

WINTER 2014

A QUARTERLY UPDATE FOR
DUES-PAYING MEMBERS OF
THE UM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Alumni ACTIVITIES

Brynn Clemons '09, Ketchum, Idaho, the winner of UMAA's membership contest, enjoyed the football game from her free seats in Bobcat Stadium, as well as a two-night stay at the Holiday Inn and a Grizzly goodie basket.

"Fourth quarter smiles for the win! Go Griz!
Thanks, UM Alumni, for the tickets!"

- Brynn and Brendan



What a great game in Bozeman!

In the 113th meeting of the cross-state rivals, the Grizzlies beat the Bobcats handily, 28-14, bumped State out of their chance for the post-season, and earned themselves a first-round bye in the FCS conference playoffs.

Meanwhile, though Missoula came in second once again to Bozeman in the Can the Bobcats Food Drive, the two cities collectively raised nearly 200,000 pounds of food for families in need.

More than 10,000 alumni and their friends and family gathered for Griz-Cat satellite parties in 89 cities to catch the time-honored Brawl of the Wild.

Griz-Cat Fever



Juneau

Back row (left to right): Jimmie Allison '11, Steven Sikes '75, Addie Taylor and 7-week-old Clay Taylor, Nancy Eiler '78, John Eiler '76 and John Morrell '67; front row: Taylor (left) and Mike Taylor, former Griz basketball player with 5-year-old Jackson Taylor.



Philadelphia

Former Griz MVP Colt Anderson '09 (now a free safety for the Philadelphia Eagles) with his wife, Keelie, and their little ones.



Nashville

Former Griz receiver and 2010 Tennessee Titans draft pick Marc Mariani '10 (left) watches the game with (left to right) Shawnee Rasmussen, Allison DeLisle, Cory Moquist '13 and Thomas Bauer '09.

Sacramento



If you couldn't make it to the game or a satellite party this year, mark your calendars for the next Griz-Cat game – Nov. 22, 2014, in Missoula – and find a party location near you by visiting the Events page at www.grizalum.com.

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Saint Thomas, Virgin Islands

Brianna Wilds (left) and Julles Messmann celebrate a Griz win, while RJ Portmann (right) and Brett Johnson commemorate a Bobcat loss.



Boise



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To sign up for the online-only option, visit www.grizalum.com and click on "Receive the Alumni Activities e-newsletter" in the right-hand column.

The University of Montana will celebrate its 121st birthday on Thursday, Feb. 13, with a noon-hour cupcake party in the University Center Atrium and an evening Charter Day awards ceremony and reception.

The annual awards ceremony, which will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. in the University Center Ballroom, recognizes exemplary campus and community members.

Missoula Mayor **John Engen** will attend the ceremony and present an official proclamation of University of Montana Day.

UM Provost **Perry Brown** will preside over the presentation of 2014 Charter Day awards, including the Montana Alumni Award to be presented to Kitte Robins.

To read about the 2014 Charter Day award recipients, visit our Events page on www.grizalum.com.

In addition to traditional Charter Day events, Celebrate Academics, coordinated by the Office of the Provost, will give participants an opportunity to learn about the innovative work being done by UM's faculty members and students. This year, Celebrate Academics events will take place Feb. 12-13.

Distinguished Alumni Awards Nominations

Each Homecoming, the University of Montana Alumni Association honors outstanding alumni with Distinguished Alumni Awards. University alumni and friends are invited to nominate on an individual basis a graduate or former student for this award. Nominations for the 2014 Distinguished Alumni are due March 14, 2014. Nomination forms may be found by visiting the Recognition page on www.grizalum.com.

UMAA offers legacy scholarship

The annual UMAA Legacy Scholarship is available to students who have followed in the footsteps of their parents or grandparents by attending UM. Interested students will find the scholarship application and criteria online at www.grizalum.com/recognition. Applications are due Fri., Feb. 21, at 5 p.m.

For more information, call 406-243-5211 or email alumni@umontana.edu.

Become a board member

The University of Montana Alumni Association is now accepting nominations for open positions on the Board of Directors. Any UMAA member – annual or lifetime – is eligible to serve. Nominations are due March 14. For more information and to download a nomination form, visit our Board of Directors information webpage.

<http://www.grizalum.org/about/board/apply.php>

Enjoy membership benefits with Liberty Mutual

Liberty Mutual Insurance partners with the University of Montana Alumni Association to offer high-quality auto and home insurance at an exclusive discounted rate to UMAA dues payers like you. For more information and a list of other membership benefits, visit the Membership page on www.grizalum.com.



1-800-524-9400

"We are Montana" Tour ALUMNI EVENTS

The "We are Montana" Tour began in September and will continue through the spring, with **President Engstrom** and other representatives of the University of Montana visiting communities throughout the state.

Alumni in each city are encouraged to attend community events, as well as to join fellow alumni at gatherings hosted by UMAA.

As part of the Dec. 2 leg of the tour, alumni participated in Bridger Brewing's Pints for a Purpose in Bozeman and had breakfast with President Engstrom at the McCormick Café in Billings. Later in the month, alumni gathered at the Elks Club in Cut Bank and at the Havre home of **Renelle Braaten** and **T. Wayne Koepke**, friends of the University.



Alumni, staff and friends of the University of Montana gather at the Cut Bank Elks Club during the "We are Montana" Tour's visit to the Hi-Line.

Alumni Student Recruitment Volunteer Program

Think back to your most memorable experiences at the University of Montana and in Missoula. These memories are part of what makes you a treasured resource to potential students as they explore their college options. As an alum, you can give back to UM simply by sharing your stories with Enrollment Services.

You also can help UM find that student who will be a perfect fit by referring a prospective student. For more information about volunteering, visit <http://admissions.umt.edu/forms/alumni> or contact lacey.patterson@umontana.edu.

Coming soon – the new UMAA directory!

UMAA has contracted with Harris Connect to produce a directory listing all University of Montana alumni. You'll find the directory handy for looking up old classmates, friends and fellow dorm residents. The directory, available in hard copy, soft cover or CD, will include biographical and contact information, so you can be in touch with friends, both new and old. A series of postcards announcing the project will be sent out this spring by Harris Connect and alumni will be directed to a website to provide updated contact information for the directory. Those alums who don't visit the website will receive a phone call from Harris to help collect the most up-to-date information for inclusion in the directory. During the directory project, you'll also have a chance to purchase a UMAA membership and a copy of the directory. UMAA will receive a portion of the directory sales as well as all membership dues collected through the project. Watch your mail this spring for a postcard announcing details of the UMAA directory. We hope you enjoy this opportunity to catch up with your fellow UM alumni!

Community Lecture Series presents

Western Rivers: Connecting Landscapes & Livelihoods

The University of Montana Alumni Association's 16th annual Community Lecture Series will begin Tuesday, Feb. 18.

This year's series features six outstanding UM faculty members who will approach the topic of water from their various fields of expertise, including poetry, history, law, aquatic biology and environmental studies.

Lectures take place 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 18 - March 25, at the University Center Theater. Each lecture includes a question-and-answer session. Tickets for the entire lecture series are \$20 for the general public, \$15 for UMAA dues-paying members, and \$10 for students. Tickets for individual lectures are \$5 at the door. Purchase tickets online at www.grizalum.org/events/cls or by calling the UM Office of Alumni Relations at 406-243-5211.

Following is the lecture series schedule:

Feb. 18: Robert Stubblefield "By Some Gliding Stream: Walton, Wordsworth, and the Riverscape Legacy"

Feb. 25: Rosalyn LaPier "Soyiitapi: The Place of Water in the Blackfeet Universe"

March 4: Michelle Bryan-Mudd "Unseating the Lords of Yesterday: Water Law's Historical Roots and Future Challenges"

March 11: Bill Woessner "Connecting Landscapes, Rivers and Groundwater"

March 18: Lisa Eby "Riverscapes in Flux: Current Challenges in the Conservation of Native Fish"

March 25: Marco Maneta "Are We Running out of Water? Challenges and Opportunities for Water Management in Western Montana"

"Bringing the U to You" Lecture Series 2014 opens in Great Falls

Bringing the U to You Lecture Series is an annual collaborative effort of the UM and MSU-Bozeman alumni associations. This year's series features:

Jan. 23: Otto Stein, MSU: "Engineers Without Borders Reach Around the Globe"

Feb. 6: David Klumpar, MSU: "Made in Montana by Montana Students: MSU's Earth-Orbiting Satellites"

Feb. 20: Rebecca Bendick, UM: "Geologic Hazards and Natural Disasters in Montana and Beyond"

March 13: Mehrdad Kia, UM: "Islam and the West"

All lectures will be held 7-9 p.m. Thursdays in Heritage Hall at Great Falls College MSU. Series tickets are \$25, and tickets for individual lectures are \$10 for general admission and \$5 for students. Tickets are available at Kaufman's or by calling 406-899-0277.



GET CONNECTED...STAY CONNECTED

2014 Alumni EVENTS

JAN	23	Bringing the U to You Lecture Series in Great Falls
FEB	3	Pre-play social in Butte for Montana Rep's "The Miracle Worker"
	6, 20	Bringing the U to You Lecture Series in Great Falls
	11	Pre-play social in Billings for Montana Rep's "The Miracle Worker"
	12-13	Celebrate Academics and Charter Day
	13	Charter Day birthday celebration and awards ceremony
MAR	16	Annual alumni gathering in Palm Desert
	18, 25	Community Lecture Series
	4, 11, 18, 25	Community Lecture Series
	13	Alumni gathering in San Francisco
	13	Bringing the U to You Lecture Series in Great Falls
APR	16-29	Samba Rhythms Luxury Cruise - Buenos Aries to Rio de Janeiro
	25-27	"We are Montana" Tour: Great Falls and Lewistown
	28-April 6	Southern Culture & Civil War Cruise - New Orleans to Memphis
MAY	7-9	"We are Montana" Tour: Helena, Butte, Dillon
JUN	1-3	UMAA Board of Directors meeting, New York City
	3	Alumni gathering in New York City
	TBA	Senior Send-Off
	15-17	Commencement, All-Alumni Celebration and Montana Treasures Reunion
JUL	16-24	Mediterranean Cruise with Royce and Mary Engstrom - Rome to Lisbon.
AUG	TBA	10th annual UM Night with the Missoula Osprey
	21-Sept. 1	Baltic Treasures Cruise - Copenhagen to Stockholm



SAVE THE DATE for Commencement Festivities

Thursday, May 15 - Saturday, May 17

ALL-ALUMNI CELEBRATION AND MONTANA TREASURES REUNION

Events include a social, a special dinner for alumni from the class of 1964 and prior, and all-alumni participation in the UM Commencement ceremony on the field of Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

Whether you come to sit next to your child or grandchild as they graduate, reconnect with old friends and memories of campus, or commemorate a landmark class anniversary, don't miss out on your chance to be a part of these exciting Commencement traditions!

For more information, call the Office of Alumni Relations, 1-877-UM-ALUMS (1-877-862-5867), or visit www.grizalum.com.