

On your mark: 2020 "BEST of Bozeman" voting window opens March 1st

When ole Punxsutawney Phil predicted an early spring, snow naturally draped our mountains and valleys the very next day. Anyone who's been around a

blue ribbons awarded to community royalty.

Beginning March 1st, the polls will open for the **19th Annual** Best of Bozeman. A friendly local competition, Best of Bozeman is the original celebration of everything we love about our town and its countless offerings. Though The BoZone sponsors this poll every year, it's all of YOU who decide the winners of each category. This is an opportunity for Southwest Montanans of all ages to have their

> say in the crowning of area establishments, whether first-time winners or defendchampions. This year's voting again consists of a multiple choice format, displaying area favorites from previous surveys and the option to add a choice

not listed. While there are many categories to represent our area's finest, 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

to peruse the complete list of 2019 winners and to make your picks. The 2020 Best of Bozeman voting window is March 1st through April 15th. •

thebestofbozeman.com

Award-winning National Geographic photographer to speak at Emerson

From MSU News Service

National Geographic photographer, filmmaker, writer and explorer **Ami Vitale** will share a multimedia presentation of her travels throughout the world at 7:30pm Wednesday, February 19th, at the Emerson Center's Crawford

speak up and get things done. She has received several international awards for her work including International Photographer of the Year's Magazine Photographer of the Year and the National Press Photographers Association's

Family of Boise, Idaho. Connor Hoffmann is a Truman Scholar who graduated from MSU in 2018 with degrees in chemical and biological engineering and directed interdisciplinary studies, combining engineering, economics and political science.



Ami Vitale

Theater in a public lecture sponsored by the Montana State University Honors College.

Vitale will share her work showcased in National Geographic magazine as a contract photographer as well as her experiences traveling and photographing in more than 100 countries documenting a range of topics, including wildlife and poaching in Africa, human-wildlife conflict, the efforts to save the northern white rhino and the reintroduction of pandas to the wild.

A Nikon Ambassador, Vitale is also part of National Geographic's soon to be released film, Women of Impact. In 2018 InStyle Magazine named Vitale as one of its 50 "Badass Women," a series celebrating women who show up,

Daniel Pearl Award for Outstanding Reporting and Magazine Photographer of the Year. She recently published a book, Panda Love, about the secret lives of pandas.

Vitale lectures for the National Geographic LIVE series, and she frequently gives workshops throughout the Americas, Europe and Asia. She is also a founding member of Ripple Effect Images, a collective of scientists, writers, photographers and filmmakers whose work focuses on issues faced by women in developing countries.

Vitale's visit is sponsored by the MSU Honors College and was made possible by an endowment from the Hoffmann Currently, he is a contractor performing biosecurity policyrelated research for the Stanford Center for International Security and Cooperation. His parents are Tom and Amy Hoffmann of Boise.

Vitale's lecture is free for MSU students and students under 18. General admission will be \$10 at the door or \$12 through EventBrite, with the additional \$2 to cover online costs.

To learn more about Vitale's work in National Geographic, go to www.nationalgeographic.co m/contributors/v/photographer-ami-vitale. To learn more about Vitale, go to www.ami-vitale.com. •

MSU to host Family Science Night at SUB

while knows

the Treasure State adheres to no

finite seasonal structure.

Still, optimistic recreationists are

beneath the vibrant buds of now

ing greenery comes a deluge of

barren limbs. And with the return-

preparing for jaunts alfresco

From MSU News Service Families and members of the public are invited to Montana State University for **Family** Science Night, a free evening of educational activities in science, technology, engineering and

The event, which aims to help

mathematics.

both kids and adults learn more about science in a fun and easy-tounderstand format, will be held from 5 to 7pm Thursday, February 27th, in the Strand Union Building ballrooms. At the event, MSU students and faculty will showcase their research through educational hands-on activities and a variety of engaging demonstrations and experiments. Visitors can stop in at any time, take part in dozens of free activities and

circulate at their own pace. All ages are welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult.

Topics explored at the event in previous years have ranged from extreme gravity physics to microbiology to nanotechnology, a field in which scientists and engineers study and manipulate matter at the atomic and molecular scale to develop disease fighting drugs, alternative energy solutions, ultra-strong sports equipment and many other applications.

MSU Family Science Day is hosted by MSU Academic Technology and Outreach with support from Montana NSF EPSCoR and the Montana Nanotechnology Facility. For more information, visit **ato.mon**tana.edu/familyscience. •

Films of all variety hit Ellen silver screen before deviously immersive Maids

Downtown Bozeman's Ellen Theatre is set to present a special screening of James Corden in One Man, Two Guvnors on Friday, February 21st. The host of CBS' Late Late Show and "Carpool Karaoke" stars in this production straight from London's National Theatre. The Sunday Times proclaimed, "James Corden is a hit!" The Daily Mail dubbed the show "the funniest on the planet." The Guardian added, "One of the funniest productions in the National's history." This nonstop laugh-out-loud comedy went on to New York for a sold-out run on Broadway, topped by a Tony Award-winning performance by Corden. The screening begins at 7:30pm. All seats \$17.50.

In advance of its spring staging of Cyrano de Bergerac, Montana Shakespeare in the Parks sponsors a FREE showing of Roxanne on Saturday, February 22nd. The modern take on the classic tale stars Steve Martin and Daryl Hannah. The film will serve as a hilarious appetizer for the local production opening March 20th featuring Tony-nominated

Jeffrey McCarthy in the title role. A family film closes out the weekend on Sunday, February 23rd when animated feature Abominable screens at 2pm. DreamWorks and Pearl Studios' box office hit centers around a group of teenagers who embark on an epic quest to reunite Everest the magical Yeti with his family. The friends must stay one step ahead of Burnish (Eddie Izzard), a wealthy man intent on capturing a Yeti, and zoologist Dr. Zara (Sarah Paulson) to help Everest get home. Tickets are

only \$4 at the door.

Wolf Haven International will present award-winning documentary The Trouble with Wolves on Wednesday, February 26th. Experience a close-up look at one of the most heated and controversial wildlife conservation debates of our time. This film explores whether



One Man, Two Guvnors

coexistence is truly possible by hearing from people directly involved, including Doug Smith, project leader of the Wolf Restoration Project in Yellowstone. Directed by Collin Monda, the

FREE screening begins at 7pm. Once exterminated from the lower 48 states, wolves have made a triumphant return to Yellowstone and the surrounding states. Hailed as, 'the greatest animal conservation success in human history,' to many others living in the areas affected,

the story is dramatically different. There is after all, a reason wolves have been, and continue to be, the world's most controversial predator. But the question remains: Do they deserve a place on this landscape?

The film runs 50 minutes. And late this month, The Ellen invites audiences to "get up close

> and personal" with Jean Genet's classic play The Maids. Presented by Nervous Theatre and based on an actual 1933 murder case, this particular production has quite the twist patrons will be sitting on stage, with the hair-raising action happening all around them. Shows are set for Friday and Saturday, February 28th and 29th at 7:30pm, with a closing Sunday matinee on March 1st at 3pm.

> This nail-biting psychodrama centers on two domestic servants who deeply resent their social position. Each night, when their socialite employer is away, sisters Claire and Solange, wanting to solve the inequity, perform a dangerous ceremony plotting how best to murder their mistress. As the

line blurs between fantasy and reality, each audience member will have an intimate view of the proceedings.

The Maids features Annabella Joy (Company, Woman on Stage, Man from Audience), Los Angeles-based actor Connor Berkompas (Joe Hardy, Damn Yankees) and Brooklyn-based writer and performer Sympathie the Clown. Please note: this show contains some adult language and mature themes. All seats are \$20.

Wine, beer and other refreshments will be sold in the lobby one hour before each event. Ticketing and further information about these and other happenings is available at theellentheatre.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. •



SPECIAL EVENT

THE STORY OF PLASTIC THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

At the Emerson Center. Preceded by a reception at 6pm in the lobby with food, drink and information on local efforts to reduce plastic waste. Film begins at 7pm. OLLOWED BY A Q&A WITH DIRECTOR

AND MSU GRAD DEIA SCHLOSBERG

A searing exposé, The Story of Plastic uncovers the ugly truth behind plastic pollution and the false solution of plastic recycling. With remarkable clarity and urgency, the film presents a cohesive timeline of how we got to our current global crisis, and profiles grassroots efforts to solve one of the most pressing issues of our time learn more and get tickets at www.bozemandocseries.org

Montana transportation of yesteryear, dude ranch-based *Brews* to spur historical curiosities at MOR

A cold-blooded exhibit is now open at Museum of the Rockies to match the wintry elements. The Bozeman space also plays host to regular public events. Here's a look at some upcoming happenings.

On Monday, February 17th, the Museum will host Montana Shakes! for a free performance of *The Two Gentlemen of Verona*. The family oriented event begins at 10:30am in Hager Auditorium.

This play emphasizes the value of true friendship, especially the bond that comes from man's best friend. In a MadLibs style, the audience will help the actors write the play as it goes along. Anything goes with this (adjective) adventure!

The play runs approximately 40 minutes and will be followed by a Q&A between the actors and audience. Montana Shakes! is an elementary outreach program of Montana Shakespeare in the Parks.

Following Thursday, February 20th, the Extreme History Project Lecture series continues with "The North Coast Limited.

Nightcrawler & Skidoo: A
Century of Passenger Trains &
Transportation in Montana."
Dale Martin will present at 6pm in

Dale Martin will present at 6pm i Hager Auditorium. He is an instructor in MSU's Department of History & Philosophy and train aficionado.

One hundred years ago, public transportation – almost entirely by rail - reached hundreds of cities, towns and smaller settlements in Montana. At present, only about forty cities and towns in the state have daily scheduled rail, bus or air service for travelers. The presentation will first examine the early twentieth century, when dozens of daily passenger trains reached almost every county in the state, carrying people, express, U.S. Mail, cans of milk and money. There will also be an overview and explanation of the many decades long decline of rail service, and intercity public

transportation in general. The lecture will conclude with remarks on the circumstances of public transportation in states, and Canadian provinces, like Montana, with small populations in large areas.

Returning for its first program of 2020, MOR's

Brews & the Big Sky: Montana Made, Montana **Brewed** continues with Dude Ranches on Tuesday, February 25th from 5:30-7:30pm. The evening will feature suds from Ten Mile Creek Brewery and delicious bites by The Mint Café & Bar. There is a \$15 admission including beer tasting, gallery talks, exhibits and light appetizers for

and older.
In 1879,
Howard Eaton
founded the Custer
Trail Ranch near
Medora, North

those 21

Dakota. Inviting friends from back East to visit, Eaton found that guests were willing to pay for a real western experience and soon found that this trade was more lucrative than running cattle. By 1926, dozens of so-called "dude ranches" dotted the western states with a large number surrounding Yellowstone National Park. Learn about Eaton and the adventures of the dudes and dude ranchers and how they brought a new kind of visitor to our region.

Also at MOR, **Reptiles: The Beautiful and the Deadly** is now open. Reptiles have enduring appeal, and this interactive

MSU African Students Association to

AFRICAN STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY

host 'Night in Africa' event



zoological exhibition will bring you eye to eye with living species from around the world. Deadly snakes, colorful lizards, unusual turtles and rugged crocodilians are exhibited in naturalistic habitats. You can "milk" a viper, learn to speak croc in under five minutes, and test your knowledge with "Turtle Trivia" or "Lizard Wizard." An experienced zoo professional remains with the exhibit to care for the living collection.

For more information about these events and the Museum exhibits, visit **www.museu-moftherockies.org.** •

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY Valentine's Day Dinner

Valentine's Day Dinner
Old Faithful Snow Lodge

Winter Crazy Days 2020

Downtown Bozeman
Reptiles: The Beautiful & the
Deadly 9am

MOF

Science Station 10am

MTScience Center
Supervolcanoes 11am/3pm MOR
Wonderlust Forum 12pm Library

Chasing the Ghost Particle
1pm MOF
Harley 3:30pm Scissorbills Saloon
Mike Haring 4pm

Carabiner Lounge – Big Sky
Exhibit Opening Reception
5pm Emerson Center

FREE Friday Night
5pm Montana Science Center

Todd Green 5:30pm

Willie's Distillery - Ennis

Willie's Distillery – Ennis Valentine's Sleighing Soirée

5:30pm 320 Guest Ranch Montana Manouche

5:30pm Plonk Wine

Donnie's Inferno
5:30pm Kountry Korner Café

Friday Night Magic
6pm Rooks Comics

Valentine's Day Drag
6pm Rockin' TJ Ranch

Wine Tasting with Tapas 6:30pm

Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel
Valentine's Day Dinner and

Dancing 7pm Venue 126
Benny Bassett
7pm Norris Hot Springs
Jazz Night w/ Alex Robilotta

7pm Red Tractor Pizza
Trout Steak Revival

7pm Pine Creek Lodge Cole Porter's Kiss Me, Kate!

7:30pm The Ellen
Yellowstone Ballet 7:30pmWillson
Wait Until Dark 7:30pm Emerson
Kitchen Dwellers 8pm Rialto
9th Annual Comedy Revue

8pm Verge Theater
Sunrise Karaoke 9pm Sacajawea
Blue Belly Junction 9pm Eagles
Raven Roshi 9pm Murray Bar
Karaoke 10pm Montana Jack

Public Skating (Times Vary)
Haynes Pavilion
Winter Crazy Days 2020
Downtown Bozeman

Mountaineers Winter Rally
9am Fairgrounds
Reptiles: The Beautiful & the Deadly

Bridger Gully Freeride 8am Bridger Bowl

Mindful of Race 9:30am Bozeman Dharma Center Books & Babies 10am Bozeman Library Little Star That Could 10am Taylor MOR

9am

Band

Miniatures Open Play 10am Comics
Eight Ball Pool Tournament
11am Molly Brown
Ghost Particle 1pm & 4pm MOR

2020 President's Polar Plunge

1pm Glen Lake Rotary Park

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The Big Sky Tonight
2pm Taylor Planetarium @ MOR

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Osterland
3:30pm Scissorbills Saloon – Big Sky

Basketball
6pm Brick Breeden Fieldhouse
Dino Nite Bozeman 6pm Dino Drop-in
Chautauqua 6:30pm Elling House –
Sam Platts & The Great Plainsmen

6:30pm Music Ranch Montana Kristin Lundell 7pm Norris Hot Springs Ballroom Dance Annual Gala

7pm Bozeman Senior Center

Jesse Atkins 7pm Red Tractor Pizza

Cole Porter's Kiss Me, Kate!

7:30pm The Flien Theatre

7:30pm The Ellen Theatre
Wait Until Dark 7:30pm Emerson Center
Kitchen Dwellers 8pm Rialto Bozeman
9th Annual Comedy Revue

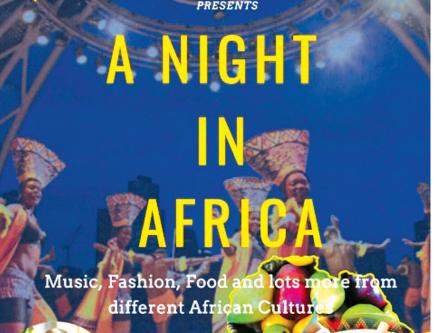
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8pm Verge Theater
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Shelly Besler Trio
8:30pm Old Saloon – Emigrant

Sunrise Karaoke 9pm Friendly Tavern
The MAX
9pm Chico Hot Springs Resort
Blue Belly Junction 9pm Eagles Bar

Denny & The Resonators
9pm Murray Bar – Livingston
Live DJ 10pm Rocking R Bar

SCREENING YEAR- ROUND BOZEMAN FILM SOCIETY KEEP 'EM FLICKERING!



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From MSU News Service
The African Students
Association at Montana State
University will host an evening
celebrating African culture.

"A Night in Africa" will take
place at 4pm Sunday, March 1st, in
Ballroom A in the Strand Union
Building on MSU's campus. It is

free and open to the public.

The event, the first of its kind by the student organization, will showcase different aspects of African culture, such as dance, music, fashion and food, from different countries represented by the students on campus. There will also be some talks, including one discussing the importance of dance to African culture.

The event will include a keynote talk by Wilmot Collins, the mayor of Helena and the city's first black mayor since its incorporation. Collins will talk about African excellence and draw from his personal story of coming to the U.S. as a Liberian refugee.

Nnamdi Kalu, the secretary and public relations officer for the African Students
Association, said that he, along with group president Sam Ojetola and financial secretary Edwin Allan, decided last summer to put together this event to share another side of Africa with the MSU and Bozeman communities.

"We want (visitors to the event) to come in and see a different type of Africa that is not just what the media says, but that there is culture, there is beauty and that it is a continent with so many countries and so many diverse cultures and experiences,"

Kalu said.
The African
Students Association's
purpose is to showcase

the mass influence of Africans throughout the world, while also providing a home away from home for students of African descent and those interested in African culture, Kalu said.

For more information and questions, contact msuafricansociety@gmail.com. •





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Reptiles: The Beautiful & the

Little Star That Could 10am

Chasing the Ghost Particle

Miniatures Open Play

10am

11am

2pm

Shane Secor

Sunday FUNDay

The Big Sky Tonight

Deadly 9am Museum of the Rockies

1 & 4pm Taylor Planetarium@MoF

2pm Taylor Planetarium @ MoFi

3pm Parlor Music and Social Club

Kristin Lundell 6pm MAP Brewing

Left on Tenth 7pm Bzn Hot Springs

Big Fish 7pm Shane Lalani Center

Gallatin Roller Derby Meat and

Celtic Jam 2pm Bunkhouse Brewery

Cole Porter's Kiss Me, Kate!

Tribute to Joni, Judy & Joan

Brian Stumpf (Stumpy)

Sing along Sea Chanties

3:30pm

4pm

Greet 6pm

6pm

7pm

6:30pm

7:30pm

Cars & Coffee

7:30am

10am

10am

11am

Used Book Sale

Amanda Stewart

Supervolcanoes

1 & 4pm

3:30pm

6pm

6pm

DASH 7pm

7pm

Acoustic Roll

Open Mic Night 9pm

Ryan Acker 6pm

The Dirt Farmers

2pm

Sunday FUNDay

The Big Sky Tonight

Brian Stumpf (Stumpy)

Alex Robilatta & Eddie T

A Midsummer Night's Dream

11am, 12pm & 3pm

Chasing the Ghost Particle

Aaron Banfield

Amanda Stewart

Growling Old Men

Wait Until Dark 7:30pm

Open Mic Night 9pm

International Guitar Night

Reptiles: The Beautiful & the

Miniatures Open Play

Little Star That Could

Deadly 9am Museum of the Rockies

10am Taylor Planetarium @ MoR

2pm Taylor Planetarium @ MoF

Celtic Jam 2pm Bunkhouse Brewery

Abominable 2pm The Ellen Theatre

Bozeman Public Library

Taylor Planetarium

Scissorbills Saloor

Willson Auditorium

MAP Brewing

Outlaw Brewing

Red Tractor Pizza

Norris Hot Springs

Haufbrau

MoF

MoR

Pine Creek

Gallatin Fairgrounds

Taylor Planetarium

Bozeman Hot Springs

BEST OF BOZEMAN

7:30am Daily Coffee-Rouse

Cars & Coffee

Deadly 9am Museum of the Rockies

Rocky Mountain Home & Garden

Reptiles: The Beautiful & the

Miniatures Open Play 10am

Little Star That Could 10am

Chasing the Ghost Particle

11am, 12pm & 3pm

Juan M Soria 11am

Supervolcanoes

Show 11am

1 & 4pm

Voting OPEN –

Bozeman Brewing Co.

Winter Crazy Days 2020

Downtown Bozeman

Pine Creek Lodge

The Ellen Theatre

Scissorbills Saloor

Outlaw Brewing

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Haufbrau

Norris Hot Springs

Warren Miller Center

Daily Coffee-Rouse

Rooks Games

USASA Slopestyle & Rail

Jam 2020 Big Sky Resort

Public Skating (times vary)

Lockhorn Cider House

Bozeman Brewing Co.

7:30am Daily Coffee-Rouse

High "Altitude" Tea Service

9am Townshend's Teahouse

Winter Crazy Days 2020

Reptiles: The Beautiful &

Taylor Planetarium

MAP Brewing

Rooks Games

Murray Bai

Rooks Games

Verge Theater

Bzn Taproom

Haynes Pavilion

Bzn Legion

Haufbrau

Country Bookshelf

Montana Science Center

Montana Science Center

Mts Walking Brewery

PIR Days 9am

the Deadly 9am

Lauren Jackson & Brian Stumpf

3:30pm Montana Jack - Big Sky

Mike Haring 4pm Carabiner Lounge

Mathias 4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill

Connections 5pm Bridger Brewing

Trivia Monday 5pm Wildrye Distilling

Thich Nhat Hanh Practice Group

5pm Bozeman Dharma Center

6:30pm Yellowstone Theo. Inst.

6:30pm Community Food Co-op

Special Olympics of

Public Skating

Reptiles: The Beautiful & the

Preschool Science Series

Chasing the Ghost Particle

Open STEAMlab Hours

Teen Writer's Club 4pm

Pints with Purpose

Yarn Crafting 5pm

Juan M. Soria 5pm

BHS Choirs 7:30pm

Sunrise Karaoke 9pm

Open Mic Night 9pm

Board Game Night 6pm

Supervolcanoes

Science Station

3pm

3pm

LEGO Club

5pm

5pm

(times vary)

Deadly 9am Museum of the Rockies

10:30am Montana Science Center

. 11am & 3pm Taylor Planetarium

1pm Taylor Planetarium @ MoR

Lauren Jackson & Brian Stumpf

3:30pm Montana Jack - Big Sky

3:45pm Bozeman Public Library

Community Pint Night 4pm MAF

Mike Haring 4pm Carabiner Lounge

Pint Night 4pm Mts Walking Brewery

Mathias 4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill

Trivia Monday 5pm Wildrye Distilling

Foxy Blues 6pm Red Tractor Pizza

Trivia Night 7pm Bozeman Taproom

Thich Nhat Hanh Practice Group

Montana Science Cente

Montana Science Center

Bridger Brewing

Murray Bar

Rooks

Willson

Legion

Haufbrau

Montana Big Sky Resort

Aaron Banfield 6:30pm Red Tractor

Bozeman Symphony Pint Night

Pints with Purpose: Child Care

10:30am Museum of the Rockies

Two Gentlemen of Verona

Chasing the Ghost Particle

Open STEAMlab Hours

Community Pint Night

Star Wars Destiny

Bill Dwyer 5pm

6pm

6pm

7pm

Young Adult Book Club

The Fractious 4th Century

Social Hour at the Co-op

Improv on the Verge

Sunrise Karaoke 9pm

Open Mic Night 9pm

Trivia Night 7pm

Board Game Night

1pm

3pm

3pm

4pm

5pm

Science Station

Dt Bzn

MOSS

Beasts and Blooms

the Deadly 9am

1pm Taylor Planetarium @ MoR

'A Food Raiser" for Farmers' Mkt

Rich Mayo 6pm Kountry Korner Café

Life Drawing 6pm Emerson Center

Trivia with Trisha 6:30pm El Camino

Bingo Night 7pm Rocking R Bar

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the Deadly 9am

1pm Taylor Planetarium @ MoFi

Rich Mayo 6pm Kountry Korner Café

Book Club discussion – Heartland

Beer Maven: For the Love of Dark

Beers 6pm SHINE Beer Sanctuary

Life Drawing 6pm Emerson Center

Trivia with Trisha 6:30pm El Camino

Baffin Island Lecture w/ Jeff Shryer

7pm Bz Catholic Comm. Center

Hope Lutheran Church

BEST OF BOZEMAN

Voting OPEN

Taylor Planetarium@ MoR

Montana Science Cente

Montana Jack

Oasis Tea House

Red Tractor Pizza

Chasing the Ghost

Particle 1pm

Rich Mayo 6pm Kountry Korner Café

International Folk Dancing

Tibetan Bowl Chakra Balancing

Books & Babies

Supervolcanoes

Mathias 3:30pm

Ranches 5:30pm

Acoustic Roll 6pm

Tuesday MTG Draft

Star Wars X-Wing

4pm

6pm

6pm

6pm

7pm Weston Lewis 7pm

STOMP 7:30pm

Mathias 3:30pm

Larry Kiff 7pm

4pm

SMS Choirs 7:30pm

BHS Bands 7:30pm

Sunrise Karaoke 9pm

10am & 1pm

11am & 3pm

Yoga for All 11am & 12pm

Open STEAMlab Hours

Chasing the Ghost Particle

Brews & the Big Sky: Dude

Public Skating (times vary)

Reptiles: The Beautiful &

Museum of the Rockies

Montana Science Center

Haynes Pavilion

I ibrary

Montana Jack

MAP Brewing

Oasis Tea House

Country Bookshelf

Rooks Games

Rooks Games

Red Tractor

Sac. MS

Willson

Brick Fieldhouse

7pm Bzn Catholic Comm. Center

5th Annual Wild & Scenic Film

Supervolcanoes 11am & 3pm

Yoga for All 11am & 12pm

Chasing the Ghost Particle

Open STEAMlab Hours

Gina & the Wildfire 6pm

International Folk Dancing

Sunrise Karaoke 9pm

Mathias 3:30pm

4pm

5:30pm

Festival 5:30pm

7am Wild Crumb Bakery

Reptiles: The Beautiful &

Taylor Planetarium @ MoR

Bozeman Public Library

Montana Science Center

Montana Ale Works

Emerson Center

MAP

Bar IX

Montana Jack

Public Skating (times vary)

Cozy Café 11am Bozeman Library Supervolcanoes

MSU

Emerson

Haynes Pavilion Reptiles 9am **Bozeman Business &**

Professional Women's Luncheon 11:30am Riverside Country Club Chasing the Ghost Particle 1pm Taylor Planetarium @ MoR

Minecraft Meetup 3:45pm Bozeman Public Library

READ to a Dog Bozeman Public Library 4pm

Brian Stumpf & Ben Macht 4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill Annual EHHD Talks 5:30pm Rialto Green Drinks 5:30pm Lot G Café

Music & Mussels w/ Honey & Rye Bridger Brewing Thrive's Dynamite Dads: Bug Out 6pm Cowboy Cricket Farm Neil Filo Beddow 6pm Outlaw

Acoustic Wednesdays 6pm Wildrye **OBOB Keynote w/ Carrie La Seur** 6:30pm Bozeman Public Librar Trivia Night 7pm Pub 317 BFS Clemency 7pm The Ellen

Environmental Policy Analysis 7pm Procrastinator Theate **Buddhism Basics** 7pm

Trivia Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge German Conversation Meet-Up 7pm Townshend's Teahouse Trivia Night 7:30pm Rocking R Bar

String Jam 7:30pm Story Mansion Keegan Bowen and Nintendeaux Filling Station 8pm Mathias 8pm Eagles Bar

Trivia Night 8pm Molly Brown Sunrise Karaoke 9pm El Camino Open Mic Night 9pm Haufbrau Public Skating (times vary)

Haynes Pavilion BINGO Night Office Lounge & Liquor

Deadly 9am Museum of the Rockies Sensational Babies 10am Little HeARTs 10am Super Volcanoes 11am & 3pm Taylor Planetarium

Thrive's Gym Days 11am Heck-Quaw Elementary Blgd

Bzn Chambei 11:30am Sack Lunch Seminar 12pm

1pm Taylor Planetarium Minecraft Meetup 3:45pm Librarv

READ to a Dog 4pm Brian Stumpf & Ben Macht Chet's Bar & Grill 4:30pm

5pm Rooks Games

5:30pm Bridger Brewing West Coast Swing

Acoustic Wednesdays Wildrye Distilling Trivia Night 7pm Pub 317

String Jam 7:30pm Story Mansion **Pigeons Playing Ping Pong**

Molly Brown El Camino

Reptiles: The Beautiful & the

Business Lunch Seminar

Chasing the Ghost Particle

Casual Commander Night

Music & Mussels w/ Walcrik

Baxter Ballroom 6pm

Edis 6pm Outlaw Brewing

Trouble with Wolves 7pm The Ellen Trivia Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge

Rialto

Kennedy Richards 8pm Eagles Bar Trivia Night 8pm Sunrise Karaoke 9pm Open Mic Night 9pm

BEST OF BOZEMAN

Voting OPEN -

Little HeARTs 10am Emerson Center

Supervolcanoes

11am & 3pm Taylor Planetarium

Thrive's Gym Days - Belgrade Heck-Quaw Elementary 11am Chasing the Ghost Particle

1pm Taylor Planetarium @ MoR Minecraft Meetup 3:45pm Library READ to a Dog 4pm

Brian Stumpf & Ben Macht 4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill Warmachine/Hordes 5pm

Casual Commander Night 5pm Rooks Games Music & Mussels - SlomoJoe

5:30pm Bridger Brewing Author Talk 6pm Country Bookshelf Paleontology Lecture 6pm MoF Aaron Banfield 6pm Outlaw Brewing

Acoustic Wednesdays 6pm Wildrye Ecosattva Training Bzn Dharma Center Trivia Night 7pm Pub 317

Larry Hirshberg Bozeman Taproom 7pm Trivia Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge

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NCAA Championships

4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill Music & Mussels Bridger Brewing

Author Talk with S.M. Hulse 6pm Country Bookshelf

Tibetan Bowl Chakra Balancing 6pm Oasis Tea House Josh Moore 6pm

Outlaw Brewing MoR Pub 317

El Camino

Haufbrau

11am & 3pm Temple Grandin 12 & 6pm Author Event w/ Carrie La Seur 1:30pm Country Bookshelf Gallatin Parkinson Support Group 2pm E-Free Church Bo n KC 3:30pm

The Story of Plastic 6pm

Scissorbills Saloon Kent Johnson 3:30pm Montana Jack Kids Chess Club 3:45pm Lauren Jackson & Jeff Bellino 4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill

Ladies Night 5pm Pour House **Extreme Learning for Teachers** Museum of the Rockies 5:30pm

Board Game Night 6pm Rooks Games

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Women's B-ball 7pm Brick Fieldhous

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5:30pm Chamber's Business After Hours 5:30pm Great Northern P7 Board Game Night 6pm Rooks Games Verge Theater's 25th Birthday Bash

6pm Emerson Ballroom MTG Legacy 6pm Rooks Games Open Mic Night 6pm Willie's Distillery Open Builds 6:30pm Bzn Makerspace Nipsey Hussle Tribute 7pm Buffalo Jump Sports Bar & Gril Road Agents 7pm

Bzn Hot Springs Bridger Creek Boys 7pm Red Tractor Sac State at MSU Bobcats Women's Basketball 7pm Brick Fieldhouse **BHS Chamber Concert** 7:30pm Emerson Center

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S Utah at MSU Bobcats Men's Basketball 7pm Brick Fieldhouse Pine Creek Lodge Bingo Night 7pm Blake Brightman 8pm Old Saloon Filling Station Mike Dillon Band 8pm Lauren Jackson & Brian Stumpf

8:30pm Carabiner Lounge Sunrise Karaoke 9pm Eagles Bar **BEST OF BOZEMAN** - Voting OPEN

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MTG Legacy 6pm Open Mic Night 6pm

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Open Mic Night 9pm Haufbrau

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Sunday FUNDay 2pm Bzn Brewing Inside Out 2pm The Ellen Theatre Celtic Jam 2pm Bunkhouse Brewery Enigma 2:30pm Willson Auditorium Big Fish 3pm Shane Lalani Center Brian Stumpf 3:30pm Scissorbills Moms Like Me 4pm Rialto Left For Dead 6pm Outlaw Brewing Lazy Owl String Band Red Tractor Pizza 6pm

Honey and Rye Bzn Hot Springs

Acoustic Roll 7pm Norris Hot Spring

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Deadly 9am Museum of the Rockies Preschool Science Series

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Tibetan Bowl Chakra Balancing 6pm Montana Science Center

Life Drawing 6pm Emerson Center Trivia with Trisha 6:30pm El Camino Kaj 7pm Bozeman Taproom International Folk Dancing 7pm Bzn Catholic Comm. Center

Women's Adventure Film Tour 7pm Emerson Center Sunrise Karaoke 9pm



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Supervolcanoes - & 3pm 11am Yoga for All Chasing the Ghost Particle

& the Deadly 9am

11am & 12pm Bozeman Library 1pm Taylor Planetarium @ MoR

Mathias 3:30pm Rich Mayo 6pm Kountry Korner Café Life Drawing 6pm Emerson Center

Trivia with Trisha 6:30pm El Camino

Taylor Planetarium @ MoR

Montana Jack

Game Night 7pm Townshend's Tea Tommy Castro and The Painkillers 8pm Rialto Sunrise Karaoke 9pm

Bridger Bowl 9am Sack Lunch Seminar 12pm

5:30pm

Acoustic Wednesdays 6pm Wildrye Science Inquiry Series 7pm

Brian Stumpf & Ben Macht

Trivia Night 7pm Trivia Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge Muir Quartet 7:30pm Shane Lalani String Jam 7:30pm Twiddle 8pm Trivia Night 8pm Molly Brown

Sunrise Karaoke 9pm

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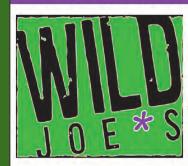
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Museum of the Rockies Science Station 10am Montana Science Center

Read Sing Play! Storytime 10:15 & 11:15am Bozeman Public Library Supervolcanoes

Taylor Planetarium @ MoF Chasing the Ghost Particle Taylor Planetarium @ MoF

11am & 3pm

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International Market at Mammoth Mammoth Hot Springs Hote Mercedes Carroll 5:30pm Willie's Distillery - Ennis Donnie's Inferno 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café A Brothers Fountain 6pm Wild Joe*s Coffee Spot Santa Fe Reds Edis 6pm

Friday Night Magic 6pm Rooks Games Gallatin Blue Wave 2020 Debates

Emerson Cente Wines of the World 6pm Salted Caramel Café Dead Sky 7pm Pine Creek Lodge Norris Hot Springs Dan Henry 7pm

Jazz Night w/ Alex Robilotta 7pm Red Tractor Pizza One Man. Two Guvnors 7:30pm The Ellen Theatre Yellowstone Quake at Bozeman Icedogs Haynes Pavilion Thriftworks 8pm Rialto 9th Annual Comedy Revue 8pm Verge Theater

Sunrise Karaoke 9pm Bar IX JR's Lounge & Casino **DJ Troy** 9pm GrooveWax 9pm Chico Hot Springs Saloor FunkTrunk 9pm El Camino Longhorn Band 9pm Sacajawea Bar - Three Forks Close To Toast 9pm Eagles Bar Spur Of The Moment 9pm Murray Bar - Livingston Karaoke 10pm Montana Jack - Big Sky

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- Voting OPEN -Reptiles: The Beautiful & the Deadly

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Karaoke 9pm Bar IX Groovewax 9pm

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Montana Jack

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MoR 9am NCAA Championships 9am Bridger Bowl Science Station 10am Montana Science Center Read Sing Play! Storytime

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Willie's Distillery - Ennis 5:30pm Kinetic Meditation 6pm Starlite Bozeman Aran Buzzas 7pm Norris Hot Springs Jazz Night w/ Alex Robilotta 7pm Red Tractor Pizza Tango Dance

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Stoneman's Way 10pm

Rooks Games Taylor Planetarium @ MoR Bridger Bowl Gallatin County Fairgrounds 10am Taylor Planetarium

Taylor Planetarium @ MoR Brick Breeden Fieldhouse 2pm Montana Raptor Presentation 3pm Elling House Tom Marino (Tele Tom) 3:30pm Scissorbills Saloon Montana Jack - Big Sky Leslie Fox 3:30pm

Bob Britten 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café 8th Annual Auction for the Arts 6pm Wilson Hotel Norris Hot Springs **Headwaters** 7pm Contra Dance 7:30pm Missoula Senior Center **Nervous Theatre presents The Maids** The Ellen Theatre 7:30pm

Sheridan Hawks at Bozeman Icedogs 7:30pm Haynes Pavilion Paige & The Peoples Band 8pm Filling Station Second Chance Prom 8pm Eagles Bar Bia Fish 8pm Shane Lalani Center for the Arts Mike Haring 8:30pm Carabiner Lounge – Big Sky Annalisa Rose 8:30pm Old Saloon - Emigrant Bluebelly Junction 9pm JR's Lounge & Casino Leap Night with the Piano Man 9pm Copper Bowl Room

Justin Case Band 9pm Sunrise Karaoke 9pm Band of Drifters 9pm

Voting OPEN -2nd Bozeman Brew-Off 8am Cardinal Distributing Slushy Slalom (Snowboard) 8am Bridger Bowl Reptiles: The Beautiful & the Deadly 9am MoR Mindful Creativity Group 9am Bozeman Dharma Cntr Bozeman Winter Farmers' Market 9am Emerson Center Mountains of Courage Conference 9am GranTree Inn 4H Shooting Tournament 10am Gallatin Fairgrounds Taylor Planetarium @ MoR Little Star That Could 10am Taylor Planetarium Supervolcanoes 11am, 12pm & 3pm Taylor Planetarium Chasing the Ghost Particle 1 & 4pm The Big Sky Tonight 2pm Taylor Planetarium @ MoR Teen Theater Performance 3pm Verge Theater Leslie Fox 3:30pm Montana Jack - Big Sky Tom Marino (Tele Tom) 3:30pm Scissorbills Saloon Lone Mountain Duo 4:30pm Chet's Bar & Grill - Big Sky Snowshoe Shuffle 5pm Big Sky Resort Bob Britten 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café Dave Provost 6pm Wild Joe*s Coffee Spot Montana Fishing Film Festival 7pm Emerson Center Laney Lou and the Bird Dogs 7pm Pine Creek Lodge Todd Green 7pm Norris Hot Springs Red Tractor Pizza

The Ellen Theatre Warren Miller Performing Arts Center Willson Auditorium Verge Theater Shane Lalani Center for the Arts

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Supervolcanoes 11am, 12pm & 3pm Chasing the Ghost Particle 1 & 4pm Top 10 Ways to Stay Healthy This Winter 1:30pm

Montana Jack - Big Sky Scissorbills Saloon - Big Sky Point and Chute Film Festival 4:30pm Bridaer Bowl Helena Civic Center Bob Britten 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café Joe Schwem 7pm Norris Hot Springs Vibe Quartet 7pm Red Tractor Pizza Montana Chamber Music Society 7:30pm Reynolds Hall Lightwire Theater 7:30pm Warren Miller Center Bia Fish 8pm Shane Lalani Center for the Arts

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Miniatures Open Play 10am

Little Star That Could 10am

Supervolcanoes 11am, 12pm & 3pm

Jewelry Making 10am

Terrain Park Jam 11am

Smith / McKay 3:30pm

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Chasing the Ghost Particle 1 & 4pm Montana at MSU Bobcats Women's Basketball Brick Breeden Fieldhouse

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Norris Hot Springs Townshend's Bozeman Teahouse Haynes Pavilion Willson Auditorium Montana at MSU Bobcats Men's Basketball Brick Breeden Fieldhouse Free Movie Night: Roxanne 7pm The Ellen Theatre James Sewell Ballet 7:30pm Warren Miller Rialto Verge Theater

The Waiting: Tom Petty Tribute 8pm 9th Annual Comedy Revue 8pm Carabiner Lounge - Big Sky Mike Haring 8:30pm Old Saloon - Emigrant Open Range Duo 8:30pm **DJ Troy** 9pm JR's Lounge & Casino GrooveWax 9pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon Sunrise Karaoke - Friendly 9pm Friendly Tavern Close To Toast 9pm Eagles Bar Tom Catmull's Last Resort 9pm Murray Bar - Livingston 11th & Grant 10pm MontanaPBS Live DJ 10pm Rocking R Bar

Haynes Pavilion Public Skating (times vary) NCAA Regionals 9am Bridger Bowl Sixteen Steps to Calm the Mind and Heart Bozeman Dharma Center 9am

Photography Workshop 9am Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel Bozeman Public Library Books & Babies 10am Miniatures Open Play 10am Little Star That Could 10am Ride and Seek Scavenger Hunt 10am **Rocky Mountain Home & Garden Show**

Supervolcanoes 11am, 12pm & 3pm MT Masters State Championship 11am Bzn Swim Center Taylor Planetarium Chasing the Ghost Particle 1 & 4pm The Big Sky Tonight 2pm N Arizona at MSU Bobcats Women's Basketball

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Big Fish 8pm SunsAh406 8:30pm Mike Haring 8:30pm Groovewax 9pm The Max 9pm

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Early bird registration open for annual Mountains of **Courage conference**



Keynote speaker Karen Wyatt

Gallatin Valley Circle of Compassion (GVCC) invites community members to participate in its annual Mountains of Courage conference, "When Someone **Dies: Dialogues** with the Living about Death and Dying." The oneday conference is designed to explore the end of life journey by providing a relaxed setting for individuals and caregivers to discover available resources, tools and information.

The conference will be held on Saturday, March 7th, at the Best Western Plus GranTree Inn, 1325 N 7th, from 9am-4pm. GVCC is pleased to announce reduced admission fees courtesy of additional event sponsors. Early registration is encouraged as space is limited. Registration includes lunch.

Online registration available through EventBrite. Check-in begins at 8am the morning of the event.

Presenters and panelists will include health professionals, spiritual counselors, social workers, community support services and caregivers. Participants will have the opportunity to explore practical issues, emotions, myths and traditions and learn how to shift the current paradigm. They will learn about practical tools and resources to assist in making informed decisions when faced with end of life issues. A full list of topics and presenters can be found on the organization's website.

Keynote speaker, Karen Wyatt, MD, is a family physician who has spent her 25-year medical career working with patients in challenging settings, such as hospices, nursing homes and indigent clinics. She has founded a free medical clinic in a homeless shelter, accompanied three medical mission teams to Honduras, and led a non-profit clinic for the uninsured in its growth from a 4hour per week all-volunteer operation to a full-time, full-service medical center. She has twice testified at Senate briefings on the cutting edge model of integrated medical care, combining physical and behavioral health, which she helped create and implement in her

clinic for the uninsured. Also an author, Dr. Wyatt has written: What Really Matters: 7 Lessons for Living from the Stories of the Dying, A Matter of Life and Death: Stories to Heal Loss & Grief and the ebooks Loss and Grief Survival Guide and Coping with Life-Threatening Illness.

Conference host Gallatin Valley Circle of Compassion is a volunteer group of local community members who are professionally and/or personally touched by the human experience of death and dying. Their mission: "Connecting, educating and supporting our community on matters related to death and dying". GVCC's intention for the conference is that participants will feel empowerment, courage, a sense of calm and confidence, and the ultimate realization that one does not have to be alone on this journey.

Conference fees are \$30 with early bird registration through February 25th, \$40 general admission thereafter, or \$50 at the door. Students and veterans enjoy a special rate of \$10. Lunch is included. CEUs are available Conference details tickets and downloadable registration forms are available at www.gallatinvalleycircleofcompassion.org. Flyers and registration forms are also available at Dahl Funeral & Cremation Service. For additional information, please call (406) 223-4707. •

Upcoming seminar discusses exploitation of populations

The Montana State University Women's Center will present Sack Lunch Seminar

"Intersectionality of Human Trafficking & Identity" on Wednesday, February 26th from noon-1pm in the Strand Union Building, Room 168.

In this presentation, student

leaders of the HEART Initiative at MSU, Alena Haugo and Tessa Sawyer, hope to demonstrate how systems of power intersect with human trafficking through the targeting of vulnerable populations. Race, gender, ethnicity, age, and disability statuses of those impacted all factor in to the success of the

trafficking industry and the exploitation of millions of humans.

"Menstrual Madness," another Sack Lunch Seminar, is set for Wednesday, March 11th. MSU English graduate student Kylie Webb will present from noon-1pm in SUB 168.

What causes the many world-

wide cultural and societal taboos around menstruation? Webb will focus on the origins of menstrual shaming and the many ways it still effects people today.

The MSU Women's Center is a department in the division of Student Success and was created to promote greater responsiveness to

the needs of university women. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 9am-4pm during the academic year, when classes are in session. Lectures are FREE and open to the public.

For more information about these and other events, visit www.montana.edu/women. •

Chamber events help rouse conversation around Spring business

Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce will present Business After Hours on Thursday, February 27th from 5:30–7:30pm. Alongside *Leavitt Group* Insurance, Great Northern Physical Therapy will co-host the event at its location, 1419 N 14th, in Bozeman. The clinic provides affordable, comprehensive and individualized physical therapy to the people of

Bozeman and the surrounding communities. An independent agency, Leavitt matches its clients' needs with the insurance company, product or risk management strategy that will result in the right coverage at a competitive premium rate. This edition of Business After Hours is included with Chamber membership and \$25 for non-members.

The next **Business Before Hours** is set for Thursday, March 5th from 7:30-8:30am. Adventure Travels MT will host at its location, 6300 Jackrabbit, Ste. 6. The local agency helps residents of Southwest Montana explore the world. With more than two decades of experience in the travel industry, Adventure Travels facilitates

ocean and river cruises, family vacations to Disney and Universal parks, destination weddings and honeymoons, among others. This edition of Business Before Hours is included with Chamber membership and \$25 for nonmembers.

Bozeman Chamber gatherings and other forums provide a business networking outlet for members and others. Please visit

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

Experience A Midsummer Night's Dream at Willson

Montana Ballet Company, under the Direction of Elizabeth DeFanti, is delighted to announce the Bozeman premiere of \boldsymbol{A} Midsummer Night's Dream ~

the Ballet, inspired by the famous William Shakespeare play and set to Felix Mendelssohn's exquisite musical score. Performances will

take place Saturday, February 22nd at 7pm, and Sunday, February 23rd at 4pm. Both will be held at the Willson Auditorium.

MBC's A Midsummer Night's Dream was originally created in 1989 for Festival Ballet Providence by esteemed ballerina and choreographer, Christine Hennessy.

Noted Deb Nash, dance critic for the RI Dance Alliance in 2003:

"Prepare to wear out your hands clapping at Festival Ballet's best concert yet. FB has put together a delicious confection of Midsummer Night's Dream using Christine Hennessy's lovely convoluted intelligent choreography restaged to perfection by her daughter Elizabeth DeFanti... a masterpiece."

Audiences will amaze at the conveying of Shakespeare's

comedy through dance. Replete with love, magic, fairies and mortals, this ballet will highlight the talents and artistry of a superb cast of MBC dancers, extraordinary guest artists, Rachel Van Buskirk and Christian Clark from Atlanta's Terminus Modern Ballet Theatre, and an outstanding orchestra conducted by MBC Music Director, Stefan Stern. Breathtaking costumes and visuals will bring this Midsummer

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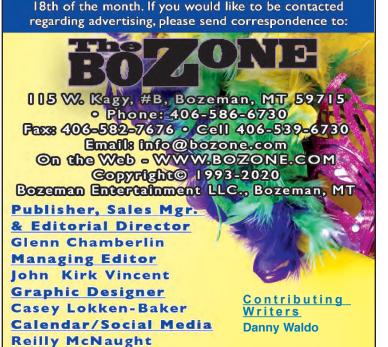
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Beautiful, bleak Sundance favorite enters tormented mind of death row prison warden

Coming to Downtown
Bozeman's Ellen Theatre on
Wednesday, February 19th,
Bozeman Film Society screens
writer/director Chinoye Chukwu's
second feature film, *Clemency*.
The quietly disturbing drama stars
Emmy winner and Oscar nominee
Alfre Woodard. The screening
begins at 7pm.

Woodard plays Bernadine
Williams, a prison warden preparing
to oversee her 12th execution.
Viewers enter Williams' mind as she
must confront the psychological and
emotional demons her job creates,
ultimately connecting her to the
man she is sanctioned to kill.

Winner of the Sundance Grand

Jury Award, *Clemency* is set in the world of death-row inmates, but unlike the infinitely more popular film *Just Mercy*, it's not a rousing, good-guys-vs-bad-guys tale of deserved triumph with predictable story beats, but a more nuanced look at a life behind emotional bars.

Woodard's magnificent screen presence is supported by terrific turns by Aldis Hodge as death-row prisoner Anthony Woods, Danielle Brooks as his girlfriend, and Richard Schiff as Anthony's lawyer, Marty Lumetta, the picture of rumpled, put-upon frustration.

A resonant film with emotional weight and pertinent themes, *The Hollywood Reporter* calls *Clemency*

"engrossing and acutely affecting... a superbly crafted film." Rated R, run time is 112 minutes.

Reserved seats for *Clemency* are \$9.75 for adults or \$9.25 for seniors and students. Advance tickets available at **www.theellenthe-atre.org** (plus service fees). The Ellen lobby opens one hour before the screening for refreshments.

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 "Keep 'Em Flickering!" •

Bozeman Film Society seeks



New doc investigates global plastic supply chain, material's long-term effects



On Thursday, February 20th, at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture, the Bozeman Doc Series and Valley of the Flowers Project present the critically acclaimed new documentary, *The Story of*

Plastic. The film screens at 7pm.

A reception in the Emerson lobby at 6pm will feature food, drink and information on local efforts to curb plastic waste. The screening will be followed by a Q&A with the film's director, and Montana State University graduate, Deia

The Story of Plastic is a searing exposé, uncovering the ugly truth

Schlosberg.

behind plastic pollution and the false solution of plastic recycling. Different from every other plastic documentary you've seen, The Story of Plastic presents a cohesive timeline of how we got to our current global plastic pollution crisis and how the oil and gas industry has successfully manipulated the narrative around it. This film introduces audiences to the heroes and the villains behind one of the world's most pressing environmental issues, from the extraction of fossil fuels to plastic disposal and the global resistance fighting back.

Schlosberg earned an MFA in

Science & Natural History Filmmaking at Montana State University in Bozeman, where she directed and produced Backyard, which looks at the human cost of fracking. The film won two student Emmys (Best Documentary, Bricker Humanitarian Award) and screened at film festivals around the world. She also produced Josh Fox's climate change film, How to Let Go of the World and Love All the Things Climate Can't Change (Sundance/HBO) and co-produced Awake, A Dream from Standing Rock (Tribeca/Netflix), and The Reluctant Radical (2018).

"It's hard to choose which scene in *The Story of Plastic* most sent a chill down my spine, so startling is the hour and a half-long documentary. It is the best and clearest guide through the plastic supply chain I've seen yet, which also means it's the best tool to understand the full lifecycle of a material we touch and use every day. A documentary that will never let you see plastic the same way again." – Qz.com

"Filmmaker Deia Schlosberg's incredibly detailed investigation into the plastic-production pipeline will shock, horrify and forever change your perception on recycling. Timely and critical, this film is a must-see for anyone who uses this infamous product. The most important documentary of the year." – Helen Highly

"We all know by now that plastic waste is a problem – it's washing ashore on beaches, swirling in giant ocean eddies, gumming up the insides of whales and seabirds, and embedding itself in the farthest reaches of the planet. But

most media coverage focuses on the end of the line – where plastics end up – and not where they came from or why. *The Story of Plastic* fills that void." – The Revelator

Mark your calendars! The Doc Series will screen *Oliver Sacks: His Own Life*, a profile of the famed English neurologist, on March 5th. Stay tuned for additional details.

Single admission to *The Story of Plastic* and *Oliver Sacks: His Own Life* is \$10, or \$8 for students. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at Cactus Records and Movie Lovers, as well as the Doc Series website. Visit **www.boze-mandocseries.org** to purchase Season Passes or 7-film punch cards, and to view trailers for upcoming films.

This biweekly documentary screening series is curated by award-winning filmmaker Jason Burlage. The Doc Series brings brand new films from around the world to the Emerson's Crawford Theater and will continue every other Thursday through April. •

Community theatre players tell fantastical tales of Edward Bloom in Shane's *Big Fish*



The city of Spectre in Big Fish

Livingston's Shane Lalani Center for the Arts is delighted to present the folksy fairytale **Big Fish**. Performances begin February 28th and run through March 22nd in the Dulcie Theatre.

Based on the novel by Daniel Wallace and Tim Burton's acclaimed film, *Big Fish* tells the

story of Edward Bloom, a traveling salesman who lives leads an extraordinary life full of witches, giants and mermaids. Edward's incredible stories thrill everyone around him – most of all, his devoted wife Sandra. But their son Will, about to have a child of his own, is determined to find the truth behind his father's

heart and humor, *Big Fish* is an extraordinary musical tale – spectacular, fantastical, and full of love

Big Fish runs weekends, Feb. 28th through March 22nd in the Dulcie Theatre at the Shane Lalani Center. Performances take place Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm, followed by Sunday matinees at 3pm. Tickets to all shows 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.

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Emerson galleries feature new mixed-media, paint exhibits for local aesthetes



From "The Space Between"

These oft-tedious months when many have had enough of winter's grasp is perfect for enjoying some local artwork indoors. Three new exhibits have opened at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture and will remain on display into spring.

Paint exhibitions "The Space Between"

and "Moments of the Infinite" feature works by local artists Hannah Uhde and Kelsey Dzintars, respectively. Mixed-media display "The Wait" showcases the work of Gary Horinek.

"The Space Between" will be on display in the Weaver Room Gallery through April 24th. The passion behind this project is rooted in the physicality of the painting process as well as the breakdown of the inherent perception of the human figure. The resulting renditions embody an exploration of self, our connection to mankind, and what basically makes us human. Although the interpre-

tations are personal, they are also universal.

The Lobby Gallery will host "Moments of the Infinite" through May 3rd. Based on personal soul-invigorating experiences in the Northern Rockies, Dzintars' acrylic paintings reflect on the elusive space between dream and reality in which our inner psyche finds its interconnectedness with the outer world. This collection of work is simultaneously an offer of gratitude for our awe-inspiring planet as well as a comment on the conservation conversation, emphasizing that a practiced awareness of our innate oneness with the earth is and will be driving the desire to save it.

Finally, in the Jessie Wilber Gallery, "The

Wait" is on display through April 24th. This is a fully immersive, three-dimensional installation piece that explores some of the environmental issues affecting our planet today. "Deep within our planet lay tectonic plates that are constantly clashing and ripping at the earth's crust in an epic battle for geological domination." Horinek says. "Upon the backs of these

plates lies a thin layer of organic material where life exists. These plates have seen many extinctions and even participated in some of these events. But this time is different. Perhaps the battles do not lie within these massive plates but the conflict lies within the two worlds that exist within us."

Learn more about these exhibits at **www.theemerson.org.** •



From "Moments of Infinity"

Crazed winter sales continue thru President's Day downtown

The Downtown Bozeman Association and downtown merchants are proud to present the **2020 Winter Crazy Days**, i.e. the best cold season sale in all the land! This year's event begins on Valentine's Day and runs through Presidents Day, Friday to Monday, February 14th–17th from 10am to 6pm each day.

Park once and visit nearly 100 downtown merchants featuring unbelievable sales of winter merchandise to get storefronts ready for the new spring lines. Look out for the signage in windows up and down Main. Stroll downtown and don't forget there will be FREE 2-hour parking

everywhere in Downtown Bozeman during Winter Crazy Days! Log on to **www.downtownbozeman.org** for further event details. Business hours and participation varies.

A member of the Downtown Bozeman Partnership, the purpose of the Downtown Bozeman Association is to promote downtown as a center of business, culture and entertainment; to conduct and promote activities and events that build a strong local economy; and to contribute to the well-being, growth and vitality of Downtown Bozeman. •





Arts auction & quick-finish event comes to Big Sky's Wilson Hotel

Tickets are now on sale for the Arts Council of Big Sky's eighth annual **fund-raising art auction event** on Saturday, February 29th, at the Wilson Hotel from 6–10pm. The event is sponsored by Big Sky Sotheby's International Realty.

The evening includes a quick-finish, live and silent auctions, music, food and drinks. This event is the only dedicated fundraiser for the Arts Council of Big Sky.

The live auction will feature artwork by Kevin Red Star, Carol Hagan, Julie Chapman, Terry Cooke Hall, Rachel Warner, Cyrus Walker, Ben Pease, Amber Blazina, Barb Swartz-Karst, Miles Glynn, Carol Spielman, Harry Koyama, Tabby Ivy, Tom Gilleon, Carrie Wild and many more.

Some of the artists will be finishing their work during the quickfinish portion of the event, and then the final pieces will be auctioned off later in the evening. People are encouraged to come early and watch as the pieces come to life, then finished and framed in front of them. The silent auction includes a variety of work form local and regional artists.

Please visit **www.bigskyarts.org** or call the ACBS office at (406) 995-2742 for more information about this event and to purchase tickets. •



Big Fish screening precedes Shane stagings

Ahead of its stage adaptation of the 2003 fantasy drama, the Shane Lalani Center for the Arts will screen Tim Burton's *Big Fish* as part of the Livingston Film Series on Sunday, February 16th. The free screening begins at 7pm.

Throughout his life Edward Bloom (Ewan McGregor) has always been a man of big appetites, enormous passions and tall tales. In his later years, portrayed by five-time Best Actor Oscar nominee Albert Finney (Best Actor in a Supporting Role, *Erin Brockovich*), he remains a huge mystery to his son, William (Billy Crudup). Now, to get to know the real man, Will begins piecing together a true picture of his father from flashbacks of his amazing adventures in this marvel of a movie.

The Shane's stage rendition of Big Fish opens February 28th and runs weekends

through March 22nd. Performances take place Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm, followed by Sunday matinees at 3pm. Tickets to all shows are \$18 for adults, \$14 for seniors and college students, and \$10 for youth 17 and under. *Learn more on Page 7A*.

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

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

The Livingston Film Series is generously sponsored by Donald B. Gimbel, Marilyn Clotz and Mary Ann Bearden. •



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Music in and Around the Bozone

Mardi Gras-inspired adult prom closes month at Eagles downtown

Though Big Sky Country is one of the nation's premier skiing destinations, the area's non-snow bunnies are left to wait out the spring thaw - and Bozeman's Eagles Bar is a great place to do it! The downtown hub also features regular live music by local musicians and visiting acts. Here's a look at what's happening at FOE in the coming weeks.

Country rockers BlueBelly Junction are next up Friday and Saturday, February 14th and 15th. The "rockabilly" group brings an arsenal of originals and personalized covers. The high-energy band tends to veer away from slow jams, other than the occasional tune. Do plan to be on your feet until last call!

The next midweek acoustics come courtesy of **Mathias** on Wednesday, February 19th at 8pm. The Bozeman-based singer/songwriter has been playing music under the Big Sky for nearly two decades. With powerful vocals and a percussive guitar style, he's known for his dynamic live performances full of acoustic folk, rock, and funk tunes. Mathias recorded his debut album, Walk Alone, with the help of Emmy Award-winning producer Jeremiah

Close 2 Toast are back on Friday and Saturday, February 21st and 22nd. Formed from all the right elements found within the Gallatin Valley comes a band like no other, with songs to warm your heart, make you cry and dance! Grab a drink and drag your partner out on the floor.

Kennedy Richards performs Wednesday, February 26th at 8pm. She's 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.

On Friday and Saturday, February 28th and 29th, Poison Lovers will have folks out on the dance floor. The Bozeman-based honky tonk country rock band is comprised of Rob Lethert (guitar, harmonica), Josh Heins (lead guitar), Bill Scott (bass) and Travis Johnston (drums). Remember your dancin' shoes!

Also on Feb. 29th, Bozeman Rotaract Club will present their 6th Annual Second **Chance Prom** in the Ballroom. The "Mardi Gras Masquerade" begins at 8pm. Grab your "krewe" and arrive in your throwback prom attire or favorite Fat Tuesdaythemed look. Masks and beads encouraged!

Sure to be a ball, the celebration will feature photo booth, flip cup games, raffle prizes and much more! Advance tickets are \$20 through Eventbrite and \$25 at the door. All proceeds benefit Greater Impact Inc., a local organization that works to help people with car troubles and housing problems.

There's no better Thirsty Thursday than one with **Sunrise** Karaoke, setting up at FOE every week at 9pm. Sing your heart out, cheer on your friends and

maybe even do a dance

number between songs!

Bridger Mountain Big Band performs regularly on Sundays from 7-9:30pm. The 17piece jazz orchestra celebrates the music of Duke Ellington, Count Basie, and more, with original arrangements and music of all genres from the 1900s to today. Check them out on



Close to toast

The Eagles is located at 316 E Main. •

Facebook for performance announcements. Eagles Bar live music begins at 9pm, unless otherwise noted. Head downtown to play a game of pool, listen to some great local bands or stop in for a cold one any day of the week!

Put more fun in your life and learn to dance! Lauren Coleman's Have Fun Dancing has announced a new **Basic Ballroom** course starting February 17th. The class 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

Tuition is \$63 per person with no experience or partner necessary. The class will meet twice weekly at 6pm, Mondays and Wednesdays, for three weeks. For additional information and to register, visit www.have**fundancing.com** or call (406) 763-4735.

Over the years, Lauren Coleman's studio has taught hundreds of Bozemanites to dance

even people with two left feet! A friendly atmosphere and a beautiful facility with a floating double-sprung hardwood floor is kind to the legs and feet. Lauren has taught for many years and ensures students the best experience possible. Dancing is a great way to meet people, acquire a useful social skill, and get some exercise. Feeling comfortable on the

dance floor has many social and physical benefits – and it's good for the soul! It's fun for single people as well as couples.

Check out Have Fun Dancing's Facebook page for event announcements, or email lauren@havefundancing.com with questions. The Have Fun Dancing studio is located at 414 Bryant St. in Bozeman. •

Pine Creek brings 'Dead of Winter' to Paradise Valley space

Pine Creek Lodge will host local ensemble Dead Sky for two shows on Friday and Saturday, February 21st and 22nd. Endure the "Dead of Winter" with Bozeman's own tribute group featuring members of Pinky & the Floyd, MOTH, Kelly Nicholson Band, The Hooligans, The Dead Yellers, SlomoJoe and more. Tickets are \$15 in advance or

\$20 at the door.

Also in Paradise Valley, Pine Creek presents its Brunch Live Music Series. The weekend offering regularly showcases regional musicians from 11am-1pm. Order some food and find a spot! Upcoming acts include:

Shane Secor on Feb. 16th, Amanda **Stewart** on Feb. 23rd and **Juan M Soria** on March 1st. Take your pick and head over! These shows are FREE of admission.

Mark your calendars! Laney Lou & the Bird Dogs return to Paradise Valley for backto-back shows on March 6th and 7th. Opening are Sweet Sage on Friday and Chandler Huntley on Saturday. Stay tuned for additional details.

Space is limited for all indoor shows. Please visit www.pinecreeklodgemontana.com for ticketing information, cabin reservations, and to learn more about these and other upcoming events. Pine Creek also hosts Trivia Wednesdays and regular Thursday night BINGO. The venue is located at 2496 E River Rd., just outside Livingston. •

"Most unique tribute show in decades!" - LA Times

Learning to dance is half the fun! New fundamentals class announced



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Tickets now on sale for Symphony's enigmatic spring performances



Jon Manasse

Bozeman Symphony continues its unique and diverse 52nd concert season of new and classic symphonic repertoire with Enigma next month. Performances will take place Saturday, March 7th, at 7:30pm, and Sunday, March 8th, at 2:30pm, both at the Willson Auditorium.

The performances will feature the work of American composer Aaron Copland and his Concerto for Clarinet. The Symphony welcomes the return of Jon Manasse, prize recipient of the International Competition for Clarinet in Munich, the youngest winner of the International Clarinet Society Competition, and current faculty member at the Juilliard school. The orchestra will be

highlighted as they perform Edward Elgar's Enigma Variations.

The concerts will introduce the Symphony's fifth Music Director Finalist, Thomas Heuser. He will begin the program with his conductor choice selection, Florence Price's Dances in the Canebrakes (1953). Price (1887 – 1953), an American classical composer, pianist, organist and music teacher, is the first African-American woman to be recognized as a symphonic composer and the first to have a composition played by a major orchestra. Heuser, like Price, was a

pianist, playing for a student-run ensemble at Vassar College, and later became the director of the group, which propelled his love for conducting. Now, Heuser has been widely recognized for his stirring



Thomas Heuser by Photo Divine

leadership and energetic presence both onstage and in the community. Currently, he serves as Music Director of the Idaho Falls Symphony, as well as the San Juan Symphony, an innovative regional orchestra based in Durango, Colorado, and Farmington, New Mexico, that serves the Four Corners. Thomas lives in scenic Durango with his wife, violinist Lauren Avery, and their son Theodore.

Adult tickets for Enigma range \$27 to \$67 with student discounts available. A limited number of rush tickets are also available, based on availability. Tickets for all Bozeman Symphony performances may be reserved in advance at www.bozemansymphony.org or at the door, based on availability. Those interested may also visit the Symphony offices, located at 1001 W Oak, Ste. 110, or call (406) 585-9774 for further details.

The Symphony wishes to thank David Ross and Risi for their season sponsorship and Donald Gimbel for sponsoring these performances. •

11th & Grant features woodwind instrumentalist Gregory Young

MontanaPBS will premiere a brand-new episode of 11th & Grant with Eric Funk, its signature music series, on Thursday, February 20th. The episode will showcase Gregory Young & **Friends** at 7pm.

Young, principal clarinetist with the Montana Ballet Company and the Intermountain Opera orchestras, will share a diverse classical repertoire featuring works by Prokoviev and Mozart, as well as his originals.

A cast of renowned Montana musicians will accompany him on violin, viola, cello, percussion and piano. The exciting range of music is brought to life as Young performs with Carrie Krause, Mary

Kothman, Mary Landeen, Julia Cory Slovarp, Stephen Versaevel, Eric Funk, Laurel Yost and Sue Makeever, many of whom teach at the Montana State University School of Music.

Young holds a doctoral degree in music from the University of Michigan, and he has performed and lectured on five continents. He developed the Bozeman Symphony Outreach Program and served for seven years as Director of the School of Music at Montana State University and eight years as Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education. This past year his "Rocky Mountain Elk Suite" was premiered at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., and his book "Undergraduate Research in Music" was published by Routledge Press.

Gregory Young & Friends premieres Thursday, February 20th at 7pm. An encore will air on Saturday, Feb. 22nd at 10pm.

11th & Grant with Eric Funk is the premier outlet for music performance in Montana, seeking out the state's most acclaimed, accomplished, and pioneering talent. The Emmy®-winning performance series also devotes significant time to each artist's personal story, insights into their music and their approach to life, ultimately providing a deeper experience than a seat at a concert. Accomplished

composer and musician Eric Funk serves as host and artistic director, hand selecting each performer from communities around the state to form a diverse series featuring genres from jazz to classical, country to zydeco, and rock to fusion.

Previous episodes of 11th & Grant are available to stream anytime at www.11thandgrant.com or on the 11th & Grant app. •



Rialto hosts nights of electronica & psych-funk in downtown black box

As the new calendar year chugs right along, Downtown Bozeman's Rialto continues to feature an excellent slate of musicians from its black box stage. Here's a look at some of the upcoming happenings.

Progressive bluegrass outfit Kitchen Dwellers are back in town for a two-night run on February 14th and 15th. Music begins at 8pm with Pillow Talk on Friday and **Armchair Boogie** on Saturday. Advance tickets to these all-ages shows range \$22–\$40. Doors at 7pm.

In the near decade they've been together, the four-piece has performed for thousands at Red Rocks, shared bills with the likes of Railroad Earth, The Infamous Stringdusters and Twiddle, and graced festival stages from Northwest String Summit to WinterWonderGrass. The group has transcended traditional genre boundaries, blending virtuosic bluegrass wizardry with ecstatic rock and roll energy and adventurous psychedelia. With Muir Maid, the

group has come fully into their own, seamlessly blending the past, present and future of string band music to create their most daring and collaborative

Experience the Golden State electronica of $\boldsymbol{Thriftworks}$ on Friday, February 21st. House artist **3DHR** opens at 8pm. Advance tickets to this all-ages show are \$15. Doors at

Thriftworks offers his own uniquely original take on forward thinking electronic music, weaving eclectic samples and explosive modern bass that continually pushes the envelope while taking the art of beat-crafting to new heights. His use of deep low-end and wall-to-wall synths channel something ancient



Pigeons Playing Ping Pong

and mysterious, offering up an intoxicating musical high with an invigorating breath of fresh air.

These sounds activate the senses, enrapture the mind, move the body and leave audiences begging for more. Recent single "All Is Well" is available now.

Local Tom Petty tribute **The** Waiting follow on Saturday, February 22nd. Fellow Bozeman artist Marcedes Carroll will open at 8pm. Advance tickets to this all-ages show are \$15. Doors at 7pm.

The Bozeman roadhouse rock n' roll band celebrates the music of Tom Petty. Whether it's one of his 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 good time.

East Coast psych-funk group **Pigeons Playing Ping Pong** visit Bozeman on Wednesday, February 26th. The music begins at 8pm. Advance tickets to this allages show are \$25. Doors at 7pm. Find additional details and the BoZone's interview with frontman Greg Ormont on Page 4C.

Looking ahead, **Panther Car** performs with help from **Fuuls** and **Bull Market** on Saturday, March 7th at 9pm. Tickets to this all-ages show are \$10. Doors at 8:30pm. Stay tuned for additional details.

The Rialto is located at 10 W Main St. in Downtown Bozeman. Peruse current happenings and buy advance tickets at www.logjampresents.com/rialto. Follow the Rialto on Facebook and Instagram for the most up to date event announcements. •

Celtic multi-instrumentalist to grace Ellen stage early next month

Fronted by the legendary Irish musician himself, Seamus Egan **Project** visits Southwest Montana next month with a phenomenal performance at Downtown Bozeman's Ellen Theatre. The show is set for Saturday, March 7th. All seats are

March 6 & 7

\$26.50. The music begins at 7:30pm.

Egan explores the reaches of the Irish tradition and beyond in the Seamus Egan Project, introducing audiences to his immense catalog of beloved music, new tunes never recorded or performed live, and

fresh arrangements by artists like Woody Guthrie and Laura Nyro. Egan will bring along multi-talented musical guests to perform an uplifting concert featuring powerful vocals, exquisite fingerpicking and rhythm guitars, hard-driving tenor banjo, lively tin whistle, and

masterful playing of the Irish flute, mandolin and more!

Egan, who also composed music for the award-winning film The Brothers McMullen and co-wrote Sarah McLachlan's breakout hit "Weep Not for the Memories," "can blaze through traditional Irish reels and original compositions alike, all with his signature approach" (The Sun). Seamus' brand new album, Early Bright, released in January.

Wine, beer, and other refreshments will be sold in the lobby one hour before all events. Ticketing and further information about these and other upcoming happenings is available at www.theellentheatre.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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Share early designs on sunny season adventures over Bridger flavor of choice

Recently giving loyal patrons a peek into the progress of their second location, Bridger Brewing provisions are a taste bud-satisfying diversion for local adventurers awaiting the change in season. The local brewery also hosts Music & Mussels on Wednesday evenings and {Pints with Purpose} on

Mondays. Here's a look at some of the upcoming acts and nonprofits.

Wednesday nights from 5:30–8pm, Bridger presents Music & Mussels! Enjoy some live music and succulent, steamed mussels while sipping on your favorite flavor.

Local trio **Honey & Rye** are

next up on February 19th. Bringing their tuneage to venues all over Southwest Montana, the group entertains audiences with its Americana bluegrass and good ole time swagger. Order up a sudsy brew and settle in for the show!

The happy hour spot hosts Walcrik on February 26th. 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.

Bridger Brewing also plays host {Pints with Purpose} every Monday night from 5-8pm where a dollar of every pint sold is donated to a featured local nonprofit. Here's a look at who's on the calendar in the coming weeks. Head in to enjoy a house-brewed pint and be charitable in the process!

Proceeds from February 17th will benefit Child



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Care Connections. Serving Gallatin, Park and Meagher counties, the organization advocates for the well-being and quality care of children by supporting early childhood professionals and families around the greater community. Learn more at www.cccmontana.org.

Support the **Montana** Wilderness School on February 24th. The education center offers empowering expeditionary wilderness courses to youth that foster personal growth and cultivate a conservation ethic through connecting with remote landscapes and wild places. Learn more at www.montanaw-

ildernessschool.org. Bridger Brewing provides the Bozeman community with unique hand-crafted brews, fresh artisan-style pizzas and more. Learn more about upcoming events and daily specials at www.bridger**brewing.com**. Hours are 11am to 9pm daily. •

Capital city country group enlivens Sac dance floor

The historic Sacajawea Hotel has the cure for mid-winter antsiness delicious eats and live entertainment! Head out to Three Forks for dinner in Pompey's Grill followed by a night on the dance floor 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.

Helena's **Longhorn Band** boot scoots in on Friday, February 21st. Musicians Mike Doughty, Dennis Dupré and Terry O'Hare, joined by newcomer Clint Rieder and fiddle player Chad Sigafoos, craft a true



Hot Springs welcomes smoky blues of Columbia Jones, DASH & more

Whether you're looking to relieve sore muscles post-workout or simply need to warm up, a soak at Bozeman Hot Springs is the perfect

electric guitar, saxophone, trumpet, drums, auxiliary percussion, keys and bass. These guys bring the party wherever they perform, and this



The Road Agents

avenue. The venue also hosts weekly live music from its outdoor stage, with regional and traveling musicians performing every Thursday and Sunday night at 7pm. Here's a look at who's coming up. Bozeman jam-funk extravaganza

Left on Tenth performs Sunday, February 16th. Their riveting, highenergy shows blend acoustic and

show will be no exception!

Salt Lake City artist Columbia **Jones** follows on Thursday, February 20th. His smoky, dirty blues help to blend a wide variety of covers and originals. Jones specializes in sounding like a fullband using a mixture of instruments including bass drum, tambourine, guitar and harmonica. He plays a

healthy mix of originals and covers from artists for every generation, like Mumford & Sons, The Civil Wars and The Chainsmokers.

Take in a Sunday show by **DASH** on February 23rd. The progressive duo blends soulful rock music with an electronic sound to create something completely unique. Boasting an impressive, vocal-centric sound paired with a wildly energetic performance, members Kayti Korte and Ben Morris deliver a can't-miss experience to every venue they play.

The Road Agents take the stage with their Montana-infused rock n' roll on Thursday, February 27th. The guitar and mandolin duo comprised of Jeff Peterson and Justin Ringsak covers a wide range of topics, from songs about firewood to those about robbing banks. Their colorful EP, Dreams of Stingrays, Roadrunners & Hangovers is available now. With an acoustic sound that's easy on the ears while still being a fun listen, Jeff and Justin are a perfect fit for a Thursday night in the pools.

Bozeman Hot Springs is located just south of Four Corners. Visit www.bozemanhotsprings.com for operating hours, further event details, and fitness membership information. •

voice will put your feet into motion. A band that truly plays for the dancers in the crowd, Longhorn has performed at numerous venues around Montana. On Friday, February 28th, round

up your friends and favorite tunes for a night of Sunrise Karaoke. Serenade your group with a personalized rendition and impress the always energetic crowd. You haven't done karaoke until you've done it with Sunrise!

Sac live music begins at 9pm. The Sacajawea Hotel is located at 5 N Main in Three Forks. For more information about these events, visit www.sacajaweahotel.com. •

Local musicians, Centennial State folk jam project come to Wild Joe*s

With spring still a ways out, many are looking for activities to assuage their off-season cabin fever. Offering a delicious variety of beverages and bites to go with, Downtown Bozeman's Wild Joe*s is also home to regular live acoustics by local and traveling artists. These Coffee Spot

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



A Brother's Fountain

sets are free of admission and a nice alternative to late night bar sets. Here's a look at what's coming up.

Colorado folk jam ensemble A Brother's Fountain perform on Friday, February 21st. Birthed from deep spiritual expression within the avenue of passionate music, this a rag tag group of musicians got their start on the street corners of old town Fort Collins. The band has since evolved into a multi-piece featuring a rather eclectic combination of instruments. Together they've uncovered a folk-inspired genre listeners have always wanted to hear, but never knew existed.

The next **Open Mic Night** will take place Saturday, February 22nd from 6-8pm. Enjoy 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

more people who come, the more

money in the pot. Chandler Huntley is set for Friday, February 28th from 6-8pm. The South Carolina native draws influence from Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard, Guy Clark, John Prine, Robert Earl Keen and other country greats, from the current and past. His upbeat, finger-picking guitar style and soulful voice are something to behold.

Wild Joe*s Coffee Spot is located at 18 W Main in Downtown Bozeman. Learn more about these and other upcoming events at www.wildjoescoffee.com. •

No object is safe as unconventional percussionists STOMP into Brick

Get ready to shake the earth beneath your feet with **STOMP!** As part of the American Bank Broadway in Bozeman series, the Theatre at the Brick will host the famed troupe at 7:30pm on February 25th as part of its North American tour. Tickets range \$45–\$60 and are available at www.ticketswest.com and the Fieldhouse box office.

STOMP is explosive, inventive, provocative, witty and utterly unique – an unforgettable experience for audiences of all ages. The international percussion sensation has garnered armfuls of awards and rave reviews, having also appeared on numerous national television shows. The eight-member troupe uses everything but conventional percussion instruments – matchboxes, wooden poles, brooms, garbage cans, Zippo lighters, hubcaps – to fill the stage with magnificent rhythms. Year after year, audiences worldwide keep coming back for more of this pulsepounding electrifying show. As the Boston Globe says, "If you haven't seen STOMP, GO! If you have

seen it, take someone and share the pleasure!" STOMP. See what all the noise is about.

For more information on

STOMP, please visit www.stomponline.com or find them on Facebook (@stomponline). •





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The Interview

Joyous Baltimore jammers bring Presto tour to Treasure State

Big Sky Country is set to welcome the return of **Pigeons Playing Ping Pong** for a pair of Montana shows as part of their winter tour. The stops coincide with the recent release

of their new album, Presto. The Baltimore-based ensemble brings end-

of-the-world enthusiasm to their highenergy psychedelic shows. Their infectious electro-funk grooves, undeniable live energy and contagious smiles have their rabid fanbase ("The Flock") growing exponentially. This animated quartet has been scorching up stages across the country with their explosive performances and danceable peaks.

In anticipation of their local performances, the Rolling Zone spoke with frontman "Scrambled Greg' Ormont about the new album and potency of positivity.

Rolling Zone: Pigeons just kicked off its winter tour, coming off of two sold-out shows at the Troubadour in West Hollywood. Based on these first few dates, can you forecast how you think this outing will be remembered in the Pigeons legacy?

Greg Ormont: This is our first tour supporting Presto. We're playing a bunch of material off the album, and we've also been working on a ton of new material since so hopefully it'll mark a couple tour debuts down the line. We're also touring with our friends Goose which really makes it like a twobird, feathered friends tour. I think it'll go down as avian friendly.

RZ: You've had a few unrelenting years, playing some of the biggest stages and festivals to rooms of the more intimate variety. The Montana stops at the Top Hat and Rialto – fall somewhere in the middle. Does the band feel limited by smaller venues, or do you guys just hope the space can handle what you're putting out?

GO: I think we're really good at adapting to each setting. It's important to read the room, read the crowd and let the energy flow the way it's supposed to. If anything's limiting, it's more so our lighting production. Sometimes you can't set up a whole package [in] smaller rooms. When we have the space, we go pretty hard in terms of making an epic, memorable light show. Our lighting designer has a number of packages that will fit the shape of the stage and service the room properly. As a jam band, we're used to adapting and changing things on the fly and making it the best night we can.

RZ: Let's dig into *Presto*. The band's fifth studio effort released just a few weeks ago, following lead-off singles "King Kong," "Dawn a New Day" and "High as Five." Though much of the material was road-tested on Pigeon devotees - "The Flock" - ahead of its official release, how have audiences been responding to the new record?

GO: It's been going great. All of our fans

are very much into it, and hopefully we're able to turn some new heads with the material. I had a particularly fun time working with the Here Come the Mummies horns [on "King King"]. They're just a really powerful, talented bunch of wacky dudes that we love hanging out with. I'd like to think [the fans] are enjoying it. Like I said, you put out an album and promote and tour it, but we're also writing new music constantly. Our sound checks these days have been devoted to new material to keep our insatiable Flock happy.

RZ: Presto arrives only a few years after Pizazz, and you're already working on new music. Is there a particular statement you're looking to make with your originals?

GO: We really pour ourselves into every album and try to make each song a little better, whether down to the songwriting or just the effort we put into it. We're not trying to skip any steps – we just want to take baby steps in the right direction, give it our all and make sure we did everything we could to be

confident with the finished product [before] putting our stamp of approval on it. Overall, the message of our band is to kind of spread positivity and put good energy out in the world, lift people up if they need it and allow them to have an outlet to have fun and not take

One Drop Design from your native Baltimore. Whether for tour posters or album covers, how does including the various art reinforce the Pigeons brand?

GO: The artwork has been amazing. With the name 'Pigeons Playing Ping Pong,' I think



photo by Jay Blakesberg

themselves so seriously. There's a marriage between being goofballs and also putting out music that we feel is properly written and something we can stand behind. We really like to have fun and cut loose on stage, try to bottle up that energy and pour it into the studio.

RZ: You've declared the live show audience a sort of unofficial member of the band. How do think their contributions transfer from the show to the studio?

GO: We were touring really hard [before Presto], testing out a bunch these songs and getting feedback from the most important people, which is our fans who are going to inevitably enjoy the album. They really play a big role in the song structures. When we play them live, we notice if fans are enjoying certain sections or are ready for the next section to come. They let us know what's working and what isn't. We had been touring relentlessly and went directly into the studio when we got home. We were able to have such a recent memory of the fans' reactions that we were almost visualizing them while we were recording. They really inform a lot of our decisions live, and that translated directly into the studio.

RZ: It's been a decade since the Funk EP introduced Pigeons to the world. Is that music the band still aligns with? Or do you think it's too far removed from what you've evolved into?

GO: We played something off *Funk* at our last show. We have a pretty big catalog at this point, but we also like to throw it back to the origin songs that got us to where we are now. When you practice and write all the time, you can go back to some of these older songs and have more of a musical acumen [to] apply and lift them up a bit. We have fun playing all of the songs that we've written because they're like our babies. It brings us back to those early college-era days when we first started writing and playing local clubs and basements, and we were crashing on people's floors and couches. When we play those songs, it's like a trip down memory lane [with] a few more tools in our

toolbelt to bring them to life a little

RZ: The band has a longtime collaboration with art and its creators, the *Presto* wizard pigeon courtesy of

we've given our tour poster and album artists a lot to work with. Some of our peers have these one-word band names that maybe don't mean anything and the artist has free range to work those letters into the art, whereas we'll typically get a lot of spins off of birds or ping-pong paddles, or a variety of word association art that has become just beautiful. It's been an honor to work with these artists. The tour posters we've been putting out are really something you might want to put in a frame. It's pretty wild to look back on our guitarist, Jeremy Schon, making our tour graphics and logos, to nowadays working with some seriously talented artists. What's cool about One Drop, we've been working with Owen [Murphy] for so long. I actually think it might have been New Year's 2013 when he did his first-ever show poster for us. Fast forward several years and he's done art for a number of our albums. He's been working with some incredible bands like Dead & Company, he's been making labels for local craft beer companies, and is really just killing it. We're super proud to be along the journey with him and watch his career unfold.

RZ: Devoted to positivity, you recently launched the Dawn a New Day Foundation to promote causes important to the greater Pigeons community, including mental health. What can you tell us about the new initiative?

GO: Dawn a New Day is my pride and joy right now. We've been fortunate enough to do this full-time for quite a while, and as we continued to play, we felt the love of our fans and the people we were meeting from state to state. It's been long discussed to give back to those communities and do something bigger than music. One of the things I think about on stage, we play these shows and everyone's typically feeling euphoric and excited. My goal is for them to take that good, positive energy and go out in the world and do something with it so it doesn't just dissipate afterward. The Foundation is the epitome of that, taking this amazing community, activating us, using that energy to do something good in the world. A dollar of every ticket from Presto tour is going to be donated through Dawn a New Day to our first official partner, Backline. Backline.care is a new hub for mental health resources and support for anyone who's having issues, particularly in the music industry. It came on the heels of a few tragic deaths of industry folks who maybe did not have the resources they needed to get through the tough times on the road. I think the mental health conversation is just now coming to the surface and I'm very excited about that. There's nothing wrong with needing some assistance in

this crazy world we live in. Backline is a great first partner to work with because we're all about promoting positive activity, positive energy and letting people know that they're surrounded by friends whether they

RZ: "Dawn a New Day" is obviously a song on the album.

and listen to some hip-hop if you're feeling

GO: It's really a song about mental health.

The lyrics contain a lot of positive ways to deal with the stresses of life, whether it's to cut loose

angry, or maybe to indulge in chocolate cake, or even to cry. There's a lot of great ways to deal with life's curve balls. "Dawn a New Day" and the Foundation are like promoting options for people to make it through to the other side, learn something from it, and continue to be happy in the life they lead. **RZ:** The winter tour pours right into festival season, so we've got an idea how at

least the front half of 2020 looks. Considering where you're at and what lies ahead, hoping for a point of reflection you'd like to offer at this phase of Pigeons' story. **GO:** When I think about this journey, the

only world that comes to mind is grateful. This has become our career and livelihood, but we really do this for fun. From jamming in a friend's basement in college with just a few buddies to playing sold-out theaters or our first arena show on New Year's Eve, it still has that honest, genuine, fun energy. It's crazy. Life goes by so quickly for everyone, and when you're on tour, everything is sort of scheduled out hour by hour. When you think of it that way, it's kind of slow paced. Then before you know it, the whole tour's over. So, my main goal now is to just live in the moment, appreciate the great times, and give it our 1000% energy. We feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to tour with our best friends and create music that people enjoy. We want to make sure when it's all said and done, we did everything we could to not only give it our all, but also enjoy the ride.

RZ: Something else to look forward to, the 11th annual Domefest is coming up later this spring. Can you give a preview?

GO: Domefest is a really special event we throw at this beautiful place called Marvin's Mountaintop in West Virginia. I know it's far from Montana, but it would be worth every penny to come and check it out. The band plays a lot of big festivals now like Bonnaroo, and as a result we like to keep Domefest incredibly intimate. We put a cap on the attendance so it doesn't get too big for its britches and people are able to have human connections and make new friends. We'll have two stages next to each other, and there's no overlapping sets so everyone gets to see the same concert and share an experience. There will also be some other great bands like Spafford, SunSquabi, TAUK and a lot of regional and national up-and-comers. We're actually doing a special set called "TAUKing Pigeons" - we've jammed with them in the past, but this will be the first official collaborative set. And we'll also have the Domefest All-Stars, which is a live collaboration of past and present Domefest alumni playing together in a never before seen cast of musicians. [Marvin's Mountaintop] is one of our favorite places in the world, and Domefest is a really special event anyone

would have a good time at. RZ: A final message before the Montana shows

GO: We're really excited to be back. Montana is one of the most beautiful areas in the country, so I'm looking forward to getting

Pigeons Playing Ping Pong take Downtown Bozeman's Rialto stage on Wednesday, February 26th. The music begins at 8pm. Advance tickets to this all-ages show are \$25 at www.logjampresents.com/rialto (plus service fees). Doors at 7pm.

Missoula's Top Hat Lounge hosts a 9pm show the evening prior, Feb. $\bar{2}5\text{th}$. Tickets and additional details also available through the Logjam website.

Pigeons Playing Ping Pong is Greg Ormont (lead vocals, guitar), Jeremy Schon (guitar), Ben Carrey (bass), Alex Petropulos (drums, electronics) and Manny Newman (lights).

Learn more about the band at www.pigeonsplayingpingpong.com or find them on Facebook (@PigeonsPlayingPingPong) for updated tour details and other announcements. Follow on $In stagram\ and\ Twitter\ (@pigeonsplaying).$ Their new album, Presto, is available now. Stream on Spotify and Apple Music. •



Betsy Wise celebrates album release with Story Mansion bash at 811 S Willson Ave.

On Thursday, February 20th, the Bozeman Folklore Society and Bozeman Parks and Recreation will once again present a unique and entertaining showcase of live music in the historic Story Mansion as part of its "Pickin' in the Park" series. The evening will feature singer/songwriter **Betsy Wise** with an album

release performance at 7pm. Doors will open at 6:30pm, with the all-ages show to follow. Advance tickets are \$13.50 at Cactus Records, or www.cactusrecords.net (plus fees). Any

remaining tickets will be available

at the door. Seating is limited.

The Story Mansion is located

The evening will serve as a celebration of Wise's new selftitled album, released in December. She will be performing alongside John Sanders on upright bass, with the likelihood of a guest on fiddle high.

Wise lives a life steeped in music, teaching and gigging, with a strong belief in the healing and transformative power of music. She's been making music her entire life, beginning with classical piano and singing harmony with her family. She began songwriting as a teenager inspired by artists like Joni Mitchell, Nancy Griffith and other

rock n' roll luminaries of the 1960s.

You may have seen her singing and playing with the Hooligans, White Sage, Acony Belles, or as half of the duo Betsy & Johnny with regular collaborator John Sanders. Learn more about Wise at www.betsywisesongs.com.

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. There's always a need for volunteers! For further event details or to pledge your sup port, call Rik James at (406) 586-4123. Please visit www.bozemanfolklore.org for all upcoming BFS concert and dance information. •

Red Tractor Music Mondays feature local acts & a bottomless pizza buffet

Now celebrating 6 years of service to the community, Red Tractor continues to be the go-to venue for delicious pizza and regular live music. The hand-tossed, brick oven pizzeria is ready to serve parties large and small for occasions celebratory or casual. Here's a look at the upcoming entertainment.

Jess Atkins is next up on Saturday, February 15th at 7pm. The Montana native's finger and flatpicking styles bring to mind players like Leo Kottke, John Fahey, Keller Williams and Dave Matthews. A self-taught musician, his songs reflect melodies and interpretations of subjects everyone thinks about, but can't always articulate. Along with his self-penned compositions, he easily blends in timeless classics like Danny O'Keefe's "Good Time Charlie's Got the Blues" and Santo and Johnny's "Sleepwalk," among other blues and country tunes.

Aaron Banfield opens the week at 6:30pm on Monday, February 17th. Featured in a wide array of local bands like Cole & the Thornes,

PermaFunk and King Ropes, he plays a little bit of everything, from folk to rock. Banfield combines his amazing guitar skills with some impressive vocals for the enjoyment of every audience.

Bridger Creek Boys return to their usual Thursday slot on February 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 an additional performance to Red Tractor on February 27th at 7pm.

On February 21st, Jazz Night takes over Red Tractor. This regular Friday night show begins at 7pm. Curated by guitarist and composer Alex Robilotta, these evenings feature the 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. An additional Jazz Night is set for February 28th at 7pm.

Sunday, February 23rd sees the monthly return of **The Dirt** Farmers at 6pm. They're a footstomping string band whose "paisley grass" features a 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.

Music Monday features singer/songwriter Foxy Blues on February 24th at 6:30pm. Playing a wide array of instruments, she expertly blends blues, country, folk, reggae, and jazz for a sound completely unique from any other solo artist in the area. Foxy's onewoman-style show is an experience for music lovers of all genres.

Weston Lewis is back on Tuesday, February 25th at 7pm. Lewis plays with a number of local bands, solo performances, and as a sit-in lead guitarist for artists including The Andrew Hand Band, John Sherrill, The Electric Sunday, Lang Termes, Mathias, and MOTH. His solo sets are

comprised mostly of acoustic rock covers and some of his original songs. In band settings, he likes to play funk, jazz, country and more.



Foxy Blues

Red Tractor Pizza is located at 1007 W Main in Bozeman. Check out their menu at www.redtractorpizza.com. •

Norris Hot Springs: Of Cowboy Hats & Bikinis

Norris Hot Springs has the uniquely Montana distinction of being a place where farmers, ranchers, city hipsters, outdoor enthusiasts and tourists from all around the world can meet in bathing suits and stocking caps in natural artesian, thermal hot springs water.

Norris, Montana is an unincorporated community, set amongst an arid, hilly landscape in the foothills of the Tobacco Root mountains. According to the 2010 census, Norris has a population of 133 people in an area of 133 square miles, meaning that the population density is one person per square mile!

Much of the local revenue base in the areas surrounding Norris involve ranching and mining with pockets of tourism and some worldclass fly fishing. Ennis is just down the road and has a whopping population numbering in the low 1000s. Virginia City, which became a base operations for mining in the mid-to-late 1800s is the county seat for Madison County and now boasts a population in low 200s. Then there's Pony, home of the Pony Bar, with a year-round population of less than 200 people.

Norris anchors this rural community, making it possible for people from different backgrounds to come together in an easy, natural setting. The beauty of Norris Hot Springs is that everyone is welcome. To celebrate the spirit of inclusiveness and generosity, Norris invites people

to soak for free on their birthday! Norris draws locals, city folks from Bozeman, Helena and surrounds, along with national and international tourists. Despite varied lifestyles, values and economic backgrounds, people come to the springs with a shared appreciation for the hot artesian water that burbles up from the depths of the earth and is heated by the earth's molten mantle. Hot springs have long been considered a place of healing and connecting with the primal earth. Add in beautiful views, fabulous local, organic food made with skill and attention, a carefully curated beverage list and live music, and the charm of Norris Hot

Norris also offers live, acoustic music featuring a variety of genres every Friday, Saturday and Sunday night starting at 7 pm, with a \$2 cover. Here's the upcoming lineup.

Springs endures.

Dan Henry takes the stage Friday, February 21st. The Montana native is a singer/songwriter with a unique vocal style coupled with acoustic guitar and bluesy harmonica. He's driven by a blues influence, but covers a wide range of music from folk and rock to reggae, and so much more.

Dave Provost returns on Saturday, February 22nd. 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.

Roots rock duo Acoustic Roll closes out the weekend on Sunday, February 23rd. Comprised of Rod Morrison and Mike Voeller, they'll bring their guitar and percussion based acoustic music to the poolside stage. Expect to hear mellow sounds from the 60s and 70s (Stones, Beatles, Clapton, James Taylor, The Who, Dylan, Young) mixed with tasty jams and original tunes.

On Friday, February 28th, upand-coming Montana musician Joseph Running Crane brings his maturing Americana/folk interpretations to the poolside stage. Check out his show at Norris, and when he makes it big, you'll be able to say you saw him back in the day!

Enjoy the talents of

Headwaters on Saturday, February 29th. The duo plays acoustic blues in the manner of Muddy Waters, Robert Johnson, Mississippi John Hurt and other blues legends. Art Butler drives the music on the resonator. Phil Cohea plays rhythm guitar, harmonica and vocals for that genuine juke joint sound.

Norris' very own **Andrew** Gromiller is set to open a new month on Sunday, March 1st. He'll perform a selection of soul, rock, rhythm & blues, bluegrass, gospel, folk, originals and choice cover songs for soakers

If you're looking for a way to deepen in relaxation and self-care and want to check out a unique cross-

roads of cultures in rural Montana, Norris is the place for you. For operating hours, menus and the complete music calendar,



Dog Winter by Joseph Running Crane

MT Homegrown taps local

visit www.norrishot**springs.com**. Follow on Facebook and Instagram (@NorrisHotSprings). •

Montana Homegrown Radio is back from a short hiatus with some fresh talent! The latest feature is an artist who's been steadily making a name for herself in recent months Kristin Lundell. The singer/

Regional musician showcase

songwriter and guitarist performs catchy, melodic rock originals inspired by the likes of Veruca Salt, Juliana Hatfield and The Beatles. She'll have listeners singing along as she puts her spin on hits that span the decades.

Hosted by local musician Dirk Alan, Montana Homegrown Radio is an online independent musician showcase featuring different area acts with every episode. Presented

rock artist for new episode much like a live broadcast radio show, each hosted episode includes an interview component, discussion,

and of course – live music! Montana Homegrown serves as a promotional space for local talent and their many art forms - and they want YOU! Any musician with a story to tell and a song to sing is encouraged to apply for a guest spot on the podcast.

Visit www.montanahomegrownradio.com to catch up with the fantastic Montana musicians who have been featured thus far, or to submit an application for a future edition. Be sure to keep an eye out for additional guests as they're announced. •

Soak up Chico's hot 'wada' & sprightly Saloon sets every weekend

Counter the bone-chilling cold with a soak at Chico Hot Springs until the summer sun returns to its post. The local getaway is ideal for weekend escapes with live entertainment in the Saloon every Friday and Saturday. Here's a look at what's coming up.

The MAX performs Friday and Saturday, February 14th and 15th. 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 shared the stage with Styx, REO Speedwagon and The Fabulous Thunderbirds.

GrooveWax brings the entertainment Friday and Saturday, February 21st and 22nd. The Gallatin Valley band is comprised of former Jamelution members Cindy Damjanovich, Junior Damjanovich, and Nik Damjanovich, plus SaddleTramp's Gary Peterson. They play rock, country and blues.

On Friday and Saturday, February 28th and 29th, Helena's Justin Case Band take over the Saloon. The '70s to '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 Killeen (guitar), Luke Michelson (bass), and Jeremy Slead (drums).

Live Saloon music begins at 9pm. Chico Hot Springs is located in Pray, 20 miles south of Livingston. Come sip, soak and swing! For more information, visit www.chicohotsprings.com. •

Paige & the People close month with Leap Year Filler bash

ChickenJam West and Mellow Mood present Denver's **A-Mac & the Height** on Thursday, February 20th. Local rock quartet SpekAtlas open at 9pm. Tickets to this 21+ show are \$9 in advance and \$12 at the door. Doors at 8pm.

A-Mac represents a unique musical experience of unity and adventurous fusion of genres. With hookdriven songwriting and a cohesive blend of reggae, hip-hop, funk and alternative rock, the group thrives on overcoming musical boundaries. Their immersive message and feel good energy has proven to bring together beautiful people from coast to coast. Recent singles "Hammer Drop," "Where I'm At" and "Finally Woke" are available now.

Bozeman multi-piece Paige & the People's Band front the "Leap Year Bash" on Saturday, February 29th. Tickets to this 21+ show are \$11 in advance and \$15 at the door. Doors at 8pm. Music starts at 9pm.

The horn-powered and vocally charged group has a feeling of '70s soul with a modern twist. The band is somewhat reminiscent of groups like Cold Blood or Sharon Jones & the Dap-Kings, but with a more contemporary feel. The members dress to impress, giving their performances a sense of occasion, then blast the roof off with their big band, powerhouse sound. The soul, R&B, jazz, and pop ensemble are one of Bozeman's best, and were featured on last year's season premiere of 11th & Grant.

Looking to next month, Mike Dillon Band take the stage Thursday, March 5th. Jazz-funk group Vibe Quartet open at 8pm. Tickets to this 21+ show are \$9 in advance and \$12 at the door. Doors at 7pm.

Dillon has been praised a "punk rock provocateur," "jazz vibraphone visionary" and "percussion virtuoso." The Texas native has set his own standard for three decades,

working with artists like Les Claypool, Rickie Lee Jones and Andi Difranco, among many others. Dillon has released a number of acclaimed albums, intertwining a range of influences from Zappaesque eccentricity to Fishbone punk funk, D.C. Go-Go to Milt Jacksoninfluenced vibraphone majesty. His latest, Kharma Bums, is available now.

Also this winter, ChickenJam presents FREE live music at the Bozeman Taproom on select Saturdays. Upcoming acts include the electradelic funky jazz of PermaFunk on Feb. 15th, Colorado-based roots-blues group Stillhouse Junkies on Feb. 22nd, and swampy Southern soul of Swamp Dawg on Feb. 29th.

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



Performances of "Enigma" feature the work of composer Aaron Copland's Concerto for Clarinet. We welcome the return of Jon Manasse, prize recipient of the International Competition for Clarinet in Munich, the youngest winner of the International Clarinet Society Competition, and current faculty member at the Julius Edward School. The order to be included as the configuration of the International Clarine International Clarine International Configuration of the Internation of the International Configuration of the International Configurat highlighted as they perform Elgar's Enigma Variations.

TICKETS: \$27 and up 406-585-9774 or bozemansymphony.org

LOCAL SPORTS IN AND AROUND THE BOZONE

Bobcats add eight on National Signing Day

by Danny Waldo

After garnering a number of highprofile signees during the early signing period in December, the Montana State football team opted for quality over quantity on National Signing Day, February 5th.

The Bobcats added eight more players to the 2020 signing class, headlined by **Garrett Coon**, a 6-0, 205 lb. running back out of Sheridan, Wyoming, the 2019 Wyoming Gatorade Player of the Year.

The Bobcats also opted to bring in a pair of highly recruited specialists in kicker Blake Glessner out of Woodinville, Washington, and long snapper Tommy Sullivan out of Everett, Washington. Following the graduation of kicker Tristan Bailey and punter Jerad Padmos, specialist was an area of need for MSU, and head coach Jeff Choate feels real good about the duo he is bringing in.

Glessner was a two-time AP All-

State kicker for Woodinville, and was rated a four-star prospect by Sailer Kicking in 2018. Commented Choate, "Blake Glessner is a really good athlete who did all the kicking and puntin chores for Woodinville, but he was also a very good corner and is an excellent basketball player. One of the things that we identified when we were talking about the specialist positions is trying to get the best athlete we can get, because their misses are going to be smaller because their athletic ability is better."

In addition to Coon, the Bobcats added another highly recruited running back in Minaya Olivo from Modesto, California. Olivo rushed for 1,136 yards on 125 carries for an average of 9.1 yards per carry. Added Choate, "Minaya had a ton of offers early out of Central Catholic High School in Modesto, and he went through the recruiting process in an interesting way. He was looking for an academic fit, that was super important to him. We thought we were going to get him to sign in the early period, things kind of cooled off, and we were concerned because Coach (DeNarius) McGhee had done a great job building a relationship with him. Coach (Brian) Armstrong and I did a home visit with him two weeks ago and we absolutely fell in love with his mom, Gloria, and had a great time talking sports with his dad, Miguel, who was a 13-year major league baseball player, and they came up on a visit this last weekend that I think solidified things. We're really excited about this young man. He's super productive, a bigger back than we've often had.'

The 'Cats also added an offensive lineman and a defensive back, along with a transfer receiver and safety.

To read the complete profiles of MSU's newest signees, log on to www.msubobcats.com.

Gallatin High announces coaching hires

by Danny Waldo

In just over six months, the Bozeman School District will officially split into a two high school district with the opening of Gallatin High School in August.

While the opening of Bozeman's second high school is needed, and many community members are excited about the challenge, a fair share of headaches will need to be cured before students roll through the doors come the fall. One of the biggest decisions is what the staffing will look like at the new school, in both the academic and extracurricular worlds.

The Bozeman School District took the first steps in making those decisions by announcing the first round of coaching hires at Gallatin High School. Many of the coaching hires were transfers from Bozeman High School, but there will be new faces in new programs when all is said and done.

Gallatin announced hires in 10 extracurricular positions with five positions yet to be filled. Highlighted amongst the 10 hires was current head boys basketball coach Wes Holmquist shifting over to Gallatin High School to take over the girls' basketball program. Holmquist made the move in large part to be able to coach his daughter, Hadley, who will be a freshman at Gallatin High in the fall.

"I knew probably about two years ago that this would be my last year with the boys

regardless of what happened. (Hadley) is going to be a freshman next year, she plays basketball and volleyball," said Holmquist.

"I would never get to see her play if I coached the boys."

Other coaches making the move from Bozeman High to Gallatin include golf coach Matt Clark, volleyball coach **Ashley Obstar**, and swim coach Siobhan Gilmartin who will coach both Bozeman High and Gallatin High next

New coaches joining the school next year include head football coach **Hunter** Chandler, who spent last season as the defensive coordinator at Bozeman High under Levi Wesche, and Michael Claxton, who will take over the boys' basketball program after spending time coaching professionally overseas, as well as at the high school level in Seattle, Washington.

The shift in coaches at Gallatin opened a few spots at Bozeman High School, with the most notable amongst those being Troy Hostetler moving up from the boys' freshmen basketball team to take over for Holmquist as the head varsity coach.

There are many positions yet to be filled, with the hopes of doing so in the coming month so preparations can begin for the upcoming school year.

Danny Waldo is a local freelance writer covering Montana State Bobcat and Bozeman Hawk athletics.

Choate tabs 'Air Raid' assistant as new OC

by Danny Waldo

Anyone will tell you that coaching changes are a part of the business, and so it came as no surprise when Montana State found itself with a few vacancies on its nationally ranked football staff.

What may come as a surprise is head coach Jeff Choate's selection as new offensive coordinator. Choate recently named Justin Udy as the Bobcats' new offensive coordinator following the departure of Matt Miller, who left to take an offensive assistant position at his alma mater, Boise State.

Udy comes to Montana State via Texas Tech, home to the vaunted 'Air Raid' passing attack made famous by their former head coach Mike Leach.

While Udy wasn't there during Leach's heyday in Lubbock, the Red Raiders still like to fling the ball around aplenty in the pass-happy Big 12, which makes Udy's selection all the more interesting.

From the moment Choate was introduced as the Bobcats' head coach back in 2016, he has proclaimed that his will be a football team that will win in the trenches with a punishing ground attack, and he has held true to his word in his four years. But, with the opportunity to bring in a new perspective on the offensive side of the ball, Choate opted to look for more variance to MSU's wellestablished ground attack.

At Tech, Udy worked as a quality control assistant to offensive

coordinator David Yost, who is known to many in the business to be a quarterback whisperer. Udy's experience working with Yost was something that stood out to Choate and his staff. "That's one of the things we were looking for," Choate said. "He has a high degree of expertise at the quarterback position specifically, and I felt that was important."

Udy inherits and offensive that returns quarterbacks Tucker Rovig and Casey Bauman, who both started last fall, in addition to tranfer Matthew McKay from North Carolina State. The Bobcats also feature a plethora of running backs, led by Troy Andersen and Isaiah Ifanse. The Bobcats' ground attack was tops in the Big Sky in 2019. •



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Bridger presents Leap Day Ride & Seek mountain hunt, seeks **Point & Chute entries**

Bridger Bowl continues to sponsor slopeside events for the area's competitive this winter. The Terrain Park Jam will take place Saturday, February 22nd with race times from 11am-2pm. This tworun slopestyle competition features a variety of rails, rollers, boxes, banks and barrels.

The event is designed for skiers and snowboarders of all ages. The Jam is \$15 for all registrants. Race day registration will take place in Jim Bridger Lodge from 8:30-10am. The award ceremony will take place at 4pm in the Lodge featuring medals, door prizes and entry into the grand prize drawing. Patrol Band will bring the live music. Beer promo by Madison River Brewing.

Inverted aerial maneuvers are prohibited during Bridger Bowl competitions. If under the age of 18, signature of a parent or legal

guardian is required. Valid season pass or lift ticket required for competitors. Discounted lift rates available for competitors.

This Leap Year, the Ride & Seek Scavenger Hunt will benefit the Bridger Bowl Foundation on Saturday, February 29th beginning at 10am. Hunt for checkpoints around the mountain, visiting at least four of six to validate scavenger card. Present completed card to the events crew by 2:30pm for a chance at fantastic door prizes.

This family friendly event is \$10 per person and is limited to 200 participants. Day of registration in Jim Bridger Lodge from 8:30-10am, depending on slot availability. Post-hunt celebrations include music by Tsunami Funk and brews by KettleHouse in the Lodge at 4pm.

Looking ahead, the Point and **Chute** film festival is back on

Saturday, March 14th. This film competition is pre-juried with a public screening of the top seven films. Go out, shoot some footage, edit the story and enter! The submission deadline for all entrants is 4pm on Saturday, March 7th.

Entry into this competition is \$20 per filmmaker and open to anyone with a camera. Films have a maximum length of 5 minutes and must be entirely shot within Bridger boundaries. These will be judged on the following criteria: storvline, creativity, soundtrack, editing and overall impression. Please see full list of requirements before entering.

The public screening will take place in Jim Bridger Lodge on March 14th at 4:30pm. Winners will receive cash prizes, door prizes, and entry into the grand prize drawing.

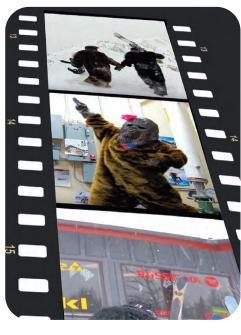
Bridger Bowl operates a FREE ski bus service to and from the

mountain, with multiple pick-up times. Operating on Saturday and Sunday only, the Weekend Bus picks up at MSU's Strand Union Building and the Gallatin County Fairgrounds (Oak entrance) throughout the entire ski season. The newly added Midweek Bus is now in service Wednesday to Friday, also picking up at the SUB and Fairgrounds. Additionally, a special Holiday Bus will be in service on Feb. 17th. This bus will also pick up at the SUB and Fairgrounds. Also available, the Livingston Bus now runs on Saturdays, picking up at the Park County Fairgrounds at 7:45am only. Please

The ski area is located on the

see website for detailed route

schedules.



east slope of the Bridger Mountain Range. For season pass information, bus schedules and upcoming event details, visit www.bridgerbowl.com. •

FWP reminder: Use caution when recreating on the ice

From Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks encourages ice anglers and others recreating on ice to use caution. Ice conditions are variable across

"Ice fishing has been an excellent winter family activity in Montana for generations," said FWP Helena Area Fisheries Biologist Adam Strainer. "However, safety should always be the first priority when preparing for an ice fishing adventure at your favorite 'hardwater' destination."

The safest ice anglers are those who pay as much attention to the changing conditions of the ice as they do to the fishing conditions. This week is a perfect example, with temperatures fluctuating from below freezing to the mid-40s.

When on the ice, remember: If you have even the slightest doubt about the safety off the ice,

Blue ice is usually hard. Watch out for opaque, gray, dark or porous spots in the ice that could be weak, soft areas. Ice also tends to thin more quickly at the shorelines.

Watch for pressure ridges. These are areas of open water or thin ice where the ice has cracked and heaved due to expansion from freezing.

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an ice spud bar or an auger.

Don't leave children unsupervised on the ice.

Lakes and ponds do not freeze at the same thickness all over.

Moving water – rivers, streams and springs – weaken ice by wearing it away from underneath. Avoid ice on rivers and streams, or where a river or stream enters a lake, pond or reservoir.

The following are MINIMUMS needed with ice thickness:

- 4 inches: 1 person with gear
- 5 inches: small group spread out 6 inches: snowmobile or ATV
- 9 inches: small automobile (not

recommended, but if you must, proceed at your own risk!) 12 inches: pickup truck or SUV

(again, not recommended) Some other common ice-safety

reminders to keep in mind: Dress warm and waterproof

to help prevent frostbite and hypothermia.

Consider changes in the weather (and ice conditions) during the prior 24 hours.

It's OK to wear a life jacket (PFD) or carry a throwable flotation device while out on the ice - safe ice anglers do it all



where you plan to fish and when you plan to return.

Carry a pair of ice picks (long spikes on a heavy string around your neck). If you break through the ice, you can use the spikes to grip the ice and pull yourself out of the water.

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.

Utah professor to lead climate change lecture & panel in Inspiration Hall

From MSU News Service

Rob Davies, physicist and professor of professional practice at Utah State University, will present a lecture about how the climate crisis is changing our world at 6:30pm Tuesday, February 18th, in Inspiration Hall in Montana State University's Norm Asbjornson Hall.

The lecture, which will discuss far-reaching global effects to disturbances in local mountain communities, is part of an event, "Climate Change, Now What? Creating a Sustainable Future, Today." The lecture will be followed by a panel discussion and preceded by a master class. All events in the series are free.

The members of the panel discussion will include Patrick Holmes, policy adviser for natural resources in the Office of the Governor; Bozeman City Commissioner Terry Cunningham; Dan Stevenson, associate vice president for MSU University Services; and Termaine Awanaakii (Rattle Woman), climate change coordinator for the Blackfeet Tribe.

The lecture will be preceded by a master class that will allow students to discuss possible career paths and opportunities for tangible action and solutions. The class, which will also be open to the public if space is available, will begin at 3:30 p.m. in Inspiration Hall and will be followed by a reception.

Davies is a physicist who focuses on atmospheric physics, surface physics and quantum optics. He has spent more than a decade working in critical science communication. He has been a project scientist for USU's Space Dynamics Laboratory, technical liaison for NASA's International Space Station

project, physicist and climate change communicator with the Utah Climate Center, and an officer and meteorologist in the U.S. Air Force.

"The world now faces a bona fide crisis," Davies said. "A great deal is beginning to shift in our response to climate change; however, it does not yet come close to rising to the response that is required." He added that humanity has technology to help respond to climate change but needs the resolve to act.

"Our goal in providing this lecture, panel and master class is to expose our campus and community to not just the science behind the climate crisis but also the solutions available to all of us, right here at the local level," said Paul Lachapelle, professor in the Department of Political Science and MSU Extension who is an organizer of the event.

"Climate Change, Now What? Creating a Sustainable Future, Today" is co-sponsored by the MSU Office of Sustainability, MSU College of Letters and Science, MSU College of Education, Health and Human Development, MSU School of Architecture, MSU Honors College, MSU Norm Asbjornson College of Engineering, Montana Institute on Ecosystems, MSU **Extension Community** Development, and the City of Bozeman. The lecture and panel will be live-streamed and recorded. The event is organized in partnership with Climate Smart Missoula.

More information about the events are available at www.msucommunitydevelopment.org/climatechange.html. •



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Venture to northernmost reaches with next 'Wilderness and...' talk

Baffin Island, part of the Nunavut Territory off of Canada's northeast coast, is larger than the state of Montana, and home to polar bears, arctic foxes and spectacular mountain scenery.

As part of its continuing presentation series, the Montana Wilderness Association's Madison-Gallatin Chapter will next host local conservationist and retired wildlife biologist Jeff

Shryer. The winter "Wilderness and..." lecture unfolds Tuesday, February 25th at Bozeman's Hope Lutheran Church. Shryer recently completed an extended hiking trip to Baffin Island, and will share photos from his adventure including some of the region's indigenous people. The program will take place in

the Fireside Room beginning at

7pm and is open to the public.

W Graf Street (off S 19th)

Hope Lutheran is located at 2152

The Madison-Gallatin Chapter of the Montana Wilderness Association educates and inspires people to protect special wild places in Park, Gallatin and Madison counties in Southwest and South-Central Montana. Some best known wild places include the four units of the Lee Metcalf Wilderness in the Madison Range, a large section of the Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness, some of the northwestern parts of Yellowstone National Park, and the Hyalite-Porcupine-Buffalo Horn Wilderness Study Area in the Gallatin Range. Other mountain ranges in the geographic area with unprotected wild areas include parts of the Bridgers, the Gravely and Snowcrest Ranges, the Tobacco Roots and Crazy Mountains. Learn more at www.wildmontana.org. •

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Montana State University and Ellen host lecture events with animal behavior expert Temple Grandin



From MSU News Service

Internationally recognized animal behavior researcher and advocate Temple Grandin visits Bozeman this month for a pair of lectures. She will speak Thursday, February 20th on the Montana State University campus at noon and at Bozeman's Ellen Theatre

Grandin's visit is part of the Bair Ranch Foundation Seminar Series hosted by the Department of Animal and Range Sciences in the

MSU College of Agriculture. The series brings nationally and internationally recognized scientists, agriculturalists and educators to speak to students and community members about agricultural topics. All of the series' events are free and open to the

"We are thrilled to welcome Dr. Grandin to Bozeman," said Sreekala Bajwa, MSU's vice president for agriculture, dean of the College of Agriculture and

director of the Montana Agricultural Experiment Station. "Her innovations and advancements in agriculture cannot be overstated, and it will be a privilege for all of us to have the opportunity to hear from her firsthand.'

Grandin, currently a professor at Colorado State University, pioneered novel techniques for calming animals and lowering stress in feedlot situations. Her research has touched upon topics ranging from

animal behavior during handling and transport, effective designs for stockyards and corrals, humane slaughter techniques and impacts of animal stress on meat quality. Her life and work were portrayed in the 2010 film Temple Grandin, and she was honored on Time magazine's list of the 100 most influential people in the world the same year.

Grandin is also known for chronicling her life as an individual on the autism spectrum. In her book Thinking in Pictures, Grandin noted that she often found it easier to relate to and understand animals than people and she applied that connection to rethinking and redesigning animal holding and processing facilities. She helped create "hug boxes," devices which have proven calming and effective both to animals under stress and humans struggling with anxiety. Grandin has designed livestock facilities in use in North America, Europe and Australia. Many North American meat plants use a restraint system she designed to be less stressful for cattle.

The first of Grandin's two

lectures in Bozeman, "Improving Cattle Stockmanship," will be held Feb. 20th on the MSU campus in the Animal Bioscience Building Room 134 from noon to 1pm. Her second lecture of the day,

"Understanding Animal Behavior and Autism" will begin with a reception at 5pm and main lecture at 6pm, both at the Ellen Theatre, 17 W Main St. Tickets are not necessary for either event.

"Dr. Grandin's visit is sure to be one of our best-attended events in this year's seminar series," said Patrick Hatfield, head of the animal and range sciences department. "Her life story and research are so compelling, and each of us has a lot to learn from her contributions to agriculture and insight into human nature."

The Bair Ranch Foundation Seminar Series is aimed at fostering greater public engagement on innovative research, agriculture and natural resource issues. For more information please visit animalrange.montana.edu/bairranchfoundation.html.

Yellowstone recruits for 2020 Youth Conservation Corps program

From Yellowstone Public Affairs

How would you like to work, learn, play, and serve in the world's first national park? Yellowstone is currently recruiting for the 2020 Youth Conservation Corps (YCC), a residential work-based education program for young men and women between the ages of 15 and 18.

Two, month-long YCC

sessions will be offered June 7th-July 8th and July 12th-August 12th. Sixty youth will be randomly selected from across the country to participate in the program. Applicants must be citizens of the United States and 15 years of age by June 7th, but not over 18 years of age by August 12th. Yellowstone recruits youth from all social, economic, ethnic and racial backgrounds for the program.

No previous wilderness

experience is required. Applicants should possess a positive attitude, a willingness and ability to work in a physically active outdoor program, and get along well with others.

Participants will be required to live in the park. Room and board will be provided at a minimal cost. Wages will be set at the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour.

YCC is designed to develop an appreciation for the nation's natural resources and heritage through unique educational, recreational, and work experiences. Corps members work together with National Park Service (NPS) staff to complete conservation projects such as trail rehabilitation, campground restoration, and a wide variety of resource management, visitor support services, and maintenance projects.

Participants develop their job and leadership skills while exploring personal values, gaining selfesteem, expanding their awareness of work ethics, and learning firsthand about environmental and

conservation issues. Corps members also participate in evening and weekend recreational activities and discover the many options for careers in the NPS and other land management agencies.

Questions may be directed to Yell_YCC_Office@nps.gov.

The Yellowstone YCC Program is funded by park entrance fees and generous donations to Yellowstone Forever, the park's official nonprofit

Visit www.nps.gov-

/yell/learn/management/yccjobs.htm to learn more about the program and to apply. Completed application materials must be received by

Since 1916, the National Park Service has been entrusted with the care of America's more than 400 national parks. With the help of volunteers and partners, NPS safeguards these special places and share their stories with millions of people every year. •

Take in films Wild & Scenic with free Emerson event

Gallatin Yellowstone Wilderness Alliance, Gallatin Wildlife Association, Great Old Broads for Wilderness and Cottonwood Environmental Law Center will join forces to present Bozeman's 5th Annual Wild & Scenic Film Festival on Tuesday, February 18th.

The Wild & Scenic Film Fest is a film festival by activists, for activists. The festival inspires environmental activism and a love for nature through film. Wild & Scenic shares and urgent call to action, encouraging festival-goers to learn more about what they can do to save our threatened planet.

The event will be held at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture. A social hour with pizza and beverages

will kick off the night at 5:30pm, followed by the films at 6:45pm. The evening will also feature an excellent raffle and silent auction. Reception and screenings are FREE and open to

The South Yuba River Citizens League (SYRCL - pronounced 'circle') started the Wild & Scenic Film Festival in January 2003 to promote community building within the Yuba Watershed, as well as a way to explore environmental issues through an exciting and influential medium. The film tour allows SYRCL to share their success with other environmental groups nationwide.

To learn more about SYRCL and the Wild & Scenic Film Fest, please visit wwildandscenicfilmfestival.org. •





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