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### BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN MISSION STATEMENT

1. To perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in America's backcountry and wilderness areas.
2. To work to ensure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use.
3. To assist the various government, state and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resource.
4. To educate, encourage and solicit active participation in the wise and sustaining use of the back country resource by horsemen and the general public commensurate with our heritage.
5. To foster and encourage the formation of new back country horsemen's organizations.
6. To cooperate with other B.C.H.A. organizations.



### *A Message from Our President*

Greetings Members:

Happy New Year!!!!

This year promises to be one full of events that include training opportunities, trail projects and of course, our hosting of the 2020 convention. Your Board has discussed tentative dates for trail projects. The Training Committee has set dates for First Aid/CPR and Defensive Horsemanship, and they continue to work on dates, locations, and a list of trainees for

crosscut and chain saw certifications. The 2020 Convention committee is diligently wrapping up certain details in anticipation of the March 20 – 22 Montana Back Country Horsemen Convention here in Hamilton. More details will be forthcoming from the Committee in February.

An exciting aspect of planning trail projects is the introduction of 5 new project leaders. It is essential that leaders are identified for each project, either as a single individual, or a team taking on the planning and implementation of the project. Be thinking about signing up for one or more projects.

I would like to thank Joe and Marilyn Rogish for their continuing support of our chapter for over 17 years. Their service includes many roles from Budget Chair, Treasurer, Trails Chair, Project leader, Chapter Board and State Board members, and I am sure others jobs of which I'm not aware. They have chosen to step back for a while, relax, and let others take on these roles. Joe and Marilyn have set an impressive example for others who are stepping up and taking on new roles. For that we are fortunate and grateful. They are continuing as members of our chapter, and we will see them in the future.

Gene Merrell, president

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### Presentation to Bitter Root Backcountry Horsemen, December 2019

**Program Speaker:** James Jonkel – FWP Bear Specialist presenting “Grizzly Bears in the Bitterroot Valley”

## 2020 BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN CONVENTION

The 2020 Convention Theme selected was *2020: Clear Trails Ahead*.  
Committee chairs are listed below.

2020 Back Country Horsemen Convention Committee Information			
Theme - 2020: Clear Trails Ahead			
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## TRAINING

### First Aid/CPR

The first training is scheduled for Saturday, January 25, from 10 am to 3 pm, taught by Connie Long. Bring lunch, water, paper for notes if you desire, and wear comfortable clothing. We have 5 spaces left so contact Bonnie Morgan (381-9021) if you would like to attend this session.

Directions to Stevensville Fire Rural Fire District West Side:

- From the South, turn west (left) at the stoplight intersection of Hwy 93 and Eastside highway. Turn right and drive through the Subway parking lot to the end of the lane, then left on Kingsman Drive to the fire station. Please do not block the fire doors.
- From the North, turn right (West) on Kingsman Drive just before the traffic light and follow it straight back to the station. If you miss the road, turn right at the light and follow the directions above. Again, please do not block the fire doors.

### Defensive Horsemanship

The demonstration portion is scheduled in the C-Max arena on Bass Lane in Corvallis April 4. Four sessions of Obstacle course training will be on April 25 and May 2. Save April 4 and one of the other two dates!

### Chainsaw and Crosscut Saw classes

These classes will be starting in April, weather permitting. Sawyers needing a renewal will be able to renew while on projects (*if last certified under new saw regs*) when an instructor is available. Those new to the current Forest Service guidelines will need to have a more in depth training, starting in April. Remember that First Aid/CPR needs to be current to remain certified or get a new card.

**Congratulations** to the Smoke Elser Packing Scholarship winners: Beau Duggan, Travise Grinnell, and Joe Kirkland!!





## A DUTCH-OVEN COOKING PRIMER

*(from Scouting Magazine) With Camping approaching, we thought this primer would be beneficial... Many baking recipes can be easily converted for Dutch Oven cooking*

**Dutch-oven cooking** is as much a part of Scouting [and Horse Camping] as tying knots. But learning to cook in a Dutch oven can be a bit intimidating. After

all, they can be heavy and kind of messy, and the cooking style involves a little math.

A Dutch oven is such a versatile cooking tool that when you bring one to camp, it's like bringing the kitchen from home. It can be used to fry, sauté, bake, stew, roast or slow cook — any time of day and for nearly any type of meal. It's not uncommon for a single recipe to involve several cooking methods using the same oven.

### Getting Started

A camp-style Dutch oven — which is a cast-iron or aluminum pot — features legs that let the pot sit above coals on the ground. The lid is specially designed with a rim to help keep coals atop the oven.

Dutch ovens come in various sizes. They are most often identified by the diameter of the oven's lid, but can also be described by their volume in quarts.

For example, a 12-inch Dutch oven is by far the most popular oven used in Scouting, and for good reason: It's the perfect size for group cooking.

Cast iron's dark, nonstick coating is called its "patina" or "seasoning," an all-natural layer that continues to build as you use your oven. Many ovens come pre-seasoned. To help maintain the quality of the patina, wipe the oven with cooking oil before each use. The micro porosity within the cast iron will trap and hold the oil, which then hardens into a sterile layer during the cooking process, offering excellent nonstick properties.

There are many different ways to bake with a Dutch oven. Some people cook directly on the inside metal surface of their oven, while others line the bottom and insides with foil or parchment paper. Some even use a device within the oven to set a pan on — this works well when baking breads that would otherwise tend to burn on the bottom of the oven.

Most often, charcoal briquettes are used to cook meals in a Dutch oven (making it easier to control cooking temperatures), but some experts use real wood coals. Take a look at the temperature chart included in this feature to help estimate the number of briquettes needed to cook your desired dish.

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### Tools You'll Need

- One 12-inch (or 6-quart) camp Dutch oven to serve eight to 12 people
- One bag of charcoal briquettes of good quality and regular size
- A charcoal chimney starter and newspaper for the charcoal, if lighter fluid isn't used
- Matches or lighter
- Long-handled tongs for handling hot coals
- Lid lifter, a metal device for securely lifting a hot oven lid

- Heavy-duty barbecue gloves (welding gloves work, too)
- Heavy-duty foil or parchment paper, if you wish to line your Dutch oven
- Recipes and ingredients

### Turn Up the Heat

When it comes to baking, knowing the size of your oven is key. Coal count and the size of the oven directly affect the internal temperature of the oven. The larger the oven, the more coals needed to maintain a target internal temperature.

Converting recipes to work in different size ovens is actually quite simple. Use the chart below to determine how many coals are needed to achieve the temperature you desire.

Notice that baking calls for a distribution of coals between the lid and underneath the oven, with fewer under the oven than on top. Because heat rises, and the fact that your food is usually directly on the floor of the oven, having fewer coals under the oven helps prevent food from charring on the bottom.

Note that the chart assumes the use of traditional, uniformly sized charcoal briquettes and cast-iron ovens. Bring plenty of charcoal! Additional coal will be required for recipes calling for longer cooking times or when the days are windy or very cold.

### Cleanup and Storage

For cleanup, a well-seasoned oven requires no more than a sponge or dish rag for wiping, a gentle nonmetallic scrub pad or spatula for scraping, warm water for washing and rinsing, and a towel for drying. Avoid placing very hot cast iron in cool water. This may warp or crack the metal.

Metal scouring pads are a sure way to destroy your Dutch oven's coating. Detergents should also be avoided, because soap will attack the cast iron's patina. Never use a dishwasher to clean your cast-iron Dutch oven.

After you've washed your oven, rub or spray a thin layer of food-grade oil over the entire surface of your cookware, including legs and handles. Store your oven with the lid slightly ajar to provide fresh air and continuous ventilation to the oven's interior. A folded paper towel placed in the bottom of the oven during storage will soak up excess oil and moisture, and will delay or prevent gumming of the oil used to recoat the oven prior to storage.

### Safety tips

Dutch ovens are typically very heavy and should be used only on the ground or a specially designed Dutch oven table.

Select a cooking site away from where others are working or playing. When cooking on the ground, the area should be composed of durable, fireproof material such as rock, gravel or dirt.

Follow any special fire restrictions, if they apply. Always have a bucket of water handy to rapidly douse wayward flames or extinguish coals when finished cooking.

COAL-TEMPERATURE CONVERSION CHART								
		Oven Temperature						
		325°F	350°F	375°F	400°F	425°F	450°F	
Dutch Oven Diameter	8"	Total Briquettes	15	16	17	18	19	20
		On Lid	10	11	11	12	13	14
		Underneath Oven	5	5	6	6	6	6
	10"	Total Briquettes	19	21	23	25	27	29
		On Lid	13	14	16	17	18	19
		Underneath Oven	6	7	7	8	9	10
	12"	Total Briquettes	23	25	27	29	31	33
		On Lid	16	17	18	19	21	22
		Underneath Oven	7	8	9	10	10	11
	14"	Total Briquettes	30	32	34	36	38	40
		On Lid	20	21	22	24	25	26
		Underneath Oven	10	11	12	12	13	14
	16"	Total Briquettes	37	39	41	43	45	47
		On Lid	25	26	27	28	29	30
		Underneath Oven	12	13	14	15	16	17



### Italian Stuffed Bell Peppers

Serves 6

*This recipe can be easily adapted to Dutch Oven Cooking (see Horse Sense)*

#### Ingredients

- 1 pound ground beef
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 yellow onion diced
- 2 cloves garlic minced
- 1½ cups instant white rice or half cooked plain white rice
- 1 cup water
- 2 cups tomato sauce
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- ¼ teaspoon coarse ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- 2 cups beef broth
- 6 bell peppers cut in half through the stem and cleaned
- Parmesan cheese optional

#### Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees and heat a large skillet on medium-high heat and add in the beef breaking it apart as it cooks then remove it from the skillet and drain the fat.
2. Add in the olive oil and onions; reduce heat to medium, cooking for 5-7 minutes.
3. Add in the garlic, rice, water, tomato sauce, Worcestershire sauce, kosher salt, black pepper and Italian seasoning along with the ground beef back into the pan and mix it all together.
4. Add 2 cups of beef broth and the bell pepper halves to a baking dish and fill with the mixture and bake for 60 minutes wrapped tightly with foil.
5. Garnish with Parmesan cheese.



**BITTER ROOT BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN  
DRAFT GENERAL MEETING MINUTES,  
DECEMBER 19, 2019**

The December 2019 general meeting of the Bitter Root Back Country Horsemen (BRBCH) was called to order by President Gene Merrell at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held at the Corvallis School Cafeteria. 57 members were present. Max Stroppel led the Pledge of Allegiance to start the meeting.

Guests: New members – Nan Christenson, Jeremy Shields from JS Ironworks who donated to the 2020 Convention and donated to the BRBCH Chapter a sawyer's PPE (helmet, chaps, and ear protection), George Bettis and Christy Canter.

Program: Karen Philips introduced Colleen Murphy Southwick and she presented "Personal reflections from three generations of a Wilderness Outfitter family: The Murphys in the Bob Marshall". Colleen discussed many well-known locations and their historical significance to her family and friends. Her family played a key role in the history of the Bob Marshall Wilderness.

**BUSINESS**

**Minutes:** There were no corrections to the November minutes. **Lionel Lavallee motioned, and Sandra O'Brien seconded to accept the minutes of the November 2019 general meeting as printed in the newsletter. The motion carried.**

**Treasurer's Report:** Leslie Conner-Maiyo presented the December treasurer's report. **Lionel Lavallee motioned, and Sandra O'Brien seconded to accept the treasurer's report. The motion carried.**

**CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Gift Certificate, Corvallis School Janitor:** The BRBCH Chapter gave a gift cards to custodian Russ Caffee at the end of the meeting to say thank you.

**Early Renewal Raffle & Membership:** Kathy discussed renewal memberships for the up-coming year. If you renew today, then you get to participate in the raffle. Kathy had random members pull numbers out of the basket throughout the meeting and winners got to take an item from the prize table.

**2020 Coffee and Hot Water Signup:** Karen sent around the signup for the coffee and water.

**Pantry Partners Christmas Box Pack Follow Up:** The BRBCH Chapter had about 30 members come together and help fill boxes of food for approximately 300 families. Gene expressed his appreciation for all who participated.

**Haven House Thank you Card:** Sandra reported we

received a thank you from the Haven House for our cash contribution.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Issues:** Nothing to report.

**Projects:** Dan reported on the proposed projects this year. Project Leaders need to come forth and start thinking about the upcoming season. They met with Mark and Ericka from the Forest Service. Gene also discussed the Bitterroot Front Plan that is going to be a multi – year project. If you have any ideas and/or concerns, please get them to Gene or Dan. Larry Creek trail expansion will probably take a year or more. There are about seven projects planned; if you would like to be a project leader come see Dan, Gene, and/or Lionel.

**State Directors:** BCH of MT met on Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> in Missoula and Joni Packard from the regional Forest Service discussed that she has added \$5000 for training. Connie Long will be here after the first of the year for First Aid/CPR Training. BRBCH member and UM professor Eva Maggi will be teaching a class at the UM on Policy and Packing in the Wilderness, Wilderness Act, and much more. Only UM students can enroll in this class. There is also a Packing & Outfitting Essay contest to win a great set up for someone wanting to get into packing. Go to [www.bchmt.org/flatbch/win.html](http://www.bchmt.org/flatbch/win.html) for additional information. The memberships for BCH of MT is up 8%. Resolutions are due Jan 24<sup>th</sup>. For the Founders Award this year the State BCH is asking each chapter to recommend a member for this award. RTP grant will be coming out soon.

**Membership:** There are 54 memberships and 94 members. Membership forms are on the tables – all new and renew memberships need to fill them out to confirm information and for insurance purposes. If you want new membership cards, see Kathy.

**Training:** Bonnie sent around sign-up sheets for First Aid/CPR, chain saw, and cross cut saw classes. Folk who have current saw certifications or have signed up to take a class have priority for the First Aid class, as it is a prerequisite. The current list of certifications is on our website, so check it or see Bonnie to read the print-out of the training statistics. Dates for Defensive Horsemanship have been tentatively scheduled for April 4 (demonstration) and April 25 or May 2 for obstacle training.

**Outreach:** Karen - Youth members story for the Decker Dispatch will be submitted by Jan. 10.

**Program:** Phil – Grizzlies of the Bitterroot for Feb. 20 meeting.

**Sunshine:** If anyone knows of a member who needs a get well, congratulations, or condolence card, let Cindy Beck know.

**Education:** Nothing to report.

**2020 Convention:** Maddy reported on the committee for the Photo Contest, raffle items and the Decorations Committee. Jan Bullock introduced our guest Program Speaker George Bettis. We are super excited to have George be able to speak at the lunch on Saturday for the Convention. Great things are happening at the committee and things are starting to fall into place.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Packing Scholarships:** Bonnie reported on the packing scholarship recipients: Beau Duggan (youth), Joe Kirkland, and Travis Grinnell will be going in January for 8 weeks to Smoke Elser's Packing Clinic.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Audit Committee:** Once we close the books for this year, the committee will start on this task

**Preliminary 2020 Budget:** Meeting tomorrow and presenting at the Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting. The following are members of the 2020 Budget committee - Candace Erickson, Leslie Maiyo, Bill Black, and Earl Philips.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Newsletter:** Lionel will be stepping down due to his new responsibilities. Lionel would like to train the next member for three months. Please see Lionel if you are interested. It doesn't have to be only one person.

**Next Meeting:** Jan 16 at the Corvallis School Cafeteria with the potluck dinner starting at 6:30 pm. Coffee –Phillip Torgerson, hot water – Bonnie Morgan

Adjourn: Lionel Lavallee motioned, and Julie Schram seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm. The motion carried.

Christy Schram-Duggan, Secretary BRBCH

#### **BITTER ROOT BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN DRAFT BOARD MEETING MINUTES, January 2, 2020**

The January 2020 Board meeting of the Bitter Root Back Country Horsemen (BRBCH) was called to order at 7:01 pm at the Daly-Leach Memorial Chapel in Hamilton, Montana, by President Gene Merrell. Present were officers President Gene Merrell, Vice President Dan Brandborg, Secretary Christy Schram-Duggan, and Treasurer Sandra O'Brien. Also present were Board members Mike Costanzo, Ed Bullock, Julie Schram, Lionel Lavallee, Jan Bullock, Tim Meyer, Dan Maiyo, Jan Bullock State Director Chuck Miller, Alternate State

Director, Taylor Orr and Past President Karen Philips. Absent was Board Member Joe Kirkland and Ed Duggan

The following Committee Chairs were also present: Bonnie Morgan, Kathy Stoppel-Holl, Nancy Pollman, and Brad Pollman

Gene led the pledge.

Minutes: Gene asked if there were any updates to the December 2019 Board meeting minutes. **Lionel Lavallee motioned, and Sandra O'Brien seconded to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter. The motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report: Sandra O'Brien provided an update on the account balances. **Lionel Lavallee motioned, and Tim Meyer seconded to accept the Treasurer's report. The motion carried.**

Sandra discussed the software program, Quicken, which needs to be updated to the most current version. The Board agreed to have the software updated. Discussion followed pertaining to how to archive financial records. It was agreed to have the Audit committee come up with the plan and present it at the next Board meeting.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### **National Forest Foundation Matching Awards**

**Program:** Gene discussed that there was an announcement from Mark Andersen from the Forest Service pertaining to the Matching Awards Program. Discussion followed about using the Matching Awards Program on a potential new horse camp project. More discussion is needed and agreed to place on the agenda for the next Board meeting. Gene took the action item on what documents are needed.

##### **First Aid/CPR Instructor Course for Volunteer**

**Partner Groups:** Bonnie went over the invite from the Forest Service to be trained as a First Aid/CPR instructor. Two potential names were volunteered, and Bonnie will contact them. One course in February and the other in March.

##### **2020 Calendar from Tammany Vet Hospital:**

Please pick one up.

**Bitterroot Ski Club:** Karen confirmed with the Bitterroot XC Ski Club that we are coming on February 13<sup>th</sup> at the Bitterroot River Inn in Hamilton. Set up is at 5:30pm and will have the Convention Raffle Tickets available to purchase. Please see Karen to help at the booth.

**Bicycle Group, Member Travis Williams:** Would like to present at the January General meeting. Christy to place on the General Meeting Agenda for January.



**Pantry Partners Thank You Card:** Received a thank you card from Pantry Partners for the Christmas Box Pack.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Issues:** Comments on the Proposed Trail Como South close on January 15<sup>th</sup>. (Tin Cup to Como South) It was discussed that we need to request the Forest Service come and discuss the Como South Proposed Trail system at the February Board Meeting. Gene to invite Matt Anderson and Ericka Strayer.

**Projects:** Dan discussed the following projects. Calf Creek on May 9<sup>th</sup> with Project Leaders Jan Bullock and Kathy Stoppel-Holl, Coyote Coulee on May 23<sup>rd</sup> with Project Leader Lionel Lavallee, Larry Creek on June 6<sup>th</sup> with Project Leader Joe Kirkland, East Fork Main Trail on June 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> with Project Leaders Betsy Rogan and Sandra O'Brien, East Fork Fun Weekend on July 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> needs organizer, Boulder Creek on July 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> (tentative) with Project Leaders Ed and Christy Duggan, Blodgett Creek on July 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> with Project Leader Dan Brandborg, Twogood Cabin taking place in August with Project Leaders Lionel Lavallee, Ed Duggan, and Julie Schram.

**State Director:** Nothing.

**Membership:** Kathy presented 8 individual renewals, 14 family renewal, 1 new family membership. **Lionel Lavallee motioned, and Ed Bullock seconded to accept the renewal and new memberships. The motion carried.** There are 50 memberships and 90 members.

**Training:** Bonnie announced that the First Aid/CPR course on January 25 has 15 members signed up, with room for five more. Nancy Pollman requested the names of members completing their trainings be forwarded to her so she could include them on the training list on the website. The Defensive Horsemanship demonstration is scheduled for April 4, with the riding portion over obstacles April 25 or May 2 (members ride only one session).

**Program:** Jamie J. Bear expert from the FWP – January.

**Outreach:** Karen reminded the deadline for the Decker Dispatch, Jan 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Education:** Nothing

**2020 Convention:** Christy discussed that the raffle tickets seem to be going like hot cakes. The Beartooth Chapter requested five additional books of raffle tickets. Huge thank you to Nancy for getting the Square website up and running and getting the information to the State. Next meeting January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7pm at the Fairgrounds.

### OLD BUSINESS

**2020 Budget Review:** Earl discussed the Budget Committee Report. Please take some time and look over the 2020 Budget proposal as presented. If anything needs to be edited or added please let Earl or Gene know. Will finalize the budget at the Feb Board Meeting. Christy to ask Sandy Aalgaard to supply the projected revenue and projected expenses for the 2020 Convention to Earl.

**2020 Convention Delegates:** Gene discussed the need for 8 + 1 alternate delegates. Taylor, Chuck, and Lionel (automatic), Gene, Mike C, Leslie, Bonnie and Tim Meyer. Gene to ask for 1 alternate at the General meeting. After the Board meeting Gene, emailed Joe Kirkland if he would like to be the alternate delegate for the State Convention. Joe accepted. Nancy took the action item to register Joe.

### NEW BUSINESS

**FS Agreement and Meeting:** Dan, Lionel, Bonnie, Julie, and Gene met with Erika and Matt (Forest Service). They discussed new horse camp, new trails, and ability to use the facilities. Gene discussed having a Westside Working Group on potential FS projects. Karen, Dan, Julie, Brad, Sandra, Lionel, Ed Duggan and Bonnie volunteered. Dan to contact Erika to be our Liaison. Dan to email an update to Christy.

**BRBCH Newsletter:** Lionel will be working with Sandra.

**Fundraiser:** Ed Bullock discussed forming a committee for events, brainstorming fun things to do for the club. Possibly to start after the Convention.

### OTHER BUSINESS

**Thank you Cards and return labels:** Karen has them, please see her.  
Thank you to Taylor for being here and apart of the Board from Gene.

**Lionel Lavallee motioned, and Ed Bullock seconded to adjourn. The motion carried.**

Adjourn: 8:54 pm.

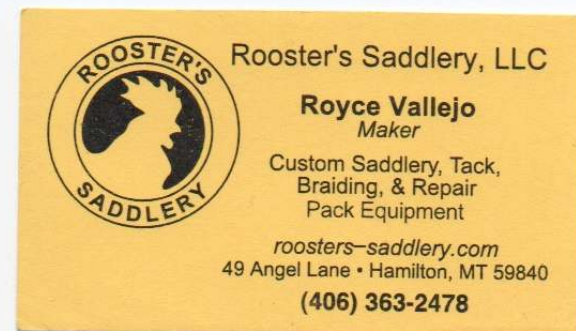
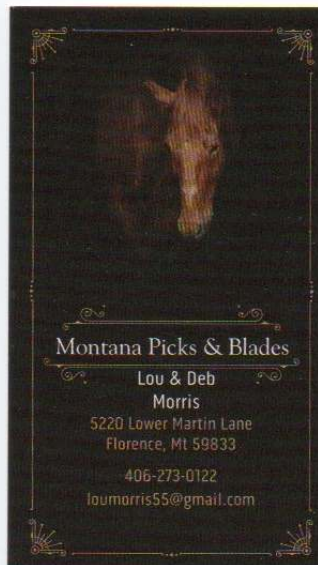
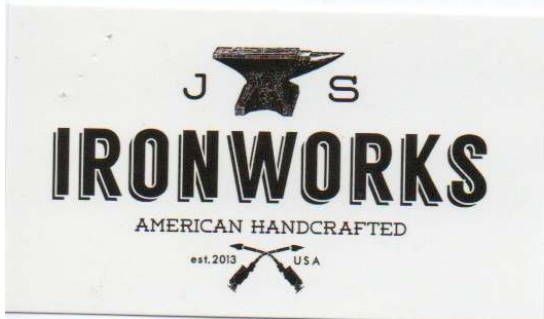
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**Thursday, Jan 16th**

**Location:** Corvallis High School Library

**Program Speaker:** James Jonkel

**Potluck at 6:30**

**Meeting at 7:00**

**Guests are welcome!**

