

# **MILE HIGH BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN**

2011 Back Country Horsemen of Montana State Convention

March 25-27, 2011

Copper King Motel 4655 Harrison Avenue – Butte, MT

Dear Fellow MHBCH Member,

Mile High Back Country Horsemen is proud to host the 2011 BCH Montana State Convention in Butte, March 25-27. We're looking forward to an exciting weekend of entertainment, general sessions and educational workshops. The theme for this year's convention is: **'RENDEZVOUS AT THE DIVIDE: WHERE EAST MEETS WEST'**.

MHBCH members are able to register for the convention at a reduced rate of \$50 for the full convention and \$25 for the banquet (open to family and friends). Complete the attached registration form and return it along with your payment to P.O. Box 4434 Butte, MT 59702 at your earliest convenience. We want to encourage as many of our membership to attend. In addition we are going to need assistance at the convention to help out. If you're willing to help out for an hour or two please contact Carole Thoen (494-1163) or Jocelyn Dodge (533-0727).

A special treat this year will be Friday night entertainment, sponsored by *NorthWestern Energy*, featuring **Charlie Russell's Yarns** portrayed by Raphael Cristy. This event will be held at the historic Mother Lode Theater in uptown Butte. The show explores the life and works of cowboy artist Charles M. Russell (1864-1926) through his hilarious stories and colorful art projected on a large screen. After the kickoff cocktail hour at the Copper King, take a trolley ride to uptown Butte for dinner and then the show at the Mother Lode Theater on 315 West Park Street. The show begins at 8:00 pm and is free with paid to each paid convention member and \$5.00 for spouses/guests. Additional tickets can be purchased at the Mother Lode Theater or log onto: [www.buttearts.org](http://www.buttearts.org).

Saturday afternoon educational workshops will offer a variety of backcountry topics by guest speakers including saddle fitting, horse training, equine massage, Anaconda Pintler Wilderness, and more.

The 2011 Convention will include the usual items: general sessions, raffle, live and silent auctions, the always popular photo contest, vendor and exhibitor booths, and Saturday night banquet followed by entertainment at the Mine Shaft Lounge in the Copper King.

See you at the convention,

*PETE MADISON*  
MHBCH President