



*October 10, 2022*

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**ALUMNI DIRECTOR VIRTUAL FORUMS**

You are invited to virtual forums with the two finalists for the Montana Tech Alumni Director position. The forums will take place on **Tuesday, October 11**, via Zoom. Each finalist will present, followed by time for Q&A. The candidates, times, and zoom links are below:

**Sean Ryan**

10:15 am – 11:00 am

Zoom link

## **Ginny Abbott**

2:30 pm – 3:00 pm

Zoom link

## **EAB PRESENTATION**

The Education Advisory Board (EAB) will provide a campus-wide lecture, State of the Sector–The Fight to Be Chosen, on **Wednesday, October 12**, from 9:00 am to 10:00 am in the Library Auditorium. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. This presentation will cover the following:

- The Talent Crunch that is Here to Stay
- How Staffing Shortages Imperil the Student Experience
- The Widening Gap Between High School Graduation and College Enrollment
- The Growing Dominance of Elite Institutions in the Online Grad Market
- How to Find Success in a Winner-Take-All Research Funding Market

## **ADVANCING MONTANA TECH FORUM**

The next Advancing Montana Tech Forum will take place on **Thursday, October 13**, at 3:00 pm in the Library Auditorium. Deputy Commissioner for Budget and Planning Tyler Trevor will be joining us from OCHE to share thoughts on the state of enrollment in the MSU and beyond. In addition, Leslie Dickerson and Ron Muffick will provide updates on Montana Tech's fall enrollment and the budget. The forum will be recorded and posted after the event. A zoom option will not be available. Hope to see you there.

## **ENTREPRENEURSHIP PANEL**

Montana Tech's Department of Business is hosting an Entrepreneurship Speaker Panel on **Friday, October 14**, at 11:00 am in the Student Union Building's Copper Lounge. The question and answer forum will be moderated by Business Department Head Todd Tregidga and includes a who's who list of local entrepreneurs as follows:

**Luke Anderson** is the Co-Owner/Founder and CEO of UpTop, which was established in 2010. UpTop is a Montana-based lifestyle company dedicated to celebrating your enjoyable moments and sharing them with the world. Together, founders Luke and Colt Anderson with a team of various friends created a platform that combined a live-for-today-lifestyle, and the celebration of all moments. Those who wear the brand have further inspired the company to continue sharing the idea of doing what you love with integrity, enjoyment, and in an original way.

**Courtney McKee** is Co-Owner/Founder and CEO of Headframe Spirits. Headframe Spirits produces distilled spirits and operates a Tasting Room while its Manufacturing counterpart designs and builds high-tech distillation equipment for distilleries around the world. Courtney's two highest values are Community and Courage and she brings both of them to the planning and execution of all the work she does.

**Jen O'Brien** is President of Montana Craft Malt. Montana Craft Malt is a \$30M malthouse located west of Butte in the Montana Connections Park and is designed to produce diverse varieties of malted barley and wheat designed to supply the craft brewing and distilling industries. Jen is a brand strategist, having experience guiding large brand names to

establish and manage brand positions across technology, healthcare, and professional services industries and provided the leadership that persevered through very difficult circumstances to bring the plant online in 2020.

**Jon Wick** is Owner and Lead Designer of 5518 Designs and Dig City Supply. Jon started 5518 Designs in 2012 as a branding, graphics, and print design company out of his extra bedroom in Butte. Through his graduate work at Montana Tech, client work, and passion projects, he began to develop a unique 5518 style of outdoor, recreation-inspired graphics and eventual line of Montana lifestyle apparel. In 2022, 5518 Designs launched its second brand, Dig City Supply to focus on the Montana Tech brand as well as local elementary and high school apparel.

All are welcome to attend.

### **INDIGENOUS MENTORING PROGRAM WORKSHOPS**

You are invited to an Indigenous Mentoring Program Workshop on **Friday, October 14**, from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm or on **Friday, October 21**, from 12:00 pm to 2:30 pm, via Zoom. Marilyn Zimmerman, Senior Director of Policy and Programs, National Native Children's Trauma Center, and Jennifer Harrington, Native American Natural Resource Program Director, W.A. Franke College of Forestry and Conservation, will lead a two-part workshop series for faculty, graduate students, administrators and staff who currently mentor, or who are interested in mentoring, American Indian/Alaska Native students. Attendees will engage in facilitated sessions with a number of presenters who will share knowledge about cultural humility, establishing and sustaining healthy mentor-mentee relationships, and campus and community-wide services and programs available for AI/AN students. The workshop will also focus on Indigenous research methodologies, best practices for disseminating research in Native communities, and Indigenous mentoring practices. RSVP for the workshop [here](#).

### **FAMILY WEEKEND**

This **Friday through Sunday** is Family Weekend. Please join us in welcoming nearly 200 moms, dads, siblings, grandparents, and additional friends and family to campus. They will participate in fun activities including hiking, trolley tours, haunted campus tours, underground mine tours, and more! Please give them a friendly Oredigger greeting. While most tours are full, some spots are available in the guided Saturday hikes at Thompson Park. If you receive any questions about the event, you can find all the details [here](#).

### **SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS RUN**

The Society of Women Engineers is hosting a 5K run to raise funds for breast cancer research and SWE. Half of the funds will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation and half will go towards SWE activities. Beverages and t-shirts will be given to the racers. To ensure you get a t-shirt, please register beforehand at [this link](#). Discounts are available for Tech students. The race will be **Saturday, October 15** at 9:00 am in the Three Bears parking lot. Packet pick-up will be from 8-8:45 am. See attached flyer for more details.

### **DIGGER INTEGRITY DAY**

Join the writing program for an Escape Room scenario! Escape with your integrity and win a prize. The event will take place on **Wednesday, October 19, 2022** from 10:00 am to

2:00 pm in SUB 212 AB. Please email [ccrooker1@mtech.edu](mailto:ccrooker1@mtech.edu) to reserve your time. The event is presented by the Montana Tech Writing Program.

### **STAFF SENATE MEET & GREET**

The Montana Tech Staff Senate is hosting a Meet & Greet on Wednesday, October 19 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Slainte. A portion of the proceeds will be donated back to the Montana Tech Staff Senate. Bring the whole family. For more information, please email [staffsenate@mtech.edu](mailto:staffsenate@mtech.edu).

### **CLIFTONSTRENGTHS TRAINING**

The LEAD team continues to create opportunities to build leadership potential at Montana Tech. Our goal is to elevate a culture of leadership and role modeling. Consider taking the CliftonStrengths assessment and join a Strengths session on **November 3** at 3:00 pm in the Copper Lounge. Whether you're looking to improve yourself or a leader who wants to empower your people to perform better, your efforts start with CliftonStrengths (Gallup, 2020). Contact Sarah Raymond, [sraymond@mtech.edu](mailto:sraymond@mtech.edu) for an assessment code if you have not taken the assessment!

### **MAIL & COPY CENTER IS HERE FOR YOU!**

Are you pressed for time, but need some copies made? Do you need either binding services or a few things laminated, and don't know where to turn? The Mail & Copy Center is here for you!

Services offered at the Mail/Copy Center include:

- Inter-Campus Mail Delivery and Collections
- Processing of Incoming (Faculty/Staff) and Outgoing USPS, UPS and FED EX Shipments
- Postal and Shipping Services for the Public, Including Postage Stamps
- Photocopies and Prints (Up to 11"x17")
- Binding Services - Coil Binding and Small Booklet Binding
- Lamination (Up to 11"x17")
- Pamphlet and Brochure Printing and Folding

The Mail/Copy Center also currently has scratchpads made from recycled materials available, so stop in and grab a few! Email your requests and/or questions to [CopyCenter@mtech.edu](mailto:CopyCenter@mtech.edu), or stop by the Mail & Copy Center on the first floor of the Student Union Building and visit with Mark, Bree, or Mike! You can also visit our webpage at <https://www.mtech.edu/administrative-services/mail-center.html> for more information. Hours of operation during the academic year are 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Mon-Fri.

### **AVOIDING SOCIAL ENGINEERING AND PHISHING ATTACKS**

The IT Department recently enabled Outlook Add-in's to report suspicious emails directly to Microsoft. This new feature, which can be found by clicking the report message icon, can be used to report suspicious messages directly from your email client or you can contact the IT Helpdesk if you are unsure. Please do not forward messages to IT staff asking if a message is legitimate. See the

following link for more information: Avoiding Social Engineering and Phishing Attacks - <https://www.cisa.gov/uscert/ncas/tips/ST04-014>.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### OCTOBER

10/11 Alumni Director Virtual Forums  
Sean Ryan | 10:15 am - 11:00 am | [Zoom link](#)  
Ginny Abbott | 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm | [Zoom link](#)  
10/11-12 EAB Workshops | 3:00 pm | Library Auditorium  
10/13 Advancing Montana Tech Forum | 11:00 am | Copper Lounge  
10/14 Department of Business Entrepreneurship Panel  
10/14-16 Family Weekend  
10/15 SWE race | 9:00 am | Three Bears  
10/19 Digger Integrity Day | 10:00 am - 2:00 pm 10:00 until 2:00 | SUB 212AB  
10/22 Make A Difference Day  
Volleyball vs University of Providence | 6:00 pm | HPER  
Football vs Southern Oregon University | 1:00 pm | Alumni Coliseum

### NOVEMBER

11/3 CliftonStrenghts Training | 3:00 pm | Copper Lounge  
11/4 Volleyball vs MSU-Northern | 7:00 pm | HPER  
11/5 Football vs Montana Western | 1:00 pm | Alumni Coliseum  
11/8 Election Day  
11/11 Veterans Day  
11/11-12 Frontier Conference Volleyball Tournament | HPER  
11/18 Tech Day  
11/24 Thanksgiving

