

## COMMUNITY SERVICE BULLETIN BOARD

January 15, 2008

This update is brought to you two times a month by the Bitterroot Valley Chamber of Commerce. We want to let you know what is happening in the Valley and give you the opportunity to promote what is happening in your business.

Announcements are limited to 40 words and can have a link to your website. Non-profit organizations that are members of the Chamber can submit for free. There will be a \$10 fee per submission for business members. The bulletin board will be emailed on approximately the 1st and the 15th of each month. Announcements must be sent to [localinfo@bvchamber.com](mailto:localinfo@bvchamber.com), three days prior to the bulletin.

Advertise your business and events on [www.HamiltonMontana.com](http://www.HamiltonMontana.com). Calendar and forum entries are free. Our top advertising positions are only \$5 a month. Sign up online, or call 381-1069. We also offer quality web design and updates.

The Bitterroot Building Industry Association's 6th Annual Home Expo will be Saturday, February 23, 2008, at the Ravalli County Fairgrounds. Deadline to reserve a booth is January 11, 2008. Please contact Karen at the BBIA office about booth space - 375-9411 or download the application at [www.BBIAMontana.org](http://www.BBIAMontana.org)

DON'T FORGET to check out the Wolf Exhibit at the Ravalli County Museum at 205 Bedford Street in Hamilton. This is an exciting and worth while exhibit for all ages. Call 363-3338 for more information.

The Montana Legislature's Water Policy Interim Committee will be hosting a meeting and public hearing in Hamilton on January 15 and 16, 2008, at the Hamilton Fairgrounds, Art Building.

It's time to dust off your putter, put aside the winter blahs and sign up for the Hamilton Soroptimist award-winning Winter Golf Tournament to be held Saturday, February 2, 2008 in downtown Hamilton.

To register a team call Mary Alice Holloway at 381-1335. To donate a prize item, call Pat Murphy at 360-5568.

On Wednesday, January 16, 2008 the Bitterroot Valley Chamber is proud to present 'Unleashing Accountability – Extreme Contribution' seminar. It will be held at the Bitterroot River Inn in Hamilton from 5:30 to 8:30. What a great way to start off the new year and give your business a boost for the coming year. Cost is \$45 for chamber members and \$60 for non-members. Call Pat at 363-2400 to register or for more information.

Bitterroot Job Service is sponsoring Information Technology Security Seminar on February 28, 2008 From 8:30-11:00 a.m. at the Marcus Daly Memorial Hospital Conference Room C in Hamilton. Pat Boles will be the presenter. He is the Cyber Protection Officer within the Department of Administration's Information Technology Services Division. Seating will be limited, so call Kathleen at 375-6046 to reserve your space today. Cost is \$25 per person.

Also the Bitterroot Community Job Fair will be held March 27, 2008 at the Hamilton High School Gym from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, please call Heather at 375-6042. Employers and Job Seekers are invited to attend.

Join CURVES for a 30 minute workout that strengthens every major muscle group and burns up to 500 calories. You'll save 30% and get a FREE week on our new online weight loss website and receive a FREE tee-shirt. Call now 363-0393 or go to [www.curves.com](http://www.curves.com)

Bitterroot Motel: Monthly or weekly rentals. Furnished units, laundry room, cable & all utilities included. No smoking. No Pets: Cathy Evans 406-363-1142. [www.bitterrootmotel.com](http://www.bitterrootmotel.com)  
Space for Lease: Downtown Hamilton - Retail/Restaurant, 2,800 sq. ft. located at 111 North Second Street. Cathy Evans 406-531-6433.

Join MCDC for FastTrac® GrowthVenture™, a comprehensive business training designed by the Kauffman Foundation that will put you in the driver's seat for growing your business.

### **Course Schedule**

The ten-week course will be held Thursday evenings at Farmers State Bank in Victor  
February 21 – May 1 6:00 – 9:00 PM

### **Cost**

\$400 for 10 week session; includes materials.

Email Patty Cox, [patty@mtcdc.org](mailto:patty@mtcdc.org) or 406-728-9234 ext 200 to register. Class size is limited and spaces are offered on a first come, first serve basis. A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required to guarantee your spot.

The Brewer's Grill and Tap Room at the Bitter Root Brewery are open for lunch Monday –Friday, 11:30am-8pm, Saturday 12-8pm, and the Tap Room is open Sundays from 2-6pm. Live music is every Thursday and Saturday evening from 6-8:30pm. [www.bitterrootbrewing.com](http://www.bitterrootbrewing.com)

The Walk for the Ages to benefit RSVP Volunteers and Foster Grandparents will be held on February 16, 9-10.30AM at the Interstate Center. This is a fun INDOOR pledge walk. Get involved. Pledge envelopes at RSVP and KLYQ or call 363-1102.

Make 2008 a pivotal year in your life. Attend the **\$\$\$ vs Wealth** seminar at Bitterroot River Inn in Hamilton on Saturday, January 26 at 9 a.m. Reservations are \$40; tickets at the door are \$50. Call Vinda Milless 370-1747 to reserve your seat today.

Jan.20<sup>th</sup> **2 p.m. at Ravalli County Museum, History of Smoke Jumping** Have you ever wondered how the harebrained scheme of Smoke Jumping developed into one of the most effective fir fighting tools? Join us for Mark Matthews' presentation on the first decade of smoke jumping and the Mann Gulch Fire of 1949.

Jan27<sup>th</sup> **2 p.m. at Ravalli County Museum, Dick Ellis** resident of the Bitter Root Valley, and expert on Cowboys and Indians, he will engage you with his stories about the great **Cowboy Artists**. This week he will start with Remington as he shows you examples of their work and adds interesting stories about their lives.

Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> **2 p.m. at Ravalli County Museum, Storytelling with Diana Rohlman**, Stevensville author of a new children's book will tell stories for the children. Then the children will have the opportunity to dress-up and act out a story. Bring all the aspiring actresses and actors to the Museum.

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> **2 p.m. at Ravalli County Museum, Wild Sentry, Pat Tucker and Bruce Weide** co-sponsors of an interactive educational program that presents an unprecedented view of the Wolf. Discussion and lecture about their studies of the Wolf in its natural habitat.

Feb.17<sup>th</sup> **2 p.m. at the Ravalli County Museum portrait of John James Audubon, Drawn from Nature** a film and narrative on his remarkable life. Presented by Florentine Films and Hott Productions

Feb.24<sup>th</sup> **2 p.m. at the Ravalli County Museum, Dr. Frank Laurence Presents** a storytelling and history behind the Exhibit The Artist and the Wolves, Perception Depictions Real and Imagined.

March 2 2p.m.at **the Ravalli County Museum, Marty Essen** presents Cool Creatures Hot Planet, get an exceptional view of a three year trip around the world searching for Rare and Interesting Wildlife. This is an engaging and fun filled trip **Around the World in 90 Days**.

March 9, 2 p.m. at **the Ravalli County Museum, Mike McKittrick** gives us a fascinating view of the **Transcontinental Railroad through Stereo Photographers**, An opportunity to see original examples of this medium. Lecture, question and answer format.

March 16<sup>th</sup> **2 p.m. at the Ravalli County Museum, Ernst Peterson Photo Contest**, Results from Judging presented today, critiques and criterion discussed by Judges John Muoio, Dianne Hoffman

Ravalli County Museum, 205 Bedford Hamilton. Museum hours are Monday, Thursday, and Friday from 10-4. Saturday 9-1 and Sunday 1-4 with a program of historical or cultural significance starting at 2 p.m. Admission is \$3 per adult, \$5 per couple Students 6-18 are \$1. New family admission is \$6. Call 406-363-3338 for more information or email [rcmuseum@qwestoffice.net](mailto:rcmuseum@qwestoffice.net)

### **Diagnosis on the Draft Zoning Regulations Released**

Clarion Associates, one of Ravalli County's consulting teams in the countywide zoning process, has released a [?Diagnosis?](#) report recommending a number of changes to the existing draft (?Draft A?) of the [zoning regulations](#).

**Major Public Zoning Workshop Scheduled for Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Groundwater Forums to Take Place in January**

coming Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. at Hamilton City Hall.

To avoid confusion, we should mention that there is another water-related presentation taking place this month. The Bitterroot Water Forum is sponsoring a panel discussion on water quality data in the Bitterroot watershed at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, in the Victor High School multi-purpose room (4<sup>th</sup> Street in Victor). While not formally connected with the zoning project, this event is likely to cover some material that would be of interest to participants in the zoning process.

**\* \* \* Both forums are free and open to the public \* \* \***

**Streamside Setback Committee**

The Ravalli County Streamside Setback Committee will hold their next meeting Tuesday January 15, 2008 at 7:00pm in the Commissioner's Meeting Room

**Open Lands Board**

The Ravalli County Open Lands Board will be holding their next meeting Thursday January 17, 2008 at 7:00pm in the Commissioner's Meeting Room

**'MRSA: What's all the Fuss?'**

**Expert Panel in Hamilton to Address Staph Resurgence in U.S.**

Friday, Jan. 25, from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center of Hamilton High School, 327 Fairgrounds Road. A question-and-answer session will follow.

**News releases, fact sheets and other NIAID-related materials are available on the NIAID Web site at <http://www.niaid.nih.gov>.**