psychology boards. Van Nuys has led personal growth workshops around the U.S. and world. His podcasts are available online at <https://shrinkrapradio.com/all-shows/>.

Larry Strate '64, Hamilton, writing as L. Allen Strate, just published his second book, "From Battlefields to Beet Fields," a glimpse into the prisoner-of-war camps in the Bitterroot Valley during WWII. Hundreds of prisoners of war – German, Italian and Japanese – were imported to help with the sugar beet harvest. The book details the at-the-time controversial decision to bring in POWs and sets the local story in context with what was happening nationally and internationally at the time.



Strate

Ione and Delbert Unruh '64, Lawrence, Kan., both alums of the UM theatre department, just published their book, "Forgotten Designers: Costume Designers of American Broadway Revues and Musicals from 1900-1930," available on Amazon. This is the fifth publication on theater designers the two have published, and they are currently at work on a new publication about costume designer Cora MacGeachy. Del



Unruhs

is a retired professor of theatre at the University of Kansas, and Ione is a retired freelance costume designer.



Monte escorts **Lana Richards Batts '68**, Lakeside, during her 50th wedding anniversary party this past August. Lana, a Billings Senior High School graduate, and Joseph Batts '68, a Flathead County High School graduate, met during college at UM five decades ago and just celebrated their anniversary.

1970s

Ken Dunham '70, Folsom, Calif., received the West Coast Lumber and Building Materials Association's eighth Lifetime Achievement Award. He has served as executive director since 2006, lobbying the state government, leading federal and state programs and contributing to various industry publications, political and public relations materials. Dunham published "The Legacy of Lumber" in 2017. He has worked as a news



Dunham

director and reporter in Great Falls, executive director of the Montana Republican Party, owner of Dunham Advertising and manager for the Associated General Contractors in Montana, Washington and



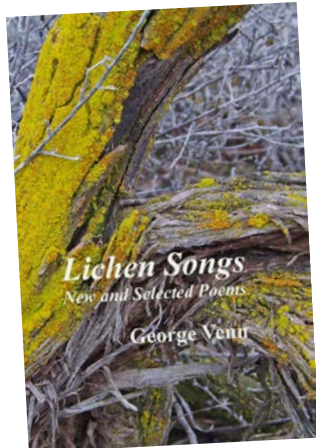
Emma Joki Gebo, M. Ed. '71, and **David Gebo '65**, Pocatello, Idaho, and **Billie Joki Herrin '68, M. Ed. '87, Ed.D. '91**, and **Ned Herrin '74**, Sun City West, Ariz., took a Baltic Cruise in August and stopped in Finland for lunch with Emma and Billie's cousins. This picture was taken in front of the famous Havis Amanda Fountain in Helsinki.

Illinois. Dunham is a member of UMAA's Board of Directors, among other organizations, and his wife, Janelle Fallan '74, also is an alum.

Ron Flickinger '70, Fort Wayne, Ind., dons his UM polo shirt alongside his daughter Tracy and granddaughter Courtney at a park overlooking Florence, Italy, just before a daylong trip through Tuscany in June.



George Venn M.F.A. '70, La Grande, Ore., received the Lifetime Achievement Award from The College of Idaho, where he also presented a reading from his newly released fourth poetry collection, "Lichen Songs: New and Selected Poems." Entered for

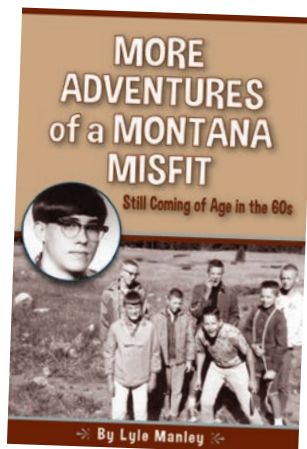


the Pulitzer Prize, the collection was featured on a Northwest book tour. Venn recently was nominated as the next Oregon

poet laureate, but withdrew from consideration to pursue new work. Since becoming professor of English emeritus in 2002, Venn has published two historical works, a volume of personal essays and a 460-page portfolio of Northwest literary history that concludes with a free speech battle set in downtown Missoula in 1909. Venn also served as president of the Oregon Council of Teachers of English and the general editor of the nationally recognized "Oregon Literature Series" (Vol.1-6) in the 1990s.

Dale Burk '71, Stevensville, was inducted into the Montana Outdoor Hall of Fame for his writings on conservation. He worked as a journalist in the U.S. Navy and served as a press representative in Tokyo, Japan, at the Foreign Correspondents' Club. Burk then worked in journalism and public relations throughout Montana and wrote for various national publications, winning numerous awards. He was the first writer from Montana to win Harvard University's Nieman Fellowship for Professional Journalists in 1975, as well as the first public member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. He just published his memoir, "A Brush With a Wild Thing or Two in Montana."

Lyle Manley '72, J.D. '79, Helena, published "More Adventures of a Montana



Misfit," the second volume chronicling coming of age in 1960s Montana. Beginning in junior high school with an awkward attempt to navigate teenage society, it ends in the late '60s with the social turmoil that mirrors the narrator's inner disorientation. The works have been described by Aaron Parrett of Montana Senior News as "... consummately charming ... Manley has returned to his roots and writing talent to deliver this singular biography to Montana letters."



Dick Gallagher, M.Ed. '75, Ronan, spent Thanksgiving 2018 in the Bahamas with his wife, Kathy, and daughters **Maureen Gallagher Crooks '90, '93**, M.Ed. '98, Monroe, La., and **Colleen Gallagher '94**, Delray Beach, Fla. While there, his Dave Dickenson hat caught the attention of another vacationing Griz. Gallagher is a member of the Grizzly Scholarship Association and supporter of all UM athletics and academics.

John Lyle '76, '79, '80, Hawaii National Park, Hawaii, holds degrees in business administration, anthropology and education and now works as a correspondent in Hawaii after living with his family in Fairbanks, Alaska. His report,

"Volcanic Eruption: Pay Attention to the Winds," details Hawaii's volcanic eruptions and the effects felt by entire communities and towns. Excerpt: "Never turn your back to the ocean. From my vantage point on Hawaii's Big Island, observing the sea keeps one vigilant, humble, alive. Any number of things – shore breaks, rips, currents, rogue waves – can grab an unsuspecting person before they realize what's happening. Annually, dozens of people are taken by the sea, locals and visitors alike. Strong swimmers with experience in these waters have some advantage but in the end the ocean decides."

L. Thomas Winfree Jr. Ph.D. '76, Los Lunas, N.M., just published "Mental Health and Criminal Justice" with Anne Segal and Stan Friedman. It describes how the mental health care system and criminal justice system operate together.

Kim Zupan '78, M.F.A. '84, Missoula, will have his novel "The Ploughman" adapted into a movie directed by Ed Harris and filmed in Fort Benton and Great Falls. "The Ploughman," published in 2014, tells the story of a sheriff's deputy working overnight at the Copper County Jail. According to Harris in a Los Angeles Times article, Zupan's novel is "really hauntingly beautiful" with "suspense and great drama but it's a real character thing."

Charmaine Wilson '79, Aiken, S.C., earned the Lloyd Rohler Career Teaching Award from the Carolinas Communication Association. Wilson is the chair of the Department of Communication at the University of South Carolina, where she has taught for 27 years. She received the award for her passion and willingness to help students, as well as



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her teaching methods and example in interpersonal communication. Other awards she has won from USC include the Teaching Excellence Award, the University Service Award and the Excellence in Academic Advisement Award.

1980s

Mike Weber J.D. '81, Fairview, was honored for 28 years of service as county attorney for Richland County, Montana, as he retired at the end of 2018. He worked more than 2,000 felony cases throughout his career.

Darcy Crum J.D. '85, Great Falls, became a 2018 honoree of the Angels in Adoption Program, sponsored by the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute to honor those who have made an exceptional contribution on behalf of children in need of families. Crum, who is an adoption attorney in Great Falls, was nominated by U.S. Sen. Jon Tester and attended three days of training, advocacy and



an awards gala in Washington, D.C., in September. For 30 years, she has facilitated hundreds, maybe thousands, of adoptions and also was instrumental in drafting the Montana Adoption Act of 1997. Judge Gregory Pinski of the 8th Judicial District of Montana said he could think of no one more deserving of the honor.



Garry Kerr '85, M.A. '94, Missoula, led a group of UM students on a trip abroad to Tanzania from Christmas Day to Jan. 9, to plant trees at the suggestion of Dr. Jane Goodall. Kerr has taught anthropology at UM for more than 30 years.

1990s

Richard and Julie Janssen '93, Ronan, founded the nonprofit Proactive Living Facility to provide a place for adults with disabilities to live, work and grow. The idea for the nonprofit came when they struggled to find affordable housing for their 23-year-old son, Jake, who suffers from autism, epilepsy and diabetes.



Barbie Beaton '95, M.Ed. '06, Missoula, received a fellowship to work in residence at the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Amherst. Beaton will join 25 other artists, writers and composers from Montana who will each stay in their own private studio to work on their creative projects. Beaton plans to work on her memoir while there.



Loreen Leonard McFaul '87, Spokane, and **Amy Packard** '87, Colbert, Wash., finished six half-marathons in six days in six states. McFaul and Packard were members of the Delta Gamma Sorority at UM. Left to right: John '87 and Amy Packard and Loreen and Greg McFaul.

Rick Stoddart '95, Eugene, Ore., recently became the library dean at Lane Community College in Eugene.

Greta Koss Buehler '97, Helena, and **Kristy Langton Schlingens** '95, Victor, were among a team that traveled to El Salvador to teach basketball clinics over the summer as part of a U.S. Department of State youth sports diplomacy program. Both are former Lady Griz players.

Gillian Glaes '97, Missoula, recently published her first book, "African Political Activism in Postcolonial France: State Surveillance and Social Welfare" with Routledge Press. Glaes has lived throughout the United States, France and Denmark, and she holds a master's degree from the University of Oregon and a doctorate from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. She currently is a visiting professor at UM in history, African American studies and for the Franke Global Leadership Initiative.



2000s

Christopher Bolin '00, Saint Joseph, Minn., recently published "Form from Form" with University of Iowa Press. Fanny Howe, author of "The Needle's Eye," writes: "Where is the stability in a world that is a victim of itself? Thomas Merton came to mind as I was reading this book, his being a person whose cold eye could be cast

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on everything in sight while his heart is all fire and depth. I think these marvelous poems wrestle with contradiction and so bring us to the possibility of change.”

Katie Knotek '01, Missoula, became recreation resource manager for Lolo National Forest's Missoula Ranger District in October. She worked



for the U.S. Forest Service for 16 years and earned a master's degree in recreation management from Colorado State University. Knotek also was a social science analyst for UM's Aldo Leopold Wilderness Research Institute and worked on projects for Gates of the Arctic, Wrangell-St. Elias, and Denali National Park and Preserve. She previously helped manage the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex.

Sherri Mason Ph.D. '01, Fredonia, N.Y., received the prestigious Heinz Award and \$250,000 from the Heinz Family Foundation for her research on microbeads, microfibers and microplastics in freshwater. Mason is chair of the geology and environmental science department at the State University of New York in Fredonia. She became the first to research microplastics in the Great Lakes, and her research helped lead to the enactment of the Microbead-Free Waters Act of 2015. Her studies have been reviewed by numerous countries,

the World Health Organization and the United Nations in the quest to detect contamination in drinking water.

Christine Walchuk

'02, Leesburg, Va., joined the global law firm DLA Piper as a partner in Northern Virginia. She focuses on representing public and private life sciences companies in commercial and intellectual property transactions. Walchuk previously worked at Goodwin Procter LLP, counseling clients in various sectors of agriculture biotechnology and plant sciences, as well as high-tech, software and internet industries.

Laura Dickinson Lee '03, Algonquin, Ill., co-organized the Guinness World Record largest gathering of organ transplant donors at the Cloud Gate in Chicago on April 21 to help raise awareness of living donors. The 410 living donors were members of The Transplant Village, and the event raised more than \$32,000 for a living organ donor fund at Northwestern Medicine. Lee writes on the blog Spare Body Parts: “At the end of the day, this event was about coming together, and we did it in a way that I know left an imprint on the hearts of the people who were there. My heart is forever inspired by all of the people who were part of this day, and my life is richer to have met so many kindred spirits on this journey.”



Lee stands with Chicago Police Superintendent Eddie Johnson, who received a kidney from his son in 2017, during the record-setting Living Donor Rally in Chicago.
(Photo courtesy: Matt Baron)

Matthew Kaler '04, M.F.A. '08, Missoula, made the 2018 BloodList with his screenplay “Bitterroot.” Entries for the BloodList are voted on by film and television executives as the “most liked” yet unproduced dark genre screenplays, and “Bitterroot” made the category dedicated to writers without industry representation. Kaler has worked as an English instructor at Bitterroot College UM for five years.



Jeff Ozimek '05, Bainbridge Island, Wash., won the National Recreation and Park Association's 2018 Robert W. Crawford Young Professional Award. As outdoor adventure programming manager at Bainbridge Island Metro Park & Recreation District, Ozimek created the Outdoor Adventure Program from the ground up, which offers activities from clamming to stargazing. A Chicago native, he became involved with logging while at UM and then worked in a variety of outdoor positions across the country after graduating.



Ozimek says that he hopes he will inspire other outdoor recreation professionals at UM. “I’m proud to be an alum of UM and forever a Griz,” he said.

Anna Peterson M.S. '05, Durango, Colo., is executive director of The Mountain Pact, an organization that works to empower local elected officials in 50 mountain communities across the American West. The Mountain Pact works to rebuild resilience in the face of environmental stresses and their economic impacts through a shared voice on policies related to climate, public lands and outdoor recreation. Peterson also is the founder and president of Conservation Communications, where she works with nonprofits, corporations and small businesses to expand their ability to make change on conservation-related campaigns.



Hank Green M.S. '06, Missoula, recently made the New York Times No. 1 hardback best-seller list with his novel “An Absolutely Remarkable Thing.” Green is a prominent YouTube figure with his ever-popular educational science shows on the channel “Vlogbrothers.” Since 2007, Green and his brother John, author of “The Fault in Our Stars,” have entertained millions of viewers.

Genevieve Lind '06, Ph.D. '17, Missoula, earned a yearlong fellowship with the National Institutes of Health in Washington, D.C. After receiving her degree in communication studies, she worked in hotel management and then returned to UM for a doctorate in neuroscience. She has won multiple awards for her research on molecular pharmacology and drug development, organized ComSciCon-Rocky Mountain West in 2017 and co-founded 500 Women Scientists Missoula.



Jason Parke '06, Boulder, CO, earned the 2018 Young Forester Leadership Award from the Society of American Foresters, making him the first employee from Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks to win. The award recognizes SAF members under the age of 40 who show outstanding leadership. Parke works for the Habitat Bureau of the Wildlife Division, as well as on projects for the fisheries and parks divisions and in forest management. He joined the SAF as a student at UM in 2002 and has worked in his role since 2015.

Monika Bilka M.S. '08, Mesa, Ariz., won best scholarly article of the year on Native American history at the Western History Association's annual conference in October with an article focused on natural resources and the Klamath Tribes of southern Oregon. Bilka is history lead faculty at Chandler-Gilbert



Community College in Mesa, Ariz. She currently is revising her book, titled "Remaking a People, Restoring a Watershed: Klamath Tribal Empowerment through Natural Resources Governance, 1960-2015." The manuscript grew out of research she conducted for her master's degree in environmental studies at UM and her dissertation in history at Arizona State University in 2015.

Lisa Jarrett M.F.A. '09, Portland, Ore., was just named a Joan Mitchell Foundation 2018 recipient of one of its Painters and Sculptors grants, which provide 25 artists with \$25,000 each in unrestricted funds and eligibility to apply for a residency at the center in New Orleans. Jarrett served as interim director for the UM Gallery of Visual Arts after she received her master's degree in painting and drawing. She now is as an assistant professor of art practices at Portland State University, and her artistic work focuses on her personal experiences as a black woman in America.

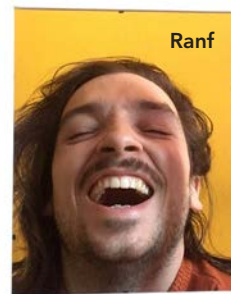
Nate Rott '09, Missoula, is as a journalist for National Public Radio and has reported on everything from terrorist attacks in San Bernardino to changing demographics in the American West. He also has worked in wildland firefighting, commercial fishing, children's theater teaching and professional snow shoveling for the United States Antarctic Program.

2010s

Justin Olson M.Ed. '12, Los Angeles, will publish his young adult novel "Earth to Charlie" with Simon and Schuster on April 16. The novel takes place in Whitehall, Montana, and follows a high school outcast who spends his life hoping to be abducted by aliens.



Collin Ranf B.F.A. '12, Brooklyn, N.Y., recently received a prestigious Fresh Tracks residency for choreographers from New York Live Arts. The season-long residency culminates with performances in June. Ranf was a 2017-18 Brooklyn Arts Exchange Upstart artist and currently serves as development associate at the Youth America Grand Prix international dance competition. "I credit a lot of this success to the incredible dance education I received



at the College of Visual and Performing Arts, specifically the incredible foundation in contemporary dance practices, ballet and choreographic composition," he says.

Chance Thompson '12, Park City, Utah, is a pioneer in the sustainable event planning industry. As the Salt Palace's senior manager in sustainability and public relations, Thompson led a 35-member Green Team representing five different tourism organizations in developing standards to gain international sustainability certification. Since the organizations have achieved Level 1 certification, Thompson has spoken on the process locally and worldwide. He is involved with the Event Industry Council's Sustainability Committee, the EIC Sustainable Event Standards Relaunch and the Utah Recycling Alliance. He will take over as the chair of the EIC Sustainable Event Certification in 2019.



Chance Thompson (middle) accepted the IMEX-EIC Innovation in Sustainability Award on behalf of the Salt Palace Convention Center and Mountain America Exposition Center in May 2018 in Frankfurt, Germany.

Dylan Fredric Huiskens

M.S. '13, Missoula, won Montana's 2019 Teacher of the Year award. Huiskens teaches sixth through eighth grade at Bonner School. He is known for his hands-on approach and incorporation of geography, history and character-building in his teaching. Huiskens will travel to Washington, D.C., to compete for the national title. "This was never something I was shooting for," he said in a news article. "It doesn't feel like a huge shift in the way I think about my career. I'm here for this school. I'm here for the students."



Martin Viereckl '14, M.S. '18, Missoula, created 24 topographical maps for tiger conservation in Malaysia. He led a team of eight student cartographers, who made the maps for rangers in Taman Negara Kenyir National Park and mailed them overseas.

Kim Gilchrist M.S. '14, and **Catie DeMets**, M.S. '18, both from Missoula, recently helped Missoula's Community Food and Agriculture Coalition obtain a \$270,000 grant to provide fresh produce access for low-income Montanans. Gilchrist leads CFAC's food

access program. DeMets conducted the report on the fresh produce consumed by low-income families for her environmental studies master's program final portfolio and now works as beginning farmer resource coordinator for CFAC.



Tom Lang M.S. '18, Missoula, just won the Excellence in Wilderness Stewardship Research Award from the U.S. Forest Service for his work on his master's thesis. Lang, who works as the wilderness stewardship coordinator for the Selway-Bitterroot Frank Church Foundation, researched Wilderness Solitude in the 21st Century in the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex in 2017. He previously worked as a National Park Service ranger throughout Colorado and Alaska.

Andrew "Drew" Aaron Mozzer '18, Burlington, Conn., started River City Brews, a rafting tour company that provides relaxing river rides, along with snacks and beverages. Mozzer graduated with degrees in international business and management last May.

Sadi Nazriev '18, Missoula, works as an administrator and supervisor for Delta Global Services at Missoula International Airport. Sadi was the first son in his family to attend UM from Dushanbe, Tajikistan, after his father, former deputy minister of the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade for

From left to right: **Sobirjon Nazriev**, **Mrs. Fotima Najmudinova**, **Sadi Nazriev**, **Saidrahmon Nazrizoda** (not pictured: **Rasul Nazriev**).



the Republic of Tajikistan, Saidrahmon Nazrizoda, found out about the University. Sadi's brothers, Sobirjon and Rasul, both followed in his footsteps to attend the University.

three research and development centers focusing on national security issues.

Nhan T. Nguyen '18, Alexandria, Va., recently became a new research staff member in the Institute for Defense Analyses Information Technology and Systems Division. Nguyen holds bachelor's and master's degrees in mathematics from Western Washington University and received his doctorate from UM in summer 2018. The IDA is a nonprofit operating



Pete Betcher, '09, Choteau; **Katie Kohler**, B.F.A. '11, Austin; **Justin Morley**, B.F.A. '13, Austin; **Jeremiah Rosenberger** '12, Round Rock, Texas – all UM theatre and dance alums – form The Back Pack comedy troupe. Together since 2008 and now based in East Austin, The Back Pack creates original work through drawing on paper attached to the performers, who also dance. They have won multiple awards for their unique form of storytelling.

LETTER FROM THE ALUMNI DIRECTOR

"Time, Talent and Treasure."

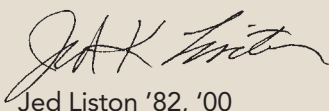
That phrase recently struck me like lightning on an open Montana plain. Now, I've been around the University of Montana for over 40 years – including my student time – and I heard this phrase for the first time recently from our new vice president for enrollment and strategic communications, Cathy Cole, referring to the most significant ways alumni can give back to their alma mater. I was impressed with her ability to encapsulate what we've formulated at the Alumni Association for over a year now – that we should foster, honor and recognize those who give us their time and talent along with those who give us their financial support. Cathy assured me that the phrase has been around a long time and that it had been used in other places she has worked.

Because I have an innate curiosity forged in the classrooms of UM, I decided to see if I could find the origin of this clever phrase. A Google search reveals that it is a common phrase categorizing support in religious organizations and has some ancillary biblical associations, but the first reference to the three words used together is found in an 1845 newspaper article in the secular Maine Cultivator and Hallowell Gazette that stated, "Time, talent, treasure and physical strength, which, if applied to the promotion of social improvement, the advancement of science and the furtherance of education, would convert in a very short period the whole earth into a paradise ..." There's a lot of truth in this.

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We are excited about UM's Campaign Montana and its wonderful message: **Think Big. Be Bold.** We hope everyone will consider giving what they can to elevate every college, school and program at UM (<https://www.campaignmontana.org>). We would be equally honored if you, as alumni, would consider giving us your time and talent as well (<http://grizalum.org/time-and-talent>).

Go Griz!



Jed Liston '82, '00

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In Memoriam

We extend sympathy to the families of the following alumni, faculty, parents 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. Send to: Office of Alumni Relations | 107 Brantly Hall | Missoula, MT 59812 Email: alumni@umontana.edu. Material for "In Memoriam" reached our office by Dec. 14, 2018.

Editor's Note: In the last issue, we listed John David Melcher as a 1987 J.D. grad who died. Sen. John D. Melcher died this spring, but he was not a UM alumnus. His son, John C. Melcher is a 1987 J.D. alum and is very much alive in Helena.

1930s

Darlene Lorena Lansberry '37, Lewistown
Vernetta Ruth Shepard Kommers '39, Bozeman

1940s

Carleen Heinrich Daughters '42, Sun City, AZ
Ralph James Gildroy Jr. '43, DeLand, FL
Flora Mae Bellefleur Isch '46, M.A. '48, Kalispell
Patricia Marrs Chapman '48, Henderson, NV
David Ernest "Dave" Ellison J.D. '48, Bellevue, WA
Jane Jeffers Rybus '46, Ennis
Robert W. "Bob" Schottelkorb '48, Missoula
Royal Calvin Johnson '49, Billings

1950s

Russell Lyle "Russ" Culver '50, Saint Paul, MN
Henry Dire '50, Lee's Summit, MO
Dolf William Fieldman '50, Vero Beach, FL
Edward George "Ed" Heilman '50, Missoula
John Edward Hewitt '50, Houston
Elnore Smith Selstad '50, Great Falls
James O'Malley "Jim" Tingle '50, J.D. '52, Missoula
Virginia Young Vinal '50, Hamilton
Kenneth I. Young '50, Missoula
Peter W. Askin '51, M.A. '56, Haymarket, VA
Bonnie Carolyn Pierce Yurko '51, Billings
Arthur "Byron" Bayers '52, Twin Bridges
Paul Theodore Meischke '52, Bend, OR
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James A. "Jim" Tidyman '54, Hayden Lake, ID
Robert Stephens "Bob" Gibson '55, Bozeman
Thomas Robert "Tom" Needham '55, Polson
Jane Law Glennie '56, Two Dot
Keith Duane Peterson '56, Lacey, WA
Natalie Norby Cannon '57, '61, M.P.A. '85, Seattle
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Lorraine Anna Fehrenkamp Rogers '58, Billings

Marian Pauline Seilstad '58, '84, Palouse, WA
 George Quentin Baker '59, Milpitas, CA
 Kenneth Theodore Bondurant '59, Seattle
 Clinton Wayne "Clint" Collins '59, M. Ed. '80, Whitefish
 Robert Henry Paquin '59, Salem, OR

1960s

Ida Rose Blakeman Lytton '60, M. Ed. '64, Polson
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 Alan A. Morris '61, Littlefield, AZ
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 Jeanette Dorothy Bach '62, Helena
 James David "Jim" Bryngelson '63, Bellingham, WA
 Bervyl Charles "Berv" Kimberley, M.Ed. '63, Billings
 Donald Robert McCaig '63, Williamsville, VA
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 Wayne Garfield Carter '64, Calgary, AB
 Alan R. Yates '64, Missoula
 Bruce Noel Allen '65, Missoula
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 Montana Venne Tolliver-Castor '65, Missoula
 Ronald Leslie "Ron" Johnson '66, Missoula
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 Dale E. Fluegel M.M. '68, Chamberlain, SD
 Gus William Gerhardt '68, Billings
 Mary Cheryl "MC" Fay Beeby '69, Helena
 Patricia Rose "Pat" Hughes '69, Eagle, ID
 Janet Elizabeth Spittler Crawford McGahan '69, Arlee
 Lizbeth Karen Meeker '69, Warren, OR
 Elizabeth Anna WhitemanRunsHim-Reece '69, Hardin
 Kenneth Michael "Ken" Ronning '69, Butte

1970s

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 Mary Ruth Shannon Conley '70, M.Ed. '77, Orrington, ME
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 Stanley Michael "Mick" Finn '71, J.D. '78, Missoula
 Roger Ray Martens '71, Missoula
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 Dawn Marie Espelin Schandelson '71, Great Falls
 Ellen Isobel Richards Swift '71, M.Ed. '81, Missoula
 John Patrick Wilson '71, Hamilton
 John Michael Monahan '72, Sierra Vista, AZ
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 Mary Margaret Sorini '72, Butte
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 John Patrick "Pat" Dolan '73, Ph.D. '82, Billings
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 Julia May "Julie" Hollowell Thompson '74, M.Ed. '77, Missoula
 Joseph Rooney "Rod" Cone '75, Missoula
 Leann Sue Marshall Johnson '75, Helena
 Alan Kris Nikolaisen '76, Plentywood
 Brian Courtney Bell '77, Billings
 Gregory Ryan "Greg" Burham '77, M.A. '87, Missoula
 Douglas Stuart "Doug" Hart '77, Powell, WY
 Malcolm Patrick O'Leary '79, Arlee
 Dennis Edmund Wisinski, M.S. '79, Kents Store, VA

1980s

Dorothy Louise Harvey Bunting '80, Glendale, AZ
 Eugene "Gene Mark" "Geno" Popovich '80, Butte
 Bruce Randall Carlson '81, Billings
 Eula Myrtle Hobbs Compton '81, J.D. '84, Butte
 Douglas Allen Egbert '81, Layton, UT
 Anthony "Glenn" Ingram '82, Spokane
 Neil E. Johnson '82, Bonner
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 Bernard H. "Bernie" Harris '85, Sidney
 Gary "Dean" Rominger '85, Missoula
 Marian Joan Wise '86, M.A. '90, Missoula
 Laurence J. "Larry" Ginnings '77, J.D. '87, Missoula
 Lorin Rudean Kveseth '87, Wolf Point
 Karen J. Ward, M.A. '88, Missoula
 Katherine Ann "Kathi" Frankino, M.S. '89, Seattle
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 William Gordon "Bill" Twedt M.B.A. '89, Great Falls

1990s

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 Jack Johnson Nichols '90, Alberton
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 John V. Bollinger '93, Missoula
 Christopher Zachary "Chris" Leonard '94, Great Falls
 Jennifer Lea Malone '95, Missoula
 Larry Lee Pyette '95, Milltown
 Thomas Morton "Tom" Platt M.S. '96, Missoula

2000s

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 William Patrick Conko-Camel '01, Ronan
 Craig Edward Pilling '02, Fort Collins, CO
 Eric William Emerson M.A. '03, Loveland, CO
 Karen Morningstar Jorgenson '04, Helena
 Sarah Christine Allen-van Geenen '07, The Hague, Netherlands
 Joseph Roman "Joe" Nowakowski '08, Helena

2010s

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 Ingrid Festring Ernestl '16, Missoula

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 Ronald James "Ron" Scariano, Billings
 Helen C. Swarthout, Saugerties, NY
 Gary Frederick Walter, Missoula

alumni here and there



Karen Kracher Dykstra '78 and her husband Paul Dykstra, Minneapolis, summited Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak at 19,340 feet, last summer.

Former resident advisers and nightwatch from all over Montana and as far away as North Carolina reconnected for a three-day alumni reunion last July at Camp Paxson on Seeley Lake, where RA training began 30 years ago.



David Richards '88 of Anchorage, Alaska, holds up his spring 2018 Montanan at the site of the Attu World War II battlefield in the Aleutian Islands. Richards helped commemorate the 75th anniversary of the battle by honoring all those who sacrificed, including UM alumnus Tom O'Donnell, whose Distinguished Service Cross medal was covered in the "Artifacts" section of that issue.



New Lifetime Members

The following alumni and friends made a commitment to the future of the UM Alumni Association by becoming lifetime members. The Alumni Association thanks them for their support. You can join them by calling 877-862-5867 or by visiting www.grizalum.com. This list includes all new lifetime members through Dec. 14, 2018.

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Carly Croskrey '97**
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John Hodgson '83
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Florence

John Nockleby '77
Santa Monica, CA

Shane Parks '17, '18
Bigfork

**Amy Ratto Parks, M.F.A. '04,
M.A. '04, Ed.D. '15**
Missoula

Steven '90 and Suan Simon '90
Redmond, WA

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Continuing to engage our fans in the future of the franchise is paramount to us. So much so, we recently asked our fans to help us rename the team. Of course, we'll still honor the Osprey name, use the cherished logo as a secondary mark and highlight the nest. Yet, we recognize we have an opportunity to usher in a new legacy of fan-centric entertainment by asking our fans what baseball means to the people of Missoula. We hope to turn some of those ideas into a namesake that best represents everything you love about this great city. You can follow us on social media or visit our website — www.missoulaosprey.com — to hear the latest updates on this topic, and more.

Until then, let's get ready for the opening weekend home stand! It all starts on June 21st. You might find me behind home plate scoring every pitch, like I have for the last twenty-five years, or trying out some of our new signature food items. Susan will be close by, taking in the game and the fans. Please, stop and introduce yourself — we'd love to meet our new neighbors.

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| JULY | | | | | | |
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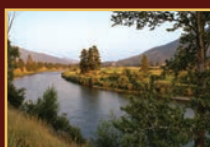


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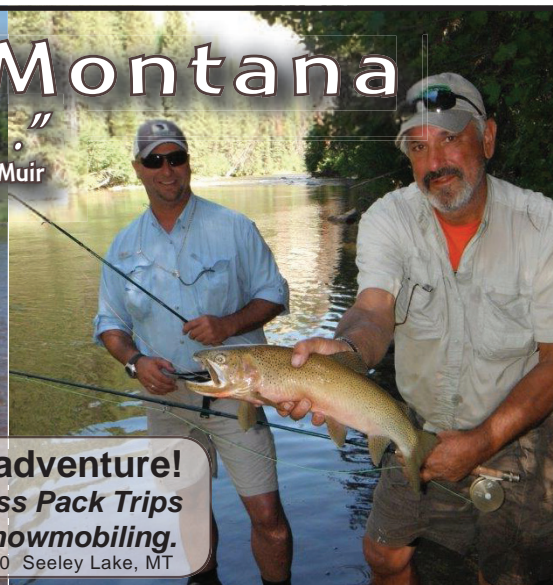
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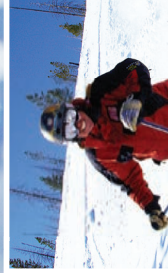
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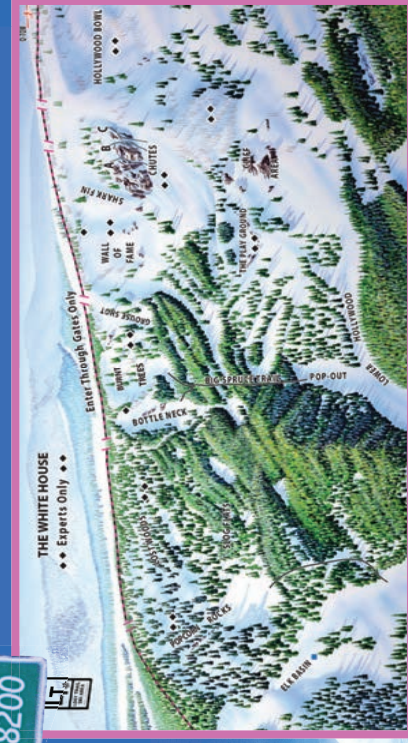
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Missoula's Bible

By Jenny Lavey

In most academic institutions like UM, there's an important benchmark of leadership change. We call it inauguration, and it includes regalia, music, students, faculty and staff members, community members, ceremonial proceedings and a historical text.

On Oct. 26, 2018, when President Seth Bodnar was inaugurated as UM's 19th president on the front steps of Main Hall, he placed his hand on the University's Bible and pledged his solemn oath to lead UM.

It wasn't just any Bible.

The ceremonial good book used to usher in the University president once belonged to a Missoula founder who helped build Missoula with the same vision and perseverance we trust Bodnar will bring to Main Hall.

His name was Francis Lyman Worden. The book was his 168-year-old Bible, brought down from the fourth floor of UM's Mansfield Library Archives and Special Collections to be used for the first time in a UM inauguration.

The origin of the request to use a Bible with historical ties to Montana came from Bodnar himself. What UM archivist Donna McCrea provided has its own story.

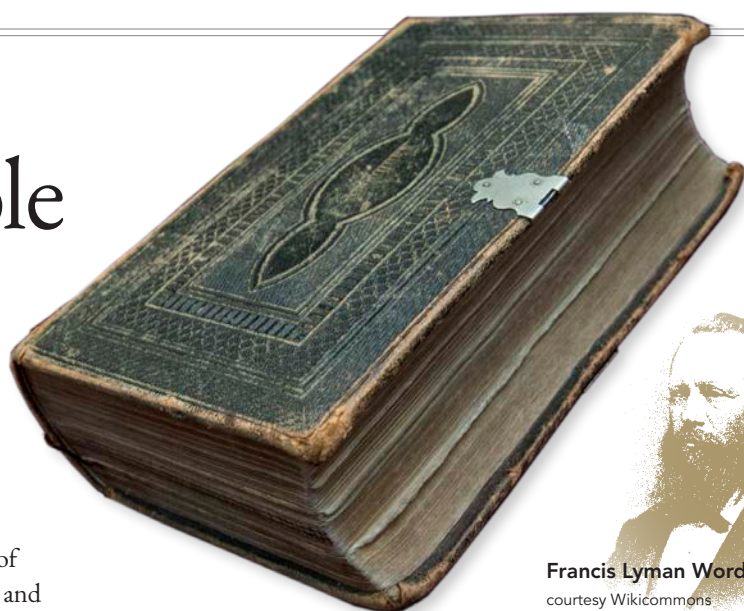
Copyrighted 1851, the cover is embossed with Worden's initials. The pages are the shade of yellow only age can offer. It was small enough to be portable and leather bound with gilt-edged pages, suggesting it was a special item.

One can appreciate how scripture may have comforted a man making a life for himself in an unkind western territory about 30 years shy of Montana's statehood.

Originally born in Vermont in 1830, Worden ventured west and planted roots in what became Missoula County. Along with another early Missoula giant, Christopher P. Higgins, Worden opened a trading post in 1860 near Hell Gate in what was then Washington Territory (near today's Frenchtown).

The Washington Territorial Legislature officially created Missoula County that same year, with a county seat to be located "at or near" the Worden and Company Trading Post. Higgins and Worden later moved their business in 1865 to Missoula Mills, on the Clark Fork River, which grew into downtown Missoula. In 1868, Worden and Washington J. McCormick set the townsite of Missoula, Montana Territory. Worden and his wife, Lucretia, had seven children. Some of their descendants live in Missoula today.

The rest is history.



Francis Lyman Worden
courtesy Wikicommons

Thanks to a generous donation by UM alumnus Richard Lee Merritt, Montanans will forever have access to other rare treasures like Worden's Bible, which represent cultural significance for the state.

For more than a quarter century, Merritt donated more than 1,300 books to UM's library and created two funds to support book purchases, preservation and other activities. Working with the UM Foundation, which fundraises and manages donations on behalf of the University, Merritt willed the bulk of his estate to the Mansfield Library. Merritt died on Dec. 17, 2017. In the summer of 2018, his estate contributed nearly \$2 million to create an endowment to support the library's archives in perpetuity.

As with most scripture, there's more than one message involved. While Worden and his Bible are no doubt a part of 19th-century western expansion into Montana, at about the same time and continuing today, many Indian tribes had to survive United States treaty impositions and removal from their homelands. UM's campus is at the very center of their story, too.

Thus, Tony Incashola, a tribal elder with the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation, was an honored guest at Bodnar's October inauguration. He offered a blessing to the president, who acknowledged UM's campus as an original territory of Native peoples that is "very much an active part of our present."

At the Montanan, we think there was a special blend of reverence at work on inauguration day. It starts with Missoula's earliest known Bible and a Native blessing, showing what's possible for all of us who love UM, thanks to all of those who came before us.

The new president may well have the better angels and spirits of Missoula looking down on Main Hall.

Not a bad way to start.

Salish encampment on land which is now UM campus, circa 1908.

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