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we talk about if we
couldn't quote Elvira Day
back & forth?"

I don't know what that
says about their family
relationships - but it was
a nice complement to you!

It was fun seeing you
at Big Sky. And who knows -
Dick & I might get to Seattle
one of these days.

Kathy & Cueto O'Brien
were over last night and
recalled all kids to the
back for your reading in
their old (& classy) Mercedes.

Jim is still loving his
job with ~~Multilingual~~
their home in San Joaquin.
He sounds very happy
every time we talk. I
really miss him.

Hope all is well with
you - Love,

Due

Dear Carol & Elvira -

I've been meaning to
write for months - but
life is a bit busy right
now - I may have told
you that I'm working with
Montana PBS on a doc
about Dorothy M. Johnson,
so I've been away from
computer quite a bit - not
wonderful when I have
four classes! But this is
so much fun!

I taught in a workshop
at the Art Museum here
last summer & one of the
teachers who was enrolled -
a former student of mine -
told the class that I had
changed her life by introducing
her to all the wonderful
Montana writers. She
mentioned you by name,
Elvira, & then told us that
her sister had made the
comment in a recent phone
conversation: "What would



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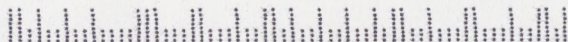
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Beverly Clark, one of the members of the original group, recalls the formative years of the BST when it was comprised of just a handful of interested people.

"There were so few of us that everybody did everything to pull off a play. But it was a lot of fun." Mrs. Clark temporarily withdrew from the theatre circle for a few years to tackle yet another involved task of "raising a family". But as her children reached an age of independence, she returned to the theatre group. She has served as president of the BST Board and more recently as president of a support group known as the Supporting Cast which raises money for the theatre's many needs.

"The theatre now — as then — is an integral part of my life," Mrs. Clark said with exuberance echoed by others who have been touched by the magic of the BST.

The group — which numbered perhaps two dozen or so — decided to showcase their talents in 1953 when they publicly performed an old play called "There's Always Juliet" at Eastern Montana College. The

group continued to perform throughout the 50's and 60's. In 1958, spurred on by growing public interest, they incorporated as the Billings Studio Theatre, Inc. — and community theatre in Billings was born.

As the mystical allure of modern drama infected more and more Billings citizens, the group quickly outgrew its humble basement domaine and the troupe entered its nomadic phase — shuttling between facilities at Rocky Mountain and Eastern Montana Colleges to accommodate the growing cast of performers and the ever-enthused audiences. So, as the end of the Sixties rolled around, members of the theatre group began laying plans to find the BST a permanent home. Montana artist Hall Diteman launched an exhaustive fund raising campaign along with Marian Sample. The effort took two years and Diteman nearly abandoned his artistic career to keep the ball rolling. Finally, an agreement was made with Rocky Mountain College and a piece of land was secured from the college along Rimrock Road. The non-profit group called for building bids and, in 1971, they opened the doors to their \$150,000 baby — the current home of the Billings Studio Theatre. The structure

houses a 254 seat main-theatre area complete with stage and a tiny backstage work area. The first production performed that year was "The Man of La Mancha" and it played to packed houses.

The Seventies confirmed what the original group had always believed — that Billings could support an energetic community theatre. Regular season ticket sales were brisk and the many amateur performers who stepped from the ranks of the community to appear on stage were greeted by the approving applause of their fellows in the audience. A drive was begun to sell season tickets in advance to give the theatre a reservoir of funds from which to keep it in operation. But through it all, no one among the many people who volunteered hundreds of hours to bring plays to the community was ever reimbursed. The reward came in other ways; through pride in a well done production and through the personal challenge of translating great dramatic works through the conduit of individual expression.

The original core group of a couple of dozen enthused thespians had expanded to include hundreds. Besides the local

recognition there was the added plaudit of national level recognition in 1975 when a BST production of the play "I Never Sang For My Father" was performed in Oklahoma City at the national Festival of American Community Theatres, following previous winning performances at the state and regional level. The BST had even been written up in "Variety" the entertainment industry newspaper that is the equivalent of the **Wall Street Journal** among members of the business world.

By 1978, season ticket sales had grown to more than 2000 and the casts of particular shows found themselves returning for increasingly longer runs to accommodate the swelling numbers of ticket-holders. It was in that year that the BST Board of Directors came to another big decision: it was time, in their opinion, to join the ranks of many other metropolitan theatres who had hired fulltime directors to render both artistic and business supervision. The call went out and 76 applications were reviewed. In August of 1978, a young man who had received his Masters of Fine Arts degree in Acting and Direction from the University of North Carolina, was installed as the first paid member of the

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Where To Dine



BISMARCK'S DER MARK, in the Kirkwood Motor Inn on South 3rd St. features sumptuous dinners in an elegant Bavarian setting. Try the Sunday brunch for an extra special weekend treat. Bring the whole family to the elegant Bavarian setting of Der Mark. Open from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. for lunch and from 5-10 p.m. weekdays and 11 p.m. weekends for dinner. We cater.

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HOLIDAY INN WEST, I-90 and Mullen Lane features the Hungry Hunter Restaurant with a western decor. Open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Breakfast, lunch and dinner, with the specialty of the house being a luncheon buffet Mon. - Fri. from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A Sunday breakfast buffet is served from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Chosen number 1 in people pleasing, be sure to visit the Holiday Inn for excellent dining in one of the most comfortable restaurants in Billings. Phone 248-7701.

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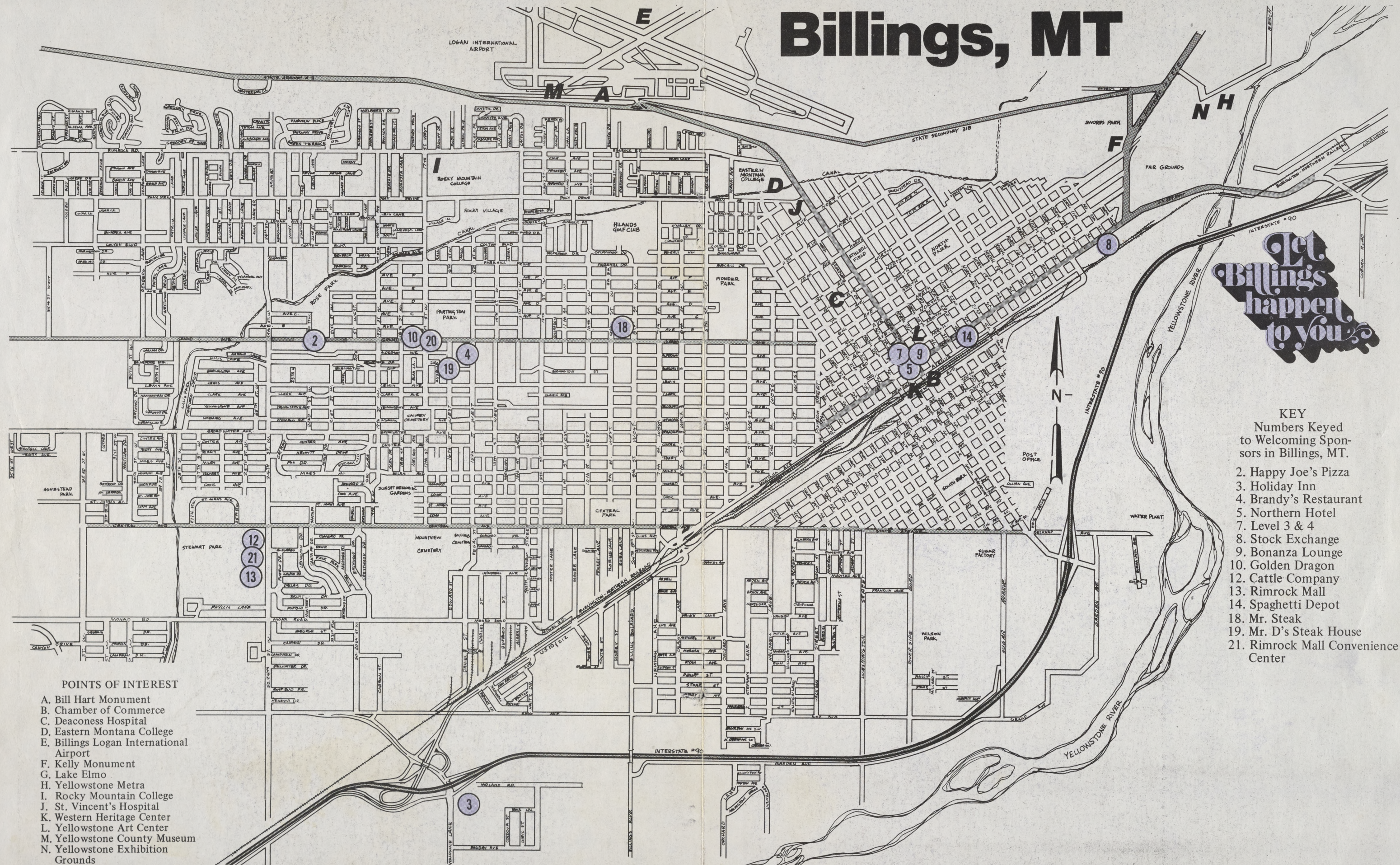
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MR D's STEAKHOUSE, 1126 16th St. West, features fine steaks, seafood, salad bar and fine wines with your meal. Located in the middle of Alpine Village, plan on combining your shopping trip with either lunch or dinner at Mr. D's. Open 11 a.m. Mon. - Sat. and 12 noon on Sun. One of the better restaurants in Billings. Phone 248-2072.

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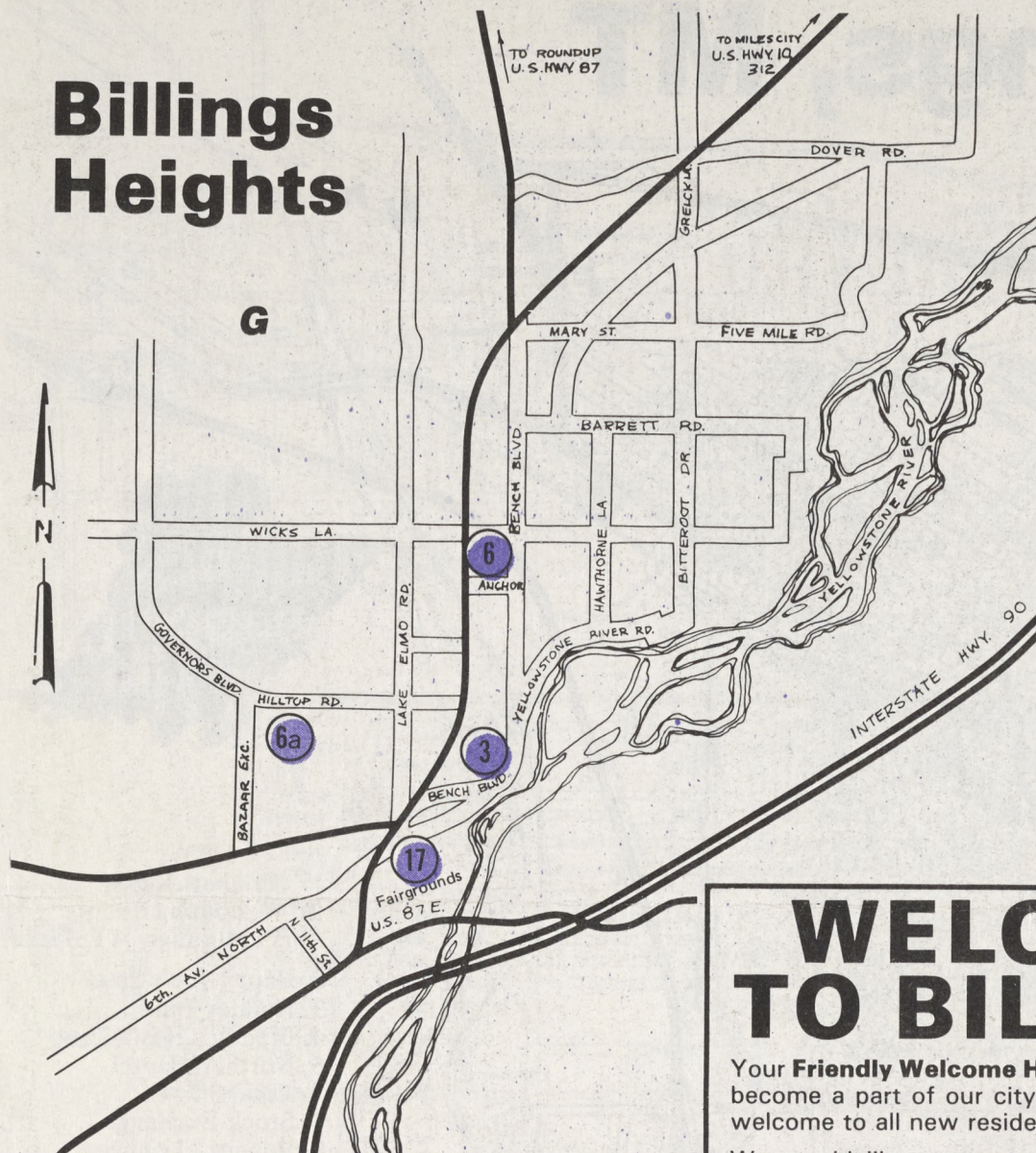
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sors in Billings, MT.

- 2. Happy Joe's Pizza
- 3. Holiday Inn
- 4. Brandy's Restaurant
- 5. Northern Hotel
- 7. Level 3 & 4
- 8. Stock Exchange
- 9. Bonanza Lounge
- 10. Golden Dragon
- 12. Cattle Company
- 13. Rimrock Mall
- 14. Spaghetti Depot
- 18. Mr. Steak
- 19. Mr. D's Steak House
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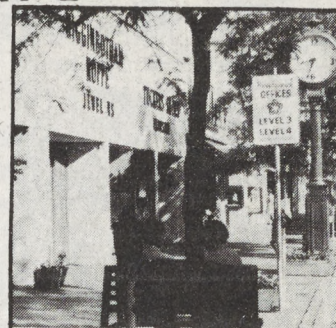
POINTS OF INTEREST

- A. Bill Hart Monument
- B. Chamber of Commerce
- C. Deaconess Hospital
- D. Eastern Montana College
- E. Billings Logan International Airport
- F. Kelly Monument
- G. Lake Elmo
- H. Yellowstone Metra
- I. Rocky Mountain College
- J. St. Vincent's Hospital
- K. Western Heritage Center
- L. Yellowstone Art Center
- M. Yellowstone County Museum
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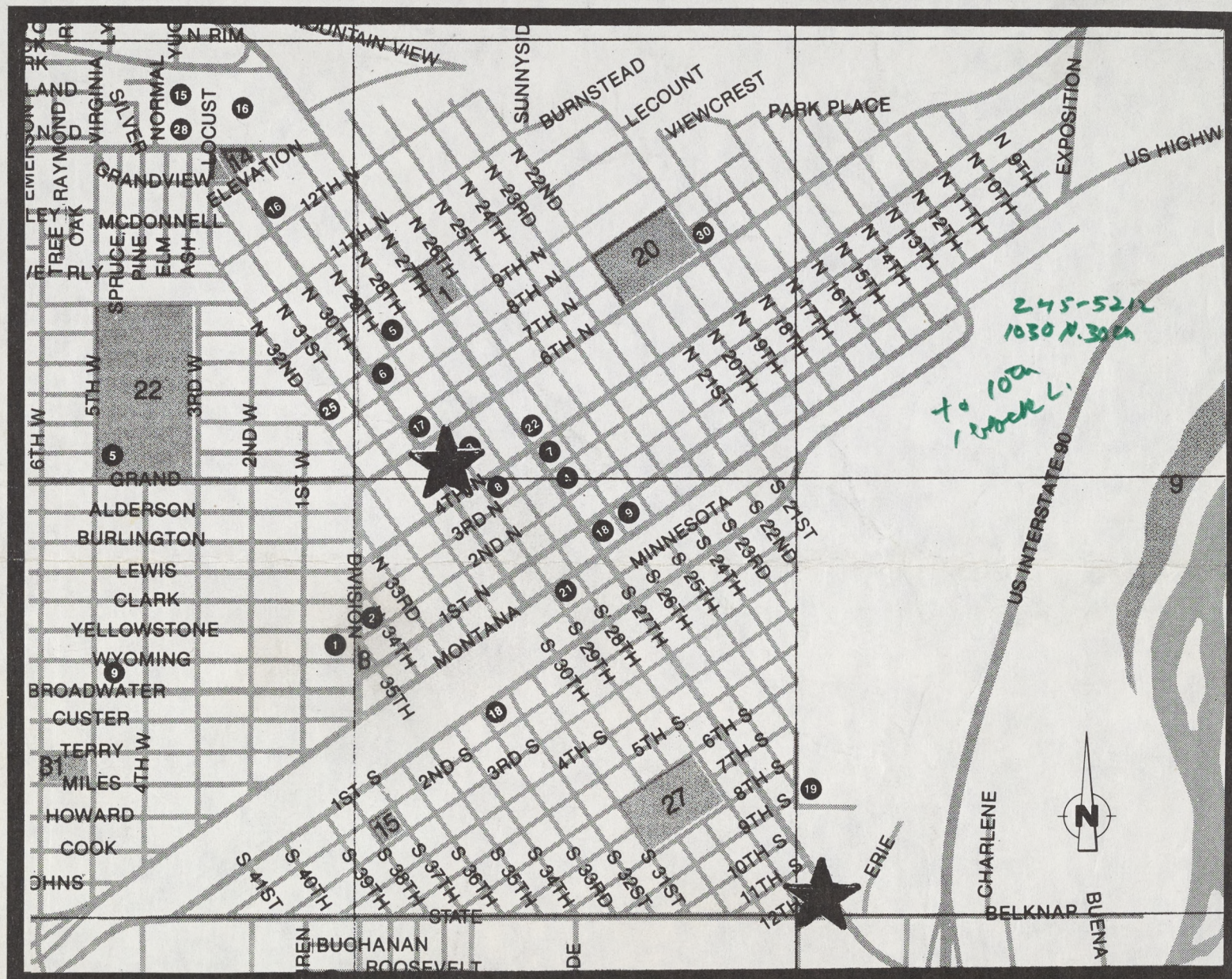
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Guide to Billings Librarians' Favorite Eating Places

Billings: "City Style with a Country Smile"

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DOWNTOWN

1. **ATHENIAN**, 18 N. 29th (248-5681)--Also a branch at the Mall
Good Greek food--gyros, salads, pastries, moderate prices
2. **BERT & ERNIE'S**, 2824 2nd Ave. N. (248-4313)
Sandwiches, dinner, beer, good atmosphere, moderate prices
3. **CASEY'S**, 109 N. Broadway (256-5200)
Cajun food, poker, entertainment, moderate prices
4. **DEVERNIERO'S**, at the Rimrock Inn, 1233 N. 27th (252-9199)
Great Italian food, sandwiches, salads, good prices
5. **DUDE RANCHER**, 415 N. 29th, (259-5561)
Breakfasts, coffee, cinnamon buns, home cooking, good prices
6. **EL BURRITO CAFETERIA**, 310 N. 29th, (256-5234)
California-style Mexican, self-serve, breakfasts, good prices
7. **JAKE'S**, 2701 1st Ave. N., (259-9375)
Steak, fish, salads, more expensive
8. **JUNIPER**, 1315 N. 27th, 245-4128)
Family dining, baked goods, breakfast, moderate prices
9. **LATOQUE**, 123 N. 26th (252-9895)
Reservations recommended, French dining experience, late night (dinner only), expensive
10. **LE CROISSANT**, 2711 1st Ave. N., (245-8885)
Breakfast buns, light lunches, coffee, moderate prices
11. **LINDERONI'S**, 821 N. 27th (245-9800)
Italian pastas, salads, cheeses, take out, moderate prices
12. **MARKET SQUARE**, Shopping Place at 207 N. Broadway

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13. **PERKINS**, 825 N. 27th, (248-8320)
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15. **THE REX**, 2401 Montana Ave., (245-7477) Reservations recommended
Fine dining, beautiful atmosphere, bar, more expensive
16. **SHOGUN JAPANESE**, 3001 1st Ave. N. (248-2218)
Japanese dinners and tempura, small portions, reasonable prices
17. **SPUR BAR AND CHUCKWAGON CAFE**, 1203 1st Ave. N., (252-9044)
Cowboy bar and home cooking, moderate prices
18. **SWEETGRASS SANDWICH CO.**, 2908 1st Ave. N., (252-4282)
Healthy sandwiches, tea, homemade soup, reasonable prices
19. **THAI ORCHID**, 20 N. 27th, (256-2206)
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26. **DOS MACHOS**, 24th St. W. (in front of the Mall) (652-2020)
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27. **ELMER'S PANCAKE & STEAK HOUSE**, 2455 Central Ave., (652-8292)
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ON THE WAY--TO THE MALL, FROM THE MALL, TO THE HEIGHTS, ANYWHERE:

28. **BRANDY'S**, 1310 15th St. W., (252-2775)
Seafood, steak, Sunday brunch, casino, keno, moderate
29. **BRUNO'S**, 1223 Grand Ave., (248-4146)
Pizza, Italian, deli, moderate prices
30. **FOUR B'S**, 2333 Grand Ave., (652-4646)
Family dining, moderate prices

31. **FUDDRUCKER'S**, 2011 Overland Ave., (656-5455)
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32. **GRANARY**, 1500 Poly Drive, (259-3488)
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33. **GREAT WALL CHINESE**, 1309 Grand Ave., (245-8601)
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34. **MARCO POLO GARDENS**, 1502 Grand Ave., (248-6713)
Northern Chinese, open late, carry-out, moderate prices

35. **MAYFLOWER OF CHINA**, 1720 Grand Ave., (245-9566)
Cantonese, Mandarin, carry-out, moderate prices

36. **MIYAJIMA GARDENS**, 5364 Midland Rd., (245-8240)
Japanese, Teppan Yaki, private booths, reasonable prices

37. **QUENTINELLI'S**, 5500 Midland Rd., (248-7701) Reservations recommended
Elegant Northern Italian, more expensive, dinner only

38. **RED ROBIN**, West Park Plaza on Grand Ave., (248-7778)
Sandwiches and burgers, desserts, casual, moderate prices

39. **SUDS HUT**, 1110 Broadwater, (252-9709)
Ribs, chicken and johnny spuds, casual, reasonable prices

FAST FOOD

Available everywhere, especially on Grand Avenue, Central Avenue, the Malls, near the schools, in the Heights.

We don't recommend any of it, as there are so many other choices.

Rides shut down after theme park deaths

DOSWELL, Va. (AP) — A New York man died in an apparent accident on a roller coaster in which riders stand through several loops that turn them upside down.

It was one of two fatal accidents in as many days, the other one in California.

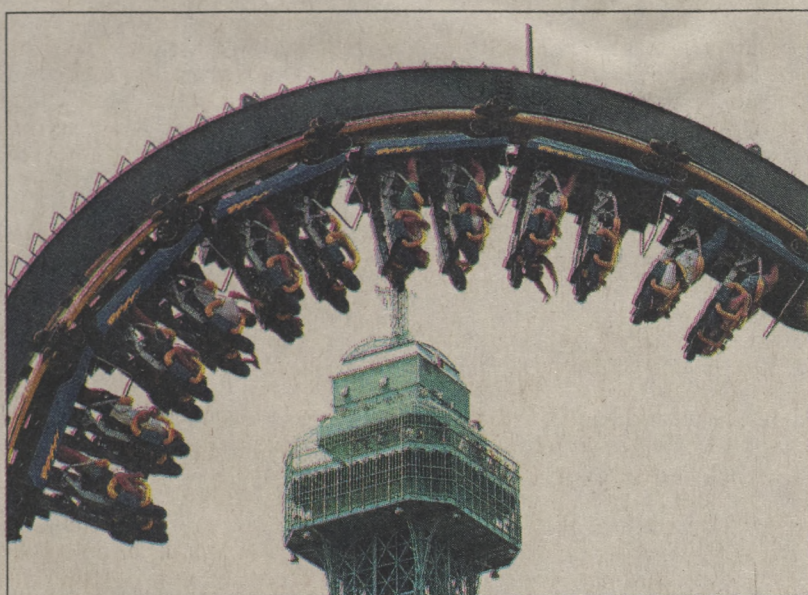
Timothy Fan, 20, was killed Monday night on the 50-mph Shockwave ride at the 400-acre Paramount King's Dominion theme park. Officials didn't have a hometown for Fan but said he lived on Long Island in New York.

Officials at the park, which is located about 20 miles north of Richmond, released few details about the incident. Park spokeswoman Betsy Moss confirmed the fatality and said an investigation was under way.

Five people were slightly injured Monday when a piece of decorative wood came loose from the track of a Knotts Berry Farm roller coaster ride in Buena Park, Calif.

Also in California, a disabled 12-year-old boy died Sunday after plummeting from an amusement park ride that was about to be shut down for a safety check.

Park officials said Joshua



Associated Press

Paramount King's Dominion theme park features the Shockwave ride in Doswell, Va. A rider died on it Monday.

Smurphat somehow slipped from a shoulder harness and fell from the Drop Zone ride at Paramount's Great America Theme Park in Santa Clara. A park spokesman said the accident had nothing to do with the boy's disability or the safety check.

On the Drop Zone, riders are harnessed into six four-person coaches, sitting upright with their feet dangling. They are hoisted 200 feet up a tower and free-fall about two-thirds of the way down, reaching speeds of 62 mph before braking.

White House says Clinton never used cocaine 'in entire life'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Responding to renewed media interest in past drug use by politicians, the White House said Tuesday that President Clinton never used cocaine.

"The president has never done cocaine," Jim Kennedy, spokesman

for the White House counsel's office, told The Washington Times. "That applies to his entire life."

The question arose after Gennifer Flowers, who claimed to have had a long-term liaison with Clinton when he was governor of Arkansas, alleged in an interview

with Fox News Channel on Wednesday that Clinton told her he had used the illegal drug.

Texas Gov. George W. Bush's presidential campaign has been dogged by questions over whether he used drugs when he was a young man.

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Stockman Bank Billings Heights, operating from a modular facility, opened a little over a year ago at Hilltop & Main. Customer response has been very positive. In fact, the bank attracted over **\$1 million a month in new business** during the first year.

Part of the original plan for the full-service location was the construction of a permanent facility. In late July, construction began on a two-story brick building that will be completed next spring.

Stockman Bank also has plans for a **fourth Billings area location at Shiloh Road and Grand Avenue**. In addition to the Heights office, Billings area locations include: 2700 King Avenue West, Billings, and Main Street, Worden.

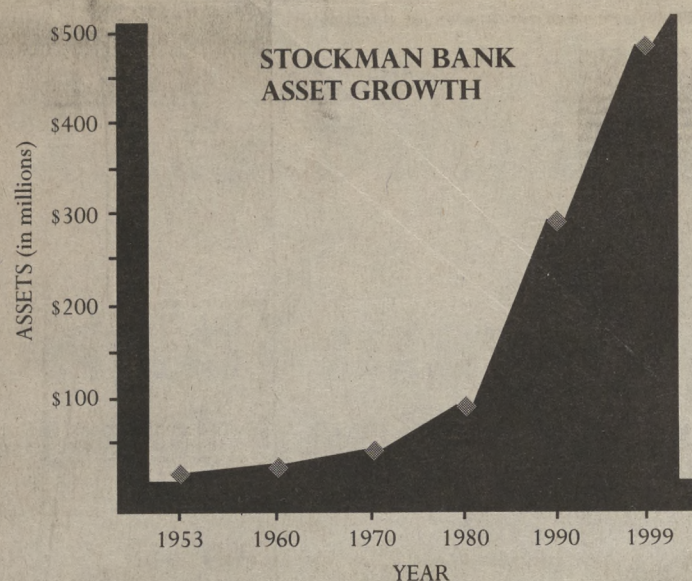
10 FULL-SERVICE LOCATIONS

When Stockman Bank was established in 1953 by a small group of ranchers and businesspeople, the bank had \$2 million in assets and a single location. Through the years, Stockman Bank has maintained its commitment to the people and the communities served. Today, the bank — **with assets of \$500 million** — serves thousands of customers in Montana, northern Wyoming, and the western Dakotas.

As one of the largest banks in Montana, Stockman embraces a uniquely balanced philosophy. We believe that each office should be locally managed, with tailored products, personalized service and the freedom to make decisions. Our philosophy also addresses the need for technical resources and innovative services, which we're able to provide as a regional holding company.



SETTING THE PACE IN A CHANGING INDUSTRY



As other banks have merged and downsized in the last few years, Stockman Bank has embraced its philosophy of community banking. In fact, Stockman Bank is **one of the fastest growing banks in Montana**. Customers enjoy the personalized service and the ability to access the most innovative financial products available.

Stockman Bank is recognized as a statewide leader in several areas...

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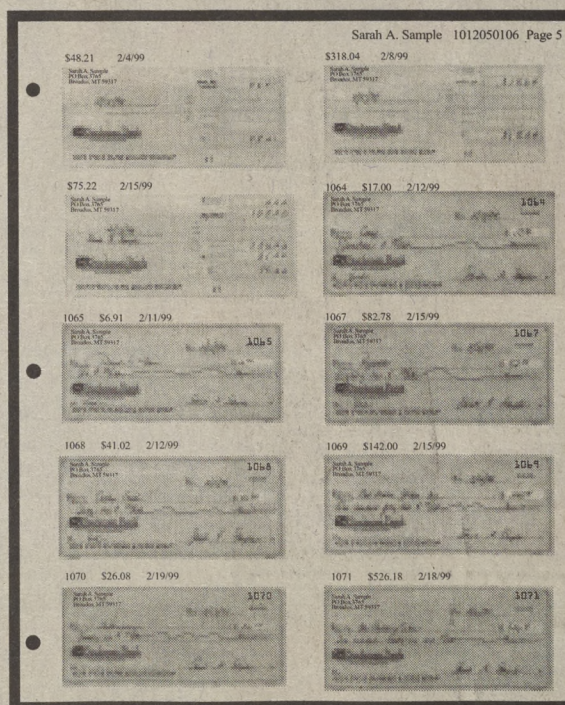
Helping customers make their financial goals reality requires significant resources for long-term success. At Stockman Bank, we have the financial strength and capital base to make necessary investments, while preserving our standards of high-quality customer service.

Stockman Bank believes **technology should enhance — not replace — customer service**. In the last two years, we have **invested over \$4 million in new technology**. From new personal computers at every service desk in the company, our bankers can instantly access on-line information to provide **immediate response to customer inquiries**.

The new technology has also allowed us to introduce innovative new services, including: 24-Hour TeleBank, image statements, fully-automated cash management services for businesses, and our interactive website. Internet banking — allowing customers to bank from their PC — is the newest service that will soon be introduced as part of our ongoing technology commitment.

IMAGE STATEMENTS

Stockman Bank was one of the first banks in Montana to introduce image statements — customer response has been overwhelmingly positive. Rather than receiving actual checks and deposit slips in their statement, customers receive enhanced images. Deposits appear first, followed by checks in check number order. Three-ring organizers are provided free to customers for easy storage.



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