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GEARZZLIES' GAZETTE

NEWSLETTER FOR UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA GEAR UP PROGRAM

GET TO KNOW A GEARZZLY: FAITH WELLS X2



Faith Wells is from Missoula and attended Hellgate High School. While there she took advantage of being close to the University of Montana and gathered college credits. Now attending the University of Montana, she is a freshman but credit wise, she is a junior. She is currently studying parks and recreation management, but is changing her major. In her spare time she is

involved with the Native American Natural Resource Program and SACNAS (Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science).

Her hobbies include backpacking, playing the folk harp, and guitar.

Next year she plans to transfer to Hillsdale College in Michigan, to pursue a degree in politics and journalism. In the future she thinks she will end up teaching. Her goal is to be a source of a encouragement for her students and connecting them to higher education opportunities.



Faith Wells is from Rocky Boy and attended Box Elder High School. In high school she participated in honors band, pep band, volleyball, basketball, and track & field. She was also the president of a Two Spirit group. Now a Freshman at the University of Montana, she is majoring in Sociology with a

concentration in Criminology. She is a PAC outreach chair and is also in the Lambda Alliance.

Her hobbies include all things art- digital drawing, stained glass, ceramics, printmaking. She also loves to sing, run long distance, write, play video games and fashion.

In the future she hopes to be a forensic scientist or detective in Missoula. She wants to have her own house where she will reside with her partner and tons of pets, and continue to do hobby art.

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April 2022

- 4/6 11am-2pm Big Sky Employment Fair--in the University Center Ballroom
- 4/6 12-2pm, PNAFC Rotunda, Wellness Wednesday
- 4/7 12pm, <u>ZOOM</u>, Thrifty Thursday Paying for College 101
- 4/9 10-2pm, The Mansfield Mall (behind Main Hall, between the Mansfield Library and the UC)Largest Garage Sale
- 4/9 10-1pm, Service Saturday-Poverello Center shelter, 1110 West Broadway
- 4/7-4/8 Priority registration to sign up for fall classes starts at 8 a.m.
- 4/13 12-2pm, PNAFC Rotunda, "Souper"
 Wednesday
- 4/14 12pm, <u>ZOOM</u>, Student Loan Forgiveness
- 4/19 6-7pm, Game Night at Pantzer (basketball and sand volleyball courts
- 4/20 12pm, Payne FNAC Rotunda, Wellness Wednesday
- 4/21 12pm, <u>ZOOM</u>, Thrifty Thursday: Student Loan Repayment Basics with Wells Fargo
- 4/21 2-3pm, <u>ZOOM</u>, Study abroad in 2023
- 4/22-23 53rd Annual Kyiyo Pow Wow
- 4/26 4pm, <u>ZOOM</u>, Study abroad in 2023
- 4/27 12-2pm, PNAFC Rotunda, "Souper"
 Wednesday
- 4/28 4-6pm, End of Year Celebration



DEADLINES

4/7-4/8 PRIORITY REGISTRATION TO SIGN UP FOR FALL CLASSES STARTS AT 8 A.M. GO TO OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

5/6 LAST DAY TO DROP A CLASS
WITH INSTRUCTOR'S, ADVISOR'S
AND DEAN'S APPROVAL; A 'WP' OR
'WF' WILL APPEAR ON THE
TRANSCRIPT FOR DROPPED CLASSES

5/14 RESIDENCE HALLS CLOSE AT NOON FOR SUMMER BREAK

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UM's Online Employment Platform

Student Employment – EARN while you LEARN! Explore part-time, on/off-campus, work study and non-work study jobs.

Experiential Learning – Search for internship, volunteer, and research opportunities.

Professional Positions – Find your dream job or employer after graduation.

On-Campus Interviewing – Sign up for interviews with employers for full/part-time positions and internships.

Log in with your NetID at www.umt.joinhandshake.com

Career Fairs – We offer 6 fairs each year! Student Employment Fair – August Health Professions Career Fair – October Pharmacy Career Fair – October Industrial Technology Fair – March Big Sky Employment Fair – February Educators' Career Fair – April



Peace Corps - Explore opportunities to valunteer and serve in developing countrie

Come See Us!

Emma B. Lommasson Center 154 Monday - Friday 8 am - 5 pm careers@umontana.edu www.umt.edu/career (406) 243-2022



CAREER S E R V I C E S

Serving All of UM – We provide on-site services for Mountain Campus and Missoula College Campuses. We serve undergraduate students, graduate students, prospective students, & alumni.



Career Counseling – Discuss your career needs with a counselor. We help with resumes, applications, job searching, interviewing, and more.



Assessments – Take a career-related assessment to help you choose a major and make career-related decisions based on your skills, abilities, and interests.



Mock Interviews – Prepare for interviews by practicing with a career counselor. We'll provide feedback and can record your interview.



On-Campus Recruiting

Connect with employers through on-campus interviews, networking opportunities, and info sessions to helpland a job or internship.



Testing Services - Computer-based national standardized tests offered include: GRE, TOEFL, GMAT, MCAT, PCAT, CPA and many other professional licensures and certifications.





RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT



We are ready when you are. Visit early. Visit often.

Appointment Hours

Mansfield Library 322:

In person or online: weekdays 10am-4pm Tues, Thurs, Sun 4pm-7pm

Drop-in Hours

Payne Center: 1-3pm Tues, Wed Branch Center: 1-3pm Tues, 2-4 pm Wed

Make an appointment: www.umt.edu/writing-center/

Writing and Public Speaking Center consultants are eager to work with you at any point during the research, writing and presentation process. We are open for inperson and online appointments Sunday through Friday. Visit our online scheduler to make an appointment or stop by to meet with a consultant during our drop-in hours. We look forward to working with you!

"There is no rule on how to write. Sometimes it comes easily and perfectly: sometimes it's like drilling rock and then blasting it out with charges."

~ Ernest Hemingway



DEAR MONTE

Dear Monte,

I need to get a summer job, where do I even begin?

--Harried Job Hunter

That's an excellent question! Most job applications require that you have several references. I would start by asking some of your former employers, teachers, advisors and coaches if they are willing to be a reference for you and gather their contact information. Next, I would look at the Office of the Experiential Learning and Career Success Website. They have useful resources on how to format your resume, where to look for jobs, writing a cover letter, and interview tips. You can even schedule an appointment with them to receive in person help!

Experiential Learning & Career Success Aber Hall, 2nd Floor

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CRUSHING COLLEGE

BEWARE OF MONKEY TRAPS



Ever caught a monkey? Here's how!

- 1. First, you cut a hole in a coconut big enough to fit a monkey's hand, but when the fist is closed, they can't get it out.
- Inside the coconut put in monkey bait, like a nut, fruit, or some other lure.
- 3. Attach the coconut to a stake or tree and wait for the monkey.
- 4. The monkey will come and stick his hand in the coconut to get the bait, and once he has grabbed it, <u>he won't let it go</u>. Since the hole isn't big enough for his fist, he is easily caught.

Lesson

While in college, you will make mistakes, you will get stuck. Perhaps you will fail a test, maybe you will struggle in relationships, you will need to learn to let things go in order to be free and move forward. If you fail a test or a class? Evaluate, how could you prepare differently. Regularly attending class? Taking efficient notes? Studying with a buddy? Getting tutoring? Talking to the professor? Don't get stuck beating yourself up about coulda, shoulda, wouldas. Evaluate the situation, know your resources, and decide which option to best prepare for the next time. You don't have to be like a monkey, you don't have to be stuck...

LET IT GO!!