

# MONTANA

The MONTANA  
CONSTITUTIONAL  
SOCIETY and THE  
MONTANA LEAGUE  
of WOMEN VOTERS

invite you to a presentation of  
A Symposium of Other  
States' Constitutional  
Revision Efforts

and  
A Critical Evaluation  
of Montana's 1972  
Constitution

June 27 and 28, 1997

At the State Capitol,  
Helena, Montana,  
in the Chambers of the  
House of Representatives



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## ONE HUNDRED DELEGATES 1972

"I think our constitution is the finest gift  
to the young people of Montana that is within  
our power to give."

Delegate James C. Garlington

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 1997

## States' Constitutional Revision Efforts

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: BOB CAMPBELL

9:00 am Welcome, **GOVERNOR MARC RACICOT**

### THE MONTANA STORY:

HOW THE LEGISLATURE AND CITIZEN GROUPS DECIDED ON A CONVENTION AND MADE IT WORK.

Senator Dorothy Eck  
Jack McDonald - Roger Barber - Tom Towe - Harry Mitchell

10:00 am **THE EXPERIENCE OF OTHER STATES**

DR. JANICE C. MAY, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF GOVERNMENT, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TX

Dr. May specializes in American State Government and politics. Her articles have appeared in numerous periodicals throughout the nation. She has been the key note speaker of state constitutional meetings from Alaska to Alabama. This is her first visit to Montana.

11:00 am **THE UTAH EXPERIENCE:**  
USING A PERMANENT REVISION COMMISSION

Gayle McKenchie, *Chair of Commission*  
Alan L. Sullivan, *Vice Chair of Commission*  
Lisa Watts Boskin, *Executive Director*  
Jean Bickmore White, *Author*

12:00 noon **LUNCH**

1:15 pm **NEW DIRECTIONS**

DR. ALAN TARR, PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCES  
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY

Dr. Tarr's published works are nationally recognized. We are most fortunate to have him with us on his first trip to Montana.

2:15 pm **COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

From the public and delegates  
Betty Babcock - Louise Cross - Mae Nan Ellingson - Arlyne Reichert

5:00 pm **RECEPTION AT THE HOME OF GOV. MARC RACICOT**

2 Carson Drive, Helena.

6:00 pm **DINNER ON YOUR OWN**

Saturday, June 28, 1997

## 25 Years With The New Constitution

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: WADE DAHOOD

8:45 am **ROLL CALL OF DELEGATES**  
Rick Champoux, Society President

### INVOCATION

Delegate George Harper

### LEGISLATURE AND EXECUTIVE

Gov. Marc Racicot  
Former Gov. Tom Judge  
Dorothy Bradley, Bob, Brown, Former Legislators  
Moderator, Rick Bechtel

10:00 am **EDUCATION AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

Dolores Colberg, *Former Superintendent of Public Instruction*  
Jim Goetz, *Attorney in School Equalization Cases*  
Dan Kemmis, *Former Mayor of Missoula*  
Moderator, Bruce Sievers

11:00 am **THE COURTS**

Jean Turnage, *Chief Justice, Supreme Court*  
Terry Triewiler, *Justice Supreme Court*  
Russell McDonough, *Retired Supreme Court Justice and Delegate*  
Gordon Bennet, *Former District Judge*  
Moderator, Sandra Muckelston

12:00 noon **LUNCH ON THE LAWN** - Jazz Band and Wildlife Show

1:15 pm **ROLE OF THE PRESS**

Chuck Johnson - Eric Newhouse - John Kuglin -  
Nathaniel Blumberg  
Moderator, Jerry Holloron

2:15 pm **ENVIRONMENT**

John North - Dr. Vicky Watson - Julia Page - David Owens  
Moderator, Donna Metcalf

3:30 pm **BILL OF RIGHTS**

Joe Mazurek, *Attorney General*  
Larry Elison, *University of Montana Law School*  
Ann McIntyre, *Chairman, Human Rights Commission*  
Sherry Matteucci, *U.S. Attorney for Montana*  
Moderator, Rick Applegate

6:00 pm **SOCIAL HOUR** - Montana Club, 2nd Floor

7:00 pm **BANQUET** - Montana Club, 6th Floor

Tickets must be bought in advance.

Speakers: LEO GREYBILL JR.,

President, 1972 Constitutional Convention

U.S. SENATOR MAX BAUCUS

Committee Coordinator for the 1972 Constitutional Convention

It's been 25 years. Now, we ask you:

Has our 1972 Constitution made a  
difference for Montana?

Is it flexible enough and fair enough  
to take us into the next century?

Is it the basic document Montanans  
really want? Or is it being ignored,  
watered down?

Is it already caught between the  
cynicism of politics and faith in  
government?

Some scholars have called it the best  
in the nation. But is it proving to be  
too permissive or too restrictive?