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WELCOME FROM THE MACO PRESIDENT



MACo President 2018-2019

Dear Members, Staff, and Participants,

Welcome to the 110th MT Association of Counties Annual Conference. The MACo staff, the conference committee, and the Cascade County Board of Commissioners have put together what promises to be a fun few days here in the “Electric City” of Great Falls. Each year, a former teaching colleague

of mine challenged each graduating high school senior to be educated, involved, and informed as they progressed through life. Each of you here this week has proven to take on that challenge. Each of you is involved in your community; each take time to be informed and educated about a myriad of topics ranging from agriculture, ambulance service, and airports to bears and bridges to Conservation and Cemetery Districts to insurance and invasive species to land use, libraries, and the legislature to planning, public health, and PILT to roads and RID’s to senior citizens, safety, and SRS to TSEP and taxes and to wind, water, and wolves. (Each can add other topics beginning with letters of our alphabet.)

Congratulations on being here! Take time to visit with your fellow Commissioners. Be sure to thank all of our vendors and all of the MACo staff who help tremendously to make this conference successful. I usually dislike telling people what to do, but “HAVE A GREAT WEEK!”

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James P. Hart". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jim Hart
MACo President
Madison County Commissioner

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CASCADE COUNTY WELCOMES YOU

Welcome to Cascade County. We are excited for this opportunity to host the 2019 MACo Annual Conference and certainly hope that you are planning to enjoy your stay. Great Falls and Cascade County have a lot of activity underway and we encourage you to spend some time seeing what has changed since your last visit.

We still have the classic restaurants that you have enjoyed for years such as the 3D and Borries in Black Eagle as well a new location for the Cattleman's Cut that is much closer to the conference Hotel. In addition, however, the revitalized downtown now offers a number of newer places to enjoy such as the "The Block," "Enbar," "Mighty Mo Brewing," "Electric City Bistro," "Celtic Cowboy"... I could list quite a few more but the point is that if you have not seen downtown Great Falls in a while, it is time to visit again.

Do not forget our wide spectrum of Museums in Cascade County ranging from western and contemporary art to Military, aviation and local history. Please enjoy your stay.

Thank you for attending the conference this year. Thank you to our many exhibitors and sponsors and thank you to the MACo staff for making this all possible.

Joe Briggs, Commissioner
James Larson, Commissioner
Jane Weber, Commissioner

MACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE AGENDA



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Convention Area: speaker123

American Room: 12349999

Britain Room: 13579999

Canadian Room: 19009999

ON-SITE REGISTRATION-LOBBY

Sunday, September 22	11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Monday, September 23	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 24	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 25	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Lewis/Clark Room

HCT Trustees Meeting

Mike McGinley, Chair, Beaverhead County

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

8:00- 11:30 a.m.

(breakfast served at 8:00 a.m.)

Lewis/Clark Room

HCT Trustees Breakfast Meeting

Mike McGinley, Chair, Beaverhead County

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QCI Asset Management

11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

(lunch served at 11:30 a.m.)

American Room

WCT/PCT Trustees Lunch Meeting

Jim Hart, WCT Chair, Madison County

Richard Dunbar, PCT Chair, Phillips County

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1:00 p.m.

Convention Area/French Quarter

Exhibitors Begin Set Up

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Britain/Canadian Rooms

Board of Directors Meeting

Jim Hart, MACo President

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QCI Asset Management and
Brentwood Reinsurance Intermediaries, Inc.

5:30-10:00 p.m.

President's Reception & Dinner

Convention Area

Presiding: Jim Hart, MACo President, Madison County Commissioner

1. Introduction of the Head Table & Executive Committee
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Jim Hart
3. Invocation and Welcome: Joe Briggs, Cascade County Commissioner
4. Senator Steve Daines
5. Dinner

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

COFFEE & SODA WILL BE AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

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Brentwood Reinsurance Intermediaries, Inc.

7:00-8:00 a.m.

No-Host Prayer Breakfast

Convention Area

Presiding: Jim Hart

Speaker: Dr. Shearer, Heritage Baptist Church

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Nationwide Retirement Solutions

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Exhibitor/Sponsor Trade Show

Convention Area/French Quarter

8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Spouse/Guest Quilting Project

Missouri Room

MONDAY (CONTINUED)

8:30-10:00 a.m. MACo Opening General Session
American/Britain/Canadian Rooms **Annual Business Meeting**

Presiding: Jim Hart

Parliamentarian: Joe Briggs, Cascade County Commissioner

1. Flag Ceremony: Malmstrom Air Force Base Honor Guard
2. National Anthem: Darryl Stevens, Department Chair of History, Great Falls College MSU
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Jane Weber, Cascade County Commissioner
4. Invocation: Dr. Shearer
5. Welcome: Mayor Bob Kelly
6. Response: Shane Gorder, MACo 1st Vice President, Richland County Commissioner
7. Roll Call: Mike McGinley, MACo Fiscal Officer, Beaverhead County Commissioner
8. Approval of 2018 Annual Conference Minutes: Jim Hart
9. Memorial Resolution: Jim Larson, Cascade County Commissioner
10. Announcements: Jim Hart
11. Nominations Committee Report: Jim Hart
12. Convention Site 2020 – Helena: Jim Hart and Lewis and Clark County Commissioners
13. Presentation of Proposed Resolutions: Doug Martens, Rosebud County Commissioner
14. President's Report: Jim Hart
15. Fiscal Officer's Report: Mike McGinley
16. Executive Director's Report: Eric Bryson

10:00-10:30 a.m. Coffee Break
Convention Area/French Quarter **(Exhibitor/Sponsor Trade Show)**

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MACo GENERAL SESSION CONTINUES

10:30-11:15 a.m. MSU Extension Presentation –
American/Britain/Canadian Rooms **Mental Health, Rural Development, 4-H**

Presenters:

1. Larry Brence, MSU Extension Eastern Region Department Head
2. Suzanne Stluka, Associate Director
3. Katie Weaver, Park County Community Development Agent

11:15 a.m.-12:00 noon**Tim Fox, Attorney General****12:00 noon-1:30 p.m.**

Convention Area

Lunch: HB 715 (2019) and**Local Government Revenues**

Speaker: Representative Llew Jones, House District 18

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS**1:30-2:30 p.m.**

American Room

A. Bike Walk Montana

Presenters:

1. Doug Habermann, Executive Director
2. Rebecca Gleason, Western Transportation Institute
3. Meg Traci, Rural Institute for Inclusive Communities

Thirty percent of Montanans don't have a driver's license. This includes our youth, seniors, and economically disadvantaged. Providing safe and accessible transportation for these citizens as well as those who choose to ride or walk is important economically and socially. Join in a discussion with Bike Walk Montana, the Western Transportation Institute and other members of the active transportation community about the benefits, opportunities and resources to move your county and community towards complete streets for all.

1:30-2:30 p.m.

Britain/Canadian Rooms

B. Document Recording 101

Presenters:

1. Tara DePuy, Land Use Attorney, MACo PCT
2. Rina Fontana Moore, Cascade County Clerk & Recorder

Recording 101 for Elected Officials—discuss the basic steps in examining documents to ensure they are statutorily recordable. Questions and scenarios are welcome!

2:30-3:00 p.m.

Convention Area/French Quarter

Coffee Break**(Exhibitor/Sponsor Trade Show)****SPONSORS**

Montana Interactive
Correctional Risk Services

MONDAY (CONTINUED)

3:00-4:00 p.m.

Britain/Canadian Rooms

Employee Discipline

Presenter: McKenzie McCarthy, MACo General Counsel

The basics of disciplining employees will be discussed. Questions and scenarios welcome!

4:00-6:00 p.m.

American Room

Coalition of Forest Counties Meeting

Greg Chilcott, Chair, Ravalli County

4:00-6:00 p.m.

Britain/Canadian Rooms

Oil, Gas & Coal Counties Meeting

Richard Dunbar, Chair, Phillips County

Dinner on your own

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Convention Area/French Quarter

Exhibitor/Sponsor Trade Show

8:00-10:00 a.m.

MACo Committee Meetings

Attendees who are not MACo committee members are encouraged to participate in the committee meeting(s) of their choice.

American Room

Agriculture Committee

Larry Hendrickson, Chair, Liberty County

Britain Room

Comm. Econ. Dev. & Labor Committee

Nicole Borner, Chair, Musselshell County

Montana/Alberta Rooms

Justice & Public Safety Committee

Laura Obert, Chair, Broadwater County

Canadian Room

Land Use & Development Committee

Joe Skinner, Chair, Gallatin County

8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Missouri Room

Spouse/Guest Quilting Project

10:00-10:30 a.m.

Convention Area/French Quarter

Coffee Break**(Exhibitor/Sponsor Trade Show)****SPONSOR**

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10:30-12:30 p.m.**MACo Committee Meetings Continue**

Attendees who are not MACo committee members are encouraged to participate in the committee meeting(s) of their choice.

American Room

Energy Committee

Doug Martens, Chair, Rosebud County

Britain Room

Health & Human Services Committee

Carl Seilstad, Chair, Fergus County

Canadian Room

Public Lands Committee

Greg Chilcott, Chair, Ravalli County

Montana/Alberta Rooms

Transportation Committee

John Ostlund, Chair, Yellowstone County

12:30-1:30 p.m.

Convention Area

Lunch: Exhibitor/Sponsor Appreciation

Speaker: Governor Steve Bullock

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS**1:30-3:00 p.m.**

American/Britain/Canadian Rooms

A. County Revenues – A Deep Dive

Presenters:

1. Harold Blattie, MACo Field Services Representative
2. Greg Chilcott, Ravalli County Commissioner
3. Richard Dunbar, Phillips County Commissioner

Learn about property taxes, non-levy revenues, federal revenues, natural resource revenues (both federal and state), and more.

1:30-3:00 p.m.

Lewis/Clark Rooms

B. Urban Counties Roundtable Discussion

TUESDAY (CONTINUED)

3:00-3:30 p.m.

Convention Area/French Quarter

Coffee Break

(Exhibitor/Sponsor Trade Show)

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KLJ Engineering

3:30-4:00 p.m.

American/Britain/Canadian Rooms

Lidar Plan

Presenters:

1. Troy Blandford, GIS Analyst/Water Information System Manager, Montana State Library
2. Katie Shank, Flood Hazard GIS Specialist, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
3. Melissa Christie, Western Region Account Manager, Quantum Spatial, Inc
Lidar is a technology that uses light to measure distances. This presentation will provide an overview of the Montana Lidar Plan, including lidar benefits and uses, a list of stakeholders and roles, the status of lidar holdings, and recommended specifications and standards for collecting lidar and deriving elevation datasets. Most importantly, the plan creates an avenue for state, county, and other entities to acquire lidar data through partnerships and coordination with the Montana Elevation Working Group and the Montana State Library.

4:00-5:00 p.m.

American/Britain/Canadian Rooms

HCT Member Annual Meeting

Mike McGinley, Chair, Beaverhead County
(All counties are invited to attend)

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Montana/Alberta Rooms

Coalition of Wildlife Counties Meeting

Bill Wallace, Chair, Sweet Grass County

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Room 201

6 County Fort Peck Lake Group Meeting

Ross Butcher, Chair, Fergus County

5:00-6:30 p.m.

Convention Area

Social – Sponsored by All Exhibitors

Dinner on your own

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH**7:30-8:30 a.m.**
Lewis/Clark Rooms**Reservation Counties Meeting**
George Real Bird III Chair, Big Horn County**8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon**
Convention Area/French Quarter**Exhibitor/Sponsor Trade Show****8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**
Missouri Room**Spouse/Guest Quilting Project****MACo GENERAL SESSION****8:30-9:00 a.m.**
American/Britain/Canadian Rooms**MACo/NACo Committee Reports**

Presiding: Jim Hart

1. MACo & NACo Agriculture Committees
- Larry Hendrickson & Joette Woods, Liberty County
2. MACo Community, Economic Development & Labor Committee
- Nicole Borner, Musselshell County
3. MACo Energy Committee and NACo Environment, Energy & Land Use Committee
- Doug Martens, Rosebud County
4. MACo Health & Human Services Committee
- Carl Seilstad, Fergus County
5. MACo & NACo Justice & Public Safety Committees
- Laura Obert, Broadwater County
6. MACo Land Use, Planning & Development Committee
- Joe Skinner, Gallatin County
7. MACo & NACo Public Lands Committees
- Greg Chilcott, Ravalli County
8. MACo & NACo Transportation Committees
- John Ostlund, Yellowstone County
9. NACo Telecommunications & Technology and NACo Information Technology Committees
- Joe Briggs, Cascade County

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Presenter: Gallatin County Detention Center**Mental Health and Jail Operations**

WEDNESDAY (CONTINUED)

9:30-10:00 a.m. Exhibitor/Sponsor Meeting
Convention Area/French Quarter

10:00-10:30 a.m. Coffee Break
Convention Area/French Quarter **(Exhibitor/Sponsor Trade Show)**

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MACo GENERAL SESSION CONTINUES

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Land Use Planning – Coordination with
American/Britain/Canadian Rooms **Federal Land Management Agencies**

12:00 noon-1:30 p.m. Lunch
Convention Area

Speaker: NACo President Mary Ann Borgeson

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1:30-4:00 p.m. Closing General Session/Annual
American/Britain/Canadian Rooms **Business Meeting**

Presiding: Jim Hart

Roll Call: Mike McGinley

1. Unfinished business from the opening general session
2. Appreciation Resolution
3. Nominations Committee Report
4. Election of Officers
5. Resolutions
6. Proposed By-Law Amendments
7. Congressional Reports/Videos
8. Other business

No Break This Afternoon

**THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS WILL BEGIN
UPON ADJOURNMENT OF THE GENERAL SESSION:**

4:00-5:30 p.m.
Lewis/Clark Rooms

Hard Rock Mining Counties Meeting
Bill Wallace, Chair, Sweet Grass County

4:00-5:30 p.m.
Montana/Alberta Rooms

Urban Counties Meeting
Chair Vacant

5:30 p.m.
Convention Area

Social & Annual Banquet

Presiding: Jim Hart

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Introduction of the Head Table
3. Invocation: Joe Briggs
4. Dinner
5. Installation of Officers
6. Entertainment

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH

7:00-8:30 a.m.
Britain/Canadian Room

New Board of Directors' Breakfast Meeting

8:00 a.m.

Malmstrom Air Force Base Tour

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MACo's UPCOMING EVENTS

November 12-14, 2019

MACo WCT/PCT Trustees Work Session
Ennis

December 2-5, 2019

Elected Officials Training
Delta Hotels by Marriott - Helena Colonial

February 10-13, 2020

MACo Midwinter Conference
MACo WCT/PCT Annual Membership Meetings
Heritage Inn - Great Falls

September 27-October 1, 2020

MACo 111th Annual Conference
Delta Hotels by Marriott - Helena Colonial

CONFERENCE LOCATION ROTATION

Year	Midwinter	Annual
2020	Great Falls	Helena
2021	Helena	Kalispell
2022	Billings	Bozeman
2023	Helena	Billings
2024	Great Falls	Missoula
2025	Helena	Great Falls



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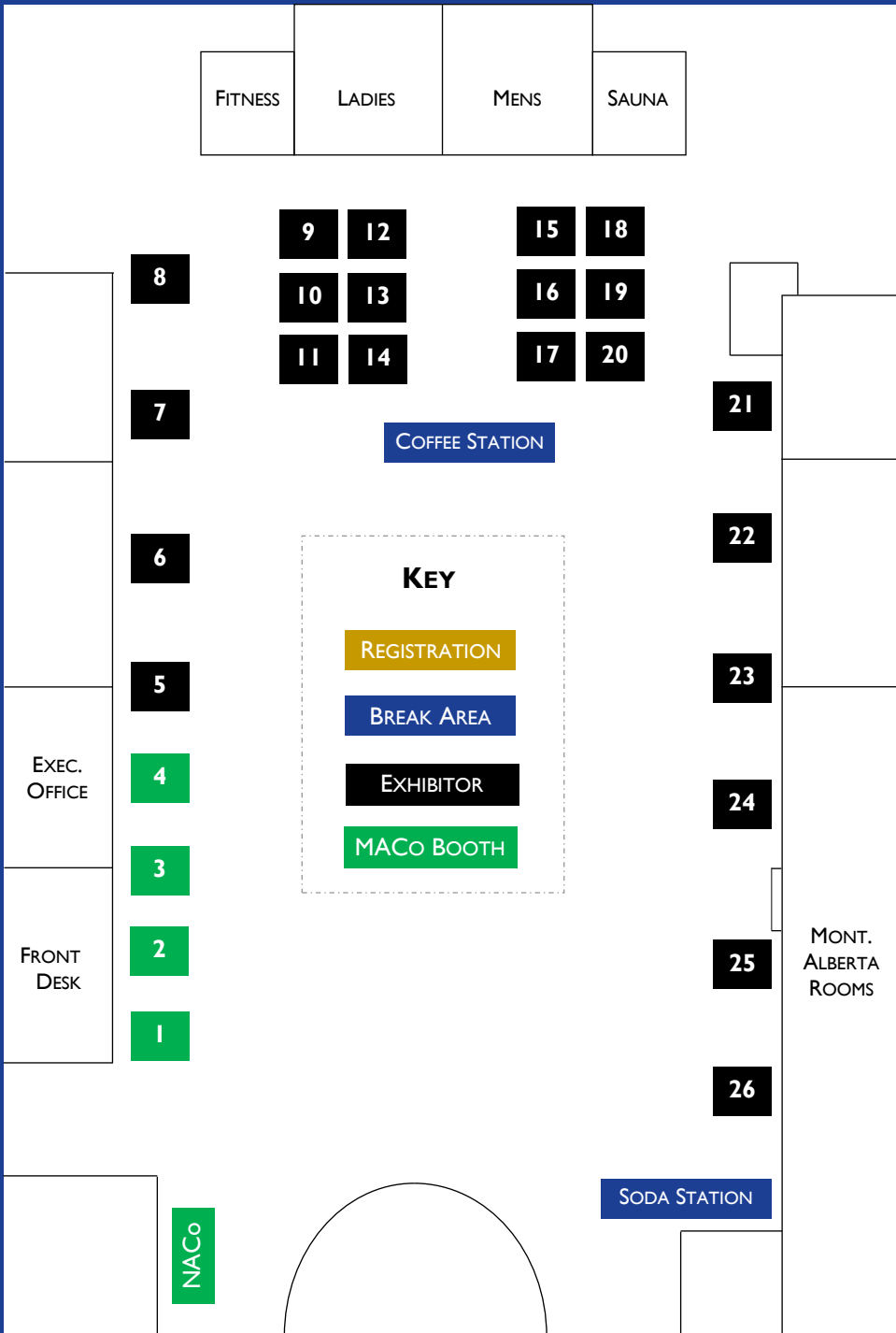
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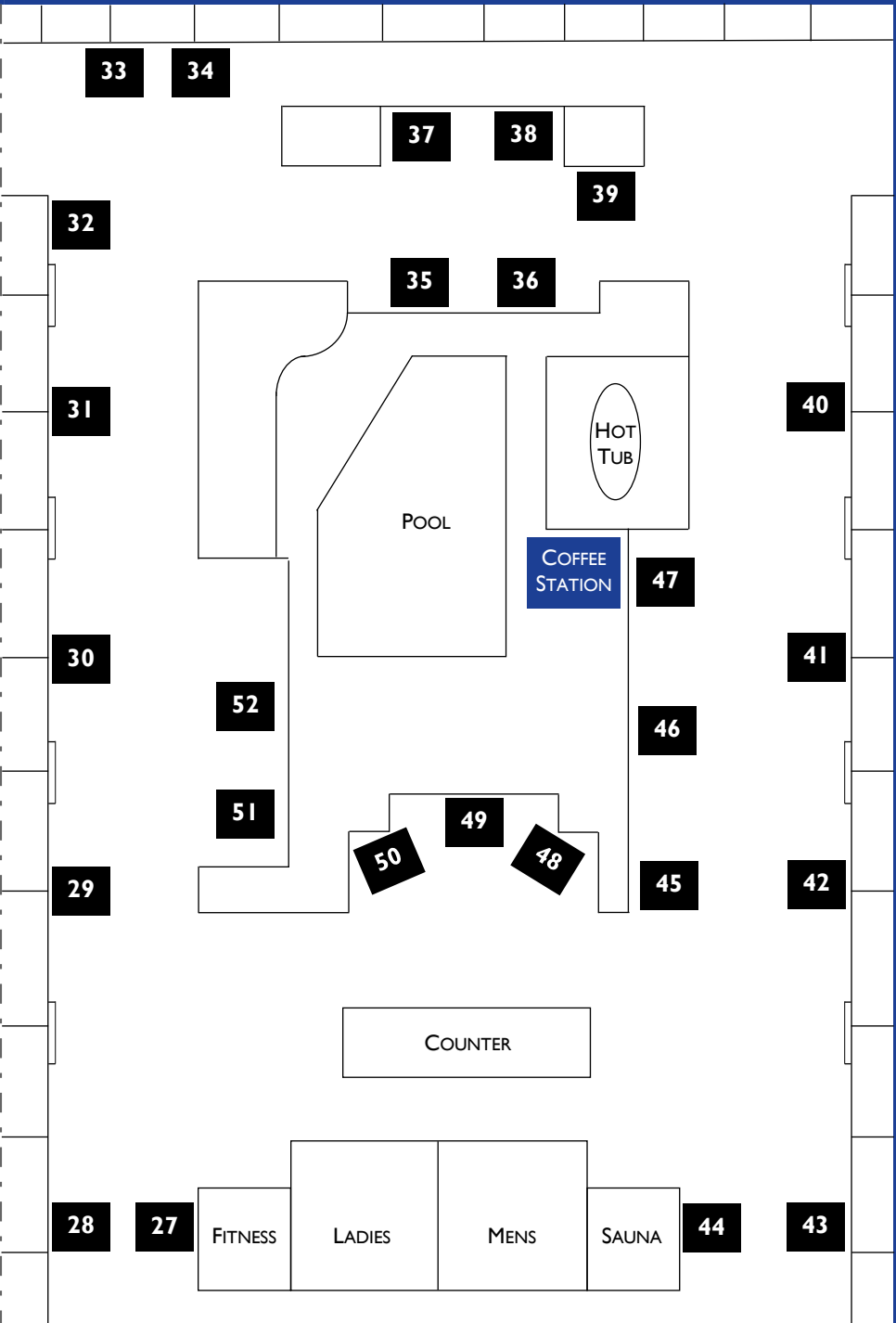
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- 28: Tyler Technologies _____
- 29: Ameresco _____
- 30: Costco _____
- 31: SCL Health _____
- 32: Election Systems & Software _____
- 33: McKinstry _____
- 34: Morrison Maierle _____
- 35: MT Cooperative Development Center _____
- 36: Quatum Spatial, Inc _____
- 37: DNRC _____
- 38: CIT Montana _____
- 39: Montana Board of Investments _____
- 40: AARP _____
- 41: First Call Solutions _____
- 42: Water & Environmental Design _____
- 43: Montana State Library _____
- 44: Forterra _____
- 45: MT Depart of Labor & Industry _____
- 46: Tri-State Trucking _____
- 47: Montana Interactive _____
- 48: Geodata Services _____
- 49: CSG Forte Payments _____
- 50: CTA Architects _____
- 51: NeighborWorks Montana _____
- 52: Montana Correctional Enterprises _____
- Outside Exhibit—Tillman _____

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ELECTED OFFICIAL NAME: _____

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- 1: Allegiance Benefit Plan Mgmt. _____
- 2: MACo HCT _____
- 3: MACo WCT/PCT _____
- 4: Nationwide Retirement Solutions _____
- 5: MT Department of Commerce _____
- 6: Robert Peccia & Associates _____
- 7: Little Falls Machine _____
- 8: Fisher's Technology _____
- 9: KLJ Engineering _____
- 10: MT Department of Admin _____
- 11: WGM Group _____
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- 14: RDO Equipment _____
- 15: A&E Design _____
- 16: Montana Defense Alliance _____
- 17: Montana State Parks _____
- 18: DIS Technologies _____
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