2018 Fourth Quarter Issues

Govt/politics

Park Open (kd 12/28)

Bullock Seeks State Dollars To Fund Voluntary Preschool Programs (jy 12/21)

Dec 20, 2018 – Gov. Steve Bullock on investing in early childhood education and his administration's proposed investment in voluntary preschool programs. The proposal in the governor's budget will be presented to the 2019 Montana Legislature.

Dec 19, 2018 – Governor Steve Bullock on one of his administration's top priorities – continuation of Medicaid expansion. The 2015 Montana Legislature passed HELP Act. About 94,000 working Montanans get health insurance coverage under the program that's set to expire in 2019.

Tester Remain on VA Committee (ke 12/14)

Dark Money Bill Passes (ke 12/12)

Tester and Daines on Blue Water Navy (ke 12/11)

Senate Passes Savanna's Act (ke 12/7)

Simpson on Bush (ke 12/5)

Dec 4, 2018 – U.S. Senator Steve Daines briefs Montana reporters on his trip to Afghanistan and visit with Montana troops serving overseas.

Nov 9, 2018 – General election analysis from MTN's Chief Political Analyst and MSU political scientist David Parker.

Nov 8, 2018 – Senator Jon Tester's exclusive one-on-one interview with YPR's Jackie Yamanaka shortly after being declared the winner in his race for a 3rd term.

Ticket Splitters: Montanans Send Tester, Gianforte Back To Washington (jy 11/09)

Tester Victory Speech (ke 11/7)

Williams (kd 11/7)

Nov 5, 2018 – President Donald Trump makes a historic 4th visit to Montana in advance of the Fall general election to campaign for Republican U.S. Senate candidate Matt Rosendale and Congressman Greg Gianforte.

Trump Headlines Weekend Campaign Blast In Advance Of Tuesday's Election (jy 11/3)

Post-election Survey Planned To Better Understand Montana Voters (jy 10/29)

President Trump The Most Popular, Gov. Bullock Second, Among Elected MT Officials, Poll Finds (jy 10/26)

Montanans Are Uncertain About 3 Ballot Measures, Poll Finds (jy 10/25)

Oct 23, 2018 – Montana's U.S. Senate candidates and their views on health care and health insurance.

Oct 16, 2018 – Montana's U.S. Senate candidates and their position on the issue of guns and gun control.

MSU-MTN Poll Shows U.S. Senate Race Is A Toss-Up With Less Than 2 Weeks Before The Election (JY 10/23)

Congressman Greg Gianforte Leads In Race For Montana's Lone U.S. House Race (JY 10/24)

MT U.S. Senate Candidates Differ on Short-Term Health Insurance Plan (JY 10/14)

U.S. Senate Candidate's Positions Don't Differ Much On Guns During Debate (jy 10/26)

Oct 13, 2018 – U.S. Senate debate featuring Democratic incumbent Jon Tester, Republican Matt Rosendale and Libertarian Rick Breckenridge. The debate was held at the KBZK studios on Oct 13, 2018 and re-broadcast Oct 15, 2018. The debate was sponsored by the Montana Television Network and Yellowstone Public Radio.

Reservation-based Satellite Election Offices Help Native American Voters, Says Leaders (jy 10/9)

Montana Governor, Hospitals Support Measure To Make Medicaid Expansion Permanent And Provide Funding z (jy 10/2)

U.S. House Candidates Appear In First Debate Before November Mid-term Election (jy 10/1)

Matthew Shepherd Internment (ke 10/11)

YNP Gateway Community Hearing (kd 10/22)

Medicaid (ss 10/10)

Voter Turnout (kd 11/8)

Wyoming/marijuana (kd 10/29)

Oct 2, 2018 – Governor Steve Bullock joins health care providers in Billings to promote a ballot initiative that seeks to make Medicaid expansion permanent. Funding would come from an increase in the tobacco tax and expanding that tax to include e-cigarettes.

Oct 1, 2018 – The U.S. House candidates face off for their first debate of the general election campaign.

Sept 29, 2018 – U.S. House debate featuring Republican incumbent Greg Gianforte, Democratic candidate Kathleen Williams, and Libertarian candidate Elinor Swanson. The debate was held at the KTVH studios in Helena and broadcast "live" on the MTN affiliates and YPR. YPR

Environment

Billings Christmas Weather (ke 12/18)

Drought (kd 12/12)

Zinke Mining (kd 10/09)

Education

Nov 21, 2018 – MSU B Chancellor Dan Edelman says campus is safe despite Alt-Right posters and messages found on campus.

"There is No Place For Hate At MSUB," Said Chancellor Edelman (jy 11/19)

Nov 7, 2018 – White nationalist/ALT right group targets campuses across Montana. Reaction from Carroll College and Rocky Mountain College

White Nationalist's Posters Target Montana College Campuses (jy 11/5)

Educating Homebuyers (ke 11/29)

Medical Issues

Nov 11, 2018 – A Bozeman-based theater production shines the light on domestic violence by featuring the voices of survivors in the Gallatin Valley.

Dec 19, 2018 – Primary care providers will soon be able to receive peer-to-peer consultations with specialist to help them treat their pediatric patients. The hope is it will allow children and families to remain in their home communities for their behavioral health care needs.

Nov 20, 2018 – Billings Clinic announces planned expansion into Bozeman and remodeling and new construction in Billings.

Native American Issues

Oct 9, 2018 – Leaders from Montana's Indian Reservations say the state's satellite voting offices are crucial to giving their people a voice.

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