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## Council narrowly approves \$11,000 for new Starbucks project

By Robin Jordan

Butte-Silver Bow commissioners last week approved a request for \$11,000 from the hard rock mining trust fund to aid in construction of a new Starbucks café in a 7-5 vote.

The request came from CenterPointe Development Group, based in Scottsdale, AZ, a preferred developer for Starbucks. The developer is constructing a new 2,200 square foot building, which will be leased by Starbucks, at 2307 Harrison Ave. in front of the old Hastings store. Part of the plan is to demolish the Hastings portion of the existing building, sealing off and leaving the Rent A Center portion intact. The developer plans to replace the old monument sign with a modern one, install new landscaping, parking lot pavement, parking lot lighting and an outdoor seating area. In all, the project's total cost is about \$3.3 million. Tentatively, Starbucks could open in late April or early May.

According to the request, the \$11,000 grant will be used for pavement and new landscaping.

The new Starbucks will replace the old location at 3201 Harrison Ave., which had parking issues.

Although the amount is relatively small compared to other recent requests for hard rock funds, several commissioners said they got plenty of negative comments from constituents about making the grant.

Hard Rock Mining Trust money comes from a portion of taxes mine operators pay to the state. The money can only be accessed when a mining operation shuts down or has major layoffs. Money in the trust can then be used for projects that diversify or improve the economy to make up for losses caused by the shutdown.

Butte-Silver Bow got access to \$4 million in the trust fund when Montana Resources suspended operations in 2000. Of that money, \$1 million was given to Montana Resources to help restart its operations and as of last May, all the money left in the trust had been used or had been allocated for other projects. Grants from the trust are only paid out as work is done, so money remaining in the trust earns interest. County officials only learned recently that there was \$11,000 in interest remaining that had not been allocated and could be used for other projects.

Commissioners had plenty of questions before they voted.

Commissioner Michele Shea asked if other businesses had applied for the new funds and how CenterPointe was chosen to receive them.

Community Development Director Karen Byrnes said her department had multiple projects interested in hard rock funding. She told commissioners the county had been working with Centerpointe for about a year and a half on the Starbucks project. Centerpointe applied for \$250,000 in hard rock funds but was turned down because no money was available. Byrnes said when the interest money became available, Centerpointe was next in line, so the county reached out to them.



Butte celebrated Chinese New Year with its annual parade Saturday. Chilly marchers were led by the ceremonial dragon, carried by dragon dancers from Butte High School's History Club. The Mai-Wah Society sponsors the celebration, ringing in the Year of the Pig in 2019. *Photo by Robin Jordan*

The process, she said, was similar to what had happened when developers of the Copper King Inn received a second grant from the hard rock trust. Developers originally applied for \$400,000 but were given \$200,000 because all remaining funds were already allocated to another project. When developers of the second project, a grocery store complex, backed out, the Copper King developers applied for and received a second grant of \$200,000.

Commissioner John Morgan said his constituents asked, "Why give money to Starbucks? They already have lots of coffee shops and lots of money."

Byrnes explained that CenterPointe, the developer, not Starbucks, had applied for the funds. The developer is dealing with a difficult piece of property, she said, which involved relocating a water main and which will require some demolition. The developer takes all the risks during construction, she said, while Starbucks will merely lease the property once the café is completed.

"There are costs to move this project forward, and without these funds, it could be delayed," she said. She said Starbucks will be expanding, hiring 10-12 full or part-time employees. County officials estimate the new business will pay \$45,000 a year in property taxes.

Commissioner Bill Andersen said he had voted against other hard rock requests because he felt there were better uses of the money and he would vote against this one based on feedback from constituents.

"The project is three-quarters complete," he said. "It's not like they aren't going to build it without the money."

Andersen added that new property taxes

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### Grants from the Hard Rock Mining Trust

*Here is a partial list of projects that received grant funds from Butte-Silver Bow's Hard Rock Trust account in recent years.*

- Montana Resources--\$1 million toward reopening mining operations
- Bert Mooney Airport--\$1 million for new passenger terminal
- MacKenzie River Pizza--\$75,000 to bury power lines
- Pizza Ranch--\$5,000 for demolition of old motel on the property
- Fairfield Inn--\$68,850 for demolition of old plumbing supply store on property
- Copper King Inn --\$400,000 for renovation
- Headframe Spirits--\$50,000 for relocation of still manufacturing to Kelley Mine Yard
- Monson Properties LLC--\$89,000 for relocation of optometrist's office
- Ace Hardware--\$200,000 for new store location
- Praxis Center--\$200,000 for operating expenses for proposed \$35 million training center
- Montana City Brew--\$75,000 for demolition of old gas station, engineering, etc. for coffee house
- Continental Public Land Trust--\$12,500 for parking lot
- Bonanza Freeze--\$9,000 for parking lot and demolition of house on property
- Thompson Distributing warehouse--(amount unknown) stormwater improvements
- Rocky Mountain Supercomputer--\$130,000 loan, which was paid off in full.





Bill Foley

Ten or 11 years ago, I sat in the only open seat at the scorer's table as I prepared to cover a Butte Central basketball game at the Maroon Activities Center.

The seat was next to fill-in public address announcer C.D. Holter, who is now the heartthrob lead singer of the middle-aged rock band sensation High Ore Road.

A kid's coat hung on the back of the chair, but I sat there anyway. I needed a spot at the table to keep stats and notes for my story in the newspaper.

A few minutes before pregame announcements, C.D.'s son Cade, who was 7 or 8, came up to me and said, "Hey, that's my seat."

I pulled out a couple of quarters from my pocket and said, "I'll give you 50 cents for it." I figured he would jump at that offer because he could get a couple of suckers for that.

Plus, I knew the boy did not plan

# BUTTE SPORTS

## Cade Holter makes history and a whole lot of sense

on sitting there for long. He was busy running around and playing with the rest of the young kids at the game.

Cade, though, folded his hands and said, "I want a dollar."

That was one of the first signs that Cade Holter was always going to get his money's worth when it came to Butte Central basketball.

All these years later, Holter is nearing the end of a remarkable career on the Butte Central boys' basketball team. At the Southwestern A District tournament this week at the MAC, Holter will play his 99th and 100th varsity games for the Maroons.

That is the second most varsity games played by a high school boy in Mining City history, trailing only the 111 games played by Butte Central's Joe Devich from 1947 through 1950.

Holter passed legendary Maroon "Jumpin'" Joe Kelly for second place in Saturday's win over Corvallis.

For the record, Jeff Edwards' 82 games is the most by a Butte High boy. That is two more than Cody Carriger.

Bulldog great Lexie Nelson's 91 games is the most in Butte High history. Unfortunately, I don't know the record for BC girls.

Butte Central coach Brodie Kelly says Holter is the epitome of what being a Maroon is all about. He is a tough, unselfish player who helped lead the Maroons to the state tournament in each of his first three seasons on the team.

When Holter was a freshman, he played with the confidence of an upper classman. At the time, Kelly said that if he could pick one person in the world to be by his side in an alley fight, it would be Holter. When he was 15.

That is probably why Kelly did not hesitate to give the ball to Holter when the Maroons needed a miracle last Thursday night against Butte High.

With 14 seconds left in a Butte in a Butte-Central battle at the Civic Center, the Maroons tied the game at 48 on an NBA-range 3-pointer by Luke Heaphy. Butte High drove the length of the court. Kash Kelly threw to Tommy Mellott, who threw to Clay Ferguson.

Ferguson laid in a bucket and drew a foul with 2.8 seconds left.

Butte High called timeout before Ferguson shot the free throw, and Holter assured the coach that everything was under control.

"Give me the ball," he said. "I'll make it."

Ferguson sank the free toss, Dylan Sestrich inbounded the ball to Holter, who took two dribbles as he ran down the right sideline. He heaved a shot from about 10 feet behind the half-court line.

You have probably seen the video by now. The ball hit nothing but net.

"I don't know why, but that's my shot," Holter said. "I wanted to take it."

The Bulldogs and Maroons have met on the hardwood 177 times, and there is no way there has ever been a better shot than that one.

The Maroons went crazy. Even though the game was tied, fans ran onto the court, and Holter ran down to shoosh the Butte High student section, holding his right index finger up to his lips.

This came as the Butte High and Butte Central student sections spent the night razzing each other and the opposing players. They were exactly what student sections are supposed to be.

If you think those Bulldog students or players were offended by the gesture, think again.

"He's insane," Ferguson laughed as he talked about Holter. "I love him. He's the only person I know who can make that."

The shot was the fourth that Holter made behind the half-court line in a game in his high school career. Ferguson is right. That is insane.

Butte High won the game in overtime, and Holter called the shot "meaningless" because the Maroons lost. He would, without question, trade that shot for a team victory any day.

That shot, however, is far from meaningless.

Carlton Fisk's walk-off home run in the 12th inning of Game 6 of the 1975 World Series is not meaningless because the Reds beat the Red Sox in Game 7. Boston still named the foul pole the ball bounced off

after Fisk.

Franco Harris' "Immaculate Reception" in the 1972 playoff win over the Raiders is not meaningless because the Steelers lost the Dolphins the next week.

That play was just part of a Super Bowl commercial, nearly a half century later.

Some plays are so legendary that they transcend the score of the game. Holter's shot is, without question, one of those plays.

In 50 years, we will still be talking about that game. While we might not remember who won or lost, we will remember Holter's Hail Mary.

For me, it will be the second thing that I remember, however.

After every close Butte-Central game, I encounter some bitter fans on each side.

I had fans tell me the Maroons were ripped off by the refs. Some yelled about Butte High coach Luke Powers "running onto the court" to argue with the officials.

I had Butte High fans yell about Central assistant coach Renzy Kelly running onto the floor and celebrating Holter's shot like BC had won. That is because he thought they did.

The shot was so crazy, that it temporarily froze Renzy's math skills.

The Butte-Central game can and usually does bring out the worst in all of us, at least for a little bit. We get caught up in the moment and say things we regret.

But, as the president might say, there are good people on both sides.

As the Maroons trickled out of the locker room following a post-game talk with coaches, I grabbed Holter. He was sad that his Maroons fell short in the classic game, but he scoffed at the notion that the loss would be one that would haunt him and his teammates.

"I'm already over it because there's a lot more season left," he said before gesturing toward the Butte High players. "It's not the old days. These are my friends."

You see, while many old fans are still bitter about the Bulldog-Maroon rivalry, the players of today actually like each other.

As some adults were losing their minds or heading to Facebook to argue Thursday night, a heartbroken high school senior was offering words of wisdom that should help us all keep this kids game in perspective.

Those priceless words are what I will always remember about that great night.

In hindsight, I probably should have given Cade that dollar.

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# Mining Museum Meanderings

By Larry Hoffman

The dead of winter has the World Museum of Mining in hibernation. It is twenty below zero this morning as I write this. It's frustrating, when there are so many things to be done with our exhibits, to be at a near-standstill. However, the days are getting longer and the thaw will come.

In the meantime, our Director, Jeanette Kopf, husband Michael, and daughter Jaime, along with curator Lindsay Mulcahy, are busy with preparations for the new season tentatively scheduled to open April 1. Every Wednesday our photo archives volunteer group works on identifying and adding details to the large collection of photographs in the Museum collection. Part of the dedication for all of them is having to trek a hundred yards each way through the snow and cold to the only winter

## City Scene

### Music

**Silver Dollar Saloon**

- Wed Open Mic 9:00 133 S. Main. For information, call 782-7367.
- Sat 2/23 Jackson Holte & The Highway Patrol with Friends of the Family

### Art

**Martha U. Cooney Art Gallery,** Metals Banc Bldg., Suite 301 will be showing Martha's Originals, prints, and Calligraphy verses for many occasions. The Gallery is open Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. or call 498-5368 for special appointments.

**Ghetto Gallery,** 654 1/2 S. Montana St, a private gallery, is open by appointment, call 490-0721 and ask for Patricia Schafer.

**The Carle Gallery,** 3rd floor of the Butte Public Library, is exhibiting Beau Theige's Guitars. These guitars are created using everyday utilitarian objects, antiques, or plain old junk-part instrument, part artwork. This exhibition will continue until December 31. For more information, see [www.beauguitar.com](http://www.beauguitar.com). The Gallery is open during library hours. For details, contact the library at 723-3361.

### Special Events

**Diggers Uncorked Wine Festival,** to benefit the Montana Tech Orediggers, Friday, Feb. 15, 7-10 p.m. at the Front Street Station. For information, call 496-4105.

rest room. We need a new building!

The most popular attraction we have is the Underground Mine Tour, which has an interesting history. In 2004 the Orphan Boy shaft, adjoining the Museum to the north, caved in under the concrete slabs placed over the opening, leaving a crater twenty feet in diameter. As a mining engineer, it raised the specter of the same thing happening to the Orphan Girl shaft, the centerpiece of our campus, which had been sealed with concrete bulkheads since the early 1960's. It was a scary thought to think of it falling in while a group of visitors was gathered around it!

Dan Bowler and I had been working on rebuilding the mining exhibits, so we just shifted to digging out the dirt and blasting the concrete sealing the first ten feet of the shaft. To our great relief, we found the shaft timber to be in as good a shape as when it was installed

**Big Brothers Big Sisters "Defending Potential" Gala,** Friday, Feb. 22, 6:30 p.m., Star Lanes Family Event Center. For tickets and information, call 782-9644.

**Mining City Dance Bingo Fund-raiser,** Saturday, Feb. 16, 7-10 p.m., Butte Elks' Lodge, 206 W. Galena. \$5 for a bingo ticket (10 games of Bingo, each card has 3 games on it.) Specials, 50/50 drawing, silent auction. Annual event helps students raise money to attend dance competitions.

**Name That Tune,** fundraising competition hosted by the Butte Education Foundation, Saturday, Feb. 23, 6-10 p.m., Butte Country Club. Teams of 3 compete. Admission, \$35 per person or \$300 per team if payment is received by Feb. 15. (\$350 per team after Feb. 15.) Tickets support grants to local educators and the public education system. For more information, or to sign up, go to [www.ButteEducationFoundation.org](http://www.ButteEducationFoundation.org).

**Free concert: U.S. Air Force Academy Band's "Falconaires,"** Thursday, Feb. 21, 7 p.m., Mother Lode Theatre. Free ticket vouchers available at the box office or online at [buttearts.org](http://buttearts.org)

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around 1937. We explored down to the 100-foot station and the 85-degree water, about 115 feet below the surface. Although the tunnel north to the Orphan Boy was completely caved, the station was in relatively good shape, with many artifacts.

It struck me we had a golden opportunity to build a real underground mine tour. Montana Tech had a miner training program that was winding down, so I asked Dean Pete Knudsen if we could use those resources to do the work. Same program, just a different location.

We dropped over the bank to the west and drove a tunnel down to a level 65 feet below the surface and connected to the shaft, where a station was re-created. In the process the miner training program ran out of funds and donors, notably Floyd Bossard, helped finish the work. The tour was opened in 2006.

As part of a Tech Mining Department class, and with more donations, a second decline was driven down from the tour level to connect with the old 100-foot level and beyond toward the Orphan Boy. The work was stopped in 2011 when Montana Tech started its Underground Mine education Center north of the Museum. By 2013 it had connected to the Orphan Girl work. In early 2017 we decided to rehabilitate the 100-level station as part of the Practical Underground Mining course at Tech. The 100-level tour was opened June 1st and became a hit.

Reservations for the underground tours will be available on-line February 1st for individuals, groups, and school tours, or by calling 406-723-7211. Becoming a WMM member, personal or business, gives a discount for admission to both the museum and the tours. If the weather permits, special weekend tours may be offered before the general Museum opening April 1.

We are looking for tour guides, especially former miners, and docents to guide folks around the surface exhibits. Send your applications to P.O. Box 33, Butte, 59703, or by email to [Director@miningmuseum.org](mailto:Director@miningmuseum.org) Training starts March 12.

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### Your Financial Advisor Can Do Some "Life Coaching"

Life coaches – not surprisingly – strive to improve the quality of life of their clients. And financial professionals essentially embrace the same mission. So, if you decide to hire a financial advisor, you should expect to receive some “coaching” as you work toward all your important objectives, such as sending your kids to college, enjoying a comfortable retirement and leaving a legacy that can benefit the next generation.

What tips from life coaches might you also get from your financial advisor? Here are a few:

Create a plan. A life coach can help you create a plan for your future, taking into account your career aspirations, relationships, hobbies, charitable activities and so on. And a financial advisor will also take a “holistic” approach by looking at many elements – including your age, income, family responsibilities and desired retirement lifestyle – to create a long-term investment strategy. Of course, you may need to adjust this strategy in response to changes in your life, but it can still serve as an overall map on your journey toward your financial

objectives.

Identify and prioritize goals. A life coach will help you identify and prioritize your life goals, whether they are personal or professional. And your financial advisor can help you do the same with your financial goals. For example, your goal of retiring comfortably at age 65 may take precedence over your wish to purchase a vacation home. As such, you will need to focus your efforts first on the retirement goal, and then, if it appears likely that you will meet that goal, you can devote the resources necessary for your vacation home by the mountains or the sea. You may even be willing to accept a lesser goal, such as renting, rather than owning, your vacation residence.

Move beyond your comfort zone. A trained and experienced life coach can help you recognize your perceived limitations – and move beyond them. For instance, if your new job requires that you make many presentations, but you are nervous about public speaking, your life coach may offer techniques to help you get past this fear – to move you out of your “comfort zone,” so to speak.

This same scenario could play out in your interactions with your financial advisor. If you happen to be a cautious and risk-averse person by nature, you might be inclined to bring those same traits into the investment arena. But a competent financial advisor – one who truly has your best interests in mind – will likely warn you that you will have trouble achieving your financial objectives if you try to avoid all risk by sticking exclusively with so-called “safe” investments, which do not offer much growth potential. Instead, your advisor will help you incorporate your risk tolerance, along with your time horizon and your short- and long-term goals, to help shape an investment mix appropriate for you. Such a mix may well include those “safe” investments, but it would also contain a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented ones.

Whether it's self-improvement or your financial future, you can benefit from good coaching – so take full advantage of it.

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# Editorials

Hard feelings over hard rock mining grant misguided

By Robin Jordan

Last week when we first heard that Butte-Silver Bow intended steering \$11,000 in interest left in the Hard Rock Mining Trust Account toward development of a new Starbucks coffee house, we had the same initial reaction as many in Butte.

Previously, we had thought that all the \$4 million in the county's account had been spent. The money became available when Montana Resources suspended operations in 2000, under state law. Since that time, Butte-Silver Bow has been able to access the funds for projects that diversify the economy. Essentially, the money in the fund is to be used to make up for economic losses to the community caused by mining closures.

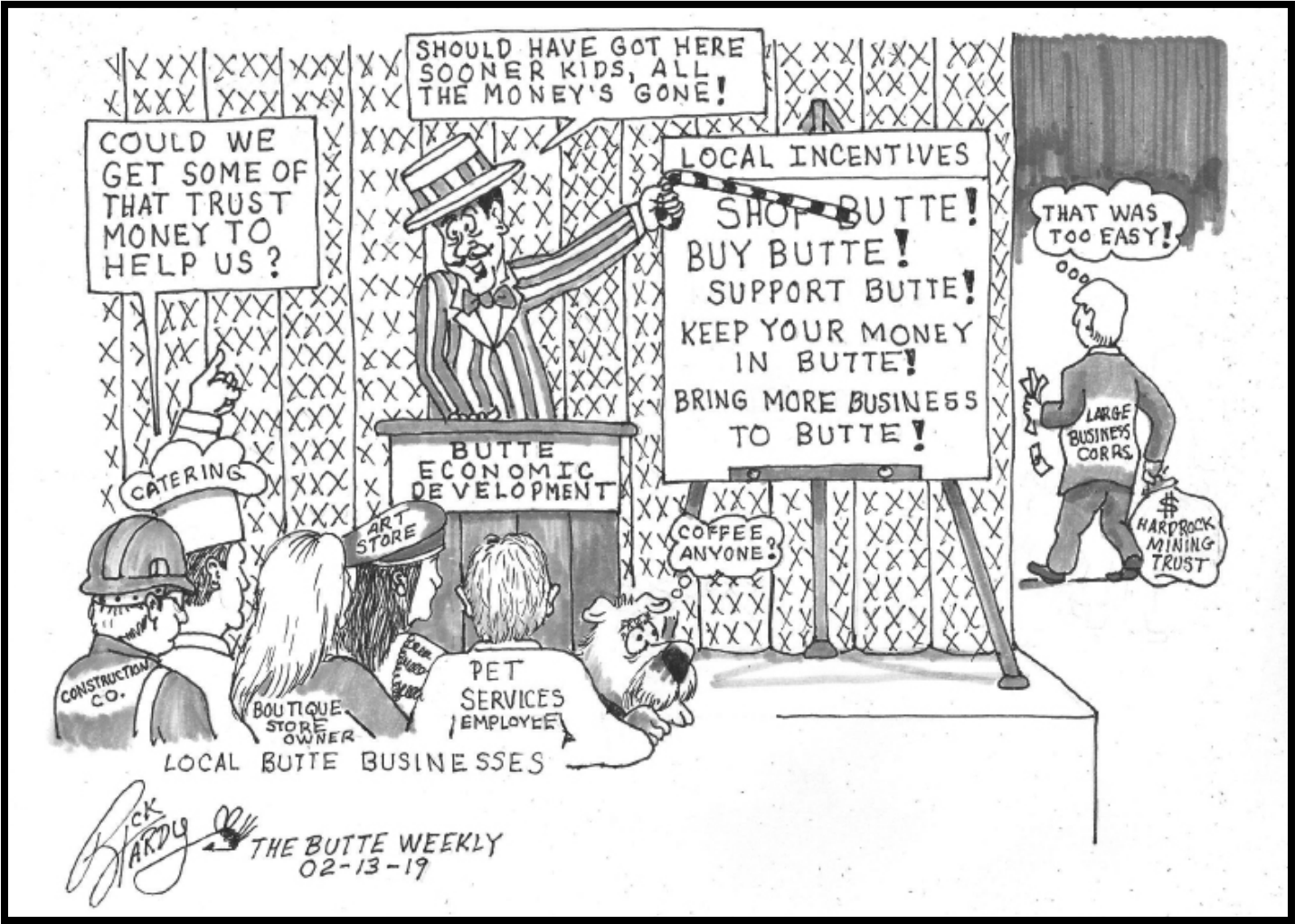
Our knee-jerk reaction was, "Why give this little bit of money to Starbucks, a huge chain with stores all over the country? They're already building this store on Harrison Avenue and they'll be leaving their previous location, so what's the benefit to the economy of building a new store? If we really want to help the economy, why not give the money to a local coffee house or coffee houses to expand? Is a coffee house, with relatively low-wage jobs, really the kind of economic development we should be supporting?"

With more information and further reflection, we've changed our initial impressions.

First of all, Starbucks is not the company that applied for hard rock funds. CenterPointe Development Group, based in Scottsdale, AZ, is building the store and will lease it to Starbucks. The developer, who is primarily using local contractors, applied for the funding.

Secondly, CenterPointe had already applied for \$250,000 in hard rock funding, but had been turned down because at the time, no funding was available. This project was the next in line for funds, so when it was discovered that there was \$11,000 in interest available in the account, Butte-Silver Bow reached out to CenterPointe. Would it be right to just throw all of those who had applied for funds in the past out and advertise that new funds were available? That's not the county process, and no, it wouldn't have been fair.

In taking on the project, CenterPointe is dealing with a difficult site. The former Hastings building is old and would require a great deal of money to redevelop without any guarantees that a tenant for the space could be found. Demolition of part of the building will require asbestos abatement and closing off the Rent A Center portion of the building as a stand-alone building. In addition, we understand a water main had to be relocated



along C Street for the project, which isn't a cheap job. The developer is certainly taking on a risk on this project. Even on large projects, a relatively small amount of money like \$11,000 can make a difference. The plan is to have the new store open in late April or early May. Without the hard rock grant, this opening could be delayed.

We weren't particularly happy with the look of the previous Starbucks location, with its power and water meters on the side facing Harrison Avenue. We're not architects, but we know what we don't like. We've learned that the orientation of the building had to do with the logistics of putting in a drive-in and having multiple businesses at that location—not to mention problems with ice buildup on portions of the site. Still, we're gratified to learn that the new Starbucks will be oriented in a much more pleasing way on the new site.

We sympathize with local businesses that call "unfair" whenever the local government steers money toward an "outside" developer, but we have to ask if they've gone to Butte-Silver Bow, the Butte Local Development Corporation or Headwaters and asked if funding is available to expand their business, remodel or relocate? The first step to getting help is to ask for it—loudly and frequently. It's hard to keep track of all the sources of funding available to businesses for upgrades, expansion, workforce training, or other purposes. If you're not sure if there's any money available for your business, the best thing to do is ask. Programs change and even if money wasn't available from one source today, it may be available from another source tomorrow. It never hurts to ask.

While a coffee shop may not in itself bring in the high-paying jobs we'd all like to see in Butte, we see benefit in having a new Starbucks on Harrison Avenue. For one thing, Butte needs all the retail business

it can get to attract tourists and those who may want to locate other businesses here. Also, the store will greatly improve the look of its new location on Harrison. New construction tends to spur improvements at the businesses around it and attract even more businesses that would like to be near a nationally known entity like Starbucks.

The county has invested hard rock funds in great projects in the past. We were pleasantly surprised to hear last week that most of projects funded were for improvements to businesses that were already here in Butte. Considering the amount of investment put forth by developers for our investment of hard rock dollars, Butte-Silver Bow has gotten us plenty of bang for the buck.

We're all for investing in infrastructure improvements that help our town rather than investing in the stock market. The Starbucks project is a good investment. Let's keep moving onward and upward.

*What's good for GM is good for the country*

By George Waring

What's new besides Trump tweets? A roundup of year-end news should include one item on the impact of the year-old Republican Tax Cut and Jobs Act. Here it is: The day before Thanksgiving, "General Motors—one of the corporate giants that benefited immensely from the Republican tax plan last year—announced it would cut 15 percent of its workforce, shuttering production facilities in three states as well as Canada to trim costs." According to Julia Conley at Common Dreams, the GM decision came "less than a year after the

Republican Party authored a \$514 million tax break to the company." The advocacy group Not One Penny reported that "\$100 million of those savings went to enriching GM's shareholders, contrary to the GOP's claims that corporate benefits of the tax cuts would trickle down to workers in the form of raises and bonuses." Conley also reported that "GM had spent much of 2018 cutting its workforce, offering buyouts to 18,000 workers." She reminded readers that In addition to its financial windfall from the GOP tax plan, GM "had been given a total of \$50 billion in government funds during the early years of the Great Recession of 2008 just to ensure it avoided bankruptcy." United Auto Workers (UAW) President Gary Jones noted GM was moving production of some of its top-selling vehicles to China and Mexico while putting Americans out of work: "We must step away from the anti-worker thinking of seeking simply the lowest labor cost on the planet. The practice of circumventing American labor in favor of moving production to nations that tolerate wages less than half of what our American brothers and sisters make, must stop. More importantly, we must understand that these companies, including GM, are no longer in trouble. They are recording annual profits in the tens of billions." According to Conley, GM "earned \$6 billion in the first three quarters of 2018. It's CEO Mary Barra received \$22 million in compensation last year—nearly 300 times the average salary of GM's employees." Just before New Years' Day, the Washington Post's Robert Gebelhoff summed up the condition of our society in a column entitled "We are living in a new gilded age. 2018 proves it." He addressed what he called "the wellness of America." The Centers for Disease Control

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# Our Readers Write

## Reader would like to see more old Butte stories

Quite some time ago there was a person by the name of Jackie Corr who wrote a weekly letter to the Butte Weekly. He was quite familiar with the happenings both past and present of what had gone on in past years in Butte.

He went way back bringing up things that took place during his life in the mining city. He died and left a blank spot that has never been filled.

There must be another one out there like Jackie who would be willing to share some of their memories of the past. I think it might be of interest to all to have someone relate what it was like to spend a life time in Butte. Lots of memories out there need to be shared.

I would like to see more local and state happenings in our Readers Speak than national news that is available on large media, television and the internet 24/7. I am sure there is a lot happening in Butte that the people would like to be informed of. Let's take the coffee hour get together and spread it around the masses. Looking forward to some good reading instead of being depressed over what is out there in the national news.

Al Beavis, Butte

(Editor's Note: The Butte Weekly is seeking part-time writers and always welcomes letters for publication on any subject.)

## Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest thanks communities for support during shutdown

I'd like to take a moment on behalf of the employees of the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest to express appreciation to our local communities in southwest Montana. I would like to acknowledge the show of support from partners, citizens and businesses during the recent federal government shut down.

Our federal employees experienced an overwhelming show of support including hosted dinners by local businesses to show how much they appreciated the federal employees in our communities. Your support to employees and

their families demonstrated that they are truly part of your community family.

While it is not a surprise that rural Montanans would take care of each other, we recognize and thank each of you for your support and patience while we were furloughed. With funding temporarily restored, we are now assessing priorities for the remainder of the year and returning to the work of "caring for the land and serving people."

Thank you so much for caring for our employees.

Cheri Ford, Forest Supervisor, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest

## Waring

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and Prevention had reported that life expectancy for the average American had gone downward for the third year in a row. It seems "a record number of suicides and surging drug overdoses" were the reason.

The United Health Foundation had reported maternal deaths inched up slightly this year to 20.7 per 100,000 live births. "Giving birth in the US has become increasingly deadly over the past few decades, placing our country in the same category as developing nations such as Afghanistan and Swaziland." The rates are even worse for mothers of color.

The latest 2018 CDC data shows "U.S. infant mortality rates, after steadily falling over the past few decades, haven't decreased significantly for five years. Today it stands at 5.9 deaths per 1,000 births, far higher than the average rate of 3.9 deaths for developed countries. Again, it's even worse for infants of color."

In December, the Kaiser Family Foundation reported that "gains in health-care coverage were being reversed for the first time since the Affordable Care Act was enacted in 2010."

The official unemployment rate of 3.7% is the lowest since 1969, but that's because anyone who works one hour a week is counted as employed. Supposedly, 6,000,000 people are unemployed. Had we the British measure for arriving at the unemployment rate, we'd count 17,000,000 people. However, the UK has a real democratic socialist Labour Party and strong unions. Gebelhoff emphasizes that "despite persistent economic growth, the number of people receiving food-stamp benefits remains more than 50 percent higher than the number before the beginning of the Great Recession in 2008. Gebelhoff mentions a May Federal Reserve survey showing 40% of adults don't have the savings to cover a \$400 emergency. More than 25% skipped a medical treatment because of the cost in 2017. Would "Medicare for All" improve "the wellness of America"? Should we expect Democrats to finally take the plunge? Even conservative Obama praised the 2018 Blue Wave candidates: "Democrats aren't just running on good old ideas like a higher minimum wage. They're running on good new ideas like Medicare for all."

## Local Sports Schedule

BUTTE HIGH BULLDOGS		BUTTE CENTRAL MAROONS	
<b>Wrestling</b> <i>Feb. 8 - 9 @ State Tournament (Billings)</i>		<b>Wrestling</b> <i>Feb. 2 Western A Divisional @ MAC</i>	
<b>Swimming</b> <i>Feb. 8-9 @ State in Bozeman</i>		<b>Boys Basketball</b> <i>Feb. 7 @ Butte Central @ CC</i>	
<b>Boys Basketball</b> <i>Feb. 7 @ Butte Central @ CC</i>		<b>Girls Basketball</b> <i>Feb. 7 @ Butte Central @ CC</i>	
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<b>Boys Basketball</b> <i>Feb. 8 @ MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY-NORTHERN</i>		<b>Girls Basketball</b> <i>Feb. 8 @ MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY-NORTHERN</i>	
<i>Feb. 9 @ AT UNIVERSITY OF PROVIDENCE (MONT.)</i>		<i>Feb. 9 @ AT UNIVERSITY OF PROVIDENCE (MONT.)</i>	

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# Lifestyle

## Healthy Living

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### Exercise – The Fountain of Youth?

By the year 2030, it is predicted that one-fifth of Americans will be over the age of 65. In addition, the number of people over 100 doubles every ten years. Research, good nutrition, and better medications have enabled our population to live longer. The question then becomes, what quality of life will be enjoyed by older adults? How can we counteract the natural results of aging?

It is true that as we age, we tend to lose muscle mass and strength, flexibility and bone density. These changes can lead to loss of independence and mobility. But don't get discouraged because the deterioration can be prevented, and even reversed, with exercise. The current research that illustrates the benefits of exercise is leading experts to believe it is nothing short of miraculous.

The first thing to think about is that frailty and infirmity are not inevitable. Rather, just imagine staying in your own home, taking care of it and yourself for as long as you like.



Staying social and participating in a reasonable exercise program, as well as the activities you enjoy, can make all the difference and allow you to maintain your quality of life.

The second thing is to real-

ize you can start exercising at any age. beginning slowly and listening to your body as you gradually do more is also important. If you have the okay from your primary care provider to start an exercise program, but you don't know how, you can get assistance from a trainer or class at any of our local gyms. Or call the Health Department to see when the next session of Walk with Ease begins. This great program is appropriate for all fitness levels.

While you are moving to strengthen muscle and bones, and increase flexibility, you are also exercising that most important muscle – your heart. This will counteract the natural decrease in the efficiency of the heart to pump blood as we age. As cardiovascular exercise increases our cardiac output, it builds a stronger, more efficient heart. When joints stay mobile and supporting muscles stay strong, it decreases both the likelihood and severity of arthritis.

Some of the evidence that is most encouraging is the positive

effects of exercise on the brain. It is scary to think of our healthy, fit bodies living on without a functioning brain. Exercise helps keep brain cells and blood vessels healthy by delivering plenty of oxygen to the brain. It enhances the connections between brain cells and may even help grow new brain cells.

We also want to remember that not smoking or drinking too much, watching what we eat, social connections, and controlling stress, all promote healthy aging. It is a whole package and we want to work on all lifestyle factors rather than focusing only on exercise. Exercise

is beneficial for people no matter what they weight. Even if you don't lose weight through exercise, it does not diminish the effectiveness.

If you were offered a drink from the Fountain of Youth, you would probably take it. Exercise is a bit more of a commitment than one drink but still very doable. Major health organizations recommend 30 to 60 minutes most days of the week, but benefits are seen from any amount of regular exercise. Everyone agrees that we should start slowly and increase gradually. Think about what you enjoy the most and get started today!

### Hard Rock Fund

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would be offset by demolishing part of the existing building.

Commissioner Josh O'Neill asked if Byrnes had a list of where hard rock funds have gone.

Byrnes ticked off a number of projects: \$75,000 for MacKenzie River Pizza to bury power lines, \$32,500 for Bugs 'N' Bullets to extend water and sewer lines, \$50,000 to Headframe Spirits to relocate still manufacturing to the Kelley Mine Yard, \$200,000 for Ace Hardware for construction of a new store, and \$1 million for construction of a new terminal at the Bert Mooney Airport, among others.

Byrnes said of the dozen or so projects, most involved expansion of existing businesses in Butte.

Commissioner Jim Fisher said all the projects that had received hard rock funds were good investments and he would support CenterPointe's request.

"That money doesn't do any good sitting in the account," he said. "Eleven thousand dollars isn't that much. Unless we invest in our community and our people, Butte will be stagnant."

The council approved CenterPointe's request by a vote of 7-5. Commissioners Morgan, O'Neill, Fisher, John Sorich, Brendan McDonough, Dan Callahan and Dan Olsen voted in favor and Commissioners Andersen, Shea, Cindi Shaw, Shawn Fredrickson and Eric Mankins against the motion.



### Butte School District No. 1 2019-2020 Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration

School registration for the 2019-20 school year will be online through the parent portal on the Infinite Campus student information system. All Kindergarten through 8th grade families with students currently in the district will see the "Online Registration" link when they sign in to the parent portal. Clicking on the icon will bring you to the online registration where you will be required to verify/update your student's information.

If you are an existing family and have a new student to add, you will be able to add them as you go through the registration process. Online Registration begins Friday February 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. If you currently do not have a parent portal account please email us at [olrhel@bsd1.org](mailto:olrhel@bsd1.org) with your name and your student's name.

If you are new to the district (this applies to families with no children currently enrolled in the district), please visit the Butte School District website at [bsd1.org](http://bsd1.org). Click on 2019-20 Butte School District Online School Registration. Follow the instructions and submit.

In addition to the online registration, kindergarten through 6th grade students are required to submit proof of residence, (i.e. utility bill) to your school office. Registration will not be considered complete until proof of residence has been received.

#### Cell phone bills will not be accepted as proof of residence.

Parents of incoming kindergarten students will also be required to submit copies of the following documents:

- *Child's Birth Certificate*
- *Immunization Records*
- *Proof of Residence*

**Please Note:** School enrollment is based on the date of a completed registration; therefore we recommend that parent's complete registration as soon as possible.

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# New survey finds Montana Medicaid Expansion enrollees report better health, access to health care

According to new survey results released last week, nearly half of the respondents (43 percent) reported an improvement in their general health since enrolling in Montana’s Medicaid expansion. Most respondents also reported improved ability to access medical care (69 percent) and dental care (51 percent), and nearly half (47 percent) reported an improvement in their ability to access needed mental health and substance use treatment services.

Prior to receiving coverage under Medicaid expansion, 64 percent of respondents said they waited to seek medical care and nearly half took less medication than prescribed because they could not afford it.

“The survey shows that receiving coverage under Medicaid expansion has allowed Montanans to access needed medical care,” said MHCF CEO Dr. Aaron Wernham. “As a consequence, even so early in this program, many recipients already report that they are healthier.”

“Medicaid expansion is a key component in helping Montanans address two of the biggest challenges facing our communities – mental health and substance use

disorder,” said Dr. Greg Holzman, State Medical Officer for the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS). “We will not be able to turn the tide on suicide or substance abuse without ensuring access to health care.”

Monthly data is now reported online on DPHHS’s new interactive dashboard, which provides insight into how Medicaid Expansion benefits the health of recipients. For example, the dashboard shows that:

- More than 90,000 enrollees have received preventive health services.
- Nearly 2,500 possible cases of colon cancer have been identified and averted.
- Nearly 1,000 people have been newly diagnosed and treated for diabetes.
- Nearly 40,000 people have now received outpatient mental health and substance use services, which is expected to help prevent more severe and costly residential and inpatient treatment in many cases.

The survey was conducted by national research firm SSRS and the survey data was analyzed by the state’s Public Health and Safety Division. The project was commissioned by the Montana Healthcare

Foundation.

The survey analysis can be found here: <https://mthcf.org/resources/medicaid-expansion-survey-analysis/>

The Medicaid Expansion Dashboard can be accessed here: <https://dphhs.mt.gov/helpplan/medic>

## Weekly Scanner

Weekend rundown of our local law enforcement and surrounding agencies. Police/Agencies responded to over 245 calls this past Holiday weekend

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| - 8 Accidents              | - 0 Restraining order violations                |
| - 0 Abandon Vehicles       | - 7 Traffic Hazard                              |
| - 7 Arrests                | - 0 Juvenile Runaway                            |
| - 1 DUI /DUI Refusal       | - 1 Parking Complaint                           |
| - 2 Drug Related           | - 3 Suicide Attempt/Threat                      |
| - 11 Disturbance calls     | - 2 Hit & Run                                   |
| - 1 Fraud                  | - 5 Animal Complaint                            |
| - 37 Traffic stops         | - 8 Unwanted Person                             |
| - 14 Theft/Burglary        | - 4 Vandalism/Criminal Mischief                 |
| - 4 Stolen Vehicles        | - 80+ Numerous, well checks, complaints, wanted |
| - 7 Juvenile Mischief      |   |
| - 18 Medical emergencies   |   |
| - 20 Suspicious activities |   |
| - 5 Harassment/assault     |   |

## What’s Cooking

### Pork Chops

By Debbie Sorensen

As I was looking for a way to change up how I prepared pork chops, I came across this recipe in the “2008 Taste of Home Annual Recipes.” Pared with an unusual salad of broccoli and garbanzo beans, it makes for a delicious meal and an interesting presentation. Plus, it can be prepared and served in 30-40 minutes. Consider using this menu for one of these cold winter evenings.

#### Skillet Barbecued Pork Chops

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| 4 boneless pork loin chops (1/2” thick) | 1 tsp. seasoned salt      |
| 1 T. butter                             | 1 medium onion, chopped   |
| ½ c. water                              | ½ c. packed brown sugar   |
| 1 c. honey barbecue sauce               | 1 T. Worcestershire sauce |
| 2 tsp. cornstarch                       | 1 T. cold water           |

Sprinkle pork chops with seasoned salt. In a large skillet brown chops on both sides in butter over medium-high heat. Remove chops. In the drippings, sauté onion until golden brown. Add the water, brown sugar, barbecue sauce and Worcestershire sauce. Return chops to the skillet. Bring to boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 15 minutes or until meat juices run clear. Remove chops; keep warm.

Combine corn starch and cold water until smooth; stir into skillet. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Serve sauce over pork. Yield: 4 servings.

#### Broccoli Garbanzo Salad

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| 2 c. fresh broccoli florets      | 1 can Garbanzo beans, rinsed & drained |
| 1 c. pitted ripe olives, drained | 1/3 to ½ c. Italian salad dressing     |

Place broccoli in a steamer basket over 1 in. of boiling water in a saucepan. Cover and steam for 5-6 minutes or until tender. Rinse with cold water; drain and place in a bowl. Add the garbanzo beans and olives. Drizzle with dressing and toss. Refrigerate until serving. Yield: 4-6 servings.

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# This Week In Labor History

*“American Fascism will not be really dangerous until there is a purposeful coalition among the Corporatists, the deliberate poisoners of public information, and those who stand for the K.K.K. type of demagoguery.”*  
- Vice President Wallace, 1944 warning that fascism will someday rise in America

**Wednesday, Feb 13:**  
First Public School in America founded, 152 years before the US Constitution was written. Public schools are 100% American and our birthright, public schools made America great. The people who fought and won the American Revolution were educated in public schools! -1635  
A national 8-month strike by the Sons of Vulcan, a Union of iron forgers, ends in victory when employers agreed to a wage scale based on the price of iron bars, the first time employers recognized the Union, the first Union contract in the iron and steel industry, and one of the first Union contracts of any kind in the United States. -1865

**Thursday, Feb 14:**  
Western Federation of Miners strike for 8-hour day. The WFM was a “radical”, militant Union formed by miners from Butte, Montana, Coeur d’Alene, Idaho, Colorado, South Dakota, and Utah. -1903  
Striking workers at Detroit’s newspapers, out since the previous July,

offer to return to work. The offer is accepted 5 days later but the newspapers vow to retain some 1,200 scabs. A court ruling the following year ordered as many as 1,100 former strikers reinstated. -1996

**Friday, Feb 15:**  
Susan B. Anthony, Suffragist, Abolitionist, Union activist, 8-hour day advocate, born on this date. “Join the union, girls, and together say: Equal Pay for Equal Work.” -1820  
Signing of original 11-state master trucking agreement, involving 200,000 truckers, which forms the basis for the Teamsters Union. -1933

**Saturday, Feb 16:**  
Beginning of a 17-week general strike of 12,000 New York furriers, in which Jewish workers formed a coalition with Greek and African American workers and became the first Union to win a 5-day, 40-hour week. -1926  
Thousands of Socialists battle Communists at a rally in New York’s Madison Square Garden. (This will be entirely baffling to any of today’s right-wingers and FOX “News” viewers) -1934  
All public schools in Milwaukee and Madison are closed as teachers call in sick to protest Gov. Scott Walker’s plans to gut their collective bargaining rights. Walker gets his way and guts the Union and Wisconsin starts

its economic decline and adds billions to its deficit all in the name of the magical “Free Market”. - 2011

**Sunday, Feb 17:**  
Thomas Paine’s “Rights of Man”, Part II is published. The original American Patriot, Paine was known as the voice of the American Revolution, he was a champion of original Liberal American values and social safety nets in order to insure Liberty and Freedom of the People. John Adams said “Without the pen of Paine, the sword of Washington would have been wielded in vain.” -1792  
Legendary Labor leader “Big Bill” Haywood (IWW) and 2 others were framed and arrested for the murder of former Idaho Governor Frank Stuenenberg. Clarence Darrow successfully defended them, telling jurors, “If at the behest of this mob you should kill Bill Haywood, he is mortal, he will die, but I want to say that a million men will grab up the banner of labor where at the open grave Haywood lays it down . . .” -1906  
Germany: Hermann Goering endorses Nazi terrorism after 2 weeks of Fascist violence against the Labor Unions and Union leaders. Anti-Unionism is always the hallmark of every Fascists regime throughout history, and currently. -1933

**Monday, Feb 18:**  
One of the first American Labor newspapers, The Man, is published in New York City. It cost one cent. -1834  
Faced with 84-hour workweeks, 24-hour shifts and pay of 29 cents an hour, firefighters form The Int’l Association of Fire Fighters. -1918

**Tuesday, Feb 19:**  
During the Bread & Roses Strike in Lawrence, MA, 200 police drew their clubs and went after 100 unarmed peaceful women picketers, knocking them to the ground and beating many unconscious in order to protect corporate profits, low wages and deadly working conditions. Several pregnant strikers lost their babies as a result of the attack on the strikers by the supporters of wage-slavery and Capitalism. -1912  
Longest ILWU (Longshoremen Union) strike ends. It produced a contract that both provided for and protected the Union’s members while allowing ports to remain competitive. On a national scale, the 1971 strike demonstrated that the American Labor movement was still alive. Even a painful 130 day strike was not enough to break the Solidarity of the ILWU. -1972

*This Week in Labor History is compiled by Kevin D. Curtis*

# The Great Outdoors

*Great Backyard Bird Count coming this weekend*

By Paul Vang

This coming Monday, February 18, is the official observance of George Washington’s birthday. It’s kind of a curious observance in that the Father of our Country was born on February 22, and the designation of the third Monday of February as the day to commemorate his birthday guarantees that the holiday will never fall on his actual birthday.  
The holiday has unofficially come to be celebrated as Presidents Day, in honor of all past U.S. presidents.  
If this coming weekend is Presidents Day weekend, it’s time for the annual Great Backyard Bird Count.



in the area and to report their findings.  
Dr. Gary Langham, vice president and chief scientist of the National Audubon Society says, “The Great Backyard Bird Count is a great way for all bird watchers to contribute to a global database of bird populations. Participants in the GBBC help scientists understand how things like climate change are impacting bird populations so we can better inform our conservation efforts.”  
I’m not a birder, meaning someone who maintains detailed checklists of bird sightings, though I do enjoy watching birds in our environment, not to mention hunting game birds. Casual studies of birds enrich the experience of our outings.  
For example, one weekend last summer when we were camping on the upper Big Hole River, every morning a bunch of bluebirds would check out our campsite, probably looking for crumbs from a picnic dinner the night before. It made a good weekend on the river even more fun.

So, take an escape from winter boredom and get outside, look around and keep track of what birds you see. Then get on the internet and report your findings. It’s easy, it’s fun, and you can contribute to scientific knowledge in the

process.  
On the topic of presidents, our current president has nominated David Bernhardt to replace Montana’s Ryan Zinke as Secretary of Interior. Zinke, we’ll recall, was forced to resign in December because of all the scandals swirling around him.  
David Bernhardt is currently Deputy Secretary, the No. 2 job at Interior, and during his year and a half on the job has worked hard to roll back environmental regulations and accelerate oil and gas leasing on public lands.  
Bernhardt is a long-time lobbyist who has worked to expand oil and gas drilling on Interior lands. He was previously an Interior lawyer in the George W. Bush administration, and as the Washington Post reported, “Bernhard has made it his mission to master legal and policy arcane to advance conservative policy goals.”  
After returning to Interior, after being a partner at Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, Bernhardt had so many conflicts of interest that he carries a card with him listing his former clients so he would have a reminder on when he needs to recuse himself. Some 26 companies were listed initially, though a few companies have dropped off.  
During the recent government shutdown, Bernhardt came up with



special tactics to ensure oil and gas drillers could continue to get permits during the shutdown. While many environmental organizations, such as the Sierra Club and Wilderness Society, oppose his nomination, the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation announced that it would support confirmation. Safari Club International sent an email sounding almost rapturous about having him in Interior’s top job.  
Republicans control the Senate, so Bernhardt is almost assured of confirmation, though it’s likely he’s going to face rigorous questioning in the process.  
We’re going to have another fox in charge of the Interior henhouse.

*Paul Vang’s book, “Sweeter than Candy, A Hunter’s Journal” is available at Books & Books, Cavanaugh’s County Celtic, The Bookstore in Dillon, or online at <http://writingoutdoors.com>.*

Sudoku answers								
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## Press Release

### The Jesse A. Cole Charitable Foundation

Dr. Jesse A. Cole and the board of directors of the Jesse A. Cole Charitable Foundation are pleased to announce grants totaling \$18,600.00 to local nonprofit organizations in the Butte-Silver Bow community and surrounding area for the 2018 year. Since being established in 2011 the foundation has given to non-profit organizations a total of \$159,900.00. The foundation was established to Dr. Cole in 2010 with proceeds from a litigation settlement with St. James Healthcare. Dr. Cole wishes to express his gratitude to the people of Southwest Montana for their continued support.

The charitable foundation recognizes the following organizations for their continuous effort to provide services and assistance to deserving individuals and families within their communities.

Anaconda Community Foundation  
Anaconda Ministerial Project Care  
Barrett Hospital Foundation  
Beaverhead Community Pantry in Dillon  
Big Brothers & Big Sisters of Butte  
Butte Cares Inc.

Butte Center for Performing Arts  
Butte Emergency Food Bank  
Butte Kiwanis Sunshine Camp  
Butte Rescue Mission  
Butte Symphony Association  
Community Hospital of Anaconda  
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation  
Easter Seals - Goodwill Northern Rocky Mountain Inc.  
Fellowship of Christian Athletics  
Girl Scouts of America  
Jefferson Valley Museum  
Liberty Place  
Orphan Girls Children's Theatre  
Powell County Food Bank (Deer Lodge Food Bank)  
Smelter City Recreation Complex  
US High Altitude Speed Skating Foundation,

### “Within the Secret World of Spies.”

What goes on inside spy agencies like the CIA? How do they do it? Who are the spies? Why does espionage matter? These are some of the questions that Dr. John W. Ray of Montana Tech's Liberal Studies Department will be answering at a free public forum to be held at Montana Tech on February 13th at 7:00 PM in the Big Butte-

Highlands Room of the Student Union Building.

Preserving national security in a hostile world is a primary function of American government. Protecting America involves both anticipating and meeting threats to America

as well as exploiting the weaknesses of rival states and groups.

Dr. Ray teaches courses in International Relations as well as political philosophy at Montana Tech.

### Prayer to St. Jude

Most holy apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things almost despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore you, of that particular privilege given to you, to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly—(Here make your request) and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever. I promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen.

## For The Record

Jan. 16—Russel B. Eller, 87, Spokane Valley, WA

Jan. 23—Velma Mae Deppa, 87, Portland, OR

Jan. 24—Arlo Edward Chapdelaine, 90

Jan. 29—Bill Hill, 90

Jan. 30—Betty June Ott, 81, Spanish Fork, UT

Jan. 31—Ernest Alfred Henrikson, 78, Sun City, AZ

Feb. 1—Dolores Frances Ibsen Osier, 91

Feb. 2—Vernon W. “Bud” Boerner, 92  
Irene J. Muir, 101

Robert “Rudy” R. McCaslin Jr., 59

Feb. 5—Mary Catherine Lynch (Staples), 90



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William M. Kebe, Jr. Marie Kagie-Shutey Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson 129 West Park Street P.O. Box 509 Butte, MT 59701 Phone: (406) 782-5800 Fax: (406) 723-8919 MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, SILVER BOW COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS Probate No. DP-18-141 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STEVEN J. SHIRILLA, a/k/a STEVEN SHIRILLA, a/k/a STEVEN JOHN SHIRILLA, Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that DEBBIE ROEBER by and through her counsel of record has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at the law offices of Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson, P. O. Box 509, Butte, Montana 59703, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson Attorneys for the estate. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. DATED this 27th day of November, 2018. DEBBIE ROEBER 25, 26, 27

Karen Mandic, CEO Pro Se Butte Community FCU 2901 Grand Ave Butte, MT 59701 Ph: 406-723-8284 Fax: 406-723-3679 Email: info@buttecommunityfcu.com. IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF SILVER BOW COUNTY, MONTANA BEFORE THE HONORABLE JAMES KILMER JUSTICE OF THE PEACE Butte Community Federal Credit Union, Cause No. CV-2018-1424 Plaintiff, vs. YVONNE OULHOUSE, Defendant SUMMONS THE STATE OF MONTANA SENDS GREETINGS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S), GREETING(S): YVONNE OULHOUSE, YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action, which is filed in the above entitled Court. A copy of same is served upon you. You must file your written answer with the above entitled Court and serve a copy upon the Plaintiff(s), or Plaintiff'(s)'(s) attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service. FAILURE TO APPEAR AND ANSWER will allow judgment to be taken against you by default, for the relief demanded in the Complaint. A \$30.00 filing fee must accompany the answer at the time of filing. WITNESS my hand this 14th day of NOVEMBER, 2018 JAMES KILMER Judge 26, 27, 28

MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, SILVER BOW COUNTY In the Matter of the Name Change of Avery Lee Rossland: Kaylee Casebolt Petitioner, Cause No. DV-18-486, Dept. No. 2, Notice of Hearing On Name Change. This is notice that Petitioner has asked the District Court for a change a child's name from Avery Lee Rossland to Avery Lee Casebolt The hearing will be on 02/22/2019 at 9:00 a.m. The hearing will be at the Courthouse in Silver Bow County. Date: 12/19/18. Tom Powers, Clerk of District Court. By: K. Deehan, Deputy Clerk of Court. 24, 25, 26, 27

Robert J. Whelan JOSEPH & WHELAN 2801 South Montana Street Butte, Montana 59701 Telephone: (406) 782-0484 Attorneys for Petitioner MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, COUNTY OF SILVER BOW IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF RICHARD ALLEN LEINWEBER, Cause No: DV-18-493 Petitioner. ORDER FOR PUBLICATION OF NAME CHANGE ORDER FOR PUBLICATION OF NAME CHANGE Robert J. Whelan, the attorney for the Petitioner in the above entitled action, having filed a Petition herein on behalf of the Petitioner from which it appears that Richard Allen Leineweber would like to change his name from Richard Allen Leineweber to Richard Allen Wright, JR., and that it is necessary that the Notice be issued by publication. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND THIS DOES ORDER that Richard Allen Leineweber must publish notice of this hearing for a period of four successive weeks, making a total of four publications in the Butte Weekly, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the County of Butte-Silver Bow, State of Montana, in which said County this action is brought. DATED this 28th day of December, 2018. TOM POWERS Clerk of Court BY:K. DEEHAN Deputy Clerk of Court 24, 25, 26, 27

MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, SILVER BOW COUNTY In the Matter of the Name Change of Raiden Lee Rossland-Tannehill: Kaylee Casebolt Petitioner, Cause No. DV-18-485, Dept. No. 2, Notice of Hearing On Name Change. This is notice that Petitioner has asked the District Court for a change a child's name from Raiden Lee Rossland-Tannehill to Raiden Lee Casebolt The hearing will be on 02/22/2019 at 9:00 a.m. The hearing will be at the Courthouse in Silver Bow County. Date: 12/19/18. Tom Powers, Clerk of District Court. By: K. Deehan, Deputy Clerk of Court. 26, 27, 28, 29

Daniel R. Sweeney Attorney at Law PO Box 3725 Butte, MT 59702 Telephone: (406) 782-9222 Attorney for Applicant MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Probate No. DP-19-03 GRANT H. MCCULLOCH, NOTICE TO CREDITORS Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be mailed to Joe Tomich or Janice Casarotto, Co-Personal Representatives, and return receipt requested, at Daniel R. Sweeney, PO Box 3725, Butte, Montana, 59702, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court. DATED this 29th day of January, 2019. DANIEL R. SWEENEY Attorney for Co-Personal Representatives 27, 28, 29

BRAD L. BELKE Attorney at Law - P.L.L.C. 444 East Park Street P.O. Box 4079 Butte, Montana 59702 (406) 782-9777 E-mail: b.l.belke@gmail.com Attorney for Estate MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, SILVER BOW COUNTY In the Matter of the Estate of: Cause No. DP-19-6 Mary Agnes Venner, NOTICE TO CREDITORS Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to Shauna Yelverton, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, in care of Brad L. Belke, attorney of record for the Personal Representative, at P.O. Box 4079, Butte, Montana 59702, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. DATED THIS 28TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2019. Shauna Yelverton Personal Representative 13205 W. Hayden Wichita, KS 67235 26, 27, 28

Robert Whelan, District Court Judge Second Judicial District 155 West Granite Street Butte, MT 59701 (406) 497-6420 MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF: S.G.S. No. DN-18-75-BN Youth(s) In Need Of Care. CITATION THE STATE OF MONTANA SENDS GREETINGS TO KAYLA LYNN WHEELER, BIRTH MOTHER OF S.G.S.: By Order of this Court, you are hereby cited and required to appear before this Court, in the County of Silver Bow, State of Montana, at the Court Room thereof at the Courthouse in said County of Silver Bow, on the 27TH day of February, 2019 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. of that day, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why judgment should not be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition for Permanent Legal Custody, Termination of Parental Rights with Right to Consent to Adoption and Request for Hearing, Re: Birth Mother filed by the Department of Public Health and Human Services in the office of the Clerk of this Court. WITNESS the Hon. Robert Whelan, District Judge of the State of Montana with the seal of said Court affixed this 31ST day of January, 2019. ATTEST: TOM POWERS - CLERK OF COURT By: Deputy Clerk 27, 28, 29

Ed McLean, District Court Judge Second Judicial District 155 West Granite Street Butte, MT 59701 (406) 497-6420 MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF: J.B. No. DN-16-58-BN Youth(s) In Need Of Care. CITATION THE STATE OF MONTANA SENDS GREETINGS TO JUSTIN BURKE, BIRTH FATHER OF J.B.: By Order of this Court, you are hereby cited and required to appear before this Court, in the County of Silver Bow, State of Montana, at the Court Room thereof at the Courthouse in said County of Silver Bow, on the 27TH day of January, 2019 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. of that day, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why judgment should not be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition for Permanent Legal Custody, Termination of Parental Rights with Right to Consent to Adoption and Request for Hearing, Re: Birth Father filed by the Department of Public Health and Human Services in the office of the Clerk of this Court. WITNESS the Hon. Ed McLean, District Judge of the State of Montana with the seal of said Court affixed this 29TH day of January, 2019. ATTEST: TOM POWERS - CLERK OF COURT By: Deputy Clerk 27, 28, 29

Ed McLean, District Court Judge Second Judicial District 155 West Granite Street Butte, MT 59701 (406) 497-6420 MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF: V.M. No. DN-17-125-BN Youth(s) In Need Of Care. CITATION THE STATE OF MONTANA SENDS GREETINGS TO LLOYD SHELTON, THE BIRTH FATHER OF V.M.: By Order of this Court, you are hereby cited and required to appear before this Court, in the County of Silver Bow, State of Montana, at the Court Room thereof at the Courthouse in said County of Silver Bow, on the 27TH day of February, 2019, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. of that day, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why judgment should not be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition for Emergency Protective Services, Adjudication of Child as Youth in Need of Care and Temporary Legal Custody filed by the Department of Public Health and Human Services in the office of the Clerk of this Court. WITNESS the Hon. Ed McLean, District Judge of the State of Montana with the seal of said Court affixed this 29TH day of January, 2019. ATTEST: TOM POWERS - CLERK OF COURT By: Deputy Clerk 27, 28, 29

William P. Joyce JOYCE & MacDONALD Attorneys at Law, PLLP 100 E. Broadway, 1st Floor Butte, MT 59701 (406) 723-8700 Attorney for Personal Representative MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, COUNTY OF SILVER BOW IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Probate No.: DP-19-07-KK SHEILA MARIE FRANEY, Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to MARY ELIZABETH BURK, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at WILLIAM P. JOYCE, Joyce & MacDonald, Attorneys at Law, PLLP, 100 E. Broadway, 1st Floor, Butte, Montana 59701, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court. DATED this 29th day of January 2019. MARY ELIZABETH BURK, Personal Representative 27, 28, 29

William M. Kebe, Jr. Angie Hasquet Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson 129 West Park Street P.O. Box 509 Butte, MT 59701 Phone: (406) 782-5800 Fax: (406) 723-8919 MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, JEFFERSON COUNTY Robert J Whelan Judge Dept. II IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Probate No. DP-19-08 J. F. FINNEGAN, a/k/a JOSEPH F. FINNEGAN, a/k/a FATHER J. F. FINNEGAN, a/k/a REVEREND J. F. FINNEGAN, Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that LEO J. FINNEGAN and DAN FINNEGAN by and through their counsel of record have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at the law offices of Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson, P. O. Box 509, Butte, Montana 59703, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson By: William Kebe Attorney for the Estate I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. DATED this 26th day of January, 2019. LEO J. FINNEGAN and DAN FINNEGAN 27, 28, 29

Robert Whelan, District Court Judge Second Judicial District 155 West Granite Street Butte, MT 59701 (406) 497-6420 MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF: S.G.S. No. DN-18-75-BN Youth(s) In Need Of Care. CITATION THE STATE OF MONTANA SENDS GREETINGS TO ROBERT S. SAYLER AND ALL UNKNOWN PUTATIVE FATHERS OF S.G.S.: By Order of this Court, you are hereby cited and required to appear before this Court, in the County of Silver Bow, State of Montana, at the Court Room thereof at the Courthouse in said County of Silver Bow, on the 27TH day of February, 2019, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. of that day, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why judgment should not be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition for Permanent Legal Custody, Termination of All Unknown Putative Father's Parental Rights with Right to Consent to Adoption and Request for Hearing filed by the Department of Public Health and Human Services in the office of the Clerk of this Court. WITNESS the Hon. Robert Whelan, District Judge of the State of Montana with the seal of said Court affixed this 31ST day of January, 2019 ATTEST: TOM POWERS - CLERK OF COURT By: Deputy Clerk 27, 28, 29

William M. Kebe, Jr. Angie Hasquet Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson 129 West Park Street P.O. Box 509 Butte, MT 59701 Phone: (406) 782-5800 Fax: (406) 723-8919 MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Probate No. DP-19-04 VIRGINIA L. KNOEPKE, a/k/a VIRGINIA LEE KNOEPKE, a/k/a GINGER KNOEPKE, Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that REED CALVIN PORTER and RITA LYNN PORTER by and through their counsel of record have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at the law offices of Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson, P. O. Box 509, Butte, Montana 59703, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson By: William Kebe Attorney for the Estate I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. DATED this 29th day of January, 2019. Reed Calvin Porter, Rita Lynn Porter 27, 28, 29

Frank J. Joseph Joseph & Whelan, PLLP 2801 S. Montana Butte, MT 59701 Telephone: (406) 782-0484 Fax No.: (406) 782-7253 Attorney for Petitioner MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Probate No. DP-18-151 DAVID FORREST TRUDGEON, Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be mailed to KELLIE HICKS, Personal Representative, and return receipt requested, at Joseph & Whelan, PLLP, 2801 South Montana Street, Butte, Montana, 59701, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court. DATED this 7th day of December, 2018. KELLIE HICKS Personal Representative 28, 29, 30

Angela Hasquet Clark R. Hensley Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson 129 West Park Street P.O. Box 509 Butte, MT 59701 Phone: (406) 782-5800 Fax: (406) 723-8919 MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CORY R. GENZBERGER, a/k/a CORY GENZBERGER, a/k/a CORY RAE GENZBERGER, Deceased. Probate No. DP: 19-15 NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that JANNA M. LEAF by and through her counsel of record has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at the law offices of Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson, P. a Box 509, Butte, Montana 59703, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. Corette Black Carlson & Mickelson Attorneys for the state I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. DATED this 12th day of January, 2019. JANNA M. LEAF 28, 29, 30

Frank J. Joseph 2801 South Montana Street Butte, Montana 59701 Telephone: (406) 782-0484 Attorney for Petitioner MONTANA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, SILVER BOW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF, Cause No: DG-18-30 L.J.N., A Minor. NOTICE OF HEARING FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MAKAYLA GARLAND has filed in the above Court and cause a Petition for appointment as guardian for the above-named minor. For further information, the Petition, as filed, may be examined in the office of the Clerk of the above Court. Hearing upon said petition will be held in said court at the courtroom in the Courthouse at Butte, Montana, on the 5th day of April, 2019, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., at which time all interested persons may appear and object. Service of this notice is being made in accordance with the statute for publication. DATED this 7th day of February, 2019. Frank J. Joseph Attorney for Petitioner 28, 29, 30

# Community Calendar

Community Calendar is available to list events in Butte. Email to: editor@butteweekly.com. Put calendar in the subject line

What goes on inside spy agencies like the CIA? How do they do it? Who are the spies? Why does espionage matter? These are some of the questions that Dr. John W. Ray of Montana Tech's Liberal Studies Department will be answering at a free public forum to be held at Montana Tech on February 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Big Butte-Highlands Room of the Student Union Building.

Aldersgate United Methodist Church at 1621 Thornton St., is having its 11th annual Valentine's Dinner Saturday, Feb. 16. On the menu will be family-style Meaderville spaghetti and ravs, salad, and dessert. In addition, there will also be live music. There are two seatings available – 4:30 or 6 p.m. The cost is \$10 a person; \$5 for children under 10; and the meal is free to children under 2. Reservations are requested, and pickup or carry out are available. Details or to make reservations, call 782-2425.

Big Sky Senior Living's annual Chocolate Extravaganza begins at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14, at 3701 Elizabeth Warren Ave. There will be live music. For more information, call 494-4900.

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Minimum Qualifications

- High school diploma or GED
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- Must possess a valid Montana driver's license and maintain auto insurance.
- Must obtain/maintain CPR card.

The North American Indian Alliance is committed to equal employment without regard to race, religion, color, gender, national origin, age, disability, or sexual orientation. However in accordance with the Indian Preference Act (Title 25 U.S. Code, Section 472 and 473), Preference Filling Vacancies is Given to Qualified Indian Candidates.

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Minimum Required:

- Certified Medical Assistant
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- Must possess and Montana Driver's License
- Must adhere to all North American Indian Alliance confidentiality policies and procedures in the performance of all duties.
- Must pass Background check

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## Community Calendar

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A suicide prevention awareness event and fundraiser for the Jacob Wheeler Foundation will be at 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, at the Clark Chateau, 321 Broadway St. The party is presented by Butte Halloween and the Clark Chateau as an alternative party for those who do not wish to participate in Valentine's Day. The cost is \$5, and there will be music and games. For information, call 565-5600.

Butte Citizens for Preservation & Revitalization will hold its monthly business meeting on Tuesday, February 19, at 7:00 p.m., at the Butte Archives.

Butte Silver Bow Republican Central Committee Monthly meeting is Tuesday, February 19th at 7:00 am at Chef's Garden/ Joker's Wild, 1201 S. Montana. Please join us to make plans for our Lincoln-Reagan Dinner. Questions, Call Mary at (406) 479-4729.

Butte Silver Bow Lady Republicans meeting Tuesday, February 19th at Wetona's Coffee House & Deli, 2121 Amherst Ave. at Noon. Special Speaker TBA. Questions, Call Suzzann at (406) 782-5310.

The Butte America Foundation is proud to host the 2019 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Uptown Butte on Sunday, March 17, 2019 at 12:30 PM. The parade route will be the same as years past, beginning at the corner of Arizona and Granite, proceeding West on Granite to Montana, South on Montana to Park St., and then finally East on Park St. towards Arizona where the parade will finish. Parade entry and Grand Marshal nomination forms for the 2019 St. Patrick's Day Parade are now available by visiting [butteamerica-foundation.org](http://butteamerica-foundation.org)

Christopher Borton will hold his annual 8-class Winter Yoga Course in Butte at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1621 Thornton starting in January 2019. The course runs Mondays, Jan. 7 through Feb. 25. 6:00-7:30 p.m. New and returning students are welcome. The Hatha Yoga class is designed for the beginner and intermediate student and will help you increase flexibility and strength, as well as offer techniques for deep relaxation. Borton is yoga certified through the Sivananda Vedanta Center and has been providing yoga instruction for over 25 years. A portion of all proceeds is donated towards Aldersgate Church. Cost is \$80. Pre-registration only. Email [cborton@sagemountain.org](mailto:cborton@sagemountain.org) or call 494-9875. Space is limited.

Butte-Silver Bow Public Library announces One-on-one computer classes. Come meet with one of our tutors, personalize your courses, and work at your own pace. We welcome students who know little about computers to the more advance who just need help with a specific program. For more information or to schedule a consultation, call the library at 723-3361 or visit our website at [www.buttepubliclibrary.info](http://www.buttepubliclibrary.info).

Every Thursday afternoon from 4 until 5 p.m., Butte Public Library offers our Manga and Anime Club in the Teen Zone on the second floor of the uptown branch. Enthusiasts of this art form get together to discuss their latest favorites, watch an episode or try their hand at drawing. Join us to hangout out with others who love Manga as much as you do

The first Art Walk planning meeting of the year will be Tuesday, February 19th, 7:00 p.m. at IBRC building, 66 W. Park. The Art Walk is always in need of volunteers each month May thru October. Come join us and help your local artists put on an exciting art show. For more information, call 431-0958.

The Greater Butte Silver Bow Harmony In Our Community group is seeking volunteers to serve as community liaisons to encourage activities that will promote and foster harmony in personal, familial, communal, educational, spiritual, economical and governmental segments of our community. For details and/or to volunteer to serve as a liaison, contact Ed Banderob at (406)723-3736 or email [Greeleyneighborhoodbutte@outlook.com](mailto:Greeleyneighborhoodbutte@outlook.com)

The Butte Public Library now offers Tech Tips in the community 3 times a month. Join our Nerd Herd for help with your technology questions! First Thursday of the month, 10 a.m.-12 Noon at The Belmont Senior Center; Second Thursday, 10-12 at Big Sky Senior Living and Third Thursday, 10-12 at The Springs. Everyone is welcome to drop in. Butte-Silver Bow public library offers walk in and appointments any time the library is open. Call the library at 723-3361.



# Week of Feb. 11 at the Montana Legislature

By **Leia Larsen,**  
**Montana Free Press**

Lawmakers will take on prescription drug abuse, pregnant inmates, betting on old horse races, grizzly bears and a slew of other topics in their sixth week of the 2019 Montana Legislative Session.

All committee hearings are open to the public, and anyone can comment in favor or opposition to a bill. Alternatively, committee hearings can be streamed live on the Montana Legislative Branch website.

Here's our pick of five topics to follow this week, with two bonus bills.

**DOJ looks to put the brakes on substance abuse**

Montana law enforcement officials will rally in support of two bills addressing prescription drugs.

House Bill 86 requires a patient to show a photo ID before picking up prescriptions. It places a seven-day limit on first-time opioid prescriptions. That limitation wouldn't apply to chronic pain patients. The bill also requires doctors to use the Montana Prescription Drug Registry, with the goal of preventing patients from "doctor shopping," according to John Barnes with the Montana Department of Justice. DOJ requested the bill, and Rep. Vince Ricci, R-Laurel, is carrying it.

Attorney General Tim Fox will speak in support of HB 86 during a hearing in the Senate Public Health, Welfare, and Safety Committee on Monday, Jan. 11. The hearing is scheduled at 2:30 p.m. in Room 317. Also on Monday, the Montana Highway Patrol will hold a demonstration in support of a bill overhauling the state's DUI laws. Senate Bill 65 requires a blood test for a DUI suspect who refuses a breathalyzer, increases the penalties for DUI offenders, and eliminates a 10-year "lookback" for previous DUI offenses.

Under current law, if a driver gets a DUI but does not re-offend for 10 years, that first DUI isn't counted in subsequent convictions. The Governor's Office of Budget and Policy Planning expects the amount of second and subsequent DUI offenses will grow by 10 percent if SB 65 goes into effect. The bill does not change the state's current blood-alcohol limit of .08 percent for non-commercial drivers.

SB 65 had its first hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee on Jan. 22, but has yet to see a vote. Montana Highway Patrol will hold a "wet lab" for committee members at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 11.

"In order to dispel certain myths that often hinder DUI reform, the wet lab event will aim to demonstrate that 1) a .08 blood alcohol level is impaired, and 2) having one or two standard-sized drinks with a meal over the course of an hour

or so will not bring most to the .08 limit," Barnes said in an email.

Barnes said the wet lab will be a "scientific and controlled process," and that participants won't be allowed to leave the Capitol without a designated driver or without blowing a zero on a breathalyzer test.

**Bill establishes rights for pregnant inmates**

Montana has almost twice as many incarcerated women than the national average, according to a 2013 report by the ACLU of Montana. About 6 percent of those women are pregnant.

House Bill 375 would create standards of care for expectant women in detention centers and state prisons. Female inmates 12 to 50 years old would be offered a pregnancy test on admission. Pregnant women would receive routine prenatal care and access to nutrition. Pregnant inmates with opioid abuse problems would have access to treatment. The bill bars the use of restraints on a pregnant inmate during labor and delivery. It also addresses postpartum treatment and breastfeeding.

Rep. Wendy McKamey, R-Great Falls, is carrying the bill. HB 375 will have its first hearing in the House Judiciary Committee at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12, in Room 137.

**Montana lawmakers bet on historical horse racing**

A trailblazing type of gambling could come to Montana in the next few years. Senate Bill 183 would authorize historical horse racing games in the state starting in July 2021. Historical horse betting uses video gambling machines. The bill allows pari-mutuel betting, where players pool their bets and top winning competitors take the pot, with a percentage going to the house.

Players bet on the winning horses of more than 100,000 races. The dates of the races, names of the horses and locations aren't included, according to the Wyoming Tribune Eagle. Wyoming is one of a handful of states where historical horse race betting is legal.

Five-hundred historical horse racing machines could generate more than \$137 million annually in Montana, according to a fiscal note from the Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning. One percent of that revenue would go to the Montana Board of Horseracing. The board would also receive \$240 in licensing revenue per machine. Those funds would be channeled to help boost Montana's horse racing industry by building and maintaining tracks and upping the bonuses for horse trainers and breeders.

SB 183 was requested by Sen. Fred Thomas, R-Stevensville, and is sponsored by Sen. Mark Blasdel,

R-Kalispell. The bill will have its first hearing in the Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs Committee at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 13, in Room 422.

**Winter roads could get less salty**

Montana Department of Transportation clears snow and slush from 25,000 miles of highway each winter. Spreaders drop magnesium and sodium chloride — salts — to prevent slick conditions, but that salt eventually melts off roads and runs into Montana streams and soils. Those salts aren't biodegradable, and they can impact vegetation, groundwater and fish.

The department currently drops more than 9 million gallons of chloride-based deicers each year.

Dee Brown, R-Hungry Horse, is carrying a bill that could help save both the environment and cars from road salt corrosion. Senate Bill 117 would reduce the amount of chloride deicers used by highway crews by 10 percent each year, either over the next 10 years or until only 6.3 million gallons of the chemicals are applied annually.

Implementing the bill wouldn't be cheap. The department would have to phase-in more liquid potassium acetate instead, which would cost more than \$16 million in the 2021 biennium and \$27 million in the 2023 biennium, according to a fiscal note.

Brown has brought the road salt bill to the Legislature in sessions since 2013 without success, but she signaled her optimism last month in the Senate Highways and Transportation Committee.

"Each session, I get more traction with this bill," she joked at the hearing.

SB 117 passed favorably out of that committee on Jan. 29. It now moves to the Senate Finance and Claims Committee, which will have a hearing at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 14, in Room 303.

**Proposed resolution urges Congress to take action on Montana-area grizzly bears**

When a federal judge put Yellowstone-area grizzly bears back on the endangered species list last fall, it continued a swirl of conflict among wildlife advocates, Native American Tribes, hunters, Yellowstone locals and some state lawmakers.

Montana includes all or part of four grizzly bear recovery zones, created by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 1993.

Last June, former Interior Sec. Ryan Zinke signaled he'd remove federal protections and allow grizzly hunting in the Greater Yellowstone zone. But wildlife advocates filed a lawsuit, arguing the Yellowstone bears don't mix with more robust populations near the U.S.-Canada border. The federal court agreed, ruling delisting left Yellow-

stone grizzlies at risk.

Senate Joint Resolution 6 urges Montana's Congressional Delegation to delist all grizzly bears in the state. The draft resolution argues that enough genetic interchange exists among Montana's other grizzly recovery zones that they should be considered a "large interbreeding distinct population." The resolution also argues that both the North Continental Divide and Greater Yellowstone grizzly recovery zones have met their recovery goals.

Under the Endangered Species Acts, listed animals are managed by the federal government. Delisting Montana's grizzly bears would return management of the animals back to the state and open the possibility of grizzly hunting.

The Senate Fish and Game Committee will hear SJ 6 at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 14, in Room 422.

**BONUS: Liquor and hemp make another appearance**

Last week, a Senate committee considered two bills looking to boost Montana's industrial hemp industry. This week, the House will mull a bill looking to boost the amount of tetrahydrocannabinol, or THC, allowed in Montana hemp. THC is the psychoactive chemical that causes a high.

House Bill 381 would bump the THC limit from .3 percent to 3 percent. The bill would also put Montana's hemp production in conflict with federal law. The 2018 Farm Bill legalized hemp production in the U.S., but any products with more than .3 percent THC are still illegal controlled substances. Rep. David Dunn, R-Kalispell, is sponsoring HB 381. The House Agriculture Committee will hear the bill at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12.

The Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs Committee also passed a bill about liquor last week, which would change a micro-distillery's production cap from 25,000 gallons to 200,000 gallons.

In the House, a lawmaker is looking to boost the volume of samples and bottles those businesses can sell. Unlike larger liquor producers, micro-distilleries can sell drinks and samples onsite. House Bill 362 would double the volume of alcohol allowed per customer, bumping it to four ounces. The bill would also allow small distillers to sell nine liters of spirits to a customer, changing the current limit of 1.75 liters.

The House Business and Labor Committee will hear HB 362 at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 13, in Room 172.

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