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AROUND EVST ******************

EVST Professor Robin Saha wins Civically Engaged Faculty Award

Robin Saha is the 2016 recipient of the Civically Engaged Faculty Award, bestowed by Campus Compact, a national network of colleges and universities dedicated to advancing the public purposes of higher education by deepening their ability to improve community life and educate students for civic and social responsibility. Robin was selected for his exemplary leadership in student civic learning and conducting community-based research, fostering reciprocal partnerships, building institutional engagement commitments and enhancing higher education’s contribution. Congrats, Robin!

Read more: Professor Earns National Civically Engaged Faculty Award

AND ROBIN SAYS – Check out the Kless Scholarship in the Scholarship section – apply by Sept 15

EVST alum organizes Sustainability Fair & requests volunteers for Sept 25

EVST alum Pannha Eat is organizing a Sustainability Fair at Wildwood Brewery in the Bitterroot, Sept 25. Whether sustainability is your business, your personal passion or both, check out the Sustainability Fair at Wildwood Brewery in Stevensville. Display and/or sell your sustainability/self-sufficiency product or service, provide educational exhibits, or just come to see what others have to show. And enjoy Wildwood’s excellent refreshments. For more info, to arrange to display/vend, or to help with the fair, contact Pannha Eat <Pannha@wildwoodbrewing.com>.
WHEN: Sept 25 from NOON to 8pm; WHERE: Wildwood Brewery, 4018 US-93, Stevensville; phone 406-777-2855 Free to all (including vendors).

**EVST alums featured in UM fall lecture series**

The Mansfield Center lecture series focuses on climate change, Asian politics and international opportunities. All sessions are free and are from **noon to 12:50 p.m.** EVST alums featured are:

- Sept 13, in UC 326 – Peter McDonough moderating a panel on “Climate Change and Collaboration” with Asian Fellows from the Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative on Environmental Issues
- Oct 13, in UC 333—Nicky Phear, UM Climate Studies, on “Climate and Culture in the Mekong Delta”

For other lectures, see [http://umt.edu/mansfield/events/brownbaglectures](http://umt.edu/mansfield/events/brownbaglectures) or call 406-243-2988.

**EVST alum helps save lake and forest**

Thanks to EVST alum Gael Bissell and some conservation minded local activists, a beautiful lake and forest in NW Montana were saved from development. Read how they did it here.


**EVST alums are the new caretakers at the Moon Randolph Homestead**

Moving into a new residence usually comes with a big to-do list, and that's especially so for anyone taking over the Moon-Randolph Homestead in the North Hills. The rent is free—but it comes with the requirement of maintaining a 127-year-old homestead, living in a remodeled chicken coop and hosting public events. Fortunately, Moon-Randolph counts as an upgrade for its new caretakers, EVST alums Katie Nelson and Caroline Stephens.... [Read more]

**FEATURED EVENT **

(many more events at [www.umt.edu/conservationcalendar](http://www.umt.edu/conservationcalendar))

**TWO ENERGY FAIRS** in or near Helena, Sept 16 & 17

**40th Reunion of the NEW Western Energy Show ** AND

**Montana Clean Energy Fair** Free educational workshops on solar electricity & water heating, energy efficiency, electric vehicles ([click here for full schedule](http://www.umt.edu/conservationcalendar)). Also electric car show, food vendors, raffle prizes, and kids' activities including model solar car races. For more info, contact Diana Maneta, of MT Renewable Energy Association, (406) 214-9405

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES **********

**UM Volunteer Fair, Sept 13**

Local groups will be recruiting student volunteers on Tuesday September 13, 10am-2pm in UC Atrium.

**Rally in support of Sacred Stones Camp, Sept 13**

350 Missoula is organizing support for the Indian tribes opposing the Dakota Access Pipeline. There will be a rally Tuesday, September 13, 4-6pm on the Higgins Bridge. To RSVP: [https://actionnetwork.org/events/nodapl-support-standing-rock?referrer=350-missoula&source=direct-link](https://actionnetwork.org/events/nodapl-support-standing-rock?referrer=350-missoula&source=direct-link)

**Public Hearing on subdivision regulations related to floodplains, Sept 14**
The Board of County Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on revisions to Chapter 8 related to floodplain on Wednesday, September 14, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. in the County Courthouse Annex, 200 W. Broadway, Room A-155

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection needs volunteers, Sept 16-17**

Keep our drinking water clear by properly disposing of hazardous household waste at this annual event sponsored by Missoula Water Quality District. WHEN: Sept 16-17; WHERE: Missoula city shops. For more info, click on the link or Contact the District at (406) 258-4890 or waterquality@missoulacounty.us.

**Spontaneous Construction needs volunteers, Sept 17.**

Teams build useful objects from ‘waste’ and win prizes. When: Sept 17 from 9am to 6pm; Where: Home Resource, 1515 Wyoming St., More info http://www.homeresource.org/sponcon/

All volunteers who complete one entire shift (most are 2 hours long) get a SponCon t-shirt and a drink ticket. Each additional shift worked earns another drink ticket. Event day volunteers enjoy goodies from Bernice’s Bakery, coffee from Black Coffee Roasting Co., and pizza from Biga Pizza on Saturday.

**Sign up here**
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GioOiCjPZ3DGKnkFA2UnsqSyCysfmHKnzPFXsCYvSUBw/edit?usp=sharing

**Walk N Roll Week and Bike/Walk/Bus week need volunteers, Sept 19-23**

ASUM Transportation and Missoula in Motion will have many promotions to encourage bike/walk/busing. Volunteers hand out raffle tickets. More info at:

http://www.umt.edu/asum/asum_agencies/Transportation/events/walk-and-roll/

**Share an activity with school children in the Bitterroot next spring, apply now**

We Are Montana in the Classroom recently received a grant to fund role-model engagement in Hamilton’s Daly Elementary School and Corvallis Middle School. Role-model engagement will complement visits from spectrUM’s mobile "Water" exhibit. Are you interested in sharing an activity with Hamilton or Corvallis with students in grades 3-8 this spring? Let us know here or by calling Katy White, our AmeriCorps VISTA, at x4828.

**Fruit Gleaning with the Great Bear Foundation**

The Great Bear Foundation organizes volunteers to glean fruit in the Missoula area to prevent human-bear conflict. Contact Elissa at 829-9378 or elissa@greatbear.org

**EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**********

**UM Society for Ecological Restoration meets, Sept 13**

The UM Chapter of the Society for Ecological Restoration will have its first regular meeting on Tuesday, September 13 at 5pm at the UM SER native plant garden on SE corner of campus, between Schreiber Gym & Clapp Building. Join us for Networking with restoration professionals, joining volunteer restoration events held by other organizations, meeting with faculty in the field, greenhouse and garden opportunities, trips. Bring gloves & help us put the garden to sleep for fall! There will be food.

UMSER Officers <umt.restoration@gmail.com> web site http://www.cfc.umt.edu/umser/
Plant Breeding for a secure/sustainable food future, Sept 14

What is plant breeding and why should we care? Join some of the nation’s leading plant breeders to learn about the role public plant breeding plays in ensuring a secure and sustainable food future. Speakers include breeders and graduate students from Cornell University, Oregon State University, University of Wisconsin, and Organic Seed Alliance. The panel discussion will take place in Neva Hassanein’s “Politics of Food” class on Wednesday, September 14, from 3 – 4:20 p.m. in room 138 of the Liberal Arts building.

Lolo Creek dewatering explained, sept 14

Presentations by UM and others on why Lolo Creek has been dewatered in recent years. Hosted by Lolo Watershed Group. WHEN: Sept 14, 5:30-7:30pm; WHERE: Travelers Rest, 6717 US-12, Lolo. FREE. Find out more »

Montana Data User’s Conference, Sept 14-15 in Helena

The 2016 Montana Data User’s Conference will provide an in-depth look at Montana’s workforce, economy, and prosperity. Hands-on workshops & presentations from U.S. Census Bureau and Montana experts provide participants the opportunity to learn how to find and use data for workforce and economic development. Please visit the website for more information. FREE REGISTRATION TO ALL

Economy for the Common Good author speaks at UM, Sept 16

Activist/writer Christian Felber will speak at UM on his new book ‘The Economy for the Common Good’ WHEN: Friday, Sept 16 at 3pm; WHERE: UM’s Education building room 214. Free

Stream monitoring training, Sept 17, 21, 24

offered free by Watershed Education Network. WHEN: Sept 17, 1pm to 4:30pm; WHERE: Missoula's Greenough Park Shelter. RSVP at water@montanawatershed.org Note training is repeated on Sept 21 and Sept 24.

Hunting for Sustainability Program, Sept 23-25, on Rocky Mountain Front

The Montana Wildlife Federation’s Phil Tawney Hunters Conservation Endowment has a new program to introduce UM students to hunting. This weekend-long program at the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Ranch on Montana’s Rocky Mountain Front will prepare you to hunt for local, free-range meat in an ethical and responsible manner. Registration for the program will begin early fall semester. For additional info, email h4s@mtwf.org or go to http://montanawildlife.org/h4s/ and fill out the online form. For info on hunter education programs, visit http://fwp.mt.gov/education/hunter/.

Wilderness Management Distance Education Course, Oct 3-Jan 20, sign up now

NRSM 405/561, Managing the Wilderness Ecosystem

This course studies ecosystem characteristics and basic principles of wilderness management. Separate chapters discuss management of specific wilderness resources such as fire, wildlife, cultural and historical sites; managing non-
conforming uses such as grazing, mining, and motorized vehicles and equipment and mechanical transport. The course will discuss the use of traditional means to achieve management objectives, use of the Minimum Requirements Decision Guide, and Leave No Trace camping techniques. More info: http://www.cfc.umt.edu/wmdep/register/default.php william.fabro@umontana.edu

Travel to Churchill, MB with the Great Bear Foundation to observe polar bears in the wild and learn about arctic ecology and northern culture.
Two options: Intro to Polar Bear Ecology (Oct 23-31) gives a broad overview of the ecology of the Western Hudson Bay polar bear population.
Sharing Habitat with Polar Bears (Oct 30-Nov 7) examines coexistence between people and polar bears, and how that may change in the future.
Opportunities to participate in an EVST citizen science research project. Student discount available. Contact gbf@greatbear.org or 829-9378. www.greatbear.org

INTERNSHIPS**************

Social Media Intern for Env. Studies
EVST seeks an undergrad to post regularly to EVST’s current social media platforms (facebook and twitter) and create/maintain an EVST Instagram account. Interns may also be asked to write short web articles. Interns will report to Community Relations Coordinator Emily Withnall and should expect to work approximately 6 hours per week for 2 credits per semester.

To apply, please send a letter of interest to emily.withnall@gmail.com ASAP, noting your particular experience with the social media platforms listed above. If applicable, please include links to social media accounts you currently manage. Please also include the name of one faculty member familiar with your writing and work, as well as a one-page writing sample. Selected interns can register for internship credits with Professor Neva Hassanein, or with their own advisor.

Internships with impact, apply by Sept 25

Join a team of passionate people to make an impact on issues like global warming, clean water, big money’s influence over our democracy and other issues that matter to our future. Impact is a project of leading advocacy organizations, including Environment America and U.S. PIRG, that runs grassroots campaigns. The internship allows you to work for our environment, our democracy and our future.

Impact is now accepting applications to join our team this fall! Our internship application deadline is September 25. Learn more and apply on our website, or reach out to our Recruitment Director, Katie Otterbeck at jobs@weareimpact.org.

JOBS ***(Local, part-time). For full time jobs elsewhere, subscribe to Envirojobs list serv)

Consider the Peace Corps for your future

Want to have a huge impact in global development and environmental issues? Apply to serve in the Peace Corps! Math and science teachers are in especially high demand right now, and there are also positions available in environment, agriculture, business, and other sectors. Apply before October 1 to have the best chance of being placed in the country and specialty you want after graduation.
EVST grad student Terri Nichols, a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer from Zambia, is the new Peace Corps Campus Representative, and she’d love to talk to you about the unique benefits of serving for two years in a developing country. You can reach her in the Peace Corps Campus Representative Office, Lommasson Center 154, during her office hours: Mondays from 12 – 2 pm; Thursdays from 11:30 – 1 pm; or by appointment. She can also be reached at 243.2839, or peacecorps@umontana.edu. Upcoming UM Peace Corps info sessions and events, see www.umt.edu/peacecorps/Events

Big Hole River Foundation seeks part-time director, apply by Oct 10

Full job description here:

http://www.bhrf.org/index.php/about-the-big-hole-river-foundation/?id=69

SCHOLARSHIPS & FUNDING**************

SONNY KLESS CLEAN ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE UNDERGRAD SCHOLARSHIP apply by Sept 15

In honor of EVST alum, Sonny Kless, EVST is pleased to announce an undergraduate student scholarship opportunity for this fall for up to $2,000. To be eligible you must be an EVST undergrad major, currently enrolled full-time (at least 12 credit hours) and in good academic standing. Past recipients may re-apply. To apply, please send: (1) a letter of interest of no more than 300 words; (2) a current resume with names and contact information for two references; and (3) your unofficial transcript to Professor Robin Saha (robin.saha@umontana.edu). In your letter of interest, please describe your involvement, interest in and/or commitment to making positive change in the area(s) climate change, energy conservation, energy efficiency, and/or renewable energy. Also, please describe any relevant volunteer, work or leadership experience, coursework, personal qualities, characteristics or aspirations that you think prepare you to make positive contributions to our climate crisis now and in the future. Applications are due by 5 PM on Thursday, Sept. 15. Questions can be directed to Robin Saha.

Research & Creative Scholarship (grad & undergrad), apply by Sept 26

This fund (supported by students & UM administration) is accepting applications for the Fall Semester. Funding is available to undergraduate and graduate students to conduct a research project, produce an academic creative work, or travel for these. The Scholarship Committee will fund requests for projects occurring between now and 01/22/17. Funding requests for work after this date should apply in a future semester. RCSF application deadline for Fall Semester: 09/26/16. Learn more and apply at www.umt.edu/asum/asum_ agencies/Research%20and%20Scholarship%20Committee.phpQuestions? Email rcsf@msou.montana.edu.

Montana Water Center Graduate Fellowships, apply by Nov 23

The Montana Water Center invites proposals for Graduate Student Water Resource Fellowships. The goal of these small grants is to help support graduate students in the broad realm of water resources research in Montana and the region. Funds may support purchase of materials or supplies, travel to a scientific meeting, travel for research training, laboratory fees, etc. Fellowships are $2,000. For complete information, please see the following link: http://www.montanawatercenter.org/studentfellowship
Amazing Riverfront Sublet—Spacious, furnished 1.5 bedroom/1 bathroom featuring great river views and ideal location just a few blocks from the heart of downtown and a 5 to 15 minute walk from anywhere on the UM campus. Close proximity to bike path, hiking trails, libraries, and all downtown attractions. Gas stove, hard wood floors, large eat-in kitchen and main bedroom, and extensive shared backyard. This is the perfect place for a graduate student or couple. Available approximately Oct. 1 to June 1. $785/month rent includes internet but not gas or electric, which cost ~$30-80/month depending on heating needs. Place is fairly well furnished but can accommodate more furnishings. There is a small couch, queen bed, futon for guests, kitchen table and chairs, desks, dresser, book shelves, wall unit, 40" TV, some dishes, cook ware and appliances, and tons of storage space. Cats are OK but no dogs. Email me if interested at: af136732@umconnect.umt.edu

Miscellaneous ************

Bike Giveaway, apply by Sept 24

Need a new ride? Mountain Line is giving away another BOLT! Torker T-29 Cruiser bicycle to one lucky winner. Registering to win is easy! Enter online at mountainline.com/bolt-bike-giveaway anytime between now and September 24, 2016. At the end of Walk and Roll Week, we will pick a random winner from online and event entries.

EVST alum heads up science education museum, ice cream social on Sept 16

EVST alum Holly Truitt is the Director of SpectrUM, UM’s hands-on science education museum. The museum will move to a larger location this winter, so will be closed for a few months. The last day at the old site is Sept 16, and the move is being celebrated with an ice cream social from 3 to 6pm. Come in and see the exhibits and enjoy some ice cream.
WHEN: Sept 16 from 3 to 6pm; WHERE: 218 E Front St

History comes to life in Missoula Cemetery, Sept 18

Volunteers dressed in times of old capture your imagination by reenacting people of our past.
Date: Sunday, September 18, 2016
Time: 12:30pm - 3:30pm
Place: Missoula Cemetery 2000 Cemetery Rd
Cost: Free admission
Contact Missoula Cemetery: cemetery@ci.missoula.mt.us or (406)552-6070

Submit a paper on Food Issues

California Agriculture (open-access peer-reviewed research journal) is planning a special issue on research topicaly related to the GFI. The issue’s primary content will be previously unpublished, significant original research, or reviews of such research, conducted in the following GFI subject areas: nutrition, food security, food sourcing, food equity, food literacy, food recovery, food waste, local food systems, sustainable agricultural production, sustainable fishery practices, sustainable urban agriculture and climate smart agriculture.

Abstracts are due for review October 1, 2016, with full manuscripts due November 18.
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