



# JCG HOOKED

Periodic Company Newsletter



*“You don’t find them, they find you, man.”*  
 -Grayson Lukasik, JCG Superintendent, talking about agates on the National Guard Readiness Center Jobsite

## MISSOULA COLLEGE

Known through its history as the Missoula Vo- Tech, later the Missoula College of Technology, the newly-named Missoula College is a State leader in occupational and technical education. Missoula College provides areas of study in the business and health care professions, applied computing and electronics, and energy and industrial technologies.

A Topping Out Party was held on-site, December 14th. The last beam was hoisted into the air and tours were conducted of the first and second floors.

Construction began March of 2015, and completion is scheduled for Spring of 2017.

For more information on the Missoula College project, visit [www.mc.umt.edu](http://www.mc.umt.edu)

## FLY OF THE MONTH



Cigarette Butt Fly  
 (for when the fishing is exceptional)

The new school will be located on the banks of the Clark Fork, on East Broadway – just across the river from Washington-Grizzly Stadium. This provides a unique opportunity for us to hone our birds of prey knowledge with the neighboring osprey nest.

This project also gives JCG the chance to continue to “LEED” the industry in sustainable construction (pun definitely intended).



## FISHING REPORT

**Bitterroot River:** Look for PMD’s and Caddis to start popping. Or, sling a San Juan/Big Prince nymph combo to get down to the hogs.

**Rock Creek:** Days away from the Salmonfly hatch! You’ll need to be upstream of the hatch to beat the crowds.

**Clarkfork River:** Running big. You can try big and dark stuff deep along the banks.

**Blackfoot River:** Running strong, but green. Look for big fish tight against the banks.

**Missouri River:** If you can miss the winds and the rain, expect some great fishing. With the increased flows, look for rising fish in back channels.

**Clearwater:** Steelhead are mythical creatures.

**Remember:** Crimp those barbs.

## MISSOULA COLLEGE STATS:

- 22,500 SF footprint
- 113,000 SF
- Up to 2,600 students
- Site work includes refurbishing an existing parking area, new parking areas, relocating existing renewable energy systems, landscaping, and irrigation
- Trail system along the river
- 175,560 feet of rebar have been placed in the structure of Missoula College
- There are 81.23 miles of communication and power cable
- 6,490 tons of concrete are in the structure of Missoula College
- There are 748,270 lbs. of structural steel.

## CATCHING UP...

### MANLY CONSTRUCTION MEN LIKE GOLDFISH CRACKERS



It's been a while since we've issued a newsletter. We'll play catch-up in five pictures and five fun facts:

1. As of May 24th, 2016, we employ over 150 employees.
2. There are talks of starting a JCG Exotic Animal Hunting Outfitting company.
3. Nancy cannot reach her Griz coffee mug when it is on the top shelf.
4. We have discovered that contractors are considered a necessary evil.
5. JCG now has a co-ed softball team.

### JOE IS A DANGER TO HIMSELF AND DESSERT TABLES



### FIELD TRIP TO AN OSPREY BASEBALL GAME



### IT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED THAT SIMMEL HAD HAIR



### EVERYONE WANTS A LOOK AT A JCG JOBSITE



## MOVING UP THE LADDER

There are less and less people going into the trades (carpenters, electricians, brick masons, heavy equipment operators, plumbers, etc.). We are already feeling the effects of not having enough human resources for our industry and it will become more apparent in a few short years. JCG is working to challenge stigmas, educate, and motivate upcoming workers.

JCG works with North Dakota State College of Science and the Montana Apprentice Program to offer an apprenticeship program in carpentry to our employees. Currently, we have 5 employees at various stages of hours and education courses to complete their apprenticeship program.

**Darren Stocker & Saul McMeekin** graduated from the JCG apprenticeship program in 2010. Since then, they have worked their way up into Superintendents and continue to be great attributes to team JCG.

JCG is also working with Missoula County Public Schools to enlist the Craft Capture Program; getting high school students involved early on and peaking their interest in the trades. These students are working on actual construction sites under experienced carpenters to learn the trade and get a head start in



the apprenticeship program. A career choice in the trades brings good pay, great benefits, and a job to be proud of at the end of the day.

For more information on getting into the trades, visit <http://www.letsbuildmontana.com>.

## SEPARATED AT BIRTH



Bill Simmel



Mr. Burns



Saul McMeekin



Yukon Cornelius



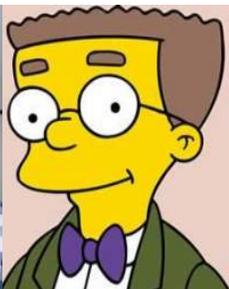
Mark Tabert



Jack Nicholson



Scott Colunga



Smithers



Bill Fritz



Gru



Captain Bob Peters



Jack Sparrow

## SPEAKING OF BIRTHS...

JCG grew by another 8 feet!



**Addison Opalmae Frey**  
Parents: Cody & Tiffany  
Born: May 6, 2015



**Alexandria Lukasik**  
Parents: Grayson & Jan  
(and big brother Gavin)  
Born: June 28, 2015



**Landrie Grace Kirk**  
Parents: Tyler & Maggie  
Born: May 7, 2015



**Willow Schmidt**  
Parents: Tyler & Rachel  
Born: March 25, 2016

## SAFETY BAIT—HEAT EXHAUSTION

- **Drink Plenty of Fluids**—Drink often and before you are thirsty; every 15 minutes and avoid alcohol and caffeine.
- **Dress Your Best**—Wear lightweight, light colored, loose-fitting clothes.
- **Work Up to It**—Modify work schedules if possible, gradually increase workloads and allow more frequent breaks for workers new to the heat
- **Buddy Check**—Routinely check workers who are at risk of heat stress due to protective clothing and high temperatures. Use a buddy system and train employees to know the signs and symptoms of heat stress.



## CURRENTLY CATCHES

- ◆ Avenue C Apartments, Billings, MT
- ◆ Chinook Water Treatment Plant, Chinook, MT
- ◆ Ekalaka Elementary School, Ekalaka, MT
- ◆ First United Methodist Church Renovation, Missoula, MT
- ◆ Fort Missoula Regional Park, Missoula, MT
- ◆ Freddy’s & Native, Missoula, MT
- ◆ Holy Rosary Healthcare CT Replacement, Miles City, MT
- ◆ Lake Yellowstone Hotel Roof Replacement, YNP
- ◆ Lame Deer Elementary School, Lame Deer, MT
- ◆ Liberty Place, Belgrade, MT
- ◆ Liquid Planet—Farmer’s State Bank, Missoula, MT
- ◆ Miller Creek Water Facility, Missoula, MT
- ◆ Missoula County Courthouse Remodel, Missoula, MT
- ◆ Missoula Food Bank, Missoula, MT
- ◆ Missoula College, Missoula, MT
- ◆ Museum of the Rockies Storage Facility, Bozeman, MT
- ◆ RML, Generator Relocation, Hamilton, MT
- ◆ RML, Incinerator Scrubber Replacement, Hamilton, MT
- ◆ RML Library Renovation, Hamilton, MT
- ◆ Rumour, Missoula, MT
- ◆ Sweetgrass Commons, Missoula, MT
- ◆ UM Western Main Hall, Dillon, MT
- ◆ Vesta Expansion, Victor, MT
- ◆ Yellowstone Club Village Core, Big Sky, MT

## MAGGIE’S PERSON OF THE HOUR



*Maggie, the office Labrador, only hangs out with the cream of the crop...who made her top spot this time?*

### **Kenny Stenerson, Superintendent, Miles City**

Kenny has been with JCG since 2012. Terrified of nothing, Kenny is willing to conquer any difficult customer, snake, mouse, or boogey-man. The only thing that makes him nervous is getting evicted for taking up too many parking spaces at his apartment building. Kenny enjoys completing punchlists, warranty work, and fishing. Kenny is very serious about his work and takes pride in what he does, his work ethic cannot be beat. Sorry ladies, he’s taken. Maybe he’s got a brother?



## RANDOM CONUNDRUM

Last Issues Answer: Keep the first bulb switched on for a few minutes. It gets warm, right? So all you have to do then is...switch it off, switch another one on, walk to the attic, touch them and tell which one was switched on as the first one (the warm one) and the other can be easily identified.

## THE GREEN ONION

That time of year has rolled around again. When everyone feels guilty about how much pie they shoved into their pie hole over the winter and they want their beach body back. Everyone is eating kale, spinach, and other super-foods. Compounding the post-winter guilt and pounds, every other day the media is claiming a product or habit that was once good for you is now a cancer-causing, sleep-prohibiting, weight-gaining, hair-losing vice that must be quit cold-turkey or else. We have conducted our own research on such items and have come to the following justifications:

- ◆ Beer is made from hops. Hops are plants. Beer = Salad.
- ◆ They say a glass of wine a day is good for you. The bottle is glass, right?

- ◆ Chocolate comes from cocoa which comes out of a tree. That makes it a plant. Therefore chocolate counts as salad.
- ◆ Coffee is like a life coach giving you a pat on the ass saying, “Go get’em! We can do this!”
- ◆ Candy is made from sugar. Sugar is made from sugar cane. Sugar cane is a plant. Candy counts as salad.
- ◆ Bacon has thiamin. Thiamin deficiency can be fatal. Eat more bacon.
- ◆ Sleeping in helps your memory, immune system, and lowers anxiety. Sleep in to keep from being the forgetful, paranoid, sickly of the office.

You’re welcome.

