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GOOD NEWS ITEM
1. Native Plant Stewardship & Ethnobotany booth at the Kyiyo Powwow a huge success!
   Many people stopped by the booth to learn about Native plants. Environmental Studies at the University of Montana students helped with the booth and shared their new knowledge. It was a great opportunity to provide an educational experience for visitors to the University of Montana Kyiyo powwow. Special thanks to Wilena OldPerson & NACOE, Marilyn Marler & UM’s Natural Areas, Emily Ferguson-Steger & UM Admissions, and Abaki Beck & Saokio Heritage.

2. Hellgate High named 'Green Ribbon' school.
   Missoula’s Hellgate High School was named one of the 2016 "Green Ribbon Schools" by the U.S. Department of Education. The award recognizes efforts to reduce environmental impact and utility costs, improve health and wellness, and recognizes schools that use sustainability education as part of the curriculum. Only forty-seven schools nationwide received the honor. Read more in the Missoulian.

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   WHERE: Jeanette Ranking Hall, room 202.
   Theresa Duncan presents, “An Elemental Community – Contemplations of Place.”
   WHEN: Friday, May 6, at 2 p.m.
   WHERE: UM FLAT Studio.
   Morgan Vinyard presents “Baseline Study of Recovering Headwater Streams in the Sapphire Mountains, Western Montana.”
   WHEN: Monday, May 9, at 10 a.m.
   WHERE: Social Sciences, room 254.
   Kate Leary presents “Beautiful, Battered Lands: Making Peace with Place from the Rust Belt to
2. **Tess Scanlon, EVST grad student, recognized for outstanding service to the community!**

   EVST grad student, Tess Scanlon, and other UM super volunteers were recently honored by UM’s Office of Civic Engagement for their contributions to the Missoula Community. Tess was recognized for her work with the Missoula Urban Demonstration Project (MUD). Tess is also a UM FLAT leader and has provided service this spring to several watershed groups, helping with studies and facilitation services. Many thanks to Tess for her service!

   [Read about all the students who were recognized on UM News.](#]

3. **Congratulations to Ariel Bleth!**

   Congratulations to Ariel Bleth, EVST MS 2006, on publication of her essay “Lessons from Palestine” in the Spring 2016 issue of Tikkun Magazine.

4. **LaPier and Beck presented at Menominee Tribal History Museum in Wisconsin and Illinois.**

   Rosalyn LaPier, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, and David Beck, Native American Studies Professor, presented “American Indians in Chicago: The Early Twentieth Century” at the Menominee Tribal History Museum in Keshena, Wisconsin, on April 4. They also presented “Doctor, Lawyer, Indian Chief: Fascinating Native Americans in Chicago’s History,” at Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago on April 7 and “Indians in Chicago: Stories of Native American Activism” at the American Indian Center of Chicago on April 8. Additionally, the Menominee Tribe’s Menominee Language Immersion program asked LaPier to conduct a workshop on how to operate a Native American language immersion school. LaPier met with 10 elders, teachers, and language learners on April 4 to discuss their move toward opening a charter school in fall 2017 on the Menominee Reservation to revitalize and preserve the Menominee language.

5. **Climate Change Studies Program Coordinator receives national award.**

   EVST alum, Nicky Phear, the Climate Change Studies Program Coordinator at UM, was recently named the 2016 recipient of the Clean Energy and Empowerment Education (C3E) Award from the U.S. Department of Energy. The national award recognizes Phear’s leadership in education about clean energy and her mentorship of students in the field.

   “It’s a great honor to receive this recognition,” Phear said. “I can’t think of a more worthy goal than empowering our youth to tackle our planet’s energy and climate challenges.”

   Phear will accept the award May 31 at the C3E Women in Clean Energy Symposium at Stanford University. [Read more at UM News.](#]

   Congratulations, Nicky!

6. **Smudging article by LaPier in this month’s Montana Naturalist magazine. Available now.**

   Roz LaPier’s article, *Smudging – Plants, Purification and Prayer*, appears in the current issue on [Montana Naturalist.](#]

   Pick up your copy around Missoula or the Montana Natural History Center, the magazine’s publisher. This reflects a small part of a project LaPier is working on for next year.
FEATURED EVENT (See www.umt.edu/conservationcalendar for more)
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   This film fest features environmental & adventure films with a river conservation theme, and
   includes a legendary kayak adventure on the first Wild & Scenic River in Wyoming. Door prizes
   include raft trips, coolers, and more. There is also a raffle for raft trips, fishing rods, and more.
   WHEN: Doors open at 6 p.m.; films at 7 p.m.
   WHERE: The Wilma.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
   The Clark Fork Coalition is seeking UM role models to lead hands-on activities and
   demonstrations at its Expo Barn or outdoor active-learning station at the 2016 Kids' River Expo.
   Approximately sixty middle school students will participate in this watershed festival at the
   confluence of Rock Creek and the Clark Fork River. The Expo includes indoor space for
   technology and demonstrations (electricity available), as well as an outdoor learning station for
   field experiences. Transportation provided. Leave around 8 a.m. and return around 3 p.m.
   Please email Nathalie Wolfram (nathalie.wolfram@umontana.edu) for more information or to
   sign up.

2. Help WEN move into their new place! Many projects to choose from.
   Watershed Education Network (WEN) needs help fixing up & moving into their new office
   WEN is moving into a new office at 802 E. Front St. They could use your help – cleaning &
   painting the new place, moving over their gear & furniture.
   They will be working afternoons/evenings on the following:
   Week of April 26-29 - prepping and cleaning
   Week of May 2-6 - painting and cleaning
   Week of May 9-13 - cleaning and moving WEN's office
   Week of May 16-20 - moving tubs and furniture
   Week of May 23-27 - moving, cleaning and rearranging
   Please email Deb to RSVP: deb@montanawatershed.org or call 541-9827.

3. Become a Mansfield Center Fellow!
   Work with students from Brazil, Russia, India, China, and Japan as part of the
   UM Student Leadership Cohort for a fellowship program sponsored by the
   U.S. Department of State. Get all the details in the Mansfield Fellow attachment.

   The Montana Department of Environmental Quality is accepting public comment on Montana’s
   2016 Draft Water Quality Integrated Report (required by the federal Clean Water Act). The
   report documents the state’s current water quality conditions and the state’s efforts to improve
   water quality. Comments will be accepted during a 60-day public comment through May 13,
   2016. DEQ will revise the report based on those comments and submit the final to EPA.
   The entire report can be viewed at http://deq.mt.gov/Water/WQPB/cwaic. Comments on the
   report should be submitted electronically via the Public Comment link available from this site or
   mailed to: Integrated Report Coordinator, Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box
200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901. DEQ cannot guarantee that comments received after the May 13 closing date will be considered in developing the final report.

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EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

1. Labor Film Festival. May 2 and 4.
The Missoula Area Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO, & the Industrial Workers of the World are proud to present the Eleventh Annual Labor Film Festival. The Festival features U.S. and international films on the struggles and daily lives of workers in their efforts to unite for better living conditions and human justice. The films are:
   - May 2 @ 5 p.m. - The Global Peace Film Festival winner in 2014, Connected by Coffee connects our coffee consumption with the struggles for social justice in South America.
   - May 2 @ 6:30 p.m. - Michael Moore’s new movie, Where to Invade Next, stops at nothing exploring the world to learn how to make America great again.
   - May 4 @ 6 p.m. - Montana Death Trains pictures the thousands of oil tanker bombs that careen day and night across Montana on their way west to Asian markets.
   - May 4 @ 7 p.m. - Schoolidarity analyzes the nationwide political and corporate attack on public education and public sector workers.
See the movie trailers on YouTube. Get the latest information on our Facebook page.
WHERE: Missoula Public Library, 301 E. Main Street.

2. Enjoy Montana’s wildflowers in May with Montana Native Plant Society. May 4.
Wildflower Walk to Celebrate National Wildflower Week on an evening walk in Milltown State Park. We will identify and catalog plant species in bloom along the Overlook Trail. This trail begins at the cliff that overlooks the confluence of the Clark Fork and Blackfoot Rivers, works its way through mixed ponderosa forest, and down to the flood plain of the Clark Fork River. Meet at the Overlook parking area on Deer Creek Rd. Contact Clare (clare.beelman@gmail.com, 728-0189) with questions.
WHEN: Wednesday, May 4, at 6 p.m.
WHERE: Milltown State Park.

Nearly 30% of Montana and over 60% of Idaho is federal public land. While federal ownership of lands in western states has long been controversial, in recent years these controversies have intensified. Many states, including Montana, are contemplating resolutions demanding state control of some federal lands. This panel will discuss the consequences of such proposals from a variety of perspectives: recreation, economics, ecology, and politics.
Panelists include: Pat Connell, Montana State Senator, South Ravalli County; Hilary Eisen, Winter Wildland Alliance; Clayton Elliot, Montana Conservation Voters; Holly Fretwell, Property Environmental Research Center and Adjunct Instructor in Economics, MSU; and Martin Nie, Director, Bolle Center for People, UM Forestry. The moderator will be Sally Mauk, Journalist and Retired News Director at Montana Public Radio.
Co-Sponsors: Project on American Democracy & Citizen; Bolle Center for People & the Forest; Montana Wilderness Association, and Mansfield Program in Ethics & Public Affairs.
WHEN: Wednesday, May 4, 7:00 - 8:30.
4. **Money in Politics - how the Montana Disclose Act can help, if people act. May 4.**
   Missoula Moves to Amend and Missoula League of Women Voters host Jonathan Motl, Montana Commissioner of Political Practices and Chuck Johnson, longtime Montana statehouse reporter, in Missoula to discuss what every voter needs to know to make Montana’s new Disclose Act a success.
   This is a free public non-partisan forum. Questions? Contact Sue Kirchmyer at 543-3254.
   WHEN: Wednesday, May 4, at 7 p.m.
   WHERE: Missoula City Council Chambers (140 West Pine).

5. **Climate Change, Urbanization, and Indigenous Resources. May 5.**
   Dr. Anna Klene of UM Geography studies northern Alaska, funded by a series of NSF grants investigating changes in permafrost under the auspices of the Circumpolar Active-Layer Monitoring (CALM) Project. This research group has focused primarily on modeling space & time variability of the active layer (seasonally thawed layer) above permafrost, which is a function of air temperature, vegetation, moisture, and soil characteristics. Almost all of the biological, chemical, and hydrological processes occur within this thin layer. Dr. Klene and her students are also working on peri-glacial features in western Montana; and collaborating with the USFS on projects using GIS and remote sensing to model rare plant habitat and variability of micro-climates in the northern Rockies.
   WHEN: Thursday, May 5, from 3:40 - 4:30 p.m.
   WHERE: Forestry, room 305.

6. **Bird Walk & Talk. May 8 and 9.**
   Bird Walk -- Bring mom and the family on an all-day outing to see migrating waterfowl and shorebirds on Sunday, May 8, to Smurfit-Stone near Frenchtown. Meet in the northwest corner of the UM Adams Center parking lot at 7:45 a.m. or at the main gate to the old plant site at 8:30 a.m. Dress appropriately and bring a lunch. For more information, contact Larry at 549-5632 or bwsgenea@gmail.com.
   WHERE: See above for specifics.

   **Bird Talk -- The Nature of Night**
   This is the last meeting of Five Valleys Audubon before summer break. Professional photographer and biologist John Ashley will present a visual feast of film and video showcasing Montana’s naturally dark night skies, the culmination of nearly three decades of his night time photography in Glacier National Park.
   WHEN: Monday, May 9, at 7:30 p.m.

7. **Public meeting and hearing on coal export program. May 9.**
   Learn about the impacts of coal exports on communities and have an opportunity to express your views. There will be a presentation and hearing. Les Anderson, Vice President of Landowners and Citizens for a Safe Community, a safety organization in Longview, Washington, will speak about how the proposed massive coal port there would affect his community. Les lives less than a mile from the proposed facility. Missoulians will have a chance to give official comment on the proposed port. This event is organized by Northern Plains Resource Council, Montana Elders for a Livable Tomorrow, 350 Missoula, and many more. For more information, contact Svein at svein@northernplains.org or call (406) 248-1154.
WHEN: Monday, May 9, at 7 p.m.
WHERE: MCT Center for the Performing Arts, 200 N. Adams (corner of N. Adams and E. Broadway).

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INTERNSHIPS

1. **Summer internship with Forward Montana. Apply ASAP.**
   Forward Montana Foundation is seeking an intern to assist with our civic engagement work this summer by engaging voters through face-to-face. Our civic engagement work will center on registering and turning young people out to vote. We are all about making politics fun and accessible for young folks (costumes and silliness are legit tools). This position encompasses three upper division internship credits toward graduation, which will require dedicating ten hours a week for ten weeks starting in June as an intern. To learn more about the internship and receive an application, email Caleb Horton at caleb@forwardmontana.org or (406)241-4576.

2. **Work with Garden City Harvest’s Youth Harvest Project this summer. Apply by May 10.**
   Garden City Harvest’s Youth Harvest Project in Missoula seeks a person for an educational summer internship to assist with this therapeutic based, service-oriented work program for at-risk teenagers. Up to ten youth are employed each growing season to work on a ten-acre sustainable urban farm doing daily farm work, operating a mobile farm stand serving senior citizens, and working once a week at the local food bank. For more information & full job description: [http://www.gardencityharvest.org/about/employment/](http://www.gardencityharvest.org/about/employment/). To apply, send resume to jean@gardencityharvest.org no later than May 10, 2016.

3. **Urban Herbs seeking a summer intern. Live-in option.**
   Urban Herbs has this internship listed on Griz eRecruiting: Job ID: 66477-Job Title: Summer Urban Herbs Assistant. Go to Urban Herbs’ Intern page to get more details.

4. **Preserve history with Northern Plains Resource Council.**
   The Northern Plains Resource Council seeks a person to help to save and organize historical materials, as well as record oral histories. College credit may be available. See the attachment “History Internship.”

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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. **The National Wilderness Stewardship Alliance is hiring its first Executive Director. Apply ASAP!**
   The Executive Director is the chief executive officer of the organization and reports to the board of directors on operational and financial management, strategic and organizational development and, in cooperation with the board, is responsible for securing the financial health and advancing the mission of the Alliance. The ED could work from home (here in Missoula) or approach an affiliated group for office space. The job entails a thirty hour work week (approximately) with annual compensation from $30,000 - $40,000, depending on experience.

Questions? Contact Andis at [adam.andis@umontana.edu](mailto:adam.andis@umontana.edu).

2. **Conservation Coordinator job with Lake County Conservation District. Apply by May 13.**
   This position serves as the day-to-day coordinator for the Board of Supervisors of LCCD with regards to administration of all programs and activities, conservation planning, grant application and administration, outreach and assistance, accounting, reception, and customer service. This job is located in Ronan, Montana. Interested parties can learn more about this position at [http://lakecountyconservationdistrict.org/](http://lakecountyconservationdistrict.org/). Hourly rate for this position is between $13.50 and $17.30, depending on experience. Health/retirement benefits and work hours are negotiable. Applicants must submit a resume and cover letter to [LakeCountyCD@gmail.com](mailto:LakeCountyCD@gmail.com) by May 13, 2016. The cover letter must describe the applicant’s natural resource experience and include contact information. Applicants must be proficient in Excel, Word, and Quick Books and have a valid Montana driver’s license. The finalist will be required to pass a U.S. Government background test and a bonding company background test.

3. **Community Relations Coordinator, a summer job with Community Food & Ag Coalition. May 20.**
   Interested in CFAC's summer AmeriCorps Community Relations Coordinator position? There's still time to apply for summer work study! [CFAC](http://www.communityfoodandag.org) , in partnership with [Montana Campus Compact](http://www.montanacampuscompact.org), AmeriCorps, and UM work study, is accepting applications for a full-time summer Community Relations Coordinator. The Community Relations Coordinator will connect with a variety of community members and organizations through activities to increase awareness of Double SNAP Dollars (a community-centered program that supports healthy food access for limited-income residents). The position is full-time, June-August. Pay is $10/hour, plus eligibility for AmeriCorps education award at end of term ($1,222). [Get all the details on the CFAC website](http://www.communityfoodandag.org). [Apply through AmeriCorps](https://www.americorps.gov/). Questions about work study? There's still time to apply! All undergrad, grad, professional or post-bac students accepted for enrollment and in good academic standing are eligible to apply. Call the Financial Aid office at 406.243.5373 to see if they have your financial aid information on file, then submit this [one-page application](mailto:one-page-application). Once submitted, it only takes a few days to hear back if you are approved. [Find the full job description, including responsibilities and qualifications.](https://www.americorps.gov/) [Apply through the Americorps website](https://www.americorps.gov/). If you do not already have one, you must create a profile on [americorps.gov](http://americorps.gov). Once you receive confirmation that your profile was successfully created, you can apply to this position. Montana Campus Contact will be the first to contact you once you have applied.

   For more information, contact EVST alum Kim Gilchrist, Food Access Program Coordinator, [kim@missoulacfac.org](mailto:kim@missoulacfac.org), or call (856) 912-1080.

   Priority deadline to apply is May 20.

4. **EPI seeks a full-time Executive Assistant at its world headquarters. Apply by May 20.**
   [Ecology Project International (EPI)](http://www.epi-intl.org/) seeks an Executive Assistant who will work with the Executive Director to support administrative and executive responsibilities, including logistics and communications, and support of the Board of Directors at their world headquarters in Missoula. The Executive Assistant will work independently and be highly organized, flexible, and detail-oriented.
Check out the full job announcement at https://www.ecologyproject.org/about/jobs!
Questions can be directed to: Jessica Zephyrs at Jessica@ecologyproject.org or (406) 721-8784.

Perks include benefits, riverside location, sustainable commuter rewards, and the best coworkers ever!
Apply by May 20.

5. **Festival Producer for Big Sky Documentary Film Festival. Apply by May 20.**
Big Sky Film Institute is hiring a Festival Producer for the 2017 Big Sky Documentary Film Festival. The Festival is the largest annual festival of non-fiction film in the American West. This position will begin in July, 2016, and go through early March, 2017. The Festival Producer is responsible for planning, managing and overseeing the successful production of the annual 10-day festival happening in February. For complete details, see the attached announcement, “Big Sky Doc Film Fest Producer.”

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**RESOURCES**

1. **Get your llama poo while it’s hot. May 8.**
   MUD’s annual llama manure sale is this weekend. First come, first served. We shovel till it's gone. Proceeds benefit MUD programs and the Safe Haven Llama Sanctuary.
   WHEN: Sunday, May 8, from 10 a.m. -4 p.m.
   WHERE: MUD, 1527 Wyoming St.

2. **Women’s bike ride on Mother’s Day. May 8.**
   On Mother’s Day, ASUM Transportation will host a women’s bike ride called CycloFemme -- an international event celebrating women and girls on bicycles. This is the first year Missoula will participate. Get more information on their Facebook page.

3. **Free garden stuff, lilac wood, plant canes for bug houses.**
   Vicki Watson has some items to give away: lilac wood; plant canes suitable for making mason bee houses; walking onion starts; lots of creeping bellflower (wonderful edible plant) but you probably already have it. So, how about recipes for preparing it?

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**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS AND OTHER FUN EVENTS**

1. **Give Local Day! May3.**
   Help support high-impact community sustainability programs on Give Local Day. Many Missoula nonprofits are participating. Here’s one example:
   Your Give Local Day donation can fund Home Resource’s Community Sustainability Programs, including the Zero Waste Ambassadors Program (ZWAP).
   Donate to Home ReSource on Give Local Day.  (Many nonprofits are hosting a Give Local Donor Lounge on May 3! Home Resource’s Lounge is from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Enjoy complimentary coffee provided by Drum Coffee (BYO mug!) and treats from Bernice’s Bakery.)
Log on to donate to your favorite local nonprofits. The first forty donors will receive a coaster made of repurposed fence post branded with the Home ReSource logo. Take the “What Do You Know About Waste Anyway?” quiz for a chance to win other cool prizes, including: a Home ReSource Hoodie Sweatshirt, a native birdhouse or planter box made from reclaimed cedar in the Home ReSource shop, or a $50 gift certificates for KC & Ko., a Green Circle hair salon next to Freecycles.

2. **Graduates, come celebrate! May 4.**
   Griz Grad Fest is a free event for all graduating seniors, grad students, and departing foreign students! All you need is a Griz Card or photo ID. There will be complimentary pizza, beverages, and music by The Ghost Peppers. Sign the Class of 2016 banner & take some photo memories. Enter to win prizes.
   WHEN: Wednesday, May 4, from 4 – 6 p.m.
   WHERE: Library Mall (south of the UC).

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   WHERE: The Wilma.