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Ski season off to a good start at Moonlight Basin

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Local ski resort Moonlight Basin has kicked off the 2012/13 ski season with their best start in history, having sold more season passes this year with more early snow than ever.

The resort opened their 10th season of operation this year on Dec. 8 with significantly more snow than years past, rewarding die hard skiers and snowboarders who showed up to claim fresh tracks on opening day with waist-deep powder in some places on the hill.

Moonlight's director of sales and marketing Karen Lum said in a press release that the timing of this year's start to the

season could not have lined up better with the storm cycles that dumped snow on the region in early December.

"It gave our locals some great pre-holiday skiing and riding conditions," Lum said. "And then additional snowfall came just as we were heading into our peak holiday period with our out of state visitors."

According to early season figures, the resort saw a ten percent increase in skier visits during the month of December over last year. Lum said that lodging reservations have also gone up for the winter months, and the early season conditions on the upper mountain are "superb."

"The snow has stayed in place and created a better base

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Hart's service recognized by **Gallatin Valley** Official Association

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At a recent rivalry basketball game between the Ennis Mustangs and Twin Bridges Falcons, Madison County Commissioner and former Ennis teacher Jim Hart was presented with an award from the Gallatin Valley Officials Association recognizing his service and mentorship toward other officials.

Having been a member for 27 years, Hart admitted he's held every office in the organization including president and served on every committee except one during that time. And having

coached for 20 of the 27 years he spent teaching in Ennis, being a referee was a natural way for Hart to continue to be involved with high school athletics.

Officiating high school athletics can often be a difficult job, because when it comes down to it the ref is usually the one person at the game that everyone in the stands loves to hate. But Hart explains the best games are the ones where everyone gets so caught up in the action that they forget about the guy with the

"When you can walk away and both coaches really don't notice that you were there," he

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Photo by Gail Banks Madison County Commissioner Jim Hart receives a recognition award from the Gallatin Valley Officials Association during the Ennis / Twin

Bridges basketball game on Friday, Dec. 14.

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The Main Street Improvement Team erected a welcoming sign at the edge of city limits

Photos by Allison Clark

Improvements on main street Sheridan

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The Sheridan Main Street Improvement Team was formed in 2004 with the intent to improve landscaping, revamp pavement and sidewalks, create 'green' spaces, design period lighting and overall improve and lift the face of downtown Sheri-

Since then, the Team has created a park on Main Street, erected a welcoming sign at the edge of city limits and livened up downtown with flower pots and banners, among other projects. And all of this came to pass through fundraising and the pride of a small town.

The future is even brighter Main Street Sheridan now

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The Main Street Improvement Team has also created a park on Main Street that hosts the Mingling for Main Street Wine Tasting fundraiser.

Reward offered for info on Ennis hit-and-run

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The Madison County Sheriff's Office is seeking information on a hit and run accident that occurred in Ennis on the night of Monday, Dec. 17 that caused more than \$12,000 worth of damage to a truck

owned by a local business. D&D Auto and Repair owner Dennis Dedman said the black 2012 Dodge pickup that was damaged by a hit and run driver was moved approximately four feet from where it was

parked at the business. While authorities have photographs of tire tracks left behind by the suspect vehicle, Dedman said most of the tracks were covered by drifting snow and high winds on the night of the acci-

Judging by the damage to D&D's pickup, Dedman said he thinks the suspect's vehicle could be another truck with a grill guard on the front. He also believes that vehicle would have sustained significant damage from the accident.

According to the investi-

coming from the south, travelling eastbound on Highway 287 coming into Ennis from Virginia City. Dedman thinks the vehicle went off the road and came back onto the highway before the driver overcorrected, driving through the ditch and

"We're hoping it was a local and somebody is going to say something to somebody and we'll eventually find out who it is," said Dedman. "We'd sure like to recover some of our loss

into D&D's parking lot.

Dedman added that it gation, the suspect vehicle was would not have been neces-

sary to go to the authorities had the hit and run driver come in and taken responsibility for their actions. He's offered a \$1,000 reward for any information leading to an arrest in the case, and is asking anyone who knows who might be responsible to contact him at 682-4537 or Sergeant Doug Young with the Madison County Sheriff's Office.

"I would have been willing to work with anybody," said Dedman. "But just to do that and not say anything kind of

Sporting goods retailer feels demand for guns

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Ennis sporting goods retailer Shedhorn Sports saw a significant increase in their firearm sales this holiday season, following a national trend in gun sales in the wake of the Dec. 14 school shooting tragedy in Connecticut.

Shedhorn owner Rob Gallentine said business has always been good around Christmas time, but this year the gun department was four to five times busier than usual,

all stemming from the sale of semi automatic rifles and pistols. The Monday following the Connecticut shooting, where an assailant killed 20 elementary school children and six adults using an AR-15 style assault rifle, Gallentine said the store was flooded with shoppers concerned about the

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Photo by Ben Coulter The last ammunition magazines for assault rifles remaining in the store sit on the service counter at Shedhorn Sports in Ennis.

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that one of their biggest projects is coming to fruition in the spring of 2013. The Team has been working closely with the Montana Department of Transportation to rebuild Highway 287 through the main street corridor.

"While they are completely redoing the main street surface,

they will also be replacing the sidewalks on both sides of the main business district," says Kay Carter-Colwell, an officer on the improvement team.

The main street improvement team got involved with the project nearly eight years ago, when it was first introduced. They wanted to ensure the corridor maintained a period style look, rather than become in-

dustrial looking. The original buildings from the 1800s are important to their history.

The project also involves adding period street lighting lining the corridor. Over the past several years, they have raised money through fundraising events as well as sponsorships and grants. One of the non-profit group's biggest fundraising events is the annual

Mingling for Main Street Wine Tasting at the downtown park in Sheridan. This past September was the sixth annual tasting. So far, the group has raised funds for more than half of the individual streetlights that will be installed once the new sidewalk is in place.

"We couldn't be more excited to finally see the project begin," says Carter-Colwell.

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headline news and future legislation that could affect the availability of these types of weapons. The retailer sold out of more than 150 AR-style firearms they had in stock in a matter of four days, a scenario that Gallentine described as "insanity."

"Customer service wasn't as good as I would like to see it, but we were just slammed," he said.

The rush to purchase AR-style weapons while they are available comes from the belief that gun control will be a priority issue this legislative session. This includes the potential for a ban on assault-style weapons, similar to legislation passed in 1994, as well as support for more strict gun control laws from President Barack Obama. While the selection of ARs may have disappeared from the racks at Shedhorn Sports, Gallentine is busier than ever placing spe-

cial orders and estimates that changes in gun laws will play out slower than people think.

"All the manufactures -Colt, Bushmaster, DPMS, Armalite - are working overtime and they're building as many magazines and assault rifles as they can," said Gallentine. "So they're probably shipping as many as they did three months ago and the wholesalers are getting as many as they did three months ago. That means that I'll get as many as I did three months ago. It's just that the rush sucked them off the shelf, created a demand and there is a lot of scalping going on out there."

Last week Shedhorn received four Colt ARs that wholesale for \$1,050 apiece. Gallentine said the negotiated price with the wholesaler was \$1,220 per gun, but when the shipment arrived the invoice was for \$1,395 each. Having quoted the customer a

price of \$1,450 for the weapon, Gallentine barely made a profit on the sale.

"I think there are enough people calling daily who want one, that the only way I'll get restocked on assault rifles is if they put legislation out that really doesn't affect much, and people relax," said Gallentine.

"If they are pushing legislation that bans the whole box magazine type semi automatic rifle, which they could, then I never will see one hit the shelf because as long as they're legal to sell and legal to ship in here, none will hit the shelf," he continued. "They'll all go to people."

One area of gun control that Gallentine predicts will soon change is the availability of assault weapons at regional gun shows, where some vendors may not have the federal firearms license that enables them to legally engage in the manufacture and

sale of guns and ammunition.

"You come in here and you go through the background check. Everything's legal, I know that you're stable or you were when you came in today," he explained. "Well, you go to a gun show and you can buy it from an individual that doesn't have a FFL, and you can walk out the door and he doesn't even care what your name is."

Shedhorn has also seen a spike in ammunition sales, and AR magazines are limited to a half dozen sitting in a plastic bin on the counter. The store sold out of their back stock of surplus metal AR magazines, an inferior product when compared with the preferred polymer mags that the store sold for roughly \$18 each and now sell online for \$100.

"Availability is nasty," said Gallentine. "There won't be an assault rifle hitting my shelf for a long time."

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than last year," she said. "We have had more powder days and opened more of the mountain earlier."

Director of the ski patrol Randy Spence said that more of the notorious Headwaters terrain was open for the first day of operations at the resort than ever before.

"The long-range weather predictions were for a warmer than normal weather pattern for the early portion of this winter along with a neutral bias for moisture," Spence said in the press release. "Mother Nature decided to bless us with some decent storms in November that had a fairly high moisture content. Those storms along with the milder temperatures gave us a dense base layer that has allowed us to open quite a bit of terrain ahead of our usual schedule."

Rental shop technician Josh Katz has taken full advantage of the early season trail openings whenever he gets a chance for a ride break.

"The only two runs out on the Headwaters that were closed were Hell's Half Acre and Rock Creek. Other than that, everything was wide open," he said.

Katz and the rest of the rental shop crew have been busier than ever outfitting people lined up outside the door with skis, boots and poles. The shop has twice as many demo skis and three times as many snowboards as last year, and they've already done \$10,000 more in sales this month than last year.

"It hasn't been as bad. The coverage has been better," said Katz. "We're still doing a couple base welds every day, but people aren't coming in with like 30 of them on one ski."

Prior to the New Year's holiday Moonlight Basin boasted a snow depth at the base of 43 inches. For more information and up to date snow reports, visit www.moonlightbasin.com.



Photo by Ben Coulter

Skiers and snowboarders warm up inside the Madison Lodge at Moonlight Basin the Saturday before Christmas.

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said. "You do the best you can, expecting the fact that every call is either going to be liked by half and disliked by the other half."

While Hart hasn't been on the rotating schedule of officials for two years, he still enjoys watching local student athletes lace up and hit the hardwood. Although most people might think the most challenging aspect of being a referee is ignoring negative comments from the stands,

Hart says it's important for officials to focus on the players and coaches and try to block out everything else.

"On a given occasion people will get upset with an official and you just have to try to let it slide and concentrate on why you're there," he said. "I used to get a little excited when I was coaching, so as an official I tried to take that into consideration, understanding the flow of the game and knowing that a coach will

sometimes get a little bit upset."

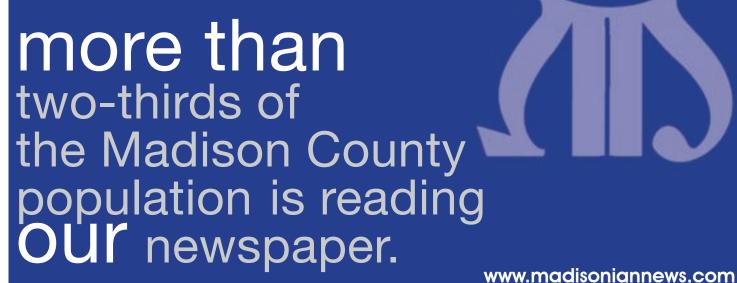
In fact, the most difficult part for Hart was trying to maintain the flow of the game and just let the kids play.

"Our jobs are simply to enforce the rules so that there is no advantage or disadvantage given to either team," he continued. "You try to create a flow so that you're not interrupting what is happening and you let the kids play as well as they can, as long as you're still staying within the

rules. That's how I look at it."

Being an official allowed Hart yet another avenue to contribute to the community, and he had fun taking in the full spectrum of high school basketball found in southwest Montana.

"It afforded me the opportunity to travel and see other schools, from Big Timber to Townsend, White Sulphur Springs to Gardiner and all those towns in between," said Hart.



New Year's traditions past and present

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The Ball Drop, (the Possum Drop), the First Baby, Auld Lang Syne, the Midnight Kiss, collard greens and black eyed peas, and finally, the normally unresolved New Year's Eve Resolution all play a part in our American New Year's celebrations, yet we often forget where they've come from, or what they mean.

The Times Square ball drop began its roots in 1904 when Adolph Ochs, owner of The New York Times, wanted to celebrate the opening of their new location with a fantastical fireworks show. On the eve of 1907, Ochs wanted to draw even more attention to Times Square and created the first lit ball that would drop during the countdown. Now, over a million people attend the actual event in New York and over a billion people watch from their homes and public places as they ring in the New Year. Dick Clark will even have his name inscribed on the 2013 ball in honor of his presence at the event from 1972, until his death this year.

Different states offer different "drops" to celebrate their own way. Atlanta, Georgia has a Peach Drop for the Peach Bowl; Easton, Maryland drops a red crab; Seaside Heights, New Jersey dropped Snooki one year; Port Clinton, Ohio drops a walleye named Captain Wylie Walleye; Memphis, Tennessee drops a guitar; and even Brasstown, North Carolina drops a live opossum in a glass pyramid. PETA has tried to put a stop to the last one, and may have been successful this year. Only New Year's in Brasstown will tell how this one turns out.

The romantic midnight kiss: a must have for the New Year traces back to English and German folklore, according to The Huffington Post. A superstition, in a way, the kiss means different things, depending on the nature and the recipient of it. Couples who don't take the toll of the midnight bell to encounter in a kiss and believing that next year (this may have bad luck in their relationship through the coming year.

For others, the kiss symbolizes the ties a person wants to strengthen and maintain in the future.

Every holiday dictates a unique menu. The Southerners have been ringing in the New Year with collard greens and black eyed peas since the days after the Civil War when black eyed peas remained one of the only surviving crops after Sherman's troops pillaged farms and land. Today, the peas symbolize coins and are usually served with collards, or some other green to symbolize paper money. The dish, normally served on New Year's Day represents wealth and posterity for the coming year.

New Year isn't a celebration without "Auld Lang Syne". Sang in many English speaking countries around the world (and that many people just try and pretend to know the words to) the song symbolizes endings and new beginnings. Originally written by Robert Burns, a Scottish poet, it became most popular when Guy Lombardo began broadcasting his version of the song in the late '20s. Now, the tune rings out of bars and homes after the stroke of midnight, and usually invokes a few teary eyes, even if we don't know all the words.

And what would we all do if there wasn't the dreaded New Year's resolution to contend with. Even though vast majorities (over 80 percent) of folks that resolve at the turn of the year don't keep up with their promises to themselves much longer than three months, it is a tradition that keeps on tick-

Losing weight, drinking less, quitting smoking and essentially creating a better well-being for ourselves is the basic premise of the resolution. The resolution has changed over the years from promises to make the world a better place to more superficial promises to ourselves. But the intent is still there.

So, whether the New Year was rung in with family, friends, neighbors or strangers, these traattions are what keep us noping year) will be different. And bet-

STEP INTO THE RINK



Virginia City skating rink updated for skating fun

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The Virginia City ice rink is almost ready for another skating season, and this year it has a new look.

Over the past couple of weeks volunteers have been flooding the rink nightly, and with this week's cold temperatures, it should be skate-ready in time for Christmas.

This year, thanks to many volunteers and donations, the fence surrounding the rink has been torn out and replaced by fresh boards. This was a much boards were rotting, splintered, and many were missing.

"It's something we've been wanting to do and we finally got around to doing it," said Stacey Gatewood, one of the many volunteers that helps with the rink.

The new fence is sturdier, safer, and a lot prettier. It also features a higher wall on the far end to help stop balls and pucks from getting lost in the willows during Virginia City's enthusiastic broomball tourna-

Bob Erdall, Virginia City's mayor and fire chief, needed update, as the old fence was foreman for the project. He also helped build the original rink in 1982. It was defi-

Photos by Ben Coulter

The ice rink (top photo and bottom photo) at Virginia City Park during different phases of preparation.

nitely time for a refresh. The ripping out the old boards and project was made possible in part by a generous donation from Jim Budelman and Heather Anderson of Ennis, who scooped ice cream at The Scoop Shack over Labor Day weekend and donated the proceeds to the rink. This funded the purchase of boards for the new fence, and IMOC lumber supplemented their efforts by donating the rest of the wood needed to finish the rink fence. A team of volunteers spent several Saturdays over the fall

constructing the new fence under Erdall's direction. For a fun family activ-

ity, the Virginia City rink is a great place to go. There are free skates for borrowing in the warming hut, brooms, pucks, and balls for hockey, broomball, and lots of fun on the ice. Remember to leave the hut tidy, and to thank all the volunteers who put their time and effort into the rink.

Local Elks Lodge embodies spirit of community service

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The Virginia City Elks Lodge #390 continues to play an important role in serving Madison County, helping members of the community young and old in any way they can.

Every year the local organization holds a fundraiser for the Elks Most Valuable Student scholarship program, where students compete at a national level

for up to \$60,000 to pursue a four-year degree at an accredited college or university in the United States. Any high school senior who is a U.S. citizen may apply, and qualifications are based on ACT/SAT scores, community involvement, school activities and financial need. The deadline for scholarship applications was

girls from the Madison County district may be awarded the scholarship and advance on to the state competition. This

year's fundraiser for the scholarship was held on Aug. 25. Local scholarship winners receive their money during the second quarter of their freshmen year of college, usually an amount between \$1,000 and \$2,000 depending on how much the fundraiser brings

Robb Claypool, Exalted Ruler for the Virginia City Elks Up to three boys and three Lodge #390, explained the merit of the Most Valuable Student scholarship program.

"Its one of those kinds of scholarships that if you can get

this scholarship filled out and done and all the information, your essay and have the grades, you've got all the information compiled to do a lot of other applications," he said.

Claypool said one of the goals for the local organization is to spread awareness about the Elks in local schools and rally even more involvement with the community.

One such way is with the county Elks Hoop Shoot, where students ages 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13 participate in a free throw

state contest. This year, the event had approximately 30 finalists for local school districts who competed in Ennis. Claypool explained the event is not a fundraiser, but rather just something special for kids to earn a plaque to hang on the wall.

Other community programs the Elks are involved with are a drug awareness program put on at local schools through a partnership with law enforcement to discourage drug and alcohol abuse among young people. The

competition to advance on to a Elks also collect deer and elk hides each hunting season, and they donate the proceeds from selling those to the veteran's hospital in Helena, and they recently received a grant to continue work on the Veterans Memorial in Virginia City, said Claypool's father

> "They don't only help local students. If there are Elks in need or people in the community in need, we help them as well," John said. "And they do that nationally too."



Submitted photo



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Santa takes to the slopes at Moonlight Basin before getting back to the North Pole to get ready for his big night.

Who needs reindeer when you can take the chairlift at Moonlight Basin?

make sense

Dear Editor,

I am truly perplexed. We have an Helena immigration attorney from Illinois, Shahid Haque-Hausrath, representing a Canadian, Alisha Blair, who is an American citizen wanting Montana benefits, but who doesn't have proper documentation for whatever reason, although her lawyer does this for a living, and is backed by the MEA-MFT union of teachers and

other school employees who are employed by us and who now are assisting in a lawsuit of the people of Montana who passed a law, LR-121, that 80 percent agreed with. WHEW! Will someone please make some sense of this?

And, why am I not reading more about this case in the State

> Doreen Kennedy Cameron

Someone please Thank you for honoring our father



Dear Editor

The Children of Cornelius B. "Kernie" Brooke of Pony would like to express their thank you to all of our family and friends for their love and support in honoring our father in his final journey home.

Back row: William, Dr. Daniel, Lawrence; front row: Mary Margaret, Dr. Paul, and Shawn.

Shawn Brooke

OBITUARY

Richard E. Henderson (Rick), a Midland, Texas resident, died Saturday Dec. 15 after a brief illness. Rick was born on March 3, 1950 in Houston, Texas. He moved to Midland just in time to start first grade at Sam Houston Elementary. His years in Midland provided him with his large collection of life-long friends. Rick graduated from Kemper Military Institute in Boonville, Mo. in 1968. He attended TCU and after several semesters of simply enjoying college life, he graduated from the University of Texas at Austin.

For many years as an adult, Rick lived in Ennis, Montana where he created the Beaverhead Estates property development. He later joined his father at Rich-Air Co, a fixed-based operation at Midland International Airport and most recently was active in Rich-Air Properties. Rick especially loved Mexico, its people and its culture. After making his mark on the Montana community, Rick headed south of the

border where he built a home in Creel, Chihuahua. He loved the Copper Canyon Mountains and would frequently call home to his Midland friends and family asking "how hot is it there?" and then to his friends in Ennis to ask "how cool is it there?" Just to rub it in. Rick developed his own version of Spanish and entertained locals with his mastery of the new language.

To say Rick was larger than life would be an understatement. Rick was an avid reader and a vivacious debater, and

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could always turn a bad situation into a memorable story filled with humor. Rick talked to his sister, Susan, every single day, regardless of where he was. Rick was preceded in death by his father, Richard L. Henderson; his step-mother, Elma Jean Henderson; and his compadre and majordomo, Manuel Diaz. He is survived by his mother and step-father, Beth and Charles Priddy; sister, Susan Askins; his niece, Kendall Smith and her husband Rusty and their children, Elizabeth



and Collins; his nephew, Mason Askins and his daughter Presley Miller, all of Midland; his nephew, Cooper Askins and his wife Stephanie and their son Elliot of Austin; and step-sisters, Susan Jarrett and June Jarrett; step-sister, Barbara Clark and husband John Clark; Walter Priddy and wife Kim Priddy, and Charles Priddy Jr.. His extended family includes life-long friends like Mark, Jan, Fred, Mike, Bob, Paul, Mike and his second family, Margarita and Alberto of Creel, Mexico.

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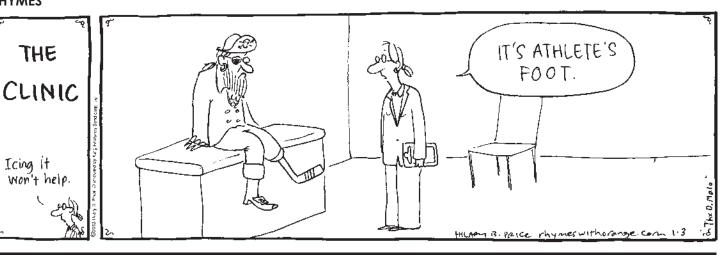


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dear maddy By The Madisonian Do you have a question you'd like to submit? Email dearmaddy@madisoniannews.com

dear Maddy,

I'm tired of the annual holiday drama in my family. There were the typical fights and the high stress that seems to leave everyone miserable instead of happy to have spent time together. I want to learn from this and hopefully have a better holiday season next year? Ideas?

> Holiday Havoc in Harrison

dear Havoc,

The reason for family issues is different for everyone. But, hopefully this will give you a place to start.

Expect less and you will en-

joy less stress. Realistic expectations curb negativity. Many times, the cause of an upset isn't the 'what happened', it's the perceived violation of expectations. Lower

yours and you will have fewer

opportunities for disappoint-

Save the problem solving for later.

Sure, the holidays may assemble a captive audience for group therapy—this is not a good idea. If something is important enough to discuss during the holidays, it will be important afterwards. Save the holidays for their purpose—giving, family togetherness, friendship and spiritual reflection.

Control what you can control—your reactions.

If, despite your best efforts, a real explosion occurs, remember that you don't have to succumb to it. Keep smiling, stay positive and hope for better luck next year. This is also an opportunity for a life lesson: drama around you does not have to cause drama within you. Rise above it and find something to be thankful for. Maybe you will inspire someone to do the same.

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Bret Mosley to perform at the Gravel Bar

From Mark Brut ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARTISTS

Rocky Mountain Artists is very pleased to present Bret Mosley Into the Next B'Ak'Tun national tour.

In his most ambitious tour to date, Mosley will travel from Charleston to Portland and halfway back through the most of the winter. He will land in Ennis, at the Gravel Bar on Jan. 5.

Rarely could an artist be said to transcend, yet include, the most raw and real elements of soul, roots rock, folk, funk, Hill Country blues and rap. Nevertheless, with bone-deep authenticity, that's exactly what one-man wrecking crew Bret Mosley does, wrestling deftly with longing, belonging, and world-weariness, on

the way to hope and grace.

With signature idiosyncratic intensity, Mosley grooves the folk and funks the blues. Touring tirelessly, he has shared the stage with Trombone Shorty, Ivan Neville's Dumpstaphunk, George Porter, Jr., the Subdudes, Patterson Hood, The Blind Boys of Alabama, Jackie Greene, Good Enough For Good Times, Junior Brown, et al—comparisons have included Chris Whitley, Steve Earle, Van Morrison, Ben Harper and Taj Mahal. He has two albums currently available, "Charge" with Jerry Joseph and Steve Drizos, and his critically celebrated solo debut "Light & Blood".

Come to the Gravel Bar on Jan. 5 and enjoy the music of Bret Mosley. For more information call



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The Ruby Valley National Bank of Sheridan winner of the giant Christmas stocking was Kara Dale from Sheridan, pictured with bank officer Karen Town.

The Ruby Valley National Bank of Twin Bridges winners of the giant bank officer Matt Ashley.

MADISON COUNTY WEATHER

Thursday



Friday

Mostly cloudy. Highs 25 to 30.

Saturday



Mostly sunny with a 10 percent chance of snow. Highs mid 30s. Lows 10

Sunday



Mostly sunny with a 10 percent chance of snow. Highs mid 30s. Lows 10 to 20.

Monday

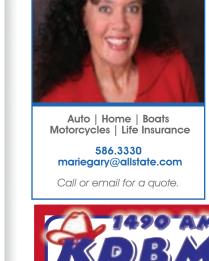


Mostly cloudy with a 0 percent chance of snow. Highs mid 30s. Lows 10 to 20.

"Cyf you feel blocked, do not turn to others, but look inside, in silence, for the enemy of your progress."











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SECTION I

Thursday, January 3, 2013

JERRY JOSEPH



Photos by Ben Coulter

Jerry Joseph (right) performs with Steve Drizos (center) and Patrick Kinney at the Gravel Bar in Ennis on Thursday before Christmas.

Singer/Songwriter's

Singer/Songwriter's holiday tour stops in Virginia City, Ennis

Ben Coulter
THE MADISONIAN
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As the cold winter wind swept across the landscape the week before Christmas, a handful of local residents and community members came inside to warm up to the music of legendary songwriter Jerry Joseph at the Pioneer Bar in Virginia City on Wednesday and the Gravel Bar in Ennis on Thursday.

Joseph and his band, consisting of drummer Steve Drizos and guitarist Patrick Kinney, also known as the Denmark Veyseys or the Negro Rainbow Association, filled the rustic small town saloons on both nights with a sweet sound that warmed the soul, whether it was literally to get out of the cold or

figuratively to celebrate the holiday season with friends and neighbors.

While Gravel Bar owner Scott Kelley kept busy on Thursday collecting a cover charge and watching over the bar, he enjoyed Wednesday's performance at the Pioneer because he considers it his hometown bar as a Virginia City resident

"It was just a really great vibe in there and enough people, though it wasn't crowded by any means," Kelley said. "It was fun to see that in such an intimate setting."

A huge fan and personal friend of Joseph, Kelley has arranged for the artist to perform here in the past at Banditos and the Wells Fargo in Virginia City. He said that the acoustic tours Joseph does



because he considers it his hometown har as a Virginia Wednesday Dec. 19 and the Gravel Bar in Ennis on Thursday, Dec. 20.

this time of year have become somewhat of a holiday tradition.

As the music played in Ennis on Thursday, the drinks flowed and feet stamped on the hardwood floor of the Gravel Bar to the beat of the music. More than fifty people came out for the show, and as the music played on, some were drawn in closer while others filtered out into the night.

"He has a small but fervent following, you know, and he has so many songs," said Kelley, adding that Joseph didn't play the same song twice during his twoday visit to Madison County. "That's why people love him."

For a video clip of Jerry Joseph's performance at the Gravel Bar on Thursday Dec. 20, visit www. madisoniannews.com.

Twin Bridges man elected to second term on Montana Stockgrowers board of directors

From Montana Stockgrowers Assoc.

Ray Marxer of Twin Bridges has been elected to his second term on the Montana Stockgrowers Association Board of Directors representing the Western District.

He was elected to the 13-member board by his peers in 2010 and re-elected to the post in during MSGA's 128th Annual Convention and Trade Show at the Holiday Inn Grand Montana in Billings, Dec. 13-15. He will serve through December 2014.

"Ray has earned the respect from all on the board with his quiet, thoughtful demeanor," said Tucker Hughes, MSGA president. "His experience, expertise and willingness to serve has been a tremendous resource for not only MSGA, but the state of Montana. Ray possesses special qualities that allow him to sit with people from all walks of life and represent the agriculture communities on difficult issues."

Marxer grew up on a diversified family farm south of Great Falls and was involved in 4-H and FFA as a youth. He attended college for two years then went to work for the Matador Cattle Co. in Dillon where he worked in every phase from cowboy to manager. After 37 years, he retired from the company in 2011. During his tenure the ranch was a very large diverse operation and an innovator in natural resource management, livestock production and business management, focusing on sustainable business and resources.

Marxer has many years of experience in managing business and dealing with other interests including government agencies, environmental groups, and wildlife groups. He and his wife Susan have three grown children: Clayton, who is married to Kristine and has two children; and daughters, Kristy, and Anna who left the United States in 2012 to work with missionaries in Moldova establishing and managing the Hannah House, a home for teen-age orphan girls.

teen-age orphan girls. He is very active in the

beef industry and his local community. He served on Beaverhead County Fair Board for almost 20 years, previously serving as chairman, and currently, as Arena Director. Marxer has worked on the Legislative Rule Making Committee (State Land Banking), spent six years on the Governor's Private Lands Public Wildlife Council, and one and a half years on the Bureau of Land Management Resource Committee Advisory subcommittee for Wild and Scenic Rivers. He's an active member of Dillon Baptist Church, and previously served as a 4-H Leader, and on the MSU Ag Advisory Board.

Marxer has been a National Cattlemen's Beef Association Federal Lands committee member and has participated numerous times in NCBA's Property Rights & Environment Committee. Matador Cattle Co. was the Montana Environmental Stewardship Award winner in 1998 and the National Environmental Stewardship Award winner in 1999. Matador, under his management, was the first ranch certified by National Wildlife Habitat Council in Silver Springs, Maryland. In 1999, Ray and Sue were awarded the International Association of Fish Wildlife and Parks Award for Private Land Stewardship. Currently the Marxer's

work on their own small acreage and continue to serve the livestock industry as independent contractors in several different capacities, including A-I., herd work, and consulting. Ray also currently serves on Montana's Elk Brucellosis Committee, and is recipient of the 2012 Stockman of the Year awarded by the Southwestern Montana Stockman's Association.

The Montana Stockgrowers Association, a non-profit organization representing nearly 2,500 members, strives to serve, protect and advance the economic, political, environmental and cultural interests of cattle producers, the largest sector of Montana's number one industry – agriculture

FIRST MEMBERS OF THE YEAR



Photo by Karen Willett

The Fish Bowl and Alley Bistro are the first new members for 2013 for the Ennis Chamber of Commerce. Ennis Chamber member Chris Gentry presented the new members with a gift basket valued at \$85, which was donated to the Chamber by the Madison Valley Manor.

Thursday, January 3, 2013



Photo by Gail Banks Twin Bridges Lady Falcon sisters Morgan and Megan Martin go for the basketball in the Shields Valley/Twin Bridges game last weekend. Twin Bridges won the game by one in over time.



Photo by Gail Banks

Twin Bridges Falcon Max Orrin goes up for the basketball in the Shields Valley/ Twin Bridges game last weekend. The falcons won the conference game.



WADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DISPATCH LOG December 16, 2012 thru December 22, 2012

Sky Airport

December 16, 2012

T/s at Mt Hwy 287 MM 41

Received report of vehicle accident at Mt Hwy 87 MM 1 Deputy dispatched to dog complaint in 70 blk Mt Hwy

Deputy dispatched to animal complaint at Mt Hwy 287 MM 37

Dispatched EA & EFD to vehicle accident at US Hwy 287 MM 60

Received wildlife complaint in Silver Star

Dispatched EA to 300 blk N Main St

Received animal complaint at Mt Hwy 287 MM

Received report of vehicle accident at Ennis Post Office

December 17, 2012

Prisoner transport from Gallatin County T/s in Ennis

T/s at US Hwy 287 MM

Dispatched RVA for transfer to Bozeman

Deputy dispatched to 47 vehicle accident at US Hwy 287 MM 28

Dispatched EA transfer to Bozeman T/s at Mt Hwy 287 MM 14

Prisoner transport to

December 18, 2012

T/s at Mt Hwy 41 MM 27 Received an alarm in 300 blk Duncan District Rd

Deputy dispatched to theft complaint on Mt Hwy 2 at Mt Hwy 41

Received report of vehicle accident at D & D Auto Received an alarm in the 49

100 blk Sidensticker Ln Prisoner transport Dillon

Received traffic complaint Rd on Poppleton St

T/s at US Hwy 287 MM

T/s at Mt Hwy 41 MM 49 T/s at Mt Hwy 41 S MM

T/s at US Hwy 287 MM

Deputy dispatched to disturbance in 300 blk Wray st

December 19, 2012

Deputy dispatched to vehicle accident on Third St at Ennis St

Deputy dispatched to animal complaint on Mt Hwy

287 at Wisconsin Creek Rd T/s on Main St, Twin Bridges

Vehicle inspection requested in 4900 blk US Hwy

287 N T/s at US Hwy 287 MM

T/s on US Hwy 287, Ennis Deputy dispatched to an alarm in 100 blk Paige Ranch

Deputy dispatched to

animal complaint near Big

December 20, 2012

Received unfounded 911

Dispatched RVA TBQRU to 200 blk Bayers Ln T/s on Main St, Norris T/s at US Hwy 287 MM

Deputy dispatched to vehicle accident on Mill

Creek Rd Received request for welfare check in 600 blk

Madison Ave Deputy dispatched to an

alarm in 100 blk Paige Ranch

Deputy dispatched to welfare check in 200 Shining Mountains Loop Rd

Deputy dispatched to public safety complaint on 50 Stone Rd

T/s on US Hwy 287, Ennis T/s on US Hwy 287 at Laura Ln

Deputy dispatched to an alarm in 100 blk Aurora Creek

Deputy dispatched to domestic complaint on Ruby Spur Rd

Dispatched HFD & EFD to 600 blk Norwegian Creek

December 21, 2012

Received suspicious circumstances complaint in 300 blk E Hamilton St

T/s on US Hwy 287 at Cemetery Loop Rd Deputy dispatched to

suspicious circumstances complaint in 600 blk Madison

T/s on Main St, Twin

Bridges T/s at Mt Hwy 41 Mm 48

T/s at US Hwy 287 MM

Received request for welfare check in 900 blk Point of Rocks Rd Received animal

complaint between Twin Bridges & Point of Rocks Rd Deputy dispatched to

wildlife complaint in 600 blk

Comley Way Dispatched EA to 30 blk

Ennis Lake Rd Received fireworks

complaint on Main St, Ennis

December 22, 2012

T/s on Main St, Norris T/s at US Hwy 287 N MM

Dispatched BSFD to 400 blk Elk Meadow Trl

T/s at Mt Hwy 41 MM 22 Deputy dispatched to vehicle accident on Jessica Ln T/s on Main St, Harrison T/s at Mt Hwy 41 MM 55 T/s at Mt Hwy 41 MM 59

The Sheriff's Office made 26 traffic stops and received 41 calls for service between December 16, 2012 and December 22, 2012.

COLUMNS



by Gail Banks

Christmas is past, and we travel on to the New Year. I don't know about you all, but I am over New Year's resolutions. I try to sit back and think about the past years, and what might have been done different or maybe just trying to put some sense to some things. But I've decided if I need to start doing something differently, I can do that any day of the year at any time; it doesn't have to be the first of the year.

As I've aged, I've become kinder to myself, and less critical of myself. I've become my own friend. I have seen too many dear friends leave this world, too soon; before they

understood the great freedoms and feelings that comes with aging. Whose business is it, if I choose to read, or play on the computer, until 4 a.m., or sleep until noon or get up at 5 a.m.? I will dance with myself to those wonderful tunes of the 60s, 70s and 80s, and if I, at the same time, wish to weep over a lost loved one because I thought of them when a certain song played, I will.

I don't care who laughs at how I dress, what I like to do, or my little superstitious ways. I don't care if someone thinks it funny how slow I walk on the ice, falling isn't fun and they, too, will get old someday!

I know I am sometimes forgetful. But there again, some of life is just as well forgotten. And, I eventually remember the important things. Sure, over the years, my heart has been broken. How can your heart not break, when you lose a loved one, or when a child suffers, or even when somebody's beloved pet gets hit by a car? But, broken hearts are what give us strength, and understanding, and compassion. A heart never

broken, is pristine, and sterile, and will never know the joy of being imperfect. I am so blessed to have lived long enough to have my hair turning gray, and to have my youthful laughs be forever etched into deep grooves on my face.

So many have never laughed, and so many have died before their hair could turn silver. As you get older, it is easier to be positive. You care less about what other people think. I don't question myself anymore. I've even earned the right to be wrong. I like being older. It has set me free. I like the person I have become. I am not going to live forever, but while I am still here, I will not waste time lamenting what could have been, or worrying about what will be. All the times that I spent worrying when my kids were growing up, were wasted time and the times that bad things did happen, my worries would not have changes what happened. What I mostly pray for these days is for the people around me to have good sense and use their heads making

good decisions! And I might add, I shall eat dessert and fried bread every single day (if I feel like it).

Please remember that Terri Christenson, Dana Escott's mom, is still having cancer treatments at the Billings hospital and Bill Hanley is still in the hospital, now transferred back to the Ruby Valley Hospital. They could both use your thoughts and prayers.

My boys and their loved ones, and my grandkids were all at my house for Christmas day. It was great, one of the best Christmas's ever. I love the noise, I love the Christmas wrapping mess, I love to hear the teasing and laughing. But dang it at the end of the day they all go home. So I sat in my new glider chair and felt bad for myself. Then I thought to myself, all my dear children and their little ones have just went home. I miss them and their noise, BUT they are just home and they will be back soon. How dare I feel sorry for myself when there are families like the ones in Connecticut

and killed last week. That is what it means to be gone forever. I have a home and it is warm. Many in the United States didn't on Christmas. The recent hurricanes and tornadoes have taken many a person's home and all their belongings. I also have the rights and freedoms to bear arms, which I do. Sometimes I guess we just have to sit back, reflect, and think about what is important and not, what is right and wrong, what is good and bad, and how lucky we are, for always it could be worse!

So, what have we learned this week? Strong relationships are built on strong foundations of honesty and truthfulness. Never fabricate anything to impress your partner. You need to be utterly honest and sincere without faking. If someone won't lift a finger to call you, see you or spend time with you...then it's time for you to lift five fingers and wave goodbye. Things in life are never just black or white...they are many shades in between, so before you make a snap who had their little ones shot judgment consider what's

going on around you; everyone is fighting some battle of their own and it's not all about YOU. Christmas is forever, not for just one day. It's for loving, for sharing, for giving...not to be put away like bells and lights and tinsel. The good you do for others is the good you do for yourself. Treasure the people you love and let them know how much you love them not only in words but also in deeds.

Congratulations to my son Luke on his engagement to a wonderful young woman, Katie Ashcraft. It is going to be another terrific year, another baby in April for Davey and Jolene and a wedding for Luke and Katie and my nephew Matt and Jill.

Happy New Year to you all, we certainly all could use a good year, especially financially! Lets hope our "elected" get their heads together before we hit the cliff. I could sure use a tax refund and not owe instead!

"May our friendships never come apart, especially when it's straight from the heart!"

HOLLOWTOP SMOKE SIGNALS

By Art Kehler FOR THE MADISONIAN

Boundless Zeal Memories of a Winter Day and a Dog

My arms floundered at the piercing din. Finally, my fist slammed down on the reviled button, silencing the alarm clock. My eyes focused on florescent numbers that seemed to shout, "6:30 a.m."

Returning to sleep would have felt splendid. Yet, somehow, I sensed this January morning was extraordinary. I peered out the bedroom window. To my delight, six-inches of fresh snow had fallen. No longer sleepy, I turned on the lights, bounded from bed and donned my cross-country skiing attire.

Upon entering the hallway, I was greeted by a set of gleaming eyes and a furiously wagging tail. Pepsi (so named because, as a wee pup, he was seen snoozing next to a Pepsi can) was a blue healer/border collie mix, that loved to accompany me outdoors. He was fine company too. However, Pepsi had one fault - an overabundance of enthusiasm. In fact, his "joie de vive" often outstripped his "capacity to cogitate."

After driving from Harrison, Pepsi and I climbed the Potosi heights. With blue powder snow whirring beneath my skis, we wound through lodge-pole pine and Douglas fir to a hilltop, then stopped in a clearing.

Behind us, steep granite peaks disappeared into snow right ski came clouds. In the valley below, smoke curled up from cabins hidden—lurching halt. Simultaneously, my left ski continued its headlong in the trees. So profound was the stillness, one could almost hear advance. With flailing extremities, I struggled valiantly to regain poetry, have been published in regional newspapers and literary the snow falling. Now came the fun part - skiing down to the

Lost in that realm where children go to dream, I curved through ankle-deep powder. Glancing out the corner of my

comrade through nearby. At part of the launched that would prima With envy. streaming head and eyes Pepsi was

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when a man knows his demise is at hand, events happened in slow motion. In dread, I watched my left ski hit the stump while the right ski charged ahead. Whereupon, I rose and executed a splendid somersault before reuniting with the frozen landscape. canine While tumbling, my skis broke loose. Finally, after cleverly using my face as a brake, my battered body slid to a halt. snow, Subsequently, while munching a savory blend of frozen steepest Pepsi moss and squirrel droppings, I felt a wet tongue licking me graceful vault behind the ear. I turned to see Pepsi looking at me in genuine have stirred remorse. Harsh words echoed through the woods as, with

> head hung, the chastened dog endured his rebuke. Once again, Pepsi's "boundless zeal" had overwhelmed him - and me. Upon regaining my skis, we continued on. Back home in Harrison, despite myself, I began to chuckle. After all, it's hard to hold a grudge against one who imbibes from the tribal commode; an act of camaraderie that bonds man and beast in a fashion beyond mere mishap to break.

> As I looked at Pepsi, I knew when next I went skiing, he would

be ready to go - zeal and all. I also knew I would take him. After all, we are pals. ©Art Kehler

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FORECASTS FOR A HAPPIER NEW YEAR

**"Commodities are on track to halt four years of consecutive gains, despite large bets in related funds. The S&P Goldman Sachs Commodity Index is down 0.03 percent this year, on track for its first annual loss since 2008, when it fell 43 percent. It has been somewhat of a mixed bag for commodities in 2012. Soybean, soybean meal, wheat, corn, orange juice, and live cattle, for example, reached new multi-year highs at some point, while other names such as natural gas, cotton, sugar, and coffee fell to multiyear lows." CNBC.com 12-22-12

**"As 2012 comes to an

end, 2013 looks more naughty than nice due to a major cloud of uncertainty spilling into grain and oilseed markets. The proverbial fiscal cliff is still looming, and demand prospects are dimming. The odds of the United States tumbling into recession are not high, but they are rising. If Congress fails to reach agreement on tax and spending issues, the result could be lower demand for agricultural commodities." Ag Web.com

**"Saxo Bank, an online Danish investment bank said: 'Bad weather during 2012, which wreaked havoc on global

crop production and saw a nineyear low in U.S. soybean ending stocks, leaves the price of new crop soybeans exposed to any new weather disruptions, either in the U.S., South America or in China. Increased demand for biofuel will also play its part in exposing the price to spikes, and speculators will be ready to re-enter the market, pushing the price higher by as much as 50 percent. Food security becomes a buzz phrase." ftseglobalmarkets. com 12-22-12

**"China, the world's biggest buyer of the commodity, canceled 840,000 tons of purchases from the U.S. last week, prompting futures of the oilseed traded in Chicago to slide 4.2 percent in the period. 'China cancels U.S. soybeans but still strongly depends on U.S. exports until March,' Oil World wrote. 'It can indeed be argued that China cannot cover its import

requirements if the canceled orders are not at least replaced or even supplemented with additional purchases." MSN. com 12-25-12

**"Three consecutive years of smaller U.S. corn harvests are driving inventories of the world's most-consumed grain to a 39-year low and spurring Goldman Sachs Group Inc. to predict that prices will rise near record highs. Global stockpiles will drop 11 percent to 117.61 million metric tons by Oct. 1, or 13.6 percent of what will be used for food, ethanol and livestock feed, the lowest ratio since 1974, the U.S. Department of Agriculture said today in a report." Bloomberg.com 12-11-12

**"From Money and Markets, with five of their 11, 'Shocking Forecasts for 2013.' Forecast #4 -We will see a giant rollercoaster, first bringing deflation in most assets, followed by massive asset inflation. Forecast #6 - Bernanke

will not only continue printing money, he will actually accelerate the printing presses. Forecast #9 - Gold is going to \$5,000, almost a triple from today's prices. Forecast #10 - Silver should surge to well over \$150 an ounce, more than a four-fold gain! Forecast #11 - Oil prices should reach nearly \$200 per barrel, more than a double from current levels!" Money and Markets.com. 12-10-

**"Milk prices could soar as high as \$8 a gallon next year from an average \$3.65 today if Congress fails to pass a new Farm Bill, which governs subsidies, price supports and other agricultural regulations. The bill, stalled in Congress as lawmakers debate ways to avoid the fiscal cliff, would revert government milk purchases based on production costs from 1949, when production was done by hand." MoneyNews.

**"My outlook for grain prices is clear as gin for the first half of 2013. In the first six months, prices should stage a demand rationing rally with corn, beans and wheat rising to new all time highs. Ending stocks of corn and soybeans are historically tight while this year's wheat crop is in dismal shape. Based on such positive fundamentals, the upside potential for grains from now thru June is substantial. But this coming year is guaranteed to be even more difficult to predict because analysts have to weigh razor thin supplies against a significant rise in acres while at the same time, guess correctly about one of the most difficult fundamentals of all to anticipate. And that of course, is the weather conditions in the months of July and August." commodityinsitebyjerrywelch.

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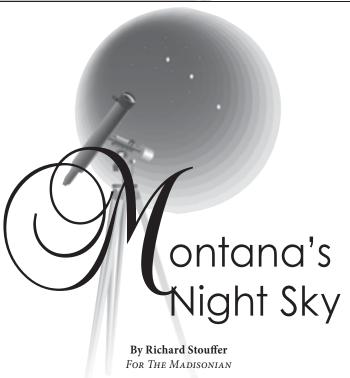
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Highlights for JANUARY

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Lunch includes: fresh salad/fruit bar & milk

Thursday - January 3

Breakfast - Ham & cheese omelette

Lunch - Raviolis

Friday - January 4

Breakfast - Sausage & egg muffin

Lunch - Pizza

Monday - January 7

Breakfast - Breakfast burrito

Lunch - Tacos Tuesday - January 8 Breakfast - French toast & ham

Lunch - Baked chicken, mashed potatoes

Wednesday - January 9 Breakfast - Biscuits & gravy, with hashbrowns

Lunch - Grilled cheese, tomato soup **HARRISON**

Thursday - January 3

Breakfast - Bagels, cream cheese Lunch - Cheeseburgers, fries, veggies

Friday - January 4

Breakfast - Cereal Lunch - Potato soup, salad

Monday - January 7

Breakfast - Waffles, sausage

Lunch - Hot dogs, fries, veggies

Tuesday - January 8

Breakfast - Loaded scrambled eggs

Lunch - Bean & cheese burritos, veggies

Wednesday - January 9

Breakfast - Yogurt, granola parfaits

Lunch - Spaghetti, garlic bread, veggies

SHERIDAN

Breakfast Buffet: Toast, bagel or muffin, fruit, yogurt, eggs,

hot & cold cereal, milk, juice (first & last day of week in-

cludes: eggs, ham, sausage of bacon)

Lunches include: vegetables, fruit and milk

Thursday - January 3

Breakfast - Muffin, yogurt

Lunch - Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, corn

Friday - January 4

Breakfast - Hot/cold cereal

Lunch - Ham & cheese sub

Monday - January 7

Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, fruit

Lunch - Hamburger on bun

Tuesday - January 8

Breakfast - French toast, yogurt

Lunch - Chili mac & cheese

Wednesday - January 9

Breakfast - Hot or cold cereal

Lunch - Chicken fajitas

TWIN BRIDGES

All breakfast menus include: toast, fruit, milk, juice

All lunch menus include: salad bar, fruit, cold milk

Thursday - December 27

NO SCHOOL

Friday - December 28

NO SCHOOL

Monday - December 31

NO SCHOOL

Giant Jupiter dominates the evening sky and a prolific meteor shower could put on quite a show for those willing to brave the cold, early morning temperatures on Jan.

For planetary watchers, look low in the western sky to see Mars, the Red Planet, which put on such a dazzling display as it made its closest approach to Earth last March. Now speeding away from Earth and much fainter, Mars has been setting about two hours after the Sun for the past several months.

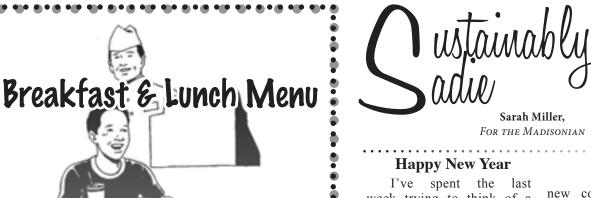
During January, Mars starts to lose its race against the background stars with respect to the Sun and sets closer to sunset by month's end, when it sets about 90 minutes after the Sun. In contrast, radiant Jupiter shines brightly high up in the eastern sky as darkness falls. Jupiter continues to be paired up with reddish Aldebaran, the brightest star in the constellation Taurus, the bull. Jupiter is now located centrally between the two prominent star clusters Taurus, the Hyades, which includes the V-shaped grouping of stars with one end of the V leading up to Aldebaran, and the Pleiades, the most famous star cluster in the sky. Before Jupiter sets in the early morning sky, Saturn rises about 3 a.m. as January begins and closer to 1 a.m. as the month ends. With no bright stars nearby, Saturn stands out in this portion of the sky. Next up in the night sky is the brightest planet, Venus, which rises about 90 minutes before the Sun as the month begins, but which is almost lost in the solar glare by the end of January.

For meteor shower watchers, the Quadrantid meteor shower (named after extinct constellation Quandrans Muralis) reaches its peak in the hours centered around 6 a.m. on Jan. 3. This shower has some interference from a waning gibbous moon. Favorably though, the Quadrantid's are noted for a high percentage of bright meteors. The Quarantids have a very sharp peak, which means that typically far less meteors are visible close to but not at the peak, but at the same time has the potential for an observer to see more than 120 meteors per hour. Even with the extreme cold at this time of year, this shower is certainly worth a look between the hours of 4 a.m. and when dawn begins to brighten the sky. The radiant, or the point in the sky from

which the meteors appear to come from, is just beyond the handle of the Big Dipper. So if you don't mind braving the cold for at least a few minutes, go outside to the darkest place that you can find, look straight up in the sky facing north and enjoy a winter sight that few have ever seen!

Look for the Moon just to the right of Spica on Jan. 5 and to the lower right of Saturn the next night. The Moon is just to the left of Venus on Jan. 10. On Jan. 21, the Moon is extremely close to and to the left of Jupiter. The Moon is full on Jan. 26.

The Sun rises at its latest time for the year on Jan. 2 except for the last few days leading up to the changeover from daylight time to standard time, which occurs on Nov. 3 this year.



week trying to think of a sustainability topic that is not related to motherhood only to come up with nada, nothing; all this foggy brain is able to comprehend is family, family, family. With our daughter visiting for the holidays and three week old baby, everywhere I turn is a child needing apple juice, cheese stick or a hug. The mess from Christmas lingers; and the s-t-r-e-t-c-he-d family budget is a burden that husband and I have to work at not letting affect our relationship.

With 2013 days away, it

feels appropriate to plan for the next year. Tiny babe in arms, it is easy to say good-bye to business endeavors of the past and move into something more appropriate for our growing family. Instead of creating

new coffee and sandwich recipes, I am dreaming about a team of draft horses, freerange pigs, and crops the kids and I can tend.

While making plans for the future, it can be easy to lose sight of the present. But staying in the present, appreciating each moment for what it is, is not only good for the kids and the loved ones surrounding us, but is also the best state of being for our own health. Worrying about the past or the future causes stress and stress kills. It is why meditation is so good for our health; focusing

only on our breath and the present moment puts the body at ease, lowers blood pressure and reduces stress. A meditative practice helps to prepare us for handling stressful situations. Quieting the mind is an important part of a healthy lifestyle.

More yoga in 2013. Working six days a week, eight plus hours a day in the coffee shop, there was very little yoga for me in 2012. Carrying a small baby all day, picking up our 3½ year old, my shoulders and back are demanding stretching. Hands that fell asleep prior to giving birth (a natural occurrence at the end of pregnancy) are still giving me trouble as the upper arm muscles are adjusting to the eight-pound curls I am doing all day. I know I can heal my body with stretching. Strengthening will help to ease the aches and pains. And as an added bonus, I will hopefully not hate the

pictures of myself from the two big family weddings happening this year.

From all of us in the Miller household, we raise up our sippy cups and toast to a wonderful 2013 for everyone! May it be a fun-filled year with lots of camping, hiking and outdoor adventure. I can't wait to hear about your gardening endeavors, your sustainable and successes familyfriendly fun.

Check out sustainablysadie.blogspot. com. Email comments, suggestions and successes sustainablysadie@ hotmail.com. Snail mail correspondence to Sarah Miller, P.O. Box 491, TB, 59754.

Twin Bits:

From the TBS Calendar: Thurs. Jan. 3: School resumes; GBB w/Bozeman JV at home; JrHi BBB practice begins.

Fri. Jan. 4: Wrestling meet at Bozeman; BB at Whitehall, 3 p.m.

Sat. Jan. 5: Wrestling meet at Bozeman; Speech and Drama at Manhattan; BB w/Lone Peak at home, JVB, JVG, VarB.



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By Janet Tharpe

Zesty Mexican Soup Brightens Winter Table

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Tomey, wholesome and hearty, this pork Hosole - a soulful Mexican soup - is perfect for a winter dinner.

Chock full of pork, veggies, herbs and spices, it's as flavorful as it is filling - a coldweather pick-me-up the whole family will love! See step-by-step photos of Geoffry's

recipe plus thousands more from home cooks everywhere at: www.justapinch.com/posole

You'll also find a meal planner, coupons and chances to win! Enjoy and remember, use "just a pinch"...

- Janet

Pork & Green **Chile Posole**

What You Need

2 tbsp canola oil 1-2 lb pork loin cut in 1-inch cubes 1 onion, coarsely chopped 3 tbsp minced garlic

- coarse salt 4 tsp red chili powder 5 c chicken broth, low salt,
- 5 tomatillos, quartered 2 14-oz. cans white hominy, drained
- 3 tbsp chopped cilantro (plus more for garnish) 1 tbsp oregano, dried 1 1/2 c chopped green chilies (canned)
- 2 tsp cayenne pepper 1 tbsp crushed red pepper black pepper

10 oz. cotija cheese, crumbled Tortillas

Directions

- In skillet, heat oil and add pork, onion, garlic, salt and crushed red pepper • Sauté meat and onion mixture until
- onions are translucent and pork juices run clear. • Transfer to slow cooker. Deglaze
- skillet with 1 cup broth and add to slow cooker as well. Add tomatillos, 1 can hominy,
- cilantro, oregano, broth, green chilies and spices to slow cooker. Turn cooker on medium, stirring after 1 hour. Adjust seasoning. · Reduce to low/warm, cover and
- heat for an additional 2 hours. About 30 minutes before service, raise temp back to high and add last can of hominy and frozen corn.
- Ladle into bowls, garnish with cilantro and cheese. Serve with warm tortillas.

Submitted by: Geoffry Le Cher, Michigan City, IN (pop. 31,479) www.justapinch.com/posole

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Ennis speech, drama and debate will host open house

From Marilyn Jenkins Ennis Schools

Ennis Schools Speech, Drama and Debate team invite the public to an open house in the high school at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 8.

Students will presenting their prepared for events divisional competition later this month. The public will be able to choose which students to watch, as presentations will be held in different rooms. Following is the list of

students in their respective events:

Lincoln-Douglas Debate: Matthew Skillman Samantha Welch. Original Oratory:

Madison Owens and Muhammad Mizamani.

Expository: Race Owens. Humorous Oral Interpretation: Madaline Hagl

Humorous Duo: Mason

Hamilton and Andie Pierce; Jasmine Streight and Taylor Green.

Adult education classes at Sheridan **Schools**

By Bill Wilkinson Sheridan Schools

Adult education classes will be offered at Sheridan High School this winter, so get out of the house and join the fun!

Silversmithing will begin on Jan. 7 at 6:30 p.m. This class will teach the fundamentals of jewelry fabrication and silver soldering. One project will be in silver; all other projects will be in copper or brass. Students may bring their own silver for project work. A \$30 fee will be charged.

Welding starts Jan. 14. This class is limited so sign up early!

Stained Glass starts on Feb. 4. Open to all levels. A \$25.00 fee will be charged.

Self Defense for Women will be Feb. 19 and Feb. 20th as well as March 19 and March 20. Sign up early!

Fibers class with Kim Miller will run on Feb. 28, March 1 and March 2. More info will be posted on the school web site.

For more information

see the school web site under Departments at Adult Education on the Sheridan Schools' web site for more information. www.sheridan. k12.mt.us



ECCS celebrates a wonderful 30 years

By Sara Racine THE MADISONIAN sara@madisoniannews.com

Community Ennis Children's School just wrapped up its 30th year of service with

Christmas program.

The Children's School has changed its name, location, staff and faces that have come through in the last 30 years but one thing that has stayed consistent is the dedication to

serving the community. ECCS would like to thank every family who has been through our doors, every community member and business who has supported us in fundraising, every staff member who has put in hours to help our program

run and finally, every person who has volunteered hours on our board to keep the cost low, the doors open and our presence known in the Ennis community!

Here's to 30 more!

FWP seeks comment on fishing access site rule

From Tom Palmer Fish, Wildlife and Parks

the annual tradition of their

Montana The Fish, Wildlife & Parks Commission is seeking public comment on fishing access site rules for camping fees, group use permits, facility rentals, and special recreation permits on the Blackfoot and Madison

The new rules would also authorize FWP to require bear resistant food storage at some fishing access sites. FWP anticipates requiring bear resistant food storage at a few sites located primarily along the Blackfoot River near Missoula. The effort would

help to prevent conflicts between humans and bears, and are similar to food storage requirements at FWP wildlife management areas and state parks.

To comment or find a copy of the proposed rule, visit FWP website at fwp. mt.gov. Click

Notices." Comments, due by Jan. 18, can also be emailed to: FWPFASRuleComments@ mt.gov; or mailed to: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Attn: FAS Rule, P.O. Box 200701, Helena, MT 59620-0701. For more information call FWP at 406-444-3888.

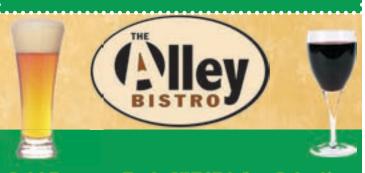


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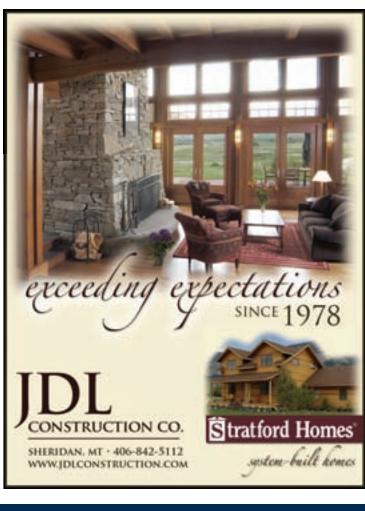


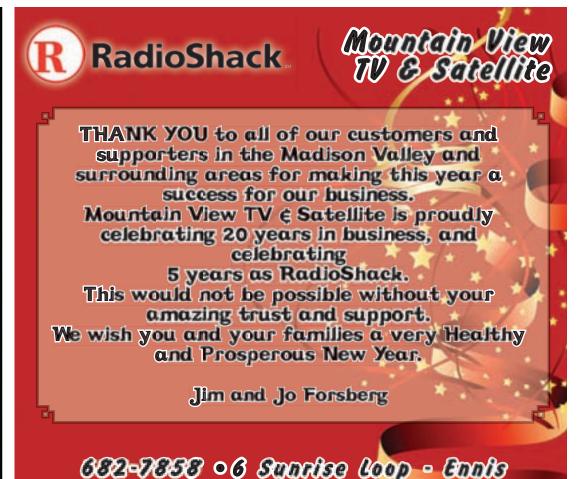
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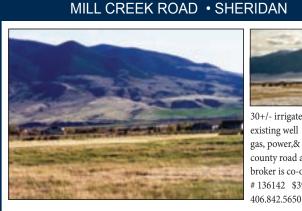
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HEALTH & WELLNESS

Kids'N'Snow program in West Yellowstone

From Jan Stoddard

West Yellowstone Chamber

What a great way to bring in a new year! Spend time with family, children and grandchildren and get out and enjoy the outdoors at the Kids 'N' Snow Weekend, Jan. 19 and 20, in West Yellowstone.

Kids'N'Snow program is offered one weekend each month during the winter. The program was created to offer kids the opportunity to get outside and try new winter activities, experience Yellowstone in winter, take winter kid's classes at the Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center, free movies, and more. Each weekend varies by activities and schedule so many families come for multiple weekends. Some activities have limited space so pre-registration is

Saturday offers a full day

of activities starting at 9 a.m. with live raptors (birds of prey) from the Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center. This is a free presentation held at the West Yellowstone Visitor Center (30 Yellowstone Avenue). This is also the Kids'N'Snow Headquarters where families can register, pick up the "passport" of activities, and receive a special Kids'N'Snow item. Registration is open Friday afternoon through Sunday noon.

Then, join a Yellowstone Park ranger for a 10 a.m. presentation about Yellowstone Park, in the auditorium at the Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center. The presentation is free. There is an admission charge (good for two days) if families want to

and see the live grizzlies and wolves. The GWDC is also offering interactive learning programs each day designed just for kids!

At 11 a.m. head outdoors for a chance to ride in a dog sled pulled by real racing sled dogs. Klondike Dreams will be in front of the grizzly bear located across the street from the Chamber. Pre-registration is required for these rides due to limited availability.

There are two different snowshoe hikes during the weekend. On Saturday, 1:30 p.m. join a Yellowstone Park ranger for a 2 1/2 hour interpretive hike along the Riverside Trail; meet at the West Yellowstone Visitor Center. On Sunday morning, participants will learn why Refuge Point was a vital meeting place after the 1959 stay and explore the exhibits Hebgen Lake Earthquake.

Meet at the U.S. Forest Service at 4 p.m. where all kids get a Yellowstone Hebgen Lake Ranger Station located at 330 Gallatin Rd. at 9:30 a.m. We will caravan to Refuge Point Trail.

This program is geared for beginners and will last approximately three hours. Please dress in layers and wear a snow-type boot. Bring along water, a snack and binoculars and your own equipment. A limited number of snowshoes are available for rent in West Yellowstone.

Kids can learn the FUNdamentals of cross country skiing on Sunday at 12 noon. The games are located at the Povah Center located on Yellowstone Ave next to Rendezvous Ski Trailhead. Spend an hour and play games and have an hour of fun! Please bring your equipment.

Warm up at Yellowstone IMAX Theatre

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complimentary admission to the movie, "Yellowstone."

Don't miss Saturday evening's free S'mores & Skatin' & Sleddin' at the West Yellowstone ice rink. Warm-up with hot beverages, toast some marshmallows, and make your own S'more. All the fixings provided. Bring your own sled for our Kid's Sledding Hill. Or, do some ice skating. A limited number of ice skates will be available at the rink that night for free use. Please come early for the best selection. Join the fun from 6 - 9 p.m. at the West Yellowstone Rendezvous Ski Trailhead Building (located at the corner of Geyser Street and Obsidian Avenue, southwest corner of West Yellowstone).

One of the most popular activities throughout the TBID, WYSEF, MAP, and the weekend is the "Snowcoach Sampler." Local

snowcoach tour companies offer a 2 1/2 hour ride over the snow into Yellowstone Park on Saturday and Sunday. What a great opportunity to see the park and its animals in the winter. There is no charge for the sampler, but a Yellowstone Park pass is required. Space is limited and pre-registration required.

Join us on Facebook to stay up to date at "Kids'N'Snow." For more information on activities, expanded schedules, and to register for space limited activities, please go to www.kidsnsnow.org.or call 406.640.0482.

These events would not be possible without the support of our community businesses and our key sponsors, West Yellowstone Chamber and West Yellowstone Foundation.

Resolve to eat healthier - and save money, too

From Beth Maniero TOPS CLUB, INC.

MILWAUKEE, WI – It's the beginning of the New Year, and resolutions abound for many. Losing weight, exercising more frequently, and eating more healthfully are common goals. What if you could do all of the above and save a few dollars at the same time? This January, consider following strategies from TOPS Club Inc. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), the nonprofit weight-loss support organization, to create flavorful, nutritious meals that won't hurt your wallet.

Eat In More and Out Less: While they require more planning, home-cooked meals are an excellent way to minimize your grocery bill, and they are typically healthier than the options you may find when dining out.

• Double or triple your recipes and freeze leftovers in individual containers to eat throughout the week.

• Make at least one meal a week meatless. Choose recipes that utilize beans (canned or dried) and grains, which add a boost of nutrition.

Plan Ahead: A meal planning chart or simple shopping list for the week are great tools for the budgetminded, health-conscious consumer. Knowing what you already have in the pantry and what you intend to make ahead of time reduces impulse spending, saves time, and improves the nutritional value of your meal.

• Take part of one day a week to plan the upcoming week's menu. Search "meal planning charts" online for a variety of templates and convenient shopping tools.

· Include meals that will "stretch" more expensive food items, like stews, casseroles, and stir-fries.

• In addition to reviewing weekly store circulars in advance for sales, check the back of your grocery receipt for additional coupons. Also check online for coupons, simply by searching for the products that you use and visiting the manufacturers' websites.

Shop Smart: In addition to shopping at grocery stores, consider local markets, dollar stores, and shopping online, if available in your neighborhood. For the best deals at the market, look for reduced produce or endof-the-day specials. Many online grocery services offer discounted or free shipping if you spend a minimum amount, and you'll be more inclined to stick to your list and avoid splurging on unnecessary purchases. Some other suggestions

• Only shop once a week. This makes it easier to avoid unnecessary purchases and encourages you buy only what you need for the weekly menu.

• Have a snack before you visit the grocery store. Shopping on an empty stomach can lead to impulse buying.

• Shop alone, to prevent family members' impulse selections from ending up in the shopping cart.

• "Shop the perimeter" of the store, remembering that the least healthy and most overpriced packaged foods are concentrated in the middle aisles.

 Look high and low (literally) on store shelves to find generic items from store brands, which are often less expensive than, but identical to, name-brand items, which are placed at eye level on shelves.

• Buying "economy" or "family size" containers is sometimes a better buy – if you truly eat all of the food in the

package. If it spoils and has to be thrown away, it may just be a waste of money. Select large packages of meat, poultry, and fish, and place them in separate freezer bags at home for each meal. Non-perishable items like canned food, cereal, soup, and nuts are a good choice.

 Avoid purchasing "convenience" foods, like single-serving snacks, precut fruits and vegetables, and instant rice. Buy a largersized container and portion out your own snacks, cut your own produce, and spend a few minutes cooking the rice. These efforts may take a bit of extra time up front but will ultimately save you dollars.

· If fresh fruits and vegetables are cost-prohibitive, try the frozen or canned versions made with "100% juice" and "low sodium," respectively. Frozen produce is often flash-frozen at the source, locking in nutrients. Rinse canned vegetables before cooking to further reduce the sodium content.

TOPS Club Inc. is the original weight-loss support wellness education organization. Founded more than 65 years ago, TOPS is the only nonprofit, noncommercial weight-loss organization of its kind. TOPS promotes successful weight management with a "Real People. Real Weight Loss.®" philosophy that combines support from others at weekly chapter meetings, healthy eating, regular exercise, and wellness information. TOPS has about 170,000 members - male and female, age seven and older - in nearly 10,000 chapters throughout the United States and Canada.

Visitors are welcome to attend their first TOPS meeting free of charge. For more information call Jeannie at 682-3299.

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Remember, if you come down with the flu, take appropriate care of yourself, see your health care provider if necessary, and stay home. No one is effective at work when ill, and it does no one a favor to spread illness.

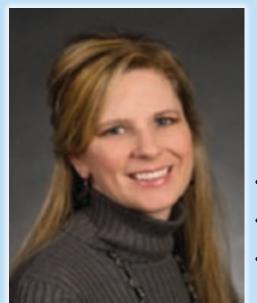
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SECTION C

Thursday, January 3, 2013

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WEDNESDAY ian 2

Books and Babies, Ennis

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TOPS, Ennis

TOPS members weigh in at 9 a.m. with a program at 9:30 a.m. in the lower level conference room of the Madison Valley Medical Center. For more information, call Jeannie at 682-3299.

THURSDAY

Senior meals, Virginia City

Senior meals now being served in Virginia City for citizens 60 and over every Tuesday and Thursday at the Creamery for a nominal fee of \$3. Lunches served between 11:30 a.m. and noon.

M.V. Woman's Club meeting, Ennis

The regular meeting of the Madison Valley Woman's Club will be at 12 noon at the Madison Valley Baptist Church.

Movie night, Sheridan

Movie night at the Sheridan Public Library at 7 p.m. Popcorn and drinks provided. Call for details on the next showing 842-5770.

Sports schedule

For a full listing of area sports go to: www.outpostevents.net

Meals for seniors, Twin **Bridges**

The TBS&CC provides Meals for Seniors every Tuesday and Friday at 11:30 a.m. at the Wagon Wheel Restaurant in Twin Bridges for seniors 60 years and up. (Spouse and caregivers are invited.) Sign-in is requested and donation can be provided.

Live music, Norris Hot **Springs**

Free Radicals – Acoustic rock, blues and Americana. Music starts at 7 p.m. For more information go to: www.norrishotsprings.com

Sports schedule

For full sports schedules go to: www.outpostevents.net

Appreciation day, Big Sky

Moonlight Basin is offering a special rate of \$20 lift tickets to all Montana residents. Show a valid Montana driver's license or an ID from any Montana college and get this special rate!

SATURDAY ian 5

Karaoke, Ennis

Come to the Longbranch Saloon for "Terioke" karaoke with Sunrise Entertainment starting at 8 p.m.

Live music, Norris Hot Springs

Brett Gamse and Lena Schiffer - Acoustic. Music starts at 7 p.m. For more information go to: www.norrishotsprings.com

Live music, Ennis

Bret Mosley plays the Gravel Bar at 9 p.m.

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SUNDAY

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Joe Schwem Trio - rock. Music starts at 7 p.m. For more information go to: www.norrishotsprings.com

Senior meals, Virginia City

TUESDAY

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Ennis Arts Assoc. meeting,

The next meeting of the EAA will be at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Shirley Storey, 210 Armitage. There will be a discussion and planning for the 2013 budget. Please bring a salad or dessert for the potluck luncheon. For further information or directions

will meet at 7 p.m. at the school.

City council meeting, Twin Bridges

cil will meet at city hall at 7 p.m.

Fly tying workshop, Ennis

Come join us every Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m. (except holidays) at the Ennis Cafe second floor. Everyone is welcome. For more information call Ron 600-

ginia City

Madison County Commissioners will be at 9:30 a.m. in the commissioner's room.

Friends of the library meet-

call Shirley at 682-7705.

School board meeting, Sheri-

The Sheridan School Board

The Twin Bridges City Coun-

Commissioner meeting, Vir-

The regular meeting of the conference

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Raven in a tree in Yellowstone National Park.

ing, Ennis

The monthly meeting of the Friends of the Madison Valley Public Library takes place at the Community Room at the Library at 10 a.m. We invite all who are interested in the continuing excellence of our Library to join us to plan and find out about upcoming events to benefit the Library.

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M.V. Book Club meeting, **Jeffers**

The Madison Valley Book

Club will meet at Trinity Church in Jeffers at noon for our annual potluck luncheon. We will not discuss a book at this meeting but will choose the books to be read for the coming year. Attend this fun and exciting event where we plan for the coming year and enjoy a delicious lunch. Bring a contribution to the meal, the list of nominated books and be prepared to vote for your favorites. If you have any questions contact Judy at 599-1145.

Sports schedule

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Reference is hereby made to that certain trust indenture/deed of trust ("Deed of Trust") dated 05/18/07, recorded as Instrument No. 120095 and Modified on March 27, 2008 as Instrument No. 125253, mortgage records of MADISON County, Montana in which Michael S. Lum & Karen L. Lum, husband and wife as joint tenants was Grantor, First Horizon Home Loan Corporation was Beneficiary and American Land Title Company was Trustee. First American Title Insurance Company has succeeded American Land Title Company as Successor Trustee. The Deed of Trust encumbers real property ("Property") located in MADISON County, Montana, more particularly described as follows: Lot 114 of Pronghorn Meadows PUD Subdivision, located in Section 18, Township 6 South, Range 1 West. P.M.M., and Sections 13 and 24, Township 6 South, Range 2 West, P.M.M., according to Plat Book 4, Page 506, Records of Madison County, Montana. Also known as: Lot 114 of Pronghorn Meadows P.U.D. Subdivision, according to the official plat thereof, filed Book 4 of Plats, Page 506, records of Madison County, Montana. By written instrument, beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust was assigned to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Beneficiary has declared the Grantor in default of the terms of the Deed of Trust and the promissory note ("Note") secured by the Deed of Trust because of Grantor's failure timely to pay all monthly installments of principal, interest and, if applicable, escrow reserves for taxes and/or insurance as required by the Note and Deed of Trust. According to the Beneficiary, the obligation evidenced by the Note ("Loan") is now due for the 10/01/11 installment payment and all monthly installment payments due thereafter. As of October 25, 2012, the amount necessary to fully satisfy the Loan was \$445,746.07. This amount ncludes the outstanding principal balance of \$416,299.57, plus accrued interest, accrued late charges, accrued escrow installments for insurance and/or taxes (if any) and advances for the protection of beneficiary's security interest (if any). Because of the defaults stated above, Beneficiary has elected to sell the Property to satisfy the Loan and has instructed Successor Trustee to commence sale proceedings. Successor Trustee will sell the Property at public auction the North Entrance of the Madison County Courthouse, 110 East Wallace St., Virginia City, MT 59755, City of Virginia City on March 8, 2013 at 2:00 PM, Mountain Time. The sale is a public sale and any person, including Beneficiary and excepting only Successor Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding at the sale location in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by trustee's deed without any representation or warranty, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis. Grantor, successor in interest to Grantor or any other person having an interest in the Property may, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, pay to Benefi ciary the entire amount then due on the Loan (including foreclosure costs and expenses actually incurred and trustee's and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred. Tender of these sums shall effect a cure of the defaults stated above (if all nonmonetary defaults are also cured) and shall result in Trustee's termination of the foreclosure and cancellation of the foreclosure sale. The trustee's rules of auction may be

trustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. (TS# 7037.93531) 1002.233102-File No. (Pub. Dec. 20, 27, 2012, Jan. 3, 2013) nwt

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are incorporated by the reference. You may

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PUBLIC NOTICE

P.O. Box 345 Dillon, Montana 59725

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Attorney for the Personal Representative
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
MONTANA FIFTH JUDITIAL DISTRICT
COURT, MADISON COUNTY

No. DP-29-12-34 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE of

STEVEN H. BANKS

Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be mailed to Jennifer Lynn Banks, the Personal Representative, certified mail return receipt requested at 28308 Yukon Road, Deer Park, Washington 99006, or filed with the Clerk of the above-

DATED at Dillon, Montana, on the 29th day of November, 2012.

Jennifer Lynn Banks Personal Řepresentative (Pub. Dec. 20, 27, 2012, Jan. 3, 2013) wgg

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Carter W. Wiseman, Wayne A. Johnson, Charlotte S. Johnson, Madison County Treasurer, First American Title Company of Madison County, First Madison Valley Bank, and United States Postal Service, Defendants Montana Fifth Judicial District Court, Madi-

son County, Cause No. DV-29-12-13, Hon. Loren Tucker To be sold at Sheriff's Sale on the 9th day of January, 2013, at 11:00 a.m., at the front door of the Madison County Courthouse, 100 W. Wallace St., Virginia City, County of Madison, State of Montana, to the highest and best bidder, all of the right, title and interest of the Defendants in and to the following described property, to-wit: Parcel 1

A tract of land situated within the SW1/4 of Section 33. Township 4 South, Range 1 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown and described on Certificate of Survey, recorded in Book 7 of Surveys page 242, records of Madison County, Mon-

Parcel 2

A tract of land situated within the SW1/4 of Section 33, Township 4 South, Range 1 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown and described on Certificate of Survey, recorded in Book 7 of Surveys, page 209, records of Madison County, Montana LESS AND EXCEPT a tract of land situated within the SW1/4 of Section 33, Township 4 South, Range 1 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown and described on Certificate of Survey, recorded in Book 7 of Surveys, page 242, records of Madison County Montana records of Madison County, Montana FURTHER EXCEPTING that portion conveyed to the Montana Department of Transportation in Bargain & Sale Deed recorded in Book 275, page 541 and in Book 275, page 968, records of Madison County, Montana AND FURTHER EXCEPTING a portion of the parcel described above that is leased to the United States Postal Service in Ground Lease Agreement recorded in Book 443, page 26, that portion being located at the Southeast corner of the parcel, beginning at the Southeast corner running North along the Eastern boundary line 136 feet, thence running West 190 feet, thence running South 136 feet to the Southern boundary line, thence East 190 feet back to the Southeast corner

and point of beginning.
In accordance with the Order Granting Summary Judgment and Entering Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure and Order of Sale entered by the Court in the abovedescribed cause the sale of the above-described Parcel 2 real property includes a right to receive assignment of the lessor's interest in the United States Postal Service Ground Lease for the McAllister, Montana post office.

The proceeds from the sale of said Real Property shall be applied first to satisfy any and all costs of sale, and then to satisfy any taxes owed to Defendant Madison County Treasurer and then to satisfy the indebted ness owed to Plaintiff under its judgment.

This sale will be by public auction to the highest bidder for cash, pre-approved check or pre-approved letter of credit, or if purchased by the Plaintiff, Bank of the Rockies N.A., payment may be in the form of credit by said Plaintiff against the amount of the

Dated at Virginia City, Montana, this 13 day of December, 2012.

Madison County Sheriff STATE OF MONTANA

County of Madison

David Schenk

On this 13 day of December, 2012, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State of Montana, personally appeared David Schenk, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Notarial seal the day and year first above written.

Notary Public for the State of Montana Karen J. Miller

Residing at Alder, Montana My Commission expires: May 1, 2016 (Pub. Dec. 20, 27, 2012, Jan. 3, 2013) mcs

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, COUNTY OF

MADISON

Cause No. DP-29-12-35 IN RE ESTATE OF: SANDI J. ASHER, Deceased.

That the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be mailed to KATIF ASHER, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at 518 N. Bush Street Ukiah, CA 95482, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court

Dated: November 3, 2012 KATIF ASHER Personal Representative Personal Representative's Attorney: Karen McMullin Post Office Box 55

Ennis, MT 59729 Telephone: (406) 682-7878 (Pub. Dec. 20, 27, 2012, Jan. 3, 2013) km NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF

THE STATE OF MONTANA, COUNTY OF POWELL Cause No. DP-12-14 IN RE ESTATE OF: TAMMIE ELIZABETH CLAWSON, aka TAMMIE E. CLAWSON, aka TAMMIE ELIZABETH GILMAN, aka TAMMIE MORKEN,

Deceased.

That the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be mailed to DAVID JO SEPH CLAWSON, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at 3411 Laredo Drive, Bozeman, MT 59718, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court.

Dated: December 7, 2012 DAVID JOSEPH CLAWSON Personal Representative STATE OF MONTANA

COUNTY OF Madison

DAVID JOSEPH CLAWSON, being first duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and says.

That he has read the foregoing and that the facts and matters contained therein are true, correct, accurate and complete to the best of his knowledge and belief. I make this declaration under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Montana

DAVID JOSEPH CLAWSON, Personal Representative SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 7th day of December, 2012.

Karen McMullin Notary Public for the State of Montana Residing at: Ennis, Montana My Commission expires: Sept. 14, 2015

(SEAL) Personal Representative's Attorney: Karen McMullin Post Office Box 55

Ennis, MT 59729 Telephone: (406) 682-7878 (Pub. Dec. 20, 27, 2012, Jan. 3, 2013) km

INVITATION TO BID

Separate sealed bids for construction of the Ruby Dam Outlet Works Modifications will be received by the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) at the Fred Buck Conference Room of the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, 1424 9th Avenue, Helena, Montana, 59620-1601, Attention Brian Grant, PE until 3:00 p.m. local time on January 29, 2013, and then publicly opened and read aloud. All interested parties are invited to attend the bid opening.

The project consists of a general contract for constructing modifications to the outlet works generally described as 1) modifications to the existing shaft house and equipment including new shaft house; 2) installing a new steel conduit downstream of the shaft house; 3) constructing a new valve house with control equipment; and 4) constructing a new energy dissipation concrete structure and riplined stilling basin downstream from the new valve house. The work will be completed at Ruby Dam, located in Madison County, Montana. The dam is owned by the DNRC and is operated and maintained by the Ruby Water Users Association. Ruby Dam is located approximately twenty five (25) miles east of Dil-

The project schedule is as follows:

Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference: January 8, 2013

Questions Due: January 15, 2013 Question Responses Due: January 22,

Bids Due: January 29, 2013 Notice of Award: March 15, 2013 Notice to Proceed for Valve Procurement: March 22, 2013

Preconstruction Meeting No. 1: March

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Notice to Proceed for Site Mobilization: December 19, 2013 Preconstruction Meeting No. 2: Decem-

ber 19, 2013 Milestones: As listed in Sec-

tion 00500: Agreement Form Substantial Completion: May 31, 2014 Final Completion: June 28, 2014

Bids shall be on extended lump-sum and unit-price basis, and the award will be based on the lowest total extended Bid Price of the lowest, responsive, responsible, and qualified BIDDER as determined by DNRC. One contract will be awarded for the Work. Bidders shall bid on all items in the Price Schedule in the Bid Form.

DNRC will hold a mandatory Pre-Bid Conference starting at 10 A.M. local time on January 8, 2013 at the Fire Hall, Alder MT. The bid conference will include a site visit to Ruby Dam following the meeting in Alder. The ENGINEER will accept written questions (fax, email, or letter) from potential BIDDERS until 5 pm (MST) on January 15, 2013. The ENGINEER will not respond to verbal questions, they need to be written and submitted. Forward your questions to Ms. Kelly Wofford, URS, at 303-740-2627 or email at kelly.wof-

The contract documents consisting of Drawings and Project Manual may be examined or obtained at the office of URS, 8181 E. Tufts Ave., Denver CO 80237 in accordance with Article 2.01 of the Instructions to Bid-Required deposit is \$200.00 per set, which is not refundable. To examine or obtain a copy of the contract documents please call Ms. Kelly Wofford, URS, at 303-740-2627 or

email at kelly.wofford@urs.com.
Contractors and any of the Contractor's subcontractors doing work on this project will be required to obtain registration with the Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI). Forms for registration are available from the Department of Labor and Industry, P.O. Box 8011, 1805 Prospect, Helena, Montana 59604-8011. Information on registration can be obtained by calling 1-406-444-7734. Contractor is not required to have registered with the DLI prior to bidding on this project, but must have registered prior to execution of the Construction Agreement.

All laborers and mechanics employed by Contractor or subcontractors in performance of the construction work shall be paid wages at rates as may be required by the laws of the State of Montana. The Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Bid Security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the Bid must accompany each Bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. Bids not accompanied by said Bid Security will be rejected. Successful Bidders shall furnish an approved Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Insurance as required shall be provided by the successful Bidder(s) and a certificate(s) of that insurance shall be

provided. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals received, to waive informalities, to postpone the award of the contract for a period of not to exceed sixty (60) days, and to accept the lowest responsive, responsible and qualified Bidder which is in the best interest of the DNRC. Contract award is contingent upon available funding. The Contractor is required to be an Equal

(Pub. Dec. 20, 27, 2012, Jan. 3, 2013) dnrc

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE:

THE FOLLOWING LEGALLY DESCRIBED TRUST PROPERTY TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned trustee will, on 04/12/2013, at the hour of 02:00 PM, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the interest in the following described real property which the Grantor has or had power to convey at the time of execution by him of the said Trust Deed, together with any interest which the Grantor, his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Trust Deed, to satisfy the obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale including reasonable charge by the trustee at the following place: the North Entrance of the Madison County Courthouse, 110 East Wallace St., Virginia City, MT. RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Trust Indenture in which RICKY J BARGIONI, TRUSTEE FOR THE RICKY J. BARGIONI TRUST, UN-R TRUST INSTRUMENT DATED MAY 2006 FOR THE BENEFIT OF RICKY

BARGIONI., WHOSE ADDRESS IS

4304 E. CAMPBELL AVENUE, APT #2016, PHOENIX, AZ 85018 AND MARK DREW BROOKS, TRUSTEE FOR THE MARK-DREW BROOKS TRUST, UNDER TRUST INSTRUMENT DATED MAY 10, 2006 FOR THE BENEFIT OF MARK DREW BROOKS., WHOSE ADDRESS IS 4304 E. CAMPBELL AVENUE APT. # 2016 PHOENIX, AZ 85018 as Grantor(s), conveyed said real property to FIRST BOULDER VALLEY BANK as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to FIRST MADI-SON VALLEY BANK, as Beneficiary by Trust Indenture Dated 01/14/2009 and recorded 01/15/2009, in document No. 129760 in Book/ Reel/Volume Number N/A at Page Number N/A in the office of the Clerk and Recorder Madison County, Montana; being more par ticularly described as follows: LEGAL DE-SCRIPTION: A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SE1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST, P.M.M., MORE PARTICULARLY SHOWN AND DESCRIBED AS "TRACT B-1" ON CERTIFICATE OF SUR-VEY RECORDED IN BOOK 7 OF SURVEYS, PAGE 2001-BA, RECORDS OF MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA. Property Address: 5 JEFFERS LOOP ROAD, ENNIS, MT 59729. The beneficial interest under said Trust Deed and the obligations secured thereby are pres ently held by BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRY-WIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP. There is a default by the Grantor or other person(s) owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, or by their successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of default of such provision; the default for which foreclosure is made is Grantor's failure to pay the monthly installment which became due on 08/01/2010, and all subsequent installments together with late charges as set forth in said Note and Deed of Trust, advances, assess ments and attorney fees, if any. TOGETHER WITH ANY DEFAULT IN THE PAYMENT OF RECURRING OBLIGATIONS AS THEY BE-COME DUE. By reason of said default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable said sums being the following: The unpaid principal balance of \$264,340.00 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 5.00% per annum from 08/01/2010 until paid, plus all accrued late charges, escrow advances, attorney fees and costs, and any other sums incurred or advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Trust Indenture. The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charges against the proceeds to this sale include the Trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described propert satisfy the obligation Dated: 11/29/2012 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., Successor Trustee, 2380 Performance Dr. TX2-984-0407, Richardson, TX 75082 T.S. NO. 12-0075482 FEI NO. 1006.166816 (Pub. Dec. 27, 2012, Jan. 3, 10, 2013) fei

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S

SALE: THE FOLLOWING LEGALLY DESCRIBED TRUST PROPERTY TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned trustee will, on 04/16/2013, at the hour of 02:00 PM, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the interest in the following described real property which the Grantor has or had power to convey at the time of execution by him of the said Trust Deed, together with any interest which the Grantor his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Trust Deed, to satisfy the obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including reasonable charge by the trustee at the following place: the North Entrance of the Madison County Courthouse, 110 East Wallace St., Virginia City, MT. RE-CONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Trust Indenture in which VAN PUCKETT AND HEATHER PUCKETT, HUSBAND AND

WIFE as Grantor(s), conveyed said real property to CHARLES J PETERSON as Trustee to secure an obligation owed to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary by Trust Indenture Dated 12/20/2005 and recorded 12/27/2005, in document No. 110873 in Book/Reel/Volume Number 549 at Page Number 982 in the office of the Clerk and Recorder Madison County, Montana; being more particularly described as follows: LEGAL DESCRIPTION: THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 19 AND ALL OF LOT 20 IN BLOCK 9 OF THE TOWNSITE OF TWIN BRIDGES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT OF THE SURVEY THEREOF NOW ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MADISON, STATE OF MONTANA. MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED AS: THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 19 AND ALL OF LOT 20 IN BLOCK 9 OF THE TOWNSITE OF TWIN BRIDGES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT OF THE SURVEY THEREOF NOW ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MADISON, STATE OF MONTANA. (DEED REFERENCE: BOOK 162, PAGE 239). Property Address: 304 S MAIN ST, Twin Bridges, MT 59754. The beneficial interest under said Trust Deed and the obligations secured thereby are presently held by BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCES-SOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP. There is a default by the Grantor or other person(s) owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, or by their successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of default of such provision; the default for which foreclosure is made is Grantor's failure to pay the monthly installment which became due on 02/01/2012, and all subsequent installments together with late charges as set forth in said Note and Deed of Trust, advances, assess-ments and attorney fees, if any. TOGETHER WITH ANY DEFAULT IN THE PAYMENT OF RECURRING OBLIGATIONS AS THEY BE-COME DUE. By reason of said default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable said sums being the following: The unpaid principal balance of \$178,987.57 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 6.25% per annum from 02/01/2012 until paid, plus all accrued late charges, escrow advances, attorney fees and costs, and any other sums incurred or advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Trust Indenture. The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charges against the proceeds to this sale include the Trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation Dated: 11/30/2012, RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., Successor Trustee, 2380 Performance Dr. TX2-984-0407, Richardson, TX 75082 T.S. NO. 12-0028664 FEI NO. 1006.156474

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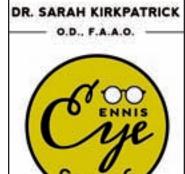
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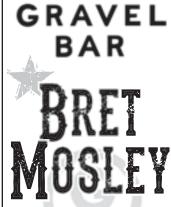


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Dorothy Bradley birthday, Sheridan

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School board meeting, Twin Bridges

The Twin Bridges School Board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Montana Room.

WEDNESDAY ian 16

Books and Babies, Ennis

Books and Babies is for babies, toddlers and their caregivers and is held every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Madison Valley Public Library. Books, music, songs, nursery rhymes. lullabies and toys. For more information call 682-7244.

TOPS, Ennis

TOPS members weigh in at 9 a.m. with a program at 9:30 a.m. in the lower level conference room of the Madison Valley Medical Center. For more information, call Jeannie at 682-

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