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From the desk of the Director

Even though winter is upon us, activities at the MonDak aren't slowing down one bit!

Our educator, Jessica, has tons of classes coming up for all ages. Check out our insert for more details.

We also have two fun events in January. First, Cowboy Poet Bob Petermann will be in concert on Saturday, January 23 at 1pm. The concert is free and open to the public. On January 31, we are having a Downton Abbey Tea Party! For more details, see page 2 of the newsletter.

Thanks to many generous donors and a grant from the Montana Office of Tourism, we will be upgrading our lighting around the museum! We will also be updating one of the exhibit areas in the lower level of the museum. This means that the museum will be closed January 11 through the 22nd to the public. We will reopen to the public on January 26 at 10am.

Celebrating Chocolate! will be back in February, with An Evening in Paris. For more details, see page 2. We also have many great exhibits coming up, including *The Blind Men and the Elephant!* I hope to see you at the MonDak soon!

Kim Simmonds, Executive Director



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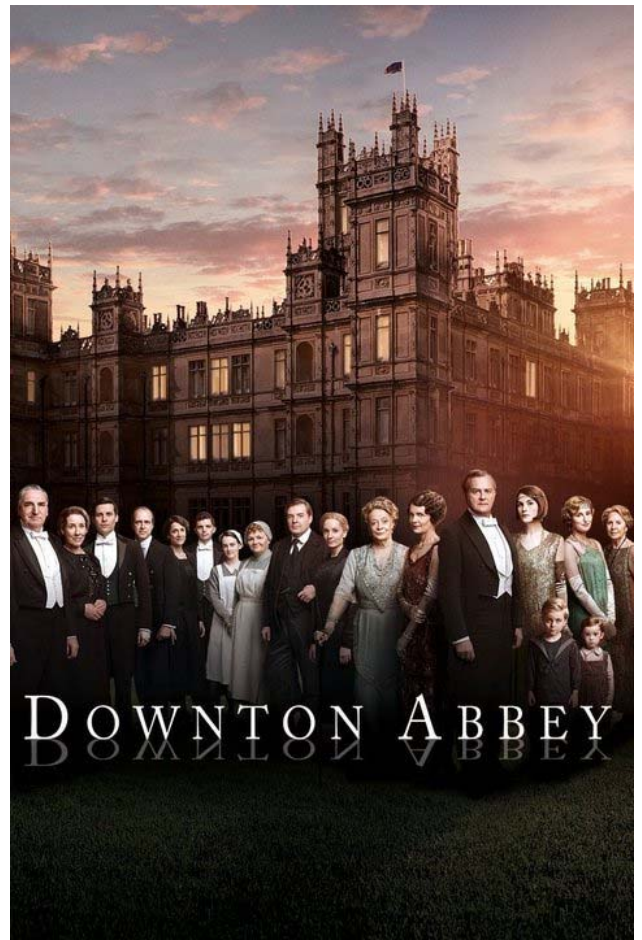
January 31, 2016 2pm

Join us at the MonDak Heritage Center as we celebrate the final season of Downton Abbey with a tea party!

The event will include commemorative photographs, delicious treats and tea, games and crafts!

Wear your hat to participate in our hat contest, with prizes going to the most historically accurate, people's choice and most creative. Period appropriate costumes are also encouraged.

This is a ticketed event, and space is limited, so please contact the MonDak at 406-433-3500 to reserve your seats. Tickets are \$15 for members and \$20 for nonmembers.



9th Annual Celebrating Chocolate "An Evening in Paris" February 6, 2016 7pm

We look forward to the Celebrating Chocolate event every year, and this year is no different. Sample chocolates, listen to beautiful music and check out the silent auction, which will feature a wide variety of art, photography, and gift baskets. There is sure to be something to interest everyone. Entertainment will be by the Valinor Quartet. Doors will open at 6:30pm for our VIPs, the table sponsors, and at 7pm to general ticket holders. Tickets are on sale now \$50 for members or \$60 for nonmembers. Memberships may be purchased at the time of ticket sales. Table sponsor prices are \$300 for tables of four and \$600 for tables of eight, which includes early entrance at 6:30, special food, a commemorative bottle of wine and first look at the silent auction.

Special thanks to our annual sponsor:



The Blind Men and the Elephant

January 5 thru February 27, 2016

Artist Steve Glueckert created this series of 20 drawings using oil based drawing materials, including oil pastel, cattle marker, Keno crayon and China marker. The drawings are directly inspired by the ancient parable that has much to teach us today. The tale seemed a natural to attempt to develop in black and white, since at the core of the tale is the metaphor of blindness, contrasting the worlds of light and dark, the seen and unseen. The tale contrasts the ideas of what we can actually grasp as real through evidence, with what we might perceive in our mind's eyes as truth. And in the end, how utterly wrong everyone can be.

This art show is sponsored by Montana Art Gallery Directors Association.



Youth Art Show

March 2 thru April 16, 2016

Sponsored by Edward Jones Financial Advisors:

**Enid Huotari, Jerry Hughes,
Lauren Sukut and Nick Lonski**

The MonDak Heritage Center will showcase artwork by 7th - 12th grade students from area schools. There will be many forms of art on exhibit from watercolor and pencil to graphics and pottery.

A student does not need to be enrolled in an art class at the time of the show. Stop by the MonDak Heritage Center to pickup a prospectus or talk to the art teacher at your school about taking part.

The youth of the area are very talented and it is always a popular show. People's Choice awards will be given in each grade division. Please stop in and see the excellent young artists from our area and be sure to thank our sponsors.



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35th Annual Quilt & Needlework Show

February 17 - March 12, 2016

We can't think of a better way to warm up than by visiting the MonDak and checking out one of our most colorful shows of the year. New and antique quilts, table runners, and wall hangings will be on display, made by young and old alike. This year, we will also be adding needlework (which can include sewing, cross stitch, or any other needlework) to the show.



Everyone is welcome to enter items at no charge. Please bring your entry to the MonDak by February 12th to be included. We offer cash prizes for People's Choice Awards: 1st: \$50, 2nd: \$30, 3rd: \$20. Winners are selected by popular vote from our visitors, and are announced when the show ends.

We will host an Open House from 1 - 4pm, March 12th. You can take home your entry at 4pm if you attend. Sign up for a wonderful door prize provided by Sidney Chapter American Sewing Guild. Need not be present to win.

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Hours

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Please check to see if your membership needs to be renewed. You will find the expiration date on the mailing label.

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