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**Chris Olsen:** “It's Elementary My Dear Watson: Environmental Education for Early Childhood,” Friday, May 1, 3 – 5 p.m. at the UM Flat Studio.

2. **Emily Withnall** awarded the Bertha Morton Scholarship for 2015-16! Congratulations to Emily Withnall on being awarded a Bertha Morton Scholarship for 2015-16 from UM Grad School. This is the most prestigious graduate award at UM, and includes both Masters and PhD candidates across entire campus. Way to go Emily!

3. **Mark your calendars for the second annual Prairie Songs reading! April 19.** This year’s line-up includes David James Duncan, William deBuys, Annick Smith, Bryce Andrews, Melissa Mylchreest, and Amy Ratto Parks. The Wartime Blues will be providing music for the intermission. There will be a $3 suggested donation at the door to help raise funds for Camas Magazine. You don’t want to miss this great event!
   When: Sunday, April 19 at 6 pm
   Where: The Top Hat

4. **EVST alum in the MT legislature has a ‘Smart Buildings Initiative’**
   EVST alum Zach Brown is serving in the Montana legislature and is shepherding a bill through the legislature. The bill is designed to help upgrade government buildings to be more energy efficient (saving money & reducing carbon pollution). The Smart Buildings Initiative (HB 464) has passed the House and is scheduled for a hearing in the Senate Energy and Telecommunications Committee: Tuesday April 7th at 3pm in room 303. You can find the content of the bill on the legislature’s web site. If you have questions about the bill, you can contact Representative Brown at (406)579-5697 or through his legislative web site.

5. **Senior Thesis Show, Art + Nature + Science by Mara Menahan. May 8.**
   Mara Menahan will present her Senior Thesis Show – Art + Nature+ Science –
   WHEN: Friday, May 8 from 4-5pm
   WHERE: UM FLAT studio.
   There will be a post show pizza party (pizza cooked in the cob oven). All welcome.

6. **LaPier publishes piece in current Crown of the Continent & Great Yellowstone e-magazine.**
   EVST’s Rosalyn LaPier has published a piece in the beautiful Crown of the Continent and Greater Yellowstone e-magazine. Check it out!

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

1. **EVST student describes her pilgrimage to Camino de Santiago. April 14.**
   EVST senior Rebecca Collins will present her senior honors thesis -- *Pilgrimage, Historical and Personal: My Story of the Camino de Santiago.* The Honors Student Association invites you to attend a unique senior thesis presentation by EVST major Rebecca Collins. Last fall, Collins began an independent study on the Camino de Santiago, a route of medieval and modern-day pilgrimage in southern France and northern Spain. Now that she has returned, Collins will present her incredible journey and research. Refreshments will follow.
   WHEN: Tuesday, April 14, at 6:30 p.m.
   WHERE: DHC 119

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**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**
1. **Northern Rockies Rising Tide meeting. All welcome. April 6.**
   Northern Rockies Rising Tide is a local chapter of a national climate action group. NRRT invites everyone to the next strategy planning meeting and potluck. For more information on the organization, visit [Rising Tide North America website](#). For more info, contact Will at gena0007@umn.edu
   WHEN: Monday April 6 at 6pm
   WHERE: the Hive, 800 South 3rd St West.

2. **Help Monitor the Spring Raptor Migration in the Bitterroot, April 7, 23 & 28 from 11 am to 3pm.**
   Help MPG and Raptor View Research Institute scientists as we track the spring raptor migration. Volunteers will help observe and identify migrating raptors and will have the opportunity to participate in banding. 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.
   A word from the management--We hope you enjoy your time on MPG Ranch and MPG North. 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.

3. **April Volunteer Opportunities with MT Natural History Center.**
   **April Visiting Naturalist in the Schools**
   Most School Days in April
   In April, we have our second lesson on birds, this month focusing on birds' beaks and how they're adapted for eating specific types of food. We need volunteers to assist our staff naturalists in the classroom while they teach kids about several different types of beaks and the food they're adapted to eat. To see the April schedule, click [here](#). To sign up for a class, get the lesson plans, or for more information, please contact me at adejong@montananaturalist.org.

   **miniNaturalists pre-K Program:**
   Thursdays, 10-11am: April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30
   Our miniNaturalist program is doing extremely well this year, and with so many kids attending, it would be great to have a volunteer or two to help out! This year we're also offering the program weekly instead of just twice a month, so there's even more chances to get involved! Come at 9:45 to help set up, you'll be done by 11:15 at the latest, and in between, have fun helping our pre-K kids learn about nature! Contact Christine at cmorris@montananaturalist.org if interested.

   **Center Visit Assistance**
   Tuesday, April 14th, 10-11am & 12-1pm
   We have two big groups of first graders coming to visit MNHC this month, and we need a volunteer to help us run a fun lesson about bears and other Montana mammals. Help with one group or sign up for both! Contact Lily at ljaines@montananaturalist.org if interested.

   **Saturday, April 18th, 1:45-3:30pm**
   --Saturday Kids' Activity Assistance: Fantastic Fossils
   Arrive at MNHC around 1:45 to help with set-up and check-in, and you'll be done by 3:30 at the latest. Please contact Christine at cmorris@montananaturalist.org.

   **Visiting Naturalist in the Schools --Spring Field Trip Training**
   --Wednesday, April 22nd, 3:30-5:00pm @ MNHC
   In the month of May, we take our 4th and 5th grade VNS students outside for a full-day field trip, and we depend upon volunteers to help us out! We'll run three stations: Wildlife Hike, Solo Hike, and Insects! At the training, we'll review the stations, discuss behavior management, answer questions, and we'll give you a chance to sign up for a field trip (or three!). This is a wonderful way to get outside in the lovely spring weather AND teach kids about nature. RVSP adejong@montananaturalist.org so we know how much food to provide!
4. **Join the Clark Fork Coalition’s Volunteer River Corps! Events on April 10, 18 & 25.**

   The Volunteer River Corps program provides meaningful, science-based projects that engage citizens and improve water quality in the Clark Fork River Watershed. Meet other river lovers, learn about local water issues, and give back to the river you love! Volunteer projects range from snowpack monitoring to river cleanups to stream bank restoration. Projects happen throughout the year. **Join the Volunteer River Corps today.**

   To learn more, email Katie or call (406)542-0539 ext. 212. Also, visit CFC’s Volunteer web page for complete details on all the projects. Here are some upcoming volunteer opportunities:

   - **Reserve Street Clean Up:** April 10th from 8:30am-1:00 pm. (Lunch provided!) This cleanup under the Reserve Street Bridge focuses on mitigating human and environmental health concerns associated with temporary camps along the river. This stretch of river has unique cleanup needs, and it needs your help!

   - **Annual River Clean Up:** April 18th. (Lunch provided!) This is a great opportunity to get involved behind the scenes of Missoula’s biggest cleanup event! Email Katie to learn about specific jobs, time slots, and more.

   - **Snowpack Monitoring:** April 25th
     Limited to 10 participants, so sign up now. This is a full-day adventure which requires a beautiful, 5+ mile hike in the Sapphire Mountains in wintry conditions. No experience required and snowshoes are provided!

5. **UM Society for Ecological Restoration work day. April 11.**

   Help UMSER fix up UM’s Native Plant Garden –install some fencing & pathways, remove some invasive plants & plant some native plants. Bring a water bottle, work gloves & work clothes. A BBQ will be provided to volunteers who RSVP via email to Jesse Bunker or call (231) 357-3682.

   **WHEN:** Saturday, April 11 from 9am to 1pm
   **WHERE:** UMSER’s garden is located on the SE corner of campus near the Forest Service Research Building and CLAPP

6. **Community Canvass on Coal Trains. April 11 & 18 or 19.**

   This month Blue Skies Campaign and CAJA are organizing two community canvass events in neighborhoods near the rail line, to invite people to a community meeting about the health impacts of coal pollution. Volunteers are needed to canvass. These community canvasses are part of a larger effort to engage rail line residents in protecting the health of their families and communities from coal pollution. Info will be provided to residents on the impacts of coal dust and diesel fumes from coal trains, and they will be invited to a community meeting to learn more about the issue and how to take action.

   **WHEN:** Saturday April 11 from noon to 2 pm; Saturday April 18 (12-2) or Sunday April 19 (1-3) – the date that works for most canvassers will be selected.
   **WHERE:** meet in Gregory Park which is on N. Van Buren Street, just north east of where Van Buren goes under I 90.

   Please reply to nicke@blueskiesmt.com to let us know if you can help or if you have any questions!

7. **Fence Retrofit For Wildlife Crossing. April 18.**
Help MPG and Oxbow Cattle Company as we partner to make our shared border fence friendlier to wildlife. Volunteers will remove barbed top and bottom strands of fence and replace them with smooth-strand fence and drop clips. This project will greatly reduce the potential for injury to wildlife as they cross between properties. It is an exciting partnership between neighbors. Lunch provided. Please RSVP for details and directions. Saturday 4/18 9:30am-4:30pm

A word from the management--We hope you enjoy your time on MPG Ranch. 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 judgement 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.

8. Transition Missoula seeks help implementing neighborhood-based climate action.

Transition Missoula is a local chapter of the national Transition movement which seeks to empower neighborhoods to work together to be more sustainable and self-sufficient (that is, to mitigate & adapt to climate change). Transition Missoula was selected to be one of the first demo sites for Transition Streets which provides a workbook that guides neighborhoods in reducing energy use (thus saving money and lowering emissions). As more people get involved in this community-bonding project, we will have a broader base to elect leaders and push for needed emissions-lowering policies.

Transition Missoula needs Steering Committee members to implement the national rollout of Transition Streets in May and beyond. Please consider TM Steering Committee participation. The main requirement is reading the Transition Handbook, which is available at Missoula Public Library, or for purchase at Jeannette Peace Center and Shakespeare & Co. Call Claudia at 728-6049, or email c4775@icloud.com. Learn more at the Transition U.S. website.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

   Transition Missoula invites everyone to tea to discuss Naomi Klein's *This Changes Everything* – or other books or articles on the topic of peak oil, climate change, cultural/economic transitions, ecological shifts or the future of life on Earth. You will be allotted a certain number of minutes to succinctly present something of interest about the book or article (please bring a copy to refer to). This sequential presentation process will be followed by a facilitated group discussion.
   WHEN: Monday, April 6, 7 - 8:30 PM
   WHERE: Missoula Public Library

2. Peace Corps info session. April 7.
   Peace Corps rep offers an information session on World Health Day so you can learn about volunteer experiences, have your questions answered, and gain tips to guide you through the application process. Serving in the Peace Corps is a great way to immerse yourself in a new culture, learn a new language and have the experience of a lifetime while also enhancing your professional career. More info: 406-243-2022; or via Email; or on the Event website
   When: April 7, 2015 @ 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm ; 
   Where: University Center (UC) Room 330

Beverly Yelczyn, Lolo National Forest program staff officer will lecture on Forest Planning.
WHEN: Tuesday, April 7 at 3:40 p.m.    WHERE: Forestry Building Room 106. Free.

4. **ASUM election candidate forums. April 8 and 9.**
ASUM elections are coming up, and the candidates will be introducing themselves and their platforms at 2 forums this week:
- **ASUM Elections: Primary Senate Candidate Forum;** Wednesday April 8 at 10 am in the UC Commons
- **ASUM Elections: Primary Executive Candidate Forum;** Thursday April 9 at 10 am in UC Commons

5. **Public Meeting on Flathead National Forest Plan, April 8; comment by May 5.**
The Flathead National Forest has released its proposed management plan. The plan sets the stage for how the Flathead Forest and the wild lands in the Swan, Mission, and Whitefish mountains will be managed over the next 20 years.
There is a public meeting on the plan at Fort Missoula Pavilion on April 8 from 5:30 to 7:30pm.
Info on the plan is at [http://www.fs.usda.gov/detailfull/flathead/home/?cid=stelprdb5422786&width=full](http://www.fs.usda.gov/detailfull/flathead/home/?cid=stelprdb5422786&width=full)
Email your comments by May 5 to flatheadplanrevision@fs.fed.us or snail mail to: Flathead National Forest Supervisors Office; Attention: Forest Plan Revision; 650 Wolfpack Way; Kalispell, MT 59901
So far the draft proposal provides protection for several wilderness areas. For instance, Flathead Forest Service has largely adopted the **Whitefish Range Partnership's Wilderness recommendation** in the Whitefish Range. This includes over 80,000 acres of new wilderness.
The Flathead also recognized two new areas along the Mission Mountain Wilderness that should be protected.

6. **Montana Native Plant Society presentation on wildflowers. April 9.**
Can you remember the names of those wildflowers? You haven’t seen them for nearly a year.
Get an early-season refresher when the Clark Fork Chapter photographers show slides of **Western Montana’s Grassland Wildflowers.**
WHEN: Thursday, April 9, 7:30 p.m.    WHERE: UM Gallagher Bldg. Room L09

7. **Aquatic Ecosystem Ecologist candidate seminars, April 7, 9, & 14.**
UM is interviewing three candidates for a faculty position as a Freshwater Ecosystem Ecologist. Everyone is invited to their seminars:
- Lindsey Albertson, April 7 Tuesday, 3:10-4 pm CHCB 452, “Incorporating ecological dynamics into geomorphological processes in streams”
- Jonny Armstrong, April 9 Thursday, 2:30-3:30pm Skaggs 117 “How fish cope in a world of feast and famine: adaptations to ecological heterogeneity”
- Ben Colman, April 14 Tuesday, 3:10-4pm CHCB 452 “The big deal with little particles: nanoparticles in ecosystems.

8. **Reading of William deBuys' new book on search for one of Earth’s Rarest Creatures. April 10.**
Join award-winning author and conservationist Dr. William de Buys for a nonfiction reading of his latest book, *The Last Unicorn: A Search for One of Earth’s Rarest Creatures*, on wildlife conservation efforts in Southeast Asia, an area ravaged by smugglers and poachers. Sponsored by the Mansfield Center.
WHEN: Friday, April 10, 7 pm    WHERE: Dell Brown Room, UM’s Turner Hall.
9. **Slow Food Story screens at UM. April 12.**
In 1986 Carlin Petrini, dispirited by the rapid rise of global fast food chains and the homogenizing effects of corporate restaurant cuisine, launched Slow Food, an international anti-fast-food resistance movement to preserve traditional and regional cuisine and to encourage farming of plants, seeds and livestock characteristic of the local ecosystem. Slow Food promotes worldwide the use of “good, clean and fair food” and the pleasure principle. The Slow Food Story is an environmental documentary in Italian with English subtitles. Watch the trailers at [https://vimeo.com/66634863](https://vimeo.com/66634863) and [https://vimeo.com/110665755](https://vimeo.com/110665755).

**WHEN:** April 12 at 6:30pm  
**WHERE:** UM’s UC Theater  
**FREE**

10. **Wildlife way way down under. April 13.**
The Antarctic Peninsula and associated islands are arguably the most remote, spectacular, and wildlife-rich region remaining on earth. The Five Valleys Audubon program on Monday, April 13 meeting will highlight the history, scenery, and wildlife of the Falkland Islands, South Georgia Island, and the Antarctic Peninsula. Join Audubon in room L14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gallagher Business Building on the UM campus.

11. **Food Systems speaker at MSU on April 16.**
Jan Poppendieck, Professor Emerita of Sociology at Hunter College, City University of New York; and Director of Public Policy at the New York City Food Policy Center at the CUNY School of Public Health will be on campus on April 16th to deliver the final SFBS Seminar for Spring semester. She is the author of three books: "Breadlines Knee Deep in Wheat: Food Assistance in the Great Depression", "Sweet Charity? Emergency Food and the End of Entitlement", and "Free for All: Fixing School Food in America". Her presentation at MSU is titled "Want amid Plenty". Free.

Neva Hassanein recommends this seminar by Jan Poppendieck  on "Want amid Plenty"
Thursday, April 16, 2015 from 3:00pm to 4:30pm [Reid Hall, Room 103, Montana State University](https://www.montana.edu/)

12. **Indian Law Week sessions on Law, Culture, & the Environment. April 13 – 17.**
The Native American Law Students Association is sponsoring these sessions at the UM School of Law. All sessions are free and open to the public. A full day of training will be held at the Holiday Inn, Downtown Missoula. For more information, visit the [UM Law events page](https://law.umontana.edu/PhlEvents/).

13. **Environmental Sociology, SOC 470. Offered Fall, 2015 (possibly for the last time?).**
This course counts as a required course for the Rural and Environmental Change option in Sociology, as a major content course for Sociology, and as a core course for the Climate Change Studies minor. It introduces a subfield of sociology, namely, the study of how society and the environment are interconnected. Environmental sociology focuses on how people influence, and are influenced by, environmental resources, processes, and issues. We examine this interconnectedness from the perspective of people not only as individuals but as actors in social institutions and social movements. In doing so, we explore both micro-level factors, such as beliefs, attitudes, and behaviors, as well as macro-level factors, such as the distribution of political and economic power and cultural social control. Becky Richards is retiring, so who knows when/if this will be taught again. The course meets T/TH 11:10 AM to 12:30 PM. It can be taken by graduate students for grad credit.

14. **Gender, Politics, & Society Graduate seminar offered Fall 2015.**
Anya Jabour (History) will be offering a graduate seminar in Fall 2015. HSTA 591: Gender, Politics, and Society in the U.S., will meet Mondays, 2:10-5 p.m., in LA 250, and will be largely devoted to women and reform in the 19th and 20th centuries. It will count as the "Humanities" core requirement for the WGSS Graduate Certificate. This is a readings course, not a writing course, in which students read (on average) a book a week, write book reviews, and lead one class discussion each. The course will be tailored the class to the interests of the students who enroll in it, who are urged to email Anya Jabour if interested. Advanced undergraduates interested in pursuing graduate study may be admitted on a case by case basis and should contact Anya Jabour ASAP.

Since 1985, Clark Fork Basin citizens have met every 5 years to discuss conservation science and actions in the basin. At the 2015 Clark Fork Symposium, the State of the River report will look back on 30 years of conservation progress (with a focus on the last 5 years) and ahead to future challenges. Short talks and poster presentations will address recent & ongoing studies guiding actions to conserve & restore the basin. Field trips to watershed projects will also be featured. Most of the Symposium is free and open to all (State of the River report, poster sessions and field trips). Due to the small space available for the talks on Friday April 24, participants must register in advance for a small fee (half of which will be donated to the watershed group of your choice). UM students may attend (as space permits) for helping with the symposium and/or a donation to a watershed group of your choice. The symposium’s web page is www.umt.edu/clarkforksymposium, and the 2015 program is here.
The 2015 Symposium is held in coordination with the Clark Fork-Kootenai Task Force’s annual Climate/Water Supply Outlook forum (free) on April 23, 2015 at Holiday Inn in Missoula. See Climate/Water Supply Outlook for 2015. For more information, contact Dr. Vicki Watson, Vicki.watson@umontana.edu 406-243-5153

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INTERNSHIPS
1. DNRC hiring watershed intern for Summer, 2015.
The DNRC is hiring a watershed intern for the summer 2015, with possible employment through the following fall term. The position will include both field and office work, and will serve as a valuable learning experience in natural resource management. Possible duties relate to soils, forestry, geology, hydrology, fisheries, and rangeland management. Please refer to job posting #58238 in griz e-recruiting for a full description and application information.

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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. Ecology Project International seeks full time Office & Enrollment Asst. Apply ASAP!
Ecology Project International (EPI) is a non-profit education and conservation organization that offers experiential educational programs to students in a variety of outdoor settings. Students work alongside professional scientists on applied research projects and participate in multi-
activity outdoor adventures (camping, whitewater rafting, etc.) in National Parks, forests and nature reserves throughout the western hemisphere.

Position: The Enrollment Assistant is responsible for assisting with the daily operations of enrollment procedures for Ecology Project International. Enrollment Assistant's time is spent supporting the EPI team with school group and individual participant registrations, database entry, and medical review. The Assistant also provides support to recruiting, development, and program teams as needed with enrollment related tasks. Visit the EPI jobs web page for a full job description and instructions for application.

2. Montana State Parks AmeriCorps positions, summer 2015. Updated positions. Apply ASAP! Visit Montana State Parks/AmeriCorps website for more info and to apply. Positions open until filled. Term of service: May 18, to September 18, 2015. Service schedule: Member will serve a minimum of 690 hours over an 18 week term, averaging 42 hours per week with 40 hours of holiday, vacation or sick time. Positions at Cooney State Park, Flathead Lake, Lake Elmo State Park, Makoshika State Park, Missouri Headwaters and Madison Buffalo Jump State Parks, and Tongue River and Rosebud Battlefield State Parks.

3. Watershed Education Network (WEN) offers a Summer AmeriCorps VISTA position. Apply ASAP! Position from June 1- August 10; apply ASAP. The Youth Program Summer Associate VISTA position will assist WEN with summer youth education, environmental education and natural resource work projects. Primarily the duties include support roles with high school youth crews in training and field monitoring projects on the Lolo National Forest by the crews. The Summer Associate will take an active role in leading youth crew activities and will receive training in forestry monitoring including road surveys, invasive species identification, bird identification, wildlife/habitat information & more. Preferred qualifications include: Wilderness First Responder certification; previous outdoor experience, youth leadership experience, and enthusiasm for outdoor work. Benefits include: Choice of Education Award or End of Service Stipend, Living Allowance, Training To apply: please go to www.AmeriCorps.gov For any questions, please email rebecca@montanawatershed.org or call 406-541-9287.

4. ASUM Sustainability Coordinator Position now open. Apply now! The Associated Students of the University of Montana are seeking applicants for its part-time graduate student sustainability coordinator position. Eligible candidates will be current graduate students at UM with an interest in sustainability issues and furthering UM's progress toward our sustainability goals. Check out the full position description. Interested parties should contact the current ASUM Sustainability Coordinator, Chris Olsen, for more information. To apply, please email a cover letter, resume, and list of 3 references to asum.sustain@mso.umt.edu.

5. Watershed Education Network is hiring a Youth Conservation Corps Co-Leader. The Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) Co-leader will help instruct the Watershed Education Network’s YCC program during the 2015 summer field season. The YCC co-leader is responsible for facilitating data collection and field instruction to high school YCC crew members. In addition, the co-leader will be responsible for driving crew members from Missoula to the sites as well as coordinating all daily logistics and ensuring crew safety. This position is based in Missoula, Montana with field locations in Lolo National Forest. This is a term position from June 10th – August 7th 2015. Rate of pay will be $12/hour.
For more information and to apply, visit [http://www.montanawatershed.org/summer-ycc/](http://www.montanawatershed.org/summer-ycc/). Any questions can be directed to Rebecca@montanawatershed.org or call 406-541-9287.

6. **Research Historian on natural resource management, Missoula. Apply by April 15.**

   Historical Research Associates, Inc. (HRA), a company of historical, cultural resource management, and architectural history consultants, seeks a full-time, contract research historian in its Missoula, MT, office. The primary focus of this position will be conducting research in records around the country pertaining to natural resource management, land use, tribal history, and other issues. Employment will begin no later than June 1, 2015, and HRA currently anticipates that the contract will extend for one year. Applications are due April 15. For more information and to apply, please visit the HRA website.

7. **Job at Home ReSource (building supply re-use center). Apply by April 20.**

   Home ReSource seeks a dynamic, mission-motivated Operations Manager to manage the administrative and accounting systems of our growing non-profit business. Click the link to view complete job description pdf.

   **To Apply:** Send a cover letter, resume and names of 3 references to Katie at Home ReSource.

   We will begin reviewing applications April 20th. Please...NO PHONE CALLS about this position.

8. **Summer jobs with MT Dept of Env. Quality, studying wetlands. Apply by April 20.**

   The Montana Department of Environmental Quality’s Wetland Program is currently hiring two positions for the summer field season. One will serve as the Wetland Vegetation Monitoring Specialist and the other as the Wetland Water Quality Monitoring Technician. These positions will be primarily responsible for conducting Wetland Ecological Integrity Assessments and wetland water quality sampling in Central Montana. We are seeking two highly motivated people who are interested in wetlands, botany, and water quality to join our team.

   These positions will work on projects designed to help us better understand:
   --The health (habitat/pollution conditions) of wetlands and groundwater to help inform a risk based monitoring design for aquatic resources.
   --Better understand the pathways pollutants, pesticides, and nitrates take to groundwater, wetlands, and other surface waters.
   --Better understanding the scale at which anthropogenic stressors have an effect on water quality.
   --Determining the relative risk to wetland water quality and condition based on the anthropogenic stressors found within in a local watershed.
   --Identify wetlands where restoration would help address the pollutants, pollution, pesticides, and nitrates impacting the quality of state water.

   These positions are temporary and are expected to work from mid-May through September. These positions require extensive travel (at least 15 days per month) from the beginning of June through the middle of September. Field work involves long hours hiking on uneven ground, steep slopes, and wading in wetlands and streams in waders or hip boots to gather samples and to carry heavy equipment and samples in these conditions.

   Applications are due by 11:59 pm, April 20th, 2015.

   To apply for either of these positions please visit State of Montana Careers page and apply online.

   For more information regarding these positions please contact Steve Carpenedo.

9. **Summer Jobs with MT Conservation Corps jobs and Americorps (Missoula, Bozeman, Kalispell).**
Staff - Specialty Program Manager (MCC) Bozeman

Position runs: Start date determined upon hiring of successful applicant

The Specialty Program Manager, under the supervision of the Director of Programs, is a full-time staff position responsible for monitoring, supporting, and providing guidance to the Conservation Internship Program and other MCC programs as assigned, including youth, field, and other specialty programs as they arise. Primary duties include direct supervision of conservation interns, development and oversight of program compliance tracking systems, the delivery of statewide and regional corps member trainings, the development of regional and statewide training resources, and the upkeep and editing of all related MCC administrative resources. This position will be required to travel regularly. The Specialty Program Manager must develop and maintain a good working relationship with MCC state and regional staff, corps members, and program partners and supervisors. This position will have access to vulnerable populations.

Youth Conservation Corps Crew Leader (AmeriCorps), Kalispell

Position runs 5/27/15 – 8/4/15

The YCC Crew Leader is responsible for the supervision and management of a crew of five to seven youth members. Primary responsibilities include assuring the successful completion of MCC natural resource projects, on-site management of a crew, maintenance of crew dynamics to ensure a high level of crew function, and the delivery of appropriate program components. The YCC Crew Leader is also the primary field liaison between regional staff and the project sponsor or technical advisor. Previous leadership experience, skills and training, preferably in a corps program, or similar setting. Technical skills, including chainsaw usage, trail work and knowledge of a wide range of power and hand tools. Carries current Advanced First Aid/CPR training (WAFA, WFR). Has effective written and oral communication skills. Teaching experience, skills or training, preferably with adolescent youth in an outdoor setting.

Historic Preservation Crew Member (AmeriCorps) Bozeman

At first glance, Montana may not seem like a state in need of a historic overhaul. Long before it achieved statehood in the late 19th century, fur traders and explorers were already venturing deep into the frontier establishing outposts to reap the rewards of the region. Once word of the splendors that awaited prospectors and travelers alike got out, entrepreneurs began bringing infrastructure to the state. Over a century later many of these iconic structures are in need of rehabilitation. Historic preservation crew members address the critical needs of these iconic structures in high traffic tourist areas around the state. Although the historic preservation crew does a very specific type of work in a more public setting that is less remote than our field crews, the crew experience is similar to our Field Corps Member opportunities.

Staff Crew Leader – Invasive Strike Team (IST) – (MCC) 2 jobs in Bozeman, one in Missoula


The IST uses chemical, mechanical and biological treatment techniques to manage invasive plant infestations throughout the Northern Rockies and Plains ecosystems. Primary duties of the staff Crew Leader (CL) include assuring the successful completion of MCC natural resource and community service projects, on-site management of a crew, maintenance of crew dynamics to insure a high level of crew functioning and the delivery of the full range of MCC program components. The CL works under the supervision of Wildlands Restoration Coordinator. The CL is the primary in-field liaison between Regional staff and the project sponsor or technical advisor. The CL insures that MCC policies and procedures are followed by all Corps Members on the crew. The CL also will establish and maintain a good working relationship with the project technical advisor, Corps Members, youth and volunteers working alongside the crew and MCC staff. Questions: Kyle Martens, Kyle@MTcorps.org.
10. **Western Montana Growers Cooperative is now hiring for several positions.**

Western Montana Growers Cooperative (WMGC) is a farmer-owned marketing and distribution cooperative based in Missoula, MT. We serve over 50 MT food producers and distribute their food to wholesale markets across the state and into northern ID and eastern WA, as well as to individuals and families in our area. Applicants to WMGC must have a strong passion for local food and food systems and be willing to work in a fast paced and evolving market. Positions include: Sales Representative, Delivery Driver, and Warehouse Associate. For more information and job descriptions, please email grower@wmgcoop.com.

11. **Conservation Interns (AmeriCorps) MCC, various sites around MT.**

Montana Conservation Corps - One of the most challenging experiences for students is identifying internships that satisfy educational requirements but also kickstart their careers. For employers, it’s finding students that bring a particular area of expertise that can bolster the knowledge of the organization. To meet both needs, MCC has launched its Conservation Intern program. The program is designed to provide students with focused opportunities that meet their academic and career needs while advancing the goals of the host site organization. This year, students will be situated with a variety of state, federal, and nonprofit land management agencies. More information on host sites and specific duties are available by sending a letter of inquiry to apply@mtcorps.org.

12. **Center for Health, Environment, & Justice seeks Executive Director.**

When Lois Gibbs responded to the crisis of Love Canal in the late 70's by organizing, she may not have dreamed that it would become her life's work. Having founded the Center for Health, Environment and Justice - and serving as Executive Director for three and a half decades, Ms. Gibbs is moving into a new role at CHEJ. We are announcing that the search is on for a tough, passionate fighter to lead the organization's growth and development as Executive Director. Go to this [Google document](#) for all the details of the position and application instructions.

13. **Confluence Incorporated Job Opening.**

Confluence is currently seeking an energetic, enthusiastic wetland project manager to join our team in Bozeman, Montana. As a Wetland Scientist, you will be involved in all aspects of our wetland science and permitting program. More information is available in this [Wetland Scientist Project Manager pdf](#).

**FUNDING SOURCES**

1. **Grants for environmental protection in the western US.**

The Maki Foundation, established in 1981, makes grants for environmental protection in the western United States. In particular, the foundation is concerned with protection and preservation of the Rocky Mountain West’s remaining wild lands, rivers, and wilderness, as well as the wildlife that depends on these lands. The Maki Foundation’s geographic area of interest includes New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, and Montana. The foundation supports organizations working to improve public lands policy, protect biological diversity, and defend wildlands. The foundation looks for organizations and projects where modest support can make a significant contribution. The majority of successful applicants for
Maki grants are small local and regional grassroots organizations working to protect public lands and rivers from threats such as mineral development, unconstrained off-road vehicle use, and poorly planned water projects. Grants usually range from $1,000 to $10,000. More info at The Maki Foundation website.

HOUSING

1. **Room available in Slant Street neighborhood. Strawberry plot included. Available May 1.**
   Room available in a super-spacious (1100 sq ft) two-story apartment in the Slant Streets neighborhood. Apartment is clean, well-maintained and walking distance to the U, parks, the Kim Williams Trail and the Orange St Food Farm. Your potential roommate is quiet and laid-back, picks up after herself, and loves to cook. As a bonus, the place comes with my small but well-tended strawberry garden, which I would love the next tenant to inherit and enjoy. Available May 1st, 425 Stephens Ave, rent $400/month plus electric and internet. Contact Lily Vonderheide @ 406-207-6768.

2. **TWO rooms available in the in U-District house (May/June)!**
   Two rooms are available in a U-District house (two blocks from campus, close to downtown, the Hip Strip, and everything) in May or June (move in date flexible)! Rent is $432/mo + utilities (range from around $30 in the summer to around $70 at most in the winter). One room (available in May or June) has large windows with a view of the river, two closets, built-in bookshelves, and a private entrance. The other room (available May 5th - move-in date also flexible) is a little smaller (but very warm in the winter!). The house will allow one dog or cat upon approval from Bitterroot Property Management. The house features a nice little yard, off-street parking, and a basement with plenty of storage space. Sorry, no washer/dryer. The current roommate who will remain in one of the three rooms is Morgan Vinyard, an EVST grad student. If interested, or to see pictures, please email Rachel Mockler for the larger room (available May or June) or Laura Anne Blake for the smaller room (available May 5th). The house is located at 438 S. 5th St. E.

3. **St. Ignatius Farm seeks house/farm sitter from late June through mid-July.**
   Farm responsibilities would include moving irrigation equipment and watering the garden (depending on rainfall), rotating animals around the pasture, and making sure everyone was generally healthy and happy. :)
   The ideal candidate has some experience in farm work, but **we're happy to teach those willing to learn.** You would stay at our house while we're gone. We have **fantastic internet service**, and the other picture attached is the **view from our back porch** (can't beat that, eh?). If you're only interested in half this job but not the other half (i.e. you can house sit, but not do farm work), please know that we would consider splitting the job if necessary. Pay is negotiable, as is use of a vehicle. Please respond via email to Steph Larsen or call her at 202.701.8151 for more info.
1. **Missoula urban farms still have CSA shares!**
Garden City Harvest’s urban farms still have some CSA shares to sell. Get fresh veggies each week for an 18 week season. Some farms only have a few shares left. Descriptions of the farms & CSAs for half shares to whole shares to winter shares -- all at GCH’s [website](#).

2. **New coffee shop offers community space, meeting venue, and EVST discount.**
Found Coffee provides locally roasted organic coffee, baked goods, and kombucha in an eclectic atmosphere built by artists, thinkers, and wandering souls. Located next to Home Resources at 1515 Wyoming Street. Mention you're an EVST student or alum and get 10% off your drink order!

**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS AND OTHER FUN EVENTS**

1. **Recycle unwanted books for a worthy cause. April 17-18.**
Green Ribbon Books is holding a book sale at their new Hip Strip location, 289 S. Higgins, to benefit the Sustainable Business Council during Toward Zero Waste (TZW) month(April) - all profits from the sale will go directly to SBC! Help SBC by dropping off your unwanted books from now until April 17 at Green Ribbon Books, or at any branch of the Missoula Federal Credit Union. Then, visit Green Ribbon Books during their TZW book sale on Friday, April 17 and Saturday, April 18, 10am - 6pm.

   **BAG SALE:** 4pm on 4/18 -- $5 a bag! Cram in all the books you can.

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