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## **TERRY LOBDELL ELECTED IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Terry Lobdell, President, Community First Bank, Glendive, was elected Immediate Past Chairman of the Montana Bankers Association at the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Lobdell will serve one year as a policy maker for the banking community.

Lobdell began his banking career in 1974 with Richey National Bank. He worked in all phases of the bank from lending to management to President and Chairman of the bank holding company. Lobdell left Richey National Bank in 1993 and became President of Community First Bank, Glendive in 1994.

Lobdell serves as the Montana Delegate on the Membership Committee of the American Bankers Association and most recently served as Chairman of the MBA Executive Committee, he is currently serving on the Board of Directors for the Montana Bankers Association for the Southeastern Region.

Lobdell is a graduate of Aviation Technology, Missoula Technical Center and the Midwest Banking Institute. Prior to his career in banking, he served in the U. S. Army as a military policeman and was a flight instructor for the 8<sup>th</sup> Army Flying Club in South Korea.

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## **ED GARDING ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Ed Garding, Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, First Interstate BancSystem, Inc., Billings, was elected Chairman of the Montana Bankers Association during the 108th Annual Conference. Garding will serve one year as a policy maker for the banking community.

Garding graduated with a B.S. in Business Administration from MSU-Billings in 1971 and began his banking career at First Interstate Bank in Billings. He has been President of First Interstate Bank in Colstrip and Hardin, MT, as well as Sheridan, WY.

Garding served as President of the Wyoming Bankers Association in 1993. He served as the ABA State Membership Chairman for Montana and on the ABA Government Relations Council, and is currently an ABA Delegate for Montana. He was Chairman of Pacific Coast Banking School in 1999. Garding serves as a member on the MSU-B School of Business board. Garding previously served as Vice Chairman of the MBA Executive Committee and also serves on the MBA Board of Directors representing First Interstate BancSystem, Inc.

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## **MITCH JOHNSON ELECTED VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Mitch Johnson, EVP, Teton Banks, Fairfield, was elected Vice Chairman of the Montana Bankers Association during the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Johnson will serve one year as a policy maker for the banking community.

Mitchell graduated from the University of Montana in 1982 with a Business Finance degree. He has been with Teton Banks (formerly First National Bank of Fairfield) for 28 years and is currently EVP. He serves on the Board of Directors, and is a licensed insurance agent and owner of an agency located in the bank. Johnson was most recently on the Montana Bankers Association Board of Directors serving the Northcentral Region and as Secretary/Treasurer of the MBA Executive Committee.

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## **KEVIN P. CLARK ELECTED SECRETARY TREASURER, RE-ELECTED TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND RE-APPOINTED AS A LARGE BANK REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Kevin P. Clark, Regional President, U.S. Bank, N.A., Great Falls, was elected Secretary Treasurer of the Montana Bankers Association Executive Committee. Clark was also re-elected to the MBA Board of Directors serving the Northcentral Region and was re-appointed as a large bank representative of U.S. Bank, N.A. during the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Clark will serve two years as a policy maker for the banking community.

Clark, a native of Great Falls, started his banking career in 1975 as a bank examiner. He is currently serving as the Regional President of U.S. Bank, N.A., Northcentral Montana Region. He was President and CEO of Heritage Bank from 1994 until February 2007 when Heritage merged with U.S. Bank, N.A., Cincinnati, OH.

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## **JOE KESLER RE-ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Joe Kesler, President and CEO, First Montana Bank, Missoula, was re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Montana Bankers Association at the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Kesler will serve two years as a policy maker for the banking community. He will represent the Western Region.

Joe Kesler came to Montana from Carbondale, Illinois. Joe received the Elijah Watt Sells award on the 1984 CPA exam. He also received his MBA from Southern Illinois University in 1991 and has over 30 years of experience in the financial industry. Before coming to Missoula, he was the Regional President of Old National Bank in Carbondale, Illinois. Joe moved to Missoula in October of 2005, with his wife Nancy and 5 children, to accept the position of President/CEO of First Montana Bank (formerly First National Bank of Montana). Joe, Nancy, and their children enjoy the beautiful outdoors of Montana and University of Montana Grizzly athletics.

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## **DANNY SKARDA RE-ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Danny Skarda, President and CEO, Rocky Mountain Bank, Billings, was re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Montana Bankers Association at the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Skarda will serve two years as a policy maker for the banking community. He will represent the Southcentral Region.

Skarda was elected President and CEO of Rocky Mountain Bank in April, 2003 with 32 years of banking experience in the State of New Mexico. Skarda was Chairman, President, and CEO of American National Bank of Silver City from 1989 to 1994, when he sold the bank to Norwest. He was Chairman, President, and CEO of First Interstate Bank of Roswell and on the Board of Directors of First Interstate Bank of Hobbs from 1987 to 1989. Skarda was President and CEO of United New Mexico Bank of Hobbs from 1985 to 1987, President of United New Mexico Bank of Roswell from 1982 to 1985, President and CEO of United New Mexico Bank of Alamogordo from 1980 to 1982 and Executive Vice President of United New Mexico Bank from 1971 to 1980.

Skarda is a member of Rotary Club, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Montana State University-Billings Foundation Board and the Yellowstone Country Club. He holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a major in finance and is a graduate of the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking.

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## **JIM OVERSTREET RE-ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Jaim Overstreet, President, Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Big Timber, MT, was re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Montana Bankers Association at the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Overstreet will serve two years as a policy maker for the banking community. He will represent the Southcentral Region.

Overstreet, a Montana native, grew up on the Sun Ranch near Ennis. He graduated from Ennis High School and New College of Florida. He started his banking career with First National Bank of Bozeman (now U.S. Bank) in 1975. He has been with Citizens Bank and Trust Company in Big Timber since 1981.

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## **SAM WATERS RE-ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Sam Waters, President and CEO, First Community Bank, Glasgow, was re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Montana Bankers Association at the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Waters will serve two years as a policy maker for the banking community. He will represent the Northeastern Region.

Waters was born and raised in Froid, MT, on the family farm. He graduated from Froid High School and Montana State University with a Bachelors in Accounting and Ag Business. He graduated from the Northwest Intermediate Banking School and the Pacific Coast Banking School. Waters joined First Community Bank in 1991, as Senior Vice President/Ag Loan Officer, and was appointed President in 1999. He worked for the Farm Credit System for 14 years before joining the bank. Waters is married to Judy and enjoys hunting, fishing, golfing and chasing his three children.

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## **SCOTT BURKE APPOINTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Scott Burke, President and CEO, First Security Bank, Missoula, was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Montana Bankers Association at the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Burke will serve two years as a policy maker for the banking community representing Glacier Bancorp.

Burke is a native of Livingston, MT. He moved to Missoula in 1981 to attend the University of Montana, and earned his baccalaureate degree in Business Administration and Finance in 1985. An opportunity with Bank of America led him to move to Southern California, where he subsequently earned his MBA. During a trip back to Montana he met the young lady that eventually became his wife. He and his family returned to Missoula in 1999, where he became a Commercial Loan Officer with First Security Bank. Scott was promoted to President of the bank in 2004.

Over the years, Scott's dedication to community has been evident in his generous commitment of time and talent to numerous local groups and non-profit organizations. At present, he is chair of St. Patrick's Hospital and Health Sciences Center board of directors, co-chair of the Missoula Best Place Project, a board member of the University of Montana Small Business Institute, community advisor to the Missoula County Public Schools, an ambassador for the Missoula Chamber of Commerce and a member of St. Patrick Hospital's Community Benefit Committee. You will find him involved in a wide range of area causes; he is a supporter of a long list of local organizations and events, and an avid Griz fan.

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## **MIKE MUNDT RE-ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Mike Mundt, SVP/CLO, American Federal Savings Bank, Helena, was re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Montana Bankers Association at the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Mundt will serve two years as a policy maker for the banking community. He will represent the Southwestern Region.

Mundt began his banking career in 1974 at Norwest Bank in Helena. He attended Carroll College, graduating in 1977 with a double major in Business and Finance. In 1988, he joined American Federal Savings Bank as Vice President/Commercial and Consumer Lending, and was promoted to Vice President/Lending in 1990. He was promoted to his current position as Senior Vice President-Chief Lending Officer in April, 1994. He currently serves as President on the Board of Directors for the Montana Business Assistance Connection.

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## **BRUCE GLENNIE RE-ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

Bruce Glennie, President Easter Montana, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., was re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Montana Bankers Association at the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Glennie will serve two years as a policy maker for the banking community. He will represent the Southeastern Region and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

Bruce Glennie was raised on his family's ranch located east of Judith Gap, MT. He graduated from Montana State University in 1989 and Pacific Coast Banking School in 1995. Bruce is the Business Banking Manager for Wells Fargo's Eastern Montana group and lives in Billings with his wife Erin, and their three children. Prior to moving to Billings last year, Bruce served as Community Bank President for eight Wells Fargo locations and was based in Glasgow, MT. Bruce is a board member of the Billings Wellbeing Institute and Montana 4H Foundation.

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