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September Nature Observations

September						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	Idaho fescue, also called blue bunchgrass, begins to grow new leaves		 Squirrels stock-pile cones for winter		1	2
3 Bob Marshall Wilderness created (1964)	4	5	6	7 	8	9 Lewis and Clark camp at Traveler's Rest (1805)
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rachel Carson's <i>Silent Spring</i> is published (1962)						
17	18	19	20	21	22 Autumn Equinox first day of Fall	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
In your home or at school, look for Western Conifer Seed Bugs trying to find a good place to spend the winter.						



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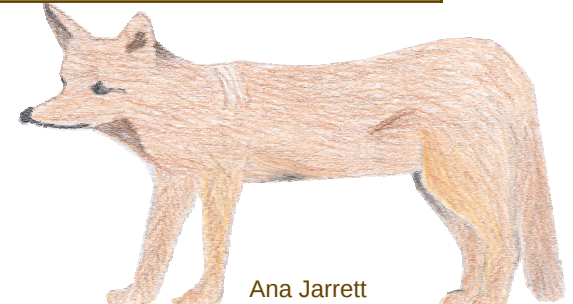
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October Nature Observations

October

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 
8 Wangari Maathai is awarded the first environmentally related Nobel Peace Prize in 2004 for her work in Kenya	9	10	11	12 World population reaches 6 billion on Oct. 12 1999	13	14
15	16 Snow geese head to warmer climates, go to Freezeout lake for the best look. You can also catch them there on their way back up to Canada in March!	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 	26	27	28
29	30	31	The leaves of many deciduous trees, like this Norway maple, begin to change color.			



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November Nature Observations

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Go to Bancroft pond to see Mallards showing their courtship display.

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Alfred Wegener, who wrote the theory of Continental Drift, was born on November 1 st 1880. While he published the theory in 1915, it wasn't widely accepted until the 1960s.				2	3	4
5 	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
				The <i>Origin of Species</i> , written by Charles Darwin is published (1859)		
26	27	28	29	30	Bohemian waxwings arrive from Alaska to spend the winter in Montana	



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"We still do not know one thousandth of one percent of what nature has revealed to us" Alfred Einstein

December Nature Observations

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Keep an eye out for Chickadees and Golden kinglets that may spend the cold winter down in the Missoula valley					1	2
3	4	5 	6	7	8	9
10 The Kyoto Protocol, an agreement to fight Global Climate Change, is written (1997)	11	12	13	Meteor Shower! Best viewed after midnight in the East 		16
17	18	19	20 Winter Solstice shortest day of the year	21	22	23
24 31	25	26	27	28	29	30

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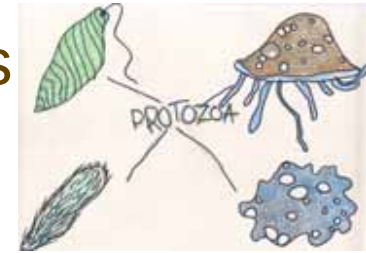
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January Nature Observations

JANUARY

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Aldo Leopold born (1887)	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 	26	27
28	29	30	31	Mule deer shed antlers		



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February Nature Observations

FEBRUARY

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
 northern river otter	The freshly fallen snow of winter gives us the best chances for tracking!			1	2	3
	 Striped skunk					
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
						 Saturn at its closest to Earth
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Charles Darwin born (1809)			The human genome is revealed in <i>Science</i> and <i>Nature</i> publications (2001)		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
						
25	26	27	28	Black bear  		
				 Mountain lion		



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March Nature Observations

MARCH						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	Yellow bells begin to flower at the end of the month and mayflies begin to hatch. Also, look and listen for meadowlarks arriving from warmer parts of the U.S.			1 Yellowstone National Park established (1872)	2	3  Lunar Eclipse
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Vernal Equinox, first day of Spring	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



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April Nature Observations

Osprey arrive from spending their winter in Mexico, check nests around town!

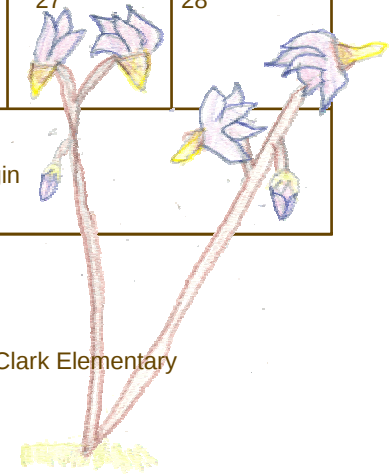
APRIL

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2 	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Morton Elrod 1st UM Biology professor born (1863)
22	23	24 Watson and Crick reveal the structure of DNA in the journal <i>Nature</i> (1953)	25	26	27 	28 
29	30	Arrowleaf balsamroot and Shooting stars begin blooming this month  				



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May Nature Observations

MAY

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
 The poisonous Meadow Death Camas begins flowering.		1	2 	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	Glacier National Park established (1910)	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 	26
27	28	29	30	31	Look for Dandelions and Lilacs blooming around town this month	



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June Nature Observations

JUNE

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	Look for flowering Oregon fleabane and Snowberry				1 	2
3	4	5	6 Jupiter at its closest to Earth 	7	8	9
10 E.O. Wilson born (1929)	11 John Audubon born (1785)	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	Summer Solstice, longest day of the year	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 

Look for ladybugs in their 3 life stages in the late Spring and early Summer! Ladybugs lay eggs in aphid colonies, the larvae can eat about 400 aphids and an adult can eat about 300!



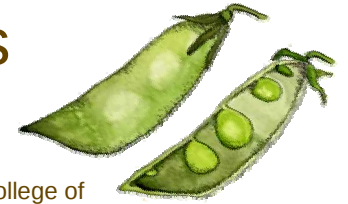
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July Nature Observations

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Gregor Mendel, "the father of genetics" is born (1822)	23	24	25 	26	27	28
29	30	31	 Scotch harebell is in bloom and huckleberries are ready to be picked!			

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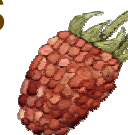




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August Nature Observations

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
 Wild tarragon and Common tansy in bloom			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28  Lunar Eclipse	29	30	31	



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