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BOOK SIGNING TO BE HELD AT UM FOR “MOTHERLODE”

MISSOULA—

Janet Finn and Ellen Crain, co-editors of “Motherlode: Legacies of Women’s Lives and Labors in Butte, Montana,” will be at The Bookstore at The University of Montana on Saturday, March 18.

The two will sign copies of the book from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. as part the Faculty Author Series at UM.

Finn teaches in UM’s School of Social Work. Crain is director of the Butte-Silver Bow Public Archives. The two hatched the idea for the book three years ago when they discovered there were many untold stories of dynamic 20th century Butte women.

“Motherlode” is a collaboration of 20 writers who bring a chorus of women’s voices to life on the page.

Most of the book’s contributors grew up in Butte. Their stories provide diverse accounts of women who influenced both their lives and the city’s rich history. Women’s perspectives on and contributions to labor, family and community are at the forefront of all the stories in the book.

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