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### Message from PCI President Arlyne Reichert:

May the New Year bring new opportunities for peace to the world.

The time is fast approaching for us to reach our goal of connecting the Historic Tenth Street Bridge to River's Edge Trail. In 2020 the Bridge will be 100 years old, and on that auspicious occasion we hope to cut the ribbon to celebrate the beginning of a new era of adaptive re-use of our historic Bridge as a safe, attractive and functional pedestrian path across the Missouri River.

Over the past two decades, we've successfully repaired, protected and illuminated the Bridge's iconic arches, re-constructed a model arch to provide an attractive place to stage events, resealed the deck and connected the Bridge to River's Edge Trail on the north bank of the river. In 2017 we completed deck repairs, updated our Bridge lighting plans and installed attractive informational signage. All this work could not have been accomplished without considerable time and energy and enthusiasm of our all-volunteer Board and the generosity of our donors.

Next year we plan to install safety railings across the deck at an estimated cost of \$200,000 (please refer to enclosed flyer). We will also be doing the design work for panels to provide a much deserved opportunity to recognize our donors. Your contribution to these efforts will be much appreciated.

**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 22, 2018**, 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 his impersonation of Pierre Cruzatte, explorer and fiddler from the Lewis & Clark Expedition.

Show your support for our Historic Bridge by attending.

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

[www.montanas-archbridge.org](http://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**



**Facebook - Restoration of the Historic 10th Street Bridge**

**2018 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 2018 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 & business donations & competitive grants with no local tax dollars.

**THANK YOU! Hope to see you on JANUARY 22, 2018**

**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- Great Falls adopts the Bridge in a public/private partnership with PCI and the National Trust. 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 seals the deck

2017 Deck repairs completed