



2017 Montana State Leaders Forum Glendive, MT



Tours

Glendive Dinosaur and Fossil Museum- *The Glendive Dinosaur & Fossil Museum proudly presents its exhibits in the context of Biblical history. The museum houses more than 24 full-size dinosaurs plus numerous singular fossils. It also houses informative exhibits explaining the origin of the geologic column, the fossil record, the age of the earth, as well as a Biblical history exhibit, a theater and a gift shop.* <https://www.creationtruth.org/>

Frontier Gateway Museum- *Frontier Gateway Museum is historical in content beginning with prehistoric times continuing into the 21st century. It includes seven buildings on an acre of land. Major displays in the main building include fossils, Native American artifacts, homesteaders, cattlemen, settlers, and railroad. On the grounds are a blacksmith shop, two country stores, a buggy shed, and a fire hall, a display of farm machinery, as well as a sheep wagon, log cabin and schoolhouse.* <http://www.frontiergatewaymuseum.org>

Beaver Creek Brewery- *Jim Devine and Sandon Stinnett were longtime eastern Montana home brewers who kept getting high praise for their handcrafted beers. "You guys should open a brewery!" was a constant refrain, and eventually they looked at each other and wondered, "Is this possible?" They decided it was possible. Jim and Sandon bought and refurbished an old, long-unused building in downtown Wibaux. Named for the small creek running through Wibaux, Beaver Creek Brewery opened its doors in summer 2008 with six beers on tap, plus root beer. Since then, BCB has grown in popularity, becoming a regional destination for connoisseurs of beer, music and good times. We always say, "Our Beaver Tastes Better!" and we love it when people come in and find out for themselves! This tour will start at 2:00 p.m.* <http://www.beavercreekbrewery.com/>

Cross Country Brewery- *Cross Country Brewing is family-owned business located in Glendive, MT. They have on tap stouts, ales, IPAs, and wheat brews. They also have a variety of sodas for the whole family.*

Downtown Glendive - *Tour four downtown Glendive businesses: The Trinity Bakery (<https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Bakery-507388529422471/>); The Enchanted Room/Enchanted Living (www.enchanted-room.com); Country Girly Clay (www.countrygirlyclay.com); Sugar Plum Jewelry (www.sugarplumjewelryco.com). Each of these local businesses showcases the talent of local artisans.*

Fort Keogh, Miles City - *Fort Keogh is a 55,000 acre USDA- Agricultural Research Service rangeland beef cattle research facility operated in cooperation with the Montana Agricultural Experiment Station. Fort Keogh was established by Congress as an Army Calvary post on July 22, 1876. The Fort was named after Captain Myles Keogh. In 1907, all infantry troops were withdrawn from the Fort and in 1909 it was designated a Remount Station. The Army relinquished the land in 1922 and Congress transferred Fort Keogh to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the purpose of conducting agricultural research. The earliest research at Fort Keogh focused on animal genetics and range management. Today, the animal research is restricted to beef cattle and includes research conducted in genetics, reproductive physiology, and nutrition. The range management research is conducted in three broad disciplines; rangeland ecology, plant ecophysiology, and animal nutrition.* <https://www.ars.usda.gov/plains-area/miles-city-mt/range-and-livestock-research/>

Makoshika State Park - *The name Makoshika (Ma-ko'-shi-ka) is a variant spelling of a Lakota phrase meaning 'bad land' or 'bad earth'. Walk a real dinosaur trail. Montana's largest state park features badland formations and the fossil remains of Tyrannosaurus Rex, Triceratops and more. You'll find a visitor center at the park entrance with interpretive exhibits great for kids.* <http://stateparks.mt.gov/makoshika/>

Prairie County Museum and Evelyn Cameron Gallery - *On the edge of the scenic badlands and the home of the moss agate, the Prairie County Museum began in 1975 in the historic 1916 State Bank of Terry building and has grown into a complex that includes the 1906 State Bank of Terry building, the only steam heated outhouse this side of the Mississippi, a pioneer homestead, the Burlington Northern train depot, an old red wooden caboose and the famous Evelyn Cameron Gallery. The museum complex is the essence of the old pioneer life, the way it was lived, how it was endured, and how we thrived in eastern Montana. The Prairie County Museum houses historic files for research of events and families, including obituaries. The museum has an extensive collection of photographs which can be reprinted for a nominal fee. The Larsen Memorial Building is new and houses many historical artifacts.*

<http://www.visitmt.com/listings/general/museum/prairie-county-museum-and-evelyn-cameron-gallery.html>

Dawson County Correctional Facility - *The Dawson County Correctional Facility is a 28 bed county jail along with a 144 bed regional prison. The facility opened in 1998 and houses low to medium risk state offenders. Rehabilitation Programs are offered to the general population. If you come on this tour please leave your cell phone in your vehicle.*

http://www.dawsoncountymontana.com/departments/dawson_county_correctional_facility/

Farm to Table - *The Farm-to-Table Project was designed to create local food systems providing locally-grown and manufactured, quality foods throughout the region. Current projects include; 1.) a shared-use, commercial kitchen; 2.) a local foods store; 3.) a community garden; 4.) the Prairie Development Center; and 5.) a Farmers Market. This tour will visit several of the current projects and focus on the opportunities and challenges of establishing a self-sustaining, local food system in rural Montana*

Intake with fishing and agates – *FWP Biologist Mat Rugg will talk about the Yellowstone River and its fish populations. He will also talk about the intake Diversion Dam and its purpose, need, impacts to the fishery, and USACE proposed project.*

Area Agriculture – *We'll be stopping at the intake diversion dam where (hopefully) James Brower will be discussing the Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project. He'll primarily focus on the issues the project is having with the defenders of wildlife but will also highlight the importance of the project and how many acres and various crops that are grown in the Yellowstone valley because of it.*

The second stop will be at the Sidney Livestock Market Center. Kristin and Tim Larson will walk everyone through the facility and people will basically get to see a sale from the cows' point of view. They do this with the 6th grade classes in Sidney every year and it's always a big hit. Kristin also sits on the Montana Beef Council so I'm sure she'll have some promotional stuff to hand out as well. (Limit 40)

Dawson Community College - *Dawson Community College is a Montana public community college founded in 1940. DCC is nestled between the banks of the Yellowstone River, Makoshika State Park and the city of Glendive. DCC offers affordable and open access to quality teaching and learning. Core themes are: College Transfer Education; Career and Technical Education; College Readiness Education; and Continuing Education and Community Service.*

<http://www.dawson.cc.mt.us/>

Baisch Dinosaur Dig - *Take home dinosaur fossils, petrified wood, colorful rocks and precious memories from a day in the Eastern Montana badlands. Play paleontologist while you hunt for and excavate triceratops, edmontosaurus, and the elusive T-rex. Baisch's Dinosaur Digs, LLC, conducts paleontological day trips on a privately owned ranch, within view of Makoshika State Park, and just a few miles from the town of Glendive. The experienced guides will show you what to look for, how to excavate fossils if you find any and how to cast or prepare it. We will supply the needed tools and supplies for collecting. With a few exceptions, we will generally allow you to keep the fossils that you find. Children who unaccompanied by an adult will need to fill out a waiver. \$60 for half day dig from 1 to 5p.m.*

<http://www.dailydinosaurdigs.com/index.html>

** All tours that require transportation will meet at the college, then depart.