

# KALISPELL

Chamber of Commerce  
Convention & Visitor Bureau

Fun for the whole family. The Event at Rebecca Farm.

## KALISPELL CHAMBER NEWSLETTER - JULY 2019

### 4-LANE BUILD-OUT OF RESERVE DRIVE:

We received a reply letter for HDOT Director Mike Tooley on a request for re-designation of Reserve Drive to part of the state primary system. This change offers the potential for accelerating the build-out of Reserve Drive to four lanes between US 93 and US 2. He said that the evaluation of this road project will be part of a review for the entire state with an estimated completion date of December 2019.

### CITY CONTEMPLATES ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES FOR DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT:

Kalispell City Council held a work session on June 24 with the intent of adopting a Tax Increment Financing Assistance Program for both the downtown and Westside districts. This plan would allow for payment of impact fees through TF funds.

### DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE REPORTS APPRAISAL INCREASES:

The Montana Department of Revenue reported the changes in value of residential and commercial properties resulting from the recent reappraisal. The value increase from the previous cycle that is shown includes the increase resulting from new property also. In previous reappraisals, the new property was reported as the increase reported was only due to revaluing the property that existed in prior valuation. As a result the numbers shown are higher than what can be attributed to reappraised alone (MT Taxpayer Assoc., July 2019).

#### Preliminary Change in Class A Market Value 2018-2019

	Residential	Commercial
Montana Avg.	12.48%	9.8%
Flathead County	11.11%	9.8%
Lake County	10%	4.9%
Lincoln County	6.77%	0.42%



### THE EVENT AT REBECCA FARM - A PLACE FOR EVERYONE

Celebrating 30 years of sanctioned eventing in the Flathead Valley, The Event will take place July 24-25 at [Rebecca Farm](#), just minutes West of Downtown Kalispell.

Whether you're a repeat attendee, or taking part for the first time, there's something for everyone at The Event at Rebecca Farm. [Sponsorship](#) provides a "technology pass" to the horses, the scenery, and the community involved in three-day eventing with no prior horse experience necessary. World class shopping and food vendors will satisfy all tastes, while a [kid zone](#) makes the event fun for the whole family, featuring face painting, pony rides, arts and crafts, pony classes, mini-golf, and more, all of which are completely free.

The Event at Rebecca Farm is a world-class, community-oriented event featuring courses that range from novice to Olympic qualifier. Competitors compete in the three main disciplines of eventing: dressage, cross-country, and show jumping.

"They say it takes a village - we have our own version: it takes a valley!" Sarah Brownard, The Event's organizer expresses. "And we are hoping to see even more attendees from the Flathead this year. There's truly a place for everyone at The Event."