



CLIMB INTO A YEAR OF NEW BEGINNINGS W/ AREA CELEBRATIONS

Following weeks of holiday festivities, family gatherings, and even a little *too* much time spent at home, we're ready to get out of the house! New Year's is upon us, bringing with it a perfect excuse to hit the town and keep the celebrations going. Here's a look at some of the area's fantastic live music ready to ring in what's sure to be an excellent 2019 in Southwest Montana.

Vibe Quartet will give an early celebratory performance at Red Tractor Pizza beginning at 6:30pm. The improv group fuses a variety of instrumental music ranging from jazz standards to original funk tunes to instrumental popular tunes. Grab a slice and a seat!

Catch powerhouse electro jam band **MOTH** and rockin' soul-shakers **DASH** during the Zebra Cocktail Lounge's 'New Year's Blacklight Party' at 8pm. **MOTH** brings to mind a mixture of Daft Punk and Umphrey's McGee, while **DASH** is sure to entertain with a wild blend of funk, soul, rock, and pop. These bands will be sure to get everyone on the dance floor!

At the Rialto, immerse in 'An Evening of New Beginnings' featuring **Satsang** with help from **Wes Urbaniak** and **DJ AJ** at 8:30pm. Creating a unique blend of soul,

folk-rock and hip-hop, the conscious music collective known as **Satsang** delivers lyrics that come from and are rooted in change, growth, awareness, and imperfection. The live show is everything that the band name suggests: a gathering of people to assimilate and share their truths. The rhythms put forth by the band keep everyone on their feet, and the lyrics leave them craving active and positive change.

Over the Bozeman Pass, **Exit 288** takes the stage at Chico Hot Springs Saloon at 9pm. The high-energy group performs everything from classic and contemporary rock, to blues, country, and all that's in between. **Exit 288** connects with the audience and creates a fun and exciting atmosphere. The band's music is carefully selected to get people involved in the party and to keep the dance floor hopping!

On the other side of the Valley, **The MAX** will entertain at Three Forks' Sacajawea Bar beginning at 9pm. The popular band has entertained and delighted audiences nationwide since the mid-80s, calling Montana home since 1993. The **MAX** plays spot-on renditions of a wide variety of choice danceable rock n' roll covers and has two original albums, *Shadows in the Shade* and *Vinyl Valentine*. The **MAX** has opened for Styx, REO Speedwagon, and

The Fabulous Thunderbirds.

Back in the big city, **Daniel Kosel** and band bring the party to the Eagles Bar in Downtown Bozeman at 9pm. Kosel is a Montana-based singer/songwriter and guitarist who performs originals from his albums *Beartooth Stage* and *The Rain*, plus a delicious bevy of covers. His emotionally intelligent poetry, soulful vocals, and pretty guitar stylings make a delightful listening experience best described as "Cruel Music," a self-styled blend of country, rock, and blues.

In Livingston, ring in the New Year with a rockin' night of foot-stomping bluegrass at The Attic with **Laney Lou & the Bird Dogs** and the **Lazy Owl String Band** at 9pm.

The **Bird Dogs'** live shows are highlighted by unbridled energy, punctuated by songs performed with fervor and swagger. Fusing old time folk songs with a rock n' roll attitude, the group push the envelope of what a string band would generally be described as. Having shared stages with Corb Lund, Hayes Carl, Hurray for the Riff Raff, The Mavericks, Wynonna Judd, Mark Chesnutt, and The Lil' Smokies, their eponymous debut and last year's *The Vigilante Session* are available now.

A diverse group of musicians, the **Lazy**

Owls' influences range from jazz and blues to punk rock. However varied their influences, they're undeniably steeped in an old-timey traditional style. The group encapsulates an ethic of hard driving, whiskey drinking, boot-stomping music with infectious energy that's sure to get you moving. The band's repertoire is heavily rooted in original material that pays homage to the tradition from which it was begotten.

Finally, spend New Year's with **That 1 Guy** at the Filling Station at 10pm. Imagine the brainchild of Dr. Seuss, Captain Beefheart, Frank Zappa, Stanley Kubrick and Rube Goldberg, and you begin to understand the spectacle of a **That 1 Guy** performance by Berkeley, California-based and classically trained musician Mike Silverman. Combining elements of classical music with electronica, he puts his classical training to good use creating music that is ethereal, gothic and heart-pounding. His one-man concert performance is equal parts music, technology, science, art and spectacle, as he uses his hands and feet to create an industrial tribal rhythm that must be seen and heard to be believed.

Ticketing and further information about these festivities and other upcoming events can be found throughout this issue of The BoZone. Cheers to a prosperous 2019 – **Happy New Year, Bozeman!**

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Spirited laughs with Eddie's First Christmas, more Verge Improv

Verge Theater's stage calendar is funny and festive this holiday season! Here's a look at some of the fantastic performances happening at the Little Black Box.

Catch Ryan Cassavaugh's latest and greatest Christmas play, **Eddie's First Christmas on Patrol**, before it's gone! Final performances will take place Friday and Saturday, December 14th-15th at 8pm each night. The long-awaited sequel to *Jimmy's First Christmas on Parole* features the same actors as new characters in a fresh setting, a bar complete with Santa in cuffs! You can rest assured you'll be seeing the most original Christmas play out there. As Ryan says, "Jimmy's was just the beginning..." *Eddie's First Christmas on Patrol* is recommended for ages 17+ due to adult themes and language. Tickets are \$14 in advance, or \$16 at the door.

Also at the Little Black Box, the always-hilarious Monday night **Improv on the Verge** shows. With a mixture of short-form games (like you see on the popular tv show *Whose Line is It Anyway?*) and long-form stories, everything you see on stage is created on the spot using audience suggestions. With crowd favorites, the Bozeman Improverts AND some new faces, you won't want to miss the best way to start your week. Come get cheap thrills for your laugh hole with

advanced tickets for only \$7, or \$9 at the door. Upcoming shows are set for December 17th and January 7th. All performances start at 7pm. Ages 17+.

Everyone's favorite community theater presents **Verge After Dark**, its new experimental show, to help close out another fantastic year of stage entertainment on Friday, December 28th. Head down to the Verge "garage" (Unit G) and take in a fun, exciting show at 9pm. The lineup will feature improv, storytelling, and more! Because space is limited, this event is first come, first served. Donations are gratefully accepted. Snacks and refreshments will be available. Ages 17+.

Mark your freshly purchased (or gifted) calendars! The Bozeman Improverts are back at the top of the year with **Random Acts of Improv** to tackle three nights of long-form improvised comedy. The shows are set for January 17th-19th at 8pm each evening. Tickets are \$7 in advance, or \$9 at the door. These shows are recommended for ages 17+.

Visit www.vergetheater.com for reservations and further information about the entire 2018-19 season! Advance tickets are also available in store at Cactus Records. See you at "The Little Black Box on the Edge (of Bozeman)!" •



Shane's Holiday Vaudeville closes w/ extravagant final weekend

The Shane Lalani Center for the Arts is positively giddy to present yet another **Holiday Vaudeville Extravaganza!**, running through December 16th. One of the Shane's most popular events, this two-hour variety show is a high-energy romp through the cherished chestnuts of the season.

Show creators have assembled another intrepid squad of community performers ranging from the sublime to the spastic who will amaze, amuse, and mystify with songs, skits, and vigorous acts of vaudevillian virtuosity – all served up with a heaping helping of heart. It's fun for the whole family, and virtually guaranteed to get you in the spirit!

This season's final *Holiday Vaudeville Extravaganza!* performances will take place Friday and Saturday, December 14th-15th, at 8pm each night, then closing with a Sunday matinee on Dec. 16th at 3pm. All

will be held in the Dulcie Theatre at the Shane Lalani Center for the Arts. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$14 for seniors and college students, and \$10 for youth 17 and under. To make reservations, visit www.theshanecenter.org or call the box

office at (406) 222-1420. The Shane Center is located at 415 E Lewis St.

Holiday Vaudeville Extravaganza! is loyally sponsored by Conley's Books & Music, Kirk Michels Architects, and Yellowstone Valley Lodge & Grill. •



Sherlock Holmes is on the case this Christmas

Small Batch Arts will present original stage production **Sherlock Holmes & the Curious Case of the Christmas Carol** at Montana State University's Reynolds Recital Hall this holiday season. Written and directed by Bruce Hurlbut, performances are set for Thursday through Saturday, December 20th-22nd at 7:30pm each evening, then closing with a Sunday matinee on Dec. 23rd at 3:30pm.

Christmas in London, 1902. A time low on crimes to solve complains Holmes. Nothing left but to wait it out until bleak January returns, bills come due and good will has run its course. Meanwhile a small theater company is about to launch its holiday production of Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* when one of its actors mysteriously disappears. Maybe the Holidays won't be so hum-drum after all!

Take in this deliciously entertaining holiday mystery complete with live Foley sounds and an enviable accompaniment of talented actors to tell the tale including John Hosking, Joel Jahnke, Kathy Jahnke, Rhonda Smith, Tom Morris, M. Douglas

MacIntyre, and Cerris Morgan-Moyer. Live sound affects created by LA TheatreWorks Foley Artist Shereen Khan.

General admission tickets are \$22.50 and available at Cactus Records and cactus-records.net. Reynolds Recital Hall can be found within MSU's Howard Hall, located on the corner of 11th and Grant.

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Learn more about the company by visiting www.smallbatcharts.org. •

Ellen presents Will Ferrell in Elf & its annual holiday production

Downtown Bozeman's Ellen Theatre is your source for some of the area's best big screen entertainment and stage performances. The space also houses some great musical acts, both local and those coming through town. Here's a look at what's happening downtown.

One week before Christmas, on Tuesday, December 18th at 7:30pm, it's a special screening of the holiday family comedy *Elf*. Will Ferrell stars as Buddy, a human raised in the North Pole by elves, who travels to New York City in search of his biological father. The film also stars James Caan, Zooey Deschanel, Mary Steenburgen, Ed Asner, and Bob Newhart. All seats are \$6. Rated PG, *Elf* runs 100 minutes.

Perfect for the entire family, holiday favorite Irving Berlin's *White Christmas* returns to The Ellen stage with performances through December 22nd. First on Broadway in 2008, this excellent adaptation of the hit movie musical features a talented cast of singers and dancers. Showbiz entertainers Bob Wallace and Phil Davis, budding performers Betty and Judy Haynes, and a slew of chorus kids are detoured to General Waverly's Vermont Inn. But there's no snow! Not to worry, you know there's going to be a happy ending with this toe-tapping, terrific musical. You'll enjoy songs such as "Snow," "Blue

Skies," "I Love a Piano," "Count Your Blessings" and the title tune, "White Christmas" – all played beautifully by a LIVE 20-piece orchestra. Remaining performances will take place Dec. 14th, 15th, 20th and 21st at 7:30pm, Dec. 16th at 3pm, and Dec. 22nd at 2pm. Tickets range \$18-\$34. "I'm dreaming of a White Christmas" – on stage at The Ellen Theatre. Welcome to the show!

Looking ahead, The Ellen will host guitar specialists **Martin Taylor** and **Laurence Juber** at the top of 2019. Their co-headlining performance is set for Thursday, January 10th at 7:30pm. All seats are \$27.

Taylor is an award-winning guitarist. *Acoustic Guitar* magazine calls him "THE acoustic guitarist of his generation." He dazzles audiences with his solo show, which combines virtuosity, emotion, humor, and a strong stage presence



while his inimitable style has seen him recognized as the world's foremost exponent of solo fingerstyle guitar playing. Taylor has invented and developed a way of playing the guitar that is admired, and often imitated by guitarists all over the world.

Juber is a two-time Grammy Award-winning fingerstyle acoustic guitarist also known for his electric work as lead guitarist in Paul McCartney's Wings. He has released 16 critically acclaimed solo albums which feature his celebrated arrangements of popular tunes and genre-crossing compositions.

Wine, beer, and other refreshments will be sold in the lobby one hour before all performances and screenings. Ticketing and further information about these and other upcoming events is available at www.theellen-theatre.org.

For additional inquiries, call (406) 585-5885 or stop into The Ellen box office. Hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 1-3pm, as well as two hours prior to any event. •

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YMCA offers affordable after-school program for local youth

The Gallatin Valley YMCA continues to present its **After the Bell School Program** through the winter months to help kids expand their learning beyond the classroom. The program uses a balanced curriculum with opportunities for character development, STEM activities, arts and humanities, community service projects, and physical activity. It is a structured program with dedicated time for kids to start homework, engage in physical activities games, and enjoy a snack with friends.

During the week, students will participate in a variety of healthy living activities, such as snack prep, science, arts & crafts, journaling, homework time and/or reading along with an abundance of fun activities geared towards exploration, imagination and learning. Students are asked

to bring a water bottle that they can leave at the Y to use after school.

Buses from Belgrade, Bozeman, and Monforton Schools drop kids off at the Y and parents can pick up as late as 6pm. Early Release Days included in registration at no extra cost! Space is limited, so please register early.

Monthly programs are offered 1 to 5 days a week to accommodate busy lifestyles. Cost for members is \$5.25 per day (4-5 days per week), or \$5.50 (1-3 days). Non-members pay \$8.75 (4-5 days), or \$9 (1-3 days). This program is designed for kids grades K-7.

The next session is set for January 2nd through February 1st from 4-6pm on school days (1-6pm on early release). *The registration deadline is Dec. 28th.*



Another session is set for February 4th through March 1st with a registration deadline of Feb. 1st. Log on to www.gallatinvalleyymca.org to register and to learn more. The Gallatin Valley YMCA is located at 3673 Love Lane, just outside of Bozeman.

Regardless of age, race, ability or financial status, the Gallatin Valley YMCA exists to offer fun and healthy camps and programs for all. Whether it's their flag football program, early learning program or one of many summer day camps, each program integrates the YMCA's core values of honesty, caring, respect and responsibility. Ys are for people of all faiths, races, abilities, ages and incomes. No one is turned away for inability to pay. The YMCA's strength is in the people they bring together. •

Winter science & Grinch-inspired fun at local Children's Museum

The Children's Museum of Bozeman will host snowy science and winter crafts every day during winter break with CMB's **Winter Wonderland**. This seasonally inspired exhibit features hands-on activities all over the museum with a bit of a Grinch spin on things this year. Get your hands on some Grinch slime (that glows!), find where Max is hiding in the museum, pin a personalized heart on the Grinch, and so much more. There will be all sorts of New Year's crafts and winter

science as well.

Activities will be available for all ages, December 22nd through January 5th from 11am-3pm. Included with membership or admission. Regular museum hours are Monday through Saturday from 10am-5pm. *Please note: CMB will be closed Dec. 24th-25th for the holiday, will close at 2pm on Dec. 31st, and will be closed New Year's Day.*

Mark your calendars! CMB's



next **FREE Friday Night** is set for January 11th from 5-8pm. The public is invited to enjoy the museum's exhibits free of charge during this monthly event. Pizza

will be available for \$1 per slice, courtesy of Tarantino's Pizzeria. Bring the whole family down for some educational fun! This event is held the second Friday

of every month.

Located at 202 S Willson Ave., the Children's Museum offers hands-on exhibits, science camps, after-school activities, and

educational programs throughout the year. Because children make profound meaning from direct experience, Children's Museum programs facilitate pathways for hands-on exploratory play.

Visit www.cmbozeman.org for further details, membership information, and registration for upcoming events. Be sure to follow the Children's Museum on Facebook and Instagram for the most up-to-date info and other announcements •

Thrive offers 'Love & Logic' parenting courses this winter

This winter, Thrive will present parental education series **Thriving Parents: Early Childhood Love & Logic**. This five-week course will give parents the opportunity to learn practical skills to use in their homes for issues like bedtime, potty training, and parenting your tiny (but mighty!) toddler.

This five-week course is designed for parents or caregivers of children ages 0-5. It will be held on the following Monday evenings: January 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th and February 4th. Each will take place at the Thrive offices in Bozeman. Cost is \$25 for the workbook and class meetings with scholarships available. Childcare will also be provided.

Following in February, join Thrive's Bozeman High and Chief Joseph Middle School Parent Liaisons and other local guardians

for **Thriving Parents: Parenting the Love & Logic Way**. This five-week course will offer participants the opportunity to learn practical skills to use in their homes for issues like improving communication, ending power struggles, promoting healthy technology use, and increasing personal responsibility.

This five-week course is designed for parents or caregivers of adolescents. It will be held on the following Thursday evenings: February 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th and March 7th. Each will take place at Bozeman High School's Berg Library. Cost is \$25 for the workbook and class meetings with scholarships available.

The Love & Logic approach to parenting is built around the science of crafting caring and

respectful relationships. An authentic, loving connection between parents and their children is the root of a healthy, thriving relationship built on trust and understanding.

Registration information for the Love & Logic courses, as well as other upcoming events, is available at www.allthrive.org. Thrive is located at 400 E Babcock in Bozeman.

Established in 1986, Thrive is a community-based organization with a preventative, strength-based empowerment model of working with parents and children. They provide families with the resources, tools, and support to raise healthy, successful children. •

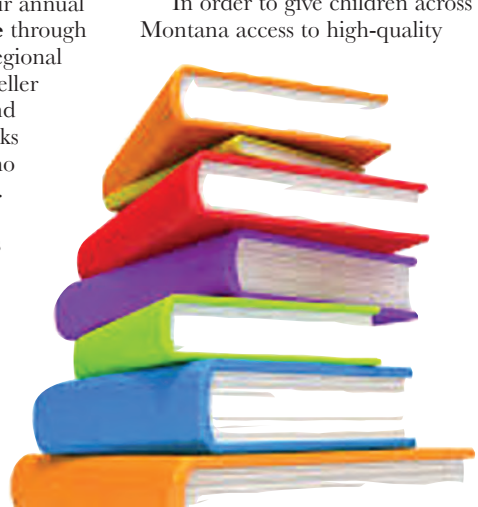


Hopa Mountain, Country Bookshelf partner for annual book drive

Hopa Mountain and Country Bookshelf are hosting their annual **Children's Book Drive** through January 5th, 2019. The regional nonprofit and local bookseller are now collecting new and gently used children's books to be given to children who lack quality titles at home.

"Having age-appropriate children's books at home creates a strong early learning environment that supports children's development," said Bonnie Sachatello-Sawyer, Hopa Mountain's Executive Director. "When families read together, children's vocabulary, communication skills,

and self-confidence get a boost too." In order to give children across Montana access to high-quality



reading materials this holiday season, you can purchase or drop off books at Country Bookshelf on Main Street in Downtown Bozeman, the Hopa Mountain offices found at 234 E Babcock, or call (406) 586-2455 to arrange for the books to be picked up by Hopa Mountain staff.

Hopa Mountain invests in citizen leaders who are working to improve education, ecological health, and economic development in their home towns. Learn more about the nonprofit's initiatives by visiting www.hopamountain.org.

Country Bookshelf is located at 28 W Main. For more information about the store and to take a peek at its upcoming author event calendar, visit www.countrybookshelf.com. •

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25 Have Yourself a Very Merry Christmas! Image of a Christmas tree on a cookie.

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 Open STEAMlab Hours 10am CMB
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 Season of Light 11am & 3pm Planetarium @ MOR
 All Ages Stick & Puck 11am Ressler Ice Rink
 Experience the Aurora 1pm Planetarium @ MOR
 Public Skating (No Sticks & Pucks) 1:30pm Haynes Pavilion
 All Ages Stick & Puck 3:15pm Haynes Pavilion
 Diamond 3:30pm Montana Jack – Big Sky
 Mike Haring 4pm Carabiner Lounge – Big Sky
 Pokémon Club 4:30pm Bozeman Public Library
 Donnie Elliot Experience 5:30pm Kountry Korner
 Public Skating (No Sticks & Pucks) 6pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink
 Ugly Sweater Open Skate 6pm Haynes Pavilion
 Travis Yost 6pm Uncorked – Livingston
 Jazz Night w/ Alex Robilotta 7pm Red Tractor
 A Band Called Luck 7pm Norris Hot Springs
 Winter Solstice Celebration 7pm Bozeman Dharma Center
 White Christmas 7:30pm The Ellen Theatre
 Sherlock Holmes & the Curious Case of the Christmas Card 7:30pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall
 Justin Case Band 8pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
 Reggie Watts 8pm The Wilma – Missoula
 Cowboy Christmas w/ Ian Thomas & Band of Drifters 8pm Rialto Bozeman
 www.TWANG 8:30pm The Attic – Livingston
 DJ Music 9pm American Legion – Bozeman
 One Leaf Clover 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston
 Cabin Fever Band 9pm Sacajawea Bar
 Bluebelly Junction 9pm JR's Lounge & Casino
 Noche Latina 9pm Zebra Cocktail Lounge
 Musik Lives Here Party 9pm Filling Station
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 Polar Obsession 9am Museum of the Rockies
 Into the Arctic 9am Museum of the Rockies
 Educator Appreciation Weekend 9am Big Sky Resort
 Bozeman Winter Farmers' Market 9am Emerson Center
 Junior National Qualifier Nordic Races 9am Lindley Center
 Secret of the Cardboard Rocket 10am MOR
 Books & Babies Saturday 10am Bozeman Public Library
 Kids Chess Club 10am Bozeman Public Library
 Christmas Craft Fair 10am Legion Villa
 Season of Light 11am & 3pm Taylor Planetarium @ MOR
 Winter Soulstice Party 11am-5pm Big Sky Resort
 Winter Wonderland 11am Children's Museum Bozeman
 Experience the Aurora 12,1 & 4pm Planetarium @ MOR
 Public Skating (No Sticks & Pucks) 12pm Haynes Pavilion
 Irving Berlin's White Christmas 2pm The Ellen
 The Big Sky Tonight 2pm Taylor Planetarium @ MOR
 Diamond 3:30pm Montana Jack – Big Sky
 Sleigh Ride Under the Stars 4:30pm Big Yellow Barn
 Lone Mountain Trio 4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill – Big Sky
 Bob Britten 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
 David Carney 5:30pm Katabatic Brewing Company
 Open Mic Night 6pm Wild Joe's Coffee Spot
 Celebrate the Holidays w/ Major Minor 6:30pm Baxter
 Aaron Banfield 7pm Norris Hot Springs
 Livingstone Film Series – The Polar Express 7pm Shane Lalani
 Sherlock Holmes & the Curious Case of the Christmas Card 7:30pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall
 A Speakeasy Naughty Christmas 8pm The Attic
 Justin Case Band 8pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
 Mike Haring & Kali Armstrong 8:30pm Carabiner – Big Sky
 DJ Music 9pm American Legion – Bozeman
 Denny & The Resonators 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston
 Sugar Daddies 9pm Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks
 Bluebelly Junction 9pm JR's Lounge & Casino
 Something Witchy, Cloudflowers, As The Crow Flies 9pm Zebra Cocktail Lounge
 Sunrise Karaoke – Friendly 9pm Friendly Tavern
 The Tiny Band 9:30pm Montana Jack – Big Sky
 Phil Savannah 10pm Haufbrau

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 Season of Light 11am & 3pm Planetarium @ MOR
 Winter Wonderland 11am CMB
 All Ages Stick & Puck 11am Ressler Ice Rink
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 Pokémon Club 4:30pm Bozeman Public Library
 Donnie Elliot Experience 5:30pm Kountry Korner
 Open Mic Night with Bozeman Poetry Collective 6pm Country Bookshelf
 Public Skating (No Sticks & Pucks) 6pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink
 Tom Catmull 6pm Uncorked – Livingston
 John Sherrill 7pm Norris Hot Springs
 Jazz Night w/ Alex Robilotta 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
 Teahouse Tango 7:30pm Townshend's Teahouse
 Great Falls Americans at Bozeman Icedogs 7:30pm Haynes Pavilion
 The Earth Harp Collective 7:30pm WMPAC
 www.TWANG 8pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
 Cold Hard Cash Show 8:30pm Rialto Bozeman
 The Waiting 8:30pm The Attic – Livingston
 Dilly Dilly 9pm Eagles Bar
 The Wind Drifters 9pm Murray Bar
 Groovewax 9pm JR's Lounge & Casino
 Slo Mo Joe 9pm American Legion – Bozeman
 Sunrise Karaoke 9pm Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks
 Verge After Dark 9pm Verge Theater
 Karaoke Night 9:30pm Montana Jack – Big Sky
 Tales From Ghost Town 10pm Haufbrau

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 Into the Arctic 9am Museum of the Rockies
 Bozeman Creek Hill Climb 9am Sourdough Trail
 Secret of the Cardboard Rocket 10am Taylor Planetarium @ MOR
 Books & Babies Saturday 10am Bozeman Public Library
 Kids Chess Club 10am Bozeman Public Library
 Season of Light 11am & 3pm Taylor Planetarium @ MOR
 Winter Wonderland 11am Children's Museum Bozeman
 Experience the Aurora 12,1 & 4pm Planetarium @ MOR
 Public Skating (No Sticks & Pucks) 12pm Haynes Pavilion
 Southern Utah at MSU Bobcat Women's Basketball 2pm Brick Breeden Fieldhouse
 The Big Sky Tonight 2pm Taylor Planetarium @ MOR
 Diamond 3:30pm Montana Jack – Big Sky
 Lone Mountain Trio 4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill – Big Sky
 Dan Henry 5:30pm Katabatic Brewing Company
 Balboa Swing Dance 7pm Townshend's Teahouse
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 The Lil Smokies 8:30pm Rialto Bozeman
 Mike Haring & Kali Armstrong 8:30pm Carabiner Lounge – Big Sky
 Band of Drifters 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston
 Bluebelly Junction 9pm Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks
 Groovewax 9pm JR's Lounge & Casino
 Comedy/Music Special 9pm Zebra Cocktail Lounge
 The Regulators 10pm Haufbrau

4 Children's Book Drive Country Bookshelf
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 PIR Day Camp: The Land of Oz 7:30am The Rock Youth Center
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 Winter Wonderland 11am Children's Museum Bozeman
 All Ages Stick & Puck 11am Ressler Ice Rink
 Diamond 3:30pm Montana Jack – Big Sky
 Mike Haring 4pm Carabiner – Big Sky
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 Pokemon Club 4:30pm Bozeman Library
 Donnie Elliot Experience 5:30pm Kountry Korner
 Open Mic Night 6pm Wild Joe's Coffee Spot
 "Firestarter Making Class" 6:30pm Bzn Makerspace
 Jazz Night w/ Alex Robilotta 7pm Red Tractor
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 Karaoke Night 9:30pm Montana Jack
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 Kids Chess Club 10am Bozeman Public Library
 Winter Wonderland 11am Children's Museum Bozeman
 Teen Leadership Club 11am Gallatin Valley YMCA
 Public Skating (No Sticks & Pucks) 12pm Haynes Pavilion
 Sacramento State at MSU Bobcat Men's Basketball 2pm Brick Breeden Fieldhouse
 Diamond 3:30pm Montana Jack – Big Sky
 Lone Mountain Trio 4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill – Big Sky
 Bob Britten 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
 Dead Night 7pm Filling Station
 PermaFunk 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
 Missoula Junior Bruins at Bozeman Icedogs 7:30pm Haynes Pavilion
 Take 6 7:30pm Warren Miller Performing Arts Center
 Mike Haring & Kali Armstrong 8:30pm Carabiner Lounge – Big Sky
 Sunrise Karaoke 9pm Silver Dollar Saloon – Ennis
 Sugar Daddies 9pm Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks
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 All Ages Stick & Puck 3:15pm Haynes Pavilion
 Diamond 3:30pm Montana Jack – Big Sky
 Swordfight Social 4pm Bozeman Fencing Assoc.
 Mike Haring 4pm Carabiner – Big Sky
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 Pokemon Club 4:30pm Bozeman Public Library
 FREE Friday Night 5pm Children's Museum Bozeman
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 Bob Britten 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
 Vibe Quartet 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
 Ryan Acker (of The Last Revel) 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
 Bozeman Folklore Contra Dance w/ Chordwood Cricket 7:30pm Bozeman Senior Center
 An Evening w/ Keller Williams 8:30pm Rialto Bozeman
 Mike Haring & Kali Armstrong 8:30pm Carabiner - Big Sky
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Emerson's Art on the Rocks entices with winter slate

The Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture continues to present its popular **Art on the Rocks** series this winter. If you're creative but need direction and don't want the commitment of a multi-week course, this batch of classes is just the ticket. Grab some friends and enjoy a creative evening filled with step-by-step art instruction, socializing, and yes – cocktails! This is not your average wine and painting class. The Art on the Rocks series switches up the medium and beverages each session for those looking to learn something new and drink something different. Let your favorite poison

inspire a new passion! Classes are held the first and third Thursday of every month from 6:30-8:30pm through March. The Emerson and Rocking R Bar, the event series' sponsor, share hosting duties. Here's a look at the upcoming gatherings. *Champagne & Cups* is first up on January 3rd at the Emerson. Happy New Year! Make a cup from clay to hold all your celebratory beverages. *Vodka & Violets* follows on January 17th at the Rocking R Bar. Learn to fold a variety of flowers from paper while sipping a tasty cocktail. Back at the Emerson, pull up a chair for *Pinot & Pendants* on February 7th.

Make a jewelry pendant out of metal for yourself or a loved one – just in time for Valentine's Day! On February 21st, *Pints & Presidents* moves to the R Bar. Have a brew or two and create a mask to honor your favorite commander-in-chief. Returning to the Emerson, *Pabst & Plaster* is set for March 7th. Learn to carve and sculpt with plaster, swilling Blue Ribbon in the process! Finally, *Whiskey & Watercolor* will close out the winter leg of the series on March 21st at the Rockin' R. The creativity and paint will flow during this introductory watercolor class. Cost for these classes is \$35 each

for Emerson members and \$40 for non-members. Registration includes supplies and two signature cocktails. Must be 21+ to enroll. For additional series information and to register, please visit www.theemerson.org/class-schedule. Located at 111 S Grand Ave., the Emerson Center for the Arts &



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LA-based comedian fronts festive night of comedy at Baxter Hotel

Another fantastic night of comedy comes to the Baxter Hotel with **Merry Crispins: A Comedy Christmas Variety Show** on Thursday, December 20th at 8pm. Advance tickets to this 21+ show are \$15 at Cactus Records and www.cactusrecords.net. Tickets will be \$20 at the door, depending on availability. Doors at 7pm. Los Angeles-based comedian **Lukas Seely** will play host, the evening will feature national touring acts and other local comedians. Enjoy an entertaining night of stand-up, sketch comedy, improv,

comedy caroling, storytelling, holiday fashion show by Coravelli Modeling Agency, holiday market with unique stocking stuffers, and more! Get into the festive mood with complimentary tasting samples from Headframe Spirits. Limited seats available. Originally from Billings, Lukas Seely has been seen on FOX's *Laughs*, Showtime's *Louie Anderson Presents*, and TNT's *On the Menu*. His comedic poise and stage presence is impressive. Seely's contagious laugh makes audiences feel as if they were sitting at home in front of the fireplace. His hilarious stories about

life in a country city and other experiences make his performance a knock-out punch. Seely was nominated as an Emerging Comic in the New York Underground Comedy Festival. He's opened for Bill Burr on the "Billy Red State Tour," and has also worked with such names as Dane Cook, Damon Wayans, Russell Peters, Bobby Lee, Sarah Silverman, Ron White, Greg Giraldo, and Daniel Tosh, to name just a few. Learn more about Seely by visiting www.lukasdude.com or find him on Facebook. •

MSU '18 fall commencement set for Dec. 15

From MSU News Service
Montana State University expects more than 1,124 students will participate in MSU's **2018 fall commencement** on Saturday, December 15th. According to MSU Registrar Tony Campeau, there are 832 candidates for undergraduate degrees and 292 candidates for graduate degrees at the university's commencement ceremony. In addition, 117 students who completed graduate requirements in the summer will be eligible to participate. The ceremony for all MSU colleges will begin at 9am in the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse, with the processional beginning at 8:40am. Lynette Stein-Chandler, who dedicated her life to pulling the Aaniiih language from the brink of extinction before she died suddenly at age 41, will posthumously receive an honorary doctorate in letters. Wayne Stein, professor emeritus of

Native American Studies and Stein-Chandler's father, will accept the degree and also speak to the graduates. In addition, MSU President Waded Cruzado will present a Montana State University President's Medallion to Norm Asbjornson. The medallion is awarded to individuals who have made significant contributions to the educational, cultural, economic, scientific and social advancement of MSU and the region. "MSU will honor Norm Asbjornson with the MSU Presidential Medallion for his vision, his long-standing and extraordinary support and his continued efforts to transform higher education," Cruzado said. For more information about MSU's 2018 fall commencement ceremony, please visit www.montana.edu/commencement. •

MSU 125th time capsule comes from the campus' heart

From MSU News Service
One of the last projects of Montana State University's yearlong 125th anniversary celebration is one with a lot of heart. Heartwood, that is, that comes from the heart of the MSU campus. That's what the **MSU 125th anniversary time capsule** is made from, according to master woodworker Bill Clinton of the MSU School of Architecture who handcrafted the time capsule that was presented to MSU students at the 2018 Lighting of Montana Hall ceremony on Dec. 5th. Clinton, who is director of the MSU School of Architecture's Fabrication Space, part of the MSU College of Arts and Architecture, made the 12-by-12-by-18 inch box from wood salvaged from campus trees cut to make room for both the MSU Chemistry and Biochemistry Building and Jabs Hall in the center of campus. MSU President Waded Cruzado, who shared the box with the president and vice president of the Associated Students of MSU during the lighting of Montana Hall, said the grace and beautiful simplicity of the box represents the university's strength and connection to the landscape. "We are thankful for Bill Clinton's extraordinary craftsmanship and vision of this artifact, which is truly MSU made, in every sense," Cruzado said. "The capsule puts a beautiful exclamation point on what has been a memorable year of celebration."

Clinton said that two types of wood were used for the box, which will be stored in the MSU Library Archives. The body of the box was made from Douglas fir harvested to make room for Jabs Hall in 2015. The white oak that Clinton used to fashion the knob, key escutcheon and plaque came from a tree harvested to build the chemistry building in 2008. "I've been saving this wood for a long time and am so happy to be able to use it for this project," Clinton said. He said that he has been using the oak for several MSU projects over the years, including a hand-crafted meeting table in the chemistry building, "nearly exactly where the tree we made it from once stood. "And that was kind of the last of that (white oak), so I'm glad it is going to something like this," he said. Clinton said he and ceramics professor Dean Adams, who is assistant dean of the College of Arts and Architecture, developed a basic

design for the capsule. Clinton said he opted for a simple design that wouldn't take away from the eventual contents of the box. He hand-carved the 125th seal on the lid, which gave the box both texture and three dimensions, he said. All of the dovetailed joints were cut by hand. "I love to do things like that," said Clinton, who has been making furniture since 1976 and teaching architecture design-build courses for 15 years. "It got me back to my roots of hand woodworking." Among objects already submitted from across campus representing MSU at this point in its history includes a letter from Cruzado written to the Class of 2093 to be read on the university's 200th anniversary celebration. Other items range from a deck of souvenir cards identifying 125 women honored at the recent "Extraordinary, Ordinary Women" ceremony to the Nov. 18th issue of the *Bozeman Daily Chronicle* with a story about "The Miracle in Missoula," MSU's recent last-second football victory over the University of Montana. Cruzado said campus entities will have the opportunity to submit items until the end of December. Clinton said that was honored to make the capsule and be a part of the last bit of history that closes out MSU's 125th anniversary year. "It was a joy to do this hand project," Clinton said. "I was very flattered to be asked to do it." •



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Next in Doc Series profiles Iraqi human rights activist

On Sunday, December 16th, at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture, the Bozeman Doc Series presents the Montana premiere of the award-winning new documentary, *On Her Shoulders*, beginning at 7pm. The screening is being co-presented by The Traveling School, Visions Service Adventures and Bridgercare, and will be preceded at 6:30pm by a reception featuring food, drink and

interviews and one-on-one meetings with top government officials. With deep compassion and a formal precision and elegance that matches Murad's calm and steely demeanor, filmmaker Alexandria Bombach follows this strong-willed young woman, who survived the 2014 genocide of the Yazidis in Northern Iraq and escaped the hands of ISIS to become a relentless beacon of hope for her people, even when at

to screen at major festivals around the world, winning several awards and garnering widespread critical acclaim.

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Doors open at 6pm. Single admission to *On Her Shoulders* is \$10, or \$8 for students. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at Cactus Records and

Movie Lovers, as well as www.bozemandocseries.org where you can buy Season Passes and 7-film punch cards, learn more about the series, and view trailers for upcoming films. Starting January 10th, the series will move to every other Thursday through April. •



information about the sponsoring organizations in the Emerson lobby.

Twenty-three-year-old Nobel Peace Prize-winner Nadia Murad's life is a dizzying array of exhausting undertakings – from giving testimony before the U.N. to visiting refugee camps to soul-bearing media

times she longs to lay aside this monumental burden and simply have an ordinary life.

On Her Shoulders world premiered at the 2018 Sundance Film Festival, where it was awarded the Directing Award in the U.S. Documentary Competition. The film has gone on

BFS screens Redford's cinematic swan song (?) at Ellen

On Thursday, December 27th, Bozeman Film Society will present a holiday screening of *The Old Man and the Gun* at The Ellen Theatre. Starring Robert Redford and Sissy Spacek, the film begins at 7pm.

The Old Man and the Gun is based on the true story of Forrest Tucker (Redford), from his audacious escape from San Quentin at the age of 70 to an unprecedented string of heists that confounded authorities and enchanted the public. Wrapped up in the pursuit are detective John Hunt (Casey Affleck), who becomes captivated with Forrest's commitment to his craft, and a woman (Spacek), who loves him in spite of his chosen profession.

Robert Redford, who has said this will be his last screen role, is still a charismatic presence, whose age has done nothing to diminish his ability to command the screen. If it's truly his final performance, the film is an entertaining and fitting

farewell to a legend, bolstered by an exceptionally fine supporting cast. *The Old Man and the Gun* holds a 91% on Rotten Tomatoes. Rated PG-13, the film runs 93 minutes.

Reserved seats are \$9.75 for general admission and \$9.25 for seniors and students (plus fees.) Tickets to BFS screenings are available online at www.theellen-theatre.org, by calling (406) 585-5885, or by visiting the box

office Wednesday through Saturday from 1–3pm, as well as two hours prior to any screening.

Bozeman Film Society seeks out and presents independent films which engage, entertain, and foster an understanding of the world community around us. Visit www.bozemanfilmsociety.org for film previews and further information – and, as always, "Keep 'Em Flickering!" •



Hop aboard *The Polar Express* during special holiday screening

The Livingston Film Series is delighted to present a special free screening of holiday family favorite *The Polar Express* at 7pm on Saturday, December 22nd at the Shane Lalani Center for the Arts.

Directed by Robert Zemeckis and based on children's author Chris Van Allsburg's modern holiday classic of the same name, *The Polar Express* follows Billy (Hayden McFarland), who longs to believe in Santa Claus but finds it quite difficult to do so in the face of his family's dogged insistence that all of it, from the North Pole, to the elves, to the man himself – is just a myth.

Everything changes on Christmas Eve, when a mysterious train visits Billy in the middle of the night, promising to take him and a group of other children to the North Pole for a visit with Santa. The train's conductor (Tom Hanks) and passengers help turn Billy's crisis of faith into a journey of self-discovery.

This festive annual tradition will take place in the Dulcie Theatre at the Shane Center. Believe tickets and bells for the first 100 kids – candy canes for all! Attendees are encouraged to wear pajamas if they're so inclined.

Looking to the new year, acclaimed documentary *Science Fair* will screen on Tuesday, January 8th at 7pm.

Hailed by critics as "immensely likeable," "brilliant and quirky" and an "ode to the teenage science geeks on whom our future depends," and

winner of the audience award at Sundance and SXSW, National Geographic Documentary Films' *Science Fair* follows nine high school students from around the globe as they navigate rivalries, setbacks and, of course, hormones, on their journey to compete at the International Science and Engineering Fair. As 1,700 of the smartest, quirkiest teens from 78 different countries face off, only one will be named Best in Fair.

The film, from Fusion and Muck Media and directed by the duPont Award-winning and Emmy-nominated documentary filmmaking team of Cristina Costantini and Darren Foster, offers a front seat to the victories, defeats and motivations of an incredible group of young men

and women who are on a path to change their lives, and the world, through science.

Now in its fourth season, the Livingston Film Series presents a variety of independent features, documentaries, local films, and special screenings on the second Tuesday of every month in the Dulcie Theatre at the Shane Lalani Center for the Arts.

Concessions are available before the show. Doors open at 6:30pm, prior to all screenings at 7pm. Admission is always free, but donations are gratefully accepted. For more information, please visit www.theshanecenter.org.

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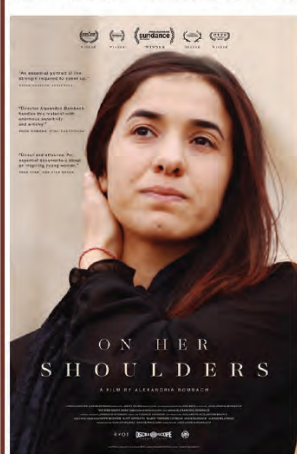
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Sunday, December 16th

The Emerson Center

A reception with food and drink hosted by sponsors The Traveling School, Visions Service Adventures and Bridgercare begins in the lobby at 6:30pm. Film begins at 7pm.

In this critically acclaimed new documentary, filmmaker Alexandria Bombach chronicles the life of 23-year-old Nobel Peace Prize winner Nadia Murad, a survivor of the 2014 genocide of the Yazidis in Northern Iraq who escaped the hands of ISIS to become a relentless beacon of hope for her people.



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Movie Lovers

The House with a Clock in Its Walls shows a kinder, gentler, but still pretty scary Eli Roth

by Joe Shelton

Who, watching the climactic maimings of 2005's torture-porn classic *Hostel* or the cannibal exploitation of the truly repugnant *The Green Inferno*, indeed, who could possibly have foreseen that the director of those paragons of good taste, Eli Roth, would end up making one of the warmest, most entertaining children's films of 2018?

Not me, that's for sure. Before *The House with a Clock in Its Walls*, Mr. Roth could easily have been written off as, at best, having an imaginative adolescent's taste for gory, bodily-fluid heavy provocation. But as it turns out, his work on *The House With a Clock in Its Walls* shows that he can turn in a movie with hardly any bodily fluid, and even less gore. It's still adolescent, but this time it's intentionally adolescent, and this humble reviewer thinks that probably ought to earn him the Oscar for "Most Improved Filmmaker."

Based on the series of spooky juvenile novellas by John Bellairs, *The House With a Clock in Its Walls* tells the story of Lewis Barnavelt, ten-years old and newly orphaned, who moves in to the mansion of his eccentric uncle Jonathan (Jack Black, always game). It quickly becomes apparent that this is not your ordinary house, nor is his Uncle your ordinary Uncle, nor his neighbor your ordinary neighbor (Cate Blanchett, vamping delightfully). And before long young Barnavelt is learning how to become a warlock, bringing household objects to life, casting spells, so on. And as long as he doesn't open his uncle's locked bookshelf and read from the forbidden volume therein, it'll all be fun and games.

But, of course, he DOES read from the book, an act of accidental necromancy that sets the house's

demonic previous owner (Kyle MacLachlan) come back to life.

And that whole delightful mess of child's size horror is accompanied by a literal ticking clock narrative; something in the walls of the house is counting down. And when it's done, well, all Hell is going to break loose.



Sometimes surprisingly scary for a PG offering, *The House with a Clock in Its Walls* is the perfect escape for youngsters who are beginning to be curious about the horror genre but who aren't ready for the cut tendons and severed fingers of director Roth's more "adult" work.


In fact, despite being a horror story, *The House with a Clock* is decidedly more grown up than most of Roth's stuff. There's warmth and affection – real actual human emotions other than nausea and loathing. Call it a big, big step forward for Mr. Roth.

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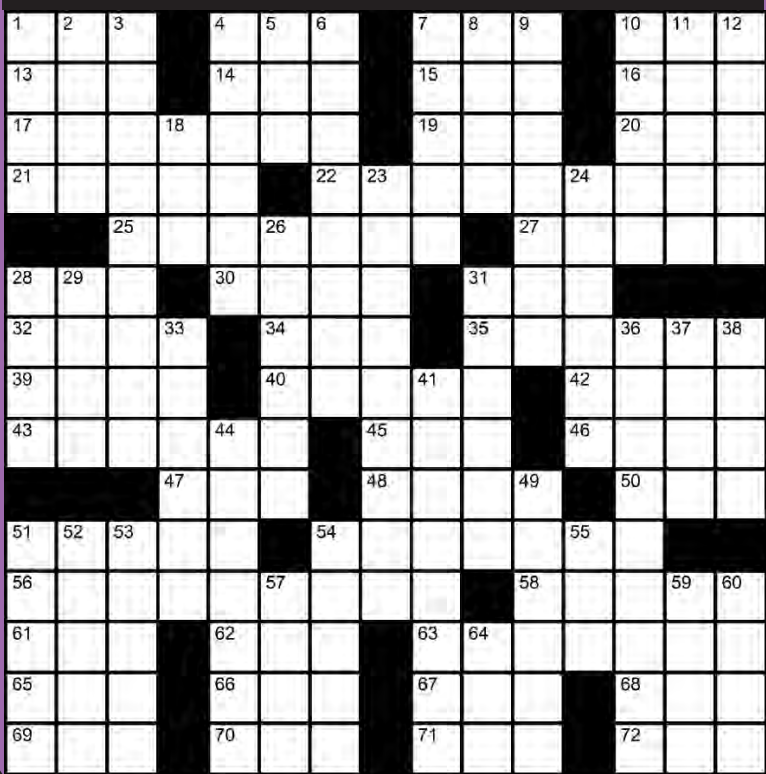


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- 13 Sugarloaf Mountain locale
- 14 Coach Parseghian
- 15 Make up stuff
- 16 Mauna ___ (Hawaiian volcano)
- 17 Character co-created by 63-Across
- 19 Abbr. on toothpaste boxes
- 20 ___-Wan Kenobi
- 21 Sasha's older sister
- 22 Character co-created by 63-Across
- 25 "Here, I'll get that"
- 27 Auguries
- 28 "Canterbury Tales" site
- 30 Great Lake name
- 31 Borrow (forever)
- 32 Starts to drop off
- 34 Dir. of this clue
- 35 "Incorrect"
- 39 Group of characters co-created by 63-Across
- 40 With "The," character co-created by 63-Across
- 42 Character co-created by 63-Across

- 43 Mexican blanketlike shawl
- 45 Round fig.
- 46 Recording
- 47 Quit being serious
- 48 Open a little
- 50 Important
- 51 Colorado resort town
- 54 Create cartoons
- 56 Character co-created by 63-Across
- 58 Hands out hands
- 61 He did Solo work
- 62 Bird bill
- 63 Late comics maven whose career spanned eight decades
- 65 "Foucault's Pendulum" author Umberto
- 66 Sport ___ (4x4)
- 67 Cassis-and-white wine cocktail
- 68 December 31, e.g.
- 69 Court partition
- 70 It gets steamrolled
- 71 Magic 8-Ball response
- 72 Liquor flavored with juniper

Down

- 1 Quick haircut
- 2 Actress Sorvino

- 3 Ben Stiller character with signature looks
- 4 Dish served in cornhusks
- 5 Glass on the radio
- 6 Sub, e.g.
- 7 Lean on the horn
- 8 Assistant
- 9 Digital data display
- 10 Mitt
- 11 ABC host Roberts
- 12 Train tracks
- 18 Zero, in rugby
- 23 Patriotic memorabilia
- 24 Former Cowboy Smith
- 26 Emulated Cicero
- 28 "Need You Tonight" group
- 29 1890s gold rush city
- 31 Two-letter pair
- 33 Moved sinusously
- 36 Get going
- 37 "I don't want that"
- 38 "The Book of Mormon" co-creator Parker
- 41 Ballet great Vaslav
- 44 Pesto ingredient

- 49 Detection methods
- 51 Beyond pale
- 52 First word of a "Star Trek" opener
- 53 Wine variety
- 54 "Late Night with Seth Meyers" writer/performer Ruffin
- 55 Pin in the back
- 57 EGOT winner Moreno
- 59 Jeans maker Strauss
- 60 Noticed
- 64 Knot up

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Answers: Free Reign

MOR's Season of Light takes viewers into history of year-end festivities

Bozeman's Museum of the Rockies continues to offer its educational and visually stunning *Season of Light* in the Taylor Planetarium as 2018 draws to a close. Yule logs, Christmas trees, the Hanukkah Menorah, luminaries, and Santa Claus were taken from different cultures to fill the dark months of the year with more light. Learn about the many holiday customs that make the winter more festive!

Season of Light shows daily at 11am and 3pm through December 31st. These screenings are included with Museum admission or membership. *Please note: the Museum will close at 3pm on Dec. 24th (11am screening only) and will be closed both Christmas and New Year's Day.*

On display through January 27th are photo exhibit *Polar Obsession* and multi-media *Into the Arctic*. Both are included with Museum admission or membership.

Polar Obsession is a photography exhibition featuring striking images of the world's polar regions from *National Geographic* photographer



Paul Nicklen. The images will take visitors underwater and across the ice, delivering a unique close-up of wildlife in the Arctic and Antarctic.

Into the Arctic showcases over fifty original oil paintings plus three feature-length

films documenting painter and filmmaker Cory Trépanier's expeditions to the furthest reaches of the Canadian Arctic, a biosphere so remote and untouched, that most of its vast landscape has never been painted before. Coming in February, two new exhibits!

Childhood Classics: 100 Years of Children's Book Illustration will explore the history of children's books from the turn of the century pen and ink Mother Goose art of Sarah Noble Ives, to the most popular works of today including the digital creations of Mo Willems. Also opening, *Mindbender Mansion* will feature puzzles, brainteasers and interactive challenges guaranteed to test the brain power and problem-solving skills of even the most experienced puzzlers. Stay tuned for additional information on these new exhibits!

There's still time to give the gift of membership this holiday season! Share all that you love about MOR with friends and family. With museum membership, giftees can experience each of these fantastic exhibits, as well as various programs and classes throughout the year. For more information about these exhibits and to purchase Museum membership, visit www.museumoftherockies.org or call (406) 994-5257. •

Tackle a project w/ Makerspace's Thursday night Open Builds

What would you make if you had the tools, the space, and the know-how? Bozeman Makerspace is the perfect place to bring your ideas to life, and their Thursday evening **Open Builds** are great opportunities to get started. Stop by for three minutes or three hours to check out the facilities and meet other makers. If you have a small project you'd like to work on, feel free to bring it! Members will be on hand to talk about the organization, chat about tools, and show off some things they're making. *Open to the public, upcoming Builds are set for Thursdays, December 20th, 27th, and January 3rd from 6:30-9pm each evening.* The Makerspace will host a

Firestarter Making Class on Friday, January 4th from 6:30-8:30pm. Make your own fire-starting kit for a winter sports survival kit or just for lighting a backyard bonfire for s'mores! The instructors will have a few variations of types of firestarter you can make, as well as some other small things to round out your kit.

This class is offered with a drop-in format – come by at any point within the listed times. There is no minimum age requirement, but makers under 14 must be accompanied by an adult. This class is \$10 for Makerspace members and \$20 for non-members.

A **FIKA Creativity Café** follows on

Saturday, January 5th from 9-10:30am. Attendees of the morning gathering will enjoy some simple imagination-provoking activities and conversation over coffee, tea, and some light breakfast snacks. This event is free for Makerspace members and \$10 for non-members.

Bozeman Makerspace believes it's important not just to have access to tools and facilities, but also to have a community of others who share a curiosity about the way the world works. Whatever your age or experience level may be, the Makerspace provides resources for all kinds of awesome projects. Facilities at the Makerspace will let you explore processes including

woodworking, electronics, 3D printing, CNC milling, sewing, art-making, and more. If you have an idea on the back burner, there's no better time and place to start working than NOW at the Makerspace!

If you're ready to get started on some serious making, consider joining the Makerspace as a member. Members have unlimited access to the facilities, free attendance of select classes, and a role in helping to shape this valuable community resource. Find the Makerspace at its NEW location, 5350 Love Lane, Unit 2. Bring your ideas and get ready to turn them into reality! Learn more by visiting www.bozemanmakers.org. •



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Still time to cut your Christmas tree!

From Custer Gallatin National Forest

Christmas tree permits are still available at all seven Ranger District offices and numerous vendors across the Custer Gallatin National Forest. Forest Service offices in Bozeman, West Yellowstone, Livingston, Gardiner, Red Lodge, and Ashland, as well as Camp Crook, South Dakota, have permits available from 8am-4:30pm, Monday through Friday for \$5 each, with a limit of three permits per household. Permits are sold in person. Cash, check, debit and credit cards are accepted.

Permits are also available at these local community businesses:

- *Belgrade:* Town & Country and Ace Hardware
- *Bozeman:* Owenhouse Ace Hardware (downtown and W Main locations), Murdoch's Ranch & Home Supply
- *Four Corners:* Murdoch's Ranch & Home Supply
- *Big Sky:* Big Sky Conoco and Ace Hardware

- *West Yellowstone:* Cenex Corner Store
- *Livingston:* Ace Hardware
- *Gardiner:* Gardiner Market

A permit can also be purchased for gathering personal-use boughs. Permits, maps, forest road access updates and tree species identification guides are available at each ranger district office.

"Cutting a Christmas tree is a great, family fun tradition for many," said Marna Daley, Public Affairs Officer, Custer Gallatin National Forest. "Dress in layers for changing weather conditions, be prepared for emergencies, and enjoy spending time outdoors with friends and family."

Those with a permit may cut a Christmas tree anywhere on the Custer Gallatin National Forest except in campgrounds, trailheads, designated wilderness areas, developed recreation sites, posted timber sale units, recently planted locations and administrative sites. Permits are also valid for any national forest in the Northern Region, which includes all of Montana,

northern Idaho and portions of North and South Dakota.

General guidelines for cutting a tree include the following:

- No tree-cutting is allowed within 50 feet of any stream, lake, or wetland.
- Only trees 15 feet tall or less may be cut.
- Cut your tree as close to the ground as possible and below the lowest live limb. A remaining stump height of 6 inches or less is ideal.
- After cutting your tree, attach the purchased permit to a lower limb near the trunk for transporting home.
- "Topping" trees, or cutting the top off trees, deforms any future growth and leaves a visual eyesore. Take the entire tree or choose another one.
- Trees help protect watersheds, provide habitat for wildlife, and contribute to beautiful scenery. Keep these values in mind when selecting a tree.

For more information, please contact any Custer Gallatin National Forest office.



For general forest information, visit www.fs.usda.gov/custergallatin.

Custer Gallatin National Forest is known as one of the most ecologically diverse landscapes in the region. The Forest stretches from the rugged high-country of the Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness, the Gallatin Crest and vast portions of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem to the rolling landscapes and buttes of far southeastern Montana and northwestern South Dakota on the Ashland and Camp Crook districts.

Hawks get off to fast start to begin 2018

by Danny Waldo

Head coach Wes Holmquist couldn't have asked for a better start to the 2018-19 high school basketball season after watching his boys race past the Helena High Bengals, 70-50.

Senior post Ryan Lonergan led the way for the **Hawks**, dropping in a game-high 22 points, while fellow senior Ryan Simpson contributed 15.

The first half was a back-and-forth affair with neither team able to gain much separation, but that all began to change in the third quarter as the Hawks began to exert their will in the paint, leading to easy baskets and a back-breaking 18-0 run that affectively sealed the season-opening victory. Bozeman would eventually outscore Helena 25-8 in the

third quarter before salting away the game in the fourth.

In the second half, Bozeman shot 71 percent from the floor with many of those coming from close range, as the Hawks dropped in 23 points in the paint.

Bozeman would follow up their home-opening victory with a hard-fought win on the road over Helena Capital 54-49 in the Capital City.

Bozeman found points were harder to come by against an aggressive Bruin defense, but patient offensive execution eventually proved fruitful for the Hawks as they began to pull away in the second half after leading just 25-20 at halftime.

Bozeman was once again led by the combination of Ryan Lonergan and Ryan

Simpson, as Lonergan dropped in 20 points and Simpson finished with 20.

Bozeman returns home for a single game on the 14th versus state-title contender Missoula Hellgate, led by UM commit Rollic Worster, before closing out 2018 on the road at Missoula Sentinel and Kalispell-Glacier.

Girls

For the Bozeman girls, the opening weekend was the complete opposite.

The Lady Hawks opened up the 2018-19 campaign on the road versus two-time defending state champion Helena.

After battling for much of the first half, the Bengals title-winning pedigree started to take over as Helena outscored the Bozeman girls 18-13 in the third quarter to stretch their lead to double-digits heading into the final

frame on their way to a 48-35 win.

UM commit Jamie Pickens was a statistical nightmare for the Hawks after dropping in 22 points, eight blocks and nine rebounds.

The Lady Hawks would follow up their season-opening loss on the road with another defeat in their home-opener to the Helena Capital Bruins 59-44.

The Lady Hawks return to the road to take on Missoula Hellgate on December 14th before closing out the 2018 portion of their schedule with a pair of home contests versus Missoula Sentinel and Kalispell-Glacier.

For complete schedules of Bozeman Hawk boys' and girls' basketball, log on to the district website at www.bsd7.org.

Danny Waldo is a local freelance writer covering Bozeman Hawk athletics.

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F-11 presentation takes attendees to the exotic lands of Galápagos

F-11 Photo is closing out the year on a colorful note with **A Galápagos & Ecuador Natural History Photo Travelogue** event on Saturday, December 15th from 9:30-11am.

Take a break from winter and join wildlife ecologist and

worldwide for for its incredible birding and bird photography opportunities.

John Winnie Jr. is an award-winning wildlife and landscape photographer, and a conservation ecologist at Montana State University in Bozeman.



photographer, John Winnie Jr. for and hour of exotic birds, wildlife and wild places. The gathering will feature a virtual natural history tour of Galápagos National Park above and below the water, then will head up into Ecuador's Andean Highlands, a region known

This event is free, but please RSVP at www.f11photo.com as space is limited. You can also stop by the store at 2612 W Main St., Suite A, to register. See website for further details and complete course schedule. Please call (406) 586-3281 with further questions. •

Annual Hyalite Tour celebrates New Year's w/ day of skiing & fireside fun

A free community ski tour for all ages on freshly groomed trails in Hyalite Recreation area

The annual **Hyalite Tour** returns on Tuesday, January 1st with another casual, family-friendly, FREE cross-country skiing event. It's a yearly tradition! Load up the skis and meet at Hyalite Reservoir to ski freshly groomed trails and celebrate the new year.

Hosted by Bridger Ski Foundation, the U.S. Forest Service, and Friends of Hyalite, the fun begins at 10am from the Hyalite Reservoir parking lot. There will be various route options, with maps available. Distance and route is up to you: ski a mile, three, five, or event the

17km loop around the reservoir!

NEW this year, Bridger Ski Foundation will offer guided two-hour tours of the trails. Tours depart at 10am and 11am.



Meet at the Hyalite Pavilion to join.

Ski as much as you want before heading to the pavilion for some fun and relaxation. Warm up by the fire with a free lunch complete with soup and bread, hot drinks, and s'mores!

The annual Hyalite Tour has become a great holiday tradition in recent years. This event is meant for the enjoyment of all ages. Please leave dogs at

home – and remember to bring your classic skis!

Bridger Ski Foundation is a nonprofit community ski organization offering educational and competitive programs in Nordic, Freestyle, Freeskiing, Snowboarding and Alpine skiing. They also groom 70+ km of community Nordic ski trails for the Bozeman public.

BSF focuses on inspiring a lifelong love of skiing, athletic excellence, and personal growth.

Learn more about the Hyalite Tour, membership opportunities, and other events by visiting www.bridgerski-foundation.org. •

MSU Extension receives EPA grant to help MT food & beverage industry

The **Montana Pollution Prevention Program**, a Montana State University Extension program that provides pollution prevention technical assistance to small businesses, recently won a \$989,000, two-year grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Funds will enable the program to continue its nationally recognized EcoStar awards program and partner with the Montana Manufacturing Extension Center to expand pollution prevention technical assistance to the food and beverage manufacturing industries.

The EcoStar awards program, now in its 18th year, recognizes Montana businesses whose impacts support environmentally and economically sustainable communities by conserving resources of water, energy and clean air and by serving as role models by

surpassing state and federal requirements to reduce solid and hazardous waste.

The food and beverage manufacturing industry is the fastest-growing manufacturing industry in Montana, according to Jenny Grossenbacher, who has led the pollution prevention program since 2006. She said the grant caters, in part, to the booming microbrew industry in the state.

With funds from the grant, the Montana Pollution Prevention Program and MMEC will offer onsite technical assistance and training, including source reduction techniques, best management practices, safer chemical use and pollution prevention outreach and educational activities for small businesses. A portion of the facilities working with the program and MMEC will receive energy audits

from the National Center for Appropriate Technology to identify energy conservation opportunities. To share results and transferability of programming throughout the state, the grant will also allow the Montana Pollution Prevention Program to expand its partnerships network for the cumulative benefit of statewide stakeholders.

"We are honored, once again, to be awarded the EPA pollution prevention grant to continue this integral work with small businesses," Grossenbacher said. "This program can benefit an assortment of stakeholders, including breweries, wineries, distilleries, malters, coffee roasters and food manufacturers, including sugar beet, cereal grain, meat, dairy and pulse crop processors. We encourage any business in the food and beverage industry to reach out

to us for assistance."

Grossenbacher noted that onsite technical assistance will be capped at 20 businesses per year, but the insights gained and lessons learned will be available via a webinar series to help other businesses unable to participate in the hands-on training.

"These small businesses are the heart of many communities in Montana, and we're proud to support these outreach education efforts," said Paul Lachapelle, Extension community development specialist and principal investigator on the EPA grant. "Innovations in this sector have the potential to influence revenue across sectors."

MMEC Director Paddy Fleming said there are multiple benefits to conserving resources.

"Reductions in water, energy and raw material use, as well as discharge and emission reductions

in the food and beverage industry, not only make financial sense, they appeal to today's consumers who are becoming more informed and often consider these factors when making their buying decisions," he said.

Grossenbacher encouraged businesses already excelling in their pollution prevention efforts to apply for the EcoStar award.

Annually, EcoStar recipients are honored by the Montana governor in a ceremony at the Capitol in Helena. EcoStar applications and nominations are due in January and can be found at www.mtp2.org. To find out more about EcoStar, applying for onsite food and beverage manufacturing industry training or NCAT energy audits, contact Grossenbacher at (406) 994-4292 or jenniferg@montana.edu. •

BAHA hosts festive/UGLY open skate, opens registration for adult beginner league

Bozeman Amateur Hockey Association will present its first **Ugly Sweater Skate** at the Ressler Ice Rink on Friday,

December 21st beginning at 6pm. Bundle up in your most "festive" sweaters while skating to Christmas tunes. This family-friendly event is

open to everyone of all ages. Admission is \$10 and includes skate rentals, if needed. The Ressler Ice Rink at the Ice Barn is located within the Gallatin County Fairgrounds.

BAHA's **Greenhorn Adult Beginner League** is the talk of the town. This league is designed specifically for adults who have little to no hockey or ice-skating experience but want to try the sport. The Greenhorn league is the best and easiest way to enter into the hockey world. Everyone 18+ is welcome – no experience necessary.

Greenhorn players receive skills sessions to help hone abili-

ties, and learn the game for the eventual segue-way to the HHL (Haynes Hockey League). Skills sessions and games are held on Monday evenings at 8:30pm. The Winter Season begins January 7th and runs through March 11th.

Cost is only \$150 for 10 on-ice sessions! Refer a friend to each receive \$50 OFF winter registration fees by December 23rd. Contact Anna Lau at alau@bozemanhockey.org for more information. Learn more about the league at www.bozemanhockey.org/greenhorn.



The Bozeman Amateur Hockey Association is a nonprofit service organization whose mission is to provide facilities and programs for the development of quality, affordable, and disciplined competitive and recreational hockey. •

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LOCAL SPORTS IN AND AROUND THE BOZONE

Ski & stay the holidays away at Big Sky Resort

Big Sky Resort is celebrating some of its best snow ever as ski season begins to warm up – figuratively speaking, of course! Here's a look at some upcoming weekend ski and stay deals fit for the whole family.

Military Appreciation Weekend will take place Friday and Saturday, December 15th–16th so members of our military can enjoy a fantastic weekend of skiing with their families. There will be FREE skiing for active duty and retired military members on these days. Also enjoy 50% off for spouses and immediate family. Please bring identification for ALL parties to collect the discounted rate. Make a night (or two) of it! Lodging discounts available at Huntley Lodge and Big Horn Condos.

Educator Appreciation Weekend follows Friday and

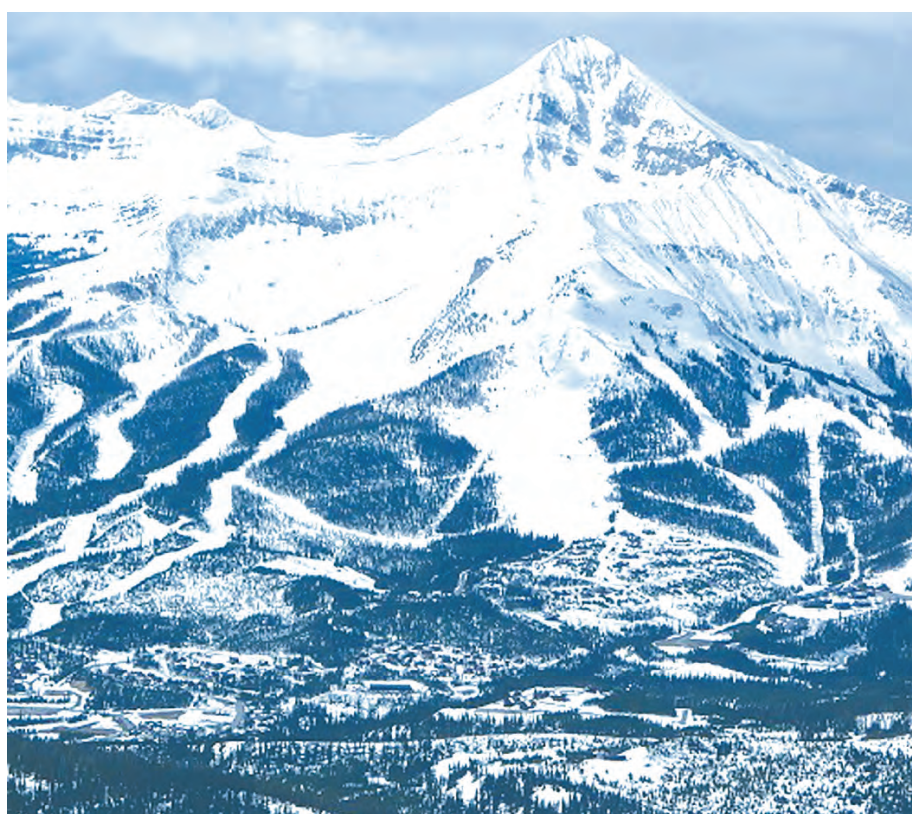
Saturday, December 22nd–23rd. These days will see FREE lift tickets for educators staying in Big Sky Resort lodging (discounts available at Huntley Lodge and Big Horn Condos). Lift tickets are \$77.50 for educators not staying at the resort, as well as for family members (with educator present).

Also up Lone Mountain, the annual **Torchlight Parade** is set for Monday, December 24th – Christmas Eve! Join in for the festive tradition and celebrate the holidays on the slopes with a torchlight parade, skiing Santa Claus, and fireworks. Free for spectators.

Along with daily lift tickets, season passes are available for purchase now. Get yours at www.bigskyresort.com, where you can also check out this season's lessons and programs through the Big Sky Mountain

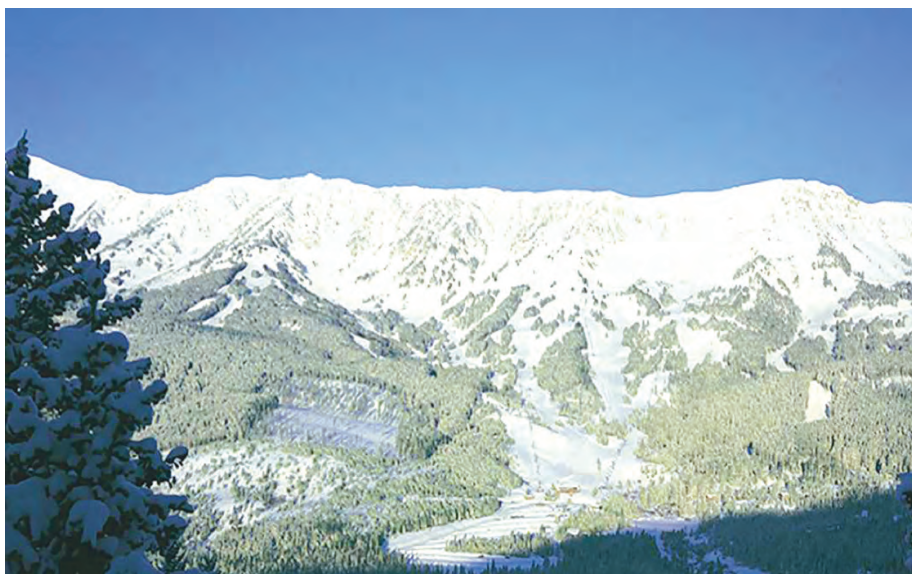
Sports School. Gather up your winter gear, friends and family and head to the hill!

Established in 1973, Big Sky Resort is located in the Northern Rockies of Southwest Montana between Bozeman and Yellowstone National Park. Big Sky Resort is the Biggest Skiing in America with 5,800+ acres offering an average of two acres per skier and 4,350 vertical drop. •



#SkiTheColdSmoke, then enjoy Bridger's celebratory Torchlight Parade

Bridger Bowl is welcoming 2019 with its annual **Torchlight Parade** on Sunday, December 30th. After a day of skiing, enjoy a delicious spaghetti dinner and marvel as the Bridger Bowl snowsports instructors snake down the hill holding torchlights followed by a fantastic fireworks display in the base area. Dinner begins at 4pm in the Jim Bridger Lodge with the parade and



fireworks starting after nightfall. Cost is \$7 for children and \$14 for adults. Live music will be provided by the Hooligans. Red Lodge Ales will be on hand with sudsy brews and swag.

Bridger is also offering a couple hot deals on **Frequency Cards** through December 24th. The Bridger Bowl Card (19-69) is \$65 up front and allows holders to ski for \$45 any weekday and \$53 on weekends (with a FREE day on Jan. 25th). The Junior Legend Card (13-18) is only \$40 up front and \$37 per ski day (FREE day on Dec. 22nd). The Ten-Time Pass (19-69) is \$510 and opens up the mountain any ten days this season.

Bridger Bowl will operate FREE skier buses again this season.

Bridger runs two separate shuttles with different pick-up and drop-off locations in Bozeman. The Kids' Bus runs on weekends and during the school holidays, while the Park N' Ride Bus runs on weekends during the entire ski season. The Kids' Bus picks-up at McDonald's on Main and the Gallatin County Fairgrounds (Oak St. entrance). The Park N' Ride picks up at MSU's SUB and the Gallatin Valley Fairgrounds. Please see website for detailed bus schedules.

The ski area is located on the east slope of the Bridger Mountain Range. For season pass information and upcoming event details, visit www.bridger-bowl.com. See you on the slopes!

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Tyler Hall etches name in record books

by Danny Waldo

As if a road victory over a Pac-12 opponent wasn't reason enough to celebrate, MSU senior guard **Tyler Hall** added a little more icing on the cake by becoming Montana State's all-time leading scorer in guiding the 'Cats past Washington State 95-90 recently.

Hall, who finished with 24 points, became the Bobcats leading scorer on a three-pointer with just over 10 minutes to play versus the Cougars. Not only did he set the scoring mark with the triple, he also set the record for most three-pointers made in Big Sky history, passing the old record of 347 set by Weber State's Jeremy Senglin.

The 6'5 senior from Rock Island, Illinois would go on to finish the night with 2,038 points surpassing the record set by Larry

Chanay that had stood for 59 years. In the process of setting MSU's new scoring mark, Hall also surpassed two of the Big Sky Conference's greatest scorers in UM's Larry Krystkowiak and Weber State's Bruce Collins. Next on his list is the all-time leading scorer in league play, Bogdan Bliznyuk, of Eastern Washington, who just set the league scoring mark last season with 2,169 points

Hall will get his first crack at adding to his scoring total when the Bobcats take on the University of Denver on December 18th. MSU will then break for Christmas before beginning conference play on the road at Southern Utah on December 29th. MSU's next home game doesn't come until the new year when Portland State and Sacramento State visit Bozeman January 3rd and 5th. •

Montana WILD to host Christmas break programs Dec. 26 thru 28

From Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Looking for something fun and educational to do with the whole family during Christmas break? Take a trip to Montana WILD in the capitol city of Helena and see live raptors up close each day from 9–11am, work on a wildlife quiz, participate in an animal scavenger hunt, explore wildlife exhibits, and watch a live sturgeon swim around. Montana WILD will be closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, but will be open December 26th–28th.

Montana WILD will also be presenting one special program from 2–3pm each of these days. The programs will be:

– **Live Raptor Program** on Wednesday, Dec. 26th

Learn about raptors with a fun, interactive program during which participants will meet live owls, hawks and falcons.

– **Mountain Man Program** on Thursday, Dec. 27th

An authentic mountain man will lead a program filled with historical tools, furs, stories and other exciting artifacts.

– **Glacier's Wildlife in Winter** on Friday, Dec. 28th

A long-time Glacier National Park interpretive ranger will lead a program about what wildlife does after all the summer visitors leave and the party is over.

The Montana WILD Education Center is located at 2668 Broadwater Ave. in Helena. For more information about any of these programs, contact Montana WILD at (406) 444-9944.

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, through its employees and citizen commission, provides for the stewardship of the fish, wildlife, parks, and recreational resources of Montana, while contributing to the quality of life for present and future generations. •



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BUSINESS IN AND AROUND THE BOZONE

Midtown eatery to host next morning social for professionals

Bozeman Business & Professional Women (BPW) has announced its next **BPW Morning Social** will be held Wednesday, January 9th at the Farmer's Daughters Café & Eatery from 7:30-9am. Registration is free for BPW members and \$10 for guests (non-members). Refreshments included. Business/cocktail attire suggested. And be sure to bring your business cards for networking! The Farmer's Daughters is located in the RSVP Motel BZN at 510 N 7th Ave.

Once a month, Bozeman BPW members are offered an informal, intimate and low-pressure outlet to connect with like-minded Bozeman professionals. The networking socials are designed to bring together women in discussions to support good relationships; to exchange knowledge; to develop the

capabilities of businesswomen, and to support a new generation of business women.

Preregistration for the monthly social and other upcoming BPW events is available by visiting www.bozemanbpw.org.

Bozeman BPW is a diverse group of professional women working to ensure women in the Gallatin Valley have the tools to succeed. Their mission is to support women professionally, personally, and politically. BPW members come together for regular meetings where talents and resources are pooled to create innovated professional, educational, and networking opportunities for women. Bozeman BPW honors local women who are making outstanding contributions to the community and helping women succeed. •

Get those last-minute gifts wrapped in benefit of regional youth

Are your pre-holiday calendars too busy for gift-wrapping? Big Brothers Big Sisters of Gallatin County is here to help! Their annual **Holiday Gift Wrap Booth** has returned for another season with locations at the Gallatin Valley Mall, Heydey boutique in Downtown Bozeman, and Big Sky's Compass Café in Town Center. Ribbons, paper, bows – oh my! Let Big Brothers Big Sisters staff and generous volunteers wrap your gifts for the holidays and help change the



lives of local kids. Gift wrap proceeds directly benefit regional youth. Visit www.bbbs-gc.org for booth hours and to sign-up for a volunteer slot, or call (406) 587-1216 with additional questions.

Through its community program

in Bozeman and Big Sky, Big Brothers Big Sisters serves children ages 5 to 15. Their backgrounds and personalities are unique, but they all have a need for friendship with a caring adult. Big Brothers are matched with Little Brothers and Big Sisters with Little Sisters, or Little Brothers ages 5 to 8. This is also a great opportunity for Big Couples and Big Families to be matched with a Little Brother. Activities that many matches enjoy are going to the park, walking the dog, going fishing, arts and crafts, making dinner together, among many other activities.

The mission of Big Brothers Big Sisters is to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported 1-to-1 relationships that change their lives for the better, forever. The BBBS vision is that all children achieve success in life. Learn more by visiting the aforementioned website. •

MSU business students to offer consulting for area businesses & nonprofits

From MSU News Service

Montana State University's Jake Jabs College of Business and Entrepreneurship is **seeking local and regional businesses and nonprofit organizations** that are willing to offer students practical business experience in return for research, issue analysis or operational advice during the upcoming spring semester, which runs from January 9th through May 3rd.

Participating students will be enrolled in a senior-level course on management taught by Gary Bishop, associate teaching professor of management. Bishop said the management experience course focuses on established businesses, as well as civic and nonprofit organizations.

During the four-month courses, students will help manage special consulting projects requested by area businesses and nonprofit

organizations. Past projects have included developing business, marketing and financial plans, identifying ways to improve businesses, suggesting solutions to problems, re-branding businesses, developing websites and social networking sites, market and competition analysis, sales analysis, feasibility studies, assisting with human resources and customer services issues, developing employee training and handbooks, and other business and management processes.

Businesses and organizations that wish to participate in the spring are invited to apply to the MSU Jake Jabs College of Business and Entrepreneurship. *Applications are due by Sunday, Jan. 6th.*

Application materials may be obtained by contacting Linda Ward at lward@montana.edu. More information also is available at www.montana.edu/business/-center/for-companies.html. •

Local & statewide tax subject of Chamber's Dec. 18 forum

Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce will present another **Business & Community Connections** gathering on Wednesday, December 18th. The event will discuss the *Gateway Local Option & Statewide Sales Tax* and will be held from 11am-1pm. Presenters will include Park County Commissioner Bill Berg, Livingston City Manager Michael Kardoes, and Rep. Kerry White (MT-HD64). The afternoon will take place at the Best Western Plus GranTree Inn, located at 1325 N 7th Ave. in Bozeman. This event is \$18 for members and \$105 for non-members. *Note: this event was rescheduled from Nov. 28th.*

Looking ahead, the next

Business After Hours is set for Thursday, January 24th. *Hillcrest Senior Living* will again host the event at its location, 1201 Highland Blvd., from 5:30-7:30pm. The Montana-serving financial institution combines the convenience and service of community banking with advanced technology to give its customers the best banking experience. With a staff of seasoned professionals, an unparalleled level of customer service, services catered to meet each client's needs, and strong ties to the community, Rocky Mountain Bank truly brings banking back to where it belongs. This edition of Business After Hours is \$5 with

Chamber membership and \$50 for non-members.

Save the date! The **2019 Chamber Annual Banquet** is set for Friday, January 18th at Bozeman's Best Western Plus GranTree Inn. The event will feature a cocktail hour, dinner, and evening program. Held in January every year, the annual gathering is a networking event for over 400 Chamber members.

Visit www.bozemanchamber.com to register for any of these events and to learn more. Call (406) 586-5421 for further information. The Chamber Center is located at 2000 Commerce Way in Bozeman. •

SBA now accepting '19 Small Business Week award nominations

Nominations now open for the U.S. Small Business Administration's **2019 Small Business Awards!** These small business awards recognize businesses and business owners across the state for their successes and contributions to their communities.

This year the Montana SBA will recognize honorees in the following categories at an award event next spring:

- Small Business Person of the Year
 - Small Business Exporter of the Year
 - 8(a) Graduate of the Year
 - Woman-Owned Business of the Year
 - Veteran-Owned Business of the Year
 - Millennial Entrepreneur – under 35
 - Small Business Champion
- Winners in the Small Business Person, Small Business Exporter and 8(a) Graduate of the Year

categories will represent Montana and go onto regional and national competition. Nomination forms can be found on the Montana SBA website at www.sba.gov/mt.

The deadline for submitting

nominations is January 9th.

The U.S. Small Business Administration was created in 1953 and is a Cabinet-level agency of the federal government to aid, counsel, assist and protect the

interests of small business concerns, to preserve free competitive enterprise and to maintain and strengthen the overall economy of our nation. The SBA helps Americans start, build and grow businesses, and recover from disasters. Through an extensive network of field offices and partnerships with public and private organizations, the SBA delivers its services to people throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Guam. •



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MUSIC IN AND AROUND THE BOZONE

Happy hibernal solstice from Norris Hot Springs!

Winter solstice, also called hibernal solstice, refers to the two moments during the year when the path of the sun in the sky is farthest south in the Northern Hemisphere (December 21 or 22) and farthest north in the



Dave Provost

Southern Hemisphere (June 20 or 21). At the winter solstice the sun travels the shortest path through the sky, and that day therefore has the least daylight and the longest night.

According to the astronomical definition of the seasons, the winter solstice also marks the beginning of the season of winter, which lasts until the vernal equinox (March 20 or 21 in the Northern Hemisphere, or September 22 or 23 in the Southern Hemisphere). After the solstice, the days get longer, and the day has thus been celebrated in many cultures as a time of rebirth (lifted from *Britannica*, with thanks).

Winter is when things at Norris Hot Springs really get cranking – the staff has insured that all pumps, lines and support gear are ready to ensure the Water of the Gods is ready for happy people to soak. The kitchen is primed with delicious, nutritious food and many drink options for the whole family or gang. The night sky getting darker gives you one of those amazing Montana opportunities

to sit in a soothing wooden pool full of hot water with stars twinkling above on a freezing night. That just doesn't happen in Florida.

If you've got folks on your shopping list that are hard to buy for, pick up some soak passes at Norris Hot Springs. They fit everyone and work twelve months a year! They've also got some other gear that would fit into a stocking quite nicely.

And, if you've decided to skip the holiday hubbub, head on out to Norris Hot Springs on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday to catch the finest in acoustic music on the Poolside Stage, starting at 7pm.

Returning to Norris' poolside stage is **Dave Provost** on Friday, December 14th. The award-winning singer/songwriter plied his craft while engaging audiences on both coasts and points in-between for the last thirty years. His literate, world-weary lyrics sit in a roots-oriented musical context comprised of equal parts folk, country and American rock n' roll. Funny and knowing, Provost is a memorable and engaging live performer who has shared the stage with Jackson Browne and Jesse Winchester, among others. His albums *Home* and *My Favorite Ghost* are available now.

Michael Hoffman performs on Saturday, December 15th. Bassist for Montana favorite outlaw country band The Dirty Shame, Michael stops in for a solo performance. He enjoys playing early country by the likes of Waylon Jennings, Willie Nelson, and Johnny Cash, as well as dipping into his growing repertoire of original songs that span several genres.

Wolf and the Moons are back at Norris on Sunday, December 16th. The Missoula-based Americana/bluegrass band is known for their rich harmonies and extensive mix of originals and covers that make for a unique and entertaining experience.

On Friday, December 21st, Norris welcomes a new artist – **A Band Called Luck**. Currently based out of Bozeman, the bluesy alt-country group is inspired by the likes of Stevie Ray Vaughn, Chris Stapleton and Audioslave. The band is set to release its



Heather Lingle

first album early next year.

Aaron Banfield will take the stage on Saturday, December 22nd. A member of local bands BoZambique and Cole & the Thornes, Banfield sings and plays originals along with some known and obscure covers ranging from ballads to up-tempo tunes.

Wind up solstice weekend on Sunday, December 23rd with **Jessica Eve Lechner**. Bringing a folk sound driven by genuine, honest original songs as well as a few covers from acts like Grace Potter and The Beatles, Lechner is an amazing performer. Her originals are passion-filled stories from her life experiences and growing up in Montana, creating a musical portfolio any audience can relate to.

The final weekend of 2018 kicks off on Friday, December 28th with **John Sherrill**. The Montana musician is a self-described "guy with a guitar from Ennis" who plays an eclectic mix of covers and originals. Over the years, he has developed a unique sound and approach to presenting the songs he's labored so carefully over. No matter where he finds himself on the map, Sherrill is grateful that writing songs and playing music remains a constant.

Heather Lingle follows on Saturday, December 29th. She's a Montana-based singer/songwriter. A truly American roots writer, her music encompasses heartache and conquest that reflect the rugged independence of the West through good

times and bad. Triumph always. She's a soulful, rebellious, genuine Americana artist. Her latest album, *Wild Blue*, is available now.

Tom Catmull closes out the year on Sunday, December 30th. Tom has been writing, recording, performing, eating and breathing music for nearly two decades. He likes telling stories, making acoustic and electric guitar sounds and using them to wrap words around a melody. The style of Tom's music usually lands somewhere between the blurred lines of country, country swing, pop, and folk. His band, Last Resort, is an all original rock/pop four-piece.

Neil Filo Beddow kicks off a new year on Friday, January 4th. He plays original folk rock for the soul, and describes his guitar style as the "West Dakota stutter." His lyrically scrambled iambic pentameter can be politically bent, spiritually seeking, and tongue-in-cheek humorous with just a twist of serious.

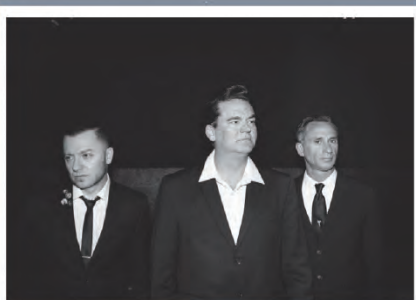
As always, for more information about operating hours, the designated driver free soak program, winter menu and more, please visit www.norris-hot-springs.com. The hot springs are located 34 miles west of Bozeman near the intersection of Highway 287 and Route 84. Happy holidays to all! •



UPCOMING SHOWS & EVENTS



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Walcrik, two Hawthorne Roots next up for Bridger's Music & Mussels

Bridger Brewing is the after-work happy hour spot for Gallatin Valley locals, as well as a great place to bring visiting families over the holidays. In addition to its delicious craft brews and artisan pizzas, the family-friendly brewer also hosts Music & Mussels every Wednesday and {Pints with Purpose} on Mondays. Here's a look at some of the upcoming acts and nonprofits.

Wednesday nights from 5-8pm, Bridger Brewing hosts **Music & Mussels!** Come enjoy some live music and succulent, steamed mussels with house-made sweet Italian sausage, tomatoes, garlic, and chili flakes, topped with parsley and tomato salsa.

Bridger hosts **Walcrik** on Wednesday, December 19th. Andrew Morehouse and Tim Baucom have been playing and writing together for the better part of a decade, with their debut EP available now. This Bozeman-based folk/bluegrass duo plays original, traditional, and cover music.

Lucas Mace of the Hawthorne Roots perform a duo show on Wednesday, January 2nd. The sister-fronted local Americana rock band is known for its soulful and energetic performances, every lyric sung with passion and authenticity. The band's music draws inspiration from Fleetwood Mac, Heart, and Sheryl Crow. Defined by their tightly woven harmonies and relentlessly catchy melodies, their "Revved-Up Soul Music" is a distinct and exciting addition to Montana's scene. Their June-released EP, *On Second Thought*, is available now.

Bridger Brewing not only takes pride in its stellar menu items, but also in the community it serves. The brewery hosts **{Pints with Purpose}** every Monday evening from 5-8pm where \$1 of every pint sold will be donated to a featured local nonprofit. Here's a look at some of the nonprofits on the calendar in the coming weeks. Come enjoy a house-brewed pint and be charitable in the process!

Have a brew and help raise

dollars for *MSU Community Portrait Day* on Monday, December 17th. Entirely student-run with the supervision of School of Film & Photography faculty, this annual event offers around 40 families FREE portraits with printing and digital images generously provided by F-11 Photo. Learn more at <http://sfp.montana.edu>.

Proceeds from Monday, January 7th will benefit *Project Alive*. Their mission is to cure Hunter Syndrome (MPS II) through research and advocacy, giving children afflicted the chance to grow up. This syndrome affects local Bozeman families. Learn more at www.projectalive.org.

Bridger Brewing provides the Bozeman community with unique hand-crafted brews, fresh artisan-style pizzas, and more. Locally owned, family friendly, and Bobcat proud, Bridger Brewing is the perfect place for lunch or an evening out.

To learn more about upcoming events and daily specials, please



Madeline Kelly & Lucas Mace

visit www.bridgerbrewing.com or call (406) 587-2124. Bridger Brewing is located at 1609 S 11th Ave. in the Town & Country

complex, near campus and just across from the Fieldhouse. They're open for business from 11:30am-9pm daily. •

Eagles' live music slate features Kennedy Richards, Daniel Kosel & more

Bozeman's local Fraternal Order of the Eagles appreciates its many members, but is always open to the public with drink specials, Friday night BINGO and lots of live music. Here's a look at who's playing at FOE in the coming weeks.

Bozeman funk trio **Holding For Hux** will be on hand Friday and Saturday, December 14th-15th. The group plays a wide variety of groovy rock and funk tunes to keep things saucy for those who want to get out on the floor and boogie. Head down and check 'em out!

Singer/songwriter **Kennedy Richards** is next up in the 'Acoustic Wednesdays' series on December 19th beginning at 7pm. Originally from Toledo, she recently moved to Bozeman by way of Nashville. Richards has been gigging since the age of sixteen, playing cafés, festivals, and radio shows spanning from Montana's Pony Bar to breweries in

Easthampton, Massachusetts, with influences spanning even further: Jack White, Captain Beefheart, James Booker, Bob Dylan, Lou Reed, Chuck Berry, and more.

The Eagles will feature a **Live DJ** on Friday and Saturday, December 21st-22nd. Wrangle up those visiting for the holidays and head downtown for some drinks and plenty of dancing!

After a rockin' Friday night show by **Dilly Dilly** on December 28th, **Sunrise Karaoke** steps in for a special Saturday night set on December 29th. Come sing your heart out and maybe even do a dance number between songs! Always a blast, Sunrise also brings the fun of karaoke and DJ music every Thursday night.

Daniel Kosel rounds up his full band for a New Year's Eve show on Monday, December 31st. Kosel is a Montana-based singer/songwriter and guitarist who

performs originals from his albums *Beartooth Stage* and *The Rain*, plus a delicious bevy of covers. His emotionally intelligent poetry, soulful vocals, and pretty guitar stylings make a delightful listening experience best described as "Cruces Music," a self-styled blend of country, rock, and blues.

Kosel embraces musical influences including Stevie Ray Vaughan, Dwight Yoakam, George Jones, Keith Whitley, Steve Wariner, Merle Haggard, Aretha Franklin, Rascal Flatts, Sammy Kershaw, AC/DC, Segovia, Tommy Emmanuel, Mariah Carey, Clint Black, Chet Atkins, Ozzy Osbourne, and Ronnie Milsap, plus many other great artists.

Bridger Mountain Big Band performs regularly on Sundays from 7-9:30pm. The 17-piece jazz orchestra celebrates the music of Duke Ellington, Count Basie, and more, with original



Holding For Hux

arrangements and music of all genres from the 1900s to today. Check them out on Facebook for performance announcements.

Eagles Bar live music begins at 9pm, unless otherwise noted. Come play a game of pool,

listen to some great local bands, or stop in for Burger Night Fridays, or for a cold one any day of the week! The Eagles is located at 316 E Main St., next to the Nova Café. For more information, call (406) 587-9996. •

Yellowstone Ballet's The Nutcracker graces Willson stage

Yellowstone Ballet Company (YBC) is offering a FREE child ticket for every adult ticket purchase to their 28th annual production of *The Nutcracker*. Performances take place at 4:30pm on Saturday, December 15th and 2pm on Sunday, December 16th at the Willson Auditorium in Bozeman.

Children may come dressed as the Snow King or Queen, the Sugar Plum Fairy or any other Nutcracker

character. Prizes will be awarded for best costume during the intermission of both performances, along with a free gift for every child in attendance.

Performing the starring role of the Nutcracker Prince is Yellowstone Ballet School alumnus, and local favorite, Pittsford Pittendorfer. Mr. Pittendorfer has been known to stun audiences with his out-of-orbit leaps, male bravura,

exceptional acting and partnering skills. He was the winner of the Montana Dance Arts Association Blanche Judge Memorial Scholarship and was awarded full scholarships to train at San Francisco Ballet School, Ellison Ballet in New York, Orlando Ballet, and Texas Ballet Theatre. He danced professionally with State Street Ballet, Santa Barbara and Ben Stevenson's Texas Ballet Theatre and is a national guest artist.

Annie Valle will dance the role of the Rat Queen. She danced on scholarship at Pacific Northwest Ballet School, San Francisco Ballet School, School of American Ballet in New York City, and with Suzanne Farrell at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. She has a degree in Agroecology from the University of Wyoming and lives on her husband's family ranch in Martinsdale with their two children and an assortment of dogs, horses, cows, chickens, etc. She is the director of Martinsdale Ballet. The dynamic duo of Ms. Valle and Mr. Pittendorfer will add some exciting, magical moments to the production.

The role of Clara – the girl

who dreams that her Nutcracker is really a prince – will be danced by thirteen-year-old Emah Eckert. As an aspiring ballerina, Miss Eckert makes the two and a half hour trip from Tower Junction, Yellowstone

National Park, to Livingston and Bozeman six days a week for classes and rehearsals.

Erin Levy and Genevieve Trygstad-Burke, co-artistic directors of Raison D'être Dance Project (RDE), enhance the production with their troupe of dancers in the Snow scene and the Waltz of the Flowers. This new Bozeman dance company (founded in 2017) has created stirs in the Montana dance community with their bold choreography, inspirational themes and involvement with other artists and organizations.

YBC's family friendly production of *The Nutcracker* has delighted

thousands with sixty-eight performances in Livingston, Great Falls, Lewistown, Bozeman, Mammoth Hot Springs, and Livingston. All ages will enjoy the magical and colorful characters



and enchanting story.

Reserved tickets for YBC's *The Nutcracker* are available at Eckroth Music in Bozeman (corner of 7th and Mendenhall) or online at www.yellowstoneballet.info. Tickets are \$25-\$55. Each adult ticket purchase qualifies for one free child ticket. A service fee of \$2 will be added to tickets sold at the door.

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Contra Dance the year away to music by Da Skekklers

Bozeman Folklore Society continues its dance season with a **New Year's Eve Eve Contra Dance** on Saturday, December 29th at the Bozeman Senior Center. The evening begins with a 30-minute warm-up dance lesson at 7:30pm. The Contra Dance follows at 8pm with featuring caller Rab Cummings. Live music will be

provided by Da Skekklers.

Another **Community Contra Dance** is set for Saturday, January 12th, also at the Senior Center. Chordwood Cricket will provide the tunes alongside caller Kristen Emmett. A half-hour dance workshop kicks off the evening at 7:30pm, with the main event beginning at 8pm.

Families, singles and couples are welcome to all dances. Admission to all Contra Dances is \$10, \$8 for members, and \$5 for students. Please bring clean,

grit-free, non-marking shoes to protect the floor. The Bozeman Senior Center is located at 807 N Tracy. Visit www.bozemanfolklore.org for further details about these and other upcoming BFS events.

The Bozeman Folklore Society is an all volunteer nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting, preserving, enjoying, and sharing the music, dance, arts, crafts, and skills of traditional cultures. It is an associate group of the Country Dance and Song Society. •

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Christmas Eve jazz, Montana Manouche & more at Red Tractor

Along with its handcrafted pies and wide selection of regional brews, Red Tractor Pizza plays host to independent musicians and other events throughout the week. Here's a look at what's coming up.

Howard Beall & the Fake News entertain on Saturday, December 15th at 7pm. The group brings people together by playing groove-based music, specifically pulling from the jazz, rock, and funk genres. The band plays a blend of original compositions, standards, and modern songs with the intent of creating fresh sounds while still respecting the heritage and language of those before them.

Music Monday sees the talents of **Willie Eddie** on December 17th at 6:30pm. Head down for the all you can eat pizza buffet, check out the acoustics and show him some love!

Bridger Creek Boys return to their usual Thursday slot on December 20th at 7pm. The Boys are an acoustic bluegrass quartet steeped in old-time tradition, while also pushing the genre with newgrass. The band blends originals with covers of traditional bluegrass

and more contemporary artists. Their style is confident, complex, and full of improvisation that will draw you in and get you shaking all over with bluegrass joy. *Bridger Creek Boys will bring additional performances to Red Tractor on December 27th and January 3rd at 7pm.*

On December 21st, **Jazz Night**

music styles of jazz, funk, latin, and more. Come out, get ready to groove, and hear America's only original art form as it exists and evolves in the 21st century. *Additional Jazz Nights are set for December 28th* and January 4th at 7pm.*

The Dirt Farmers bring a Sunday show on December 23rd

fun-loving mix of old school country, bluegrass, blues and rock – with the occasional slip into hip-hop. The band members, as unique as their song list, serve it all up with a smile on mandolin, banjo, guitar, fiddle and bass with vocal harmonies. The Dirt Farmers invite you to be “Having a Good Time” and experience the flavor and fun of Montana life.

Red Tractor will host a special Christmas Eve jazz buffet night featuring the talents of **John Swendseid** and **Bob Bowman** on Monday, December 24th at 6:30pm. Take a break from holiday cooking and head down to enjoy some good ole pizza n' beer among family and friends.

On Friday, December 28th*, a very special Jazz Night will feature **Montana Manouche** beginning at 7pm. The group plays swinging

instrumental Gypsy Jazz music in the style of Django Reinhardt. The tunes are joyful and elegant, reminiscent of music played in Paris nightclubs in the 1940s.

Get a head start on New Year's with **The Vibe Quartet** on Monday, December 31st at 7pm. The improv quartet fuses a variety of instrumental music ranging from jazz standards to original funk tunes to instrumental popular tunes. The group is a Bozeman area favorite and is not to be missed!

Looking ahead, **PermaFunk** is back on Saturday, January 5th at 7pm. The Bozeman-based group makes music to keep bodies moving and souls grooving! Expect plenty of funky, soulful, psychedelic, and Latin-infused grooves. The band is inspired by the creativity and passion of the 1970s and everyone who participates in the PermaFunk experiment.

Red Tractor Pizza is located at 1007 W Main St. in Bozeman. Check out their menu at www.red-tractorpizza.com.



Montana Manouche

returns to Red Tractor, as it does every Friday, at 7pm. Curated by guitarist and composer Alex Robilotta, these evenings feature the

at 6pm. They're a foot-stomping string band who have dubbed their musical style “paisley grass.” They've gained a following for their

Mountains Walking offers up ales & acoustics on Plum

Enjoy a delicious Montana-made draft in a contemporary setting with a trip to Mountains Walking Brewery. The north-side space also hosts plenty of live music to entertain guests looking to warm up on a chilly Montana evening. Here's a look at what's coming up.

The next **Songwriters Guild** is set for Wednesday, December 19th. Hosted by local artist **Joe Knapp**, this event runs from 6-8pm. Join for an evening of live music performed by various local artists, including the event creator! Knapp plays a variety of styles including Americana, rock n' roll, old time, and country music. He's a member of the popular local

three-piece, SlomoJoe.

Local artist **Josh Moore** follows with a Christmas Eve show on Monday, December 24th from 6-8pm. The North Carolina native is the Bird Dogs' lead guitarist – and croons, too! Lancy Lou & the Bird Dogs fuse old time folk songs with a rock n' roll attitude, pushing the envelope of what a string band would generally be described as. Their latest album, *The Vigilante Session*, released last year. Come enjoy Moore's stripped-down renditions!

Joe Knapp is back on Wednesday, December 26th, this time performing with

Chelsea Hunt from 6-8pm. Hunt has been gracing the stages of Bozeman venues with her sweet melodic musical presence for years, most recently as a member of Acony Belles. She and Knapp will be performing Americana tunes and some other favorites.

Located at 422 Plum Ave., Mountains Walking is open seven days a week from 11:30am-8pm (11am on Sundays). Learn more about the local brewery and tasting room at www.mountainswalking.com. Be sure to follow them on Facebook (@MountainsWalking-Brewery) for updated event information and daily specials.

Spirited performances a hit w/ downtowners at Main St. tasting room

After some holiday shopping and a leisurely stroll beneath downtown's festive decorations, drop by Bozeman Spirits Distillery for a truly Montana-made cocktail. The popular tasting room also hosts local and traveling musicians every Tuesday night from 5:30-8pm. Here's a look at the upcoming acts.

Tony Polecastro is set for a distillery show on Tuesday, December 18th. He's a YouTube Guitar Geek, instructor, and lover of all things strings. The local artist plays original material spanning from American Primitive guitar-influenced instrumentals a la John Fahey and Daniel Bachman, to more modern fingerstyle flights of fancy. To round out the sonic pie, he also sings his originals and covers out of the traditional and folk catalog. Often teamed up with singer/songwriters such as Shelly Bessler and Christy Hays, Polecastro rarely has a microphone in front of him, but his solo shows turn all that inside out. Expect multiple guitars, dobro, and even some old time banjo to blend with his elegant croaking – ahem – singing.

After a live music break for the holidays, **Mercedes Carroll** performs on Tuesday, January 8th. Carroll is a spunky and fun Gallatin Valley local who brings a variety of flavor to her live shows, performing

tunes ranging from Turnpike Troubadours to Ella Fitzgerald to Led Zeppelin, along with plenty of originals you just have to hear!

Bozeman Spirits Distillery's tasting room offers a warm and welcoming environment. With the history kept alive in the reclaimed wood and metals throughout, you will feel the modern charm and history as you walk in. Your fresh cocktail is served upon wood from the 1930s, and the bar brings the atmosphere of the old saloon. The beautiful stills and production are seen through the back glass windows of the tasting room, and the mixologists will be happy to explain distilling techniques from the grains, mashing, blending, and bottling processes.

Learn more about their spirits, distilling processes, and other offerings by visiting www.bozemanspirits.com.



Mercedes Carroll

Exit 288 w/ the boys of 288 at Chico

Warm up with a winter getaway to Chico Hot Springs. With fantastic live entertainment in the Saloon every Friday and Saturday evening, you can kick up your feet – and soak them too! Here's a look at what's headed to Pray.

Russ Nasset & the Revelators will perform their brand of rockabilly country and blues on Friday and Saturday, December 14th-15th. Led by the father and son duo of Russ and Sam Nasset, The Revelators have been dishing out their hard driving repertoire of rockabilly, honky tonk, and rock n' roll since 1998, playing over a hundred concerts annually across the Pacific Northwest. At a live show, you'd better be ready to dance, because when The Revelators take the stage, they're gonna set the dance floor on fire! Expect to hear unique versions of classic country and rockabilly songs, original originals, and lots of stuff you probably think is original.

Helena-based **Justin Case Band** will perform Friday and Saturday, December 21st-22nd. The '70s through '90s rock band covers tunes ranging from the Allman Brothers and Three Dog Night, to Stone Temple Pilots and Pearl Jam. The band is comprised of Mike Killen (guitar), Luke Michelson (bass), and Jeremy Slead (drums). Come check them out!

www.TWANG brings the party Friday and Saturday, December 28th-29th. Their name says it all. The truck drivin', heart breakin', honky-tonk dance band has been offering up real country music to their fans since 1998. No smarmy, plastic hat-wearing, Nashville pop from these guys. Classic country and

seamless TWANG originals set this band apart from all others in the Western U.S. The band features the combined talents of bass player and vocalist Russ Olsen, drummer Mike Gillan, fiddle and stand up steel guitar player Mike Parsons, lead guitarist and songwriter Marcus Engstrom, as well as rhythm guitar player and songwriter Buck Buchanan. These guys take no prisoners and leave nothing but happy dancers in their wake. Don't miss a chance to take in one of their “real deal, premium country music” shows. You won't be sorry.

Exit 288 take the stage for an extended New Year's celebration Sunday and Monday, December 30th-31st. The high-energy group performs everything from classic and contemporary rock, to blues, country, and all that's in

between. Exit 288 connects with the audience and creates a fun and exciting atmosphere. The band's music is carefully selected to get people involved in the party and to keep the dance floor hopping!

Chico Saloon music begins at 9pm, unless otherwise noted. Chico Hot Springs is located in Pray, 20 miles south of Livingston. Come sip, soak, and swing!

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The Interview

Lil Smokies back in Southwest Montana w/ five-show New Year's run

Montana's own neo-bluegrassers **The Lil Smokies** are set for a grand return to the mountain towns of their musical upbringing with a multi-show run to help close out 2018 and welcome the New Year.

Their roots submerged in the thick buttery mud of traditional bluegrass, the Smokies have sonically blossomed into a leading player in the progressive acoustic sphere, creating a new and wholly unique, melody-driven sound of their own. The quintet, originally from Missoula, has been hard at work writing, touring and playing to an ever-growing fanbase for nearly a decade.

Showcasing a unique blend of excellent songwriting, bluegrass roots and the sheer raw energy of a rock band, the Smokies weave seamlessly through genres, leaving behind melodies stuck in the heads of their audiences for days. The Smokies' latest album, *Changing Shades*, released last year.

In anticipation of the upcoming spate of year-end shows, the Rolling Zone hopped on the phone with frontman **Andy Dunnigan** to talk the band's latest release, new series of singles, and expanding resume – in the bluegrass world and beyond.

RZ: Hey Andy. We're catching you ahead of Lil Smokies' winter tour, but also on the heels of a two-month run with Greensky Bluegrass. How were the fall shows with those fine fellows from Michigan? You're surely exhausted.

AD: Yeah, man. I think I'm still processing the whole experience, in all of its grandeur, but it was nothing but incredible. They've been heroes of ours [and] have been on the road for a long time, so it's really inspiring to see the fruits of their labor culminate.

They've assembled such an incredible crew that works behind the scenes, too. It's a well-oiled machine. This extended tour was such a great learning experience for us – and we got some serious hang-time with those guys. We had seen them a lot and we'd done a few shows here and there, so we were familiar, but we're good buddies now. We just got to spend a lot of time backstage playing tunes and did a lot of sit-ins with them, and vice versa. It was simply amazing.

RZ: You're closing – and also opening – another year with five back-to-back shows here in the Treasure State, two at Bozeman's Rialto right before New Year's at the Wilma.

AD: Treasure State, baby. Yeah. **RZ:** What do you guys have planned for this celebratory, mini-Montana residency?

AD: It's becoming a little bit of a tradition, as far as sticking around Montana where we're from. I guess I'm the only one that's from Montana, but half the dudes have been here for 12, 15 years. You can pretty much call that Montana residents by default. We've got a bunch of new tunes and we've curated some new sets. I think, from the Greensky run, we learned a lot as far as setlist and mixing it up. We're definitely going to have a lot of surprises, unveil some new tunes and bring out some older

stuff that we haven't brushed off in a while. We're so excited. And to have the multiple nights there in Bozeman, you kind of get to be a little more creative. So, it'll be a little bit of everything that makes us up.

RZ: The Smokies recently released covers of "Rocket Man" and "Paperback Writer," the first in a series of six called the 'SnowGhost Singles.' Tell us a little about the motivation behind the series and how the band is making its selections.

AD: It's been a long time coming. Those are such great tunes and we love picking specific cover songs because they're some of our favorites, but I think putting them on maybe one of our own albums,

what the demographic is – people in their 60s are turning their heads along with all the teenage kids. It really does permeate all walks of life. It's great.

RZ: Obviously you're touring selections from the Smokies' debut record and last year's *Changing Shades*. How do you go about mixing in some of the older stuff, considering the expanding repertoire? You can't play 'em all!

AD: We just recently took down our first live album that we recorded at the Top Hat. We weren't sure if it was a good representation of the current lineup, and things have changed sonically, especially tonality-wise. It was mainly harder for us to listen to. I know a lot of people have been

almost becoming, I wouldn't go so far as to say obsolete, but as far as popular culture goes, I think the singles are kind of overtaking the way that people listen to music, with Spotify and just one song at a time. I like that, too. I'm very open-minded but I don't think the concept of another album will ever die. We're starting to play some of the new songs, and also sitting on a lot of the *really* new stuff that will eventually be the next 'album.'

We're plotting the recording and we'll definitely release a single first, but we have the cover songs going now, so that'll buy us a little time.

RZ: There's been a lot of chatter lately about fan engagement at all levels of the music industry. The Smokies have always been

approach of doing two nights Whitefish, two nights Bozeman, and then ending it in Missoula where it all began. It's a really cool homecoming for us, we get to kind of ruminate and show everyone what we've been doing for the last year. It's a great way to start fresh the new year. It'd be safe to say that we'll probably be in Montana again, for sure, with a bunch of new music.

RZ: A final message for the people before the show(s)?

AD: I hope to see all our friends and fans come out to Bozeman. It's been a little bit and it's amazing to see the band grow. From my perspective, I get to be on stage and hear the music night after night. The band's as tight as



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they just wouldn't blend thematically with what we've got going on. We'd been doing "Rocket Man" for a while and had so many requests to have it on album that we wanted to get it out there. I think this way is the best of both worlds. We did all those covers in one day up at SnowGhost Studios in Whitefish, which is where we recorded *Changing Shades*, so we were really comfortable because we'd already been there before. We wanted to have a really raw, live sound that those covers lend themselves to. We're releasing one a month and there's a few we don't really do live, so there'll be a couple surprises for sure.

RZ: The 'cover song' is an interesting concept. You're putting a fresh spin on classics some argue don't need redone, while others are eager to embrace.

AD: I have a soft spot in my heart for well-orchestrated cover songs. The origins of the band, before I started writing tunes, we were totally a cover band. Some of those songs we kept in the repertoire because we spent a lot of time on the arrangements, so it's kind of cool to harken back on that time. I still go to shows and I love to hear a good cover song, no matter who I'm listening to. That thread of familiarity was always a powerful and impactful moment during those shows, still is.

RZ: It's a great unifier.

AD: "Rocket Man" just has that unifying quality. No matter

a little upset by that but we're kind of mitigating that response with the fact that we're going to do another one. We might put some of those tunes back on there, but I think we definitely want to have a little more texture. The songs evolve over time, especially when you play them live. We've made improvisational changes and there's extended instrumental parts. It's going to be different with some more surprises.

RZ: *Changing Shades* is a fantastic showcase of the band's stringwork, but the lyrical content also impresses. Is there a story behind one of those songs you're particularly smitten with?

AD: I always like "Ms. Marie." A lot of those tunes are about my last girlfriend, Marie is her middle name. She was [one of two] dance instructors with the same first names, so the kids called her 'Ms. Marie' to differentiate between them. This song was just one that I spent a lot of time on and it was a really fun and therapeutic process writing. It was one of the first out of that batch that became the album. I'm fond of that song, for sure.

RZ: The 'SnowGhost' series is a nice tide-over for fans awaiting a follow-up album. What's the status on a possible third LP? Then again, maybe you guys aren't going the traditional 'album' route.

AD: We're having those talks now. The whole idea of an album is

pretty grassroots, but your base is broadening. How important will it be for you guys to remain as accessible as you have while the band continues to grow?

AD: There's so many different ways to engage with fans now, on and off social media. I don't ever want to stop that kind of intimacy and immediacy of always engaging with fans. There's a fan page on Facebook [for] the diehards, so we'll post videos of us just clowning around or doing a silly song. I love that. It's a vehicle to give a little bit more to the people who really want a little bit more. Social media is here and it's not going anywhere. Sometimes it is a little bizarre to me, but it's the means to an end, and ultimately in the occupation that we reside in, it's really important and necessary. People are on Instagram all the time, probably too much, but it's cool to check up on what everyone's doing. I like seeing when a band posts the behind the scenes of what's going on. They're curating a setlist, or they're at soundcheck – it's another glimpse, another layer. That's only a good thing for your fans and the engagement.

RZ: Okay so, winter tour, possible new album on the horizon. Flash forward to this very time next year. Where might the Smokies find themselves?

AD: We've done a lot of New Year's here and I really like the

it's ever been and they're going to be fantastic shows, I can guarantee that.

The Lil Smokies bring their string-heavy live show to Bozeman's Rialto theater on both Saturday and Sunday, December 29th and 30th. The music begins at 8:30pm both evenings. Tickets to these 18+ performances are \$20 in advance at www.rialtoboze.com. Doors at 7:30pm.

Prior to the Bozeman run, the Smokies will play two nights at the Great Northern in Whitefish. Ticketing information for the Dec. 27th and 28th shows can be found at www.greatnorthernbar.com.

Tickets for the New Year's Eve show at Missoula's Wilma theater on Dec. 31st can be purchased at www.logjamprevents.com.

The Lil Smokies are Andy Dunnigan (dobro), Matthew Rieger (guitar), Jake Simpson (fiddle), Scott Parker (bass), and Matt Cornette (banjo). Learn more about the band at www.thelilsmokies.com or find them on Facebook (@thelilsmokies) for updated tour details and other announcements.

The band's latest album, *Changing Shades*, as well as 'SnowGhost' singles "Rocket Man" and "Paperback Writer," are available now. Stream on Spotify and Apple Music. •

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Rialto presents 'A Cowboy Christmas,' Cold Hard Cash, Satsang & more

The Rialto has plenty of entertainment for music-lovers this holiday season! The historic theater brings an exciting lineup of top-tier talent from around the country to its event space in Downtown Bozeman. Here's a look at just a few of the upcoming happenings.

Veteran rock n' rollers **Jerry Joseph and the Jackmormons** perform with local help from **The Salamanders** on Friday, December 14th at 8:30pm. Tickets to this 18+ show are \$15. Doors at 7:30pm.

Joseph is a prolific and accomplished songwriter, writing hits for Widespread Panic and releasing 30 albums in his 30+ year career; as a solo artist, with the Jackmormons, supergroup Stockholm Syndrome, his burning two-piece The Denmark Vesey's, or originally, with his beloved 80s cult band, Little Women. Joseph is also a relentless live performer, playing over 150 shows a year across the globe. He has toured with Vic Chesnutt, Chris Whitley and Walter Salas-Humara, among others.

Joseph comes to Bozeman in support of his last release, *Full Metal Burqa*. The album features the Jackmormons' Steve Drizos (drums) and Steven James Wright (bass). Read *The BoZone's* interview with Joseph at www.bozone.com.

Funny man **Matt Braunger** brings his *Please Hold Me!?!?*

Tour to Southwest Montana on Saturday, December 15th. Following a sold-out, a second show has been added! Fellow comedians Garrison Choitz, Keith Martinez, Jenna Eliel and Kyle Kulseth will get the night started at 6:30pm. Tickets to this 18+ event are \$15. Doors at 6pm.

Braunger's television credits include a role on NBC's *Up All Night*, a series regular role on *MADtv*, as well as appearances on *Conan*, *The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brien*, the

Late Show with David Letterman, *United States of Tara*, *Pushing Daisies*, *Carpoolers*, *The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson*, *Acceptable TV*, and *Live at Gotham*. He was also a regular guest on the *Chelsea Lately* roundtable.

Along with touring comedy clubs across the country Braunger is also a regular at the Upright Citizens Brigade in Los Angeles. He has also performed at a variety of prestigious comedy festivals including the Just For Laughs Festival in Montreal and Chicago, TBS' Comedy Festival in Las Vegas, and South by Southwest. Braunger's latest stand-up album, *Big Dumb Animal*, is available now.

Enjoy *A Cowboy Christmas* with **Ian Thomas & Band of Drifters** alongside **Cowboy Bob & Gypsy Dust** on Friday, December 21st at 8pm. Tickets to this 18+ show are \$12. Doors at 7pm.

Band of Drifters play modern American roots music and encourage their audiences to dance. Based mostly in Montana and Tennessee, the band also includes players from all over the country, keeping the music varied in arrangement, instrumentation, and regional influences. The Drifters' sets draw from country, folk and blues traditions with an emphasis on original songs, done in the old style. The band's latest release, the full-length *Live in 2016*, was recorded throughout Montana with 14 original songs deeply rooted in the classic country and American folk sounds.

Cowboy Bob & Gypsy Dust is a 5-piece Western Swing band. They play original songs mixed with country and Western hits from artists like Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys, Hank Williams Sr., Buck

Owens and Merle Haggard. Cowboy Bob Benda is a singer/songwriter with a jazz-influenced Western swing style. He has performed at many of the Montana Cowboy Poetry and Western Music Gatherings, as well as at clubs, events and concerts all over Western United States.

Cold Hard Cash

Show returns to Southwest Montana on Friday, December 28th at 8:30pm. Tickets to this 18+ show are \$12. Doors at 7:30pm.

Cold Hard Cash is an original and innovative tribute to the music of Johnny Cash and The Tennessee Three! Fronted by guitarist and singer Merle Travis Peterson, the group brings to life classic Cash songs from the Sun and Columbia Records catalogs to the modern American recordings, performing with the energy of the *Live at Folsom* and *San Quentin* albums with a sound so accurate you'd think you're listening to The Man in Black himself!

The Lil Smokies are back in Bozeman with back-to-back shows on Saturday and Sunday, December 29th-30th at 8:30pm each night. Tickets to these 18+ shows are \$20. Doors at 7:30pm.

With their roots submerged in the thick buttery mud of traditional bluegrass, The Lil Smokies have sonically blossomed into a leading player in the progressive acoustic sphere, creating a new and wholly unique, melody driven sound of

their own. The quintet – from Missoula – has been hard at work, writing, touring, and playing to an ever-growing fan base for nearly a decade. With a unique blend of traditional bluegrass, newgrass, innumerable unique originals, sheer raw energy, and exquisite musicianship, Lil' Smokies weave

18+ show range \$22-\$35. Doors at 7:30pm.

Creating a unique blend of soul, folk-rock and hip-hop, the conscious music collective delivers lyrics that come from and are rooted in change, growth, awareness, and imperfection. The live show is everything that the band name

suggests: a gathering of people to assimilate and share their truths. The rhythms put forth by the band keep everyone on their feet, and the lyrics leave them craving active and positive change. Satsang has toured all over the country and has shared the stage with the likes of Michael Franti & Spearhead, Steel Pulse, Nahko and Medicine for the People, Trevor Hall, Chris Berry, Mike Love, Jon Wayne and the Pain, Tubby Love, and many more. Their latest EP, *In Between Another Blink*, as well as summer

single "Free," are available now.

The Rialto is located at 10 W Main St. in the center of historic Downtown Bozeman. Get further acquainted with Southwest Montana's favorite new event space at www.rialto-bozeman.com, where you can also peruse current happenings and buy advance tickets. Follow the Rialto on Facebook (@therialto) for the most up to date event announcements. •



The Lil Smokies

seamlessly through genres, leaving behind melodies you'll be singing to yourself for days and a jaw you'll have to pick up off the floor. The Smokies' latest bluegrass roots/rock album, *Changing Shades*, released last year.

Finally, immerse in *An Evening of New Beginnings* with **Satsang** on Monday, December 31st. The New Year's Eve show will kick off with help from **Wes Urbaniak** and **DJ AJ** at 8:30pm. Tickets to this

Big Sky moves into winter-proper w/ groovy SOULstice Party

To mark the official change in season, Big Sky Resort is celebrating with a **Winter SOULstice Party** on Saturday, December 22nd. **DJs Chris Sage** and **Jason Root** will spinning soul and funk jams from 11am-5pm. Adult refreshments will be available from the official ice bar. Also enjoy some winter sport with an ice luge that will be set-up during the event.

Following a day of skiing and grooving, Montana Jack will host a special concert with regional favorite The Tiny Band beginning at 9:30pm. Tickets are \$5 for this 21+ show.

With a lineup of local luminaries,

the Bozeman-based group's repertoire is a blend of Motown, rock, soul, and pop standards that keep the dance floor pulsing. With hits ranging from Stevie Wonder to The Beatles, Michael Jackson to Adele, they'll get you out of your seat and onto the dance floor. The Tiny Band brings big vocals, high energy, and anything but a tiny sound. Band members include Ryan Matzinger, Jeni Fleming, Krista Barnett, Jake Fleming, Chris Cundy, Sean Lehmann, John Sanders, and Drew Fleming.

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The brand new, high-speed chairlift is the first of its kind in North America. The Doppelmayr D-line eight-seater features heated

seats and "Big Sky blue" bubbles, servicing riders on Andesite Mountain.

Purchase advance tickets and learn more about the day-long Winter SOULstice Party at www.bigskyresort.com/soul. Established in 1973, Big Sky

Resort is located in the Northern Rockies of Southwest Montana between Bozeman and Yellowstone National Park. Big Sky Resort is the Biggest Skiing in America with 5,800+ acres offering an average of two acres per skier and 4,350 vertical drop. •



Attic does holidays right w/ Naughty Xmas Show, New Year's Stomp'n Eve



© John Zumpano

Downtown Livingston's favorite live music spot brings in acts to suit every palate – and plenty of cocktails to go with 'em! Here's a look at some of the upcoming artists heading up to The Attic.

A very special fundraiser concert will kick things off on Saturday, December 15th with performances by **The Hooligans**, **The Waiting**, **Jason Wickens**, **Mike Beck** and **Sean Devine**. All proceeds from this night of fantastic local music will benefit the UC Davis Veterinary Emergency Response Team, helping the animals affected by the Paradise, California wildfire. The music begins at 8pm.

www.TWANG follows with a show on Friday, December 21st at 8:30pm. Their name says it all. The truck drivin', heart breakin', honky-tonk dance band has been offering up real country music to their fans since 1998. No smarmy, plastic hat-wearing, Nashville pop from these guys. Classic country and seamless TWANG originals set this band apart from all others in the Western U.S. The band features the combined talents of bass player and vocalist Russ Olsen, drummer Mike Gillan, fiddle and stand up steel guitarist Mike Parsons, lead guitarist and songwriter Marcus Engstrom, as well as rhythm guitar

player and songwriter Buck Buchanan. These guys take no prisoners and leave nothing but happy dancers in their wake. Don't miss a chance to take in one of their "real deal, premium country music" shows. You won't be sorry.

For those who like a little naughty mixed in with their nice this time of year, join **Speakeasy** for the **Naughty Christmas Show** on Saturday, December 22nd at 8pm. The group performs songs from the '20s through '60s and features Rich "Pinky" Ruggles, Joanne Gardner Lowell, Bob Bramblett and Scott Boehler.

"The Naughty Christmas show started several years ago at Pine Creek," said vocalist Joanne Gardner Lowell. "We find the most obscure songs and some of them are... a little bit naughty. Mostly, it's good clean fun and a great way to meet some friends for a fun night out. We did this two years ago at the Attic that turned into quite the dance party."

This show isn't for young audiences but Lowell suggests it's a good way to celebrate the season and maybe do a little dancing. Tickets for the Naughty Christmas show are \$10 and available at the bar and door.

The Waiting is back with another "Petty Party" on Friday,

December 28th at 8:30pm. The Bozeman-based roadhouse rock n' roll band celebrates the music of Tom Petty. Not exactly a "cover" or "tribute" band, they're, in the spirit of The Heartbreakers, first and foremost a BAND: a motley mix of musicians and friends interpreting the songs of one of rock's greatest legends.

The band's motto is "We bring the Petty to your town," and since 2013 they've been doing exactly that all across the Treasure State. Whether it's one of Tom Petty's smash hits with the Heartbreakers, a sampling from his solo albums, or even a collaboration with the Traveling Wilburys, The Waiting runs the gamut, performing each tune with undeniable, fiery live energy and a devotion to showing each person in the crowd a damn good time.

Ring in the New Year with a rockin' night of foot-stomping bluegrass with **Laney Lou & the Bird Dogs** and the **Lazy Owl String Band** on Monday, December 31st beginning at 9pm.

The Bird Dogs' live shows are highlighted by unbridled energy, punctuated by songs performed with fervor and swagger. Fusing old time folk songs with a rock n' roll attitude, the group push the envelope of what a string band would generally be described as. Having shared stages with Corb Lund, Hayes Carl, Hurray for the Riff Raff, The Mavericks, Wynonna Judd, Mark Chesnutt, and The Lil' Smokies, they released their eponymous debut in the spring of 2016. Recorded live at Basecamp Studio, the album is one that reflects their live show and makes you want to stomp your feet and crack open a beer. Their latest album, *The Vigilante Session*, released last year.

A diverse group of musicians, the Lazy Owls' influences range from jazz and blues to punk rock. However varied their influences, they're undeniably steeped in an old-timey traditional style. The group encapsulates an ethic of



hard driving, whiskey drinking, boot-stomping music with infectious energy that's sure to get you moving. The band's repertoire is heavily rooted in original material that pays homage to the tradition from which it was begotten.

Advanced ticketing information is available at www.theatticmontana.com. The Attic is located at 110 N Main St. in Livingston, just above Whiskey Creek Saloon. •

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Dynamic Earth Harp show, iconic a capella sextet at Warren Miller



The Earth Harp Collective – William Close

The Warren Miller Performing Arts Center of Big Sky will present a performance by internationally renowned **The Earth Harp Collective** on Friday, December 28th beginning at 7:30pm. Tickets range from \$22-\$54 and are available now.

Led by William Close, the ensemble combines the creative forces of artists, musicians, composers and choreographers. The stunning centerpiece of the instrumentation – the earth harp – is just one of the many new and cutting-edge instruments in this

dynamic show. With a resonating chamber on stage and illuminated strings suspended above the audience, any performance space is instantly transformed into a musical instrument, creating the ultimate multi-dimensional concert experience.

The Earth Harp has been installed on mountain-tops, skyscrapers, and venues all over the world, including the Kennedy Center, Radio City Music Hall, and many more. For WMPAC's show, the Earth Harp chambers rest on the stage and the strings go

from the stage out over the audience to the top of the trusses above the tech booth, and the theater becomes the instrument. The audience experiences the music from inside the instrument!

Kicking off the new year is famed a capella group **Take 6** on Saturday, January 5th at 7:30pm. Tickets range from \$22-\$54 and are available now.

Take 6 is the most awarded a cappella group in history, with ten

Grammys, ten Dove Awards (Gospel Music Awards), Best Jazz Vocal Group honors for seven consecutive years in *DownBeat's* prestigious Reader's and Critic's Poll, a Soul Train Music Award, BRE (Black Radio Exclusive) Vocal Group of the Year, two NAACP Image Award nominations, induction into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame and countless other musical and humanitarian citations.

Showing the global appeal of this phenomenal group, they celebrated



Take 6

their 25th Anniversary last year with a World Tour including stronghold favorite markets Asia, South America, eastern and Western Europe and the United States, also opening up new markets with debut tours of Australia and Canada. They receive rave reviews and overwhelming audience reception wherever they go. From New York's famed Blue Note to the Montreux Jazz Festival, from PBS to ABC-TV specials, they remain the

quintessential and pre-eminent a capella group in the world, working harder than ever, and loving every minute of it.

Most recently, Take 6 had the honor of being the first American vocal group to perform in Cuba since diplomatic relations were restored.

For further information or to purchase tickets for these and other upcoming events, visit www.warrenmillerpac.org.

Snow sports focus of early '19 REI courses

REI Bozeman continues to host FREE outdoors-based presentations this winter. Here's a look at a few of the upcoming courses.

Free your heel and your mind will follow. **Cross-Country Skiing**

Basics will take place Thursday, January 3rd from 6-7:30pm. Course leaders will discuss the fundamental differences between backcountry, telemarking, and touring ski styles. Also covered will be proper clothing and information on where and how to get started in this fun winter activity.

Would you like to become more knowledgeable about ski touring? Register for a spot in REI's **Bozeman Area Backcountry Skiing Basics** class on Thursday, January 10th from 6-7:30pm. This in-store class will introduce participants to the different types of gear that allow backcountry travel, as well as tips and tricks to keep you comfortable off the beaten path.

Looking ahead, **Women's Snowshoeing Basics** is set for



Wednesday, January 16th from 6-7:30pm. Whether you're looking for a fun winter sport or want to meet other women looking to get outdoors, join REI's experienced staff for a class on the basics of snowshoeing. This presentation will focus on the appropriate selection of gear, as well as the basics on what you need and where to go to get started. If you ever thought about getting into snowshoeing, this is a great introduction to the sport!

Many REI classes and presentations are free and open to the public, but registration is required as space is limited.

Reserve a spot now at www.rei.com/learn, where you can find more information about these and other upcoming courses and events. •

Help shape the spring ballot with 'Best of Bozeman' nominations

We're smack dab in the middle of the holidays, but Christmas and New Year's will have come and gone before we can say "seasons greetings!" Then, after a few months of snow and subzero temperatures, comes the spring return of the **Best of Bozeman**. This friendly local competition is the original of everything we love about our town and all it has to offer. And because you, the people who call Bozeman and its surrounding communities home, are the electors of the area's Best, *The BoZone* is asking for your input.

Ahead of the 2019 contest, the public is invited to nominate area establishments to be considered for inclusion in the upcoming community survey. Do you feel a longtime neighborhood shop or restaurant has been left in the cold in years past? Is there a new business you think deserves a blue ribbon for an existing category? Is there somewhere so criminally

underrated you can't stand it? Nominations are now being accepted at www.thebestof-bozeman.com. This is an opportunity to have your say before the official polling window opens at the top of March.

This year's voting will again consist of a multiple choice format, displaying area favorites from previous surveys, top picks from public nominations, as well as the option to add a choice not listed. The online ballot will also be complete with new and revised categories. While there are many to represent all our area's vast Best-ness, voters can decide the winners of as many or as few titles as they please.

Right around 2,500 logged on last year and gave recognition to their favorite food and beverage hotspots, service industries, live entertainment, small businesses, nonprofits, other local destinations,



and so much more.

Continuing the tradition, it's up to each and every one of you to acknowledge your Best of the Best. Log on to the website to peruse the complete list of 2018 winners and to make your nominations. *The 2019 Best of Bozeman will take place March 1st through April 15th.* •

Follow up a day on the slopes w/ a little Diamond Rock & Soul

The sprightly duo of Colette and Kenny **Diamond** are moving their popular act to Big Sky's alpine reaches throughout ski season with a number of performances on the winter calendar.

Diamond performs Friday and Saturday afternoons at Montana Jack from 3:30-5:30pm. Upcoming shows are set for December 21st, 22nd and 29th, as well as January 4th and 5th. Kenny brings solo performances to the Carabiner Lounge on Thursdays from 4-6pm. Upcoming dates are Dec. 27th and Jan. 3rd. Montana Jack and the Carabiner Lounge are both located within Big Sky Resort. Check out their menus in advance at www.bigskyresort.com.

Diamond will also be on hand to help the Lane Bar celebrate its grand re-opening in White

Sulphur Springs with a New Year's Eve show on Monday, December 31st. The small town tavern is located at 115 Main St.

Diamond brings a unique and engaging musical experience, with a song selection from today's hits, country, classic rock, R&B, and crowd



pleasing sing-alongs. Colette – kicking bass, playing piano, percussion, and vocals – brings a level of entertainment that lights up a venue. Colette engages everyone in the room, and you find yourself making memories by becoming part of the Diamond show. An old school performer and entertainer, Colette started music at the age of 10 with a family band, and is still sharing her gift.

Kenny, the second half of the popular duo, plays guitar and provides 80% of the repertoire on an acoustic classical guitar. Kenny performs and sings the set covers, but also delivers solos and instrumentals that capture and entertain the audiences. Strapping on an electric guitar, Kenny flips the venue around with his renditions of classic '70s and '80s guitar riffs. Kenny's sound is big, and Diamond plays songs you do not expect to come out of a two piece band. His personal classic acoustic version of Jimi Hendrix's "Little Wing" will stay with you long after the song ends. Diamond's musical entertainment has all the elements that will leave an audience entertained, musically fulfilled, and wanting more.

Learn more about Diamond and sample some of their music at www.diamondmusic-bozeman.com. •

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That 1 Guy brings 'magic pipe' to close out 2018 w/ Filler show

ChickenJam West presents **710 Ashbury** with a **Grateful Dead Tribute** on Friday, December 14th at the Filling Station. The Helena-based tribute will lay down all your classic Dead favorites at 8pm. Tickets to this 21+ show are \$9 in advance and \$12 at the door. Doors at 7pm.

Spend New Year's Eve with **That 1 Guy** on Monday, December 31st beginning at 10pm. Tickets to this 21+ show are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Doors at 9pm.

Imagine the brainchild of Dr. Seuss, Captain Beefheart, Frank Zappa, Stanley Kubrick and Rube Goldberg, and you begin to understand the spectacle of a That 1 Guy performance by Berkeley, California-based and classically trained musician Mike Silverman. As inventor and player of The Magic Pipe, That 1 Guy's show has to be seen to be believed, as he single-handedly (and foot-edly) plays this amazing instrument, made out

of miked steel pipes with a single, thick bass string wired from top to bottom, not to mention an

use creating music that is ethereal, gothic and heart-pounding. His one-man concert performance is

believed. His latest album, *The Moon is Disgusting*, is available on iTunes.

The new year brings another Grateful Dead tribute with **Dead Night** at the Filler on Saturday, January 5th at 8pm. Tickets to this 21+ show are \$3 or \$5 for two at the door. Doors at 7pm.

"The temperature keeps risin' – everybody gettin' high – Come the rockin' stroke of midnite, the whole place

gonna fly!"

The sonic salute to the Grateful Dead will feature the talents of local musicians Joe Knapp, Joe Kirchner, Luke Flansburg, Kelly Nicholson, Rich Robiscoe, Brett Goodell and more.

Advance tickets for these and other shows are available in-store at Cactus Records and www.cactusrecords.net. For more information, visit www.chickenjamwest.com.



That 1 Guy

Appalachian handsaw, an electric cowboy boot and belching smoke.

Combining elements of classical music with electronica, Silverman puts his classical training to good

equal parts music, technology, science, art and spectacle, as he uses his hands and feet to create an industrial tribal rhythm that must be seen and heard to be

MAXimize New Year's celebrations, more live music faves at the Sac

An end-of-year staycation awaits at the historic Sacajawea Hotel in Three Forks. Cozy rooms, delicious eats, and live entertainment – all under one roof! Wine and dine upstairs in Pompey's Grill before spending a night on the dance floor with live music in the Sac Bar.

Guests, locals, and people from all around are encouraged to head out and enjoy. Here's a look at some of the upcoming acts.

Sunrise Karaoke will test vocal abilities on Friday, December 14th. Bring your favorite songs and get ready to impress – or at least give it your best shot! You haven't done karaoke until you've done it with Sunrise. *Note: an additional night of Sunrise Karaoke is set for Friday, December 28th.*

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shows. You won't be sorry.

Cabin Fever entertain on Friday, December 21st. From Manhattan, the band plays a combination of original music, '70s rock, and a wide variety of dance tunes from Dwight-style country to Pink Floyd. This five-piece-plus band showcases strong vocal harmonies and a wide variety of instrumentals. Members include Lonny Walker (rhythm guitar), Steve Loessberg (lead guitar), Larry Greenbaum (bass, lead guitar), Josh Fike (drums), Jon Gerhts (bass guitar), Ross Barrett (percussion), and Lane Quandt (harmonica).

Sugar Daddies bring all the favorites on Saturday, December 22nd. This Montana-based trio is comprised of Richard Riesser (guitar), Oscar Dominguez (keyboards, bass), and Ron Craighead (drums). The band has been successfully performing in various venues throughout Southwest Montana since its inception in 2012. While the gist of their material is popular rock n' roll, country, oldies, R&B and blues, they also have an extensive arsenal of original songs, all of which are palatable, as well as an array of lesser-known but still great songs by both obscure and well-known artists/songwriters. Their main focus is variety, and they half-jokingly have a motto of "No request left behind."

of Montana. The high-energy band tends to veer away from slow jams, other than the occasional tune. With an arsenal of originals and personalized covers, the guys will keep you on your feet until last call.

Ring in the new year with **The MAX** on Monday, December 31st. The popular band has entertained and delighted audiences nationwide since the mid-80s, calling Montana home since 1993. With Kyle Brenner (guitar), Mike Young (drums), and Bobb Clanton (bass), The MAX plays spot-on renditions of a wide variety of choice danceable rock n' roll covers and has two original albums, *Shadows in the Shade* and *Vinyl Valentine*. The MAX has opened for Styx, REO Speedwagon, and The Fabulous Thunderbirds.

First up in 2019, **Comstock Lode** bring a lively performance on Friday, January 4th. Bozeman's best classic rock n' roll and country western band plays covers from the '60s through the '00s. Creedence, Eagles, Green Day, Grand Funk, Elvis, Skynard, Beatles, Nirvana, Cash, George Strait, Garth Brooks, Vince Gill, Merle Haggard – just wait a couple minutes and you'll hear an old or new favorite.

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people, gain self-confidence, learn a social skill and get some exercise. No experience or partner necessary.

Lauren Coleman's **Have Fun Dancing** announces its new course schedule

for classes starting the week of January 7th. Beginner classes will include Basic Ballroom, Basic Swing (Jitterbug), Basic Country Western Two-Step and Basic Cha Cha Cha. Classes meet on different days of the week, depending on flavor of dance.

Basic Ballroom serves as an introduction to partner dancing with a focus on the fundamentals of the Foxtrot and Swing. These skills are used in all other dances. *Two-Step* is the foundation of Country Western dancing, popular in numerous local clubs. This dance travels around the floor and features lots of turns. *Jitterbug* is the most simple and basic style of swing, providing a base for other like-dances. *Cha Cha Cha* is a

Tuition for all courses is \$62 per person. Each will meet six times. Classes will be held at Have Fun Dancing, located at 414 Bryant St. (off N Rouse) in Bozeman. The studio features a spacious floating and sprung hardwood dance floor in a unique and friendly atmosphere. Practices and dance parties are also offered throughout the season.

For registration information, course specifics, and gift certificates, please visit www.havefundancing.com or email lauren@havefundancing.com. Check out Have Fun Dancing's Facebook page for updated event info, or call Lauren at (406) 763-4735 with questions.

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Engstrom, as well as rhythm guitar player and songwriter Buck Buchanan. These guys take no prisoners and leave nothing but happy dancers in their wake. Don't miss a chance to take in one of their "real deal, premium country music"

Note: the Sugar Daddies will be back with another show on Saturday, Jan. 5th.

Country rockers **BlueBelly Junction** return Saturday, December 29th. The group provides audiences with what they consider "rockabilly music" all over the state

9pm, unless otherwise noted. The Sacajawea Hotel is located at 5 N Main in Three Forks.

For more information about these events, please visit www.sacajaweahotel.com or call (406) 285-6515.

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Gather the fam for a pre-holiday Open Mic Night at Wild Joe*s

Looking for a place to catch up with visiting friends and family this holiday season? Settle in with a hot coffee and some live music at Wild Joe*s downtown! Downtown Bozeman's Coffee Spot is a great place to check out early evening and afternoon sets by local and traveling artists. And of course, their menu offers plenty of delicious caffeinated and other treats to enjoy alongside the tunes!

Here's a look at what's coming up. On Friday, December 14th, enjoy the talents of **Ty Stevenson** from 6-8pm. The Michigan native and began actively writing country music during his college years, and has since comprised a portfolio of over 100 personally-written songs. His sound has been influenced by the likes of Tim McGraw, George Strait, Blackhawk, Little Texas, Ricky Van Shelton, Josh Gracin, The Eagles, Gary Allan, and so many more. He released his first professionally-recorded studio album, *Until the End*, in 2010, following that up with his latest, *Top Gun*, in 2016.



Ty Stevenson

The next **Open Mic Night** will take place Friday, December 22nd from 6-8pm. Come for an evening of music performed by local musicians. Bring your guitar, sitar, zither, poetry, comedy, or theremin and take a turn up at the mic. Show Bozeman what you're made of! Individual set lengths depend on the number of musicians who

want to play. Sign-ups start at 5:30pm – first come, first served. Be sure to bring your friends and support live music in Bozeman! A modest contribution to the kitty will be divided by participating musicians at the end of the night. The more people who come, the more money in the pot. *An additional Open Mic Night is set for Friday, January 4th from 6-8pm.*

Howard Beall & the Fake News is set for another afternoon show on Sunday, January 6th from 1-3pm. The group is a collection of talented young artists from around the great state of Montana. They bring people together by playing groove-based music, specifically pulling from the jazz, rock, and funk genres. The band plays a blend of original compositions, standards, and modern songs with the intent of creating fresh

sounds while still respecting the heritage and language of those before them. Wild Joe*s Coffee Spot is located at 18 W Main St. in the heart of historic Downtown Bozeman. Learn more about these and other upcoming events at www.wildjoescoffee.com.



Howard Beall & the Fake News

Harry Potter comes to life w/ live orchestral performance at the Brick

Still looking to check everyone off those Christmas lists? Give the gift of Harry Potter! As part of the American Bank Broadway in Bozeman 2018 – 2019 season, the Theatre at the Brick recently announced a live symphony orchestra will perform **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone in Concert** on May 21st as part of the Harry Potter Film Concert Series.

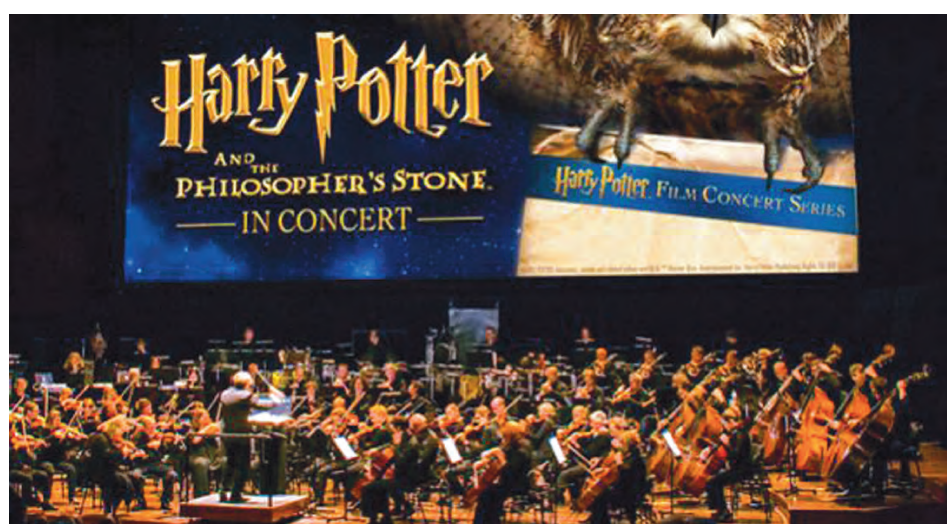
The concert will feature a live symphony orchestra performing live, to picture, every note from *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. Audiences will be able to relive the magic of the entire film in high-definition on a 40-foot screen while hearing a live symphony orchestra perform John Williams' unforgettable score. Tickets range \$35-\$75 and are available at www.ticketwest.com and the Fieldhouse box office.

CineConcerts and Warner Bros. Consumer Products announced the Harry Potter Film Concert Series, a new global concert tour celebrating the Harry Potter films, in 2016. Since the world premiere of *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone in Concert*

in June 2016, more than half a million fans have enjoyed this magical experience from J.K. Rowling's Wizarding World, which is set to include over six-hundred performances across more than 38 countries worldwide during its run.

In *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*, Harry Potter learns on his 11th birthday that he is the orphaned son of two wizards and possesses magical powers of his own. At Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, he learns the high-flying sport of Quidditch and plays a thrilling 'live' chess game en route to facing a Dark Wizard bent on destroying him.

Justin Freer, President of CineConcerts and Producer/Conductor of the Harry Potter Film Concert Series explains, "The Harry Potter film series is a once-in-a-lifetime cultural phenomenon that continues to delight millions of fans around the world. It is with great pleasure that we bring fans for the first time ever an opportunity to experience the award-winning music scores played live by a symphony orchestra, all while the beloved



film is simultaneously projected onto the big screen. This is truly an unforgettable event."

Brady Beaubien of CineConcerts and Concert Producer for the Harry Potter Film Concert Series added, "Harry Potter is synonymous with excitement around the world and we hope that by performing this incredible music with the full movie, audiences will enjoy returning to the Wizarding World."

CineConcerts is one of the leading producers of live music experiences performed with visual media. Founded by producer/conductor Justin Freer and producer/writer Brady Beaubien, CineConcerts has engaged millions of people worldwide in concert presentations that redefine the evolution of live experience. Recent and current live concert experiences include *Gladiator*, *The Godfather, It's a Wonderful Life*, *DreamWorks Animation*

In Concert, Star Trek: The Ultimate Voyage 50th Anniversary Concert Tour, and Breakfast at Tiffany's.

Justin Freer has quickly become one of the most sought-after conductors of film music with a long list of full symphonic live to projection projects. He has appeared with some of the world's leading orchestras including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, London Philharmonic Orchestra, New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, Philharmonia Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony and Sydney Symphony Orchestra. From full-length movie screenings with live orchestra to music-interactive sporting event experiences to original 3D-environment holiday programming, CineConcerts is at the forefront of live entertainment.

For more information on the Harry Potter Film Concert Series, please visit www.harrypotterinconcert.com.

Aoide Choral Ensemble brings holiday performance to Big Sky

The Arts Council of Big Sky is pleased to present a free holiday performance of **Aoide at Christmas: Advent Evensong** at the Big Sky Chapel on Saturday, December 15th, at 7pm. The concert is underwritten by the Arts Council's Schwerk-Toepfler Memorial Fund.

With performances described as "the best choral singing we've ever heard in Bozeman (or almost anywhere)," the Aoide Chamber Singers have established themselves as one of Montana's leading vocal ensembles. This year's program features a diverse program including works from Bo Holten, David Lang, Herbert Howells, Gabriel Jackson and more.

Founded in the fall of 2012 at Montana State University by then freshman Andrew

Major, Aoide humbly began with seven singers. Their high level of artistry and commitment to modern music drew attention from others and membership now exceeds 20. Aoide is a dedicated advocate for contemporary composers, with an overwhelming majority of their repertoire encompassing the last decade of choral writing.

The concert is free and open to the public, and is appropriate for all ages. Seating is on a first come, first serve basis. The chapel is located at 510 Little Coyote Road in Big Sky.

For more information about the performance, please call (406) 995-2742 or visit www.bigskyarts.org.

Emerson hosts Dance Center stagings of Nutcracker reimagining

The Dance Center will present Bozeman original **"Nutcracker in a Nutshell: All Cracked Up"** at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture just in time for the holiday season. Performances are set for Friday, December 14th at 6:30pm, as well as Saturday, Dec. 15th at 2pm and 5:30pm.

Beginning in 2005, The Dance Center has produced the annual performance of *Nutcracker in a Nutshell*. Deborah Yarrington and Anna Hall have co-created a sensation that includes children of all ages and experience.

Each season, *Nutshell* takes Tchaikovsky's timeless holiday classic and gives it a new interpretation. This show redefines itself year after year. With innovative choreography and exciting characters, the Nutshell gives every dancer the opportunity to feel like a star.

The Dance Center's Anna Hall envisioned a brand new *Nutshell* by writing this original storyline, creating dynamic roles, and including music changes that had the 2017 audience dancing in their seats. *All Cracked Up* had the audience giving a standing ovation, cheering and applauding!

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for kids ages 2-12, in addition to all balcony seating. Tickets are available in advance at Chalet Sports, located at 108 W Main, with ONLY cash or check made payable to The Dance Center.

With classical ballet and modern dance, Bozeman's premier dance school blends the magic of movement to create meaningful expression. Learn more at www.dancebozeman.com.

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