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1. Gathering at AWP Writers' Conference - April 8-11, 2015, Minneapolis.
2. Everyone can be a philanthropist! Get involved May 5.

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**GOOD NEWS ITEM**
1. Garden Project Funded
   A new main campus garden project was given a grant by the Agricultural Council for $10,000, matched by UM Dining for $20,000. UM Dining is going ahead with the project and will hopefully have at least a fence in this spring. The garden would be in the grassy quad between Elrod, Duniway and Craig residence halls. The new food-production garden began as class project in my Environmental Citizenship class (ENST 476/CCS 485) last spring, 2014. Read the full article from UM Dining.

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AROUND EVST

1. **Wild Mercy Reading continues this Thursday, March 5, at 7pm at UM FLAT Studio.** (633. S 5th East, between Maurice and Arthur). This week’s readers are Chandra Brown, 2nd semester EVST grad student, and Kim Covill, 2nd year MFA student. Tea and baked treats available. Free and open to the public.

2. **EVST alum named MWA's 2014 Conservation Hero**
   Kari Gunderson, EVST alum & recently retired Mission Mountains Wilderness Ranger, was named the 2014 “Conservation Hero” by the Montana Wilderness Association’s Shining Mountains Chapter.
   For the past 35 years, Gunderson has educated visitors to the Mission Mountains Wilderness, cleared trails, and kept the wilderness wild. Gunderson began working as a Forest Service wilderness ranger in the Mission Mountains in 1979. Five years later the Forest Service began shifting work from government employees to contractors. Gunderson submitted a successful bid to continue her work as a contractor. During the winters she continued her schooling, completing a Master’s degree in Environmental Studies in 1989 and a Doctorate. Gunderson is now an adjunct professor in the University of Montana’s College of Forestry and Conservation where she teaches classes in the Wilderness and Civilization Program and online.
   Congratulations, Kari!

3. **Celebrate the launch of National Wildlife Week – Watch Queen of the Sun on Mon., March 9.**
   Watch the award winning film, *Queen of the Sun, What are the Bees Telling Us?* at The Roxy Theater. In addition to the movie, we'll have information and resources for you to take action to help bees and other pollinators, starting in your own backyard. EVST is cosponsoring this event. More details on the film can be found on [Queen of the Sun Facebook page](http://www.facebook.com/QueenoftheSun). Monday, March 9, 7:00 PM, Roxy Theater.

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

1. **Legislative Leadership Trip to Helena, March 6, Sign up TODAY!**
   This all-day legislative leadership trip to Helena (depart 7:30am, return at 6pm or 9:30pm) is a biennial EVST tradition whereby we converge with citizen lobbyists and members of various environmental organizations, including Montana Environmental Information Center (MEIC), Montana Audubon, Northern Plains Resource Council (NRPC), Sierra Club, and other groups at the state capitol while the legislature is in session. This year we will meet with the Governor Bullock’s top advisors, legislators (including EVST alumni and former UM faculty), environmental lobbyists, reporters and others. We also observe the House and Senate Floor debates, committee hearings and deliberations on particular bills. You’ll get to know key political players in Montana and gain a first-hand understanding of state legislative politics and natural resource and environmental bills currently being debated. The trip includes an option to top off the day at the Montana Conservation Voters (MCV) 16th annual meeting celebration in evening. The event includes a headline speech by Gov. Bullock, food and drink, live music, a silent auction, a raffle, and opportunities to hobnob with Montana’s political and environmental leaders.
   Transportation, lunch, and admissions to the MCV evening event is provided. Students should register by Tuesday, March 3 by signing up on the board outside the EVST Bullpen or by contacting Robin Saha at [robin.saha@umontana.edu](mailto:robin.saha@umontana.edu). Please indicate if you would like to attend the evening event.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

1. Earth Day Planning Sessions, March 4, 5, & 6
   EARTH DAY SustainaGANZA will be even bigger this year -- on the Oval (weather permitting) and combined with a social justice fair! It will take place from 10am-3pm on April 22nd (Earth Day!!!!). ASUM Sustainability and the UC Student Involvement Network invite you to a planning/brainstorming session. Choose the time that fits your schedule. We feel that Earth Day/Week should engage everyone and should highlight the connections between our environmental, social, and economic well-being. Join us in planning this FUN and interactive day of activities!! No need to RSVP...just show up!
   The meeting times to choose from are:
   - Wednesday, March 4th 1:00pm—UC Rm 207
   - Thursday March 5th 5:00pm—UC Rm 223
   - Friday March 6th 11:10 pm—UC Rm 207
   SustainaGANZA gives student groups the chance to plan fun activities related to social justice or sustainability, to be incorporated into a student tabling fair. Last year, students sampled food, planted seeds, made key chains out of recycled materials, and more!
   Please email Chris Olsen, ASUM Sustainability Coordinator, or Rebecca Collins or Kelley Jones, SIN Student Coordinators, with questions or ideas (asum.sustain@msu.umt.edu, Kelley.jones@msu.umt.edu, rebecca.collins@msu.umt.edu).

2. Lubrecht Snow Study Volunteers Needed Soon
   PhD student Eryn Schneider is performing a study in Lubrecht Experimental Forest to see how vegetation influences the hydrologic cycle. She is studying how much snow falls, where it falls, how much water content is in the snow and how fast it melts. The big picture research goal is to be able to improve watershed predictions of snow runoff and thus water availability downstream. Volunteers are needed to collect data. No experience is necessary, and transportation is provided from the UM Campus. Please bring water, lunch, and warm/weather appropriate clothing. These are full days up at Lubrecht Forest starting this next week.
   For more information or to sign up, please contact Eryn Schneider at eryn.schneider@umontana.edu (preferred) or 605-212-5717.

3. Girl Scouts of MT seeking volunteers
   The Girl Scouts of Montana is searching for volunteers to help run after school programs. There are opportunities at schools all over Missoula to present the Leadership Curriculum to girls who otherwise don't have the time or resources to participate in Girl Scouts. The program partners with low-income and under-served areas of town because every girl deserves to receive the building blocks to be a leader. For more information and to get involved, please contact Krysta Peterson, at: 1-800-736-5243, ext. 2204 or visit the Girl Scouts of Montana webpage.

4. March Volunteer Opportunities with Montana Natural History Center
   -- Visiting Naturalists in the Schools -- Most School Days in March
   Volunteers assist staff naturalists in the classroom while they show how to study bird flight. See the March schedule online.
   -- Front Desk Assistance -- Thursday, March 5, 9:30-11:30am
   Volunteer to staff our front desk one morning this month. Answer the phone, greet visitors.
--Tabling at the Kids Fair at Southgate Mall--Saturday, March 14, 10am-6pm
Help with kids activities throughout the day. Share info about MNHC and promote summer camps. Volunteers will help at the info booth in 2-hour shifts. Sign up for just one shift, or stay all day! Click here to see the online schedule.
Contact Alison adejong@montananaturalist.org about the above opportunities.

Contact Christine cmorris@montananaturalist.org about the opportunities below:
--MiniNaturalists pre-K Program: Thursdays, 10-11am: March 5, 12, 19, and 26
Our theme for March is "Digging Dinos and Mammoths"
Come at 9:45 to help set up, done by 11:15 at the latest, and in between, have fun helping our pre-K kids learn about nature!
--"Short-Grass Prairie Systems" lecture -- Wednesday, March 18, 6:45-8:15:
Volunteers come 15 min early to help set up, greet folks and direct them upstairs, and staff the front doors to let in latecomers.
--Kids' Activity Assistance. How to Draw Animals & Birds--Saturday, March 28, 1:45-3:30pm
Volunteers help from 1:45 to 3:30 with setup, check-in. And artistic volunteers can lead kids through drawing exercises, showing them how to draw animals and birds.

5. Volunteer to help with stream monitoring (Trainings are March 7, 11 or 14)
The Watershed Education Network trains citizens to conduct stream monitoring and also to help school children conduct stream monitoring. Training in stream monitoring will be offered at these 3 times (each day has the same training so you only attend one).
Saturday, March 7th - 2-5 pm @ Greenough Park
Wednesday, March 11th - 4-7 pm @ Greenough Park
Saturday, March 14th - 2-5 pm @ Greenough Park
RSVP to reserve your spot at one of these trainings by emailing water@montanawatershed.org or by calling 406.541.9287.

6. Help with Restoration Work and Raptor Monitoring at Conservation Ranch, March 14, 26, 31
--Spring Seeding and Restoration Work -- Saturday 3/14, from 10am-4pm
Help MPG restore heavily degraded draws. Volunteers will help seed and rake eroded areas to help revegetation efforts. Please bring work gloves, water, and dress for the spring weather.
Lunch will be provided. Please alert us to any dietary restrictions. RSVP to get directions and details. : jlisbon@mpgranch.com or 406-396-6285

--Spring Raptor Migration --Thursday 3/26 and Tuesday 3/31 from 11am-3pm
Join MPG and Raptor View Research Institute scientists as we track the spring raptor migration. Volunteers will help observe and identify migrating raptors. Please be sure to bring binoculars and dress for the spring weather! Space is limited to 6 volunteers per trip. No lunch provided on these days. Please RSVP for each event to get directions and details.: jlisbon@mpgranch.com or 406-396-6285

--More opportunities next month, including a wildlife friendly fence build and tracking the spring raptor migration. Please be aware that you may encounter old barbed wire, metal or wood, uneven terrain, and other potential hazards. Please remain aware and use good judgment to avoid injury. We hope you are safe while visiting. Contact Joshua Lisbon to register or with any questions at: jlisbon@mpgranch.com or 406-396-6285.
7. **Help create a river for the Wild Walk parade. Prep starts soon!**

The International Wildlife Film Festival kicks off with a Wild Walk parade of wild critters running, swimming, flying down Higgins Avenue (on April 19). There is a lot of preparation between now and then to create those critters. WEN (Watershed Education Network) is teaming up with some local bug scientists and the Flying Whales kindergarten class at Sussex School to build an "interactive river" to take part in the parade. WEN is looking for volunteers to coordinate this event as well as to help build needed props and costumes based on the organisms found in our local rivers. The parade is April 19, 2015. But prep starts soon!

To help out, email water@montanawatershed.org or call 406.541.9287.

8. **Montana Science Fair still needs 100 more judges, March 16**

All judging for the Montana Science Fair will be early afternoon Monday, March 16, in the UM Adams Center. Most judges are needed from 12 to 2 (there is an orientation at 11). Only a few judges are needed after 2.

New judges should attend orientation from 11:10 to 11:25. Lunch for all is 11:30 to noon. Judges can sign up online. Select "11 am to 2 pm" for orientation and 1st round judging (we need more than 200 judges for this round - graduate students and science majors can really help here). Select "11 am to 4 pm" if you are willing to help with both 1st and 2nd round judging. Don’t worry about later judging, there will be enough faculty to cover that.

Note – Lots of the science fair projects have an environmental focus, especially the middle school projects, so these kids would greatly benefit from your feedback on their projects. In addition, EVST gives a couple of awards to the best environmental projects. But Vicki Watson (who will be judging the high school environmental projects) will not have time to look at 500 middle school projects. So if you serve on one of the middle school teams, please note the best environmental project in your group of projects, and give its number to Vicki. Also – if you can’t get there in time to help with the first round of judging, but can help later – you can scout through some of the middle school projects and recommend some good ones to Vicki to look at for the special award. She will be in the High School env. science projects or up in the sky box where judges meet to argue over which are the best projects.

**EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

1. **Conservation Ranch hosts a research conference (Mar 2-3) and a wild critter celebration (Mar 6)**

--MPG Conservation Ranch Research Conference -- Join MPG at the Holiday Inn Parkside downtown in Missoula for our yearly research conference. MPG staff and supported researchers will present recent findings and describe future goals. The conference will allow all who conduct investigations at MPG, as well as the general public, to learn about current projects and to share ideas. Topics will include avian science, rangeland restoration, mammal ecology, pollinators, plant phenology, and soil ecology, among others. The public is invited to attend and you do not need to register for this event.

WHEN: Monday 3/2 and Tuesday 3/3 from 8am - 5pm; WHERE: Holiday Inn Parkside

--First Friday Event (3/6) -- MPG Ranch will host a Family Friendly First Friday event on March 6th. Join us from 5-7 pm for food, drinks, and to celebrate wild ungulates including elk, moose, mule deer and white-tailed deer. We will share information about ungulate populations in the Sapphire Mountains, cooperative research efforts, hunting, and much more. Attendees can talk
with wildlife biologists and participate in interactive activities. MPG staff will display original artwork, including traditional buckskin crafts, bark baskets, and photography by Joshua Lisbon and botanical rock paintings by Rebecca Durham.
WHEN: Friday 3/6 5pm - 7pm ; WHERE: 1001 S. Higgins Ave. Bldg B (next to Rockin' Rudy's).

2. **Peace Corp Week! Stories and Celebration and an application workshop. March 4-5**
   This is Peace Corps Week, and UM offers a gathering of returning Peace Corps volunteers to tell you about their experiences. There is also a workshop on how to prepare an application so as to maximize the chance of being selected for the area where you would like to go.
   Peace Corps Stories & Celebration (hear stories of returning volunteers). WHEN: March 4, from 5 to 6:30 pm; WHERE: UC 330
   Application Workshop: WHEN: March 5 from noon to 1pm; WHERE: Lommasson 154

3. **Thai Sustainable Agriculture Presentation. Thurs. March 5.**
   Thai Sustainable Agriculture; Indigenous Farmers, Cultural Dissidents and Unlikely Entrepreneurship will be presented by students from the 2015 Intersession trip to Thailand.
   Thursday, March 5th, JRH 202, 7:00 p.m.

4. **Climate Change Activism Panel, March 5**
   The panel will discuss methods of working for policies to address climate change.
   Hosted by Blue Skies Campaign, 350 Missoula, and Students Against Coal Trains.
   WHEN: March 5 from 5 pm - 6:30 pm; WHERE: UM’s Native American Studies Building room 105. Free, all welcome.

5. **Sustainable Campus Committee Meeting, March 6.**
   The UM Sustainable Campus Committee will meet March 6 from 9am to 10:30 am in UC 329. All welcome. For more info, contact Eva.Rocke@mso.umt.edu UM Sustainability coordinator, 406-243-4323.

6. **"Integrating Food Justice into Community Programs" at the Coady Int’l Institute. Apply ASAP**
   Check out this educational opportunity at the Coady International Institute, certificate course "Integrating Food Justice into Community Programs" (June 3 - 19), Nova Scotia. People will need to apply soon! Scholarships are limited and applications will be reviewed until 22 candidates have final confirmation of attendance for each certificate. There will be an opportunity to take more than one certificate in the spring. To see a complete list of our 2015 offerings Coady Int’l Institute website.

7. **Lots of Farm/Garden workshops offered this spring. 1 in Missoula Mar 4. Most in the Bitterroot.**
   --March 4 Managing Employees and Interns for Success (5:30-8pm) free and located at Burns St. Bistro in Missoula, Speakers: Josh Slotnick (PEAS Farm and Clark Fork Organics), Steve Elliot and Luci Brieger (Lifeline Farms), Tracy Potter-Fins (County Rail Farm), Bryce Christiaens (Native Ideals Farm), Tom McCamant (Forbidden Fruit Orchard).
   --Saturday, April 18 - at Victor Community Garden - 10 am - 12 pm - Fruit Tree Planting Workshop - by MSU Extention. At noon, annual Spring Work Day – to get the garden ready for planting. Bring a dish of food to share for lunch.
Monday, May 18 - Native Bee Workshop at Lee Metcalf Visitor’s Center - 7 pm - SLS in partnership with Bitterroot Audubon Society. Presenter: Leah Grunzke
She will give a slide show of flowers and native bee pollinators and talk about the basics of pollinator gardening and habitat requirements (what types of flowers attract different native pollinators, planting suggestions), the life cycle of native bees and how they differ from honeybees (in terms of biology, nesting, pollination, beekeeping, etc), and the specifics of building a variety of native bee nesting houses with handouts and a variety of bee hotels on display. There will be free booklets on bee identification and scopes to look at bee specimens.

-- Landscaping in the Bitterroot Valley, A Perennial Landscaping Series
Saturday, March 14 10am-2pm Pruning Fruit Trees, Canyon View Nursery, Free
Saturday, April 18 10am-12pm Planting Your Home Orchard, Victor Community Garden, $5
Saturday, May 16 10am-12pm Managing Common Garden Pests, Western Ag Research Cntr, $5
Wednesday, June 17 5:30-7pm Ornamental Pruning, Daly Mansion, Free
For more information call: Ravalli County Extension at 375-6611.

-- Farmyard Fantasy to Reality: What you need to know about raising small animals
March 4: Chickens  March 11: Rabbits  March 18: Goat  March 25: Sheep
Each topic will be presented by 4-H leaders with years of experience raising these animals. Topics covered will include purchasing animals, shelter and nutritional needs and general economic considerations whether your interest be as a hobby or business enterprise. We will be charging participants $5 per class or $20 for the whole series. For more information call: Ravalli County Extension, 375-6611. Wednesdays , 7pm-9pm , Victor High School, Room B.

-- Forage and Hay Quality Workshop (Rav. Co Extension, 375-6611)
March 19, 12-1:30 pm, Frontier Café, Stevensville, $5 lunch is provided
Meet with MSU forage specialists Dr. Emily Glunk and Dr. Shannon Moreaux to learn more about growing quality hay for specialty markets.

-- Equine Grazing and Nutrition (Rav. Co. Extension, 375-6611)
March 19, 6pm-8pm, Cowpoke Ranch and Supply, Corvallis
Learn from MSU specialists Dr. Emily Glunk and Dr. Shannon Moreaux about how you can keep both your horse and your pasture healthy.

8. More workshops for Farmers & Future Farmers
-- March 3, Missoula: Farm Succession Planning
Mark Andrew Junkin will discuss how to get everyone in your family on the same page about long-term farm planning. Visit Agriculture Strategy for more information.

-- March 7, Missoula: Western Montana Sheep Growers’ Association Hear from the MSU Wool Lab and Forage and Wildlife specialists at this event for sheep growers. Great way to meet people and learn more about the industry! Contact Will Tusick at 883-4093 for more info.

9. Portrait of the American Mountain Goat, March 7
The public is invited to wildlife biologist Bruce Smith’s presentation on the wilderness icon, the mountain goat. Bruce will explore the ecology of the Bitterroot Mountains goats. His book Life
**on the Rocks** won the National Outdoor Book Award. Bruce retired from the US Fish & Wildlife Service after 30 years. Free. Call 406-363-0028 for more information.

WHEN: March 7 at 7pm  WHERE: Hamilton’s Bitterroot River Inn (139 Bitterroot Plaza Dr)

10. **Study in Central America this Summer! Sign up TODAY!**
    Travel to Nicaragua this summer to explore this fascinating and beautiful Central American country. We’ll examine issues of human rights, sustainable development and the environment by engaging directly with the Nicaraguan people. We’ll live in a cloud forest reserve with families growing coffee, travel by boat along the San Juan River to the rain forest, explore the Solentiname Islands in Lake Nicaragua, and visit the active Masaya Volcano. Earn 3 credits! EVST professor Dan Spencer will be offering a 2-week EVST Travel Seminar to Nicaragua, May 25-June 18, 2015. You do not need to know Spanish to participate. Contact Prof. Spencer at daniel.spencer@umontana.edu or 243-6111 if you are interested. Open to both undergrads and graduate students.

11. **UM Tunnel of Oppression. Monday, March 9 - Wednesday, March 11 in the UC Ballroom.**
    The Tunnel of Oppression is a national program intended to educate and raise awareness about systems of oppression and privilege. It features immersive exhibits meant to simulate the experience of various forms of oppression in order to trigger empathy, understanding, and conversation. The UC Student Involvement Network has coordinated the Tunnel of Oppression at UM since 2010. This year we are glad to be working in collaboration with Advocates for Non-Violence, UM Allies, Planned Parenthood Leaders and Advocates, Griz UNICEF, Mountain Home Montana, SCHWA, Kyi-Yo, Students for Peace and Justice, and UM’s Veterans Education and Transition Services (VETS). Information, tour schedules, and tour reservations are on the [Tunnel of Oppression](#) website.

12. **Power of Community: How Cuba Survived Peak Oil. Free Screening, March 9.**
    Transition Missoula is sponsoring the documentary “Power of Community: How Cuba Survived Peak Oil,” which still has lessons for us today on how to live in a powered-down economy. Free, with discussion to follow. Monday, March 9, 6:30-8:30 pm, Missoula Public Library, Large Meeting Room.

13. **Lectures on climate & sustainability in SE Asia, March 11 & 17**
    The Mansfield Center’s spring lecture series focuses on Asia, public affairs & ethics. Two of the lecture should be of special interest to EVST students:
    --“Deep in the Delta: Studying Climate Change in Vietnam,” Nicky Phear, UM Climate Change Studies instructor and program coordinator, and Mara Menahan, UM study abroad student participant.
    WHEN: Wednesday, March 11, Noon – 1 pm  WHERE: Mansfield Library Room 450
    
    --“Sustainable Rural Development in Cambodia: Participatory NGO Approaches and Student Internship Opportunities," Phyllis Ngai, adjunct associate professor, UM Department of Communication Studies.
    WHEN: Tues, March 17, 4–5 pm  WHERE: Payne Native American Center Room 105
    Details on the full series can be found on the [Mansfield Center Lecture Series web page](#).

14. **Become a Montana Master Naturalist!**
Our certification courses consist of at least 40 hours of instruction in a mix of lectures, in-class labs, and outdoor field trips. We'll cover a wide breadth of topics (which might include birds, mammals, insects, trees and shrubs, flowers and more), but the goal will be the same across all the topics--to give you an essential foundation of skill and knowledge on which you can build. Summer Dates: 5 day intensive, June 17th-23rd, 8:00 am-4:00 pm, with the weekend off. Cost: $395. 2 UM credits as ENST 391 pending approval. Some scholarships are available. Call 327-0405 to register, or visit the Master Naturalist page for more information.

15. **Webinars on pushing back against misinformation, March 11 & 26**
The Union of Concerned Scientists is offering webinars to scientists on talking to the media and dispelling misinformation
--101: Rapid Response Ready: Preparing for media opportunities
Date: Wednesday, March 11, at 3pm ET (that’s 1pm Montana time)
On this webinar you'll learn how to identify when rapid response opportunities are imminent, how to be a source for reporters and the media, and how you can bring science back to the forefront of breaking news.
--202: Pushing Back Against Misinformation
WHEN: Thursday, March 26, at 3pm ET (that’s 1pm Montana time)
This webinar is filled with science communication tips on how to engage on contentious issues, how to frame your arguments so they aren't reinforcing the myths, and how to push through the cacophony so the truth can be heard.
Register for upcoming series of online workshops on talking to the media and dispelling misinformation.

16. **Workshop for Beginning & Intermediate Birders, April 2-25**
Five Valleys Audubon offers a workshop for beginning & Intermediate birders to build identification skills. Workshop covers: hawks, eagles, owls, waterfowl, woodpeckers, shorebirds, warblers, sparrows and birding by ear.
Classroom sessions are Thursdays (April 2, 9, 16, 23) from 7 to 9:30pm at Fish Wildlife & Parks office, 3201 Spurgin Rd. Field trip will be April 25. Workshop costs $35.
To sign up, call Larry at 549-5632 or email him at bwsgenea@gmail.com

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**INTERNSHIPS**

1. **Clark Fork Coalition’s Dry Cottonwood Creek Ranch seeks summer field season intern.**
The Ranch Intern will work on the 2,300-acre Dry Cottonwood Creek Ranch, in Montana’s Deer Lodge Valley, assisting with all aspects of running a conservation-minded cattle ranch and conducting outreach related to the Superfund Cleanup underway of the Clark Fork River.
See attached flyer for full description and application details.

2. **Herpetology Field Technician at MPG Ranch**
MPG Operations is seeking a part- to full-time intern to support our turtle distribution survey in the Bitterroot Valley. The work involves baiting and checking basking traps, photographing, measuring and weighing turtles, marking scutes for recapture, and maintaining accurate records. The intern must be willing to travel to MPG to collect data every 1-2 days. A gas allowance will be provided. MPG will also supply a solid pair of amphibious boots and mosquito net for the intern’s use. Persons seeking this position should have experience working in the
field and be familiar with wildlife species common to wetland, stream, and river ecosystems in Western Montana. Written and video documentation of field observations throughout the summer will be encouraged. Job dates are approximately May 1 to August 31. To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and three references to mschertz@mpgranch.com.

3. **Sustainability Internships in Panama**
   Some folks have started to build a community (Kalu Yala) focused on sustainability in the Panama rainforest. They are offering sustainability internships. The goal of Kalu Yala is to demonstrate a model of sustainable living that can be accomplished with interdisciplinary cooperation. Visit the [Kalu Yala website](#) for more information about the project and the [internships webpage](#) to learn more. Please NOTE: We do not have firsthand experience with this group. One of our students did look up this group on an [independent website](#) and found some good reviews. But always check out a group thoroughly yourself before traveling to a remote location.

**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. **Boat inspection stations jobs** (to keep aquatic invasive species out of MT waters), Apply ASAP EVST alum Linnaea Schroer heads Fish, Wildlife & Parks’ boat inspection program to keep aquatic invasive species AIS out of Montana waters. She invites EVST students to be part of the FWP AIS Team for 2105. It is a great way to get your foot in the door at FWP and build a resume towards natural resource management careers. Successful applicants must be able to attend a 3-day training May 18-20 in Helena. Full job descriptions and how to apply can be accessed at [FWP Openings webpage](#).
   While there are some western Montana positions, they particularly need folks in Eastern Montana.

2. **Two openings with Missoula Parks and Rec Conservation Lands Management Division.**
   Conservation Lands Attendant and Conservation Lands Research Assistant. Full details on both positions can be found at [Missoula City Employment Opportunities webpage](#).
   Apply by March 13.

3. **Traveling Science Educator job with UM spectrUM Discovery Area**, apply by March 6
   Montana spectrUM Science Experience, MosSE, is the traveling branch of spectrUM Discovery Area. The MosSE Science Educator provides high quality interpretive education experiences, primarily in the fields of science, health science, and neuroscience for rural and tribal communities. MosSE will travel out of Missoula for a total of four to six weeks throughout rural and tribal Montana. The entire spring tour will run from the middle of March through the end of May. Each MosSE tour varies in length from 3 days to 2 weeks, with ½ day on either end for unloading and loading the truck. Typically, each tour stop consists of two days per school where we host K-12 fieldtrips throughout the day. Each fieldtrip typically lasts an hour with 45-60 children per group. One evening we also host a Family Science Night where we open the exhibit to the broader community.
   This is a contract position, roughly 20-40 hours per week for a total of 4-6 weeks in mid-March through late May. This is an ideal position for substitute teachers looking to gain more teaching
experience and to reach children all over Montana. Position is based in Missoula, but involves travel around Montana. Applicant must have a flexible schedule.

To Apply: By March 6, email cover letter, resume, three professional references, and availability to: Jessie.herbert@umontana.edu. See attached flyer for further details.

4. Lowell School Garden Educator, (about 60 hrs, mostly in May & June), Apply by March 12
   Lowell PTA seeks an individual to teach garden classes to elementary students this spring. Class lessons must fit with the Common Core Standards and be age appropriate.
   Duties/Responsibilities--Develop two garden related lessons for grades K through 5th in keeping with Common Core Standards, teach age appropriate garden classes to groups of up to 28 kindergarten through 5th grade students, work with Garden City Harvest and FoodCorps personnel to coordinate class lessons. (Some lesson material available), garden maintenance and other related chores.
   Must be available during the following hours: April 9, 12:30-4:30, May 4, 5, 6, 8 from ~8:30-3, June 1, 2, 3, 5, from ~8:30-3 and additional prep time as needed
   Requirements: Knowledge of basic gardening/farming, biology and ecology; reliable, on time and committed to the program, willing to provide information for a criminal background check to MCPS; able to lead classes in all weather conditions
   Preferred skills: Experience on a garden or farm especially in an educational setting, experience working with students of low income and with diverse backgrounds, ability to be highly organized and able to work independently.
   Wage--$500 stipend upon successful completion (works out to about $8/hr)
   To apply--Send cover letter and resume to Sally.painter@umontana.edu
   For consideration applications must be received by March 12

5. Environmental Health Specialist job in Missoula. Apply by March 17.
   The Missoula Health Department is looking for an Environmental Health Specialist - someone who can and wants to work with the public, has good conflict management skills, loves reading laws and regulations, is a bit of a science geek and genuinely wants to improve public health and the Missoula community. On-the-job training and a good group of people to work with (lots of EVST alums). While an April start date is preferred, the department would be willing to wait a bit longer (after graduation) for a really good candidate.
   The minimum qualifications, job description and how to apply can be found on line at: Missoula County job listing website. The job starts at $18.55 an hour ($19.75 if already registered as a Sanitarian), with increases after 6 months and again after becoming a Registered Sanitarian. Deadline to apply is March 17.

6. Montana Outdoor Science School hiring Summer Camp Instructors
   Montana Outdoor Science School (MOSS) is a non-profit organization, based in Bozeman, MT, dedicated to promoting an understanding and appreciation of the natural world by providing quality education. Established in 1994, MOSS provides outdoor educational experiences for residents and visitors in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.
   Position Overview: Passionate and knowledgeable summer instructors lead outdoor science education programs for youth in grades preK-8. Most programs operate daily for one week, other include one overnight experience, while a few last the entire week! MOSS Camp Headquarters are based at the Bozeman Fish Technology Center, with camps traveling in and around the Gallatin Valley.
Responsibilities Include: Lesson preparation, Overall course instruction and evaluation.
Qualifications: degree in the natural sciences and/or education preferred; strong background in environmental education and outdoor recreation. For more information on responsibilities, qualifications & compensation on the Montana Outdoor Science School website.
To apply, submit a cover letter, resume, and three references to jaugst@outdoorscience.org.

7. Outdoor Leader Positions With Missoula Outdoor Learning Adventures
Missoula Outdoor Learning Adventures (MOLA) has openings for 8-10 outdoor leaders, interns, and a climbing guide for its 16th annual Outdoor Adventure Summer Camp in 2015. Work outside all day, every day, leading youth ages 6-14 in outdoor recreation activities based out of Missoula. Duties include leading groups of youth to hike, bike, raft, climb, canoe, swim, and camp. MOLA seeks individuals with experience in at least some of these outdoor pursuits. Additional helpful experience includes working with youth, lifeguarding, team building, driving 15-passenger vans, and towing trailers. Qualified applicants lacking sufficient experience must be willing to gain necessary training before camp begins. MOLA provides some opportunities, and other trainings are available locally. Wilderness First Aid (WFA) and guide permit from Montana FWP also required prior to start.
Dates are June 8 - August 21. Hours are 9am-5pm daily, Mon-Fri, with an overnight campout each Thursday. Time off is possible. Compensation varies according to experience and position, ranging up to $400 per week, and includes access to pro-deals on clothing & gear.
To apply, please send cover letter and resume with 3 references to Porter@MissoulaOutdoors.com. Email attachments preferred (.doc or .pdf), but hardcopy acceptable. Positions open until filled. More information on is available on Missoula Outdoors website.

8. Montana State Parks AmeriCorps summer jobs, apply by April 3
Positions available at Cooney State Park near Red Lodge, MT, Lake Elmo State Park in Billings, MT, and Tongue River and Rosebud Battlefield State Parks near Decker, MT. Visit the Montana State Park's Americorp webpage for all the details and to apply.

-- Bitterroot Wildlife Internship Instructor
Ecology Project International (in partnership with MPG Operations) is seeking a qualified individual looking to spend the summer inspiring young people through the Bitterroot Wildlife Internship (BWI). The BWI program provides interns with the opportunity to engage in research, conservation service work, learning, and fun while camping at the MPG Ranch in Florence, MT. To see the full job description and apply visit Ecology Project International.

-- Field Technician (Irrigation)
MPG Operations is seeking a seasonal full-time field technician. The successful applicant will assist with irrigation and restoration efforts. Responsibilities include: Installing and maintaining drip irrigation systems; Driving a watering truck and trailer to hand water plantings; operating center pivots, wheel lines, K-Lines, and hand lines; measuring planted trees and shrubs; working in teams and independently while maintaining a positive attitude; assisting with other projects, which may include: herbicide application, weed control, and other restoration and research activities. Must be responsible, in good physical condition, possess a valid driver’s license, and be able to: lift 50 lbs, follow directions, record observations, work in sunny and hot conditions. The workweek will usually run from Monday–Thursday and consist of 10-hour workdays. The
schedule may occasionally vary. Pay Rate: $10-12 (DOE) but highly qualified individuals may qualify for a higher pay rate. Travel costs to and from MPG Ranch will be reimbursed as a stipend. To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and three references to ranchjobs@mpgranch.com. Please include “Irrigation Field Technician” in the subject line.

-- Bear Population Genetics Laboratory Technician

MPG Operations is seeking a part- to full time laboratory technician to support our bear monitoring programs in the Swan and Bitterroot Valleys. Persons seeking this position should have experience extracting DNA from environmental samples and using PCR to amplify small quantities of DNA. A background or coursework in population genetics and some knowledge of microsatellite analysis preferred. Candidates with strong writing skills are also preferred. Pay starts at $14-18/hr DOE. The technician will be responsible for working with others to collect genetic material (hair, scat) from field sites. The technician will then extract DNA from the samples, amplify targeted genes, send amplicons for sequencing, and summarize sequence data in regular reports. Working with a team to develop further research questions will be encouraged. To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and three references to swanjobs@mpgranch.com. Please also include a writing sample and type “Bear Genetics Tech” in the subject line.

**FUNDING SOURCES**

1. **Competitive Climate Fellowship at UNH Sustainability Institute. Apply by March 13.**

   The Climate Fellows program pairs outstanding students with challenging, important projects that will propel the US toward a low-carbon, climate-resilient future. Fellows each undertake challenging deliverables, and receive supervision, mentorship, unique networking opportunities, and a $6000 stipend. Get all the details at [UNH Climate Fellows website](#).

2. **Clancy Gordon Environmental Scholarship. Apply by March 27.**

   The purpose of the Clancy Gordon Environmental Scholarship is to provide an annual award to a graduate student at UM who has demonstrated ability and effectiveness in working with environmental problems. Students from the biological, physical and social sciences and environmental studies will be eligible. The amount of the award for 2015-16 is $2,200.

   To apply, submit resume, list of academic work (past and projected), graduate transcripts, one-page statement of activities in environmental problems, and at least 2 supporting letters electronically to sherrie.wright@mso.umt.edu.

3. **Jerry O'Neal National Park Service Student Fellowship. EXTENDED Deadline is March 23.**

   Applications are now being accepted for the Jerry O'Neal Fellowship for work in Glacier National Park, Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site, and Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument. The fellowship aims to provide educational assistance for students seeking to understand natural and cultural resources issues and how these interact with human values. Special consideration will be given to proposals that address the following: 1) natural resource issues such as aquatic ecology, terrestrial ecology, fire ecology, invasive plants, and climate change; 2) cultural resource issues, such as history and architectural studies, cultural landscape reports, archeology, and ethnographic research; and 3) social science that informs resource management about a natural or cultural topic and/or that addresses visitor impacts to park resources.
Competition is open to graduate students or superior upper division undergraduate students at RM-CESU universities and colleges only. Awards range from $1000-5000. Applications must be submitted electronically by March 23, 2015. For details on the application process please visit O’Neal Announcement page.

HOUSING
1. Peaceful Rattlesnake Abode available March 20 (or possibly earlier)
   This 2br/1ba furnished apartment is the second level of a beautiful 1890s farmhouse. There is one off-street parking space available for upstairs tenant(s). The homeowners, a professional couple (60s), live downstairs. No pets, please. We are asking for $800/mo (includes all utilities and wi-fi) and a 10-month lease (possibly re-negotiable).
   The house is located just north of Greenough Park on the west side of Rattlesnake Creek, 10 minutes by bike to UM, 5 minutes to the PEAS Farm, across from Waterworks Hill with views of Mt. Jumbo and Mt. Sentinel. This is an exceptionally lovely place to live and breathe. Please call 406-239-6546 or email nancyseldin@yahoo.com for an application, meeting, and viewing.

RESOURCES
1. From College to Sustainability Career in Four Steps
   Eva Rocke, EVST grad alum 2014, and now the University of Montana’s Sustainability Coordinator, recommends this article for any students thinking about sustainability-related career or anyone considering grad school toward that goal. The article with the above title appears in the February 2015 issue of the journal Sustainability. It talks about the types of jobs in the sustainability field; how/where/when to get an education/build skills for such jobs; how to pick a graduate program; how to find jobs (build your network); how to make a difference in the job you get. Or as the article says ‘It takes a village to get sustainability work done. Find your village and start developing colleagues.’

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS AND OTHER FUN EVENTS
1. Gathering at AWP Writers' Conference - April 8-11, 2015, Minneapolis.
   Will you be there? Know others who will be? EVST writing alum Lauren Koshere '12 would like to coordinate a gathering for EVST, Missoula, and/or Montana writers during AWP 2015. Contact her at lkoshere@gmail.com.

2. Everyone can be a philanthropist! May 5
   Give LOCAL Missoula is a powerful 24-hour, online giving event that helps Missoulians support local community nonprofits to reinforce the value of local philanthropic giving and community engagement. Go to Give Local Missoula for all the details.

Don't forget to set your clocks, and spring forward with skiing and fun at Discovery Ski Area. Bring your family and friends to downhill or cross-country ski. Tickets are marked down to $30 on this day and $12 of each lift ticket sold will benefit Five Valleys Land Trust. Thank you Discovery Ski Area! More information on the Five Valleys Land Trust website.

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