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Message from PCI President Arlyne Reichert:

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! How the years fly by. As we look forward to the

New Year, we're pleased to report that 2016 has been one of our organization's most memorable & productive. Landscape Architect Jim Foley presented a variety of options for connecting the south end of our Historic Bridge to the River's Edge Trail. A local construction company, MRTE, completed repairs to the asphalt portion of the deck at a cost of \$78,700, bringing us a big step closer to our goal of completing a pedestrian path across the entire Bridge. At a cost of \$17,900, Liberty Electric installed electrical outlets on the deck at the North end of the

Bridge, thereby facilitating future events. These projects were supported by generous donations from many individuals and by grants from the Treacy Foundation, Montana History Foundation, Montana Cultural Trust, Town Pump, Wells Fargo, NorthWestern Energy, Calumet Refinery and First Interstate Bank.

The PCI Board honored my 90th year with a joyous community-wide celebration at the Black Eagle Community Center. There was also an unforgettable champagne toast that evening at the Historic Bridge. I was overwhelmed at the outpouring of support by friends and family.

Next year we'll contract the design work for a fenced pedestrian trail across the Bridge. This will include a Plaza at the north end to stage events & to provide a much deserved opportunity to recognize our donors. Our goal is to integrate the Historic 10th Street Bridge into the River's Edge Trail on both sides of the Missouri River by 2020.

Vision 2020:

**Completing a pedestrian path across the Bridge
in time for the Bridge's 100th Birthday.**

You are invited! Annual Meeting Notice



Richard Bird Baker

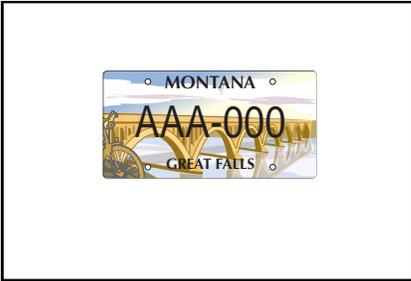
Mark your calendars for **Monday, January 9, 2017**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Gibson Room. After a brief business meeting, enjoy an annual update about the Historic Bridge from Public Works Director Jim Rearden.

PCI Board member, talented musician, actor, published author & consummate storyteller Richard Bird Baker will entertain us with the "The True Story of the Mint Saloon Art Collection, as told by Sid Willis, Charlie Russell's friend".

Show your support for our Historic Bridge by attending.

Bring your friends. It's free. Refreshments will be served.

www.montanas-archbridge.org



Bridge License Plates

When renewing your license plates, please consider paying \$25 to become a rolling advertisement for our Bridge.



Lighting the Bridge

We're pleased to light the Bridge in memory or in honor of individuals or events. We need several days notice to program the lights & publish an announcement in the Tribune. The charge for lighting is \$100. Phone 452-5492. (photo by J. Richerson)

Facebook - Restoration of the Historic 10th Street Bridge

2017 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

**Preservation Cascade, Inc. 1409 Fourth Avenue South
Great Falls, MT 59405-2415 (phone 406-452-5492)**

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This is the ONLY notice you'll receive for 2017 dues. Donations in ANY amount are appreciated. Suggested dues are \$30 per person or \$50 per family. Your contribution provides matching funds for grants. We are an organization of volunteers so ALL proceeds directly benefit Bridge restoration. PCI is funded entirely through individual and business donations & competitive grants with no local taxes.

**Historic 10th St. Bridge
Milestones**

1920-Construction completed

1994- Demolition scheduled

Arlyne mobilizes the "Save Our Bridge" Committee.

1995-Injunction halts demolition

1996- Preservation Cascade (PCI) incorporates as a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit to raise funds to save the Bridge.

1997- Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals halts demolition & appoints Judge Harry Pregerson as mediator.

1998- City of Great Falls adopts the Bridge in a public/private partnership with PCI and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. PCI pledges "no local tax dollars" for Bridge restoration.

2001- The National Park Service grants a Saving America's Treasures Award.

2002- Tamietti Construction repairs piers, major arches and spandrel arches.

2003- the first Model Arch is completely restored & more than a thousand people attend the Labor Day celebration on Bridge.

2005 Pedestrian Tunnel burrowed through the north bulkhead with connection to the River's Edge Trail.

2007 Blue accent lights installed.

2009 Bridge License Plates produced.

2010 Historic Preservation Grant to apply cementitious paint to 3 arches.

2012-14 "Buy a Bucket Campaign" for SIKA coating of remaining 5 arches.

2014 Stokke Concrete Cutting removes deteriorated columns and guardrail.

2015 Tamietti Construction works on deck drainage and joint repairs.

2016 Liberty Electric installs electricity to the deck for future events.

2016 MRTE repairs and seals the deck.

THANK YOU! Hope to see you on JANUARY 9, 2017