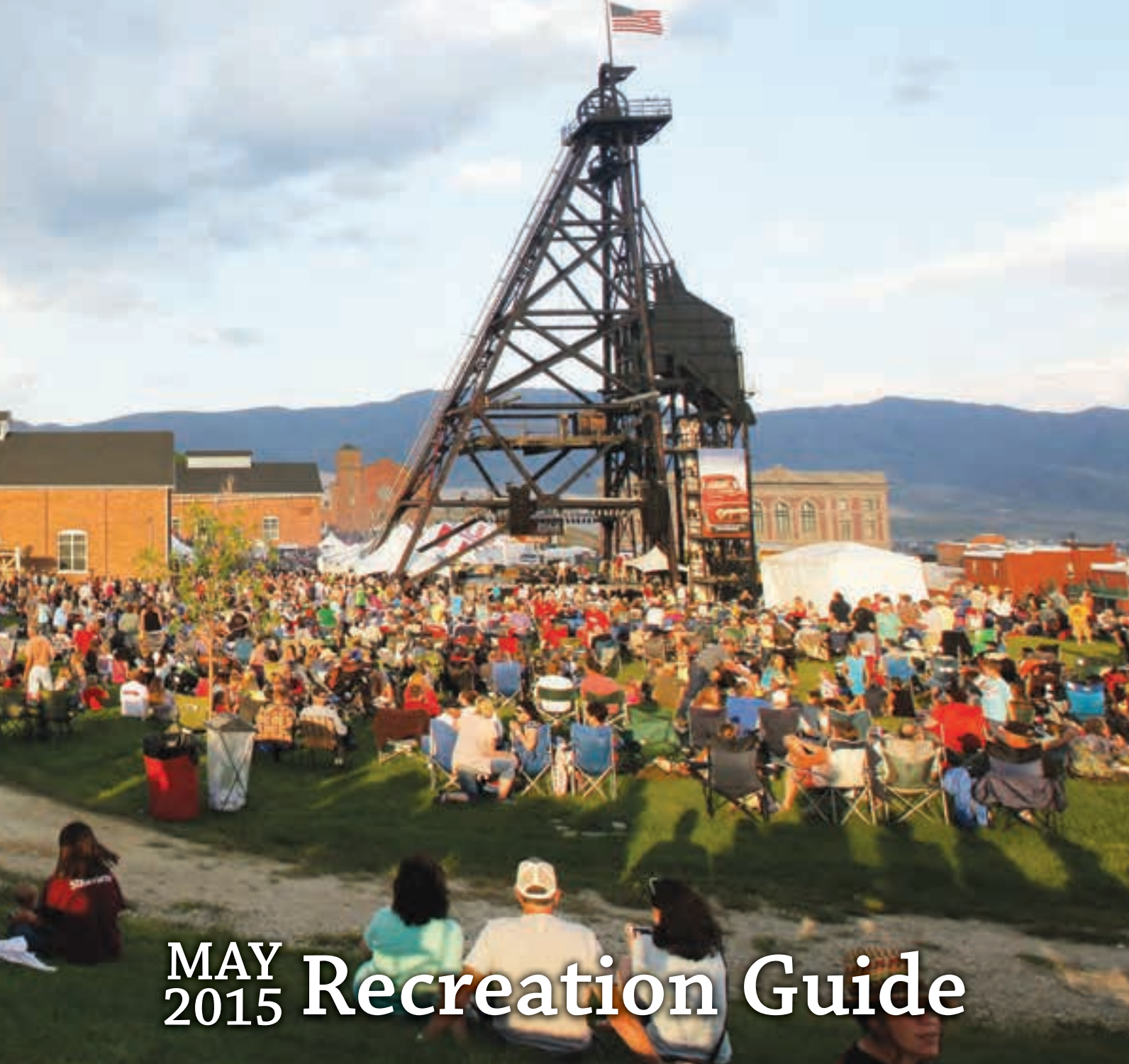



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On the cover: The 2014 Montana Folk Festival
at the Original Mine Yard.

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A note from the director

Dear citizens and visitors,

Please join with me in celebrating how recreation creates a great quality of life in Butte-Silver Bow. Each of us are touched daily by recreational pursuits for ourselves, our children, our grandchildren, and our friends.

As we walk for exercise, play sports, spectate at an event, or just socialize with friends, these activities become a vital part of our days. Recreational activities become part of who we are and also how we celebrate community.

I hope to see you this year out and on our trails, in our parks, or at one of our programs, festivals, or community events. Please continue to take advantage of our recreation-focused lifestyle here in Montana.

Make a commitment to put self-health and community health high on

your list for the betterment of Butte-Silver Bow. See you out there!

Your friend in recreation,

E. Jay Ellington



Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board makes recommendations regarding parks and recreation policies. Input from the community is welcomed and encouraged. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. at the Butte-Silver Bow Courthouse.

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Registration is accepted after the class begins if space is available.

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Access to all

We welcome all individuals and families to participate in and enjoy our programs and facilities regardless of race, color, religion, creed, political ideas, sex, age, marital status, physical or mental disability, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression.

Weather Cancellations

If inclement weather forces program cancellations, participants should call the Parks and Recreation Department at 406-497-6535 or visit our Facebook page to check on the status. If weather conditions are questionable, report to the program site. Once at a program site, decisions concerning the cancellation or discontinuation of the activity will be at the judgment of the recreation leader(s). Every attempt will be made to have the class.

Program Satisfaction

The Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation Department is constantly striving to provide our residents visitors with quality recreation programs and events. If you have any suggestions for programs, or comments about existing ones, please contact us in person or by phone at 406-497-6535.

Employment Opportunities

If you are interested in employment with Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation, visit our website at co.silverbow.mt.us/556/Employment-Opportunities for all current job listings. The department welcomes volunteers.

Have a Program or Talent?

We are always looking for creative instructors to help us offer programs to the community. If you are interested in contracting with us to offer a program, please call 406-497-6535.

Would you like your program or company to be included in this guide next year?

We welcome recreation programs and providers for inclusion in this guide. Please contact Kelley Christensen at 406-497-6535 for more information.

Find a Mistake?

It's our policy to include something for everyone. Because some people like to find errors, we leave a few in our brochure for this very reason. Please call 406-497-6535 and let us know what you find.

A smiling dog with white, black, and tan fur is lying in the grass. In the background, a person is sitting in a tent, and another person is partially visible on the left. The scene is outdoors, likely at a campsite.

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PARKS AND FACILITY RESERVATIONS

Altogether, Butte-Silver Bow's park sites total more than 450 acres of developed and undeveloped park land that provide both active and passive recreation opportunities for residents, supplemented by the incredible public lands and open spaces in the Butte-Silver Bow area.

Currently the city provides sports fields and other athletic facilities including outdoor basketball courts, baseball and softball fields, a skateboard park, tennis and volleyball courts, indoor and outdoor ice skating rinks, a dog park, an all-abilities accessible playground, two disc golf courses, and a nine-hole and par-3 golf course.

Butte-Silver Bow natural areas include Thompson Park, a 3,800-acre forested park south of Butte that is co-owned and co-managed with the U.S. Forest Service; Big Butte, which is 310 acres; Skyline Park, which is 60 acres; Basin Creek, which is 42 acres; and Blacktail Creek, which is 10 acres.

Butte-Silver Bow has developed an urban trail system within its parks as well as trails that connect to surrounding open spaces utilizing many of Butte's railroad and stream corridors such as the Butte, Anaconda and Pacific Railroad (BA&P), Blacktail Creek and Silver Bow Creek Greenway trails.

OUR PREMIER PARKS

STODDEN PARK

Stodden Park is home to Highland View Golf Course, tennis courts, softball fields, horseshoe pits, several playgrounds, two pavilions available for reservations, an amphitheater, and Butte's Vietnam and Korea memorials. Beginning in summer 2015, Stodden will host an evening farmers market and free concert series every Wednesday from June 10 to September 16. Stodden has also been identified as the location for the proposed new aquatic facility, which will be determined by voters sometime in 2016.

The entrance to Stodden Park is located off Utah Avenue two blocks south of Dewey Boulevard.



*The splash pad at Clark Park.
Photo by Walter Hinick.*

CLARK PARK

Clark Park offers numerous recreational opportunities, including historic playground equipment from Butte's lost Columbia Gardens, an outdoor ice-skating rink, indoor ice hockey rink (Butte Community Ice Center), picnic areas, sand volleyball pit, basketball court, and restrooms. There are five pavilions at the park available for reservation for family gatherings and events.



Baseball and softball fields at Copper Mountain. Photo by Walter Hinick.

Clark Park is located off Texas Avenue just a few blocks east of Harrison Avenue.

COPPER MOUNTAIN

Constructed in 1999 at the site of a former copper ore smelter, the Copper Mountain Recreation Complex sits below the Timber Butte hill in the central Butte valley. The 30-plus acre site includes playground equipment, disc golf course, baseball and football fields, volleyball courts, picnic areas, walking trails, and a golf driving range. Work has begun on one of the baseball fields to upgrade it to a first-class American Legion baseball facility.

Copper Mountain Park is located off Beef Trail Road under the shadow of Timber Butte.

THOMPSON PARK

Get away from it all without getting too far away. Thompson Park, just nine miles south of Uptown



The trestle at Thompson Park. Photo by Walter Hinick.

Butte on Highway 2, is a day-use municipal recreation area with 25 miles of non-motorized trails for hiking, horseback riding, or mountain biking. Experience the backcountry as well as past mining activity, rock formations, incredible scenic vistas, and wildlife.

The historic Milwaukee Railroad (Milwaukee Road) serves as the park's backbone to meandering trails heading off in every direction. This gently sloping 4.5-mile trail extends from the forest boundary south to Pipestone Pass and the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail, passing through two tunnels, and over a 600-foot steel trestle along the way.

The Sagebrush Flats, Lions Den, and Lower Eagles Nest picnic areas and the Eagle's Nest trailhead offer convenient trail access and are equipped with cooking grills and restroom facilities for great family outings.

Flip to the Trails section of this guide for a detailed listing of Thompson Park trails and trail map.

- The Thompson Legacy: William Boyce Thompson, a mining engineer, financier, self-made millionaire and extraordinary philanthropist, was born in 1869 in Virginia City, Montana, and raised in Butte. Thompson Park originated in 1915 with William's gift of 75 acres of placer mining claims to the city of Butte for the development of a park. The donated lands were combined in 1922 with federal lands on the Deerlodge National Forest by an act of Congress to form the *only congressionally designated Municipal Recreation Area in the National Forest system*.
- In 1935, with help from the Works Progress Administration (WPA) and local civic groups, the community's vision for a year-round recreation area close to home was realized with the construction of ski jumps, roads, trails, campgrounds, and picnic areas throughout the Park.
- A Scenic Drive: Recognized for its winding curves, quaint roadside fountains, and magnificent nighttime views of the city lights below, Montana Highway 2 through the Park to Pipestone Pass is known locally as Harding Way. The route was named in tribute to President Warren G. Harding's visit to Butte in 1923.
- A Park Reborn: In 2007 the City-County of Butte-Silver Bow and Beaverhead-Deerlodge National



Photo by Walter Hinick.

Forest received grants from the state's Natural Resource Damage program, the Recreation Trails Program, Margaret T. Biddle Foundation, Northwestern Energy, and Newmont Mining Co. to rehabilitate Thompson Park and protect native fish habitat and other resources. Picnic sites, trails, roads, and signage were designed to mimic the WPA-era Park. Civic groups helped greatly with the work, continuing the legacy of volunteerism that first created the Park.

Today Thompson Park is co-managed by the City-County of Butte-Silver Bow and Beaverhead-Deer Lodge National Forest-Butte Ranger District.

SKYLINE

Butte's newest park will celebrate its grand opening Saturday, June 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the public is welcome to come enjoy the event. Children can experience a free fly fishing lesson and enter a raffle for a free children's fly rod. There will be tours of interpretative signage, a pet adoption event sponsored by the Chelsea Bailey Animal Shelter and Petco, cottonwood giveaway with MSU Extension Butte-Silver Bow, and other family friendly activities.

The 60-acre Skyline Park features a children's fishing pond, off-leash dog area, trails, interpretative signs, all-abilities accessible playground equipment, benches, picnic tables, drinking fountain for humans and dogs, and restrooms.

The park is located off Continental Drive on the east side of Butte.

BIG BUTTE OPEN SPACE

Big Butte is Butte's most significant natural landmark and namesake of the community. The Big Butte landform is the eroded neck of an extinct volcano that last erupted more than 49 million years ago. That's long after the granite that hosts

Butte's rich mineral deposits was formed about 76 to 78 million years ago.

In 1910, struck by the formation's proximity to the Montana School of Mines, students surveyed the southeast slope and scaled the hill to monogram the Big Butte with an "M." The "M" was illuminated in 1962 and remains a wayfinding beacon for the Butte community.

Since Butte's inception, residents have considered Big Butte a sentinel and recreation resource. Many Butte residents recount their first experience climbing to the summit of the Big Butte, armed with pack lunches and a sense of adventure. Butte-Silver Bow acquired the Big Butte in 2006 to protect the recreation area for future generations to enjoy.

In the Big Butte open space recreation enthusiasts will find hiking trails, a mountain bike skills park, and a disc golf course.

DISC GOLF COURSES

The Summit Valley is home to three disc golf courses.

SAGEBRUSH FLATS, located in Thompson Park on the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest just south of Butte, is a hilly and wooded 18-hole technical course. The course has a combination of tone poles and home-made baskets. Enjoy a long and challenging course surrounded by unbeatable scenery.

Another disc golf course is located just west of the Natural Resources Building on the Montana Tech campus. The 18-hole disc golf course is located within Montana Tech's **WHISKEY GULCH** Mountain Bike Skills Park. The course is open to the public,

Big Butte in bloom.





A crew forms the ice rink at People's Park. Photo by Kelley Christensen

and Montana Tech's Folf Club hosts tournaments and competitions at the course.

COPPER MOUNTAIN PARK is also known for its 18-hole disc golf course, which follows the perimeter of the park and includes a putting green. Enjoy a round with great views of Butte and the 'M' hill, at a park that includes softball and baseball diamonds and public restrooms.

ICE RINKS

During the winter months, Parks and Recreation maintains ice skating rinks at the following locations:

- **Clark Park (lighted):** The Clark Park ice rink is at the intersection of Wall Street and Texas Avenue, just east of the Community Ice Center.
- **Original Mine Yard (lighted):** The Original ice rink is on North Main and East Gagnon streets.
- **Racetrack Park (lighted):** The Racetrack Park ice rink is just south of the Racetrack fire hall on Farragut and Grand avenues.
- **People's Park at Silver and Girard streets (lighted):** The People's Park ice rink is at the intersection of Silver and Girard streets, one block west of Excelsior Avenue.
- **Stodden Park (lighted):** The Stodden Park ice rink is on the south end of the main parking lot by the ball fields. The entrance to Stodden Park is off Utah Avenue and Sampson Street.
- **Sesame Street Park:** The Sesame Street ice rink is at the intersection of South Arizona Street and Sesame Street, a few blocks west of Harrison Avenue.
- **Missoula Avenue:** The Missoula Avenue ice rink is on Missoula Avenue, one block west of North Excelsior.



Students at a tour of the Anselmo hoist house. Photo by Kelley Christensen

These ice rinks are open to the public at no charge. Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation encourages ice skating and pond hockey on these rinks.

MINEYARDS

Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation also maintains three former mine yards as parks available for recreation and reservation.

ANSELMO

The Anselmo was a zinc mine that plunged some 4,000 feet into the earth. It is now a stop on historic tours and may be reserved for social functions. Its mine yard is one of the most historically intact in Butte.

MOUNTAIN CON & FOREMAN'S PARK

Foreman's Park, built on the remediated ground of the historic Mountain Con Mine Yard, features sweeping views of Butte's Summit Valley, the East Ridge, the Highlands Range, and the surrounding Anaconda-Pintler, Pioneer, and Flint Creek ranges. It also extends by two miles the Butte, Anaconda & Pacific trails that snake through Uptown and the West Side from Montana Tech, connecting via Foreman Park to the Granite Mountain Memorial farther north. The Mountain Con is an easily identifiable landmark — it is the mine headframe

Highland View Golf Course INFORMATION

GOLF LEAGUES

Men's – Thursdays at 6 p.m.

Seniors- Tuesday morning starting times, anyone can play (non-members may pay green fee)

Women's (Bonnie Highlanders) - Tuesday night and Thursday morning starting times, anyone can play (non-members may pay green fee)

2015 GOLF RATES

(Regulation Course Adult Rates)

9 holes: \$14

18 holes: \$23

PAR 3 COURSE ADULT RATES

9 holes: \$10

18 holes: \$15

2015 JUNIOR GOLFING RATES

(18 years old and younger)

9 holes: \$3 (par 3); \$8 (regulation)

18 holes: \$5 (par 3); \$13 (regulation)

\$1 Mondays and Wednesdays until 4 p.m. on the par-3 course

MEMBERSHIPS

Single Membership: \$275

Couple Membership: \$400

Senior Single: \$195

Senior Couple: \$275

(Couple: Two people with same address)

Junior Membership: \$100

Member Cart Fee: \$125

GOLF CART RENTAL

9 holes: \$16

18 holes: \$28

Single seat \$10 (9 holes); \$16 (18 holes)

Daily cart fee: \$5



The Original Mine Yard. Photo by The Montana Standard

that bears the slogan 'Mile High, Mile Deep' at its base, referring to Butte's elevation above sea level and the depth of the Mountain Con mine itself.

Park amenities include a gazebo, restrooms, picnic tables and benches, interpretive signs, barbecue grills and more. Historical features in the project area were preserved and interpreted through signage.

The walking trails and park can be accessed via parking lots at these locations:

- On Wyoming Street, a block north of Woolman Street.
- On Little Minah Street — turn right off of Main Street if you're northbound.
- On Center Street — turn right off of Main Street if you're northbound.
- The site was named Foreman's Park because it is centered around the former mine foreman's house, which was located inside the Mountain Con mine yard.

ORIGINAL

The Original Mine Yard is one of Butte's signature historically preserved mining yards. The yard is home to a headframe (also called a "gallus" or "gallows" frame) that was used to lower men and mining equipment down into the mine, and lift up Butte's gift to the United States: copper. The hoist house on site still houses the enormous gears that operated the lift to carry men and minerals up and down the shaft.

The Original Mine Yard has found new life as the world-class event location for the Montana Folk Festival, the Original Festival, Evel Knievel Days, and the An Ri Ra Irish Festival.

From the grassy lawn of the Original yard, watch world-famous musicians saw at their violins or pluck banjos on the stage of the Original during the Folk Festival. Enjoy the fast-kicking Irish step dancers during An Ri Ra. Watch as daredevils perform death-defying stunts from the top of the headframe.



Golfers at Highland View Golf Course.

The Original Mine Yard means entertainment in a city known for its original personality. The yard is available for reservations throughout the year, and also hosts an outdoor ice rink in the winter.

HIGHLAND VIEW GOLF COURSE

Highland View is located in Butte's Stodden Park. The park entrance is off of Dewey Boulevard on South Utah Avenue.

The regulation nine is an old-style course built in 1939. It is a par 35 with two challenging par 3s, small greens that require accuracy, and different tees for the back nine. It takes about two hours to play even when it's busy.

The par-3 course was built in 1980. It's a par 3 with a full swing on every hole. The greens are excellent with a lot of character. It's great fun if you only have an hour for all members of the family and a nice walk in the park.

Golf season is from April to November. There is a driving range at Highland View, and a driving range at Copper Mountain Park.

For tee times, please call the course two days in advance at 406-494-7900.

Highland View Golf Course INFORMATION

GOLF CLUB RENTAL

Adult Clubs: \$6

Junior Clubs: \$3

Pull Carts: \$3

TOURNAMENTS

May 23 and 24 – Memorial Tournament

June 16 – Southwest Montana Junior Tour Tournament

June 19 – Butte Hall of Fame

June 27 and 28 – Ladies Invitational

July 18 and 19 – Men's Invitational/Butte City Championship

August 13 – Bonnie Highlanders' Ladies Invitational

August 14 – Montana Highway Department Tournament

August 15 – East Side Athletic Tournament

August 17 – Butte Central Invitational



Putting at the Highland View Golf Course.

FACILITY RESERVATIONS

The Butte-Silver Bow Parks & Recreation Department welcomes reservations for covered picnic pavilions at a number of Butte parks. The reservations can apply to any of the full pavilions — those with roofs, tables, and grills — at city-county parks.



The Foreman's Park Pavilion overlooking the Summit Valley. Photo by Kelley Christensen

There are five pavilions at Clark Park, four at Copper Mountain, two at Stodden Park, and one each at Emma Park, Father Sheehan Park, Basin Creek Park, and Foreman's Park (Mountain Con). They vary in size; the Foreman's Park pavilion is the largest.

The fastest way to make a reservation is to check site availability and make reservations online directly from Park Facility Listings by visiting <http://co.silverbow.mt.us/774/Reserve-Park-Pavilions-Picnic-Shelters>. Any Park Facility that is marked available for reservations to the right of the park name can be reserved online. The pavilions can also be reserved in advance by calling 406-497-6535.

Note: Internet Explorer users may experience problems using the online reservation system, depending on the version of Explorer.

Signs are posted at the pavilions to let people know if and when the spots have been reserved for the coming week. If a pavilion is not taken, it is still open on a first-come, first-served basis.



The Christmas Stroll in Uptown Butte.



Cross Country Skiing at Homestead Lodge.



Sledding at Chester Steele Park.

FESTIVALS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Butte is Montana's Festival City, and hosts numerous events each year that attract hundreds of thousands of people.



Montana Folk Festival: July 10-12

The fifth Montana Folk Festival features performances and demonstrations by more than 200 of the nation's finest musicians, dancers and craftspeople. It showcases multiple performances by more than 20 artists/groups on six stages, including a dance pavilion dedicated to participatory dancing, a family stage with performances appealing to children of all ages,

and a Montana folklife stage, all in Uptown Butte.

In addition to the performance stages, there are several themed festival areas: the Montana Folklife Area, the Family Area, two Festival Marketplaces and the Festival Food Courts. The festival site is located in the heart of the nation's largest National Historic Landmark District. Open air and tented stages will provide a variety of performance venues ranging from intimate stages to amphitheater-sized venues. The Original Stage, which offers a panoramic view of Butte's historic high rise buildings and the surrounding mountains, is located on the site of the historic Original Mineyard, with its dramatic steel frame that is a remnant of Butte's early days as an underground copper mining center.

This year's performers include: Kahulanui (Hawaiian music), Homayun Sakhi & Salar Nader (Afghan traditional music), Grupo Rebolu (Columbian), Western Flyers (Western swing), Mark Halata & Jitka (Czech polka), Whitetop Mountaineers (Old

Time), Capoeira Luanda (Brazilian dance/martial arts), The Campbell Brothers (Sacred Steel/gospel), Dale Ann Bradley (bluegrass), Preston Shannon Band (blues), Savoy Family Cajun Band (Cajun), Cambalache (Son Jarocho), Martin Hayes & Dennis Cahill (Irish fiddle and guitar), and the Khmer Arts Academy (Cambodian ballet).

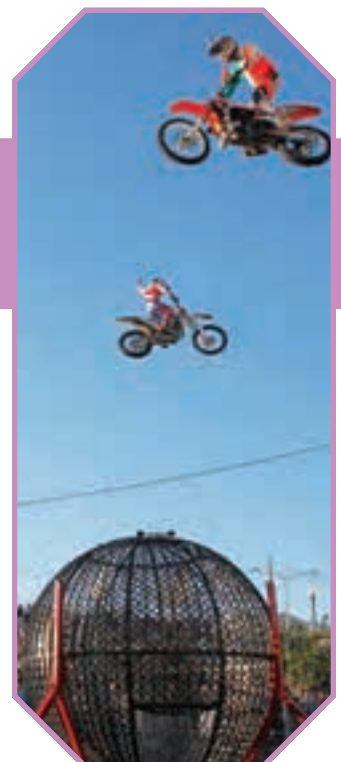
The continued success of the Montana Folk Festival (which began as the National Folk Festival for three years in Butte in 2008-2010) has shown that the festival is here to stay and will continue to grow and evolve in coming years. The Montana Folk Festival will remain a new and exciting event each year at the same time it remains very familiar to anyone who has attended in previous years.

In 2015, that theme will focus on the influence of agriculture on Montana lifeways – "The Bounty of the Land: The Influence of More Than 150 Harvests on Heritage and Culture in Montana and the Mountain West."

Visit montanafolkfestival.com for more information.

Evel Knievel Days: July 23-25

From his humble roots in the copper mining town of Butte, Montana, Evel Knievel rode his motorcycle to an unparalleled level of worldwide glory and fame. He is known as The King of the Daredevils, The Last of the Gladiators, The Godfather of Extreme





Sports, Guinness Book of Records holder for the most broken bones, and an American Legend. His namesake festival, Evel Knievel Days, lines the Uptown streets with more than 50,000 people every year to watch action-packed daredevil stunts by the top athletes from all over the world.

The Evel Knievel Days festival provides unforgettable FREE entertainment for all

ages, including: High-flying freestyle motocross, urban downhill mountain-biking, sport bike stunt shows, and live music.

This year will feature stuntman Spanky Spangler with son Bryan Spangler and the Spanky Army; Spanky's trademark feats, including launching a car over a stack of vehicles and plummeting from a high elevation. Spanky's Army has big plans for 2015, including an explosive pyramid car jump. The FMX area will feature Butte's own star Levi Renz along with some of the finest riders in the world. Added this year is a side-by-side grand finale flip.

The Kid Knievel Area offers three days of attractions for younger daredevils and the young at heart; opportunities to learn how to skate and ride motorcycles are also available.

Visit evelknieveldays.org for more information. The legend continues!

An Rí Rá: August 14-16

The An Rí Rá Montana Irish Festival is a celebration of the Irish heritage and contribution to the people of Butte and the State of Montana. This festival has created its place as a world-class event that draws people from not only Montana, but across the United States and internationally. An Rí Rá, which takes place at the Original Mine Yard in Uptown Butte, is regarded by the world's best performers as the best



Irish festival in North America.

This year's performers include: Cathie Ryan Band, The Town Pants, Dublin Gulch, Ken O'Malley & The Ne'er Duwels, Runa, the Trinity Irish dancers.

The event also includes a one mile/5K/10K race, as well as traditional arts and crafts and vendors.

Visit mtgaelic.org/ for more information.

The Original Festival

A two-day, two-stage music and arts festival that includes aerial artists, live painting, fire spinners, after parties and more at the Original Mine Yard September 11-12, 2015. There is on-site food, beverages, and arts and crafts vendors. Camping is available at Foreman's Park. For more information contact Matt Boyle at 406-498-3549 or visitoriginal-festival.com.

Running Amuck

Running Amuck for Scholarship Bucks is a 5K mud run and obstacle course on the campus of Montana Tech August 22. Have a fun time and raise money for





2015 Evening Farmers Market and Summer Concert Series

*Every Wednesday from
June 10 to September 16*

Market 5-8 p.m.

Concert 6-8 p.m.

Bring the entire family!



*At Stodden
Park!*

Circle of Succe\$\$ scholarships for Montana students. The run is sponsored by the Student Assistance Foundation, which has the goal of providing 56 \$1,000 scholarships annually. Register for the event at smartaboutcollege.org/running-amuck.jsp.

Evening Farmers Market and Summer Concert Series at Stodden Park: June 10-September 16

Artists at the 2015 Summer Concert Series include:

- Red Mountain Band
- Maggie Lou Perkes
- Chad Okrusch
- Heather Lingle
- Chad Ball and Michael Masters
- Blue Dream
- Letter B
- Sean Eamon and the Items
- Danny Felix
- Kristi Dunks & Jim Constantine
- Belly Dance Troupe
- Montana Delux

Slide the City: August 22

Coming to Butte August 22 in the afternoon after Running Amuck is Slide the City, a family friendly slip-and-slide water party event featuring a 1,000-foot long waterslide on Main Street beginning at the



gates of the Original Mine Yard. There will be live music, food, drinks, water, and of course, the biggest slip and slide ever to hit asphalt.

Make sure to bring your water buckets, floaties, and water guns (non-realistic of course), to squirt, spray, splash, and get all attending soaked.

Visit slidethecity.com/events/butte/ to register.

We need you to volunteer! Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation needs 100 volunteers to help with this event. Contact Kelley Christensen at 406-497-6535 or by email at kchristensen@bsb.mt.gov.

Dare to Be Vivid Chamber color fun run: August 29

A family event along the Blacktail Creek/Ulrich-Schotte Nature Trail from the Chamber of Commerce on George Street to Father Sheehan Park and back. Enjoy music, vendors, and food on the afternoon of Saturday, August 29. Call the Chamber of Commerce at 406-723-3177 for more information.

Butte Urban Rail Jam: December 5

The Butte Urban Rail Jam, better known as BURJ, is coming December 5, 2015 – a winter playground filled with activities for everyone's inner child and radical adult. The BURJ spectacle includes a ski/snowboard rail jam, ice skating, snowman making contests, and live music.

For more information, visit burjmt.com, or contact Matt Boyle at 406-498-3549.

Parades

Butte is famous for its love of great parades, and the city hosts a number of them. Regionally famous, the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 17 in Uptown Butte features bagpipers, floats, Irish dancers, and a whole lot of green.

The Fourth of July parade follows an evening of excellent fireworks (shot from the 'M' on Big Butte at dark on July 3) with numerous floats that make their way from the Butte Civic Center down Harrison



Symphony under the Silver Screen at the Original in 2014.

ue to Longfellow Street. This year's patriotic parade begins at 10 a.m.

Christmas Stroll, on Friday, December 4, features children's light parade, a public appearance by Santa Claus, and the official lighting of the Uptown Christmas lights. Come Uptown for an evening of Christmas cheer and shopping.

Outdoor Movies at the Original: July 30, August 6, August 20, and August 27

Butte Silver Bow Urban Revitalization Agency is excited to announce the fourth annual Outdoor Movies at the Original. On select summer evenings, Butte's Original headframe and outdoor amphitheater is adapted into an outdoor movie theater complete with a Silver Screen. You can expect to enjoy older cult classics and the most recent releases with friends, families, and the Butte community in a spectacular outdoor setting.

Outdoor Movies at the Original is proud to partner again with the Butte Symphony Orchestra to produce the third annual "Symphony Under the Silver Screen" on August 20. It's a not to be missed highlight of the summer series.

Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets, lawn chairs, and snacks to make their experience comfortable and enjoyable. The event begins at dusk and is free to the public although donations of \$10 per family are encouraged.

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1. Bicyclists must travel with traffic.
2. If bike lanes are blocked by snow, cyclists may use the roadway.
3. Cyclists must stop at red lights and stop signs.
4. Cyclists must stop when school buses have their stop signs deployed.
5. Please utilize bike racks for bike parking.
6. When riding at night, cyclists must wear/affix to their bikes a front and back light. Reflectors on the side of the bicycle are required as well.
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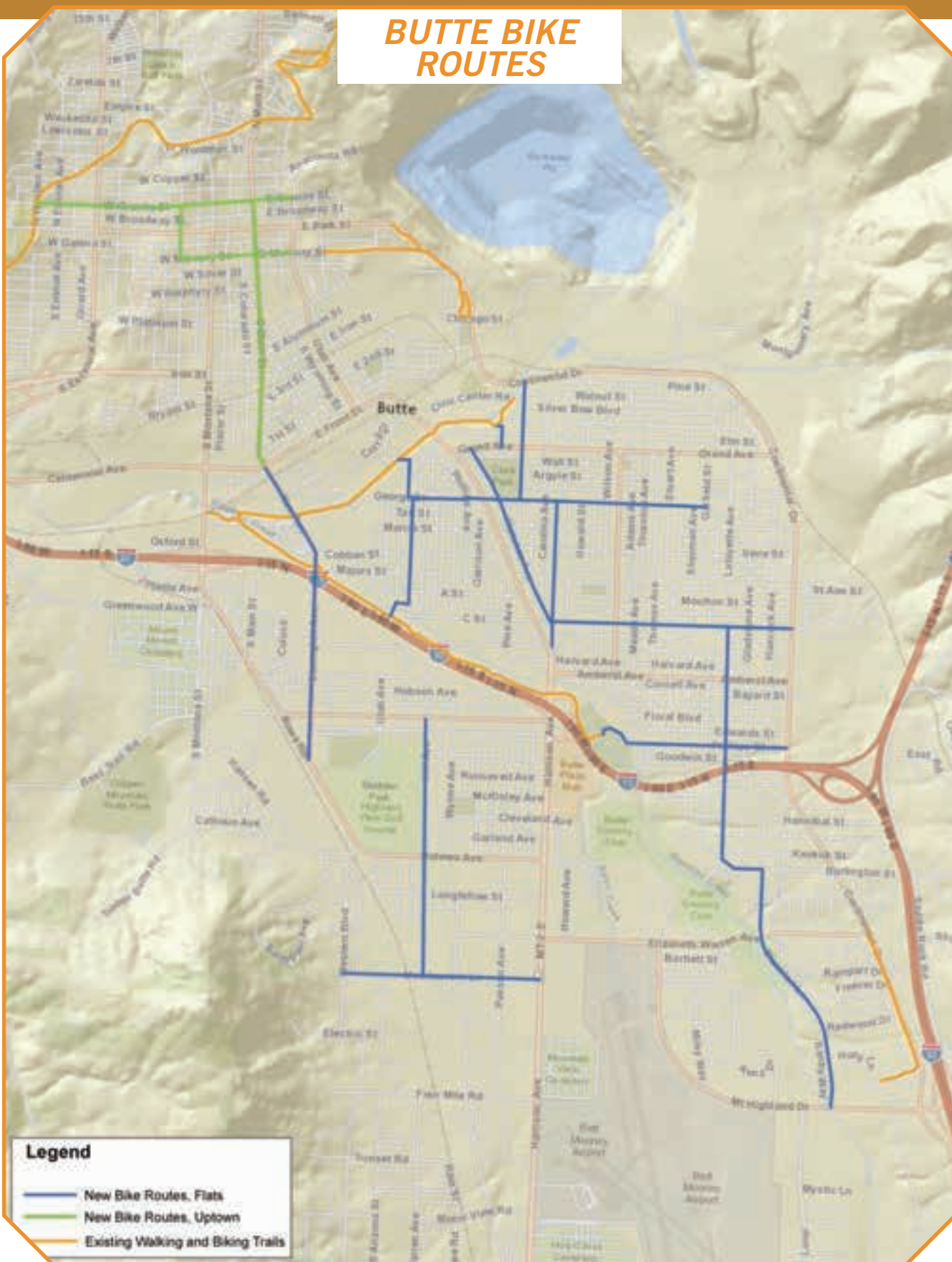


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Contact Parks & Recreation Director E. Jay Ellington
for more information at 406-497-6571.

PROGRAMS

FootGolf

New to Butte this summer is FootGolf, a combination of the popular sports of soccer and golf. The game is played with a regulation #5 soccer ball on Highland View Golf Course's par-3 course with 21-inch diameter cups. The rules largely correspond to the rules of golf.

Call 406-494-7900 for tee times or more information about this great new sport.

Junior Golf/FootGolf Summer Program

Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation is pleased to announce its summer 2015 Junior Golf/FootGolf Program. The five-week camp offers instruction and play of golf and FootGolf for children ages 8 to 12. Sign up for the camp Wednesday, June 10, at the Highland View Golf Course club house. Camp begins July 6. The first, third, and fifth weeks of the camp feature regular golf instruction and play, while the second and fourth weeks focus on FootGolf. The camp runs Monday to Thursday each week from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$25 per child for each week, and children may sign up for

one or more weeks on a first come, first served basis. Participants in the camp will also be allowed to play the par-3 course for either golf or FootGolf for \$1 a round throughout the summer.

Call 494-7900 for more information or to register for the camp.

Playground Program

The popular Playground Program will return to Butte playgrounds this summer. Join Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation staff on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays in July as the program rotates through Clark, McGruff, Emma, Stodden, the Original Mine Yard, and Father Sheehan parks for crafts, games, and a bounce house in partnership with Bounce Off the Wallz.

This program is for children ages 6 to 12. Sign up for the program by contacting Kelley Christensen at 406-497-6535 or by email at kchristensen@bsb.mt.gov.

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Volleyball

Every autumn through early winter, Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation offers rec league volleyball, which is played at the Civic Center Annex off Harrison Avenue. There are both mixed and single gender teams, which play one to two times per week. League announcements and registration are available beginning in September on the Parks and Recreation website, or by contacting Kelley Christensen at 406-497-6535 or by email at kchristensen@bsb.mt.gov.

Softball

Every summer, Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation offers rec league softball, which is played at Stodden Park off Utah Avenue. There are both mixed and single gender teams, and games are played Monday through Thursday nights, depending on the type of team. League announcements and registration are available beginning in April on the Parks and Recreation website, or by contacting Kelley Christensen at 406-497-6535 or by email at kchristensen@bsb.mt.gov.

Geocaching

New to Parks and Recreation this year is a children's geocaching hike program. Enjoy the beautiful trails of Big Butte and Thompson Park while hunting for hidden geocaches and learning to use hand-held GPS units.

Parks and Recreation is partnering with the Girl Scouts of Montana and Wyoming for its first geocaching hike program June 12, but this program is available to other organizations and children ages 6-18. To participate in a geocaching hike, contact Kelley Christensen at 406-497-6535 or by email at kchristensen@bsb.mt.gov.

Partnership Opportunities

We are always looking for creative instructors to help us offer programs to the community. If you are interested in contracting with us to offer a program or to work in partnership to create a program, please call 406-497-6535.



Along the Silver Bow Creek Greenway Trail.

TRAILS

Butte-Silver Bow has developed an urban trail system within its parks as well as trails that connect to surrounding open spaces utilizing many of Butte's railroad and stream corridors such as the Butte, Anaconda and Pacific Railroad (BA&P) corridor, Blacktail Creek/Ulrich-Schotte Nature Trail, and Silver Bow Creek Greenway Trails.

These trails are a network of non-motorized trails linking a variety of cultural sites. Other trail networks include Thompson Park and Big Butte that provide natural area opportunities for bird watching and viewing wildlife while providing non-motorized hiking, mountain biking, and horseback riding.

City-county trails are only a small section of the trails recreation available in the Butte area. The Forest Service maintains numerous trails in the Beaverhead-Deer Lodge National Forest, including the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail (CDNST), which runs to the immediate east and south of Butte and has numerous connections to local trails at Thompson Park, Blacktail Canyon and Maud S Canyon. The CDNST and other trails are easily accessible within a 15-20 minute drive from Butte at the Homestake (on I-90) and Pipestone (on MT-2) trailheads. Maps and more info are available at the Butte Ranger District office (1820 Meadowlark Lane, Butte, MT 59701; 406-494-2147.)

More recreation opportunities are available on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands - visit the Butte field office for details (BLM, 106 N. Parkmont, Butte, MT 59702; 406-533-7600). Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks also maintains numerous fishing access sites on area lakes and rivers.



Photo by Josie Trudgeon.

Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest Trails

Butte has a variety of trails available for non-motorized recreation opportunities. There are many miles of trails accessible within minutes of Butte to hike, mountain bike, and horseback ride including the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail and Thompson Park. Below is a sample of popular trails.

RED MOUNTAIN (HIGHLAND LOOKOUT)

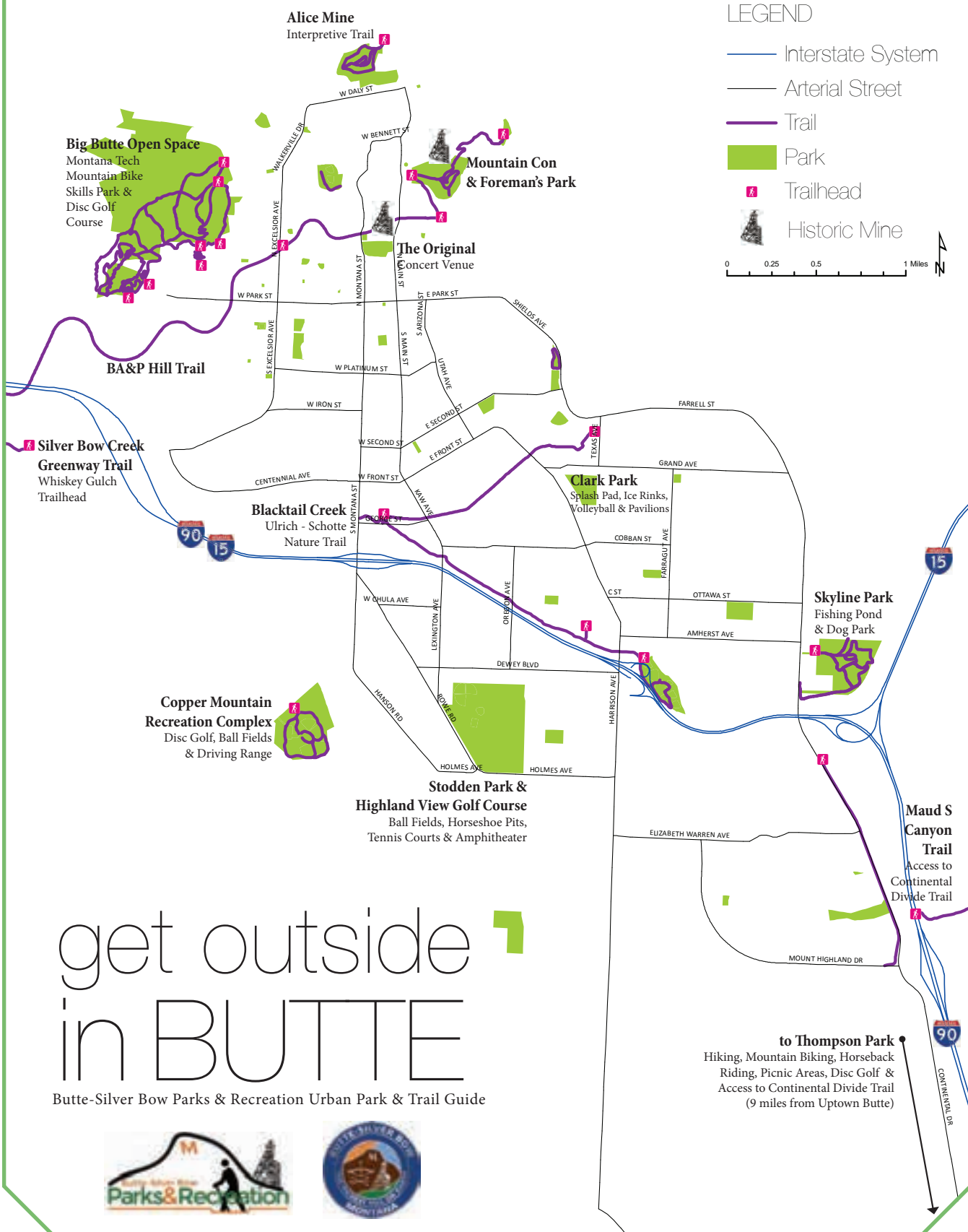
Red Mountain provides spectacular vistas for miles in all directions as well as alpine wildflower and panoramic photography opportunities.

From Butte, follow Harrison Avenue south to the intersection of Montana Highway 2, follow Highway 2 (for approximately eight miles) to Roosevelt Drive. Turn right onto Roosevelt Drive (Forest Service Road #84), follow for nine miles to Forest Service Road #8520, turn left and drive about one mile and take Forest Service Road #8514. Drive approximately two and a half miles where you can park and walk the remaining two miles to the lookout. A portion of the road is open, but is not recommended for two-wheel drive vehicles.

HAYSTACK MOUNTAIN TRAIL #4082

This trail is a more difficult hike approximately three

BUTTE-SILVER BOW URBAN TRAILS



miles to the summit of Haystack Mountain, site of an old lookout. From Butte, take Interstate 15 north toward Helena and exit at Elk Park. Turn right and then left onto Frontage Road paralleling the interstate north for approximately four miles, then take a right turn onto Forest Road #1538. Visitors can drive up the road past the gate for another mile, however, the road is not suitable for two-wheel drive vehicles.

CONTINENTAL DIVIDE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL (CDNST)

More than 100 miles of the CDNST can be accessed within 30 minutes of Butte. The CDNST travels around Butte like a horseshoe; I-90 west is the open end of the horseshoe. Trail segments are open to non-motorized uses with the exception of the Burnt Mountain segment in the Fleecer Mountain Range which has segments open to some motorized uses. Most segments of the CDNST travel along ridge tops to provide panoramic views of distant mountain ranges. Red Mountain is a major peak that can be seen along the CDNST from most locations around Butte. Other segments provide forested landscapes dotted with remnants of historic mining and logging activities that supported Butte's mining activities. Maps of the CDNST are available at the Butte Ranger District office or the AVENZA phone app or log onto buttecvb.com for online maps of the Butte area.

CONTINENTAL DIVIDE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL #4087

Homestake Pass – The CDNST travels north toward Elk Park for 9 miles to the junction of Maud S Canyon where you can travel 3.5 miles to the Maud S Canyon trailhead north of the Continental Drive exit off I-90. The CDNST continues north for another 15 miles to connect with the Nez Perce trail #4092 and then approximately 4 miles to the Nez Perce trailhead.

The CDNST travels south toward the Feely exit for 30 miles with trailheads at Pipestone Pass, Highland, and Burton Park before heading west on Forest Road #84 to the Feely exit off I-15. From Feely head west on Forest Road #96 to the Rocky Ridge trailhead where you can access the CDNST to the forest boundary at Hungry Hill.

From Butte, take Interstate 90 east to Homestake exit. There is a parking area adjacent to the ramp to access the CDNST heading south. Turn left at the ramp and drive approximately .5 miles to the

Homestake trailhead to access the CDNST heading north.

Pipestone Pass – From Butte, take Harrison Avenue south to the junction of Montana Highway 2 to Whitehall.

Highland Trailhead – From Butte take Harrison Avenue south to Montana Highway 2. Turn right onto Roosevelt Drive for approximately 10 miles.

Burton Park Trailhead - From Butte take Harrison Avenue south to Montana Highway 2. Turn right onto Roosevelt Drive for approximately 10 miles. Turn right at the sign for Burton Park Trailhead and drive .5 miles to the trailhead.

CONTINENTAL DIVIDE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL #4125

This segment of the CDNST is located in the Fleecer Mountain Range. The trail begins at Rocky Ridge trailhead and continues northwest to Burnt Mountain and continues to Hungry Hill. The segment to Burnt Mountain is open seasonally to some types of motorized use. Check Forest/Visitor maps or Butte Ranger District for more information.

Rocky Ridge Trailhead - From Butte take Interstate 90 west and exit south on Interstate 15 toward Dillon. Drive 11 miles and take the Feely exit. Turn right off the ramp and drive 2 miles and turn right into the Rocky Ridge Trailhead.

Bull Ranch Trailhead - From Butte take Interstate 90 west and exist south on Interstate 15 toward Dillon. Drive 11 miles and take the Feely exit. Turn right off the ramp and drive 6 miles and turn right onto Forest Road #8505 for 2 miles to the Bull Ranch Trailhead.

CONTINENTAL DIVIDE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL #7092/4147

The CDNST can be accessed north of Butte at the Nez Perce and Konda Ranch trailheads. Heading north you will cross onto to the Helena National Forest Heading south you will be on a trail to Homestake Pass. The Nez Perce Trail is open to motorcycles.

Konda Ranch Trailhead – From Butte take I-15 north toward Helena 11 miles and take the Elk Park exit. Drive west approximately 2 miles to the trailhead. The trail takes off to the west on a road for 1 mile before entering onto a trail.

Nez Perce Trailhead – From Butte take I-15 north to Helena 11 miles and take the Elk Park exit. Turn east off the ramp and south onto the Frontage Road for 0.15 miles. Turn left onto the Nez Perce road for approximately 4 miles to the trailhead.

THOMPSON PARK

Thompson Park is a 3,800-acre municipal recreation area 10 miles south of Butte on Montana Highway 2 beginning at the junction of Continental Drive to Pipestone Pass. The Park is co-managed with the City-County of Butte-Silver Bow.

The park offers 25 miles of non-motorized trails for hiking, mountain bicycling, and horseback riding. There are four trailheads and three picnic areas that that access trails including the historic Milwaukee Railroad (also known as the Milwaukee Road). The Milwaukee has two tunnels and a trestle that are the backbone of the trail system to access many of the trails in the park including the CDNST.

Thompson Park trails map on page 27.

MAUD S CANYON TRAIL #4815/4816

Co-managed with the East Ridge Foundation, the trail provides a loop trail and access to the CDNST on the East Ridge that is partially located on private land. The trail switchbacks up the hill for 1.75 miles until you come to a “saddle”. From the saddle to the west you can loop back to the railroad or you can hike east uphill for approximately 1.75 miles to connect with the CDNST. Total length round trip is approximately 3.5 miles for the west loop and 5.25 miles for the out/back route to the CDNST.

Maud S Canyon Trailhead – From Butte take the Continental Drive Exit from I-90 (Exit 228). Turn north on the Frontage Road on the east side of the Interstate. Travel about .25 mile and watch for the trail head on the east side of the Frontage Road.

MOTORIZED RECREATION

There are a variety of motorized trails open to ATVs and motorcycles. The Fleece Mountain Range has more than 35 miles of trails open spring through October 15. With the exception of the 5 mile segment of the Burnt Mountain trail from the Bull Ranch Cutoff to the Vista, which is open to motorcycles only, all motorized trails on the Butte Ranger District are open to ATVs.

SNOWMOBILE TRAILS

The Mining City Trail Riders, in cooperation with the Forest Service and Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, grooms approximately 35 miles of trails in the Elk Park area. The trail system connects with other groomed trails on the Pintler Ranger District. Maps of the trails are available at the Butte Ranger District office.

Bureau of Land Management Trails and Camping Areas

PIPESTONE PASS

The trail begins at Pipestone Pass and winds south along the continental divide for four miles (one way) to the head of Limekiln Road (Forest Service road #8492). Vistas of the Fleece Mountain Range, Pioneers, and Mount Haggin can be seen along the trail. Bicyclists looking for a challenging loop opportunity can ride the trail to connect with the Limekiln FS road #8492 turning north (right) to



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Roosevelt Drive, then right to Montana Highway 2; then right (heading east) to the top of Pipestone Pass. This loop is approximately 16 miles long. From Butte, take Harrison Avenue south to the junction of MT. Highway 2 to Whitehall. Pipestone Pass is located approximately eight miles from Harrison Avenue. This segment is open to nonmotorized traffic only.

WHITETAIL-PIPESTONE (BLM AND FOREST SERVICE)

Challenging trails and great vistas can be found in the Pipestone area between Whitehall and Butte. Off-highway vehicle enthusiasts can find fun and excitement in the 30,000-acre area which boasts more than 100 miles of trails that will provide

THOMPSON PARK TRAILS



a challenge to both novice and experienced riders. Many of these areas can be ridden in the winter and early spring depending on snow conditions. From Butte take Interstate 90 to Exit 241. The BLM has a trailhead on the east side of the interstate that accesses BLM or visitors can drive 4 miles to the Four Corners trailhead to access BLM and Forest Service routes.



A youngster enjoys the view on the Maud S Canyon Trail.
Photo by Kelley Christensen.

HUMBUG SPIRES TRAIL (NON-MOTORIZED USE ONLY)

Humbug Spire Trail is located on Bureau of Land Management land in the Humbug Wilderness Study Area. The trail is approximately 3 miles long and winds up the drainage along a creek. Toward the top the Humbug Spires can be seen. This is a popular area for climbers so listen and watch for people climbing. The trail doesn't have an obvious end, but hikers will basically run out of tread after 3 miles. From Butte take Interstate 15 south toward Dillon approximately 30 miles, take the Moose Creek exit. Turn left off the ramp and drive east, under the highway, for approximately 3 miles. The trailhead is identified and has toilet facilities.

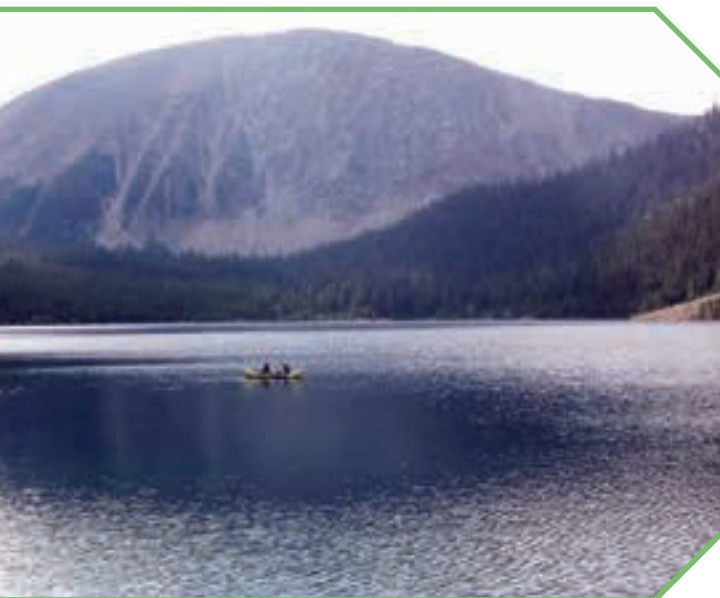


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RINGING ROCKS

This unique geological formation is located in the Pipestone area (take Exit 241 off I-90). The rocks in this area chime when tapped lightly with a hammer. Visitors should note that this area has been designated as an Area

of Critical Environmental Concern, which allows the BLM to manage this area for the unique values of the Ringing Rocks—a geologic phenomenon which can be found in only two locations in the U.S., here, and in Pennsylvania. Part of the ACEC management includes a prohibition of removing rocks from the area. Many visitors have taken the “ringing rocks” home for their yards or gardens. *However, the unique tones of the rocks do not occur when removed from the site -- they just sound like any other ordinary rock.* So, please enjoy the area and its musical qualities. Have fun and play a tune, but leave the rocks for the next rock star. High-clearance vehicles recommended.

BLM SITES ALONG THE BIG HOLE RIVER:

1. Divide Campground – Located 25 miles south of Butte on Big Hole River.
2. Dickie Bridge Campground – Located 40 miles south of Butte on Big Hole River.
3. East Bank Campground – Located 50 miles south of Butte on Big Hole River.
4. Galena Gulch – Boulder – Located 35 miles north of Butte

AREA LAKES AND RIVERS

The Big Hole River is the first choice of any Butte-area angler, with its wide variety of hatches and hungry trout. Just 30 minutes south of Butte on I-15, there is a chance at Rainbows, Browns, Cutthroat, Brook trout, Whitefish, and Fluvial Arctic Grayling. Summer fishing is highlighted with the start of salmon flies in the beginning of June, with Golden Stones quick to follow. Terrestrials are abundant throughout the summer and a great choice for top water action.

Nymphing can always be good with a variety of flies like pheasant tails, princes, stonefly nymphs, and

caddis pupa. Keep your eyes open for a variety of mayfly and caddis hatches as well. Tricos and spruce moths are the highlight to the end of summer. The spruce moth can be imitated with a light-tan colored elk-hair caddis in a size #10, #12, or #14. The Big Hole can also produce a lot of fish on many different streamers. Sculpzilla, Buggers, Dungeons, Lil Kim, Butte Rats, and Skiddish Smolts are just a few great choices.

The “Spillway” can be an enjoyable fishery and it is only 20 minutes west of Butte on Interstate 90. This is the start of the Clark Fork River and is located right at the Warm Springs exit. The draw to the spillway is the chance to catch huge rainbows and browns. It is typical tailwater fishing here with small nymphs, such as pheasant tails, scuds, and midges. There is occasional top water action with a variety of attractor patterns, and at the end of July it offers great hopper fishing.

Georgetown Lake is about 45 minutes west of Butte on I-90. The biggest hatch on the lake takes place around the Fourth of July when the damsel nymphs start to swim to the shore. Any damsel nymph can be fished with great success during this period. The damsel adult can be fished as well, doing best in the morning and evenings. The damsel is followed by a huge caddis that is a size #6 or #8. Fish a large Goddard caddis or attractor pattern well into the evening during this hatch. Skate them across the surface and hold on. Throughout the summer you can also try chironomids, leeches, and buggers. Rainbows are the primary fish caught, but there is a chance for brookies and browns.

Butte is the intersection to all of the best water you would ever want to fish in Southwest Montana. The Beaverhead, Madison, Jefferson, Missouri, Rock Creek, and Silver Bow Creek are a few more options that are super close to Butte. There are many more rivers, lakes, and small creeks that would keep you fishing for a lifetime.

ROCK CLIMBING

Created by a geologic explosion that resulted in the Boulder Batholith, the upheaval created lots of exposed rocks, thus making for a wealth of good rock climbing in the Butte area.

A particular favorite is in the Whitetail recreation

area, east of Butte. Take Interstate 90 east toward Whitehall, and exit at the Pipestone Exit. Turn left, go under the overpass, then turn left again and follow the dirt road for several miles. You'll climb into a flat area and come to a parking area called Four Corners, which is marked by two newer latrines. Keep driving, and turn right on Forest Road 8635, which will take you to the area's famous Spire Rock. You can see Spire Rock from Four Corners — just look to the northwest. Spire Rock is a compilation of many different climbs ranging from 5.7 to 5.11 in difficulty, with a variety of multi-pitch and sport climbing routes available. The semi-arid almost desert-like area that surrounds Spire Rock could be compared to Moab, Utah — except the soil is cream-colored, not red. The area also plays host to a variety of other recreationalists — mountain bikers, fourwheelers, motorcyclists, hikers, rockhounds and horseback riders, so be ready to share the resource.

Twenty-six miles south of Butte on Interstate 15, take exit 99 and head east up Moose Creek to the Humbug Spires trailhead. Hike three miles in to where the Highland Mountains shelter about 50 quartz monzonite spires, some of which are 600 feet tall. Novices and experts alike will find the Spires a rock climbing playground for free climbing or gear-required ascents.

SKIING AND SNOWBOARDING

When it comes to skiing in southwest Montana, the challenge is which set of skis will you strap on for the day: Cross country? Back country? Skinny skate skis? Downhill skis? Telemark skis? Alpine touring skis? Southwest Montana offers a treasure-trove of skiing options. People lucky enough to live here go where the snow is good.

One option is the Discovery Ski Area, west of Anaconda. A family-run area, it's known for its expansive variety of terrain — from beginner (toddlers can learn here) and intermediate to the hair-raising double-black diamond runs on the famous “Back Side.” And when those ferocious storms blow through, making roads slick and visibility frighteningly poor, you can bet the next day, when the sun breaks out and all is right with the world, that the deep powder skiing will be unforgettable at Discovery. And because the mountain can accommodate a crowd, you'll likely have some runs all to yourself. skidiscovery.com

Further south from Butte is the Maverick Mountain area, located west of Dillon, skimaverick.com/ Like Discovery, it's a locally owned operation that caters to families as well as hardcore skiers. Maverick is located just off the Pioneer Mountain Scenic Byway in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. Set in the Pioneer Mountains, Maverick boasts exceptional skiing and unparalleled views. The terrain accommodates novice and expert skiers in a relaxed environment. Both Discovery and Maverick can brag: No crowds. No attitude. Rarely are there lift lines. Wide open skiing.

Southwest Montana also features a host of cross-country ski options, from the privately operated Homestake Lodge, located atop Homestake Passhomestakelodge.com/ to the Mount Haggin Nordic Ski Area, south of Anaconda and west of Butte, or the Moulton Trails just a few miles north of Butte. The Mile High Nordic Ski Education Foundation maintains the Mount Haggin and Moulton Trails.

Learn more about Mile High Nordic Ski Education Foundation in the Partners section of this guide.

The Mount Haggin trails are located on Mill Creek Road (SH 274) 11 miles south of Highway 1, near Anaconda. At Mount Haggin, the foundation

maintains approximately 20 km of groomed crosscountry ski trails in cooperation with the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks. Approximately 10 km are groomed for skate skiing, and 15 km are groomed for classic skiing. Ski trails can also be used as access to backcountry skiing along the Continental Divide. The trail system is groomed once or twice per week by volunteers using snowmobiles and Yellowstone Track grooming equipment. Please no pets on the trails here; visit the dog friendly trails at Homestake Lodge and Moulton.

Trails are also groomed at Moulton Reservoir north of Butte in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service. The trails here are generally not groomed to the same standards as at Mount Haggin but there is excellent skiing and the trails are dog friendly.

For those who prefer to haul a backpack and put climbing skins on their telemark skis, the options for back country travel are endless in southwestern Montana, with so much public land available. However, be aware of avalanche danger and other hazards of back country exploration in winter. A good place to get information for any outdoor adventures in southwestern Montana is the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest website at fs.usda.gov/bdnf.



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Butte 100

On Saturday, July 25, 2015, is the Butte 100, known for being “the most difficult mountain bike race in the country. The Butte 100 race weekend consists of three individual races, a 25-mile, a 50-mile, and a 100-mile race, taking place atop the Continental Divide just outside of Butte. The race has grown from a small group of dedicated locals on a gravel road to world-class athletes competing on world-class trails. With outstanding partnerships with the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, the community of Butte, our generous sponsors, and the “Neon Army” of volunteers, the Butte 100 races continue to provide the best mountain bike racing experience possible. Visit butte100.com for more information.



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Butte School District

For more information about any of the following clubs or activities, whether during the school year or during the summer, contact the Butte School District No. 1 office at 533-2548.

BUTTE HIGH CLUBS/ACTIVITIES

- Art
- Band
- Boys Basketball
- Boys Soccer
- BPA (Business Professionals of America)
- Chess Club
- Chorus
- Boys and Girls Cross Country



Champion Tinker Juarez riding the Continental Divide Trail on his way to the his third 100-mile victory. Photo by Matt Robinson

- Drama
- FCCLA (Family Career & Community Leaders of America)
- First Robotics Club
- Football
- German Club
- Girls Basketball
- Girls Soccer
- Boys and Girls Golf Team
- H.O.S.A. Club (Future Health Professionals)
- Infinity Club
- Intramural Sports
- Journalism Club
- Key Club
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- Montana History Club
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- National Honor Society
- Science National Honor Society
- Science Environment
- Sculpture Club
- Girls Softball
- Spanish Club
- Speech and Debate
- Spirit Squad
- Student Council
- Boys and Girls Swimming
- Boys and Girls Tennis
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- Vica/Skills USA
- Girls Volleyball
- Welding
- Woodwork
- Boys Wrestling
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- Youth Legislature

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL YEAR ACTIVITIES

- Rockies Math Club Grades K-6
- Elementary Sports 5th & 6th Grade Girls Volleyball
- Elementary Sports 5th & 6th Grade Boys Basketball
- Elementary Sports 5th & 6th Grade Girls Basketball
- 4th, 5th & 6th Grade Downhill Skiing
- 3rd Grade Cross Country Skiing Program
- YMCA Active Six Program – 6th Grade
- YMCA Learn to Swim Program – 3rd Grade

EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL - SCHOOL YEAR ACTIVITIES

- Garden Club
- Art Club
- Rocket Club
- Robotics Club
- Media Club
- Engineering Club
- STEM Enrichment Club
- Boys Football
- Boys and Girls Cross Country
- Girls Volleyball
- Wrestling
- Boys and Girls Basketball
- Boys and Girls Track

ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER ACTIVITIES

- Robotics
- Apprentice Chefs
- Techno Kids Computer Camp
- Artist on Campus
- Hoop-It Up Basketball Camp
- Boys and Girls NFL Camp
- Camp-Can-I-Cook
- K-3 Reading
- K-3 Math
- Kindergarten Jumpstart
- ROCKIES

BUTTE HIGH SUMMER ACTIVITIES

- Football Camp High School
- Volleyball/Football Camp Middle & High School
- Girls Basketball Camp
- Boys Basketball Camp
- Wrestling Camp
- Football Camp (Little Guy)
- Soccer Camp



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Butte Central Catholic Schools

For more information on high school athletics/activities contact the Activities Office at (406)782-8084. For information on high school clubs contact the main office at (406)782-6761. For more information on junior high athletics, activities or clubs contact (406)782-4500.

BUTTE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

- Boys Football
- Girls Volleyball

- Girls Cheerleading
- Boys & Girls Golf
- Boys & Girls Cross Country
- Speech & Debate
- Boys Wrestling
- Boys & Girls Basketball
- Girls Softball
- Boys & Girls Track & Field
- Boys & Girls Tennis
- Choir

BUTTE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS

- Art
- Chorus
- Computer Coding Club
- Fly Tying club
- Guitar/Instrumental
- Key Club
- National Honor Society
- School Ministry
- Speech and Debate
- Student Council
- Yearbook

outh Legislature

BUTTE CENTRAL JUNIOR HIGH ATHLETICS/CLUBS

- Boys Football
- Girls Volleyball
- Boys & Girls Cross Country
- Boys & Girls Basketball
- Boys Wrestling
- Boys & Girls Track & Field
- Builders Club
- Chess Club
- Student Council
- Community Service Projects

- 8th Grade BC-DC
- Drama
- Choir
- Discovery Ski (4 weeks in Feb)
- Art Mobile

SUMMER CAMPS

- Volleyball
- Football
- Boys Basketball
- Girls Basketball

Butte-Silver Bow Public Library

TECH TIPS CLASSES

The Butte-Silver Bow Public Library provides two

free Tech Tips classes per month to the beginning computer user. These classes are on the first Monday and Tuesday of each month, with the Monday class held at the Main Uptown Library and the Tuesday class at the South Branch (at the Butte Plaza Mall). Space is limited to 10 participants per class. Interested individuals may call (406) 723-3361 x 6200 to register.

BUTTE UKULELE CLUB

The club meets once monthly at the Main Uptown Library on a Saturday and we offer a crash course for beginners. For the rest of the club meeting we play through chord charts and have an informal jam session. Ukuleles are available to place on reserve. More information is available via our Facebook group [atfacebook.com/groups/ButteUkuleleClub](https://www.facebook.com/groups/ButteUkuleleClub) or our library blog at buttepubliclibrary.info. Want to sign up for text updates? Text @butteukes to 81010!

BUTTE CHESS CLUB

The Butte Chess Club meets weekly on Fridays from 2 to 4:45 p.m. at the Main Uptown Library. The club is free and open to all skill levels. For more information, contact Alan at allen.agbrazier.brazier@gmail.com or call (406) 723-3361 x 6302.

BOOK CLUB

The library's book club meets every third Friday of the month from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Main Uptown Library. Book selections are generally voted on three months in advance by group members by ballot. To find out more information or join our mailing list, email programming.bsbpl@gmail.com.

CHECK OUT THE PERFORMING ARTS

BSBPL offers four free adult and four free student concert tickets to various events throughout the fall concert season. The season generally runs September through April. For more information, contact (406) 723-3361 x 6302.

THE LOOSELY KNIT CLUB

Do you knit, crochet, or craft? The Loosely Knit Club meets every Tuesday at the Main Uptown Library from 1 to 3 p.m. Bring your current projects and meet new friends!

FREE FILM SCREENINGS

BSBPL offers family film screenings one Saturday per month at the Main Uptown Library. Popcorn is provided, and all individuals are welcome! Kids can bring a pillow or sleeping bag if they would like to sit on the floor. The library also offers occasional free

films for adults, such as documentaries. Our next film will be Saturday, May 30, at 2 p.m. For more information about our current film screenings, visit buttepubliclibrary.info.

SUMMER READING PROGRAMS

BSBPL offers various summer reading activities for children, teens, and adults. For more information about summer reading, visit buttepubliclibrary.info.

CARLE GALLERY

Located on the third floor of the Butte-Silver Bow Public Library, the Carle Gallery opened its doors September 2013. It was established by the library as a tribute to artist John Carle, whose murals and paintings depict Butte, its historic buildings, and inhabitants. The gallery seeks to continue to honor and support local artists by providing an opportunity for emerging artists to present their work professionally and to begin a dialogue with the community about their art. Admission is free, and there is a new exhibit every month.

The Carle Gallery has a great variety of art on the calendar this year. Don't miss black and white photos of headstones in "Graveyard Speaks," by Lee Silliman in July, and another chance to see John Carle's paintings of Butte in September.

For more information, please contact Nerissa Eckerson at (406)723-3361 x 6305 or carlegallery.bsbpl@gmail.com.

Butte Soccer Club

THE BUTTE SOCCER CLUB STRIVES TO:

- Develop skilled, confident and creative players
- Make the game fun in practice and play
- Teach good sportsmanship and respect for all

- Value competition but not more than character and performance
- Provide a safe and educational experience through guided discovery coaching

SUMMER SKILLS PROGRAM

July 8 to August 13

For players entering first through sixth grade this fall

Registration due by June 26

MYSA FALL LEAGUE

September through mid-October

U10-U14 players

Registration due by July 13

MYSA SPRING LEAGUE

Indoor practices begin in January

Outdoor practices begin in March (weather permitting)

League play April through June

Registration due by January 15, 2016

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Pam Sholey

Butte Soccer Club Registrar

406-565-0873

sholeypam@yahoo.com



Copper City Queens

The Copper City Queens, Inc., is Butte's non-profit Women's Flat Track Derby Association roller derby team. Though only women compete, men are invited to join the team to serve as referees.

HERE IS A BASIC SYNOPSIS OF THE SPORT:

There are two 30-minute "bouts" per game. Bouts are divided into two minute jam sessions. Two teams of five ladies compete in each jam session. Each team consists of one skater in scoring position called

Photo by Butte Soccer Club



Photo by Butte Soccer Club

a jammer (star on her helmet), three blockers, and one pivot (stripe on her helmet). The blockers form a skating pack.

A single whistle starts a jam session. Each team's jammer attempts to skate through the pack. The first jammer through the pack is identified as the "lead jammer." Both jammers continue to sprint around the track in an effort to lap the pack. When they reach the pack, the jammers must battle through again. On their second and subsequent trips through, the jammers earn a point for every opponent they pass. The blockers and pivot try to stop the opposing team's jammer from passing and assist their own jammer through the pack. The jam goes on for 2 minutes or until the lead jammer calls off the jam.

THE COPPER CITY QUEENS COMPETE:

- May 30 in Kalispell against Flathead Valley Roller Derby
- September 12 in Billings against the Billings Roller Derby Dames
- October 17 in Great Falls against the Electric City Roller Grrrlz
- November 7 in Butte against Heart Mountain Wreck on Wheels of Cody, Wyoming

In addition to derby events, the team volunteers extensively.

Men and women age 18 and older are invited to join the team for fitness, community service, and fun. No experience is required. Contact coppercityqueensrollerderby@yahoo.com for more information.

East Ridge Foundation

The East Ridge Foundation was established by Rotary Club member Keith P. Johnson in 1984 when he donated three mining claims (89 acres) east of the railroad tracks in Maud S Canyon. Continental Public Land Trust donated 13 acres of adjacent government lots, and donations by the grandchildren of pioneer miner John Leslie brought the total acreage to 202 acres.

The Maud S Canyon Trail is accessed from the frontage road on the east side of Interstate 90 by taking the Continental Drive exit or bridge. A dirt parking lot offers plenty of parking, and the trail is marked with informative interpretive signs. The trail includes two loops.

The East Ridge Foundation works in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation.

The U.S. Forest Service recently constructed the connector trail from the saddle up the east ridge to the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail, and the CDNST section from Maud S Canyon to Lady of the Rockies north and Homestake Pass to the south.

Forest Service

THOMPSON PARK WILDFLOWER AND NATIVE PLANT WALK

Join Botanist Jessie Salix at 10 a.m. June 13 at Sagebrush Flats in Thompson Park for a free wildflower and native plant walk. June 13 is also National Get Outdoors Day.

Recreation Programs of the U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest is a cooperator with Butte-Silver Bow. Contact the U.S. Forest Service Butte District Office at 406-494-2147 or by visiting fs.usda.gov/bdnf.

Girl Scouts of Montana & Wyoming

For each of these amazing activities for girls grades 2 to 12, contact Sarah Megyesi to register or for more information at sarahm@gsmw.org or 800-736-5243 x2306. For more information about the Girl Scouts, visit GSMW.org.

**GIRLS' GEOCACHING ADVENTURE: JUNE 12, 2015
AT THOMPSON PARK SOUTH OF BUTTE**

Girls in grades 2 through 12 are welcome to join Butte Parks and Recreation, the U.S. Forest Service, and the Girl Scouts of Montana & Wyoming for an afternoon of geocaching adventure. Non-Girl Scouts are welcome! Learn how to use a GPS, solve geographical mysteries, and hunt for a geocache. Every girl will earn a MT & WY geocaching Badge. Cost is \$7 for Girl Scouts and \$22 for non-Girl Scouts, who will receive a membership with their participation fee. Parents can join, too. The geocaching hike is Friday, June 12 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Pre-registration required.

**BACKPACKING SERVICE ADVENTURE: JULY
28-AUGUST 2 IN BUTTE & THE SCAPEGOAT
WILDERNESS**

High school girls can gain valuable service experience while also learning backcountry skills through this program affiliated with the Bob Marshall Wilderness Foundation and the Girl Scouts of MT & WY. Girls will meet at Camp Castle Rock in Butte and then travel to the Scapegoat Wilderness for five days and four nights of backcountry service and adventure. Service will include trail maintenance. Outdoor gear is provided. Cost is \$200 for Girl Scouts & \$215 for non-Girl Scouts. The program is July 28 to August 2. Pre-registration required.

**GIRLS GO GREEN DAY CAMP: AUGUST 4 AND 5 AT
FATHER SHEEHAN PARK**

Calling all girls entering first grade and older: Come join the fun with Girl Scouts for a two-day event all about the world around you! We will be doing environmentally fun games, crafts, and activities that will help you understand more about our planet. Make beads out of paper! Plant a flower! Clean up YOUR environment and earn a badge while doing so! We will have snacks and materials, so all you will need to do is bring a lunch, a water bottle, and your excitement to have some fun. Tell your friends and bring them too! This two-day day camp costs \$10 for Girl Scouts and \$25 for non-members, who then receive a Girl Scout membership. Girls Go Green Day Camp is at Father Sheehan Park Tuesday, August 4, from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, August 5, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pre-registration required. Contacta Krysta at 1-800-736-5243 x 2204 or at krystap@mtcompact.org.



Photo by Girl Scouts of MT & WY

**GIRLS BIKE RALLY: AUGUST 7 ALONG THE SILVER
BOW CREEK GREENWAY TRAIL IN BUTTE**

Experience "pedal power" while you learn about our local watershed and environment along the Silver Bow Creek Greenway Trail in partnership with Butte-Silver Bow Parks & Recreation. This event is open to girls in grades 2 through 8. Parents can join, too. The rally is Friday, August 7 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Cost is \$6 for Girl Scouts and \$21 for non-Girl Scouts. Bikes and helmets can be provided upon request. Pre-registration required.

Photo by Girl Scouts of MT & WY





Toby Day celebrates catching a brown trout in the Missouri River. Photo by Rich Day

George Grant Chapter of Trout Unlimited

The mission of the George Grant Chapter of Trout Unlimited is to preserve, protect and restore the wild trout fisheries of southwest Montana. We are proud to call the Big Hole River, Beaverhead River, Jefferson River, and the upper Clark Fork River, along with Georgetown Lake our home waters. Headquartered in Butte, Montana, we pride ourselves on being a conservation organization representing the interests of anglers. We work closely with local Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Fisheries Biologists to improve fisheries throughout our area and to look for project opportunities.

In the model of George Grant, our patriarch, we pride ourselves on taking on tough, sometimes controversial issues that are the interests of trout and our members. Our chapter has taken leadership roles on many of Montana's most important laws, including the Montana Stream Access Law, the Montana Streambed Preservation Act, and laws managing recreation conflicts. While our chapter is not eager to file lawsuits, we have been involved in litigation to protect Montana's cold-water fisheries and the interests of our members. However, we prefer to work collaboratively, and frequently do with organizations such as the Big Hole Watershed Committee and the Jefferson River Watershed Committee.



TO JOIN OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

George Grant Chapter of Trout Unlimited
P.O. Box 563, Butte, MT 59703
Email: Riverrat@georgegranttu.org
President – Rich Day (406) 490-3902
Secretary—Roy Morris (406) 491-4255

Mile High Nordic Ski Education Foundation

The Mile High Nordic Ski Education Foundation is a non-profit, all-volunteer group that maintains ski trails near Butte and Anaconda.

Contact the Mile High Nordic Ski Education Foundation at 406-498-9615 or at milehighnordic.org.

MOUNT HAGGIN TRAILS

The Mount Haggin trails are located on Mill Creek Highway (MT 569) 11 miles south of Highway 1, near Anaconda. At Mount Haggin Mile High Nordic maintains nearly 28 kilometers of groomed cross-country ski trails in cooperation with the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks. The trails wind through historic logging camps that once supplied timber to the Anaconda Smelter. Approximately 10 km are groomed for skate skiing, and all of the trails with the exception of the Spire Loop are groomed for classic skiing. Ski trails can also be used as access to backcountry skiing along the Continental Divide.

The trail system is groomed once or twice per week by volunteers using snowmobiles and grooming equipment. Pets are not allowed at the Mount Haggin trails, but they are welcome on the trails at Homestake Lodge and Moulton Reservoir.

Loop distances are in kilometers, measured round-trip from the warming hut. The measured loops generally follow the perimeter of the ski area, and do not use the cutoff trail.

SUGARLOAF LOOP - 4.6 km: Groomed for both classic and skate skiing; good technical skiing because of short hills and curves; hills can be avoided by taking the Short Cut trail; for a thrilling downhill ride try Gus's Gas.

CROOKED JOHN LOOP - 4.8 km: Groomed for both classic and skate skiing; generally moderate hills, large steep downhill section can be avoided by taking Wulf's Cutoff.

LITTLE CALIFORNIA LOOP - 10.8 km: Groomed for classic skiing only, this trail has the best views of the Pintler Range; many hills including the notorious twisty downhill section nicknamed the Death Dip. For a real thrill try Sleepy Hollow - sleepy it is not and is usually more of a white-knuckle ride.

SPIRE LOOP - 12.6 km: Ungroomed, good access to telemark terrain on the Continental Divide.

MOULTON RESERVOIR

Trails are also groomed at Moulton reservoir just north of Butte in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service. The trails are generally not groomed to the same standards as at Mount Haggin, but there is excellent skiing and the trails are dog friendly.

SKI SAFETY

- Ski trails are not patrolled - ski at your own risk.
- Please yield trail to the faster or downhill skier and trail groomers.
- Ski in control.

More Difficult and Most Difficult trails have steep downhill sections so skiers should be able to snowplow. Don't hesitate to remove skis and walk down intimidating hills.

JUNIOR SKI PROGRAM

Skiers age 5 and older meet every Saturday at Homestake Lodge in January and February. Skiers 8 years and older have the option of skiing Wednesdays after school in addition to Saturdays.

Younger skiers focus on classic technique and getting comfortable on skis while playing games and learning basic skills. Older skiers add skate skiing to their practices. There are also opportunities for those who

want to race.

The Mile High Nordic Ski Education Foundation and Homestake Lodge provide coaches for all levels and rental equipment is available at Homestake Lodge for the season.

OTHER PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

- 4-H Ski Swap – early December
- Junior Program (8+ years) at Homestake Lodge – begins in late December
- Younger Kids' Program (5-7 years) at Homestake Lodge – begins in early January
- Learn to Ski Day at Mount Haggin – early January
- Learn to Ski Day at Homestake Lodge – mid-January
- Learn Moulton Ski Day at Moulton Reservoir – late January
- Womens Skate Clinic at Homestake Lodge – early February
- Kids' Ski Race at Homestake Lodge – mid-February
- Ski Wax Clinic at Homestake Lodge – mid-February

Mining City Disc Golf

Mining City Disc Golf Club represents the growing sport of disc golf in Butte. MCDG holds weekly league events as well as hosts tournaments and other competitive events that attract players from all over Montana. As MCDG continues into the future, we will further our mission of "Growing the Sport" with community involvement, improving existing courses, hosting benefit and fundraising events, and hosting special clinics that introduce new players to one of the fastest growing sports in the world.

FIND MINING CITY DISC GOLF CLUB ON:

Facebook: facebook.com/MiningCityDiscGolfClub

Twitter: @MiningCityDGC

Email: miningcitydgc@gmail.com

Copper City Queens roller derby practice. Photo by Kelley Christensen



Montana Shakespeare in the Parks

Montana Shakespeare in the Parks returns to Butte again this summer on Sept. 4 at the Original Mine Yard. This year, in partnership with Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation, Montana Shakespeare in the Parks presents the swash-buckling *Cyrano de Bergerac* under the towering frame of the Original headframe.

Cyrano de Bergerac tells the story of a valiant musketeer, Cyrano, whose rapier wit is only exceeded by the size of his nose. In love with his cousin Roxane, Cyrano must express his feelings through a proxy, Christian, all while battling the Spanish under the orders of Cardinal Richelieu. This dazzling tragic romance bursts with battles, comedy, and great passion.

The mission of Montana Shakespeare in the Parks is to make quality, live theatrical productions of Shakespeare and other classics available, at a reasonable cost, to communities in Montana and vicinity, with an emphasis on under-served rural areas. The company's educational programs, *Shakespeare in the Schools* and *Montana Shakes!*, strive to complement the education of Montana's young people in grades K-12 by providing a live theatrical experience that will enhance their understanding and appreciation of Shakespeare's works. Montana Shakespeare in the Parks is an outreach program of Montana State University's College of Arts and Architecture.

For more information, contact Kellie Knight,

Production Manager, at 406-994-3310 or kellie.knight@montana.edu.

MSU Extension Butte-Silver Bow

MSU Extension Butte-Silver Bow, a service of Montana State University, improves the lives of Montana citizens by providing unbiased research-based education and information that integrates learning, discovery and engagement to strengthen the social, economic and environmental well-being of individuals, families, and communities.

Contact MSU Extension Agent Kellee Anderson at 406-723-0217 or kellee.anderson@montana.edu to join a program or for more information.

Citizens of our community regularly contact the Butte-Silver Bow County Extension office with questions ranging from nutritional guidance to horticulture practices to pest control and insect or plant identification. Each question is thoughtfully answered based upon scientific research. In addition to direct contact with a knowledgeable county extension agent, a *MontGuide* is often provided for the specific subject matter. **MontGuide** is a publication provided by Montana State University and is designed to provide information specifically for Montanans.

The extension office also conducts series of more thorough educational courses. **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education** (SNAP Ed), for example, teaches people how to improve their lives through healthy eating, food safety, and physical activity. This particular series of classes also integrates economics, helping people to improve their lives not just physically, but financially as well.

The **Master Gardener** series of classes is an in-depth investigation of horticulture. Beginning with the basic elements and working through to the more detailed aspects of gardening and land management. This course equips people to be purposefully engaged in their environment; implementing and utilizing natural resources for the benefit of their households. Participants then contribute to our community by providing volunteer services.

The extension office does not simply teach people to garden, it also puts it into practice through the **Park Street Community Garden**. Gardening plots



A crowd watches "As You Like It" at the Original in 2014.
Photo by Andrew Rathgeber

are available for rent to the population. This allows people to be engaged in their environment and grow their own produce, as well as build community relationships by caretaking for a shared space.

Another great way of building community relationships is through the **Evening Farmers Market**. Live entertainment creates a delightful social atmosphere for the community to enjoy on Wednesday evenings during the summer. Simultaneously, the market is a wonderful venue for economic development by giving people a place to conduct business or purchase local goods.

The **Butte-Silver Bow County Fair** is another socio-economic function benefitting the community as a whole, and offering a route for youth development through 4-H. 4-H Butte-Silver Bow is a program that runs year round, with final presentations of projects being displayed at the county fair.

4-H Butte-Silver Bow is in the process of making the best better. Youth pledge their heads to clearer thinking, hearts to greater loyalty, hands to larger service and health to better living for their club, community and country. As early as six years of age, children delve into projects of interest from sewing and leatherwork to raising rabbits and steers. This is a wonderful organization with statistics to substantiate its effectiveness. Youth in 4-H excel.

MSU Extension Butte-Silver Bow orchestrates many more programs for the public. For instance, you could receive pesticide applicator training in order to become a certified pesticide applicator. Get your soil tested to see what is needed for optimal gardening. Learn how to trim trees, for free, and give back to your community by participating in **Terrific Tree Trimming Tuesdays** in the spring and fall.

Friends of the Urban Forest Board is ever improving Butte, MT with the support of MSU Extension Butte-Silver Bow. Volunteers strive for more green by inventorying and planting trees. Butte was awarded Montana Tree City of the Year in 2015.

Piss and Moan Running Club

The Piss and Moan Runners are a loosely

organized group of avid runners of all ages. The group maintains an e-mail listserve with more 100 members, who receive updates on local races and group run opportunities. The group runs are generally on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings. Distances and terrain vary as the group incorporates trails and roads. The events the club hosts are organized entirely by volunteers, and the proceeds are returned to the Butte area trail system and various not for profit agencies.

The Piss and Moan Runners are pivotal in organizing the Wulfman's Continental Divide National Scenic Trail 14k trail race. The 14 "Butte-iful" kilometers are run along the CDT between Montana's Homestake and Pipestone passes in Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. This race along that route celebrates the trail and the memory of one of its greatest local proponents – the late John "the Wulfman" Wulf, who was the godfather of Butte's Piss & Moan Runners. The race is run on Summer Solstice Saturday, the anniversary of the Wulfman's last group run. Race proceeds are used to help build and improve trails in southwest Montana. This year's race is June 20, 2015.

For more information, visit buttepissandmoanrunners.com, or contact the club on Facebook.

The Peak Inc.

Do you have the skills needed to spend a night in the field? Can you make a fire, build a shelter, or



*Above: Little gardeners at the Park Street Community Garden.
Left: 4-H Horsemanship.
Photos by MSU Extension Butte-Silver Bow*



Runners on the Wulfman 14K Trail.

provide first aid for yourself or friend? What about a field repair of your ATV or snowmobile? Could you rescue a friend if they were buried in an avalanche? Ask yourself: Do I have the essential skills to survive in the outdoors?

The Peak Inc is a service disabled veteran owned company located in Butte centrally located near a variety of training areas. When it really matters and lives are on the line, our training will give you the knowledge and confidence to succeed. If you spend any time in the outdoors, we can make your

experience safer and more enjoyable. Our founders, instructors, and staff, all outdoor enthusiasts and subject matter experts, look forward to helping you achieve your goals. Whether you are a business owner concerned with your employee's safety, a wilderness professional who wants to improve your skills, or an outdoor enthusiast looking out for your family and friends, The Peak Inc. can help you meet your goals by providing you with knowledge and abilities to be prepared for the worst.

Call: 406-494-7999 Email: train@thepeakinc.com

Other Recreation Partners and Providers in the Butte-Silver Bow Community

- American Legion, buttelegionbb.org
- Big Brothers Big Sisters, bbbsbutte.org
- Big Hole River Foundation, bhrf.org
- Boy Scouts
- Butte Cares, buttecares.org
- Butte Cobras, facebook.com/buttecobras
- Butte Figure Skating Club, buttefigureskating.com
- Butte Amateur Hockey Association, coppercitykings.org
- Butte Special Riders, kissockhorsecenter.com
- Butte Tarpons Swim Team, buttetarpons.com
- Butte Vigilante Rodeo & Saddle Club, butterodeogrounds.com
- Clark Fork Watershed Education Program, cfwep.org
- Friends of Pipestone, friendsofpipestone.com
- High Altitude Sports Center, facebook.com/pages/butte-high-altitude-skating-center
- Homestake Lodge, homestakelodge.com
- Knights of Columbus, kofc.org
- Kiwanis, silverbowkiwanis.org, buttekiwanis.com, Sunrise Kiwanis
- Little Guy Football
- Little League Baseball, milehighlittleleague.com, Northwest Little League
- Mariah's Challenge, mariahschallenge.com
- Mile Hi Horseshoe Club
- Mile High Backcountry Horsemen, bchmt.org
- Mining City Magic Softball
- Mining City Wrestling
- Montana Tech Digger Athletic Association, godiggers.com
- Montana Tech Winter Sports Club, facebook.com/mtechwsc
- Orphan Girl Theater, orphangirl.org
- Pink Gloves Boxing, pinkglovesboxingbutte.com
- Silverbow Wrestling
- Skyline Sportsmen
- Special Olympics Montana, Southwest Area, somt.org
- Stonefly Fly Shop, thestonefly.com

CAMPS

SPORTS CAMPS

Butte School District No. 1 Summer Sports Camps

For more information about any of the activities, whether during the school year or during the summer, contact the Butte School District No. 1 office at 533-2548.

Elementary and Middle School

- Hoop-It Up Basketball Camp
- Boys and Girls NFL Camp

Butte High

- Football Camp High School
- Volleyball/Football Camp Middle & High School
- Girls' Basketball Camp
- Boys' Basketball Camp
- Wrestling Camp
- Football Camp (Little Guy)
- Soccer Camp

Girls Basketball Camps

- Butte Central: June 21-24 6 to 9pm grades 5-12 Details: Meg Murphy, 406-723-6706 or mmurphy@cccscorp.com
- UM-Western Bulldog Girls Camp: June 21-24 for grades 4-12; my.umwestern.edu/athletics/tournaments
- Montana Tech: July 13-16 Grades K-8 Details: 406-496-4288
- Montana Tech Girls' All Sports Camp: June 15-18 Volleyball and Basketball for grades 3-9. Details: Coach Brian Solomon, 406-496-4337

Boys Basketball Camps

- Butte Central: June 15-18, 12-3 p.m. at the Maroon Activities Center for boys entering grades 3 to 8. Camp cost is \$65. Entry forms and checks due June 10. Contact Brodie Kelly at 406-560-2935 for more information.
- UM-Western Bulldog Boys Basketball Camps: July 11-12 Team Tournament; July 12-15



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maintenance in Deer Lodge County.*

for grades 4-12 my.umwestern.edu/athletics/tournaments

- Montana Tech: June 8-11 Ages 10-14; June 22-25 Ages 5-9 Details: Chris Cline, 406-496-4844

Football Camps

- Butte High: Camp June 1-5 and June 8-12
- Montana Tech: Little Guy Football Champ Camp: July 6-8 grades 1-8 Details: Doug Scheelman, 406-496-4768 or dschleeman@mtech.edu
- Montana Tech: 8 Man Camp June 12-14 Details: Doug Scheelman, 406-496-4768 or dschleeman@mtech.edu
- Montana Tech: A-B 11 Man Camp June 16-18 Details: Doug Scheelman, 406-496-4768 or dschleeman@mtech.edu
- Montana Tech: 2015 Diggers Shootout July 9 Details: Doug Scheelman, 406-496-4768 or dschleeman@mtech.edu
- UM Western Bulldog Football Team Camp: Session I June 10-12; Session II June 17-19 my.umwestern.edu/athletics/tournaments

Volleyball

- Butte High: Mile High Mile Deep Volleyball Camp June 8-12 grades 3-12 Details: Dale Burgman, 406-533-5412 or Brianna Barsness, 406-490-2131
- Montana Tech: July 28-31 Grades 3-12 Details: Coach Brian Solomon, 406-496-4337
- Montana Tech Girls' All Sports Camp: June 15-18 Volleyball and Basketball for grades 3-9. Details: Coach Brian Solomon, 406-496-4337
- UM Western: Bulldog Volleyball Team Camp July 26-28 Details: my.umwestern.edu/athletics/tournaments
- UM Western: Bulldog Volleyball High School Team Tournament Details: my.umwestern.edu/athletics/tournaments
- UM Western: Bulldog Volleyball Advanced Skills Camp July 30 – August 1 Details: my.umwestern.edu/athletics/tournaments

Soccer

- Butte High: Boys and Girls Soccer, July 27-30 Boys: Eric Zahler, 406-498-7138; Girls: Kevin Petritz, 406-698-7311

Girls' All Sports Camp

- Montana Tech: June 15-18 Volleyball and Basketball for grades 3-9. Details: Coach Brian Solomon, 406-496-4337

Tennis

The Butte Tennis Association and Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation department host Butte Summer Tennis Programs, camps, and lessons.

There are three summer tennis camps this summer.

- June 15-18: Children ages 4-12 years old practice from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., while children older than 12 and adults practice from 6 to 8 p.m.
- July 6-9: Children ages 4-12 years old practice from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., while children older than 12 and adults practice from 6 to 8 p.m.
- August 10-13: Children ages 4-12 years old practice from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., while children older than 12 and adults practice from 6 to 8 p.m.
- The Butte City Youth Tennis Tournament is June 21, and the Butte City Adult Tennis Tournament is July 12.

Details: Mavis Bentley, 406-490-7826

Various Tournaments

UM western in Dillon will host tournaments for athletes of all ages and abilities:

- Dillon Classic Girls Basketball Tournament: June 6-7
- Bulldog Basketball Boys team Tournament: July 11-12
- Bulldog Volleyball High School Team Tournament: July 29

YMCA Summer Camps

YOUTH FUNDAMENTAL BASKETBALL LEAGUE - JUNE

Boys and girls ages 3-12. This fundamental youth basketball league is designed to focus on player development and to teach the basketball basics of dribbling, passing, shooting, defense and teamwork in a fun instructional environment.

CHEERLEADER CAMP - AUGUST

Girls and boys ages 4-12

An exciting camp where participants will learn chants, jumps, basic stunts and dance.

WATER SAFETY LIFE SKILLS

A family oriented water safety and skills program inspired by the success of the Fritz Apostel 3rd grade water safety program. Families will learn skills and vital knowledge to help them be safe and confident around water in various environments. Program offered Saturdays and week nights. Please contact the Welcome Center for details.

3 ON 3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Two-day event coming this summer! Watch for details at the Y.

ROCK CLIMBING – BEGINNING IN JUNE

If you are looking for a great confidence builder, we have the course for you. Our climbing experts will introduce you to a wide range of rock climbing techniques while ensuring you are doing it the in the safest possible manner. The course consists of one hour of classroom time and one hour of climbing each day for six days. There is a limit of 10 students per class.

Youth Rates: (11-17 Years)

Members \$125

Non-Members \$200

Adult Rate: (18+ Years)

Members \$175

Non-Members \$250

Contact the Welcome Center for more information.

SUMMER SOCCER CAMP – JULY TO AUGUST (REGISTRATION THROUGH JUNE 30)

Get moving and join YMCA Soccer! This program promotes equal playing time for all while teaching soccer fundamentals, sportsmanship and teamwork.

Ages: Pre-K through 8th grade

Session: July to August

Registration: April 25 to June 30

Where: All games will be held at Jeremy Bullock Fields, below Margaret Leary Elementary School on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Times: Practice dates and times are determined by coaches.

Fee: \$15 with family membership

\$40 with youth membership

\$60 non-member

YMCA Reversible Jersey: \$25 – All participants must have a jersey that will be used for all youth sports!

NON-SPORTS CAMPS

Butte School District No. 1 Summer Activities Camps

For more information about any of the activities, whether during the school year or during the summer, contact the Butte School District No. 1 office at 533-2548.

Elementary and Middle School Summer Activities

- Robotics
- Apprentice Chefs
- Techno Kids Computer Camp
- Artist on Campus
- Hoop-It Up Basketball Camp
- Boys and Girls NFL Camp
- Camp-Can-I-Cook
- K-3 Reading
- K-3 Math
- Kindergarten Jumpstart

The R.O.C.K.I.E.S. Summer Enrichment Program

Registration closes: June 5

Please drop off or mail your completed form to:
Curriculum Office
119 N. Montana

8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Scholarships are available and are based on financial need.

Applications are available on the District's website butte.k12.mt.us or call 406-533-2548 for more information. You can also contact your child's classroom teacher.

KINDERGARTEN JUMP START SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM

This program is for children entering kindergarten in the fall of 2015. The classes will focus on language development and readiness activities.

June 16-July 2

8:30-11 a.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

Butte High School

Breakfast: 8-8:25 a.m.

Lunch: 11-11:25 a.m.

(Breakfast & lunch are optional)

R.O.C.K.I.E.S (K-3) SUMMER READING & MATH PROGRAM

SESSION I: READING

June 16-July 2

8:30-11:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

Butte High School

Breakfast: 8-8:25 a.m.

Lunch: 11-11:55 a.m.

(Breakfast & lunch are optional)

SESSION II: MATH

July 7-July 23

8:30-11:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays,

Thursdays

Breakfast: 8-8:25 a.m.

Lunch: 11-11:55 a.m.

(Breakfast & lunch are optional)

4-6 ROBOTICS

This program engages elementary students in fourth through sixth grades in explorations of science principles. Students will engage in multiple design projects learning, building, and programming a robot prototype.

July 14-23

9:30-11:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

Butte High School

\$25

4-8 APPRENTICE CHEFS

Apprentice Chefs is the tastiest place to be in Butte. If you love to cook and are ready to learn this is for you. Students will learn a variety of culinary skills in a fun atmosphere with other kids who like to cook.

July 7-16

12-2 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

Butte High School

\$50

K-3 ARTIST ON CAMPUS:

Is a new summer camp for students in grades K-3 who are interested in exploring a variety of art genre & learning about diverse cultures through unique art forms. We welcome students in grades K-3 into our art studio to discover your artistic talents!

July 7-16

12-2 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

Butte High School

\$25

K-6 "HOOP IT UP" BASKETBALL CAMP

This camp will teach players basketball fundamentals plus individual and team competitions. Let's HOOP it up!

June 15-26

K-3: 12:30-2:30 p.m., Monday to Friday

4-6: 9:30-11:30 a.m., Monday to Friday

East Middle School Gym

K-8 BOYS AND GIRLS NFL CLUB:

This program is for boys and girls currently in kindergarten through eighth grade. This outdoor program includes flag football, dodgeball, obstacle courses, and more.

July 7-16

8:30-11:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

Butte High School

\$50

K-3 TECHNO KIDS COMPUTER CAMP:

This student Technology Enrichment Program provides creative digital enrichment activities for students currently in kindergarten through third grade. This program includes virtual field trips, digital art, digital scavenger hunt, and technology slime.

July 7-16

12-2 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

Butte High School

\$25

K-3 CAMP-CAN-I-COOK:

Create a little chef in your family by attending Camp-Can-I-Cook. Your young chef will learn through hands-on activities how to create healthy and fun snacks. They will also get to sample different vegetables and fruit, and learn how to incorporate them into wonderfully delightful dishes.

July 21-23

12-2 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

Butte High School

\$25

Girl Scouts Camps

At Camp Castle Rock:

- July 28-August 2: Wilderness Backpacking (grades 9-12)
- July 28-August. 1: Magic for Muggles (grades 2-5)
- July 28-August 1: Tribute Camp (grades 4-12)
- August 2-7: Call of the Wild (grades 2-12)
- August 2-7: Fashionistas (grades 2-8)
- August 2-7: Great Escape (grades 4-12)
- August 7-9: G.O. Girls Only (grades K-5)

More information atgsmw.org/camps or call 1-800-736-5243.

Butte Sylvan Learning

ROBOTICS 101

6 hour camp Grades 1 & above

- 12:30-1:30 p.m. June 10-18
- 12:30-1:30 p.m. June 10-18

ROBOTICS 201*

9 hour camp Grades 2 & above

- 12:30-2 p.m. July 8-16
- 2:30-4 p.m. August 12-12, 1:30-3 p.m. August 17-20

ROBOTICS 102

6 hour camp Grades 1 & above

- 12:30-1:30 p.m. June 22-30
- 1:30-2:30 p.m. August 5-13

ROBOTICS 202*

9 hour camp Grades 2 & above

- 10:30-12 p.m. July 6-17

CODING 101 (Game Design)

9 hour camp Grades 3 – 7

- 1:30-3 p.m. June 22-30

MATH EDGE

\$125 per month Grades 1-6

- 8-9 a.m. Mondays & Thursdays all summer

MULTIPLY/DIVIDE CAMP

10 hour camp Grades 3-5

- 2:00-3 p.m. July 13-16, 12:30-2:30 July 20-22

FRACTION ACTION

10 hour camp Grades 5-8

- 1:00-3:30 p.m. July 28-August 4

FIT4ALGEBRA

9 hour camp Grades 6-9

- 12:30-1:30 p.m. August 6-20

GET ORGANIZED

10 hour camp Grades 4-12

- 12:30-3 p.m. August 17-20

* Must complete Robotics 101 and 102 before starting 201 unless student has previous Robotics experience.

There will not be any camps held on Fridays at Butte Sylvan Learning for the summer of 2015.

Schedules are subject to change.

Sylvan Personalized Programs

Math Essentials; Academic Reading; Academic Writing; Study Skills Edge; Beginning Reading; ACT/SAT prep; Advanced Reading Skills; College Prep Writing; Advanced Math

Monday - Friday 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

Other hours may be added if the need is expressed
Call 782-5700 or email sylvan@sylvanbutte.com for specific details.

Montana Tech Camps

This year, Montana Tech will offer a series of camps for high school students entering their sophomore or junior year in fall 2015.

June 21-June 26 will mark two of the camps, both of which will be offered for the 2nd time at Montana Tech. MINES (Making Innovations in Engineering

and Sciences) – Summer Camp for Young Women and What a Blast! – Mining Camp are both excellent camps for high school students that focus on interactive educational trips and fun evening activities.

WHAT A BLAST! – Mining Camp will launch Sunday, June 21. This fun, educational camp will immerse participants in the world of mining and teach them about the many benefits of a career in mining engineering. Participants will visit the World Museum of Mining, Gem Mountain Sapphire Mine, Imerys Yellowstone Talc Mine, Stillwater East Bolder Mine and Fairmont Hot Springs. Mining engineers are nearly 100 percent career placed and their average starting salary is \$72,000. Mining Engineering is an exciting and fulfilling career! The deadline to apply is April 10. For more information, please contact Paul Conrad at pconrad@mtech.edu. Additional information can also be found on the website, mtech.edu/academics/mines/mining/summer-camp.

MINES – Summer camp for young women will also begin on Sunday, June 21. This is a camp for young women who show talent in math and sciences and would like to learn more about science, technology, engineering and math careers; including engineering, healthcare, mathematics, and biology. Focusing on mentorship, nearly all of the sessions are taught by professional women in STEM. This camp is limited to 30 participants and is expected to fill. The application deadline is April 10. For more information, please contact Stephanie Crowe at scrowe@mtech.edu. Additional information can also be found on the website, mtech.edu/mines-camp.

Montana Tech will also be a host campus to **MED-START SUMMER CAMP** July 19 – 23. MedStart is brought to Montana Tech by the South Central Area Health Education Center. This camp provides students a chance to further explore a vast variety of health care careers. It has included sheep heart dissection, blood typing and job shadowing. The week also includes college support sessions such as financial aid, and hearing from current health care students. The camp is offered throughout the summer at numerous college campuses, but this is the first time Montana Tech has hosted MedStart. For more information, please visit the website at scmtahec.org/med-start-summer-camp.

All of these camps are overnight programs that are fully chaperoned. Not only do selected participants

get to enjoy the educational sessions, but they also get to experience life on a college campus. Montana Tech is very excited to offer these summer programs.

DANCE WORKSHOP

Miss K's Dance Performs in the Fourth of July Parade – Ages 6 and up. Tryouts: June 18 and Practice: Starts June 22

Details: Kathy Rowe, 406-491-8485

MONTANA TECH KIDS' COLLEGE

June 15-19 Zoology: Discover the Animal in You!

July 13-17 Go Green: The Science of Good Citizenship

August 3-7 Technology: Skills to be in Demand

Details: Amanda Shroyer, 406-496-4878 or ashroyer@mtech.edu

Butte Kiwanis Sunshine Camp

The camp runs July 12-17 (girls 7-9); July 19-24 (boys 7-9); July 26-31 (girls 10-11); August 2-7 (boys 10-11). It's FREE to all families. Campers are supervised 24 hours each day by live-in staff. Campers live during their six-day stay in heated rustic cabins with modern plumbing in the camp located south of Butte, off Continental Drive. Details: Gary Staudinger, 406-782-2653 or g_staudinger@bresnan.net; Tom, 406-494-3029.

Silver Bow Montessori

At Silver Bow Montessori your child can be a child and just explore, play and imagine all summer on the 5-acre landscaped campus complete with chickens, llamas, and raised garden beds.

Highlights throughout the summer program include gardening, cooking, art, science, and field trips. Children are naturally creative and will enjoy expressing themselves through various art mediums like painting, pottery, and fabric crafts to name a few. Cooking and gardening go hand in hand and teach important life skills. While gardening throughout the summer children will learn how fruits, vegetables, and herbs are planted, cared for, harvested, and then prepared in the kitchen. Even the smallest of children can participate in planting, harvesting, cleaning, and preparing food while older students will learn about measurements and reading recipes.

One of the fundamentals of Montessori is learning about the environment. Here in Butte, Montana, the environment is rich with history, wildlife, and geol-

ogy. This summer's field trips will take us to places like the Grant-Kohr's Ranch, Montana Tech's Mineral Museum, and the Museum of the Rockies, and after looking at the big bones at the museum of the Rockies, we will study owls and take a closer look at the small bones of the animals owls eat.

Summer Montessori runs 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. June 8 to August 14, Monday through Friday, for children ages 3 to 10. Cost is \$40.00 per day or \$200/week or \$1,100 for seven weeks or \$1,575 for ten weeks. Children are required to bring a sack lunch. Montessori provides healthy morning and afternoon snacks. All staff is carefully selected through interview, reference, and background checks and each is certified in CPR and First Aid.

World Museum of Mining Youth Summer Programs

These programs are for children entering first through fifth grades, and run 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ALL ABROAD SPOT LIGHT TRAINS

Date: Wednesday, June 10 or Monday, June 15

The remarkable history of the Butte and Anaconda Pacific Railway (BA&P) will be explored. Youth will be introduced to Cooper King Marcus Daly and discover what Thomas Edison, General Electric and Copper all had in common. By the end of the workshop youth will have assembled and operated a Lionel Scale Model Train.

THE THREE LITTLE PIGS: JUNIOR ARCHITECTS AND FIRE

Date: Wednesday, July 22 or Monday, July 27

Butte architecture and the significance of fire in Butte will be explored through the story of The Three Little Pigs. Participants will examine how brick and cobble stone from Homestake Granite Quarry became a staple in Butte architecture to combat the problem of fire. Finally, each child will develop their own style by building a Lego structure.

TEXT MESSAGING THEN AND NOW: JUNIOR ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS

Date: Wednesday, June 24 or Monday, June 29

Youth will discover the critical role Marcus Daly and Butte Copper Mines played in the development of electricity, telephones and the electrification of rail

roads. Through hands on activities youth will gain an understanding of how the increased use of electricity and the invention of the telephone drove the need for copper. During the workshop, youth will get the rare opportunity to explore inside the WMM's own Hell Roarin' Gulch Print Shop and Telephone Company.

UNDERGROUND ADVENTURES!

Date: Wednesday, July 8 or Monday, July 13

Explore underground mining with geology activities and an underground tour designed for kids only. The workshop will also include an opportunity for kids to mine for their own garnets.

Kids will love the experience of feeling like a real underground miner.

OUT OF THE ROCK - MYSTERY MINERALS

Date: Wednesday, August 5 or Monday, August 10

Minerals and rocks and the importance they have in everyday life will be discovered. Building materials and the minerals they contain will be explored with hands on activities. Youth will get a fresh look at the minerals mined specifically out of Butte mines. The many occupations and mining opportunities created because of our use of mineral resources will be introduced. Be prepared to dig and get dirty.

WORKSHOP INFORMATION

\$15.00 per session

Ages: Entering first in the fall 2015 through fifth grade

Hours: Workshops run from 9:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.

What to wear: Closed toe shoes. Most activities are outside. If children are sensitive to the sun, apply sunscreen prior to the workshop. Many activities involve dirt. Wear clothes that can get dirty

What to bring: Water bottle and a light jacket

Contact the World Museum of Mining at 406-723-7211 or education@miningmuseum.org.



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

HEALTHY LIVING IS FOR EVERYONE

BUTTE FAMILY YMCA



Aquatics Center with 8-lane lap pool, zero-depth entry leisure pool, hot tub, water slides and other fixtures.

- Swim Lessons - Water Fitness - Lap Swim - Open Swim & Slide

Fitness Center with cardio equipment like treadmills, cross trainers, life cycles, circuit training, free weights, and much more. Personal Training and Medical Exercise.

Group Exercise with the best instructors in the area. 90+ hours per week in two large classrooms. To name a few classes...

- Easy Does It - Oula - Yoga - Group Spin - Pilates - Silver Sneakers - Insanity - Build & Burn
- Self Defense - Zumba Gold - RIPPED - TRX - Cardio Kickboxing - Senior Strength

Youth Development includes programs like After School, Summer Camp, Active 6 and Youth Water Safety.

Youth Sports where kids learn the fundamental, teamwork, sportsmanship, and character development.

- Basketball - Soccer - Flag Football - Volleyball - Floor Hockey - Water Polo - Swim Team

HOURS: M-F 5:00a to 9:00p, Sat. 8:00a to 6:00p, Sun. 12:00p to 6:00p

RATES: Contact Welcome Center for Membership, Programs, and Daily Fees

WHERE: 2975 Washoe Street, Butte MT 59701 or call 406.782.1266

The mission of the Butte-Silver Bow Parks & Recreation Department is to sustain and improve health, wellness, quality of life, and community closeness of the citizens of Butte-Silver Bow; and to plan for the future development of the community's parks facilities and recreation programming.

Butte-Silver Bow Parks & Recreation at a glance:

- More than two dozen parks (many of which are available for free pavilion reservations), numerous playgrounds, a 9-hole municipal golf course, two disc golf courses, a splash pad, and a wading pool
- An urban trails system, ex-urban trails, and bike lane network
- Thompson Park: The only dually managed municipal/National Forest Service park in the nation
- Adult and youth programming, which include: volleyball, softball, footgolf, geocaching, and a summer concert series
- Two historic mine yards turned parks and events facilities
- Community-wide special events

This guide is brought to you by Butte-Silver Bow Parks & Recreation and community recreation partners and providers.



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