

Bringing recipes to your 406 Table

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During the Huntley Project Christmas Stroll on December 14th, Billings event coordinator and author Karen Barbee of Events, I Do will be doing a book signing at R&R Trading in Huntley from 11am to 3pm for her new creative lifestyle book. Chalk full of both delicious recipes and tales of Montana, *The 406 Table* gives an insight into the author's life growing up on a farm in the 1960s as well as notable stories from around the Treasure State while sharing recipes that she says will "have your taste buds longing for more."

Barbee assembled this book in its entirety. Every story, every recipe, and every photo are her own work and are beautifully assembled in this book. "Putting this book together was an endeavor," Barbee said, "especially when you've never undertaken something like this before." This book actually has a closer link to the Huntley area than you may think, as Barbee says she took the picture making up the bottom right corner of the cover beside the river just before you enter Huntley.

In the three weeks since the book has debuted, Barbee says that she has received an amazing response from people across Montana and beyond, with people raving about both the stories that really express the feeling of growing up in rural Montana as well as the easy to execute recipes. Barbee says the one she recommends most during the holiday season is the Bridger Bowl chowder, a dish she says many people have already contacted her about to express their love. And with over 500 orders in just three and a half weeks, it seems like *The 406 Table* is soon to be a must-have for anyone looking to learn a bit about Montana and learn how to cook like the best in the state without the need for overly fancy items.