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**GOOD NEWS ITEM**
1. Dan Spencer, EVST Associate Professor, coauthors *Earth Ethics* due out in November. *Earth Ethics, A Case Method Approach* explores nine cases covering issues like material consumption, climate change, food security, fossil fuel divestment, and more. James B. Martin-Schramm, professor of religion at Luther College in Iowa, and Laura A. Stivers, professor of ethics and Dean of the School of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences at Dominican University of California, are the co-authors. The audience for this book is not only those engaged in religious studies, but also philosophical ethics and environmental studies. More information may be obtained on the [Orbis Books web site](http://orbisbooks.com). You may pre-order *Earth Ethics* by calling 1-800-258-5838. (Online pre-ordering is not available.) The book is due out in November.

Congratulations, Dan!

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AROUND EVST

1. **New Elouise Cobell Fellow for the UM College of Humanities and Sciences is recent EVST alum.**
   Anne Grant (EVST MS 2015) is the new Elouise Cobell Fellow for the UM College of Humanities and Sciences. Anne is tasked with "documenting the history of the Blackfeet Indian Land Trust to better understand its development and intent to preserve and sustain Native American communities."
   Anne also invites you to stop by Bathing Beauties Beads at 501 South Higgins Avenue on the Hip Strip in Missoula to check out her show “*Cowboys and Happy Hour*” during the month of September. Congratulations, Anne!

2. **May receives student award.**
   Congratulations to Colin May, EVST M.S. 2015, on receiving a 2015 Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (RM-CESU) Student Award. The award is based on Colin's contributions to the Science Communication Internship at the Crown of the Continent Research Learning Center, Glacier National Park from June 2014 to December 2014.

3. **Dance on the Oval. Tuesday, September 8.**
   A UM youth group is holding their kick off on the Oval the evening of Tuesday Sept 8. They plan to have a short barn dance. EVST professor Vicki Watson will be calling. The dance will start at 8:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join in.

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FEATURED EVENT (See [www.umt.edu/conservationcalendar](http://www.umt.edu/conservationcalendar) for more)

1. **Sustainable living demo project celebrates a quarter century. September 11.**
   The [Missoula Urban Demonstration Project (MUD)](http://www.umt.edu/conservationcalendar) was started about 25 years ago by some EVST alums who wanted to show folks how to live more sustainably in the city. The MUD project showed how to make homes more energy efficient, how to use passive solar, how to grow much of your food, and more. Currently, the MUD project focuses on maintaining a tool lending library & truck share, and organizes many sustainable skills workshops like canning.
   MUD is holding its 24th Annual Garden Party, Friday evening, September 11 and they need volunteers to help (see Volunteer section of the newsletter).
   There will be live music by MUD’s own Ryan Bundy and Josh Farmer and great locally-sourced, organic food by Theo of Masala, former Iza owner. There will also be a wide array of local beverages from our wonderful sponsors Big Sky Brewing, Draught Works, Wild Wood Brewing, and the Ten Spoon Winery (for those 21+), not to mention an amazing live and silent auction with great items such as the Thirst Gear Pedal Pub Hopper and much more.
   Cost: $10 for MUD members; $15 for nonmembers.
   WHEN: Friday, September 11 from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Dinner is at 7 p.m.
   WHERE: MUD Central, 1527 Wyoming St. (next to Home Resource).

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

1. **Help put garden plots to bed for the winter! Now through October.**
   The Garden City Harvest Community Gardens team could use some help winterizing plots at community gardens around town (starting now through October). If you enjoy digging in the dirt
and being outside on fresh fall days, give us a shout! Hours are flexible and can be done solo or with others. Contact Kim Gilchrist, Community Gardens Volunteer Coordinator. Email Kim Gilchrist, Community Gardens Volunteer Coordinator, or call her at (406) 239 – 8236.

2. MontPIRG Kick off for fall semester at UM. Wednesday, September 8.
Join MontPIRG as they kick off a new semester with new opportunities to fight for the public interest. There will be free food and opportunities to engage in an organization that has created positive, tangible change for the last 34 years! The guest speaker, Adam Schafer, serves as a senior advisor to Montana Governor Steve Bullock. Adam has a deep background as an environmental advocate and will let us know how students can best protect our outdoors. Free pizza and politics. All are welcome. More information is available on MontPIRG’s Fall Kick Off web page.
WHEN: Tuesday, September 8 at 5 p.m.
WHERE: UM’s University Center, room 332.

Technical Climbing Cleanup -- Friday, September 11, from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
September 11th is a National Day of Service and Remembrance! Join Clark Fork Coalition and Trout Unlimited to clean up a section of extremely steep river bank. We’ll use ropes and pulleys to help volunteers haul trash. This one’s only for folks who are comfortable climbing steep slopes. Free Taco John's provided.

Clark Fork River Cleanup -- Saturday, September 19, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Join us as we team up with XSports4Vets for a post-summer trash cleanup along the downtown stretch of the Clark Fork River. Meet at McCormick Park at 9 a.m. for team assignments. Come for an hour or help all morning -- it's up to you! Free BBQ and raffles afterwards!

Rattlesnake Fish Passage Project-- Tuesday, September 22, from 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Homemade swimming holes on Rattlesnake Creek are a great Missoula tradition. But in September, those rock pools aren't much fun for migrating bull trout. In fact, they create de facto dams, preventing this threatened native species from reaching spawning grounds upstream. Join us as we dismantle those dams and create a clean, clear passageway for our fishy friends. It will be a fun afternoon in the creek! Must be able to lift heavy rocks and be comfortable walking in flowing water.

To volunteer for any of these events, email Katie or call her at (406) 542–0539, extension 212. If you haven't done so already, please fill out a volunteer application online.

4. MUD’s Garden Party needs volunteers. Friday, September 11.
The Missoula Urban Demonstration Project (MUD) is looking for volunteers to check tickets and help with set up at our 24th Annual Garden Party (described under featured event). The event will take place at MUD Central and will last from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Volunteers are needed between 4 and 10 p.m. Volunteers will be rewarded with a FREE ticket for the event, which includes a locally sourced dinner, live music, and beer from local breweries (for those 21+). Please email MUD or EVST alum Conor Ellert if you're interested in volunteering.

The Watershed Education Network (WEN) is holding their biggest fundraiser of the year, the Mayfly Fling! This fundraiser kicks off our Adopt-a-Class campaign to reach more underserved schools with our School Stream Monitoring Programs. Encourage your friends, co-workers, and students to join the fun! Music includes Wizpops and Tom Catmull’s Radio Static and food vendors including Bao Chow, Masala, Covered Wagon Hot Dogs, and Big Dipper Ice Cream. There will also be a silent auction, raffle, and activities, including fly casting, aquatic invasive mystery, poetry, live aquatic insects, water color and rock painting.

We need lots of volunteers to help put on this outdoor event. Sign up to volunteer online. Those who help for 4 hours or more get you a free ticket.

Cost: $20/advance; $25 at the door; kids 12 and under are free.

WHEN: Sunday, Sept. 13th from 2-8PM
WHERE: Ten Spoon Vineyard and Winery, 4175 Rattlesnake Drive, Missoula.

6. Call for GUTS! And Pathways Volunteers. Training September 14 or 16.
GUTS! (Girls Using Their Strengths) is calling for smart, strong, committed, and compassionate women volunteers to act as Action Group Facilitators for fall programs in Missoula Schools for girls ages 9 to 13. Volunteers must commit to a full semester and preferably the entire school year - October to May. Pathways is also looking for volunteers to join our team of Staff Advocates to provide crisis intervention and emotional support for survivors of domestic and sexual violence. Our Pathways Program offers crisis counseling, safe shelter, weekly support groups, and children services. Prospective volunteers need only attend one of the orientations.

After orientation, volunteer advocates must attend an intensive 30-hour training in preparation to take shifts at the shelter, advocate for survivors of violence, and/or answer the 24-hour crisis line. Training for GUTS! is September 14 or 16. Pathways Advocate orientations will take place September 8. For GUTS! Training, email Erin Barstow; for Advocate training, email Rebecca Pettit.

7. Bike/Pedestrian Count needs volunteers, September 15 or 19.
The Missoula Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is looking for volunteers to help with our fall bicycle and pedestrian traffic counts.

How many Missoulians are traveling on foot and by bike? Do more people make the choice if they have a paved trail or safer intersection to use? The MPO conducts bicycle and pedestrian traffic counts twice each year to track our success in promoting bicycling and walking trips. The counts help measure success by helping us understand where, when, and how much our trails, sidewalks, and bike facilities are used. Knowing what routes bicyclists and pedestrians choose today informs decisions about what kinds of improvements we will need in the future. We rely on volunteers to help us conduct these counts at nearly 30 locations across the city.

Please sign-up online or email Dave Prescott or Aaron Wilson. You may also call Dave at 552 – 6672 or call Aaron at 552 – 6629.

WHEN: Tuesday, September 15, from 4 – 6 p.m. (or 3 – 5 p.m. around the University) and/or Saturday, September 19, from noon to 2 p.m.
WHERE: various locations

8. Table for MNHC at UM’s Volunteer Fair. Tuesday and Wednesday, September 15 and 16.
Montana Natural History Center will be recruiting student volunteers at the fall Volunteer Fair in the UC. It would be great to have a volunteer or two willing to share their perspectives on their
volunteer experience. We'll also be handing out information on our upcoming programs and volunteer opportunities. Call 327-0405 to sign up.

WHEN: Tuesday and/or Wednesday, September 15 and 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
WHERE: University Center, UM.

Monitor water quality of local streams or help kids monitor local streams. Watershed Education Network (WEN) provides training and equipment.
All trainings occur at the Greenough Park Pavilion on the following dates:
   - Tuesday, September 19 from 1 to 4:30
   - Tuesday, September 23 from 4 to 7:30
   - Saturday, September 26 from 1 to 4:30
All trainings are the same; you only need to attend one. If you have questions or would like to borrow some waders for the trainings, email Rebecca or call (406) 541-9287.

10. Comments on the Tongue River Railroad EIS due by September 23.
On April 17, 2015, the Surface Transportation Board's (Board) Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) released the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed construction and operation of the Tongue River Railroad in Southeastern Montana. The public comment period was extended to September 23, 2015. All comments must be received or postmarked by that date. Please refer to Docket No. FD 30186 in all correspondence addressed to the Board.
To view or download the Draft EIS, navigate to the Board's website, click “E-Library,” then under “Decisions & Notices,” click beneath the date “04/17/15.” The Draft EIS is also available on the Board-sponsored project website.
Written comments on the Draft EIS may be submitted to:
Ken Blodgett, Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20423
ATTN: Office of Environmental Analysis; Docket No. 30186
Comments may also be submitted electronically on the Tongue River EIS project website.
For additional information, call the project hotline at 1-866-622-4355 or visit the Tongue River EIS site.

Every Sunday, local native plant lovers tend Missoula's John Toole Park. The native plant lovers there will identify plants and show you what to pull and what to leave. Bring a bucket or bag to hold weeds, a weeding tool, gloves, water, and maybe even a friend or two. There will be treats! For more information, call John Pierce at (406) 542-2640.
WHEN: Every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. (note new time)
WHERE: John Toole Park, on the river path, just east of the Missoulian newspaper building.

12. Montana Audubon's 2016 Montana Bird Festival seeks volunteers to help with June event.
Montana Audubon's annual Bird Festival will be June 3-5 in Missoula. Putting on the festival requires many volunteers, so Audubon is seeking students interested in volunteering to help organize the festival. There are lots of tasks that can be done during spring semester (recruiting sponsors and silent auction items). There are also tasks that need to be done during the festival. Students could volunteer during spring semester and/or during the summer.
If interested, email Rose Leach or call her at (406) 370-1999.
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

1. **Montana Institute on Ecosystems presents lecture on coal reform options. September 9.**
   As part of the Rough Cut Science series, Jason Pearcy, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics at MSU, will present “Steam Coal at an Arm’s Length: An Evaluation of Proposed Reform Options for U.S. Coal Used in Power Generation.” Pearcy’s research interests include industrial organization, applied microeconomics theory, and econometric methods. You can watch the live screencast.
   WHEN: Wednesday, September 9, at noon.

2. **Seminar on the African Savanna. Wednesday, September 9.**
   Todd Palmer of the University of Florida will speak on "Mutualism in a community context: ants, plants, and elephants in an African savanna.”
   WHEN: Wednesday, September at 4:10 p.m.
   WHERE: UM’s Integrated Science Building, room 110.

3. **Blackfoot Challenge’s Resource Stewardship Fair. Friday, September 11.**
   Do you find yourself asking, "I wonder if that's an invasive weed,” or, "What is the correct way to use bear spray?” or, "In drought years like this one, what can I do to help?” At BC’s Resource Stewardship Fair, knowledgeable program coordinators will be on-hand with materials and resources to help guide you through topics like weed management, bear safety, drought, forest fuels reduction, resource restoration, and much, much more. There will be information booths on conservation, forestry, water, weeds, wildlife. There will also be live music, BBQ, and beverages. Everyone is welcome.
   WHEN: Friday, Sept 11, from 4 – 8 p.m.
   WHERE: Downtown Ovando.

4. **Community at the Confluence. Milltown State Park Overlook. Saturday, September 12.**
   Experience the Wild Side of Milltown State Park at this year’s Community at the Confluence, a celebration of the Clark Fork and Blackfoot river restoration and communities surrounding the confluence. The afternoon will feature a series of expert-guided hikes on topics such as the importance of bull trout to native people, birds in the riparian area, and wildlife migration corridors, all held along the new trail system that begins at the Milltown State Park Overlook. The free event includes food vendors and interactive booths. Walk and talks led by Montana State Park staff and invited speakers. Each slot is an hour. Speakers are (times tentative):
   - **11 a.m. -- Welcome to Milltown: Remediation/Restoration along the Clark Fork River.**
     Doug Martin is the Restoration Program Chief with Montana Department of Justice Natural Resource Damage Program (NRDP). Doug was the State’s project manager for the design and implementation of the Milltown restoration actions for the Clark Fork River and Blackfoot River near the former Milltown Dam.
   - **12:15 p.m. -- Place of the Bull Trout: Tribal History at the Confluence.**
     Thompson Smith is the Coordinator of Tribal History and Ethnogeography projects for the Salish-Pend d’Oreille Culture Committee (SPCC), a department of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes.
   - **1:30 p.m. -- Ospreys: Environmental Sentinels along the Clark Fork River.**
Erick Greene is a UM ecologist. He works on animal behavior and conservation biology all over the world.

2:45 p.m. -- On the Wing: Birds in Riparian, Wetland and Cliff Habitats.
Rose Leach is a Certified Wildlife Biologist and is the President of Five Valleys Audubon.

4 p.m. -- Animals on the Move: Wildlife Corridors at the Confluence.
Jamie Jonkel is a wildlife management specialist with Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks.

5. **Opportunity in road ecology. Various dates starting September 12.**
Learn about wildlife movement and applied ecology on the Flathead Reservation by helping to install and monitor camera traps at wildlife crossing structures on US Highway 93. Volunteers will assist Andis, an EVST masters student, in his road ecology thesis research. Interested students can arrange to receive internship credits for volunteering on the project. [Email Andis](mailto:) to volunteer or for more information.
Field days for volunteering are:
- Saturday, September 12,
- Saturday, September 26,
- Saturday, October 10, and
- Saturday, October 24.

6. **Women in Conservation lunch talks begin Monday, September 14.**
This is a series of noon-time panels by women working in conservation, including EVST’s Vicki Watson, Martha Williams, Laurie Yung and many more. Topics include:
- Sept 14 -- Montana Women in Conservation
- Sept 16 – Empowering women through natural resource conservation—Asia
- Sept 21 -- Empowering women through natural resource conservation—Africa & Latin America
- Sept 23—The view from women in the field
- Sept 28—The changing landscape of women in academia
For more information, [email Mikky Helman](mailto:).

7. **Transition Streets to hold informational meeting. Monday, September 14.**
Transition Streets offers a positive response to the climate crisis through simple living, resource sharing, and collaboration for resilience. Help the Earth to thrive by lowering CO2. Learn more about Transition Streets, a project of Transition Missoula, by attending a free public meeting.
For more information, call Claudia Brown at (406) 728-6049 or [email Transition Missoula](mailto:).
**WHEN:** Monday, September 14, 7 p.m.
**WHERE:** Missoula Public Library, large meeting room.

8. **Bird Communications are not Idle Chit Chat. September 14.**
[Five Valleys Audubon](https://www.fivevalleys.org/) begins its new year with a program on bird alarm calls and communication systems. Dr. Erick Greene, a UM wildlife biology professor, will present his research findings on the ways in which birds use sounds to communicate lots of information to each other, and they use a variety of important alarm calls to warn others. This talk will share some of the latest results of cutting-edge research about how birds and mammals share information about predators.
**WHEN:** Monday, September 14 at 7:30 p.m.
**WHERE:** Gallagher Business Building, UM Campus, room 122.

9. **Watershed Education course starts Wednesday, September 16.**
UM is offering a watershed education course developed by National Geographic. The course (GPHY 497) is available for 2 grad or undergrad credits and runs from September 16 to October 27. Cost is $135. More information is available on the Coursera web page. If you have further questions, please email Sarah Halvorson in the UM Geography Department.

10. Homeword & Garden City Harvest celebrate 10 year partnership. Wednesday, September 16. Homeword builds affordable, sustainable housing projects. Over 10 years ago, they heard from the people they serve that such housing should have space for food gardens. They partnered with Garden City Harvest to make that happen – and the result was the Orchard Gardens housing project.

This partnership offered GCH land security, so they could invest and develop a neighborhood farm, community garden (with four ADA accessible plots), an orchard of fruit trees, medicinal herb and flower garden, and a kids’ garden. In a straw bale community room, GCH offers their Volunteer for Veggies program, kids’ gardening and cooking classes, adult cooking classes and a farm stand for Orchard Gardens’ residents where EBT cards are accepted.

Orchard Gardens brings direct benefits to the families that live on the property and direct benefits to the greater community.

Please RSVP by emailing RSVP by emailing Jessica or calling (406) 532-4663.

WHEN: Wednesday, September 16 from noon to 1 p.m. for tours and refreshments.
WHERE: 210 N. Grove Street, Missoula.

11. Glacier Two Medicine Alliance Fall Gathering. September 18 – 20. Blackfeet Tribal leaders and conservationists have made significant progress in recent months toward permanent protection of the Badger-Two Medicine sacred landscape. Join in for three days of hikes, food, learning, auctions, socializing, and fun. Support and celebrate the GTMA’s ongoing conservation efforts for the wild lands of the Badger Two Medicine and its interconnected ecosystems. For camping information, email Sherry Hilliboe. For more information, email John Schmid or call him at (406) 407 – 1810.

Suggested Donation: $30
WHEN: Friday, September 18, through Sunday, September 20.
WHERE: Rising Wolf Ranch, Hwy. 2, East Glacier Park.

12. Fourteenth Annual Harvesting Clean Energy Conference in Billings. September 30 – October 2. NCAT, The National Center for Appropriate Technology, presents the fourteenth annual Harvesting Clean Energy Conference. This event is the premier conference on strategies to maximize local job creation and economic benefits from developing our clean energy resources. For more information and to register for the HCE conference, go to the conference web page.
WHEN: September 30 – October 2, 2015.
WHERE: Billings Hotel and Convention Center, Billings, Montana.

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INTERNSHIPS
1. Mansfield Center Internship: Global Leadership Podcast. Rolling deadline. Apply ASAP. The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center is looking for a motivated and hardworking intern to support the center’s community outreach efforts through the Mansfield Global Leadership Podcast. Interns would have the opportunity to work with Mansfield Center staff on all aspects of podcast creation on a wide variety of topics including leadership, foreign relations,
economics, foreign cultures, and more. Experience with audio recording and editing required. Applications are due ASAP – rolling deadline. This is an unpaid or work study internship for 5-10 hours a week that offers extensive experience. Course credit is available, if desired. Visit the Center’s internship web page for a full description of the position and to apply.

2. Women’s Leadership Initiative Internship with Mansfield Center. Rolling deadline. Apply ASAP. The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center is looking for a motivated and hardworking intern to support the center’s community outreach efforts through the Women’s Leadership Initiative. Interns will work closely with Presidential Leadership Fellow and Mansfield Center Associate Director Deena Mansour to support the inaugural cohort of the Women’s Leadership Initiative. This Initiative seeks to create a supportive network to develop the leadership capacity of University of Montana female faculty, administrators, and staff. Interns will primarily provide research support to the Initiative, but may also be called on to support communication, outreach, and logistics. Applications are due ASAP – rolling deadline. This is an unpaid or work study internship for 5-10 hours a week that offers extensive experience. Course credit is available, if desired. Visit the Center’s internship web page for a full description of the position and to apply.

3. Program Marketing intern sought by Mansfield Center. Rolling deadline. Apply ASAP. The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center is looking for a motivated and hardworking intern to support the center’s community outreach efforts through the Program Marketing internship. Interns will work closely with Mansfield Center staff to create a cohesive portfolio of promotional material including informational fliers, brochures, and online media for multiple exchange programs focusing on a wide variety of topics including environmental studies, civil society, and youth leadership. Interns must be highly self-motivated and capable of working independently. Applications are due ASAP – rolling deadline. This is an unpaid or work study internship for 10-15 hours a week that offers extensive experience. Course credit is available, if desired. Visit the Center’s internship web page for a full description of the position and to apply.

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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. Montana Natural History Center is hiring Field Trip Instructors. Looking for a fun short-term job? Montana Natural History Center (MNHC) is hiring four Field Trip Instructors to lead fall field trips for our 4th & 5th grade students every day for five weeks (September 28th-October 30th). The position is 30 hours/week, $10/hour. For a full job description & application information, visit MNHC’s employment page. Email Christine Wren for more information.

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FUNDING SOURCES

1. Boren Awards for Undergraduate and Graduate Students. Information session September 22. Applications for the 2016-2017 David L. Boren Scholarships and Fellowships are now available at online. Boren Awards provide unique funding opportunities for up to $ 20,000 for U.S. undergraduate and up to $ 30,000 for graduate students to study in Africa, Asia, Central &
Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East, where they can add important international and language components to their educations. The Boren Awards are initiatives of the National Security Education Program (NSEP) and are administered by the Institute of International Education. The scholarships are awarded with preference for countries, languages, and fields of study critical to U.S. national security. All scholarship recipients must agree to the NSEP Service Requirement. There will be an on-campus review process. Attend the informational meeting to find out more.

WHEN: Tuesday, September 22, from noon to 1 p.m.
WHERE: Davidson Honors College, room 105 (conference room in the office suite).

Are you the next conservation hero that wins 50,000 euro for your conservation project? The Future for Nature Foundation has announced the opening of the new application round for the 2016 Future for Nature Award. Get all the details and apply online. Applications due September 15.

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HOUSING
1. Housing sought for Visiting Writer in Spring.
Visiting writer at UM and husband seek a 1-2 bedroom house in walking distance of UM campus from February 1 to May 6, 2016. Our price range is under $2000 a month, including utilities. Please email Sharman Apt Russell.

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RESOURCES
1. Advertising your student group’s activities.
ASUM business manager, Sarah Smith, is keeping a calendar of events for UM’s recognized student groups. The calendar includes meetings, fundraisers, special events, elections, and any other significant event that your group would like to have published. The calendar will be made available to UM students via ASUM’s social media and will be posted in the ASUM office. Submissions for the calendar, as well as Facebook even invitations, can be emailed to Sarah. You can also call Sarah with questions at (406) 218-8523.

2. Publicize your events on community calendars.
Missoula has several community calendars where you can publicize your events. Some of those calendars are linked on the EVST web site. Of particular note are EVST’s Conservation Calendar (maintained by Vicki Watson) and the UM Student Groups Calendar (maintained by Sarah Smith ASUM Business Manager).

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS AND OTHER FUN EVENTS
EcoViva partners with community organizations in Central America to achieve sustainability, justice, and peace. There will be traditional Salvadoran food & drink, and a raffle. RSVP to Mary LaPorte or call (216) 496-3849.
WHEN: Thursday, September 10 from 6 to 8:30 p.m.  
WHERE: S. 2nd St W, Missoula.

2. **Opportunity Resources Autumn Fest, Saturday, September 12.**  
   Food, games, music, farm animals, exhibits, hayrides, fun for all ages happens at Autumn Fest. Tickets are $5 (kids under 13 free), which benefits Opportunity Resources, providing jobs & housing to disabled adults. This farm grows food for many group homes. For more information, [email Erica](mailto:ericadevilbiss@tacoma.cc.wa.us) or call her at (406) 329-1786.  
   WHEN: Saturday, September 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
   WHERE: beautiful Opportunity Ranch, 16894 Hamel Road, Frenchtown.

3. **Be an Ice Cream Socialist, Sunday, September 13.**  
   Each fall, the University Neighborhood welcomes UM students to the community with an Ice Cream Social (put on by the Ice Cream Socialists, also known as Thoughtful Neighbors). You’ll find free ice cream, live music, games and friendly folks.  
   WHEN: Sunday, September 13 from 3-5 p.m.  
   WHERE: 400 block of University Avenue.

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