

The current board of the Madison-Gallatin Chapter has seen the need to a) increase the capacity of the existing board and b) take advantage of newly available expertise and talents. As a result, the existing board has approved and now recommends voting FOR the addition of all four MWA members running for election, and the four current board members (see next page) running for re-election.

## Bios of Prospective Board Members

**Faith Doty** - Faith grew up in the Flathead Valley, frequently escaping to the woods to find solitude which led her to develop a deep appreciation for the outdoors. She is three semesters away from graduating from MSU with a Bachelor's of Science in Land Rehabilitation with a minor in Soil Science. Working her way through college, Faith fell in with the Montana Wilderness Association as a freshman, landing a one-year fellowship as the organizer of the student wilderness club at MSU. Over the next two years the position expanded to a Senior Wilderness Fellowship. With a repertoire of experience in youth engagement, community organizing, and a slew of Montana miles on her boots, Faith brings a recreationist-Montanian-progressive perspective, and would enjoy and respect the opportunity to add to the chapter board.



**Tom Ross** - Tom grew up in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley and spent much time hiking, camping, hunting and fishing in the nearby national forests and parks. He spent his career with the forest products industry and an environmental consulting firm. He has hiked and camped across the Appalachians, Rockies, Sierras and other wild places and also enjoys alpine and Nordic skiing, biking, fishing, and photography. He joined MWA shortly after moving to Montana in 2010 and has been more active in the MGC Chapter since retiring in 2015, believing now is the time to give something back on a local level. He welcomes the opportunity to serve as a MGC Board member in any capacity that fits his skill set and the Board's needs.



**Keith Strong** - Keith spent his first eighteen years on a small dairy farm bordering what is now the Mission Mountains Tribal Wilderness. He attended college and law school in Missoula. His legal career culminated with eight years as a federal magistrate judge in Great Falls handling cases from Glacier, The Lewis and Clark National Forest (including the Bob Marshall Complex), the Helena National Forest and the C M Russell complex. He learned on the job of the threats that face wild places and wants to help MWA protect those wild places.



**Karen Williams** - Karen has been a Montana resident since 1995. She has a Master's degree in environmental engineering from Montana Tech and a PhD in geomorphology from Montana State. She has worked for the US Forest Service and BLM in Montana, and has on the ground knowledge of the landscapes of southwest Montana. In addition to agency experience, Karen has a background in engineering and geology which she has applied working in stream restoration and mine reclamation in Montana and areas as remote as the Yukon. She is interested in land management and conservation issues and would like to bring her interest and expertise to the MWA Madison Gallatin board. Karen has led two MWA Wilderness Walks and would like to become more of an advocate and leader in this program. She has also contributed to the online Hiking Guide.



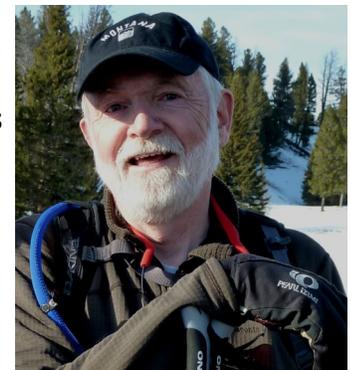
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## Current Board Members Running for Re-election

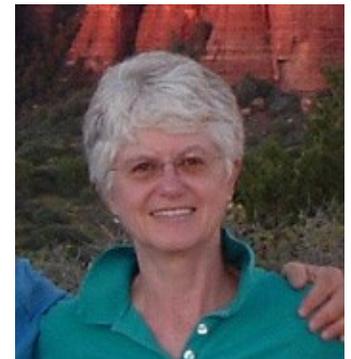
**Bob Bayley** has greatly enjoyed membership in the Montana Wilderness Association for the past 16 years. He served on the state council for five years, two of which were as chapter representative and on the chapter board for the past eleven years. He is particularly supportive of the Wilderness Walks Program and looks forward to continue working at the chapter level towards new wilderness designation for much of the Custer Gallatin National Forest.



**Steve Griswold** is an active camper and hiker who grew up in Kansas, the state with the lowest percentage of public lands in the nation and one of only seven states with no designated Wilderness. Despite this geographical handicap, he was introduced to the wonders of America's great outdoors when he was young and has been a frequent user and strong supporter of our public lands ever since. He has been a member of MWA since he moved to Montana and is a long term member of other national conservation and wilderness organizations. He was actively involved with the Gallatin Community Collaborative. Steve is a retired Emergency Physician living with his wife, Kathy, in Bozeman.



**Jeanette Hall** has been a Bozeman resident for over 30 years. She treasures Montana and has enjoyed the beauty and wildness that southwest Montana has to offer. Hiking with the Bozeman Women's Activities Group and skiing in our mountains are her greatest joy. Jeanette is an advocate for maintaining our public lands and wilderness and sees this as an increasingly important issue as our local and state populations continue to grow. As the Madison-Gallatin Chapter Representative to the State Council she is able to share her understanding that Montana's landscapes have great diversity - rangelands, prairies, mountains, and badlands – and each deserve to be respected, valued and protected.



**Roger Jenkins** has been involved with grassroots conservation organizations for more than 40 years, having lived in East Tennessee for 29 of those and in Montana for the remaining time. He is the former Chairman of the Sierra Club's Tennessee Chapter and has been the President of the Madison-Gallatin Chapter Board for over six years. He is an active hiker and skier, a retired scientist, and believes that all US citizens have a stake in keeping our public lands in public hands.

