

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
MONTANA STATE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 18, 1985

The meeting of the Natural Resources Committee was called to order by Chairman Dennis Iverson at 3:00 p.m. in Room 325 of the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: All members were present.

HOUSE BILL 81: Rep. Orval Ellison, sponsor of HB 81, opened the hearing on that bill, stating that the move to have Maiasaura peeblesorum (the duck-billed dinosaur) named the state fossil is "in dead earnest." The area near Choteau containing fossilized evidence of the dinosaur is a "worldly significant find" with potential for increasing tourism in the area as well as vastly increasing scientific knowledge about dinosaurs, he said.

Ben Veach, of Livingston, presented the committee with a box of petitions and letters from more than 7,000 supporters of HB 81.

Michael Hager, Director of the Museum of the Rockies in Bozeman, spoke to the committee about the exploration near Choteau, calling it "one of the most important sites ever discovered." He said that official recognition of the significance of the site would increase tourism potential and provide a focus for scientific study in the public schools of the state. He presented a slide show to the committee showing artists' renderings of how the duck-billed dinosaur might have looked, and explained how the fossilized evidence found in Montana has changed traditional scientific theories about dinosaurs. The Montana site, he said, has provided the first evidence that dinosaurs lived in herds, cared for their young, tended their eggs and carried their tails above ground when walking.

He noted that maiasaura peeblesorum has been found only in Montana, and that three new species of dinosaur have been discovered in the same area.

William Melton, curator of the fossil collection in the University of Montana geology department, testified that Montana has some of the most spectacular dinosaur finds in the world.

Lester Sunvison of the Yellowstone Gem and Minerals Society in Livingston told the committee that he travels around the United States every year visiting significant fossil sites, and that the Choteau site is a potential tourist attraction.

Representatives of several rock clubs spoke in favor of the bill, including Glen Gustafson, Bozeman Natural and Earth Sciences Club; Reuel Janson, Hellgate Gem and Mineral Society; Stephanie Steinberger, Helena Mineral Society; Sarah Walker, Ben Veach Junior Rock Club; Don Warfield, Billings Gem and Mineral Club.

The sixth grade classes at Livingston Middle School, led by Mrs. Helen Peterson, presented testimony in favor of HB 81. More than 130 students combined to sing songs in honor of the duck-billed dinosaur and present petitions gathered from school children around the state. Individual testimony, in the form of statements, poems, songs and stories was given by Damien Sieler, Sherri Brooks, Shad Durgan, Melissa Mills, Matt O'Hara, Aaron Palmquist, Jary McKinney, Elaina Berglin, Kim Cavey, Stephanie Cey, Tawnya Kinne, Ramona Conrad, Dwight Herauf, Courtney Lewellin, Angie Martz and Jess Melin.

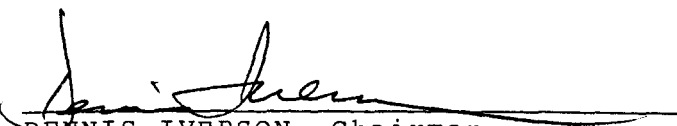
No opponents spoke against HB 81.

In questioning by the committee, Rep. Addy asked Dr. Hager if there was any assurance that the fossils obtained at the site near Choteau would stay in Montana. Dr. Hager said that no such assurance exists.

In answer to further questioning, Dr. Hager said science has not been able to determine the growth rate or life span of dinosaurs, but fossils found at the site in Montana may make such determinations possible.

EXECUTIVE ACTION: Rep. Raney moved that the committee pass HB 81, and received a second from Rep. O'Hara. The bill was passed unanimously with a voice vote.

There being no further business before the committee, the hearing was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.


DENNIS IVERSON, Chairman

DAILY ROLL CALL

HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMITTEE

49th LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- 1985

Date

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
IVERSON, Dennis (Chairman)	X		
KADAS, Mike (Vice-Chairman)	X		
ADDY, Kelly	X		
ASAY, Tom	X		
COBB, John	X		
DRISCOLL, Jerry	X		
GARCIA, Rodney	X		
GRADY, Edward	X		
HARP, John	X		
JONES, Tom	X		
KRUEGER, Kurt	X		
MILES, Joan	X		
MOORE, Janet	X		
O'HARA, Jesse	X		
PETERSON, Mary Lou	X		
RANEY, Bob	X		
REAM, Bob	X		
SMITH, Clyde	X		

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SPEAKER:

MR.

We, your committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES**

having had under consideration **HOUSE** Bill No. **81**

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**AN ACT DESIGNATING THE DUCK-BILLED DINOSAUR MAIASAURA PEBBLESORUM
AS THE OFFICIAL STATE FOSSIL.**

Respectfully report as follows: That **HOUSE** Bill No. **81**

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Chairman.

COMMITTEE SECRETARY

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MONTANA'S FIRST FAMILY
MAIASAURA PEEBLESORUM (MAY-AH-SAWR-A)

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MAIASAURA FOR STATE FOSSIL

Montana is a state rich in its natural heritage and proud of it! That "Naturally Inviting" fact is used to promote the "Treasure State" and yet, not many of our own citizens realize just how significant Montana is in its prehistoric heritage. Over the past few years, Curators from the Museum of the Rockies have spoken to numerous school and adult groups around the state. When asked "have you ever seen real dinosaur fossils?" the answer is generally "yes." When asked "where?" the reply is usually - "Minneapolis, Denver, New York, or Los Angeles." When asked where those dinosaurs were collected, many are puzzled. They, like other Montana residents are genuinely amazed when told that many of these spectacular fossils were collected in Montana.

Recently, Jack Horner, Curator of Paleontology at the Museum of the Rockies discovered a "World Class" dinosaur site near Choteau, Montana that contains eggs, babies, juveniles, adults and even embryos of a duck-bill dinosaur found only in Montana. This find, the only one of its kind anywhere in the world, has literally changed the way the world views dinosaurs. Because of this spectacular Montana find, we now know that some dinosaurs traveled in herds, cared for their young, and were probably warm-blooded. The dinosaur was named Maiasaura peeblesorum which means "good mother dinosaur" in honor of the Peebles, a long time Montana ranch family. The news of this discovery has been featured in newspapers in many U.S. and foreign cities as well as The Wall Street Journal, Scientific American, The Weekly Reader, People, Discoverer, Esquire, National Geographic, the ABC news program 20/20, the McNeil/ Lehrer Report, the childrens science program 3, 2, 1, Contact, as well as features on the Canadian and British Broadcasting Companies and in many other media reports.

Designating Maiasaura peeblesorum the Montana State Fossil would be of great educational and promotional value. Instruction units, publications, and Museum exhibits will be prepared for Montana schools as well as for the resident and visiting public to help make them aware of a unique Montana resource.

Children and adults of all ages are fascinated with dinosaurs. Maiasaura will provide the focus for an in-depth natural history lesson for our people and will be a point of pride when we teach others.

The students wrote and illustrated children's stories in Reading class. These stories were on a beginning reading level. They would like to share a few with you.

1. STONER

By: Ezra Lunde

Once upon a time a Mother Maiasaura had a newborn baby; his name was Stoner. Stoner was very happy to finally get to see the world. He jumped and gave his mother a big hug.....BOING. But he missed.....PAF!

Soon his mother went shopping to buy some toys for him. When she came back, she had a remote control airplane. Once he saw the plane, he hopped on the plane and flew away. He flew, and flew, and flew till he was in China meeting Chinese dinosaurs. One of his favorite Chinosaurs was Wimpslop Chung.

"I can't find it," said Wimpslop Chung.

"Find what?" asked Stoner.

"My mother," said Wimpslop Chung.

Meanwhile, Stoner's mother cried. Stoner was sad too because he missed his mother, but he didn't want to leave Wimpslop Chung because he had no mother.

Soon Stoner had an idea. It was: bring Wimpslop home with him. So he did.....

Soon they arrived back at Stoner's home (which was Montana). His mother greeted them and adopted Wimpslop. His mother also had three brand-new jet airplanes. They got in them and explored the world together. And that's how dinosaurs covered the earth.

2. THE RESCUE

By: John Robinson

Once upon a time there was a mother dinosaur called the Maiasaura. She had a nest with some eggs in it. All of a sudden she heard an egg crack. She said, "I must get my babies some food." So she went to get some food.

When she returned one of the babies was gone. The footprints led into the swamp. The mother dinosaur followed the footprints. The swamp was big and was full of strange dinosaurs. The mother dinosaur followed the footprints out of the swamp into a cave. She went into the cave and saw nothing.

But then she saw a small hole big enough for her baby to fit through. She went around and saw the hole she saw in the cave. The mother dinosaur saw a big, big dinosaur with her baby. She wondered how she could rescue her baby.

Then she got an idea. She went to the big dinosaur's cave and knocked on his door. Out came the big dinosaur and said, "What do you want?"

The mother said, "Follow me."

So he did.

Then they started walking. After a minute the mother dinosaur jumped into the air. The big dinosaur kept walking and fell into a pit. The mother laughed at him for being so dumb. She went into the big dinosaur's cave and saved her baby.

The mother and baby dinosaur came home and right then the other egg hatched.

3. BABY DINO AND HIS FAMILY

By: Melissa Gehlhausen

One day, a long time ago, there was a nest. Inside the nest, there was a dinosaur egg. A few days went by. After about two days, the dinosaur egg hatched!

"Oh, Mommy, I'm so happy," said baby Dino.

Baby Dino had twelve sisters and twelve brothers. Baby Dino was the last one born.

Dino's mommy said, "Baby Dino, you and your twenty four brothers and sisters can go outside and play, but just remember, stay away from the cave!"

"OK, Mommy, we will stay away from the cave," said Baby Dino.

The next day Baby Dino and his twenty four brothers and sisters weren't home! Their mommy was worried because maybe a big dinosaur kidnapped them! Mommy dinosaur went outside to see where they were, she looked and looked, and looked, but she could not find them! So, she went over a hill, and there they were! Mommy was very happy now.

Her little baby dinosaurs were all in a lake swimming and having fun. Mommy said, "Children, come here."

All of the babies came running to their mom, "Oh Mommy, we went swimming yesterday, and we didn't know the way home, so we just stayed here, we were so scared!"

Mommy dinosaur told them, "Don't ever go somewhere without telling me where you're going!"

The twenty five baby dinosaurs and Mommy dinosaur lived happily ever after!

4. THE LOST MAIASAURA

By: Lori Berlin

Once upon a time there was a Maiasaura named George. He was always getting in trouble. One day George was playing hide and seek with the other little dinosaurs and he

went so far into the forest that he got lost. George was so scared he didn't know what to do. So he said, "Maybe if I stay right here someone will find me." So he waited and waited and waited. Still no one found him.

It was starting to get dark so he thought that he would spend the night there. The next day, he saw another dinosaur coming towards him. "Fred," he yelled, "boy, am I glad to see you."

"What are you doing here? Your parents have been looking all over for you," said Fred.

"I'm lost," George said.

"Well, I can get you out of here," Fred said.

"OK," Fred said.

So the little dinosaurs started back, but they were going the wrong way. After a long time, George said, "Are you sure that we are going the right way?"

Fred said, "I don't know. I think we are going the right way."

So they went on deeper and deeper into the forest. After a while, they stopped to eat some leaves off of a tree. On they went. When they stopped to get a drink of water, a voice behind them asked, "Who are you?"

When they turned around, they saw that it was a Tyrannasaurus Rex. George said, "I'm George and this is Fred. Who are you?"

"I'm Mike," said the Tyrannasaurus. "What are you doing here? The Maiasauras live hundreds of miles away."

"I was playing hide and seek with the other dinosaurs and I got lost," said George.

"And I came by and found him," said Fred.

"Then he said that he knew the way home and took us the wrong way, so here we are," said George.

"Well, I can show you the way home tomorrow, but I have to go home now to eat dinner," said Mike.

So Fred and George went to eat some leaves. It was dark by the time they finished eating so they went to sleep. In the morning, they went down to where they met Mike. He wasn't there yet, so they sat down to wait. A little while later Mike said, "Are you ready to go?"

"We guess so." So off they went. After they had been walking for a long time, Fred asked, "Are we almost there?"

"We will get there tomorrow," said Mike. They stopped to have lunch and on they went. They walked and walked and walked. Finally it was time for bed, so they went to sleep. George and Fred were very tired.

In the morning, Mike had to wake them up. They were hungry so they ate some breakfast. They were very excited, because they were almost home. So Mike pointed the home and said, "I have to go back to my home now so just go straight ahead."

George and Fred ran all the way home. When they got back to their parents, they were so glad to see each other, and they lived happily ever after.

5. THE CAVEBABY AND THE DINOSAUR

By: Gina Hardy

There once was a dinosaur named Egor. Egor was a baby duck-billed dinosaur. He was very lonely because he didn't have any friends.

One day when Egor was going for a walk, he heard someone crying. Egor followed the noise, it seemed to be coming from a hollow tree. Egor peeked inside the tree. He was very surprised to see a cavebaby. When the cavebaby saw Egor he was so frightened that he stopped crying. Egor asked the cavebaby why he had been crying.

The cavebaby said, "I'm lost! I was picking berries when all of a sudden, I saw a butterfly. I started to follow it and now I don't know where I am."

Egor told the cavebaby that he'd help him find his way home. Egor was trying to think of a way to find the cavebaby's house when he noticed a small set of footprints. He grabbed the cavebaby's hand and started to follow the footprints. They followed the footprints for a long time. Egor was starting to think about turning back, when all of a sudden, the cavebaby yelled, "Look!"

Egor looked where the cavebaby was pointing. He saw the cavebaby's basket. Egor asked the cavebaby if he knew the rest of the way home. The cavebaby said yes, but he wanted Egor to meet the rest of the family. Egor went home with the cavebaby and met his parents. Egor was never lonely again because now he had a friend.

6. THE DINOSAUR IN TOWN

By: Shawn Smith

Once there was a dinosaur who was called the Maiasaura. One day he ended up in town, so he decided to look around. While he was walking, he met a dog.

He walked up to the dog and said, "Hi." The dog looked up and ran away.

He walked farther and he saw a cat. He walked over to the cat and said, "Hi." The cat squealed and ran away.

The dinosaur wondered what was wrong. Then he saw a lady. He went up to her and said, "Hello." But the lady screamed and ran away.

So the dinosaur went back to the woods and went to sleep. When he woke up, he saw a little boy. He walked over and said, "Hi."

The little boy said, "What's your name?"

"My name is Maiasaura," said the dinosaur.

The little boy said, "Can I have a ride?"

The dinosaur said, "Sure, where to?"

The next day, when the dinosaur woke up, he was at someone's house. Just then, someone came out of the house.

It was the little boy. The Maiasaura walked over and said, "Good morning."

Just then someone else came out of the house and said, "Dinosaur, This is your new home."

7. THE TROUBLED DINOSAUR

By: Teresa Morano

Once there was a mother dinosaur and she was going to have babies. All she ever did was sit and watch her eggs. One day, the mother dinosaur saw one of the eggs jump. Then another one, and another one. Soon she had little duck-bill dinosaurs running all over. Except for one...Harvey...

Harvey just sat in the corner of his nest thinking about what he should do. Harvey's mother went over to see him, and asked, "What's wrong, Harvey?"

Harvey just sat there and said nothing. The mother dinosaur went over to the other babies and said, "We won't take Harvey to play, he's very, very sick!" Harvey watched them go. Then he shouted to them, "What shall I do if a big dinosaur comes along?" But his mother didn't hear him. She did not care.

Harvey started talking to himself. "What if I can't get any food, or I can't get past a big dinosaur, or I can't get to the lake for water?" Harvey then wished that he didn't have so many terrible troubles. Harvey wanted to be with his mother and all of his brother duck-billed dinosaurs. His mother mostly, so she could feed him, and save him from big dinosaurs.

Then Harvey realized he should let his mother take care of his troubles. "Harvey," said his mother sneaking up on him. "You don't look very sick to me."

"I was never sick," said Harvey as he went back with his mother to be with his brother duck-billed dinosaurs. Harvey's mother took care of all of his troubles and they have never been apart since.

8. GEORGE, FRED, AND HARRY GET LOST

By: Scott T. Francis

Once upon a time, a long, long time ago...in a dinosaur colony called Dinoville, there lived three Maiasaura: a mom, a dad, and a small Maiasaura named Freddy. The small Maiasaura was nice, so was his dad.

When Freddy was about ten, he and his friends, Harry and George, got together to plan something nice for their parents. They were talking about different things they could do. Harry jumped up and said, "I know, we can give out parents some wild flowers." George and Harry agreed.

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The three friends set off for the woods to pick some wild flowers for their parents. They were being very, very careful because they knew that a Tyrantasaurus Rex lived in the woods. When they entered the woods, they thought it looked safe, but it wasn't.

When they found some flowers, the three Maiasuara started picking them. While they were picking the floewrs, Tyrantasaurus Rex snuck up on them. First they were picking flowers, and next, they were running their hearts out. They ran on and on, until they came out on the other side of woods, far away from their homes.

They were so scared that they almost ran right into a tar pit. They would have had it, but Harry yelled, "Stop!" and they all stopped.

The next day the three started home. George had his trusty compass with him. Within three days, they were right outside of Dinoville. They stopped where they were and slept for the rest of the night. The next morning, they got home and told their parents about their adventures. Their parents were very glad to see them and hugged them all.

9. THE DUCK-BILLED DINOSAUR

By: Tanya Dion

Once there was a dinosaur. His name was Oscar. Oscar was not like other dinosaurs. He had a bill like a duck and not a normal nose. All the other dinosaurs laughed at him. Poor Oscar.

Oscar didn't have a real mommy or daddy. He was just living with Dina and Clea. They were normal dinosaurs. Oscar didn't even know what his real mommy oand daddy looked like.

Every night after dinner, Oscar would go to his room, sit on his bed, and wish on the first star he saw. Do you know what he wished? He wished for a real mommy and daddy just like him.

One night after Oscar was done wishing, he heard a crackling noise. What could it be? It isn't raining, nor is it snowing. What could it be? Oscar ran to the front of the cave. Nothing was there. When he passed Dino's room, he heard it again. What was in there? Oscar was scared.

When Oscar went in, there by Dina were twenty normal baby dinosaurs. Oscar moped back to his room. Cleo came in. He asked, "Oscar, are you leaving?"

Well, yes. Now that you have baby dinosaurs, you don't need me," Oscar said.

"Are you sure," Cleo asked.

"Yes," replied Oscar.

After Oscar was done packing and had said good-bye to all the babies, Dina,, and Cleo, he started for the mountains. After walking, and walking, and walking, he bumped into something. What was it? Oscar looked higher

and higher. Could it be? Yes, it was! Oscar had found a duck-billed dinosaur! Yipeeee!!!

From then on, Oscar lived with the duck-billed dinosaurs. All of the duck-billed dinosaurs lived in the mountains.

10. GEORGE'S JOURNEY

By: Mike Gregory

Once upon a time, there lived a mother duck-billed dinosaur and her babies. When the mother wasn't paying attention, one of her babies, named George, decided to wander off.

Now George was scared because he had never been out of his nest before. When he was walking, one dinosaur said, "Get back to your nest or you'll get stepped on." Another time, he almost got stepped on. George kept on going on.

He started walking into the Jungle of No Return. He started seeing signs saying: NO TRESPASSING. Finally, he came to a sign that said: TOO LATE NOW!

George started getting tired, so he found a place to sleep. All of a sudden, some big plants started surrounding George. The plants said to him that they would have to throw him into a volcano which is hot.

Then George said, "Throw me in the volcano, but please, don't bring me back to my nest!"

One plant said, "I think he doesn't want to go back to his nest, so let's take him back to his nest."

A little later, back at his nest...his mom was standing there waiting for George. She saw that the plants had George and she got mad. She said that she would eat the plants if they didn't let George go. So they let George go and he lived happily ever after with his mom.

11. JOE'S FRIEND

By: Vance Lochridge

One day a long, long time ago, Joe was walking down a hill and he saw a nest. The nest was full of eggs. He was really hungry so he took one. He ran to his house as fast as he could. When Joe got home, he started a fire so he could cook his egg. Before he could cook his egg, it started to crack. A little head peeked out and said, "Where am I?"

Joe said, "You are in my house."

It said, "What are you?"

"I'm a person, what are you?" Joe said.

The baby said, "I think I'm a Maiasaura."

"That is too hard to say," said Joe, "so I will call you Fred."

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"Okay," said the baby.

The two had lots of fun together. Joe thought that he would have him forever.

Back at the nest, the mother Maiasaura was very unhappy. She really wanted her baby back.

Joe saw that the baby was getting bigger and bigger. He was eating almost everything in the whole house. This made Joe mad because he had to get the food for him.

Suddenly, he heard a big stomping sound and a big foot crushed the top of his house. It was mean Harry, a Tyrannosaurus and it was about to eat them. They ran out of the house and they ran and ran and ran, but mean Harry was faster than them. The mommy Maiasaura was right behind Harry. She ran so fast to save her baby. She grabbed a big rock and threw it at mean Harry. It hit him and he went running off.

The mother was happy that she found her baby, but Joe was lonely. So he went to live with them and they lived happily every after.

12. WHERE IS MY MAIASAURA?

By: Damien Seiler

One sunny day, John was digging on the Peeble Ranch. He was digging and digging until the sun was high in the sky. He hit something, he reached down and felt something very hard. He picked it up and pulled it up, and pulled it out. It was a bone. He did not know what kind of bone it was, so John went to his father. His father did not know what kind of bone it was, so he went to his mother. John's mother did not know what kind of bone it was, so he went to a scientist. The scientist said it was a Maiasaura, a duck-billed dinosaur.

John went back to where he was digging and pulled up another bone, and another, and another, and another. He put all the pieces together and had a great big dinosaur, he called it the Maiasaura Peeblesorum, in honor of the Peebles.

He dug again, and had a baby dinosaur.

John laid down to sleep. While he was dreaming, he saw a baby Maiasaura. He looked around, his mother was not there. The baby went out of its nest to look for its mother. He came up to a big dinosaur and asked, "Are you my mother?"

"No, I am not," he replied.

The dinosaur came up to the fly and asked, "Are you my mother?"

The fly said, "No, I am not."

The baby asked a fish, "Are you my mother?"

The fish said, "How could I be your mother, I am a fish." The baby went on.

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The baby sat down to think, "if a big dinosaur is not my mother, a fly is not my mother, and a fish is not my mother, who can be my mother??"

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The dinosaur went to sleep as he grew tired, and when he woke up, he found himself in his nest with his mother. He was happy!

13. THE LONELY BABY DUCK-BILLED DINOSAUR

By: Shellie Speer

A long time ago, there was a baby dinosaur named Spook. Spook didn't have any brothers or sisters and was very lonely and sad. He cried a lot about not having brothers or sisters to play with.

Spook got very bored, and didn't want anything to eat or drink. His mother got very worried about him, and stayed with him day and night. Other duck-bills brought them food, but couldn't bring water. But Spook wouldn't eat.

One day, the doctor came and gave Spook a shot. The shot made Spook scream and cry more than ever.

When Spook woke up, he was hungry and thirsty. His mother asked him if he wanted to go to the lake and get some water. He said, "No." So his mother went to the lake to get some water, feeling bad for leaving her son.

But soon...he went to sleep. She left him alone for a while and went walking in the woods. When she got back to the nest, Spook was sleeping under a big leaf. When she got back, Spook began crying.

She wanted to cheer him up, so she asked him if he wanted to play catch. He did. They played until dark. Then Spook went to bed and fell asleep quickly.

The next morning, when Spook woke up, he felt better. But he was really hungry and thirsty. His mother asked him if he would go to the lake with her to get some water. He said he would go. At the lake, they drank a lot of fresh water. Then they ate some food.

On their way back from the woods, Spook saw a duck-billed dinosaur that was about his size, hiding behind a bush. Spook told his mom that it would be great to have a friend since he didn't have any brothers or sisters.

When they were by the other dinosaur, Spook said, "What is your name?"

The other dinosaur said, "I am Spike. Who are you?"

Spook said, "I'm Spook and this is my mom."

Then Spook asked, "Where do you live?"

Spike said sadly, "I don't have a home or a family."

So Spook and his mother took Spike to be a son and a brother. Spook was happy to have someone to play with and to go for walks with. Spook and Spike were always together. Even if they were laughing, crying, running, or just sitting. Spook and Spike and their mother were happy from that day on.

14. THE DINOSAUR WITHOUT A NAME

By: Matt O'Hara

One day, Farmer Peeble's son, named Jeff, went down in a field on his dad's farm. Boom! He tripped on something sticking out of the ground! "I wonder what that could be," Jeff asked himself.

"It's a dinosaur bone," he said, "it's sticking out of the ground! I wonder what kind of dinosaur bone it is," he asked himself.

He got all excited, he wanted to tell his mother and father what he had found. "Eeek!" he screamed. He had fallen into a big hole he didn't know was there. Down, down, down he fell, he was falling deeper and deeper, and faster and faster. He began to get scared!

"Oh, no," he yelled, "what is going to happen to me?!" Just then, Kerplow! He had just fallen right on top of a big, huge dinosaur! The mean dinosaur roared like crazy, he was mad!

Jeff said, "What is going to happen to me? I have to get off of this dinosaur before he eats me." Then he jumped off of the mean dinosaur and ran and ran as fast as he could.

Meanwhile, a long way from Jeff, was a big dinosaur. She had just laid a pile of eggs in a nest. She was very happy that she had so many eggs. "Help me! Help me!" cried Jeff.

The mean dinosaur was still chasing him! The mother dinosaur saw Jeff, and right behind him was the mean dinosaur, trying to eat him! The mother dinosaur said, "Why, that mean dinosaur can't eat that sweet little boy!"

Just then, she jumped to her feet and roared her loudest. "ROAR!" It scared the mean dinosaur so much that he ran away.

Jeff said, "Oh, thank you, oh, thank you for saving me! I am lost. I fell in a hole and landed here. I don't know where I am."

"Well, don't worry, I will take care of you and you will be very good friends with my new babies," she said.

"Boo, Hoo, Hoo," she started to cry.

"What's wrong?" asked Jeff.

"Boo, Hoo, I am sad because I don't have a name," she said.

"Don't worry, when I get home, I'll ask the State Legislators to give you a name," said Jeff.

"Thank you," she said.

"EeeeeeeeeekK!!!!", he screamed. He had fallen into another big hole! He fell deeper and deeper. "Help me," Jeff said.

Just then, Boom! He fell right on top of the big oak tree in his back yard. "I'm home, I'm home!" he yelled.

But then he remembered that he had promised the mother dinosaur that he would ask the State Legislators to give her

a name! So he rode his bike all the way to Helena and asked them to give the mother dinosaur a name. The State Legislators said, "Yes, we will call her Maiasaura Peeblesorum. And Jeff lived happily ever after."

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Arrowhead Mineral Club Inc. P.O. Box 222 Great Falls, MT 59403	48 Names
Ben Veach Junior Rock Club 112 So. C St. Livingston, MT 59047	16 Names
Big Sky Rocks & Mineral Club Box 342 Rollins, MT 59931 Polson, MT	36 Names
Billings Gem & Mineral Club Box 477 Billings, MT 59103	82 Names
Bitterroot Gem & Mineral Society Box 295 Stevensville, MT 59870	53 Names
Butte Mineral & Gem Club Box 41211 Butte, MT 59701	58 Names
Central Gem & Mineral Society 614 W. Ohio St. Lewistown, MT 59457	22 Names
Helena Mineral Society Box 114 Clancy, MT 59634	62 Names
Hellgate Mineral Society Inc., Box 2683 Missoula, MT 59806	51 Names
Kalispell Rockhounds Box 1370 Kalispell, MT 59901	50 Names
Lincoln County Rockhounds Box 308 Trego, MT 59934	22 Names
Mont. Society of Nat. & Earth Sci Box 375 Bozeman, MT 59715	49 Names
Musselshell Mineral & Fossil Soc. 1117 2nd. St. W. Roundup, MT 59072	21 Names
Rock & Hobby Club 340 Prospect Dr. Glendive, MT 59330	70 Names
Whoop Up Trail Rockhounds Inc. Box 126 Fort Benton, MT 59406	15 Names
Yellowstone Gem & Mineral Society 112 So. C St.	28 Names

Yellowstone Agate Club
Box 2552
Miles City, MT 59301

46 Names

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Cascade Schools
P.O. Box 307
Cascade, MT 59421-0307

70 Names

Big Timber Grade School
Box 887
Big Timber, MT 59011

77 Names

South School
606 S. 5th
Laurel, MT 59044

72 Names

West School
410 Colorado Avenue
Laurel, MT 59044

243 Names

Valley View School
900 Avenue A.N.W.
Great Falls, MT 59403

346 Names

Linderman School
111 4th Avenue East
Polson, MT 59860

129 Names

Peerless Elementary
Miss Lori Falcon
Peerless, MT 59253

43 Names

Sheridan School
105 Madison
Sheridan, MT 59749

103 Names

Bitterroot School
1801 Bench Blvd.
Billings, MT 59105

248 Names

Jefferson School
M. Carroll, 6th Grade
1023 Broadway
Helena, MT 59601

289 Names

Hardin Intermediate School
Rose Schindler
631 W. 5th
Hardin, MT 59034
Jordan Elementary School
Box 309
Jordan, MT 59337

228 Names

72 Names

Mr. Unesseman
Nardin, MT 59034 131 Names

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Cascade Schools (K-6)
P.O. Box 307
Cascade, MT 59421-0307 140 Names

Boulder Elementary
Box 176
Boulder, MT 59632 23 Names

Chief Joseph School
Great Falls, MT 59401 33 Names

Froid Elementary
Froid, MT 59226 32 Names

McKinley School
W. Park
Butte, MT 59701 167 Names

Wyola Elementary School
P.O. Box 66
Wyola, MT 59089 16 Names

Rimrock Elementary School
2802 13th Street West
Billings, MT 59102 174 Names

Turner Public Schools
Box 40
Turner, MT 59542 67 Names

Whitehall Public Schools
A. Hoffmann
P.O. Box 400
Whitehall, MT 59759 32 Names

Jefferson School
Room 13 Grade 6
Glendive, MT 59330 21 Names

Fort Benton Public Schools
Fort Benton, MT 59442 31 Names

Eureka Elementary
P.O. Box 2001
Eureka, MT 59917 45 Names

Lincoln School
213 S. Nowlan
Glendive, MT 59330 350 Names

Grass Range Public Schools
Grass Range, MT 59032

11 Names

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Superior Elementary
Box 400
Superior, MT 59872

16 Names

Whitter School
Great Falls, MT 59401

128 Names

Garfield School
215 7th Avenue South
Lewistown, MT 59457

69 Names

Choteau Public Schools
Choteau, MT 59422

95 Names

Edgerton Schools
233 First Ave. East
Kalispell, MT 59901

116 Names

Big Sandy Public Schools
Big Sandy, MT 59520-0570

66 Names

St. Ignatius Elem.
Susan Abtiuchok
P.O. Box 370
St. Ignatius, MT 59865

265 Names

Columbus Elementary School
P.O. Box 925
Columbus, MT 59019

136 Names

Highland Park Elementary
1312 7th Avenue North
Lewistown, MT 59457

212 Names

Butte Schools
Webster-Garfield
Butte MT,

126 Names

Dillon School
Dillon, MT

38 Names

Livingston Middle School
5th and Callender
Livingston, MT 59047

Winanans School
K-5 grades
Livingston, MT 59047

East Side School
K-5 grades
Livingston, MT 59407

St. Mary's School
K-8 (grades)
Livingston, MT 59407

Park Senior High School
McLeod Island
Livingston, MT 59047

1408 Names

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John's FGA
Customers

529

Park High
Basketball Fans

203

WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME Doreen Christianson's Class (6th Grade) BILL NO. 81
ADDRESS 5th & Callender DATE 1-18-85
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? Livingston Middle School
SUPPORT ✓ OPPOSE AMEND

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

We support HB 81.

We feel the Maiasaura should be the
state fossil because:

it's found only in Montana,
they found embryos,
juveniles, and adults at Choteau -
no where else in the world!

WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME 6th grade BILL NO. 81
ADDRESS Livingston, ~~Middle~~ Mt 590-17 DATE 1-18
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? Livingston Middle School
SUPPORT ✓ OPPOSE _____ AMEND _____

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

*We support this bill because the
Maiasaura is only found in Montana.*

WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME _____ BILL NO. 81
ADDRESS Livingston, MT 59047 DATE 1-18
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? 6th Middle School
SUPPORT ✓ OPPOSE _____ AMEND _____

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

We support Housebill 81 because the
Maiasaura Peeblesorum is found only
in Montana

WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME Livingston Middle School BILL NO. 81
ADDRESS _____ DATE 1-18-85

WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? _____

SUPPORT ✓ OPPOSE _____ AMEND _____

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Comments:

Because the *Naiaianca Pehlesorum* is
only found in Montana, We support
H.B. #81.

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NAME	RESIDENCE	REPRESENTING	SUP- PORT	OP- POSE
Betty Klingler	Livingston Mt	Ben Veach Jr. Rock Club	X	
Lester Swanson	" "	Yellowstone Gem & Mineral Soc	X	
Don Harfield	Billings Mont.	Billings Gem & Mineral Club	X	
Marian E. Dayfield	Billings, MT	Billings Gem & Mineral Club	X	
Glen T. Seisler	Monkton MT.	Bozeman Natural & Earth Sciences	X	
Alpha Gustafson	Manhattan, MT	Bozeman Natural & Earth Sciences	X	
William G. Motta	Lincoln MT	Union of Montana and Idaho Museum	X	
Renee Janson	Missoula, MT	Helena Gem & Mineral Soc	X	
Betty E. Klingler	Livingston MT	Ben Veach Jr. Rock Club	X	
Don Harfield	Billings MT	Ben Veach Jr. Rock Club	X	
Christen, Hanson	Livingston MT	Ben Veach Jr. Rock Club	X	
Wendy Seisler	Livingston, MT	Ben Veach Jr. Rock Club	X	
Phyllis K. Miller	Bozeman, MT	Yellowstone Gem & Mineral Soc	X	
Helenie Steinhilber	Bozeman, MT	Yellowstone Gem & Mineral Soc	X	
Gina T. Seisler	P.O. Box 14 EHRIGAM MT	MT 590 27- Livingston	X	
Michael W. Hager	108 Silverwood Dr. Bozeman, MT	MUSEUM OF THE ROCKIES	X	
Ben Veach	112 So. C St	Livingston MT	X	
Donna Veach	112 So. C St	Livingston MT	X	
Amy Hager	108 Silverwood Dr.	Bozeman MT.	X	

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Eddie Keizer	519 W. Darke	Livingstone Middle School	✓	
Melissa Behlhausen	Box 728	"	✓	
Johnny Fox	711 E. Gay St	"	✓	
Scott Francis	612 W. Lewis	"	✓	
Shad Duncan	226 S. 3 rd St	"	✓	
Billy Ellison	PO Box 273	"	✓	
Cory Dunlap	318 S. 7th.	"	✓	
Haley Flatt	325 W. Summit	"	✓	
Tashee Niles	Iron Horse Tr. Ct. #24	"	✓	
Andy Goff	112 No. Yellowstone	"	✓	
John Ewan	410 S. Yellowstone	"	✓	
Bill Devine	P.O. Box 265	"	✓	
Charles Eyrter	327 S. C. Street	"	✓	
Jason Garrison	416 N 32d St	"	✓	
Tanya Dion	311 S 3rd	"	✓	
Kim Clayton	Iron Horse Tr. Ct. #17	"	✓	
Kim Kiefer	219 S. I St	"	✓	
Aaron Churness	206 S. 10 th St	"	✓	
Mike Frank	606 S 12 th St	"	✓	
Scott Davis	116 S 6 th St	"	✓	

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NAME	RESIDENCE	REPRESENTING	SUP- PORT	OP- POSE
Susan Anderson	Park Road	Livingston Middle School	✓	
Donna Rogers	30950, 2nd	"	✓	
Chad Alt	Westend Trl Court #85	"	✓	
Justin Venable	621 E Gullatin	"	✓	
Jeff Murphy	428 N.B	"	✓	
Mike Boldtzen	208 SCS	"	✓	
Shane O'Neil	109 N D	"	✓	
David Woods	108 1/2 N L	"	✓	
Allen Roy	Rt. 85	"	✓	
Jennifer Rostad	Box 335	"	✓	
Rachelle Nardella	327 S. 9th	"	✓	
Amy Miller	Rt 62	"	✓	
Rebbie Williams	Rt 85 Box 4271	"	✓	
Wynndora J. Kiron	521 N. M	"	✓	
Traci Wilson	P.O. Box 84	"	✓	
Nancy Olin	519 N/B St	"	✓	
Kimberly Smith	Rt 85	"	✓	
Crissy Robert	Box 742	"	✓	
Jennifer Penning	Rt. 62 Windmill Trl #242	"	✓	
Angelia Weston	123 S. P St	"	✓	

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Therese King	229 S. 7 th	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Jody Boggie	307 S. B	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Milee Bouchée	514 N. L	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Amber Betch	599 S. 9 th	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Sammi Carter	Box 7110	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Windy Burkland	205 South L. Street	Livingston Middle School	✓	
Lore Berlin	220 S. H.	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Wendy Armstrong	421 E. Summit	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Melony Maher	1125 5 th Callender	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Dan Lund	210 So. C. St.	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Yvonne LaMore	417 N. 8 th	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Matt Bartlett	109 S. K	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Jennifer Churchwell	406 S. Yellowstone	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Ezra Lund	221 S. Yellowstone	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Glenn Brandal	116 N. Street	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Chad Barthoff	Box Rt 62 Box 3246	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Angie Bullock	1418 E. Callender	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Mike Boech	Box 1054	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Cliff Brandal	106 North E. Callender	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	
Katerie Lamm	Box 62 3020 B	Livingston Middle Sch.	✓	

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NAME	RESIDENCE	REPRESENTING	SUP- PORT	OP- POSE
Jennifer Miles	623 Meadow Lark	Livingston Middle School	✓	
Javenna Kruger	214 SD St	Livingston Middle School	✓	
Brenda Lechner	Windmill trailer court	Livingston middle school	✓	
Faron Williams	217 S L	Livingston Middle School	✓	
Nance Lockridge	330 S Yellowstone	Livingston	✓	
Mike Gregory	111 Blue Heron Drive	Livingston Middle S.	✓	
Joe King	1404 West Monte	Livingston Middle S.	✓	
Andrea Kulaga	P.O. Box 1337	Livingston Middle School	✓	
Scott Carpenter	Box 796	Livingston Middle School	✓	
Austin Broadstreet	Box 3079	Livingston Middle School	✓	
Jana Gallagher	806 W Clark	Livingston Park High	✓	

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NAME	RESIDENCE	REPRESENTING	SUP- PORT	OP- POSE
Melanie Gander	Rt #3060-A	Livingston Middle School	✓	
Gina Hardy	817 W. Gower	"	✓	
Vick. Henniksen	4241 W. 52.	"	✓	
Bonnie Hamill	115 N. 16 th	"	✓	
Kelle Kemp	425 S. Yellowstone	"	✓	
Shawn Smith	Rt 62 Pox 3026	"	✓	
Jeff Kugel	3305 9 th	"	✓	
Ron Shuler	Rt 85 1342	"	✓	
Brian Wilkerson	328 South 2nd Livingston	"	✓	
John Robinson	Box 246	"	✓	
Jeff Ruppert	115 N. G. St.	"	✗	
Ben Powers	170 N. D. St.	"	✓	
Shirley Kugel	P.O. Box 162	"	✓	
Arax Christensen	624 Robin Lane	"	✓	
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