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The Natural Horsemanship Revolution Conference

The Natural Horsemanship Revolution Conference and EQUUS International Film Festival, presented in partnership with the University of Montana Western, will be held at the Montana Center for Horsemanship September 8-10 in Dillon, Montana.

Featured guests include internationally renowned horseman and proponent of Natural Horsemanship, Buck Brannaman, Natural Horsemanship ambassador and rodeo icon Ty Murray, and equine behaviorist and veterinarian, Dr. Robert Miller.

A pre-conference day featuring equine neuroscientist, Dr. Stephen Peters, will be held on September 7. To register or make arrangements for class/student attendance, visit the [conference webpage](#) or contact Janet Rose at 406-925-3270.

Save the Dates

August 25, 2022

- 3:30 p.m., [Life: Inside and Out Seminar](#)
Block Hall 311



August 26, 2022

- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Root Beer Floats on Legacy Plaza sponsored by ASUMW

August 27, 2022

- 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., Football at Carroll College [Livestream](#)

September 1, 2022

- 3:30 p.m., [On the Rocks Seminar](#)
Block Hall 311

Visit our [online events calendar](#) for more information and to add events to your calendar. Please submit your scheduled events throughout the year [here](#).

Facility Services Updates

Block Hall Renovation Project

The Block Hall Renovation Project kick-off meeting is scheduled for August 31 at 11:00 a.m. (location to be announced). All interested individuals are invited to attend. Included in the kick-off meeting will be Dowling Architects, the State of Montana Architecture & Engineering Division, and UMW stakeholders including the Block Hall Renovation Committee. The objectives for this first meeting include introducing all of the stakeholders, reviewing the general project scope and timeline, and to begin prioritizing campus needs. This will be the first of several scope meetings to be conducted in the next few months. Further updates will be provided as the project progresses.

Heating Plant Upgrade Project

This week and into the next couple of weeks there will be several contractor groups working concurrently on the heating plant project. Traffic and parking around the heating plant has been more congested than normal so please avoid this area if you can. Building envelope work has started, which involves the removal and replacement of most of the windows in the building. The mechanical contractor is installing process piping to connect the new DA and Surge Tank. The electrical contractor is running power and lights to the new equipment. **It is expected the first of several campus-wide steam outages will occur the week of August 29. More information will be**

provided once the date and time of the outage is confirmed.

Visit the [Facility Services website](#) for more updates including the campus LED lighting upgrade project.

Dr. Rob Thomas on Words Out West Podcast



In this episode, writer, geologist and UMW professor, Dr. Rob Thomas, explains how the amazing history of rocks is related to the mining town of Butte, Montana finding its place in the sun. This episode is sponsored by Mountain Press, publisher of the [Roadside Geology of Montana](#) by Donald W. Hyndman and Dr. Rob Thomas.

To listen to the podcast, click [here](#).

Montana Western to Host 30th Annual Bulldog Bash



The University of Montana Western Foundation, UMW Athletics Department, and the Bulldog Club will host the 30th Annual Bulldog Bash dinner and auction on September 24, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the Keltz Arena on the UMW campus.

The day's events start at 11:00 a.m. with a tailgate celebration at Vigilante Field followed by the Montana Western vs. Montana Tech football game. Doors open at the Keltz Arena after the game with dinner at 5:30 p.m. A "Legacy of Casey Keltz" video tribute, silent auction, and live auction will take place during the Bash. To purchase tickets or tables, call 406-683-7306 or email kelly.allen@umwestern.edu.

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UMW Announces 2022 Bulldog Athletics Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

The Montana Western Alumni Association and Athletics Department is proud to announce that five new members will be inducted into the Bulldog Athletics Hall of Fame on October 1, 2022 in the Lewis

and Clark room on the UMW campus during a special induction ceremony and brunch starting at 9 a.m.

This year, the Hall of Fame welcomes Dr. Janelle Handlos, Tommy Lee, Rob Hankins, Becky Kurtz (O'Neil) and Nick Rewerts. To purchase tickets, call 406-683-7306 or email kelly.allen@umwestern.edu.

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