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Harold Glenn Harper

- 1960- elected student body president of Longfellow grade school in Great Falls, Montana
- 1967- Helena High School outstanding athlete- letters in football, wrestling, track (held stadium pole vault record for years.)
- 1967-9- full ride athletic scholarship to Rocky Mountain College, set new conference pole vault record
- 1971- Wrestled varsity for University of Montana, graduated with degree in philosophy Built custom homes in Helena and Great Falls area as general contractor
- 1972- ran and elected to Montana House of Representatives- served a total of 26 years, 16 sessions
- 1985- Married Janet Matteucci from Great Falls, elected Democratic Floor Leader (House Majority Leader under tied House)
- 1989- House Majority Leader
- 1991- Speaker of the Montana House
- 2000- term limited out of House, ran unsuccessfully for Montana Secretary of State
- 2005-10 Chief Policy Officer and Legislative Liaison for Governor Schweitzer
- 2010- Governor appointed chair of POST Council (Public Safety Officers Standards and training, Statewide council that certifies police, highway patrol, sheriff, fish and game wardens, etc)
- 2015- Governor appointed member of Judicial Nominating Committee