

# Montana Historical Society Public Programs and Events May 2023

**Thursday, May 11, 6:30 p.m.**

***Thirty-Seven Years of Riding for the Square & Compass Brand,***

**Talk and Book Signing with Ray Marxer**



**Lewis and Clark Library, 120 S. Last Chance Gulch, Helena**

The cowboy romance of the West is real, but so are the gritty realities. Managing an iconic Montana ranch for a distant corporation adds a whole new dimension of reality, which can be even more challenging than unpredictable animals and weather. Join Ray Marxer for a great true-west story of faith, family, and cowboy life, and to learn more about the history of the famed Matador ranch, which he managed for thirty-seven years.

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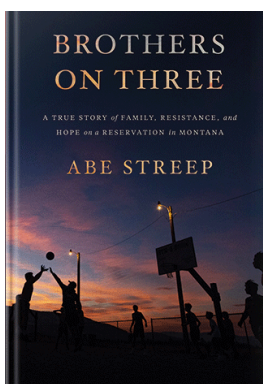


**Sunday, May 21, 2:00 p.m.**

**Home of Peace Cemetery Tour, with Ellen Baumler**

**Tour limited to 30 people. [Advance registration is required.](#)**

Helena's early Jewish community established the Home of Peace in 1867. It is Helena's oldest active burial ground and Montana's first Jewish cemetery where prominent civic leaders, Masons, businessmen, and families lie under the shade of century-old trees. Among its special features are family plots grouped together, connected with brick-paved walkways, much like a village neighborhood. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 2006, the cemetery is treasure trove of stories and a tribute to Helena's Jewish pioneers. Register to join Ellen Baumler for a Jewish American Heritage Month tour of this special place. Park in the Capital High student parking lot or on Brady Street. ([View Map \[goo.gl\]](#).) **Cosponsored by the Montana Historical Society, the Home of Peace Cemetery Association, and the Montana Jewish Project.**



**Thursday, May 25, 6:30 p.m.**

***Brothers on Three***

**A conversation with Abraham Streep and Donnie Wetzel and book signing**

**Myrna Loy Center, 15 N. Ewing St., Helena**

March 11, 2017, was a night to remember. In front of the hopeful eyes of thousands of friends, family members, and fans, the Arlee Warriors would finally bring the high school basketball state championship title home to the Flathead Indian Reservation. The game would become the stuff of legend, with the boys revered as local heroes. Then, in 2018, the Warriors defended their title after creating a viral suicide-prevention video. In *Brothers on Three: A True Story of Family, Resistance, and Hope on a Reservation in Montana*, journalist Abe Streep follows the Warriors as they balanced the pressures of adolescence, shouldered the dreams of their community, and charted their own individual courses for the future.

Streep will be joined by Donnie Wetzel, Director and Co-Founder of the MT Indian Athletic Hall of Fame. Together they will discuss sports, power, and change in Montana. From recruitment to officiating to the impact of stories, they will discuss the issues that animate *Brothers on Three* and that make basketball in Montana such an expression of strength, conflict, and joy. **Cosponsored by the Montana Office of Public Instruction Indian Education Unit and the Helena Indian Alliance.**