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## News from our publisher, Outlaw Partners

# 'Just show up'

# Benefit concert raises over \$60,000 for Jackson rescue organizations



The skies over Jackson, Wyo., were angry the night of Sept. 4, but calmed for the duration of the benefit concert. PHOTO BY LOVESTREET MEDIA

# BY ERIC LADD EBS PUBLISHER

JACKSON, Wyo. – In the distance, thunder rolled across the skyline of the Tetons as Lukas Nelson and Promise of the Real worked through an emotional rendition of Pearl Jam's classic song, "Breathe." Enormous banners flanked the stage in the Snow King Ball Park displaying images of two prominent Jackson locals who lost their lives this past spring in a Mount Moran ski mountaineering accident.

Jackson is a community filled with clear eyes and strong souls, and in the wake of this loss nearly 5,000 strong gathered to pay tribute during a night filled with music, tears, dancing and philanthropy. It was a testament to how this mountain town stays strong and supports its own.

In recent years the mountains appear to be angry, claiming the lives of too many amazing climbers, skiers and snowboarders. Lately it seems to be the talented, trained, gifted athletes whose lives are suddenly lost, sending shockwaves through the industry.

Luke Lynch and Stephen Adamson were that: strong, certified, strategic and smart, yet with all this acumen were, in the flash of an instant, both swept off the mountain and taken from their beautiful families. Friends and family gathered under the star-filled cool mountain air hugging and shedding tears in memory of Adamson and Lynch, while 5-gallon buckets were filled with donations to support local search and rescue charities.

Sept. 4, 2015, will be known for many things but those who attended this "Celebration of Life" concert will remember a night of incredible music coupled by a dance with nature that left many with the hair raised on the back of their necks.

Lukas Nelson and POTR played a thoughtful and powerful two-hour concert that felt like a rock 'n' roll tribute. Hat sales, raffle tickets and silent auction items raised more than \$60,000 for the underfunded yet extremely valuable resources of the Teton County Search and Rescue and Jenny Lake

Ranger programs. Over 30 companies donated money and gear to help make the night profitable for charity, and included underwriting from community anchors such as Jackson Hole Mountain Resort.

As POTR completed the first encore, drummer Anthony LeGerfo leaned across his drum kit and yelled over the "One more song!" chants coming from the crowd. LoGerfo passionately outlined some song ideas, and frontman Lukas Nelson nodded, taking back the microphone.

Peering out into the crowd, Nelson made eye contact with a recent widow as well as friends of land conservation guru Lynch, and without a word one felt a dedication coming in the next tune. Nelson then broke into his father Willie's classic, "Angel Flying Too Close to the Ground." This song was written for times like this.

Three lightening delays took place during the lead up to the headliner show, but the minute POTR took the stage the wind stopped and skies cleared. It appeared more powerful forces were in control of this weather pattern.



The music venue at Snow King Ball Park on Sept. 4, with banner photos of Luke Lynch, at left, and Stephen Adamson framing the stage. PHOTO BY ERSIN OZER

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The author (left) pictured with Jessie Wiese, Lukas Nelson and Kathy Lynch before the benefit show. PHOTO BY LOVESTREET MEDIA

Promise of the Real is a four-piece band filled with talent well beyond their years, much like Lynch and Adamson, so it was fitting they led the crowd through this celebration and grieving process.

As the band broke into the last song of the evening, a guitar rendition of "Amazing Grace," a black cloud appeared from nowhere while thunder clapped and the wind rippled the banners depicting Lynch and Adamson as if they were dancing along.

As "Amazing Grace" ended, the rain, hail and wind chased the crowd from the venue. Moments later the field was empty. No formal goodbyes were issued, and maybe the celebration of life didn't require further explanation.

The Jackson community sought shelter from the driving storm; but just as quickly it had rallied around the strength of its two lost heroes for one unforgettable evening. As Lynch often quipped: "Just show up." This is how Jackson just showed up on Sept. 4.



Lukas Nelson, at left, and bassist Corey McCormick tearing through a moving set. PHOTO BY LOVESTREET MEDIA

# #JUST SHOW UP

Outlaw Partners co-produced the Sept. 4
Lukas Nelson and Promise of the Real benefit concert, in conjunction with Jackson Hole
Live, as a tribute to the families of Luke
Lynch and Stephen Adamson. The two men
lost their lives to an avalanche on Mount
Moran in Grand Teton National Park last
spring.

Lynch was a friend of the company and a contributing writer to Mountain Outlaw magazine, penning stories on how to continue an adventurous lifestyle while raising a family. His thoughtful, informative and at times humorous pieces included "A Dad's Guide to Mountain Adventure With Little Ones" and "Rad to Dad."

Outlaw coordinated a silent auction with items including a four-night stay at the Seven Star Resort in Turks and Caicos; a four-day cat skiing trip with Baldface Cat Skiing in British Columbia; and two days of guided fly fishing on the South Fork of the Snake River for two anglers, with an overnight stay at the "South Fork Hilton" camp, among other items.

More than 500 trucker hats were sold at the event – designed and purchased by Outlaw – to raise money for the event's benefactors, Teton County Search and Rescue and the Jenny Lake Rangers.

The hats are emblazoned with an image of the Tetons – Adamson and Lynch's mountain playground – and the words "Just Show Up," a common Lynch axiom. The Outlaw team canvassed the crowd selling 50/50 raffle tickets, which generated \$2,390 in proceeds, and the winner of the raffle donated his \$1,195 share back to Teton County Search and Rescue.

The Outlaw team will continue to "Just Show Up" in your honor, Stephen and Luke. – *T.A.* 

"Just Show Up" trucker hats are available at outlaw.partners/shop.



# **EBS** upending newspaper trends

# Community paper model sees success in changing media landscape

BY JOSEPH T. O'CONNOR EBS MANAGING EDITOR

BIG SKY – From the late 1800s through 1958, throngs of Bostonians flocked each morning and evening to a two-block area in the heart of the city. They wanted the news.

Home to as many as 17 publishers at one time, Newspaper Row, as was called the Washington Street span from State and Water streets, drew crowds for everything from presidential election coverage to the 1912 sinking of the Titanic. Publishers hung large chalkboards displaying breaking news of the day, and at one point the Boston Post had 1 million subscribers.

The Boston Globe was the last paper to abandon the Row in 1958. Now, replacing the lost Row, are thousands of online publications, blogs, rants and raves of every shape. And downloading The Globe app is as easy as the flick of a thumb.

The media landscape is in flux nationwide, experiencing success in certain models and among differing readership demographics. Across other platforms, the word "success" has been struck-through with the dreaded red ink of the editor's pen.

Yet the community newspaper model is seeing healthy growth, standing strong atop local and regional coverage, and replete with voices of their respective constituencies.

# ...papers with circulations under 5,000 experienced a nearly 16 percent increase in the number of employees.

While newspapers with daily circulations between 100,000 and 250,000 saw a decrease of nearly 22 percent in newsroom employees in 2014, according to the American Society of News Editors' annual census released in late July, small, community newspapers are thriving.

The report indicated papers with circulations under 5,000 experienced a nearly 16 percent increase in the number of employees.

Enter the Explore Big Sky newspaper, Outlaw Partners' biweekly publication. Covering local and regional news, events and culture, EBS, as of Sept. 3, is the only newspaper in Big Sky and, as EBS Media and Events Director Ersin Ozer says, is on the upward swing.

"You look at that stat and the way I see it, people are leaving these larger newsrooms and moving to smaller, community driven papers," said Ozer, pointing to the ease of communication in a smaller office setting. "We're so cohesive here

and it's easier for us to jive."

Ozer, who also handles the majority of EBS distribution, sees the model as a way to put the publication in front of specific readers and advertisers.

"It's easy to get people excited about [EBS],"
Ozer said. "I can walk into a coffee shop and
tell them, 'Here's the story you want to read.'
And right then they're opening it."

E.J. Daws, sales director for EBS, says the publication's success is also based on consistency and the advantage of a two-week exposure to readers. "From a sales standpoint, we see consistency but also consistent growth," Daws said. "Because EBS doesn't look like a traditional newspaper, that's one of its biggest strengths. It allows for readers [to take] a deeper dive into content."

That content has carried the paper since the early 1980s, a testament to the commitment the EBS staff has for the community, the news and the in-depth stories that shape the region, says EBS Senior Editor Tyler Allen.

"The two-week cycle of EBS offers our editorial team and contributors the opportunity to delve deep into subjects that affect our community and craft thoughtful stories that have a longer shelf life," said Allen, who's been on staff at the paper for three years, and contributed freelance stories beforehand.

"We're going to continue to grow in order to serve the needs of the Big Sky community," he added, "and report on the important issues facing southwest Montana."

In the face of a diverse national media model, EBS remains committed to the same model of journalistic ethics, timely and appropriate coverage, and community dedication that drew crowds of business owners, lawyers, restaurateurs, and construction workers to Newspaper Row in the early 20th century.

The news unites us, and it's here to stay.



The cold web presses churn out the Explore Big Sky newspaper at River's Edge Printing, located in the Great Falls Tribune building in Great Falls. PHOTO BY TAYLOR-ANN SMITH



Big Sky is seeing unprecedented growth, partially due to the area's access to open lands.

## How should the Big Sky community balance growth and the preservation of these open lands?



Tracy Jacobson, Big Sky, Mont. Sales Associate, Montana Living Big Sky Real Estate

"With Big Sky being encompassed by 14 million acres of wild lands - including Yellowstone National Park, national forests and wilderness the community is already utilizing that land for our own recreation and personal lifestyles. The organizations already formed like the Big Sky Community Corporation and the Chamber [of Commerce are doing a great job of maintaining the balance of private versus public lands. For instance, the new Hummocks and Uplands trails required numerous grants of easements."



Amanda Cox, Big Sky, Mont. Sales Associate, Grizzly Outfitters Ski & Backcountry Sports

"A lot of it will have to do with community groups such as the Gallatin River Task Force and the Big Sky Community Corporation. We need more groups like this to spread awareness and keep the balance."



Zane Patton, Big Sky, Mont. Social Media Manager and Clerk, The Cave Spirits & Gifts

"The goal of each is counterintuitive to the other. We want the place to be bigger, but also the bigger it gets the more disconnected we feel from a small town. A lot of people say, 'Well, we're not Aspen yet,' but it's a double-edged sword. You can't have pristine, untouched beauty along with the development that growth entails."



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that voter registration\* for the upcoming Big Sky Resort Tax Area General Election to be held on November 3, 2015, will close at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 2015.

\*NOTE: If you miss this regular registration deadline, you may still register for the election by going into the county election office, up to and including Election Day.

All qualified registered electors of the Big Sky Resort Tax Area District are entitled to vote in said election. The election will be conducted by mail ballot. Only active registered voters within the District will receive ballots.

A person wishing to register or update registration may do so by requesting an application for registration by calling 406-582-3060, or by appearing in the County Election Office listed below.

#### For Voters registering in Gallatin County

Gallatin County Election Office 311 W. Main, Room 210, Bozeman, MT. 59715

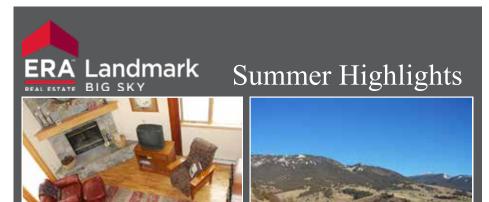
#### For Voters registering in Madison County

Madison County Election Office 103 W. Wallace St, First Floor, Virginia City, MT. 59755

If you have moved, it is necessary to update your registration.

Dated this 18th day of September, 2015. Charlotte Mills, Election Administrator, Gallatin County, Bozeman, Montana

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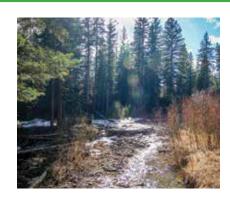
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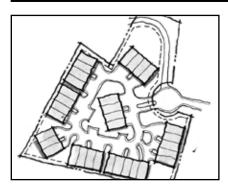
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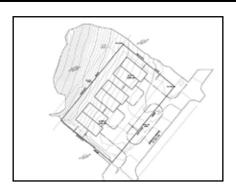
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# Nepal earthquake survivors remain stranded

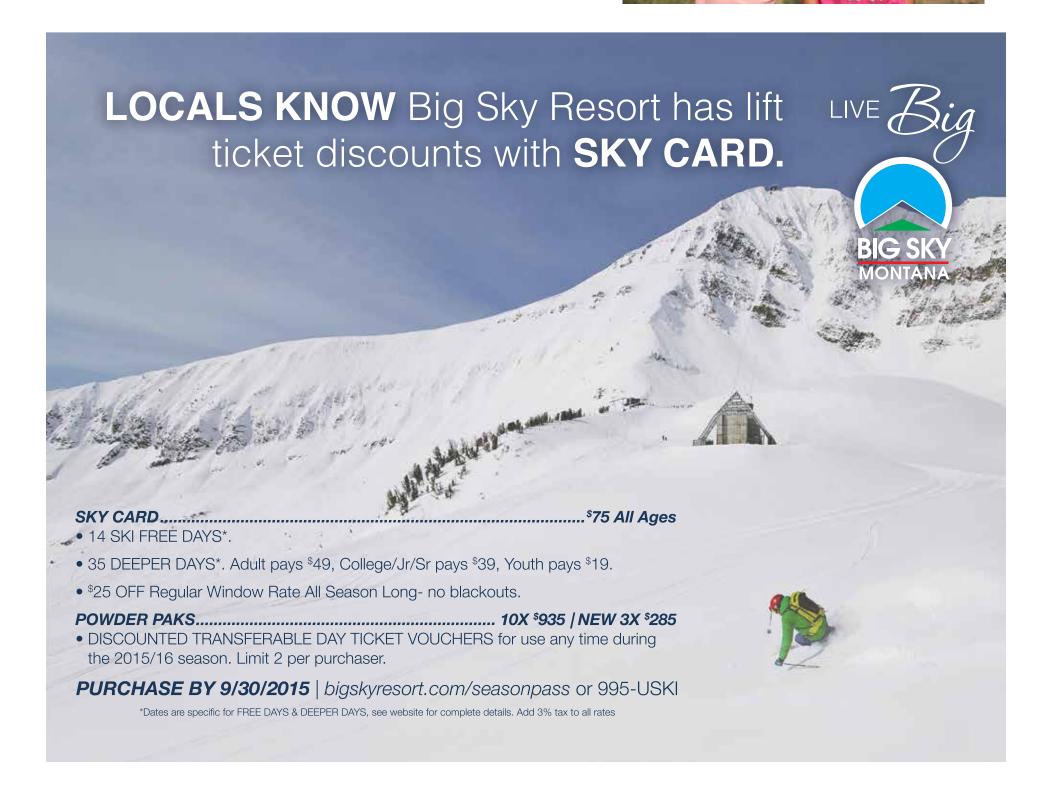
Five months since the devastating 7.8-magnitude earthquake that shook much of Nepal to the ground, Nepali people remain far off from a return to normalcy.

Deep in Langtang National Park, one of Nepal's most popular tourist destinations, Langtang village remains abandoned, completely leveled by the combined forces of the earthquake and ensuing landslide. Partially buried by the earth that shook free high above the valley bottom, the rest of the village, along with the entire forest on the opposite side of the valley, was demolished by an airblast caused by the slide.

Removed from their destroyed Himalayan village, the few surviving Langtang villagers still find themselves without basic amenities in their makeshift tent camp in Nepal's capital city, Kathmandu. With no signs of improving living conditions or timeframe to return to what's left of their homes, these people are in desperate need. – W.O.

Visit TseringsFund.com to contribute to their relief and ensure these villagers bave the aid they need to survive and continue their recovery.





# LPHS homecoming parade, window-decorating contest announced

LPHS STUDENT COUNCIL

BIG SKY - Lone Peak High School is hosting its fourth annual homecoming week from Sept. 28 to Oct. 3. While homecoming festivities are always exciting for students, the fun isn't restricted to the school, as the entire community is encouraged to participate in events and show support for our Big Horn athletes.

Local businesses will have an opportunity to demonstrate their Big Horn pride with the third annual window decorating competition. We want to see the entirety of our little community covered in blue and white to support our local sports teams. Businesses will soon receive letters giving further details about the competition, and any questions can be directed to LPHS English teacher Patty Hamblin.

The annual homecoming parade will be held Oct. 2 and everyone in the community is welcome and encouraged to attend. The parade will begin at approximately 6 p.m.



in the Big Sky Town Center. This is a great opportunity to advertise your business or organization while showing support for our Big Horns at the same time. A bonfire pep rally will follow the parade at 6:30 p.m.

Students, parents and community members alike are welcome to attend and get excited for upcoming sporting events and the homecoming dance, which will be held from 8-11 p.m. on Oct. 3.

Start planning now and come out during homecoming week to show your LPHS pride. Go Big Horns!

Contact Patty Hamblin at phamblin@bssd72.org or Alex Ide at aide@bssd72.org with any questions, or for parade guidelines and entry forms for both the parade and window-decorating contest. All entry forms are due by Sept. 30 at 1 p.m.

# **Ophir Elementary opens** new building



Loren Bough, chair of the Big Sky School District Board of Trustees and holding the giant scissors, along with BSSD Superintendent Dustin Shipman cuts the ceremonial ribbon to open the new Ophir Elementary School on Sept. 5. PHOTO BY THERESA DA SILVA

BIG SKY - With giant scissors ready and the Battle of 191 looming, the Big Sky School District on Sept. 5 officially opened the new Ophir Elementary School with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The \$10.2-million building was bustling with students, parents, community members and football fans - of both the Lone Peak High School Big Horns and the visiting West Yellowstone Wolverines, who played their annual rivalry game later that afternoon on the adjacent football field.

"With the new building we're prepared for the growth in the community," said Dustin Shipman, BSSD's new superintendent as of Aug. 1. "It gives us the physical space to do what we're doing better, and the space to move forward in the 21st century educational environment."

The fast pace of growth in the community is mirrored by the growing school district. The high school plans to graduate nine students this year, while Ophir Elementary has 39 new kindergartners. The new building will house students in kindergarten through fourth grade classes.

"This is one step in the evolution to becoming the best school in the Northwest," Shipman said. - T.A.

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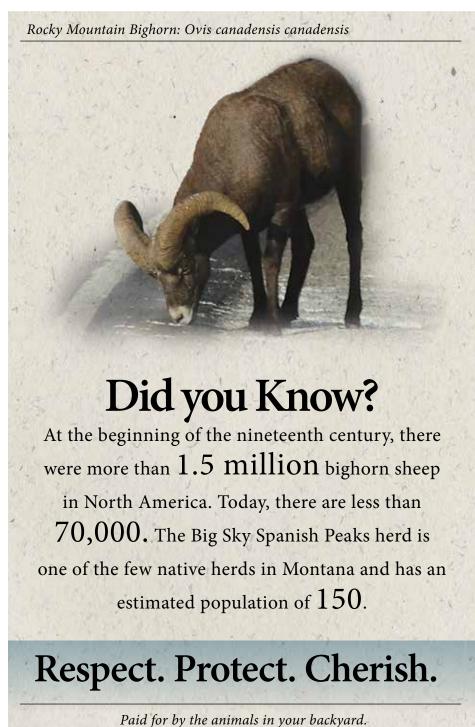












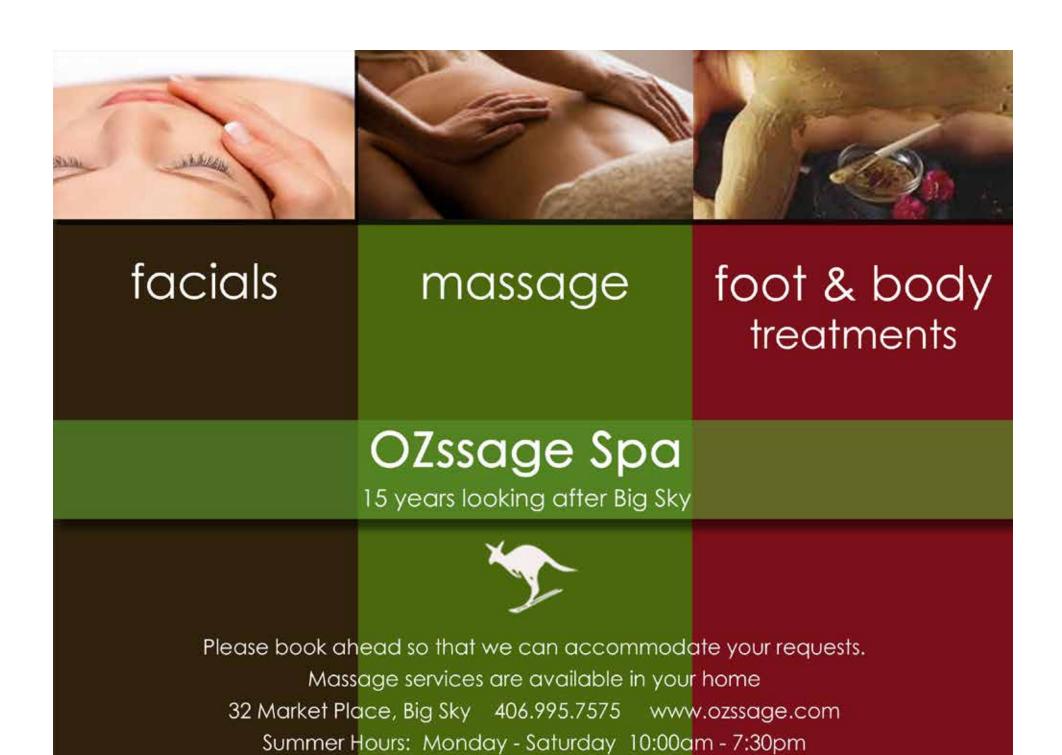






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# Rising above the herd

# Hebgen Lake preserve a model of conservation



The view from the 753-acre Yellowstone Ranch Preserve, looking over Horse Butte Peninsula toward Hebgen Lake PHOTO BY CAITLIN STYRSKY

STORY AND PHOTOS BY CAITLIN STYRSKY EBS CONTRIBUTOR

WEST YELLOWSTONE – Yellowstone Ranch Preserve is a 753-acre cattle ranch and historic calving ground of bison from Yellowstone National Park.

The property is located on the nearly 18,000-acre Horse Butte peninsula on Hebgen Lake, north of West Yellowstone and only a few miles from the western boundary of the park. The peninsula is primarily Forest Service land, but 1,200 acres are privately owned and residential development has increased in recent years.

Rob Galanis noticed the burgeoning development on Horse Butte peninsula and decided to protect the YRP habitat from encroaching construction. He and his family purchased the property in 2007 with the intention of preserving the area for future generations.

"We were aware of how sensitive a property it is and we didn't want to see it developed," Galanis said, "which is why we worked hard to put the conservation easement in place."

After years of planning and negotiations, YRP was officially placed under a conservation easement with the Gallatin Valley Land Trust in March 2010. A nonprofit based in Bozeman, GVLT works to connect people, communities and open spaces; and helps private landowners like Galanis conserve their land.

The YRP hosts a variety of wildlife, including elk, moose, bear and fox, and the wetlands along the lakefront attract a number of bird species, including bald eagles that nest on the property and feed on lake fish. And bison from Yellowstone National Park return to the property each spring.

"The property has historically been a migratory corridor for bison to return and calf," said Galanis, referencing the Yellowstone bison herd. "In the spring, there will be 300-400 head of bison on the property."

The conservation easement works to protect the natural habitat while continuing to allow for limited development. Under the terms of the easement, the owner may develop up to nine individual home sites on the property as well as a communal barn.

In addition to obtaining the easement, Galanis worked to restore more than 100 acres of native wetlands along the shores of Hebgen Lake. He constructed a rustic marina on the property in 2009, complete with a pavilion, boat ramp and slips, for the use of YRP guests and future residents. Guests currently stay in the restored Whiskey Jug cabin, a three-bedroom home on the south edge of the property.

Having completed his mission to preserve the land, Galanis is working with listing agent L&K Real Estate to find the next YRP steward.

Since YRP is under a conservation easement, the future owner will work with GVLT to honor the vision of the property and abide by the

terms of the agreement. "The conservation easement is another layer a potential buyer needs to consider," said GVLT Executive Director Penelope Pierce. "We try to meet with potential buyers so they understand the easement. It doesn't have to be an impediment."

The YRP was originally established in the early 1920s by way of a federal land patent, and operated as a guest ranch until 1959 when the land changed hands. The new owners grazed livestock on the property for nearly 50 years until Galanis purchased it.

The YRP offers a distinct combination of conservation and mountain living. The next owner will have a number of land-use opportunities while continuing to preserve this unique habitat.

Whether this new owner wishes to keep the property as a private sanctuary or develop additional home sites, the easement guarantees that future owners will experience a wildlife preserve in perpetuity.



Part of the Yellowstone bison herd that visits their ancestral calving grounds on the YPR each spring. PHOTO BY WES OVERVOLD

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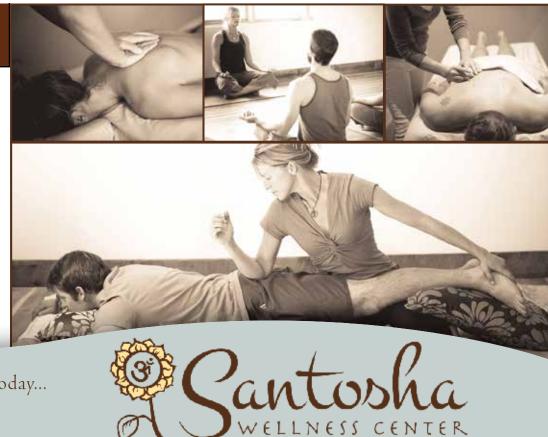
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# To win, get your team in sync



BY JOHANNE BOUCHARD **EBS BUSINESS COLUMNIST** 

Football season has begun, and while serving as a source of entertainment and friendly competition among fantasy players, the NFL serves as a metaphor for life and business.

When the Seattle Seahawks lost last season's Super Bowl in the final minutes of the game, the team entered the offseason with an aura of disappointment that threatened their ability to rebound and succeed.

Rather than pushing through tensions simmering under the locker room's surface, quarterback Russell Wilson took the team to Hawaii. Wilson gathered his teammates in a circle at a scenic overlook, and created a safe space in which everyone could air their grievances and speak their minds. Lines of communication were opened, or re-opened, and the benefit of expressing the frustration with failure allowed the team to emerge from the experience rededicated to unified play.

> It's how you respond to less-thanideal performance that defines your character and sets your trajectory going forward.

We'll see how great an impact this bonding experience had as the season unfolds, but there's definitely a lesson here for any "team" in the business world: Failing to meet expectations is possible with any chance you take, and the business world always presents elements of risk. It's how you respond to less-than-ideal performance that defines your character and sets your trajectory going forward.

This scenario may sound familiar: Your sales team is unified in pitching a significant client. You've spent time, energy and money on presentations and in-person meetings; put together a contract that has attractive terms for the prospective client; and while the champagne chills ... the client decides to "go another way."

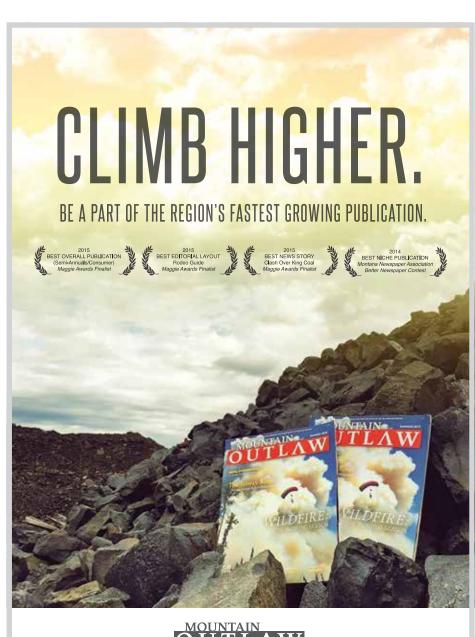
If the stakes are high enough, a situation like this can kill a company's momentum. Members of the sales team might blame themselves or their peers for the deal's failure. Some might blame management or the prospective client. Other departments might blame sales. Unless management leads an effective "debrief" after such an experience, the company could miss an opportunity to learn and become stronger from it.

I'm a firm believer in a business debriefing, introspection, reflection, and creating a trusted space for airing out feelings. I've often been referred to as a "business psychologist" who creates comfortable spaces for board members, leaders, entrepreneurs, and individuals to share their feelings in the interest of greater clarity, better focus, and a shared willingness to coalesce with a fresh perspective. Here's what I recommend after taking a hit:

**Celebrate the positives.** Maybe it's not yet time for a champagne toast, but any team that's put everything into a project deserves to be recognized. Before dissecting what could have been better, make sure to acknowledge what was done well.

**Create a safe environment.** Maybe you won't be flying the team to Hawaii for an important debrief, but having a catered lunch meeting facilitated by a trusted member of senior staff may be enough. Set some boundaries at the outset, like asking everyone to speak only about their own feelings and experiences without pointing fingers or placing blame, and encourage everyone to share positives as well as potential improvements. Everyone must have the opportunity to openly share.

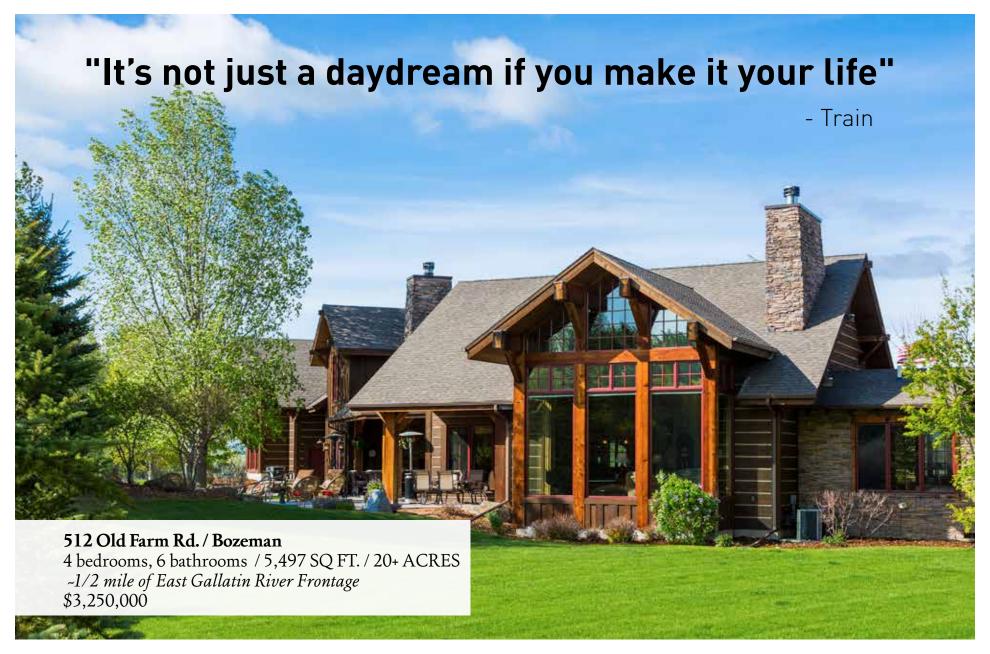
**Close the loop.** Once everyone's had a chance to review the experience, consider putting it in writing. Distribute to the team a written record of the things that deserve recognition and replication, and the insights you'll be taking into the next experience.



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# Recipe

# Charred corn chowder



#### STORY AND PHOTOS BY KATIF COOPER **EBS CONTRIBUTOR**

There's a chill in the air that can't be mistaken for anything but fall. A new season has arrived and it's bittersweet. I revel in the transition from summer to winter - when sweatshirts and coats are added to the wardrobe, soups start to replace salads and the garden's bounty collides with the preparation for winter.

The garden is popping with heirloom tomatoes, sweet corn and spicy pepper varieties. My sister and I recently harvested and quick-froze 14 dozen ears of sweet corn. We also charred a couple dozen too for my favorite corn chowder recipe.

This charred corn chowder is a family favorite and everyone looks forward to the dinner invite. I often diversify the soup with different toppings; this time, I added a heaping spoonful of tangy, roasted poblano salsa. Sometimes it's avocado and crème fraîche, other times it's a dollop of Greek yogurt and fresh herbs. Be creative, but be sure to try this tangy poblano salsa at least once!

#### What you'll need (serves four to six people):

#### Charred corn chowder

5 or 6 ears of corn on the cob (about 2 cups of kernels) 1 medium onion, chopped 4 celery stalks and greens, chopped 1 teaspoon parsley 1 teaspoon ground cumin Pinch of red pepper flakes Salt and pepper to taste 2 garlic cloves, minced 1/3 cup quinoa, uncooked 1/4 cup white wine or lager beer 1 quart vegetable or chicken stock 1 cup whole or coconut milk 2 ounces goat cheese ricotta

#### Tangy roasted poblano salsa

2 poblanos, charred and diced 1/4 red onion (about 1/2 cup diced) 1 to 2 limes 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil 1/2 ear of corn

Heat grill and char corn and poblanos on all sides. Remove from grill and allow corn to cool before handling. Place charred peppers in a plastic bag, twist the top closed and allow to steam until cool to the touch (about 15 minutes). Peel off the charred skin and dice poblanos.

In a medium stockpot, heat 1-2 tablespoons of oil at medium high. Add the onion and celery and cook until softened and translucent (about five minutes). Add spices and garlic (add another tablespoon of olive oil if needed). Rinse quinoa, add to stockpot and toast for about one minute. Add white wine, scrap any brown bits from bottom of pan, and cook until wine is absorbed. Add broth, bring to a boil and then turn heat down to a simmer until quinoa is cooked (about 20 minutes). Cut corn kernels from cob and add to stockpot. Reserve one half of a corn cob for salsa.

Pour half the soup into a food processor or blender and puree. Transfer it back to the stockpot and add milk and goat's ricotta (I like to use Amaltheia). Stir until mixed together and turn heat to warm.

In a mixing bowl, add chopped poblanos, diced red onion, corn kernels, lime juice, and olive oil. Stir and add salt and pepper to taste. Allow to marinate for one to two hours prior to serving.

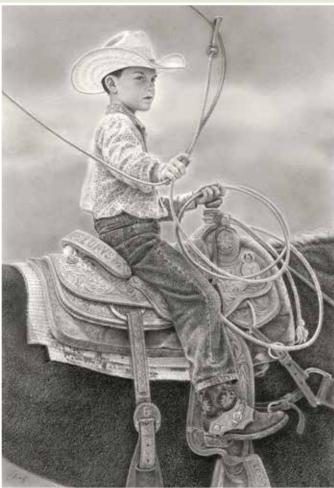
Serve soup with a heaping spoonful of salsa and enjoy!

Katie Cooper is a food stylist and photographer who gardens and cooks from her country home outside of Willow Creek. Find more recipes on her blog pitchforksandpomegranates.com, which aims to inspire others to cook using seasonal ingredients grown in backyard gardens or from local farmers and ranchers we know and trust.



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# **Football season is here** When do we eat?



BY SCOTT MECHURA EBS FOOD COLUMNIST

It's that time of year again, when we gather at stadiums, bars, or in our homes to watch "the game." We laugh, we yell, we cry. We cook amounts of food that would make a Sumo wrestler throw in the towel. It is America's pass time and we love it. And it's not baseball.

As far as food is concerned, baseball seems intertwined with hot dogs and nachos. Hockey has its fair share of beer and, well, beer. When you sit at a professional basketball game, you rarely see fans eating food at all.

But football ... the tailgating before, during, and after the game; the hosted parties full of friends and coworkers; and fans jam-packing bars making sure they can sit down to eat.

When I lived in Texas, where football is arguably the predominant religion in the state, my wife Carrie and I would have to reserve tables at a Sunday establishment with friends long before games.

I quickly learned there are only two social Sunday requirements in Texas: church and football. The former is a time to, among other things, reflect on your behavior and choices you made the past week. The latter begins your new week with the said behavior and choices that you'll most likely ponder again the following week at church. It's a fun, vicious cycle.

When it comes to football season, we Americans temporarily adopt the exact unhealthy diets that contradict those required by the athletes of the sporting event we're watching. Think about it: Professional golfers don't exactly require the physique and physical toughness of a J.J.Watt, and I've never watched the Masters filling my face with beer and hot wings.

Although fantasy football has been around for decades, it's really taken off in the last 17 years. This competition allows us to indulge in football every day of the week. If you ask me, fantasy is just another excuse to eat and drink; which is fine by me.

My brother is in a fantasy league and the priority of the draft party is about who's bringing what, who's cooking what, and whether there's enough beer. He starts planning what he'll load into his smoker days beforehand. Simply talking about football triggers the desire to eat.

Scott Mechura has spent a life in the hospitality industry. He is a former certified beer judge and currently the Executive Chef at Buck's T-4 Lodge in Big Sky.

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Here's one of my favorites I prepared last year for the most-viewed broadcast in TV history: Super Bowl XLIX.

This is not an exact recipe, but the fun of it is, pun intended, I just wing it every year.

#### Creamy molten buffalo wing dip

All ingredients are approximate, depending on crockpot size.

1.5 pounds plain cream cheese
10 each roasted chicken legs and thighs
Two to three 12-ounce bottles Franks wing sauce
2.5 cups crumbled blue cheese
1 cup grated Parmesan cheese
2 cups grated sharp cheddar cheese
Lawry's seasoned salt
Black pepper to personal taste

Season chicken with Lawry's and black pepper.
Roast chicken in oven at 250 F for two hours until completely tender.
Pick meat from bones and add to crockpot with all ingredients except cheddar cheese. Do this early

the day of or late the night before so blue cheese and cream cheese have time to melt.

30 minutes before serving, top with the cheddar cheese.

Serve with corn or tortilla chips, or just stand over the crockpot with a fork and enjoy.



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# **GOLF TIPS** FROM A PRO Pitching

BY MARK WEHRMAN

**EBS CONTRIBUTOR** 

Pitching the ball is similar to chipping but uses a slightly different setup and requires a larger swing with a more lofted club.

Utilize the same "BLT" setup you use when chipping - position the ball "Back" in your stance, "Lean" forward and "Tilt" the club handle forward - but now you will employ a more lofted club like a pitching, sand, or loft wedge.

This extra loft will provide the added trajectory needed to carry the ball onto the putting surface. The longer carry to the green will prompt you to hinge your wrists in your back swing, but it's still crucial to not let the clubhead pass the hands when impacting the ball. Once again, let the club's loft propel the ball in the air. When pitching, your goal is to simply get the ball on the green.

Fundamental changes from pitching to chipping include:

#### Chipping

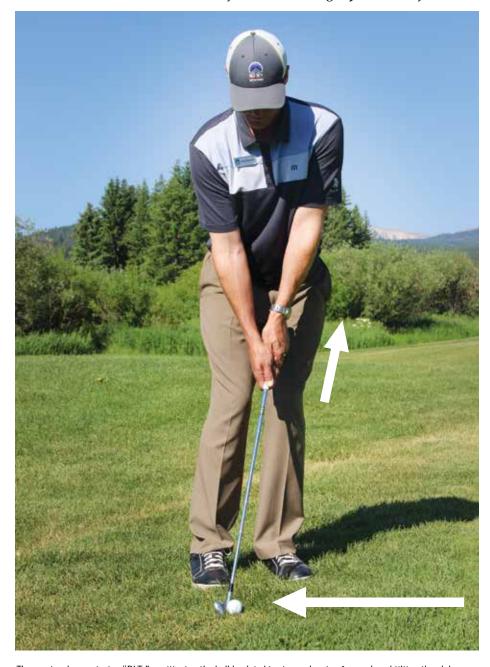
Ball position – Back in stance Club choice – 7-, 8- or 9-iron Weight distribution -70 percent front foot

#### Pitching

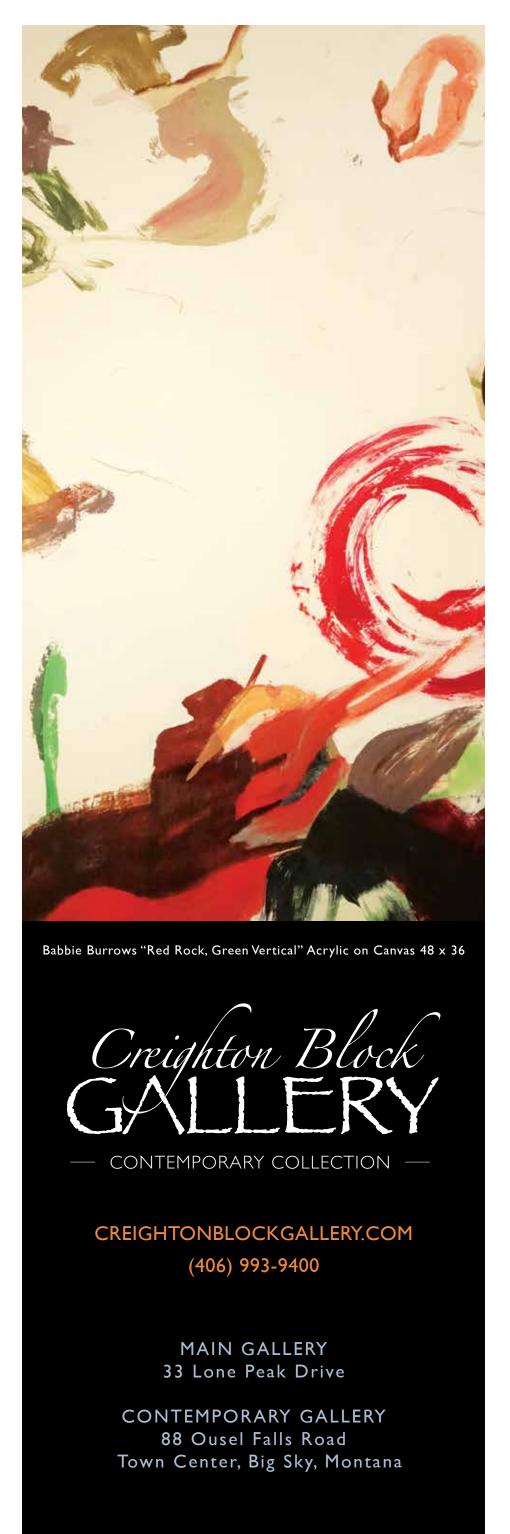
Ball position - Middle to back in stance Club choice - pitching, sand or loft wedge Weight distribution -60 percent front foot

Whether chipping or pitching, pick a spot on the putting surface where you want the ball to land. After that, allow the green to do the rest. If you've planned the shot correctly, once the ball is on the green it will take the natural contour of the putting surface to find its way to the hole.

Mark Webrman is the PGA Head Professional at the Big Sky Resort Golf Course.



The master demonstrates "BLT," positioning the ball back in his stance, leaning forward, and tilting the club handle toward his left pocket. PHOTO BY TYLER ALLEN



# Third annual Rut a 'community success'

BY JOSEPH T. O'CONNOR EBS MANAGING EDITOR

BIG SKY – On a chilly Labor Day weekend, nearly 1,500 runners from around the world competed in The Rut Mountain Runs at Big Sky Resort.

The Rut expanded this year to include a 25K race and a 1K Rut Runts Run in addition to the Vertical K Challenge and the penultimate event, The Rut 50K.

"The event is so well known in just its third year," said Race Director Mike Foote after the 50K on Sept. 6. "It's so great to see all these fans here, and to have such deep competition."

Among the top 2015 competitors were Swede Emelie Forsberg, who ran all three events and who broke her own 50K women's record set last year; Swiss trail runner Rémi Bonnet, who took the Vertical K; Bozeman's own Edward Farley placing fourth in the 50K; and Italian Franco Collé, who took first in the 50K.

As he crossed the finish line at just under 5 hours, 17 minutes, his hands and knees scraped raw from Lone Mountain's pervasive talus, Collé took a deep breath and smiled.

"It was a very hard race because I train at 1,000 meters in the Alps. It was difficult to breathe," Collé said. "But I'm very happy. A good race for me is fifth or sixth position; not first."

At 11,161 feet, Lone Mountain reaches nearly 3,500 meters. It loomed over thousands of runners and spectators scattered along the course during the holiday weekend. Big Sky

Resort operated the Swift Current and Ramcharger chairlifts, shuttling competitors and their fans up the flanks, according to the resort's Marketing Director Lyndsey Owens.

"The Jay Walk was packed," said Owens, referring to the catwalk adjacent to the Swift Current unload area.

"I was up there pretty early [Sunday morning] and counted at least 100 people."

As the only international Skyrunner World Series-sanctioned event in the U.S., The Rut was as successful for the host resort as it was for local businesses, Owens said.

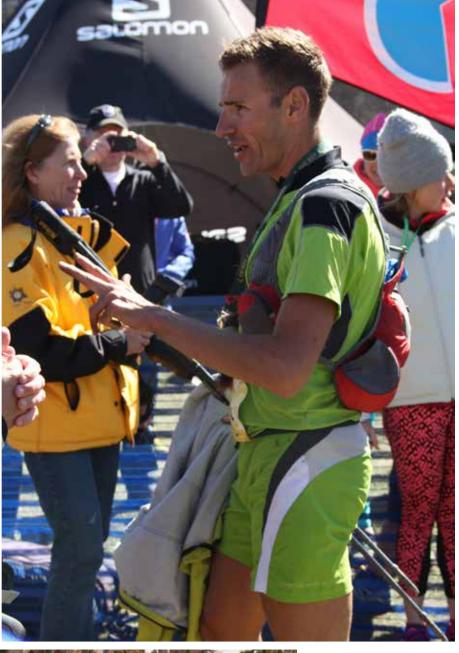
"I love hearing the buzz," she said. "There were 1,900 registered runners, and each person probably brought one or two people with them. The whole community has gotten behind this event. It's the perfect event for Big Sky ... and I'm grateful for the community support."





Scenes from the 2015 Rut Mountain Runs at Big Sky Resort, Sept. 4-6.
PHOTOS BY EBS STAFF









**SPORTS** 

**Volleyball** 

10110	Ball		
Sept. 19	Away	@ Sheridan**	JV 5:00 V 7:00
Sept. 25	Away	@ Ennis**	JV 3:00 V 4:30
Sept. 26	Home	Gardiner**	JV 4:00 V 5:30
Oct. 1	Home	West Yellowstone** / Homecoming	JV 5:30 V 7:00
Oct. 10	Home	Twin Bridges**	JV 2:00 V 3:30
Oct. 14	Away	@ West Yellowstone**	JV 5:30 V 7:00
Oct. 24	Home	White Sulphur Springs** / Senior Parent Day	JV 5:30 V 7:00
Oct. 28-31	Away	@ Manhattan Christian District 8C Tournament	TBA
Nov. 5-7	Away	@ Butte/Mac Western Divisional Tournament	TBA
Nov. 12-14	Away	@ Bozeman/MSU State C Volleyball	TBA

\*\* District 8c volleyball games

# **Ophir MS / LPHS Football**

Sept. 25	Away	@ Hot Springs**	OMS LPHS	3:00 7:00
Oct. 3	Home	St. Regis** / LPHS Homecoming	OMS LPHS	12:50
Oct. 5	Away	@ Sheridan	OMS	4:00
Oct. 9 or 10	Away	@ Valley Christian LPHS (Missoula) **		TBD
Oct. 12	Away	@ West Yellowstone	OMS	4:00
Oct. 16	Away	@ Alberton**	LPHS	7:00
Oct. 19	Home	TBA	OMS	4:00
Oct. 24	Home	Sheridan** / LPHS Senior Parent Day	OMS LPHS	10:00 12:50
Oct. 31	TBD	1st round state playoffs	LPHS	TBA
Nov. 7	TBD	2 <sup>nd</sup> round state playoffs	LPHS	TBA
Nov. 14	TBD	Semi-finals state playoffs	LPHS	TBA
Nov. 21	TBD	State Championship Game	LPHS	TBA

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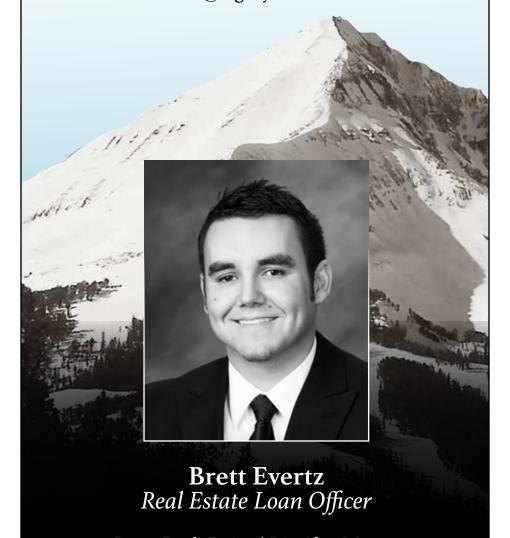
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Miner quarterback Frankie Starz jukes the Bruins' defense. PHOTOS BY MONA LOVELY

# Ophir football Miners lose shootout in Gardiner

BY ACRA SAMUELS EBS CONTRIBUTOR

GARDINER – The Ophir Middle School Miners six-man football team traveled to Gardiner on Sept. 12 to take on the Bruins. It was a hot, sunny day but both teams came out to play.

The Miners, coming off a loss to West Yellowstone the previous weekend, were ready for another opportunity on the field. It looked like a defensive battle in the first quarter with each team holding strong on the first two possessions. However, the quarter would end with a 6-0 Bruins lead, which began a long scoring day for Bruins' star athlete Elijah Byrd

The second quarter opened the scoring floodgates on both sides of the

ball. Frankie Starz started it off for the Miners when he returned a kickoff 60 yards for a touchdown, followed by an Austin Samuels extra point run, pulling the Miners to within a 13-7 deficit. As the quarter progressed, a 20-yard touchdown reception by Ophir's Nick Brester made the score 25-19 Bruins.

A 30-yard pass from Starz to Samuels brought the Miners down to the Bruins 1-yard line with 1 second left in the half. On the last play of the first half Samuels plunged in for a touchdown, to make it 37-25, Bruins.

The battle continued in the second half, but the Miners couldn't contain the Bruins' Byrd who scored 50 of Gardiner's points in the game. With a final score of 56-37, the Miners were led by three eighth-graders on offense. Samuels scored three touchdowns, as well as an extra point; Brester caught

two touchdown passes of 20 and 22 yards; and Starz threw for four touchdowns, while also returning a kickoff for a score. And seventh-grade all purpose back Evan Iskenderian had a very productive game both rushing and receiving.

On defense, seventh-grader Jack Lovely did an outstanding job on the edge against a Bruin team that ran the sweep often. Starting outside linebacker Samuels, and inside linebacker Starz, contributed heavily on defense, along with fellow eighth-grader Nick Wade.

A big crowd traveled with the team to Gardiner, which nearly outnumbered the home fans. The Miners were vastly improved from their opening game and have a bye week before their next matchup at Hot Springs on Friday, Sept. 25.



Nick Brester runs into the end zone after catching one of his touchdown receptions on the day.

### **Locals Fishing Report from Gallatin River Guides**

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It's all uphill from here as far as fall fishing goes! The lull between late summer and early fall insect hatches is about over and fish have had some time to forget about the pressures of summer.

Although colder night-time temps will reduce the number of terrestrials moving around fish should continue to look up for them, especially down in the valleys. But slowly hopper and ant patterns will be replaced with fall baetis patterns and streamers. Good dry patterns are Parachute Adams, Sprout BWO, Low Riders, DOA Cripples and more. Subsurface try Olive S & Ms, Green Machines, Lightning Bugs, Pheasant Tails, RS2s...

Generally speaking the Yellowstone River from Livingston to Gardiner will fish consistently well, but it will be hard to keep whitefish off the line most

days. East or downstream from Livingston you will find more consistent trout fishing. As for hatches expect baetis and some fall drakes and maybe a few lingering nocturnal stones. A Chubby-Rubby is a good rig with tan Chubby Chernobyls and Olive/Brown or Coffee/Black Pat's Rubberlegs. Strip streamers like Sparkle Minnows and Sculpzillas in search of more aggressive fish.

On the Gallatin expect fish to start moving into bigger runs and riffles as both water temps and insect activity decrease. These winter lies allow fish to expend less energy, but still have a good shot at a steady food supply. Baetis, midges, streamers, and general attractors will be the bugs du-jour over the next few weeks.

This is a great time of year for the Madison. Decreasing water temps will make the sections below Ennis Lake and in Yellowstone Park much better options. Many will flock to Yellowstone National Park to wait in line for large spawning browns and other fish that follow to feast on eggs.

In addition to the Madison in the park we suggest heading over to the Firehole or head to the Northeast corner to sample rivers like Slough, Lamar and Soda Butte.

Fall is a great time of year, but it's always good to go in with realistic expectations. There is less bug activity, so finding the right bugs to throw at 'em isn't always cut and dry. Take time to enjoy the weather and scenery. Head into YNP to listen to elk bugle and take a drive along the Gallatin or Yellowstone Rivers to watch the leaves change color.













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# Big Horns win Battle of 191 in Big Sky, 38-14





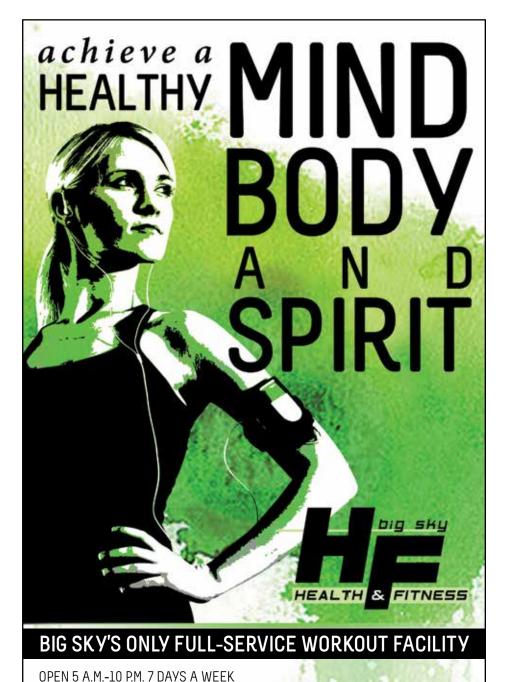






The Lone Peak High School Big Horns beat their rival West Yellowstone Wolverines 38-14 in the Battle of 191 on Sept. 5 in Big Sky. The win evened the LPHS six-man football team's record at 1-1 going into a bye week. The team travels to take on Lima on Sept. 18, and Hot Springs on Sept. 25. PHOTOS BY THERESA DA SILVA





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# **NFL** after Week 1

BY BRANDON NILES EBS CONTRIBUTOR

Week 1 of the NFL season always leads to overreactions. Panic strikes fans whose teams had disappointing starts, the offseason optimism crumbling in front of them. However, more often than not, the season progresses to the mean of expectations.

Certainly some teams and players will rise higher than pre-season expectations, while others will surely disappoint. For the most part though, as the old adage goes, it's just Week 1.

That being said, these compelling storylines appear to be trends, more so than typical Week 1 anomalies:

#### Marcus Mariota: 2, Jameis Winston: 0

Week 1 treated us with a matchup between the top two picks in the draft, quarterbacks Marcus Mariota from the University of Oregon and Florida State University star Jameis Winston. When these two collegiate standouts met less than a year ago, Mariota won the battle in convincing fashion. Once again, Mariota, now with Tennessee, shined in a blowout victory for the Titans.

Winston may still have a bright career in front of him in Tampa Bay, but he struggled early and threw two picks, including one returned for a touchdown on the first pass of his career. His mistakes were only emphasized by the superb play of Mariota, who ended up with four touchdown passes and looked comfortable in the pocket. Both players have long roads ahead of them, but this week Mariota had a great start, while Winston ended the day with boos and jeers from his home crowd.



Week 1: Tennessee Titans rookie quarterback Marcus Mariota peels out stage left, looking for daylight. PHOTO COURTESY OF THE TENNESSEE TITANS

#### Under-Manning'ed

Peyton Manning finished with just 175 yards and an interception in his first outing of the season. Denver Broncos fans must be concerned about Manning, now 39, as he begins his 18th NFL season. He looked like a shell of himself over the final month last year, and on Sunday he picked up right where he left off. He demonstrated little arm strength, and his accuracy was dismal compared to his former self. It's only Week 1, but of all the traditional overreacting that occurs this time of year, the "Is Peyton Manning done?" question rings the loudest.

#### Rex Ryan can coach

The Buffalo Bills shocked everyone by defeating the heavily favored Indianapolis Colts, using a 17-0 first half lead to cruise to a 27-14 victory. New head coach Rex Ryan's ferocious defense proved too much for Pro Bowl quarterback Andrew Luck and the Colts offense. Meanwhile, the Bills offense, led by former Baltimore Ravens backup quarterback Tyrod Taylor, provided big plays early that deflated the Colts' defensive efforts. Forcing Luck to throw two picks behind constant pressure led to the victory, and while it's still early it seems clear after Week 1 that Ryan has the team headed in the right direction, and the defense on its way to being one of the best in the league.

In other games, we learned that the Patriots can still move the ball on offense, the Raiders still have a long ways to go, and the NFC West is going to be extremely competitive. We saw that the Packers are still a top team, Kansas City has an elite pass rush, and the Lions still have a hard time finishing games.

Some of the storylines from Week 1 will continue, while others will even out as the season progresses, but three things seem certain after the first slate of games: Marcus Mariota will grab headlines, Rex Ryan will keep the Bills playing hard, and we may be witnessing the final hurrah of Peyton Manning, one of the greatest quarterbacks to play the game. I can't wait for the rest of the season.

Brandon Niles is a longtime fan of football and scotch, and has been writing about sports for the past decade. He is a fantasy football scout for 4for4 Fantasy Football and is co-host of the 2 Guys Podcast.



# Forest bathing: Outdoor experience on another level



BY JACKIE RAINFORD CORCORAN EBS HEALTH COLUMNIST

Most of us who live or vacation in southwest Montana know intuitively that spending time in nature is good for

the mind, body and spirit. Now there's science to prove it, thanks to a cultural trend in Japan called Shinrin-yoku, which translates to "bathing in the medicine of the forest" or "forest bathing."

This does not involve soaking in a bath. Instead, it refers to soaking up the medicinal benefits of trees using all of your senses.

While the Japanese have revered the therapeutic effects of trees for centuries, forest bathing is not a traditional practice. In 1982, Tomohide Akiyama, director of Japan's Ministry of Forests at the time, created a marketing campaign encouraging visitors to experience Japan's many national forests, which are easily accessible and occupy 67 percent of the country.

In 1990, the Japanese public broadcasting network aired a documentary on the effects of 40-minute walks through the forest, specifically indicating a significant decrease in cortisol, or stress levels in participants.

Interest in forest bathing became so great, and scientific evidence so promising, that the Japanese government in 2012 designated 48 official forests to therapeutic walking and allocated \$4 million to continued research into its health benefits.

When we breathe the fresh air in forests we inhale phytoncides, which are airborne chemicals that plants emit to protect themselves from rotting and insects. These volatile chemicals have a healing effect on our bodies and result in calming our nervous systems.

Studies on forest bathing subjects have demonstrated lowered blood pressure and decreased symptoms of mood disorders like seasonal affective disorder, anxiety and depression. The studies indicated patients slept better, had more energy, and showed a stronger immune response.

Japanese researchers are currently exploring whether exposure to forests can help prevent certain kinds of cancer. The practice seems to elevate a type of white blood cell called natural killer cells, which kill tumor- and virus-infected cells. Stay tuned to this column for study results, but note: forest bathing is currently prescribed for disease prevention, not treatment.

There's also good news for those living in cities: you can take a forest bath anywhere in the world where there is a decent patch of trees, generally defined as land with a tree canopy cover of more than 10 percent of the area.

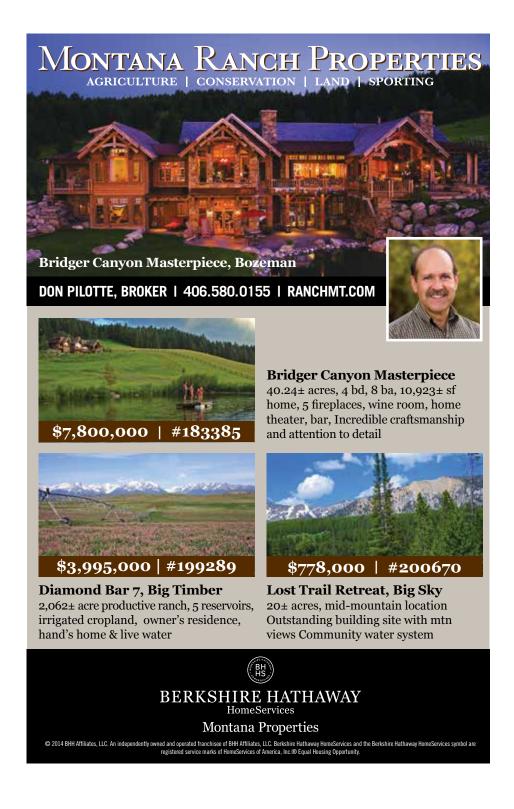
While hard and fast rules don't seem to apply to how one plunges into forest bathing, here are some guidelines:

- Take a very slow walk in a wooded area. How slow? It's recommended to travel under 1 mile in 40 minutes. (That's really slow!)
- If going with friends, set aside quiet time.
- If you feel inclined, bring a book or journal.
- Take water or tea and leave the cell phone at home.
- If something raises your curiosity, stop and explore it closely.
- Most importantly, allow each of your senses to take in your surroundings. Invite yourself to become acutely aware of the smells, sites, tastes, sounds and tactile sensations.

For adrenaline junkies out there, this is a good "off day" activity. Interested in learning more? Check out "A Little Handbook of Shinrin-Yoku" by Amos Clifford.

#### Happy bathing!

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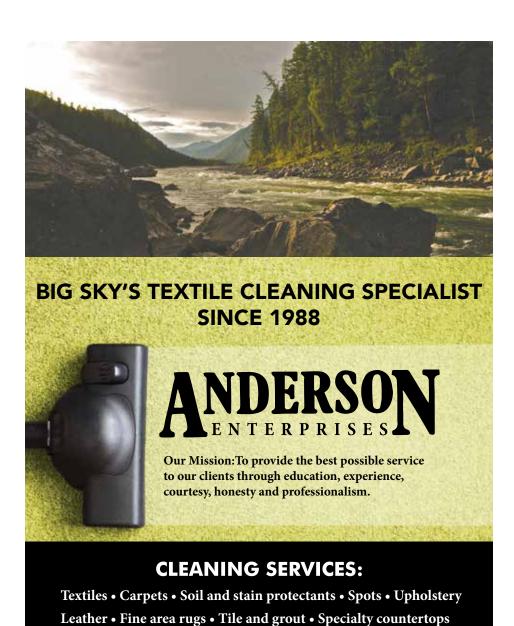




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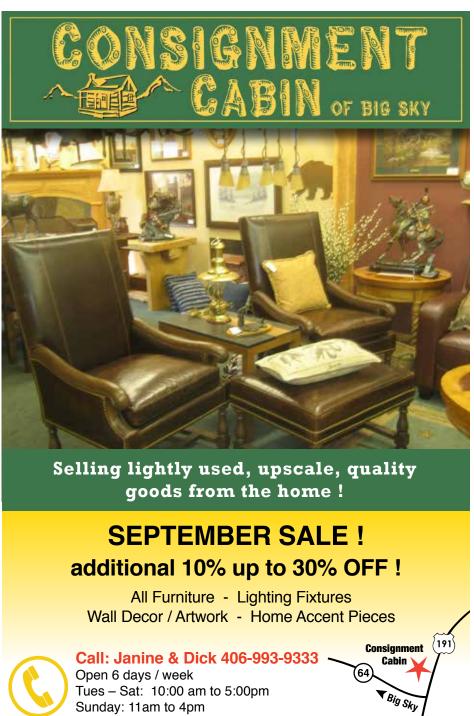




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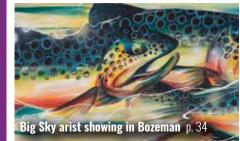
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# **Hit NPR show visits WMPAC**

# Live recording features Bozeman teen musician

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BIG SKY – "From the Top with Host Christopher O'Riley," the preeminent weekly NPR showcase for young musicians airing on Yellowstone Public Radio, comes to Big Sky's Warren Miller Performing Arts Center at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 27.

This live radio-recording event will be hosted by acclaimed pianist Christopher O'Riley and will feature amazing performances and captivating personal stories of extraordinary young musicians from across the country, including 18-year-old trumpet player Stephanie Anderson from Bozeman.

"From the Top" can be heard locally on YPR each Sunday at noon, and this episode will air nationally the week of Nov. 23. The radio show is America's premier national platform celebrating the stories, talents, and character of classically trained young musicians.

Operating from Boston's vibrant music district, From the Top – the organization of the same name – produces nationwide media programs; presents inspiring live performances; offers scholarships; and helps America's talented, hard-working, and dedicated young musicians inspire music lovers of all ages.

Broadcast on more than 220 stations nationwide to an audience of nearly 700,000 listeners, NPR's "From the Top" has been described by the Boston Globe as an "entertaining, accessible, and inspirational mix of outstanding musical performances, informal interviews, skits, and games, the show is a celebration of extraordinary musicians who happen to be teenagers leading fairly normal lives."



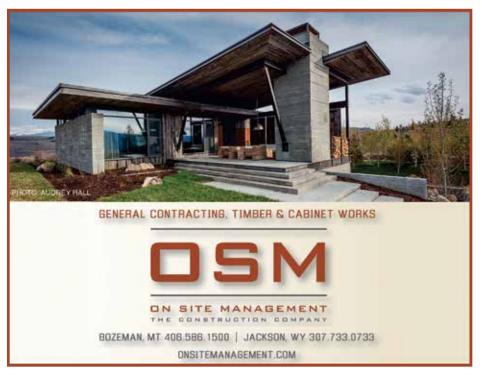
Musicians Anna DeLoi and Nash Ryder performing for a class at Boston's Chittick Elementary School PHOTO COURTESY OF FROM THE TOP

From the Top's PBS television series "From the Top at Carnegie Hall" (2007–2009) won two daytime Emmy awards, and From the Top's YouTube channel offers videos and behind-the-scenes insights.

The organization's residency will include extended arts leadership activities in Big Sky in the days following the live recording. Performers will present outreach assemblies and interactive workshops in the Ophir Elementary and Lone Peak High schools.

Visit bigskyarts.org for tickets and more information.





# Big Sky artist hosting print show in Bozeman

KELSEY DZINTARS ART

BOZEMAN – Big Sky artist Kelsey Dzintars is now showing archival fine art prints of her paintings through mid-November at the Daily Coffee Bar on Rouse in Bozeman.

During the next year, Dzintars plans to travel the Western U.S. to develop her current body of work, and will serve as artist-in-residence at Arizona's Chiricahua National Monument in December. Proceeds from print sales will fund her artwork supplies.

Inspired by natural beauty and soul-invigorating experiences, Dzintars' paintings are "unapologetic and emotionally stirring, full of movement and surprises," according to a Big Sky Sotheby's International Real Estate blog reviewing local artists.

Working with oil, acrylic and watercolor Dzintars has developed her own brand of modern expressionism, ranging from straightforward to whimsical, to graphic-novel inspired. She periodically participates in both group and solo exhibits throughout the Gallatin Valley, and teaches beginner acrylic painting classes.

The artist will explore the cycle of influence between earth and humans by painting the emotional power in landscapes and wildlife.

"The invigorating sensations we emote when in the physical presence of these life forms evoke the desire to honor and conserve, and I hope to share that sentiment through my paintings," Dzintars said. "The way in

Kelsey Dzintars sketching in Taylor Fork. PHOTO BY TYLER BUSBY

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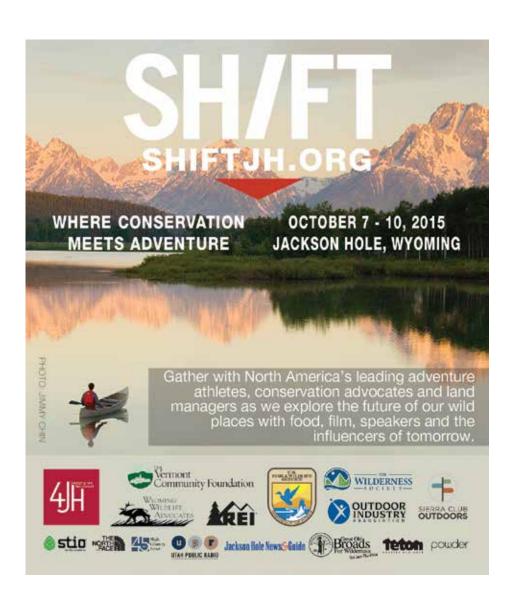
which the paint behaves and the act of painting itself is a reflection of our morphing ecosystem and the human attempt to have control in its progression."

Dzintars plans to do field sketches in ink and watercolor, keep a public online journal, and expand these studies into larger acrylic pieces. These paintings will add to her growing body of work exploring these ecopsychological ideas in South Dakota's Badlands National Park and the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.

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An archival print of Dzintars' "Quake Lake," on display at The Daily on Rouse PHOTO BY KELSEY DZINTARS



# **Electronica drops on Faultline North**

**FAULTLINE NORTH** 

BOZEMAN – On Oct. 1, Bozeman's Faultline North presents an electronic music extravaganza called The Buygore Show, featuring dubstep impresario Borgore, as well as Styles & Complete, and Bad Royale.

The Israeli-born master of musical mayhem, Borgore has been ravaging electronic culture one bass-heavy, booty-shaking bonanza at a time. His long list of accomplishments include heading up his own successful label, Buygore Records.

Borgore's also headlined sold-out shows at iconic events such as Tomorrowland, Made In America, Ultra and EDC Las Vegas; has a weekly, internationally syndicated SiriusXM radio series, "The Borgore Show"; and had a number of collaborations with the likes of Miley Cyrus, Waka Flocka Flame and Diplo.

A 27-year-old classically trained producer, songwriter, and DJ, Borgore's sonic evolution has been as enticing as his surreal multi-sensory show productions. As a fearless boundary buster, Borgore has deconstructed the stereotype of a typical musician by blending bass, trance, hip-hop and dubstep influences with his compositional education from Tel Aviv's world-renowned Thelma Yellin music academy. Borgore's initial standout releases like 2009's "Ice Cream Mixtape" and 2010's "Borgore Ruined Dubstep, Pt. 1 & Pt. 2," made him an early frontrunner in the dubstep scene.

Gaining traction and an ever-growing fan base, music's biggest names have commissioned his talents. Borgore's standout remixes include Britney Spears' "Womanizer," Passion Pit's "Sleepyhead," and M.I.A.'s "Illygirl," among others. After seven years of artistic audacity captivating fans and industry peers alike, it was time for the release of his debut album "#NEWGOREORDER" in 2014.

The "collection of menacing tracks," according to EDM website Dancing Astronaut, and rave reviews from other critics, solidified Borgore as a force to be



DJ Borgore (CC)

reckoned with in electronic culture. Using his fame, the artist has tackled his duty as a celebrity by affecting positive change in the community that has supported him. His philanthropic efforts with electronic music lifestyle brand Electric Family have helped raise awareness among youth in the EDM scene for breast cancer charity Keep a Breast Foundation.

From death metal and dubstep to hip-hop, fans can rest assured that Borgore's production efforts will continue to lead the charge with the same high-energy charisma that resonates with his following.

Doors open for the 9 p.m. show at 8 p.m., and tickets can be purchased in advance at faultlinenorth.com or at the door located on Gallatin Park Drive in Bozeman.



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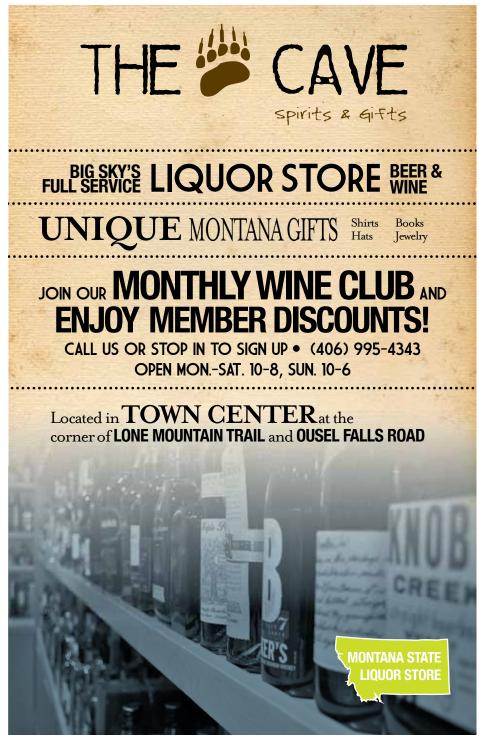
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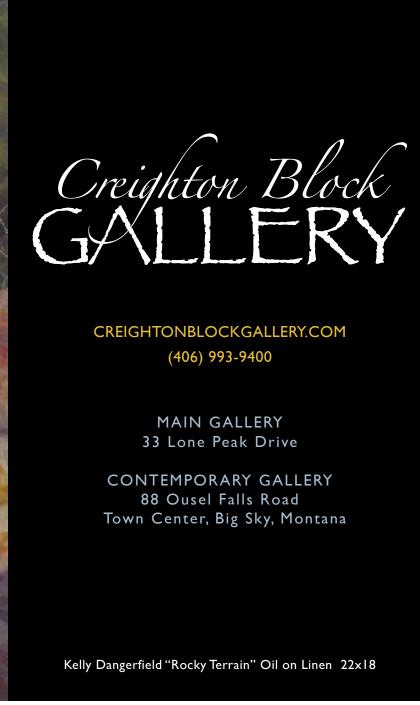
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\*If your event falls between Oct. 1 and Oct. 16, please submit it by Friday, Sept. 25.

#### **Big Sky** FRIDAY, SEPT. 18

Gallatin River Pebble Counts Big Sky PO, 9 a.m.

Trivia Night Lone Peak Cinema, 8 p.m.

#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 19

Canyon Cup BSR Golf Course, 10 a.m.

#### **2nd Annual** Chili Feed **Food Bank Fundraiser** Riverhouse, 3 p.m.

Mediocre Trio Broken Spoke, 10 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, SEPT. 20**

Canyon Cup BSR Golf Course, 10 a.m.

Texas Hold-Em Riverhouse, 6 p.m.

#### MONDAY, SEPT. 21

Essential Oils & Yoga Santosha, 7:30 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, SEPT. 22

Hill Family Wine Dinner 320 Ranch, 6 p.m.

#### **CAP Mentor Recruitment Trivia** Night Riverhouse, 7 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23

Community Yoga Town Center Park, 11 a.m.

Gallatin Canvon Women's Club "Who's In Charge In Big Sky: A Short Hike Down Our Bureaucracy Trail" 2430 Two Gun White Calf, 1 p.m.

Big Sky Farmers Market Fire Pit Park, 5 p.m. Live Music Ousel & Spur, 8 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, SEPT. 24

Ski Film: TGR's Paradise Waits Lone Peak Cinema, 6 & 9 p.m.

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 25**Gallatin River Pebble Counts Big Sky PO, 9 a.m.

Yoga Philosophy for Kids Santosha, 5 p.m.

Trivia Night Lone Peak Cinema, 8 p.m.

#### **SATURDAY, SEPT. 26** National Public Lands Day

YoKid Kids Yoga Teacher Training Santosha, 9 a.m.

Rocky Mountain Pearls Riverhouse, 7:30 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, SEPT. 27**

**Big Sky Resort** closes for summer

#### **NPR's From the Top w/Christopher** O'Riley WMPAC, 5 p.m.

Texas Hold-Em Riverhouse, 6 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30

Community Yoga Town Center Park, 11 a.m.

Big Sky Farmers Market Fire Pit Park, 5 p.m.

Awareness Wednesday Electromagnetic Frequencies w/Eric Kolesar Santosha, 7:30 p.m.

Live Music Ousel & Spur, 8 p.m.

#### Bozeman FRIDAY, SEPT. 18

Interchange Symposium XChange Bozeman Public Library, 1 p.m.

Member's Opening: The Art of Warner Bros. Cartoons Museum of Rockies, 5 p.m.

Interchange Remix Runway Show Lindley Park, 6 p.m.

Author Event w/Tyler Dunning Country Bookshelf, 7 p.m.

Young Frankenstein The Verge, 8 p.m.

Abstract Rude & Scarub The Zebra, 9 p.m.

Ticket Sauce + Dodgy Mountain Men Filling Station, 9 p.m.

Groove Wax Eagles, 9 p.m.

Sir Coyler & His Asthmatic Band+ The Dumps Eagles Upstairs, 9 p.m.

#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 19

Gallatin Valley Farmers Market Haynes Pavilion, 9 a.m.

#### **Bridger Cup Drone** Competition Gallatin Co. Fairgrounds, 10 a.m.

Adventures of Tom Sawyer The Verge, 2 p.m.

Bozeman on Tap: Beer Tasting Gallatin Co. Fairgrounds, 3 p.m.

Symphonic Fireworks w/ Bozeman Symphony Willson Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Young Frankenstein The Verge, 8 p.m.

John Statz Live From the Divide, 8 p.m.

Sherik's Bandarama Filling Station, 9 p.m. Groove Wax Eagles. 9 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, SEPT. 20**

Interchange Kiki Garden Party Bar IX, 10 a.m.

Symphonic Fireworks w/ Bozeman Symphony Willson Auditorium, 2:30 p.m.

Bridger Mountain Big Band Eagles, 7 p.m.

Michael Menert Eagles Ballroom, 8 p.m.

Open Mic Haufbrau, 10:30 p.m.

#### MONDAY, SEPT. 21

Open Horse Riding Gallatin Co. Fairgrounds, 3 p.m.

Author Event w/Kent Davis Country Bookshelf, 7 p.m.

Open Mic Haufbrau, 10:30 p.m.

#### **TUESDAY, SEPT. 22**

Bogert Farmer's Market Bogert Park, 5 p.m.

Elise R. Donahue Lecture: Albert Gallatin Museum of Rockies, 7 p.m.

Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band Eagles Upstairs, 9 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23

Open Horse Riding Gallatin Co. Fairgrounds, 3 p.m.

Pickin' in the Parks Story Mansion, 6:30 p.m.

Open Mic Haubrau, 10:30 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, SEPT. 24

Jeremy Morton 14 North, 8 p.m. Karaoke Eagles, 8:30 p.m.

#### **Under the Willow &** The Sweetbacks Filling Station, 9 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, SEPT. 25

Quick Draw & Cocktails The Emerson, 4 p.m.

MSU Homecoming Pep Rally Downtown, 5:30 p.m.

Movie Night: Planetary Bozeman Dharma Center, 7 p.m.

Author Event w/Skylar **Browning & Jeremy** Watterson Country Bookshelf, 7 p.m.

Teahouse Tango Townshend's Teahouse, 7:30 p.m.

Play: Glengarry Glen Ross The Ellen, 8 p.m.

Young Frankenstein The Verge, 8 p.m.

Lost Dog Filling Station, 9 p.m.

Ouenby & West of Wayland Eagles, 9 p.m.

Cure for the Common + **MOTH** Eagles Upstairs, 9 p.m.

Alter Ego American Legion, 9 p.m.

#### **SATURDAY, SEPT. 26**

National Public Lands Day

Smithsonian Museum Day Live Museum of Rockies, 9 a.m.

Fall International Children's Festival Bozeman Public Library. 10 a.m.

MSU Homecoming Parade Downtown Bozeman. 10 a.m.

MSU Homecoming vs. Cal Poly Bobcat Stadium, 1:30 p.m. Adventures of Tom Sawyer The Verge, 2 p.m.

Chris Cunningham & Justin Wild Joe's, 7 p.m.

2015 Testicle Festival Faultline North, 7 p.m.

#### **Stephanie Quayle's** 3rd Annual **Homecoming Show** The Emerson, 7 p.m.

Young Frankenstein The Verge, 8 p.m.

Play: Glengarry Glen Ross The Ellen, 8 p.m.

Bonehart Flannagan & The Tom Cook Band Filling Station, 9 p.m.

Quenby & West of Wavland Eagles, 9 p.m.

Alter Ego American Legion, 9 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, SEPT. 27**

**Sunday Summer Markets** Baxter Hotel, 11 a.m.

Play: Glengarry Glen Ross The Ellen, 3 p.m.

Bridger Mountain big Band Eagles, 7 p.m.

Balboa Swing Dance Townshend's Teahouse, 7 p.m.

Open Mic Haufbrau, 10:30 p.m.

#### MONDAY, SEPT. 28

Open Horse Riding Gallatin Co. Fairgrounds, 3 p.m.

Open Mic Haufbrau, 10:30 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, SEPT. 29

Yoga For All Bozeman Public Library, 11 a.m. & 12 p.m.

Bogert Farmer's Market Bogert Park, 5 p.m.

**Dining for Dirt: Farm** to School Fundraiser MT Ale Works, 5:30 p.m.

Author Event w/Mark Boudin Country Bookshelf, 7 p.m. Film: Amy The Ellen, 7:30 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30

Open Horse Riding Gallatin Co. Fairgrounds, 3 p.m.

Pickin' in the Parks Story Mansion, 6:30 p.m.

Blitzen Trapper Faultline North, 7:30 p.m.

Caskey Eagles, 8 p.m.

Open Mic Haufbrau. 10:30 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, OCT. 1

Art on the Rocks Class The Emerson, 6:30 p.m.

Karaoke Eagles, 8:30 p.m.

Borgore Faultline North, 9 p.m.

#### **Livingston & Paradise Valley** FRIDAY, SEPT. 18

Big 'Ol Murray Bar, 9 p.m.

www.Twang Chico Saloon, 9:30 p.m.

#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 19

Elks Oktoberfest **Fundraiser** Elks Lodge

Some Day Miss Pray Katabatic, 5:30 p.m.

Lip Sync Battle The Shane

Ticket Sauce Murray Bar, 9 p.m.

www.Twang Chico Saloon, 9:30 p.m.

## MONDAY, SEPT. 21

Bluegrass Jam Katabatic, 5:30 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, SEPT. 22

**Beer for a Cause: Eagle Mount** Katabatic, 4 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23

Sean Devine Katabatic, 5:30 p.m.

Farmer's Market Miles Park, 4:30 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, SEPT. 24

**Business After Hours** Yellowstone Pioneer Lodge, 5:30 p.m.

Kelly McRae Murray Bar, 8:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, SEPT. 25

**Harvest Celebration** Chico Hot Springs, 5:30 p.m.

Artwalk Downtown, 5:30 p.m.

Heather Lingle Band Murray Bar, 9 p.m.

Honky Tonk Heroes Chico Saloon, 9:30 p.m.

#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 26

National Public Lands Day

Chris Kammerer Katabatic, 5:30 p.m.

Derral Gleason Trio Murray Bar, 9 p.m.

#### SUNDAY, SEPT. 27 Bonehart Flannigan

Murray Bar, 8 p.m.

#### MONDAY, SEPT. 28

Old Sap Murray Bar, 5 p.m.

Bluegrass Jam Katabatic, 5:30 p.m.

#### **WEDNESDAY. SEPT. 30**

Farmer's Market Miles Park, 4:30 p.m.

Hawthorne Roots Katabatic, 5:30 p.m.

Paul Cataldo Murray Bar, 8:30 p.m.

# **THURSDAY, OCT. 1**BAH Holiday Lights

Oktoberfest The Office, 5:30 p.m.

Jillian Rae & Mike Munson Murray Bar, 8:30 p.m

#### **West Yellowstone** SATURDAY, SEPT. 19 **Old Faithful Cycle**

Tour **Chamber of** Commerce, 8 a.m.

W. Yellowstone Foundation **3rd Annual Happening** Celebration **Union Pacific Dining** Lodge, 5 p.m. Driftwood Grinners Wild West Saloon, 9 p.m.

#### SUNDAY, SEPT. 20 Community Co-ed Softball City Park, 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY. SEPT. 22 Community Ultimate

Frisbee

6:15 p.m.

Community Park, 6 p.m. Yoga for Everyone Povah Community Center,

Pick Up Ping Pong Community Protestant Church, 7 p.m.

#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23** Community Co-ed Softball City Park, 6:30 p.m.

Club Night Wild West Saloon, 10:30 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, SEPT. 24

Yellowstone Nature Connection Reading in Nature 10 Yellowstone Ave., 4:30 p.m

Knit Night Send It Home, 6 p.m.

Adult Co-Ed Volleyball W. Yellowstone School, 7 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, SEPT. 25 Rocky Mountain Pearls Wild West Saloon, 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 26 National Public Lands Day

#### **National Parks** Sept. Free Fee Day

Yellowstone Rendezvous Trail Run Rendezvous Trailhead Building, 8 a.m.

#### SUNDAY, SEPT. 27 Community Co-ed Softball City Park, 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 29 Community Ultimate Frisbee Community Park, 6 p.m.

Yoga for Everyone Povah Community Center, 6:15 p.m.

Pick Up Ping Pong Community Protestant Church, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30 Community Co-ed Softball City Park, 6:30 p.m.

Club Night - DJ Wild West Saloon, 10:30 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, OCT. 1

Knit Night Send It Home, 6 p.m.

Adult Co-Ed Volleyball W. Yellowstone School, 7 p.m.

#### **RECURRING EVENTS**

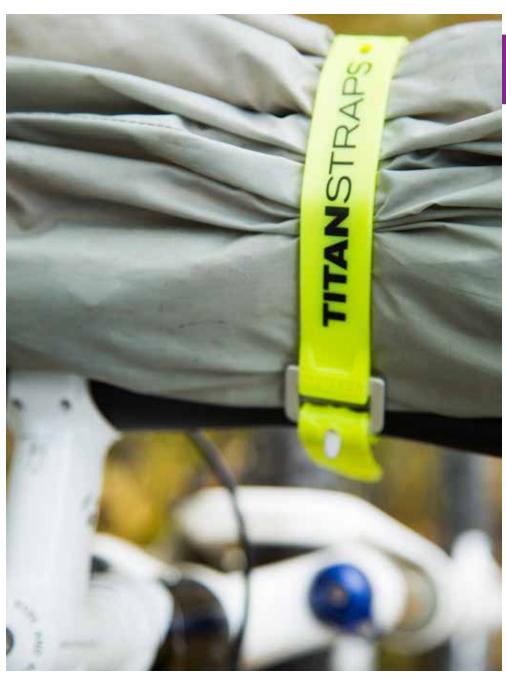
Historic Walking Tour Historic District, selfguided, daily

Afternoon Talk w/a YNP Ranger Yellowstone Historic Center Museum, 2 p.m. (daily thru Sept. 30)

Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone Workshop 30 Yellowstone Ave., 9 a.m. & 3 p.m. (daily thru Sept. 30)

Yellowstone Nature **Connection Programs** Smokejumper Program, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m. (daily thru Sept. 30) Naturalist Program, 1 p.m. (daily thru Sept. 30) 10 Yellowstone Ave.

# SEPT.26 National Public Lands Day



The author rigs for a bike-packing trip into the Bridger Mountains, using a TitanStrap to lash his tent to his mountain bike. PHOTO BY WES OVERVOLD

# **GEAR REVIEW**

# **TitanStraps**

In the world of engineering and manufacturing, three ideals define a perfect product: strong, efficient and inexpensive. In reality, we're often afforded just two of these ideals. Achieving all three is what those inventors scribbling on graph paper fantasize about.

TitanStraps, based out of Bozeman, has achieved this nearly impossible triple crown, advertising the easy-to-use straps as the ultimate replacement for bungee cords, spools of twine, wire, and any other manner of securing loads to vehicle racks. They're designed simply, made of high quality materials, and affordable. And are now they're available in 14-, 18- and 25-inch "Super Straps."

The stretchy, high-performance polymer straps paired with an air-craft-grade aluminum buckle can withstand the coldest temperatures while still remaining supple. And lashing skis together while wearing thick winter gloves couldn't be easier.

TitanStraps will steadily find their way into all sorts of everyday uses: Around the garage, on top of the car, floating down the river, at the trail-head, or on the ski slopes, the multi-length straps can replace and outperform whatever securing technique you typically use.

Scrap tying knots and lose the bungee cords; and you should've never used tape in the first place. TitanStraps were born for these jobs. - Wes Overvold

Super Straps: 14-inch - \$7.50; 18-inch - \$8; 25-inch - \$8.50 Original TitanStrap (25 inches) - \$9.50





# **Fall in Yellowstone National Park** It's worth the hype



BY PATRICK STRAUB EBS FISHING COLUMNIST

For a short time in my early 20s, mid-September was my least favorite time of year. I was in a

Midwest college, and homesick for the great fishing in Yellowstone National Park. Despite short-term amnesia brought on by Old Style and Leinenkugels, my heart remained with my boyhood angling wonders.

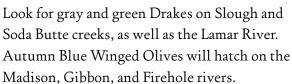
Yellowstone is a special place. For anglers from both near and far, the hype of fishing the park in fall rings true. Here's why:

Accessibility. Every mile of every stream in Yellowstone is public. While fishing them all might take considerable effort, no other place in the world exists with this many miles of easily accessible, trout-filled water. It wasn't created to be a fly-fishing wonderland, but it might as well be. Despite the park's relative

angler or two, walk a mile from any trailhead or angling pullout and you're likely to be alone – save for a bear or elk.

# Hatches come first here.

Because of the park's high elevation, water temperatures cool early and hatches abound.





The native Yellowstone cutthroat is the crown jewel of trout in the nation's first national park. PHOTO COURTESY OF DL SMITH ROD COMPANY

Yellowstone National Park's Firehole River is home to unique geologic features, as well as plenty of trout. PHOTO BY SHAWN DIESEL

ruggedness, roads parallel many of its rivers making it easier for anglers to enjoy. That means those rivers get more pressure, which brings me to my next point.

**Fewer people**. Yellowstone sees far fewer visitors in fall than in summer. You won't have the rivers to yourself, but your fishing plans are more likely to be thwarted by bison or moose than tourists taking selfies. And if you're still not happy with seeing another

**Hebgen Lake.** The trout of a lifetime lurks somewhere in Hebgen Lake. During the fall, these large, lakedwelling fish travel out of Hebgen into the Madison and some smaller tributaries. Brown trout travel to spawn and rainbow trout follow to feed on their eggs. These fish secret - you'll see other anglers if you choose to fish the Hebgen tributaries. However, knowing the waters and

Large trout from

where these fish hold is crucial to getting your fly in front of feeding trout.

Target the tail-outs of deeper holes and runs. Be prepared to fish near to, or on the bottom, with weighted flies and weight on your leader. Egg patterns, streamers, fire-beads, and other large morsels will entice these trout. If you're new to these tactics and targeting pre-spawn fish, consider hiring a local guide.

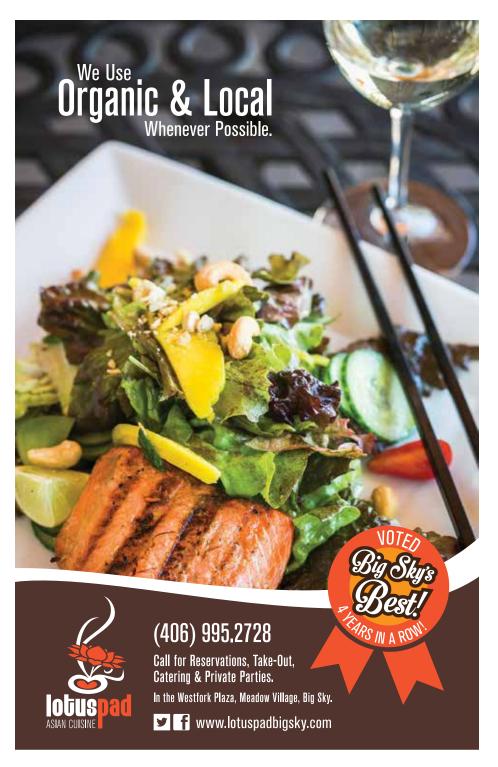
#### Streamer-fishing addicts delight. Since

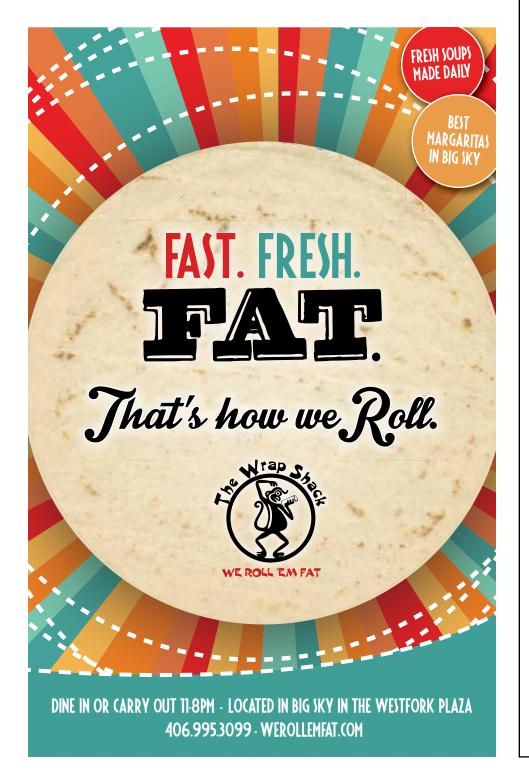
waters are low and clear, anglers willing to fish streamers will be successful. Unlike the large salmonflies and stoneflies of summer, fall bug hatches are smaller. But trout are still hungry in the cooler water temps, so prospect with small Woolly Buggers and streamers. Even the smaller creeks and headwater streams can be fished with streamers. Shorten your leader so you can put the fly where it needs to be, and can pop it off the bank when you overshoot a cast.

Slim down your fly selection. To mimic Drakes in the northeast region of the park, fish purple or copper Hazes in sizes 14 and 16. For fall BWOs on the west-side rivers and creeks, fish a size 16 Parachute Adams with a size 18 CDC RS2 emerger as the trailer fly. For streamers on smaller creeks, fish a size 8 or 10 black Sculpzilla on a stout leader like 1X, so you can turn it over easily and won't break it on snags.

Sundays in college were always the worst, and it wasn't entirely due to starting the day with a hangover – I should have been fly fishing in Yellowstone. I can now chase trout in the park anytime I want, though I wouldn't mind one more night of college shenanigans.

Pat Straub is the author of six books, including "The Frugal Fly Fisher," "Montana On The Fly," and "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Fly Fishing." He and his wife own Gallatin River Guides in Big Sky and Pat operates the Montana Fishing Guide School and the Montana Women's Fly Fishing School.







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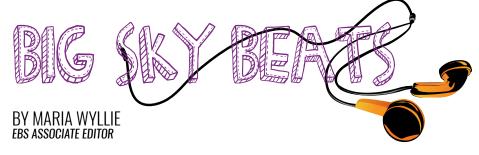
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Find out what tunes we're bumping! In Big Sky Beats, Explore Big Sky staff and guests offer suggested tracks for your next playlist. Whether you need to freshen up your music library, want to expand your collection, or just need some tunes for the next backyard barbecue, we've got you covered.

When I was 6 years old, I begged my parents for a boom box and Michael Jackson and Mariah Carey CDs. Instead, they gave me a Discman and two compilation albums featuring songs by Ace of Base, Aretha Franklin and the like.

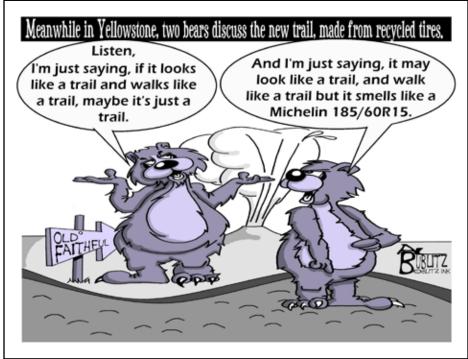
After saving up a few weeks of allowance money, I soon acquired the Hanson, Spice Girls and NSYNC discs I really wanted. And I eventually saved enough dough to purchase a real stereo. Though my musical tastes have certainly changed as I've gotten older, I can still appreciate the songs from my youth - all of which I still know the lyrics to.

For my final Big Sky Beats entry, I'm leaving you with 15 of my all-time favorite tracks. Despite how my musical tastes have changed over the past 20 years, these are songs that still bring vivid memories to light – like dancing on my father's feet while listening to "Van the Man," or hearing "Eleanor Rigby" on repeat while my mother drove me to school in the morning. They will forever have a place in my heart.

- 1. "Black or White," Michael Jackson
- 2. "Super Freak," Rick James
  3. "Moondance," Van Morrison
  4. "Tiny Dancer," Elton John
- 5. "Ready to Run," Dixie Chicks
- 6. "Spanish Moon," Little Feat 7. "Wish You Were Here," Pink Floyd 8. "Eleanor Rigby," The Beatles 9. "Diamonds and Rust," Joan Baez 10. "Long Black Veil," Johnny Cash

- 11. "Hurricane," Bob Dylan
- 12. "It Makes No Difference," The Band
- 13. "Brokedown Palace," The Grateful Dead 14. "He's Gone," The Grateful Dead
- 15. "Not Fade Away," The Grateful Dead

Visit explorebigsky.com/beats for a sampling of the playlist





# Sudoku

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# **American Life in Poetry:** Column 547

BY TED KOOSER, U.S. POET LAUREATE

I've seen many poems about the atomic bomb drills that schoolchildren were put through during the Cold War, but this one reaches beyond that experience. John Philip Johnson lives and writes in Nebraska, and has an illustrated book of poems, "Stairs Appear in a Hole Outside of Town."

#### There Have Come Soft Rains

By John Philip Johnson

In kindergarten during the Cold War, mid-day late bells jolted us, sending us single file into the hallway, where we sat, pressing our heads between our knees, waiting.

During one of the bomb drills, Annette was standing. My mother said I would talk on and on about her, about how pretty she was. I still remember her that day, curly hair and pretty dress, looking perturbed the way little children do. Why Annette? There's nothing to be upset about— The bombs won't get us, I've seen what's to come it is the days, the steady pounding of days, like gentle rain, that will be our undoing.

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# BACK4[1]

For Explore Big Sky, the Back 40 is a resource: a place where we can delve into subjects and ask experts to share their knowledge. Topics include regional history, profiles of local artists and musicians, snow and avalanche education, how-to pieces for traditional or outdoor skills, and science.

**Noun:** wild or rough terrain adjacent to a developed area **Origin:** shortened form of "back 40 acres"

# **Healthcare and safety for your horse**

BY JENEÉ DAWS EBS CONTRIBUTOR

As an equine veterinarian and Midwestern transplant to Montana, I wasn't sure what to expect when I arrived in the Treasure State. Would I be working on cowboys' horses that were facing off with bears to protect the cattle herd? Would I be called into the mountains to rescue a downed horse in the woods?

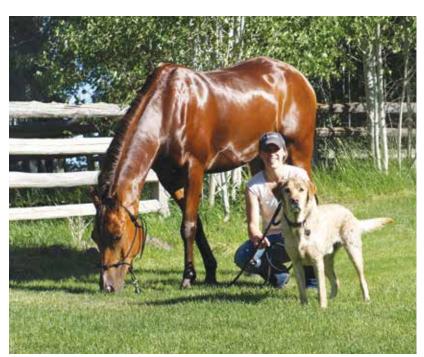
Although I've fashioned a sling to lift a draft horse with a front loader, and sutured wounds to animals sustained after escaping a grizzly bear-raided camp, these dramatic calls are generally rare.

The two most common emergency calls equine veterinarians see in Montana are lacerations and colic. Since the state is full of wide-open spaces, the only realistic fencing for many horse and cattle populations is wire – either smooth or barbed.

You would think that with miles of pasture to graze, horses would be able to steer clear of wire, but we're called upon to repair wire cuts on a nearly daily basis.

If the wound is found shortly after it happens, we're usually able to suture and bandage it. This best-cast scenario provides the shortest period of healing and the best cosmetic outcome. If the wound is older, contaminated or grossly swollen, we may let the tissue close on its own.

We use several therapies to aid healing, including platelet-rich plasma (PRP) and A-cell. PRP therapy requires drawing blood from the patient and then concentrating the platelets



The author with her horse Keno and dog Gus. PHOTO BY LORIE HUNTER  $\,$ 



A Montana draft horse being lifted by a sling for treatment in 2014 PHOTO BY KATIE SCHULER

before reapplying them to the wound, which provides a framework for healing.

A-cell is the application of an amniotic membrane to the wound, and again it provides a tissue bed to help the wound heal faster. Depending on the location and severity of the wound, many horses require antibiotics, anti-inflammatories and pain medication as well.

Colic is the equine medical term for abdominal discomfort, or put simply, a bellyache. A common misconception is that colic means the gut is twisted, which is just one of many kinds. It most often refers to gastrointestinal pain, but colic can also be pain caused by any abdominal

problem, such as liver or kidney disease.

A large number of problems can lead to colic of gastrointestinal origin, including dehydration, parasites, change in diet, gas accumulation, grain overload, sand ingestion, and poor dentition, among others.

The majority of colic cases resolve on their own, however if you happen to find your horse acting colicky – pawing, kicking at his belly, watching his flank, getting up and down, sweating or rolling –call your veterinarian to determine if

the horse should be seen. The vet will perform physical and rectal exams, and pass a stomach tube in order to determine the cause of colic.

In some cases, horses need further diagnostics including blood work, ultrasound or taking a sample of the abdominal fluid to identify the problem and prognosis. Therapy may range from simple pain medication to hospitalizing the horse for fluid therapy and, in rare cases, abdominal surgery.

Sound management can prevent some of the most common health problems. Knowing your horse well and being able to identify unordinary behaviors is a huge asset. Be sure horses always have access to fresh, clean water and design a feeding plan with your veterinarian to reduce the risk of colic. Periodically inspect fencing to maintain safe pasture.

Montana is a great place to enjoy horses. By becoming educated on how to care for them and safely ride in the backcountry, many visitors and residents will see some amazing country from a great vantage point in the saddle. Develop a relationship with your veterinarian so you know what to look for, and can be prepared for the unexpected during a ride. Happy trails!

Jeneé Daws earned her doctorate in veterinary medicine from Michigan State University in 2012 and her certificate of veterinary medical acupuncture in 2014. She has been living in Bozeman and working at All West Veterinary Hospital for the past two years.