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GOOD NEWS ITEM

1. Ulm buffalo jump site considered for landmark status
   The buffalo jump site near Ulm was an important area to many tribes hundreds of years ago and has remained an important site as the First Peoples Buffalo Jump State Park and is already on the National Register of Historic Places. But it’s now on its way to becoming an even more important site with resources available for researchers to uncover more of its history.
   Read the full story here

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**FEATURED EVENT** *(See www.umt.edu/conservationcalendar for more)*

1. **Moon-Randolph Homestead’s 14th annual Fall Gathering and Fundraiser – Saturday, Sept. 27**
   
   Come celebrate the best of Missoula’s open space at the Moon-Randolph Homestead’s 14th annual Fall Gathering and Fundraiser. Harvest the Moon will include cider pressing in the historic orchard, food by Missoula’s top restaurants, tours of the site and live music! Also check out soups by Black Bear Soup Company, a budding business started by EVST alum Dave Wise and grad student Ellie Costello! Bring a side dish if you are feeling generous! Admission price covers food. Local beer served in addition. All ages welcome! [View details here]

   **When:** Saturday, September 27, from 3:00pm - 10:00pm
   
   **Where:** Moon-Randolph Homestead: 1515 Spurlock Rd. You can also hike through Waterworks to get there.
   
   **Price:** Adults: $10 / Children: $5

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**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

1. **Students for Peace and Justice meeting – Sept. 23 and all Tuesdays**

   Students for Peace and Justice put on events to raise awareness about peace & justice issues that students can take action on. They put on a film series on campus, help other groups working on these issues to publicize their events on campus, and provide the campus community with meaningful ways to make a difference for peace in a world increasingly embroiled in war. Their regular meetings are Tuesdays, from 6:30 to 7:30 in UC 223. So the next one is Sept 23.

2. **Help Retrofit Fences For Safer Wildlife Crossing on MPG Ranch – Sept. 27**

   Volunteers will remove barbed top and bottom strands of fence and replace them with smooth-strand fence and drop clips. This project will greatly reduce the potential for injury to wildlife as they cross between properties. Lunch provided. Please RSVP to Joshua Lisbon *(jlisbon@mpgranch.com)* for details and directions.

   **When:** Saturday, September 27, from 9:30am-4:30pm
   
   **Where:** Near Lolo in the Bitterroot

3. **Help remove old barb wire fence from Milltown state park – Sept. 27**

   Give back to our public lands on Public Lands Days. You can help remove wildlife trapping old fences. Volunteers will meet on Bandmann Flats, which is on Deer Creek road between the Canyon Ferry Golf Course & the bluff overlooking the former Milltown reservoir. The site is near the Deer Creek road target shooting range. You’ll need sturdy shoes, leather work gloves, long pants and water. Work will be from Noon-2pm. It will be preceded by a presentation (at 11am) on the history of Bandmann Flats and an interesting character by the name of Dan Bandmann. For more info, contact Park Manager, Michael Kustudia, *mkustudia@mt.gov* or 406-542-5533

4. **Students and community members needed for stream monitoring – Sept. 29 and beyond**

   The Watershed Education Network (WEN) is seeking UM students and community members for citizen-science, weekend stream monitoring data collection with Stream Team. No previous training required; you will learn water monitoring protocols from stream team members as you join the weekend monitoring projects. Each Sunday afternoon, from 12:00 – 4:00PM, Sept. 29-
Nov. 23 (weather dependent). RSVP to water@montanawatershed.org or phone (406) 541-9287

5. **Help create a community center for Missoula**
Lizzi Juda, founder and co-director of Turning the Wheel-Missoula, is working to re-purpose an old commercial building in Missoula as a community center for the arts and cultural activities. She invites community members to help create this new community resource. Among other needs – the developing center has a large greenhouse that needs to be taken apart and reassembled. In addition, a dance floor will be installed and some of that work can be done by volunteers. If you would like to help make this community center a reality (& get experience in such work), contact Lizzi to volunteer at: <lizzi.juda@turningthewheel.org>

6. **Experienced trackers for winter mountain lion surveys**
MPG ranch is currently seeking experienced trackers for winter mountain lion surveys. Contact Joshua Lisbon with any questions at: jlisbon@mpgranch.com or 406-396-6285.

7. **Volunteer Opportunity for Our Parks and Trails!**
Missoula’s parks and trails need your help! This November, Missoula County voters will decide whether to dedicate funding for the county’s parks, playgrounds, trails, and the construction of Fort Missoula Regional Park. Help make history and keep Missoula a great place to live, while gaining voter outreach skills and experience as part of an electoral campaign team. Sign up here

**EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

1. **Candidate Forum at UM – TODAY, Sept. 22**
This candidate forum will focus on our health care system. Voters can ask candidates where they stand on health care funding, access to care, programs to promote health. All candidates running for the state legislature in our area have been invited. Free and open to the public.
   **When:** TODAY, September 22, from 6 to 8pm
   **Where:** UM’s UC Theater

2. **Local Food TeleSeminar – Sept. 23**
This seminar, put on by Transition US, will be hosted by author Vicki Robin, who will offer inspiration and motivation about eating locally. She’ll relay her experiment in 100-mile eating and building “complementary food systems”, and introduce us to the 10-day Local Food Challenge. To get inspired, watch Vicki’s talk on Relational Eating at TEDx Seattle.

3. **Seminar: Making population biology relevant to conservation in California – Sept. 24**
Brad Shaffer, UCLA, graduate students’ choice for 2014 Super Speaker, will give a seminar on “Genetics, genomics and natural history: making population biology relevant to conservation in California.”
   **When:** Wednesday, September 24, at 4:10 PM
   **Where:** Interdisciplinary Science Building 110
UM Systems Ecology Seminar, Wednesdays – starting Sept. 24

Everyone is welcome to attend the seminars below which showcase UM faculty working in systems ecology. Meetings are Noon to 1pm on Wednesdays in ISB 103B (Interdisciplinary Science Building, Room 103B)

Schedule:
- Sep 24: Steve Running, Department of Ecosystem and Conservation Science: Will Ecologists Become the Global Carbon Cops
- Oct 1: Cara Nelson, Department of Ecosystem and Conservation Science: New Paradigms for Increasing Understanding of Restoration Outcomes
- Oct 15: Vicki Watson, Environmental Studies Program: Setting water quality standards for Montana's wadable streams...or River response to nutrient load reductions
- Oct 22: Libby Metcalf, Department of Society and Conservation: Will fences make good neighbors? Quantifying acceptability of brucellosis management tools for elk and cattle in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem
- Oct 29: Ric Hauer, Montana Institute on Ecosystems: Fifty-plus years of mountain-top removal coal mining in the Crown of the Continent Ecosystem: an intersection of science, politics, and mitigation
- Nov 5: Gordon Luikart, Flathead Lake Biological Station: Conservation Genetics Research and Perspectives in Montana and Beyond
- Nov 12: Barry Brown, UM Mansfield Library: Research Methods for Comprehensive Science Literature Reviews
- Nov 19: Clint Muhlfeld, USGS Northern Rocky Mountain Science Center: Climate change effects on Aquatic Ecosystems in the Northern Rockies: Implications for Conservation Management
- Dec 3: Jack Stanford, Flathead Lake Biological Station: The Freshwater Imperative Revisited: Water as the Primary Currency for Understanding Eco-sociology of Regional Landscapes

American Indian Heritage Day at UM – Sept. 26

UM will host a full slate of events on Friday, Sept. 26, to celebrate American Indian Heritage Day. For the full schedule, click here

MPG Ranch Tour (wildlife conservation ranch in the Bitterroot) – Sept. 30

Visit MPG to learn about our current projects and long-term goals. Driving tour is limited to accessible roads and by weather. Plan to spend some time walking and dress for the weather. The tour is limited to 6 participants. Please contact us to register. We will reply with directions. Contact Joshua Lisbon to register or with any questions at: jlisbon@mpgranch.com or 406-396-6285.

Montana Wetland Council meeting in Helena – Oct. 1

The Montana Wetland Council meets three times a year and is an active network of diverse interests who works cooperatively to conserve and restore Montana’s wetland and riparian ecosystems by implementing Montana’s Wetland/Riparian Strategy. Everyone is encouraged to attend and participate. See agenda for details.

When: Wednesday, October 1, from 9am to 4pm
Where: DEQ Director’s Conference Room, 1520 East 6th Ave, Helena
8. **Wilderness photography workshop in Glacier – Oct. 3-5**
   The Wilderness Institute is sponsoring a 3 day Wilderness Photography Workshop in Glacier National Park with professional photographer David Marx. The cost is incredibly low, only $95, and includes camping, transportation, and instruction. For more information please contact the Wilderness Institute at (406) 243-6916, email wi@cfc.umt.edu, and visit our [website](#).

9. **Free Workshop in Butte on Beaver management in headwater streams – Oct. 15**
   Tour beaver management sites and learn from Montana case studies. Space is limited. Please RSVP to Ellie@clarkfork.org to ensure participation.
   - **When:** Wednesday, October 15, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
   - **Where:** La Quinta Inn & Suites, 1 Holiday Park Dr. Butte, Montana

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**INTERNSHIPS**

1. **High Country News internships**
   HCN has opened applications for the latest round of editorial internships (2), and for an editorial fellowship (1), a new yearlong program being instituted this January. Each comes with a weekly stipend, free housing, and moving expenses, as well as close editorial mentorship from High Country News staff. Completion of either will give young journalists a substantial quiver when it comes to reporting on natural resources and the environment of the western United States. Click here to learn more.

2. **Internships with Watershed Education Network (WEN)**
   WEN is seeking interns for a variety of internship projects. View their [website](#) for more details. Contact [water@montanawatershed.org](mailto:water@montanawatershed.org) or phone (406) 541-9287 with questions.

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**JOBS** *(mainly local or summer jobs; for full time jobs around the US, subscribe to the envirojobs list serv by emailing vicki.watson@umontana.edu)*

1. **Jobs for political organizers in Helena, Billings, & other cities in Montana**
   Northern Plains Resource Council is a non-profit 501 (c)3 social welfare organization focused on grassroots conservation and family agriculture. The organization is hiring these positions:
   - Political organizer located in Helena – permanent, salaried position
   - Field organizer in Billings or Helena -- permanent, salaried position
   - Canvassers, various cities, full or part time through Nov 6.
   - Regional Organizer (located in Billings)
   Full job descriptions of all of the above jobs are [here](#).

2. **Colorado Open Lands Fellowship**
   The land protection and stewardship fellow will develop professional land protection and conservation easement stewardship skills with Colorado Open Lands (COL) for the two-year Fellowship term. An EVST alum credits a fellowship with COL has preparing her for a career in the Colorado conservation community. Learn more about the fellowship program [here](#). The full position description is posted on the EVST Employment bulletin board next to the Bull Pen.
3. **UM Recycling seeks student workers**  
The UM Recycling program hires student workers to collect and sort UM’s recyclables. All the work takes place on campus. The hours are flexible (working around student classes). The pay is minimum wage. Students need to be able to work between 10 and 20 hours a week. To learn more or apply, contact Edi at [UM_Recycle@mso.umt.edu](mailto:UM_Recycle@mso.umt.edu) or **243-5795**

4. **Healthy Wildlife & Water Program Director with Northwest Center for Alternatives to Pesticides**  
Located in Oregon, the Program Director will lead visioning, fundraising, development, implementation and evaluation for projects and campaigns within NCAP’s regional Healthy Wildlife and Water Program. Click [here](#) for details.

**FUNDING SOURCES**

1. **National Fish & Wildlife Foundation Environmental Solutions for Communities**  
This initiative is designed to support projects that link economic development and community well-being to the stewardship and health of the environment. Click [here](#) for more info.

2. **High North Fellowship to study abroad in Norway – apply by Sept. 25**  
The High North Fellowship program offers scholarships to students from the US, Canada and Russia who attend an institution in Northern Norway as part of their higher education. The recipient will receive a monthly amount around $1490. [Learn more here](#). Contact Marja Unkuri-Chaudhry at [marjac@mso.umt.edu](mailto:marjac@mso.umt.edu) with questions. To apply, complete the [exchange application](#) available [here](#).

**RESOURCES**

1. **True Food Missoula – Grand Opening on Sept. 27**  
Join Riversong Gourmet to celebrate a new retail space and commercial kitchen on Johnson St.! Riversong Gourmet hopes to expand the year round enjoyment of the local harvest to the Missoula community through classes, take-home meals, and shared artisan production space.  
**When:** Sunday, September 27, from 1:00-5:00 pm  
**Where:** 101 N. Johnson St

2. **Montana Watershed Directory**  
The [2014 Watershed Directory](#) includes contact information for Montana watershed groups, water quality districts, watershed education groups, and some agencies associated with watersheds.

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1. **House sitter wanted**
   I am looking for a responsible someone (or couple) to live in my house while I'm in South America, for 3 months, starting Nov. 1st, until Feb 1st. There are no pets to care for, just water the plants and bring in the mail. I'm asking $350 per month for rent (for the whole house, slightly more for a couple) and you pay the utilities. The 4 bedroom house is in a great location, within 2 blocks of the Good Food Store and bike path to downtown/University. Its' well insulated and gets plenty of light.

   I am an EVST alumni, I'll be working with wildlife in Ecuador. If you have questions, or interest, email me at Carlaaa02@yahoo.com

2. **Tasty fundraiser for Missoula Native Plant Garden – Sept. 25**
   Celebrate the summer’s work with soup and spuds. For only $5 you get dinner with a beautiful view. Proceeds benefit the maintenance of the native plant garden for all ages to enjoy.
   **When:** Thursday, September 25, from 5-7 pm
   **Where:** Fort Missoula Native Plant Garden, near the water tower
   **Cost:** $5

3. **UM’s annual fish trivia night – Sept. 25**
   All ages and fish-knowledge levels welcome. There will be prizes and this is a great opportunity for fisheries students and professionals to network.
   **When:** Thursday, September 25, from 6 - 9 pm
   **Where:** Pressbox, downstairs

4. **UM Planning Committee meets – Sept. 25**
   Is there something you want to see happen at UM? Perhaps the UM Planning Committee should hear about it. The University Planning Committee identifies annual and biennial planning priorities. It reviews and updates the University Strategic Plan annually based on organizational needs, institutional assessment, and campus input. Contact info 406) 243-2538   [Email](#)
   **When:** Thursday, September 25, from 1:30-3pm
   **Where:** Todd Building Room 204

5. **Women’s History Matters Essay Competition – submit by Oct. 31**
   Calling for entries for the Women’s History Matters Essay Competition in honor of the centennial of woman suffrage in Montana. Essays should be approximately 6,000 to 8,000 words. Cash awards will be given to the winning essays. Prize-winning essays will be considered for possible publication by the Montana Historical Society. For details, click [here](#)

6. **Help keep Missoula drinking water clean during Drug Take back day – Sept. 27**
   Old medicines often get flushed (& wind up in the river or groundwater); or if left in the medicine cabinet, they can wind up in kids. So folks are encouraged to get rid of old medicines by taking them in for safe disposal. All medications accepted with no questions asked at the next National Prescription Drug Take-back. However, Syringes, sharps and pressurized canisters (inhalers for example) cannot be accepted. Click [here](#) for more information.
   **When:** Saturday, September 27, from 10am-2pm
   **Where:** the Southgate Mall
This Newsline prepared by Vicki Watson and Kim Gilchrist. Please send any comments here.