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Sheridan man enters Alford plea in sexual assault case

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A Sheridan man arrested in July on sexual assault charges entered a change of plea in District Court on Monday, Feb. 4 before Judge Loren Tucker.

Dennis Ray Jensen entered an Alford plea of guilty to one count of sexual assault, a felony. According to the affidavit for probable cause in the case, Jensen allegedly grabbed three girls inappropriately inside his Main

June 2012. The girls were between 11 and 12 years old at the time of the incident, and the alleged victims were all included in the one count of sexual assault.

After the Court accepted Jensen's plea, a second count

Street business in Sheridan in of sexual abuse of children was dismissed by a motion from the prosecution.

> An Alford plea is similar to a no-contest plea in in which a defendant admits that sufficient evidence exists with which the prosecution could likely con

vince a judge or jury to find the defendant guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. According to Montana law "a person who knowingly subjects another person to any sexual contact without consent commits the offense of sexual assault."

Madison County Deputy Attorney Chris McConnell said Jensen must undergo a pre-sentence investigation that includes a psychosexual evaluation by the Adult Probation and Parole Bureau before a date is set for his

Regional land agencies present updates, coordinate efforts

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The Madison County Commissioners met with representatives from various regional land and resource management agencies at a the Alder Fire Hall on Thursday, Jan. 31 to report on current and ongoing projects running through their respective

As those in attendance introduced themselves, Commissioner Dave Schulz explained the purpose of coordination meetings is to help facilitate the sharing of useful information in an interactive and informative set-

"The value of that is how it might reflect, benefit, alter or be a means to anybody else at the

table," Schulz said.

Ennis National Fish Hatchery biologist Ron Hopper reported that they are currently spawning four of their six strains of rainbow trout that will produce approximately 23 million eggs that will be sent out all over the country. They are also producing sterile triploid eggs to be sent to

Tim Egan, a Department of Natural Resources and Conservation unit manager out of Dillon, reported a recent sale facilitated by the Bureau of Land Management of approximately half a million board feet of timber from the Monkey Gulch Area near California Creek. Egan also reported on March 15 -17 there will be firefighter training hosted

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Harrison community receives presentation on school safety

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The Harrison School Board and members of the surrounding community listened to a presentation on school safety presented by the Madison County Sheriff's Office at their regular school board meeting on Tuesday night.

While the presentation was scheduled at the January board meeting following the mass school shooting in Connecticut on December 14, several members of the community took an extra interest in the topic following an incident on Jan. 25 where a Harrison student brought firearms to school.

The presentation was given

by Madison County Undersheriff Roger Thompson and outlined the different types of scenarios that law enforcement agencies plan for when they conduct an emergency rescue operation at a

"It was designed to give the schools and school staff an idea of what to expect in worst case scenario for law enforcement response," Thompson said of the presentation. "There is no foolproof way to do this."

The three scenarios that law enforcement agencies plan for are barricaded suspects, hostage rescues and active shooter interventions. Thompson said that a barricaded suspect is the best

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SCHOOL SAFETY



from Madison County Undersheriff Roger Thompson

Schools around the county take closer look at safety plans

By Faith Moldan

FOR THE MADISONIAN

Schools across the country, including area schools, began taking a closer look at their safety plans after the December 2012 shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary in Connecticut. While this reexamination of procedures is recent the desire to keep local students safe is not new.

Kim Harding, Superintendent in Sheridan, said her school's safety plan was implemented long before she began work there.

"The school is extremely

safe," Harding said. "All doors at the school are locked except the front door. Visitors must walk by and check in with the administration before proceeding elsewhere in the building."

The procedure for visitors is nearly identical in Ennis.

'The outside doors are locked and visitors must be buzzed in by the secretary or principal," Ennis Superintendent John Overstreet said. "Visitors check in and get a visitor's badge.

Although all the Madison County schools have strategies in place in case various

safety issues occur, the plans do not do any good if they are not routinely practiced, reviewed and updated. To get school staff and boards of

trustees thinking

even more about student safety, Madison County Undersheriff Roger Thompson has presented information at all the schools on school hostage and active shooter incidents. Thompson most recently presented this information at Har-



Madison County Undersheriff Roger Thompson

rison School Board's Feb. 11 meeting.

"Obviously for us it is a little closer to home," Harrison Superintendent Fred Hofman said of safety concerns. A Har-

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Llew Jones

Local schools eye increased funding

By Faith Moldan FOR THE MADISONIAN

Students will not be the only ones benefitting from a popular school funding bill if it passes the senate and house. Senate Bill 175, which along with increased funding proposes property tax relief, is backed by both parties, schools of all sizes, and numerous education groups. It unanimously cleared the Senate Education and Cultural Resources Committee on Feb. 6 with some technical amendments, but is not yet scheduled for a vote on the Senate floor.

"It's fairly complete," Ennis Superintendent John Overstreet said of SB175. "It includes funding for large and small schools. All schools are facing budget shortfalls."

Sponsored by Repub-

lican Llew Jones of Conrad, SB175 had few opponents at a Jan. 30 hearing. There were more than 40 proponents representing school districts of all sizes from all corners of the state and only two opponents. Among the proponents was Harrison School Board Trustee Ann Hokanson. She said that while the bill is not perfect, it's the best thing the board

erty tax base and declining enrollment," Hokanson said during the committee hearing last month. "We seem to be continually asking for more and more just to keep up."

Keeping up includes implementing new Common Core standards as well as updating school infrastructure and technology. Hokanson told the committee that although

"We have a low prop- the school is happy to have resource development and used computers from the Department of Corrections for students to use, the 89 students in Harrison deserve better.

> The bill, which can be found online in its newest amended version, calls for funding and flexibility for student achievement, statewide tax relief, tax relief for oil and gas impacted areas, and an alignment of natural

school taxpayer success. Larger school districts, such as Billings, would receive a larger basic entitlement compared to smaller schools like Harrison. Oil and gas revenue provides much of the funding, so if the revenue goes away so does the tax relief, Harrison Superintendent Fred Hofman said. He added

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in Twin Bridges, and he said there may be an opportunity for Type 3 Incident Management training to be scheduled at a later date.

"With the two big fires that we had last summer, there was quite a bit more interest in doing that," said Egan.

Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 3 Warden Captain Sam Sheppard reported that the current wolf season for hunting and trapping is scheduled to continue through the end of February. He also said there have been a minimal number of game damage hunts in the Madison district this winter.

"All the work we've done over the last several years with the Madison Valley working groups of sportsmen and landowners seems to be working with changing behavior of elk spending too much time down on the flats," said Sheppard.

He also reported that FWP Director Jeff Hagener was recently appointed by Governor Steve Bullock, having previously served as director from 2001-2008.

Madison County Sanitarian and Solid Waste Manager Wayne Urbonas reported that

one of the many duties his office is responsible for is permitting for on site wastewater systems. This includes working with the county planning department to look at the planning aspects of setbacks and working with landowners to make sure systems are installed to prevent degradation of both surface and ground wa-

"Basically we're looking at watershed protection and wellhead protection at the same time," Urbonas said.

Natural Resources Conservation Services district conservationist Trisha Cracroft from Sheridan said her office is preparing for the upcoming field season, where they will be conducting large scale land assessments, doing range inventory and water monitoring projects and continuing to support other soil health projects in the area.

Kevin Suzuki from the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service office in Ennis reported that there is an ongoing timber harvest project up South Meadow Creek, and soon there will be a scope of work for a project to remove dead and dying trees that present a roadside hazard from units in North and South Meadow Creek.

er situations are the most difficult because the suspect has the most amount of control over the situation. Law enforcement must take immediate action when they arrive on the scene, which can last anywhere from a couple of minutes to several hours. Again,

the active shooter scenario can

easily turn into a hostage situa-

"If something like this should happen, just keep in the back of your minds that you not only will have a law enforcement response from the Madison County Sheriff's Office, you will

also have probably four or five other agencies very easily responding to something like this," he added.

Available resources include sheriff's departments from Madison, Jefferson and Gallatin Counties as well as the Montana completion of the Noble Dam project in the Noble Fork Drainage of the Tobacco Root Mountains. The dam was damaged by heavy runoff in spring 2011 and a secondary, auxiliary spillway was installed to prevent future damage from heavy ice. He also said he recently met with a collaborative group of local hunters, landowners, ranchers and concerned organizations about the potential for a project that would benefit the forest landscape in the Greenhorn area of the Gravelly Range, possibly in coordination with the Bureau of Land Management.

Supervisory natural resource specialist Pat Fosse with the Dillon BLM office reported the south Tobacco Roots Phase One timber sale to RY Timber, a project that harvested approximately 1100 acres of timber with optional units from six different drainages in the area, including South Meadow Creek, East Granite Creek, Mill Creek, California Creek and the Noble Fork of Wisconsin Creek.

Fosse also reported the latest update on the proposed long term holding facility for wild horses near Ennis, where five different landowners have filed appeals against the project. The

hicle.

Suzuki also reported the BLM submitted their response to the Department of the Interior Board of Land Appeals and there is currently a stay in place. If the stay is approved the BLM will not bring in horses, and Fosse said the National Wild Horse and Burrow Program may decide whether or not to move the animals depending on the what happens with the appeals. Fosse said it can take Department of the Interior Board of Land Appeals anywhere from several months to a couple years to make a decision.

"If the stay is denied, then the horses will come in," said Fosse. "That's how it works with BLM until the final ruling is decided.'

Madison Conservation District watershed coordinator Sunni-Heikes Knapton reported the district will host the second of a three-part soil health workshop focusing on creating a balanced system to benefit livestock and land health on Feb. 14. The district will also continue the Madison Stream Team water monitoring project, a partnership with the Department of Environmental Quality. Last year the project assessed the level of metals and nutrients in the water, and this year they will focus on sediment and temperature levels.

Highway Patrol, fire departcure in Place has been lifted. For ments, ambulance crews and a Lockdown procedure, teachers must lock the classroom door, medical units. Madison County also has an agreement with tactiturn off lights and close wincal response teams from Gallatin dows and shades, and students must move away from doors and and Butte/Silver Bow Counties. The Madison County Sheriff's windows. Nobody is allowed in Office has practiced emergency or out of the classroom, and only rescue situations at local school the teachers are allowed to andistricts for years, Thompson swer phones. said, and copies of school layout Madison County plans are kept in each patrol ve-

iff Dave Schenk explained the necessity of maintaining open lines of communication between school districts and local law enforcement.

"It's important for the school district to know what we do when we show up, and vise versa," Schenk said. "It's important for us to know what your procedures are so that we know what each other's duties and responsibilities are."

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of the three scenarios, because it usually allows law enforcement the most amount of time to plan a tactical response. However, this scenario can turn into a hostage or active shooter situation if the suspect is near other people.

Hostage situations occur when a barricaded suspect decides to hold innocent people against their will using violence, the threat of violence or the potential for violence. If the suspect makes no attempt to takes lives, law enforcement will attempt to negotiate, but Thompson said a rapid change in tactics can be expected if the situation turns. While hostage situations again usually allow law enforcement time to plan a tactical response, it can easily develop into an active shooter situation.

Thompson said active shoot-

rison student brought one loaded

and one unloaded gun to school

on Jan. 25. Nobody was injured

or harmed in this instance, but it

prompted continued discussion

that the Harrison Board of Trust-

ees began at its January meeting.

There are some things we could

reasonably do to make the school

safer, but you can't prevent ev-

lic place. Everybody cares very

greatly about schools and their

students, but things are go-

ing to happen," Thompson told

students, staff and community

members gathered in Harrison. A

"Schools are a very pub-

erything," Hofman said.

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sentiment echoed by Overstreet.

"Student safety is our number

one concern, but we still want the

school to be a welcoming place.

It's a hard balancing act." The Madison County Sheriff's Department has used each school for active shooter drills and deputies have school plans to better aid them if they are called to help. They also have good working relationships with other law enforcement in the area, some of which offer services the Sheriff's Department doesn't provide.

Schools seek out input and assistance in formulating their policies and procedures from several resources – staff, school board, community members but where they do not receive aid is in funding to update facilities. Schools continue to face budget cuts and many times have to make only the improvements they can afford and not all that are wanted or necessary.

The Harrison School Dis-

trict has two separate procedures

for dealing with emergency situ-

ations at the school. The Secure

in Place protocol instructs teach-

ers to close their classroom door,

continue teaching, and look for

email messages that cannot be

publicly announced. Teachers

must report anyone who is out of

the classroom, and students are

not allowed to leave until the Se-

from the state or at the federal level," said Dennis Parman, Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction. "Title IV Safe and Drug-Free Schools used to be a federal source, but budget cuts have reduced the amounts for schools to such low levels. There is little a school can do with it."

The lack of funding may change this legislative session.

Fred Thomas, a Republican from Stevensville, has a bill draft request regarding school safety. The unintroduced bill, LC1185, is entitled "Generally revise education laws related to school safety and security." If passed, the bill would grant schools one-time-"No funding is available only money to update school facilities to ensure student safety.

> Financial support is just one part of guaranteeing students remain safe in Madison County schools.

> "We have a lot of support," Harding said of Sheridan school's work on safety policies with community members and law enforcement. "It's up to all of us."

> legislation from afar, Sheridan Superintendent Kim Harding said it's too early to do any planning in regards to school funding and budgets.

> "Each year you wish and hope and plan," Harding said. "Pulling this bill (SB175) apart would reduce its efficiency. It

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that he feels the oil and gas money will not stop coming any time soon so it is important SB175 passes through the senate and moves on to the house.

"The real battle begins in the house," Hofman said. "This bill, if it passes, will be historic. It encompasses so many things.

It doesn't happen very often that the teachers, administrators and school boards all agree. Everybody gave up a little bit.'

While SB175 is not the only proposed school funding bill, it is the only one voted on by a committee and moving on to a floor hearing and vote. Nine days prior to the SB175 hearing,

the same Senate Education and Cultural Resources Committee heard Senate Bill 42. Sponsored by Robyn Driscoll, a Democrat from Billings, SB42 has not been voted on by the committee. The bill aims to increase K-12 BASE aid, but did not have as much support as SB175 received.

Keeping an eye on proposed

needs to stay intact."

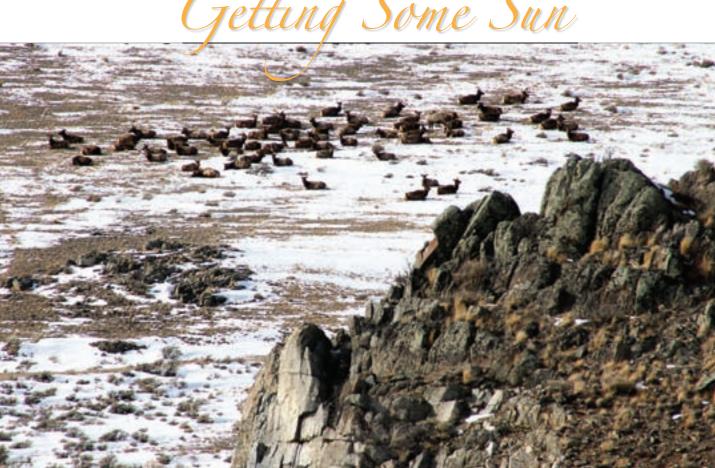


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A herd of elk rests on a hillside near McAllister in the mid afternoon sun.

Elk in Pioneer Mountains test negative for brucellosis

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Recent results from a multi-year study conducted by the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) on the presence of brucellosis in elk in the Greater Yellowstone area indicate not one of the 100 elk tested in the Pioneer Mountains have been exposed to the

The study is being funded by FWP as well as a grant from the U.S. Department of Agricul- districts where brucellosis has ture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), and recent data was collected in min-January using helicopters and net guns to capture the elk. In addition to brucellosis testing, 30 of the animals were fitted with GPS tracking collars to provide researchers with additional information about their movement within the region.

Hunting Districts 329, 331 and 332 in the Pioneer Mountains were selected for the study due to their proximity to

been found in elk. The Designated Surveillance Area (DSA) is the area in southwest Montana established by the Montana Department of Livestock in 2010 where seropositive elk are known to exist. Because livestock can contract brucellosis from seropositive elk, producers in the DSA are required to use testing, vaccination and surveillance methods to reduce the risk of transmission from elk to livestock.

State veterinarian Dr. Mar-

ty Zaluski with the Montana Department of Livestock called the findings significant as they relate to the DSA for brucellosis, adding that the ability of livestock producers to market their cattle at an interstate level relies on their ability to successful manage the disease.

"First, it shows that the boundaries for the Designated Surveillance Area (DSA) are well placed within the region," he said in a Feb. 7 press release. "It is also providing more data about elk movement in the redefine livestock populations at

FWP Region 3 supervisor Pat Flowers said in the press release that the southern part of the Tobacco Root Mountains would be a possible location for the study to continue next year. "This group of elk remains

brucellosis-free, and that's a good thing for wildlife and for the livestock industry," said

FWP Commissioners are also working with a 12-mem-

gion, which will help us better ber citizen working group with representation from livestock and wildlife interests inside and outside the DSA and the Greater Yellowstone Area. They are attempting to "collaboratively identify a problem statement, fundamental objectives and potential management options relative to effective management of elk in areas where brucellosis has been identified and where there is concern about brucellosis transmission between livestock and elk," according to the working group's charter.

Madison County CERT program grows

FOR THE MADISONIAN

Being prepared is always a good thing, especially in Madison County where the potential for disasters of many kinds is ever present, and professional responders are not always the first on scene or immediately available. In that instance most people would turn to their family, friends and neighbors for help. Luckily, a group of area citizens recently took the time to complete the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training in Harrison.

The CERT program is about readiness, people helping people, rescuer safety and doing the greatest good for the greatest number. It is a positive and realistic approach to emergency and disaster situations where citizens will be initially on their own and their actions can make a difference. Community Emergency Response Team members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims, and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site.

Madison County Community Corps Council Coordinator Wayne Redfield said the CERT

program is common and active in respond to another call straight-Madison County.

"We have responded to earthquakes, high winds and broken water mains," Redfield said.

Training opportunities exist around the county, but Redfield said they need a group of 10 or more to hold the time-intensive class that goes beyond basic first aid and CPR training. The CERT course includes nine training sections. The 20 hour training includes an introduction to disaster preparedness, fire safety, basic first aid, search and rescue, CERT organization and the Incident Command System (ICS), disaster psychology training, terrorism, and the course ends with a "hands-on" exercise: real-life simulation to help the responders use what they have learned and identify which skills they need to refine. Supplemental training for members to learn how to assist with animals in an emergency is also available.

"It's an immense help," Harrison Fire Chief Joe Husar said of the CERT program. Husar added that the Harrison Fire Department and QRU are often called out to assist other departments on mutual aid calls, which sometimes render them unable to

away or at full force. "Communitv members with the knowledge to help their neighbors are great."

Anyone can become a part of CERT. The recent course in Harrison brought locals from Harrison, Ennis and Three Forks. Redfield estimated that there are about a half dozen CERT members in Sheridan, Twin Bridges, and Virginia City. Ennis has close to a dozen. Other CERT programs are present in Granite County, Beaverhead County, Musselshell County, Custer County, Cascade County, and Lewis and Clark County.

"About 90 percent of the CERT members wear different hats," Redfield said.

Stephanie Marcotte, who works at the Madison Valley Medical Center in Ennis, said she felt the need to attend the CERT

"I didn't have a lot of experience with disaster relief on a community level. I wanted to be better prepared," she said. Marcotte and others taking the course had experience with various disasters earthquakes, floods, fires and explosions prior to their CERT training. Marcotte lost her home in a fire years ago in California. "Practicing like this makes us better prepared," she said.

The CERT concept was developed and implemented by the Los Angeles City Fire Department (LAFD) in 1985. The LAFD created the Disaster Preparedness Division with the purpose of training citizens and private and government employees. The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) and the National Fire Academy adopted and expanded the CERT materials believing them applicable to all hazards. The course is funded by Homeland security so it is provided at no charge to the participants. Each participant receives a pack of essential equipment needed to respond to an incident as well as information needed to help themselves, their family, their neighbors and their community in the event of an unforeseen disaster.

"It's a lot to take in," Lisa Brubaker, clinic manager and social worker, told the class in Harrison during her presentation about disaster psychology. "I'm very impressed you're here."

For more information about the Madison County Community Corps Council and CERT, contact Wayne Redfield at 596-1443 or madcoccc@3rivers.net.



New CERT trainees tend to an injured person during the simulation portion

Legislative Roundup – Week 5

By AMY R. SISK

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HELENA - Gov. Steve Bullock's bill to construct new buildings and make renovations at college campuses and other public facilities passed its first test last week and continues to make its way through the legis-

House Bill 14, also known as the Jobs and Opportunities by Building Schools bill, made it out of an appropriations subcommittee with a 4-2 vote. It now moves to the House Appropriations Committee, and then must pass the full House and Senate with a two-thirds vote in each chamber before the governor can sign it into law.

Bullock estimates the building projects would create 2,500 jobs. The state would fund the new facilities with nearly \$100 million in state bonds, and the institutions would need to raise \$56.5 million in private money.

Mick Robinson, deputy commissioner of higher education for administrative and fiscal affairs, said he's optimistic the bill will make it through the

"The campuses will be looking forward to getting the fundraising kicked into gear,"

failed to pass the 2011 Legisla- equipment.

In another appropriations subcommittee last week, legislators and higher education officials discussed a new idea to make some of the funds schools receive dependent on student performance.

Under the plan, the university system would develop standards over the next year to measure student achievement, including metrics such as graduation rates and the time it takes for students to earn a degree. The university system would decide how to allocate \$7.5 million among its institutions in

"I think this is very encouraging," said Clayton Christian, commissioner of higher education. "It's a voice from not only the (regents), but also the executive branch and the governor and now, potentially, the Legislature to look where we can function as a team to move that ultimate goal of more Montanans with a degree forward."

Here's a look at other highlights from the session's fifth

Business equipment tax Small business leaders support Bullock's plan to eliminate

Rep. Mary McNally, D-Billings, brought the governor's proposal to the House Taxation Committee last week. House Bill 332 would exempt more than 10,000 small businesses from the tax.

Currently, only businesses with less than \$20,000 in equipment do not pay the tax. Businesses above that amount pay a 2 percent tax on the value of their equipment.

"I receive a substantial tax bill every year," said Anna Doran, who owns Big Dipper Ice Cream in Helena and supports the bill. "These are dollars I would like to put toward expanding my wholesale business or paying my seniors who are starting college next fall at UM

Although no one spoke against the bill, several proponents and legislators expressed concern that the bill provides no relief for businesses over the \$100,000 threshold. That means that a business with \$101,000 in equipment would pay tax on the entire value of its equipment, not merely on the \$1,000 exceeding the threshold.

A competing proposal, sponsored by Sen. Bruce Tut-

the property tax on business- vedt, R-Kalispell, passed the a person's property, record-A similar bonding measure es with less than \$100,000 in Senate last week. Senate Bill 96 ing data or taking photographs percent for companies with less knowledge than \$10 million in equipment and continue to exempt businesses with less than \$20,000. Companies with equipment valued at more than \$10 million would pay a 3 percent rate.

Drones

The debate surrounding the non-military use of unmanned aircraft, or drones, has reached the Montana Legislature where lawmakers are seeking to restrict their potential use by individuals or governments.

The Senate Judiciary Committee last week endorsed Senate Bill 196, sponsored by Sen. Matt Rosendale, R-Glendive. The bill would prohibit individuals from using drones to collect information on their neighbors, and law enforcement could not use the devices without a search warrant. Government agencies could still use them to monitor public lands and international borders.

During a hearing, Rosendale and supporters from the American Civil Liberties Union and Montana County Attorneys Association cited an individual's right to privacy as reason to restrict the use of drones. They worry the devices could fly over

Another drone-related measure, Senate Bill 150, passed the Senate last week. That bill would prevent information collected by drones from being used in court proceedings. It would also prohibit governments in Montana from using drones armed with weapons.

Campaign finance

A Republican lawmaker from Conrad wants to make sure people know when anonymous sources pay for campaign

House Bill 254, sponsored by Rep. Rob Cook, would require that campaign materials like television ads and fliers contain a disclaimer when funded by anonymous sources.

"I think that the voter has the right to know that these groups are out there and that they prey on voters and that we should do something about it," he said last week during a hearing in front of the House State Administration Committee.

He also presented another measure, House Bill 255, which would require political action committees to submit a summary of expenditures to donors upon request.

Guns in school

Under a proposal before the would reduce the tax rate to 1.5 without the property owner's House Judiciary Committee, students would be able to keen firearms locked in their cars on school property.

Rep. Jerry O'Neil, R-Columbia Falls, said House Bill 384 would put state law in compliance with the federal Gun Free School Act, which creates an exemption for school districts to decide whether to expel students who bring guns to school on a case-by-case basis.

"It also allows a student in rural Montana to take a gun in the trunk of their car and maybe do some hunting on the way to school or hunt on the way back home," he said.

Opponents from the Montana School Boards Association and MEA-MFT teachers union argued that guns have no place in school. They said it's unlikely any school board would support the measure, adding that students facing disciplinary action for bringing a weapon to campus already have the right to a

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Madison Valley Presbyterian Church presents "Montana Home Companion"

From Lucy Ennis

This last Saturday evethe Madison Valley Presbyterian Church presented a "live" radio show, Montana Home Companion. It was a huge success. Jim Forsberg and friends from the church and beyond presented a show full of music, fun, laughter, and commercials. Fins and Feathers Chiropractic, Titanium Brylcreem, Chevrolet, and the Ketchup Board ads added to the laughter. Before the show a homemade lasagna

dinner was served including a framed and signed giclee salad, garlic bread and brownies with ice cream. There were about 100 folks attending both dinner and show. There was a pie auction and silent auction to add to the fun. The evening was a fundraiser for the handicapped accessible addition to the church and raised about \$2000 .Thank you everyone for the support.

The silent auction will continue until April 2 with a special item. Mountain Creative Concepts, Randy Green and Kathy Carpenter, donated

of the Larry Zabel work Antelope Above the Missouri River. It will be displayed downtown so everyone will have an opportunity to bid and win this "priceless" piece of art. Out of town friends of the church will get an email and also be given the opportunity to bid. The money generated by this auction will be designated for the elevator in the church, which was something Larry Zabel supported during his life.



Judy Melin of Livingston, Jim Foresberg or Ennis and David Zimmerman of Pony make sweet music.

Coordination is a government to government relationship

Dear Editor,

By now just about everyone has heard the term coordination, but there continues to be some confusion on what it means and how it would benefit local government and the citizens they represent. It can best be described as a tool (not a club) that allows a seat at the table for local government to work with State or Federal governmental entities before major policy changes are

dination is a government to government relationship between presumed equals to discuss and evaluate the impact of State and Federal environmental and administrative policies on local citizens and facilitate the necessary changes to minimize those impacts. It does not violate the Supremacy Clause as some have stated, merely requiring that major impacts on local policies by state and federal agencies be

enacted at the local level. Coor- lawful and justifiable before they can be implemented. The coordinating State and Federal agencies have the final say, as long as they can reasonably justify the logic behind their policies.

Adopting coordination language should reduce the frequency and severity of lawsuits because policies will be reviewed before they are implemented and local citizens will feel that government again represents them. Coordination will be a strictly voluntary action on the part of local governments, and counties choosing not to coordinate have that option.

For the past several years I have been working with Farm Bureau, MACo (the Montana Association of Counties), and a number of other property rights advocacy groups to craft a coordination bill that reflects the concerns and ideas of rural Montanans. In the fall of 2011 Farm Bureau adopted coordination language in their policy statement and in September of 2012 MACo unanimously approved, through resolution, the drafting of a legislative bill to define coordination and outline an implementation process. We have worked all fall on the drafting of that bill and have sought support and requested input from MACo as we finalized the language.

Please look up, read the language, and support passage of HB 326 sponsored by Repre-

sentative Kelly Flynn. Call and leave a message for passage by the Local Government Committee by calling the Legislative Switch Board @ 444-4800. The hearing will be held at 3 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 14, in Room 172 at the Capitol.

> Dan Happel Madison County Commissioner - District 2

begin a new chapter of integrity We now have an opportunity to

Dear Editor,

On Friday, Feb. 8, 2013, the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) Board rendered an important decision in the matter of TRS v. Walsh and the Ennis School District. Walsh and the District had sought to have TRS' recovery of unlawful benefits and unpaid contributions lim-

ited to two years based on the Montana statute of limitations for fraud. The Board denied that motion, pointing out that where there is concealment of material facts the statute of limitations doesn't apply. The bottom line is this: TRS can now go all the way back to 2001 in recovering sums owed by Walsh and the District.

The taxpayers and voters of

this District should understand one of the serious problems that have resulted from the unwillingness of three board members to consult a second attorney. Mr. Walsh owes approximately \$560,000 in illegally obtained pension benefits. The District owes approximately \$188,000 in unpaid contributions. Of the \$188,000 owed by the District,

\$92,000 is the employee's share of unpaid contributions. That is to say, Mr. Walsh would owe the District almost half of the money the District owes TRS. However, because the School District's attorney has done nothing to secure that debt, such as put a lien against his property before he sold it and left town, the taxpayers of this District may wind up

paying \$92,000 (plus interest) of debts that rightfully should have been paid by Mr. Walsh.

Doug Walsh is gone. We now have an opportunity to begin a new chapter of integrity. We should seize this moment. Given this decision by the TRS Board, I urge Mr. Overstreet and our School Board to stop letting interest run and to stop paying

tens of thousands of dollars to an attorney to avoid paying our bills. Pay the money we owe. Get this thing settled, put it behind us, move on, and seek the advice of an attorney who will represent only the interests of the

> Sincerely, David F. Kelley Ennis

Who is the real and larger threat?

Dear Editor,

"The jury has a right to judge both the law as well as the fact in controversy", First Chief Justice, U.S. Supreme Court, 1789. What part of this statement does 62 House of Representative members not understand? Who could possibly be threatened by the citizen who knows his rights, and exercises his duty as a Juror? If chaos is the concern as suggested by the Montana Bar Association Lobbyist, then one must expect that they believe that people aware of their rights are a threat to civil order. This kind of

A heartful thank-vou to all

my friends, well wishers and es-

pecially Dana, Shane, Bailey and

Cole, my family, for their prayers,

cards, flowers, food, gifts and

thinking compels me to question, who is the real and larger threat? House Bill 290 (the Fully Informed Jury), failed on the House Floor Saturday. This bill would simply require judges to inform jurors of their right and duty. Twenty-three Republicans joined all Democrats and voted against your "right to an informed, impartial jury", in violation of their oath. If this bothers you, contact your Legislator and demand an explanation.

phone calls. It has all made my

recovery very positive and alot

faster. It's good to be home.

Bob Wagner Harrison

With love,

Teri Larsen

OBITUARIES

Harold Wayne Gilman - July 16, 1947-Feb. 3, 2013



Harold Wayne Gilman of Ruby, MT passed away on Sunday, Feb. 3, 2013, at Virginia Mason Medical Center in Seattle,

Wayne, the third son of Harold Leslie Gilman and Alice Eleanor (Peggy) Costle Gilman was born in Sheridan on July 16, 1947. He attended grade school at Laurin, Alder, and Sheridan where he graduated from high school in 1965. He attended Western Montana College and Montana State University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Education in 1972, followed by a Master of Science in Agriculture Education from Montana State University.

Wayne married Gail Ruth Younge of Rochester, NY, in 1970. To this union, five children were born. Wayne and Gail later divorced. He was briefly married to Linda Hudson of Sacramento, CA. In 1998 Wayne met Kathy McDowell with whom he shared the remainder of his life.

Wayne served as a Montana State FFA 4th Vice President from 1965-66. Wayne spent his youth working with his Dad and brothers on the Robb Creek Louie Hansen Ranch picking bales. During college he enjoyed his summers tending bar at the Bale of Hay Saloon and his winters tending bar at the Bozeman Bowl. Following graduation from college he worked as a construction foreman for Felton Construction of Missoula at various jobs in Montana and Alaska. Wayne's career in education began as a Vocational Agriculture Instructor in Absaroke High School in 1977. He continued on at Beaverhead County High School (BCHS) in Dillon where he taught and served as the FFA Chapter Advisor from 1979-2002 where he influenced the lives of countless students. Upon retiring from BCHS Wayne took his love for agriculture to the state of Washington. He served as an Instructor of Ag Ed at Arlington High School for two years. This position led him to his role as Agriculture Science Program Supervisor with the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction where he worked until his

Wayne was passionate about his connection to his community and demonstrated that by his involvement in 4-H, FFA, Elks, Volunteer Fire Department, Tavlor Cemetery District, Madison County Local Government Review Committee, the County Planning Board, and several oth-

Wayne was predeceased by his parents, brother Robert, and nephew Greg.

He is survived by son Duke Wayne, daughter Rebecca (Monte) Ypma, daughter Rachel (Reece) Silve, daughter Katie Joy, daughter Jessica (Lance) Swanson, four grandsons, brother Vern (Pamela) Gilman, sister Betty (Bob) Nolte, sister-in-law Pauline H. Gilman, and numerous cousins, nieces, and neph-

Services will be held Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 2 p.m. at Bethel United Methodist Church in Sheridan. Interment will follow at the Taylor Cemetery near Alder. If you are unable to attend the service, please join us at the Elks Lodge in Virginia City at approximately 4 p.m.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to the Montana or Washington FFA Foundations, the Alder Fire Department or to a charity of the donor's choice.

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Mary Tolson, 91, of Sheridan, died peacefully on Thursday, Feb. 7, 2013. Born Mary Carolyn Swisher on Feb. 13, 1921,

and Arselia Bessie Swisher. She lived in several towns throughout Montana where her father was assigned. In 1939, she graduated from Sheridan High School. Mary attended Willamette University in Oregon for two years and graduated from Stanford Uni-

in Bozeman, she was the daugh-

ter of Reverend Ele D. Swisher, a

minister in the Methodist Church,

versity School of Nursing. She married James Tolson in 1945, made their home in Sheridan, and raised four children. Mary worked for many years as a nurse at the Ruby Valley Hospital in Sheridan where she also served

as the director of nursing.

Mary and Jim enjoyed raising quarter horses in their retirement years until Jim's death in 2000. They traveled many miles to watch their beloved horses run. Mary's passion for making teddy bears brought her great joy for over 20 years until her fingers could no longer stitch them together.

Mary Tolson is survived by daughter Carolyn Santillana and her husband Carlos of Cedar Park. Texas; daughter Connie Cedeno of Moses Lake, Washington; son Don Tolson and his wife Kristin of Hamilton, Montana; sister Alwife Margarite of Doylestown, Pennsylvania; grandsons Ray Cedeno, Matthew Cedeno, Christopher Ruppel, Brandon Ruppel, James Tolson, Daniel Tolson; and nine great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by

ice Deevy of Sun City, California;

brother Dr. Eli M. Swisher and his

her husband James, her son Ray, and her faithful Scottie dog, An-A memorial service will be

conducted at Bethel Methodist Church in Sheridan at 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 7, 2013.

Memorials may be made to the Ruby Valley Hospital.

John R. Kraft - May 17, 1957 - Feb. 9, 2013

Mary Tolson - Feb. 13, 1921 - Feb. 7, 2013

Juhnke in Livingston. John R. Kraft, age 55, of

Livingston, died Saturday, Feb. 9, 2013, at his sister-in-law's home with his wife by his side. A Memorial Remembrance for John will be held Friday, Feb. 15 at 1 p.m. at The Palace (305 E. Main St.) in Laurel, MT. John Ray Kraft was born

May 17, 1957, in Billings, the son of John and Loretta (Hilderman) Kraft. John was baptized as an infant and received his education in Laurel.

On Dec. 14, 1999, John was united in marriage to Donna Jo

John was ranch manager for various ranches throughout Montana. This is what John was made for. He enjoyed horses, roping, mechanics and being in the outdoors. He especially enjoyed time spent with his grandchildren, family and close friends. John's declining health forced him to stop all the things he so much enjoyed. John's battle was long and courageous.

John and Donna moved in with his sister-in-law where was Donna was able to take great care of him.

God gives his hardest battles to his strongest soldiers.

wife, Donna; step-children, Joshua Huttinger and his wife Amberly of Livingston, Adrienne Knox and her husband Shawn of Brighton, Colorado; grandchildren, Colte, Chelsea, Caileigh, Braden, Cody, Jaiden, Emma; sister, Karen Kraft of Laurel; brother, David Kraft and his wife Sonja of Columbus; niece, Kristi and Nephews, Mario and Dylan; and many

other relatives and friends.

John is preceded in death by his parents, John and Loret-John is survived by his ta Kraft, nephew, David John and his maternal and paternal grandparents.

The family invites everyone to the luncheon immediately following the service. Arrangements are under the direction of Franzen-Davis Funeral home and crematory in Livingston. Online condolences may be offered at Franzen-Davis.com.

Helen Mildred Anderson



Helen was born on July 7, 1918 on a homestead halfway between Twin Bridges and Sheridan. She was the sixth of seven

children. Her father, Frank Spinner, died when Helen was very young; her widowed mother, Clara J. Spinner, raised her. She finished her second year of high school then had to drop out in order to earn a living. She worked in various places around Twin Bridges including Woodwards Department Store and the Bee Factory where she worked over a big tub were honey was extracted from honey combs, placed in gallon jars, and then personally delivered to each customer. She worked in a creamery making milk shakes and cleaning

people's homes. She then moved to Bozeman with her sister Alice and purchased a "whippet car." She met her future husband, Clifford Anderson, with eating lunch with Alice at the PMA office of the government building where Clifford worked. They had two sons, Byron and Bruce. The family moved to Overland Park, Kansas, in the mid-sixties then to Moses Lake, Washington, in the early seventies where she lived until her death.

Helen enjoyed knitting, crocheting, sewing, and her family including four grandchildren,

Stacy, Corie, Timothy, and Nich-

She is preceded in death by her older sisters, Francis Fulwood, Lucille Hughes, Julie Cocanougher and Sophie Taylor; her younger sister, Alice Hesser; and her older brother, John Spin-

Services will be held Monday, Feb. 18, at 10 a.m. from the K&L Mortuary Chapel at Twin Bridges with Rev. Ken Stensrud officiating. Interment will follow in the Twin Bridges Cem-

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FRANKLY, WE HAVE NOTHING

IN COMMON

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

dear Maddy,

Valentine's Day is on its way and I am single. I really like someone but am too shy to ask him out. How can I let him know I like him without embarrassing myself? Especially if he doesn't like me back.

Single near Silver Star

dear Single,

It seems as though being single bothers people more around the holidays than any other time of year. Valentine's Day closes out this holiday season so the pressure you put on yourself will soon be lifted. The easiest way to see if this gentleman likes you is to put yourself where he is. Do you share similar interests? Without knowing in what capacity you see this person every week, I would suggest going

to the places you know he will be. I am not saying to stalk him by any means but if he is a coach for a local team think about hitting a few games and making a point to say "good job", or at least "hey", before you head out. If he is involved with a group or cause ask how you can help at their next event. Showing up everywhere he is may turn him off so don't go overboard. Group activities are always great for no pressure as well as community events. You can always be frank and ask him to a movie or for a drink, too. Being with someone may make you feel happier but do not let it be the source of your happiness. Good Luck!

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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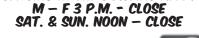


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like raising your left hand - when you need a break. It is better to go more often and have shorter visits than to have one long visit where the numbness starts to wear off and your jaw gets tired. Your doctor might be able to discuss other options like nitrous-oxide gas you can breathe during procedures or prescribe you a relaxer like valium (you will need someone to drive you home). If you have your favorite music (cell phone, I-pod, MP3 or other device), bring it and listen to it to help distract you and drown out some of the dental noises

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PILATES

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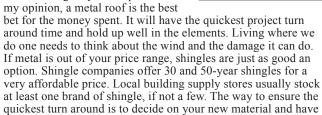
This article was written by Shauna Laszlo of Body Dynamics Pilates in Ennis, Montana. She has studied and taught the Peak Pilates also employs her to certify instructors in the United States and Internationally. She is honored to share the method and legacy of Joseph Pilates.

> Shauna Laszlo, Pilates Instructor Ennis Continuing Education • 406-682-4258

WOODWORKING

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of fevers, chills, muscle aches, headache, runny/stuffy nose, sore throat and cough. Most people will get over this in a week to ten days. The very young (under a year) and the very old (over 70) and those with heart or lung disease, diabetes, or any immune suppressed condition are at risk for severe, life threatening

problems associated with it. If you have not had the vaccination, there is still time to get that completed. If you think you have the flu, avoid close contact with others. For those who have symptoms less than 48 hours, there is a medication available that will reduce the

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What are the Earwax Basics?

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But, when earwax builds up, it's time to take action. But, don't insert a cotton-tipped applicator, bobby pin, or your finger into your ear canal. This pushes wax deeper into your ear canal and can cause infection. You can also damage the ear canal or eardrum. Avoid ear candles-they can cause injury. If symptoms persist, wax-softening treatments often work fine. I can direct you to some options in our store. If you have diabetes, a weakened immune system, perforated eardrum, or tube in your eardrum, a doctor should manually remove any build-up. You

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A: Injuries can occur as a result of doing a variety of activities. In order for a person to get treated properly, the mechanism of the injury must be known. A whiplash patient will respond to a different type of therapy than a patient with a disc injury in his or



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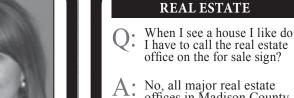
Why do I need a skin care regimen?

A good at home skin care regimen paired with professional treatments plays a very important role in health and vitality of your skin. Your skincare regimen should first consist of a cleansing system specifically formulated for your skin type whether it be dry, oily, combination, sensitive, problematic, or

mature. Exfoliation is a key component to your skincare routine by using a scrub, alpha-hydroxy acids, or fruit enzymes Strength and frequency depends on the professional treatments you are receiving. Serums, creams, and masks are designed to address specific skin issues such as dehydration, fine line and wrinkles, hyperpigmentation, excessive oil production, and acne. All skin types need a moisturizer. The final step in everyone's skin care regimen must be sun protection. Sun damage accounts for a majority of the skin's aging process, a minimum of SPF 30 should be worn on daily basis. At Waning & Waxing we carry Tu'el products. Aromatherapy-based, natural, and paraben-free, Tu'eLTM is manufactured in the U.SA.

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Grace K. Osborn Sept. 7, 1923-Feb. 6, 2013

Grace K. Osborn, 89, passed away peacefully at the Tobacco Root Mountain Care Center in Sheridan on Feb. 6, 2013.

Grace was born Sept. 7, 1923, to Ed and Emma (Shaw) Knox in Dillon. She spent the first four years of her life at the Jake Place in the Blacktail Creek Valley. Her family then 'moved to town' to Dillon where she grew to adulthood. Grace graduated from high school in 1941 and Montana State Normal School at Dillon in 1943 with a teaching certificate. While in grade school, with a couple of years of lessons and many hours of practice, Grace became very proficient on both piano and or-

She continued to use this talent throughout her life for individuals, civic, and church groups all over southwestern Montana.

During Grace's first teaching job at Neihart, she married Lewis "Toad" Osborn, a soldier on furlough from Alaska. They had known each other for several years but didn't get serious until Toad was drafted into the army in 1940. After finishing the school year in Neihart, she followed Toad to Ft. Lewis, Washington, where he was posted. Grace soon had a job for the State of Washington at the capitol building in

Soon after WWII was over, Grace and Toad returned to Southwestern Montana. In 1946, they moved to the Ruby Valley where they remained for the rest of their lives. Grace then took on the job of mother and housewife.

During the school term of 1959, Grace was approached by the Alder Grade School Board to temporarily fill in for an ill teacher. Thus began her second teaching career. Grace taught at the Alder Grade School for the next 27 years. Attending summer school each year, she graduated with her oldest son and daughterin-law from Western Montana College with a Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1969.

Grace retired from teaching in 1987. Grace and Toad enjoyed traveling and motored over most of the U.S. by car and flew to Europe and Boston to visit relatives. After Toad's death, Grace continued traveling to many places including Washington D.C. and Alaska twice.

Grace was an active member in Eastern Star, Daughters of the Nile, American Legion Auxiliary, and ADK teacher sorority.

Grace was preceded in death by her husband, Toad, and her brother, Bruce.

She is survived by her daughter, Susan, of Denver; sons, Charlie (Amy) of Sidney, and Ed (Judi) of Alder; grandchildren, Amora (Leonard) Magnus of Ohio, Kaleen (John) Beckwith of Ohio, Dan (Katie) Osborn of Alaska, and Jon (Emily) Osborn of Lewistown; and six great grandchildren. Grace is also survived by her sister, Jessie Simonsen; sisterin-law, Janet Know; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be scheduled at a later date for early summer. Memorial donations can be made to Daughters of the Nile (special projects) P.O. Box 786, Jackson, Montana 59736; Tobacco Root Mountain Care Center in Sheridan; Ruby Valley Ambulance in Sheridan or the charity of the donor's choice.

Express condolences at gosborn23@gmail.com

Montana Office of Tourism award

From Janet Allestead

VCPA sponsored "A Step Back in Time" events featuring the Virginia City Grand Victorian Ball was awarded \$3,400.00 for advertising and promotion. The grant will allow Virginia City Preservation Alliance to update their website for information regarding the "A Step Back in Time" events. Focusing on technology advances to promote the events better matches the traveler planning a vacation and the younger generations that utilize their computers, smartphones, and social media.. VCPA is sponsoring two Grand Victorian Balls this year, Victorian High Tea, and a 1860's worship service at the St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Virginia City each ball weekend. Mark your calendars for June 22 and Aug. 17 for the ball weekends with High Tea on the Friday preceding and Church Service the Sunday following. Check out details on the website: www.virginiacitygrandvictorianball.com.

Two new classes offered

From Bill Wilkinson

In Self Defense for Women, Robin Boyde will teach the basics of self-defense Feb. 19-20 and March 19-20. Class size is limited to 6 and there will be a fee charged.

Kim Miller will lead a Beginning Felting Class on Feb. 28, March 1 and March 2. Class size is limited and a fee will be charged.

For more information, please visit Adult Education under Departments at www.sheridan.k12.





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Local author book signing

From Donna Nolte

Sorenson-Nolte Donna would like to announce her new book, Hazel. Donna was born and raised in Dillon. She currently lives in Twin Bridges with her husband of 22 years and her two golden retrievers.

Being a Christian for a great part of her life, she felt the need to write a book about love, laughter, grief, forgiveness and hope. Hazel is a story of family, and has people who are suffering great loss, as well as those who help them get through their sorrow. Growing up is a huge part of this God-filled, exciting story of being hurt, bullied, and losing someone you care for deeply. There are also moments of laughter, love and forgiveness, mingled in with the unity of family and Jesus as a whole. Hazel plays an extremely important role in this book as she tries to help a confused little girl realize what true life and love really are. This book is an extremely enjoyable read.

Donna has had many people read the book so far on e-book, and with great results. She has ter the book signing.

had five star ratings and excellent re-

The book signings are planned at the Sheridan Library on Saturday, Feb. 9 from 11-1 p.m. and the Twin Bridges Library on Sunday, Feb. 10 from 12-2 The Dillon Book Store in Dillon is hosting a signing on Saturday, Feb. 16 from 1-3 p.m. Debbie from the Dillon

Book Store is planning a great time and doing lots of work for this exciting event! Please come and enjoy the fun. We will be looking forward to seeing you there, with Donna's pen in hand. The book will not be sold until af-



Furner Foundation awards grant in Sheridan

From Lois Tate SHERIDAN SCHOOLS

Sheridan has received a \$10,000 grant from the Turner Foundation's Community Youth Initiative, according to Rod Stout, local coordinator of the Sheridan Turner Youth Initiative Committee, which sponsors the initiative in Sheridan.

Mr. Stout expressed, "Turner Monies have gone a long way in supporting activities that enrich the lives of the Sheridan youth. We are even more thankful for this opportunity during these difficult economic times."

The grants are earmarked

for youth development in communities located near properties owned by R.E. (Ted) Turner, president of the Turner Youth Foundation headquartered in Atlanta, GA.

As part of the initiative, each town was asked to form an adult-youth partnership and to identify priorities for determining how the funds should be spent. Funding typically supports such things as afterschool, mentoring, recreational, community service and self-esteem building activities as well as creating more opportunities in job training and building entrepreneurship.

The Sheridan Turner Youth

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Initiative Committee will be meeting on Monday, March 11, 2013, at 6 p.m. in the elementary school lobby to decide where the monies will be spent. The public is welcome to stop in. This is an empowering process for the youth of Sheridan as the committed decides to whom the Mini Grants will be awarded.

Applications are available in the high school and elementary offices. They must be filled out and returned back into the high school office by Thursday, March 7, 2012. If there are any questions please contact Rod Stout at 842-5401.

better shape and learn new skills? Would you like to compete against students from other schools? If the answer to those questions is yes, then the Ennis Little Guy Wrestling Program is for you!! If you would like to participate, send your parents to an informational meeting on Tuesday, February 5th at 6:00 in Mrs. Tami Jenkins' room (Room 15) in the Middle School. You are welcome to attend as well, but are not required to be

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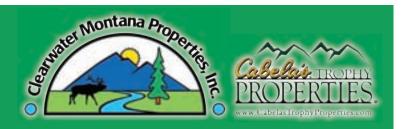


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Submitted by Pamela Kimmey

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Sheridan students of the month

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- 12 Natalie Hagen

EHS State Speech Competitors wrap up a successful season

From Marilyn Jenkins Ennis Schools

EHS State Speech Competitors—Matthew Skillman and Muhammad Nizamani competed in Huntley Project on Jan. 25-26 at the State Speech/ Debate/Drama Meet. Matthew

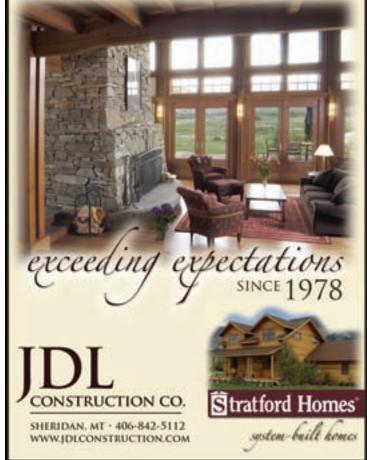
placed 5th, losing out in quarterfinals, the top 8, by a split decision in Lincoln Douglas Debate. In Original Oratory, Muhammad ended his season in the semifinals, which was the top 12. Congratulations to both young men for an outstanding season.





On January 18th, Addison Viola Kristovich was born to Josh and Haley Kristovich. Addison was 7 lbs, 6 oz, 21 inches. Grandparents are Becky and Tim Kristovich and Haley and Liz Beaudry. Great grandparents are Jack and Darlene Kristovich and Gaither and Nancy Stewart.





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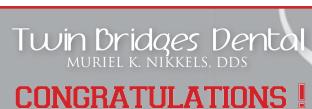
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Dante Salerno



Dante Salerno is a student in the Fifth Grade at Twin Bridges Elementary. This hard worker always put her best effort into whatever she attempts. Her andness towards hêr classmates. others students as well as adults is one of her strongest characteristics. On any day you can see her voluntarily picking up litter in the hall or on the playground, or holding the door for others students as they travel from one classroom to another or even assisting a younger student. from one classroom to another or even assisting a younger student who might be struggling with putting on their shoes or mittens. Dante caring attitude has made her a great candidate for Student of the Week. Thanks, Dante', for all you do to make Twin Bridges Elementary a better place to learn. Dante' is the daughter of Macey and Eric Antikainen of Silver Star.

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Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow showers. Lows 10 to 25. Highs 30 to 40.

Friday



Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of snow showers. Lows 10 to 20. Highs 25 to 35.

Saturday



Partly cloudy. Lows 15 to 25. Highs 30 to 40.

Sunday



Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of snow showers. Lows 15 to 25.

Monday



Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow showers. Highs 25 to 35.

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DISTRICT TOURNAMENT PREVIEW, B2

Thursday, February 14, 2013

Speaker encourages students to embrace who they are

Ben Coulter THE MADISONIAN ben@madisoniannews.com

The Twin Bridges Rotary Club hosted motivational speaker Jerry Traylor, a man who has overcome no small obstacles to become a renowned symbol of determination and perseverance. He spoke to students at both Twin Bridges and Sheridan schools.

58-year-old Traylor was born with cerebral palsy, and endured 14 corrective operations early on in life. Despite this challenge, he went on to run 28 marathons, jog over 3,500 miles across the United States and climb 14,110 foot Pikes Peak in Colorado. Having been a motivational speaker since 1976, Traylor has shared his own experience with more than 1 million people and 4,000 audiences.

Throughout presentation Traylor showed a slideshow of photographs from his journeys, and early on he reflected on a picture of himself as a child after an extended stay in the hospital, a huge smile beaming across his

"I was smiling because I knew I was loved, and even though I was on crutches I could do things," he explained. "Use what you've got. I found out if I did not have these crutches, I'd be handicapped."

Traylor also reminisced on how he first got into jogging, starting with a three-mile race he completed in 36 minutes, 41 seconds and working up to a full marathon. His first

hours to complete, and his personal record time is 5:09:00. Traylor's best mile on crutches is 9:29. And while Traylor has come a long way since first stepping up to the starting line, he explains that every great journey begins with a single step even when you fall along the way.

"Society will say 'You're no good, you fell down.' Well, here's the truth: falling down has nothing to do with being good or bad. Falling down has everything to do with being human." Travlor said. "Strive for excellence and leave the perfection for God or whoever that is for you, because all of us in our human condition will not reach perfection, so just accept who you are and do the best you can."

The experience of jogging from San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge to New York's Brooklyn Bridge taught Traylor a lot about more than just long distance running.

"At times, I wanted to quit. At times, my attitude was terrible. When you and I are hurting, we've got to look for next step," he said.

"I can look back at some of the struggles I've faced, and here's the key," he continued. "You and I can all look back, but it's more important to look forward and say 'Where am I going in my life?""

"You and I don't need to have incredible eyesight to have vision. You and I don't have to have two good legs to



Photo by Ben Coulter

the beauty. When you and I are Twin Bridges elementary students interact with motivational speaker Jerry Traylor during his presentation. Traylor, who has cerebral palsy, spoke hurting, we've got to take that at both Twin Bridges and Sheridan schools on Tuesday during a presentation put on by the Twin Bridges Rotary Club.

run a marathon. You and I don't have to have the most brilliant mind to think great thoughts."

Traylor was hosted by the Twin Bridges Rotary Club, which actively works to better the Ruby Valley community through service projects and scholarships for graduating high school seniors from Twin Bridges and Sheridan.

The club also participates in the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Camp in Livingston each summer, where young members of the community learn to meet new people and develop the leadership skills they will need to be successful in the future.

Following his presentation Twin Bridges, Traylor

shook hands with each one than overcoming. I think their way out of the gym, laughing, smiling and joking with kids young and old. When asked what it feels like to be successful in trying to overcome an obstacle, Traylor looked at it from a different perspective.

"I think it's even simpler

of the students as they made that I will never overcome cerebral palsy. I will always have crutches. So what I do is deal with it. I know I can't overcome it. I know I will never overcome the effects of cerebral palsy," he said. "But I will deal with it and do great things within those limitations.'





Clockwise from top

2013 Bloody Mary team members Cory Hardy and Allison Veland show

The 2013 Iceholes celebrate getting one past the Bloody Mary's goalie.

Some of the original "broomballers", circa 1983: Chuck Sturgill, Jeri Kneeland, Danny Lowney, Stephanie Wood, Dana Harvey, Gary Butler, unkown, Todd Wigen, Jeff Wigen, Monty Tichenor, Russell Stuber. The photo hangs at the Pioneer in Virginia City.

Winterfest weekend in Virginia City was best ever

By Allison Clark FOR THE MADISONIAN

Last weekend, the threeday annual Virginia City Winterfest drew onlookers, broomballers, dogs of all sizes and folks of all ages to participate and cheer.

Broomball, dog-in-awheelbarrow racing, live music, two-man log sawing and community support have brought fans and players out to the ice rink in Virginia City for 34 years for the three days of events. There were a few years that Winterfest dissipated, but thanks to the efforts of Candy Vincent and Joanne Erdall, the event was 'resurrected', and has been back for the past 9 years.

The two women, along with Micki Benedict, form the committee that has put the event together each year

This year two teams from Virginia City, one from Ennis and three from the Ruby Valley formed to compete in the Broomball Tournament. The Allhands from the Ruby Valley took first place, the Bloody Marys from Ennis took second and the Ice Hole team from Virginia City placed third.

The competition was intense, starting Friday evening and going through Sunday evening. Scott Stone and his dog, Guy won the dog-in-a-wheelbarrow race. Brian "Bird" Morris and

Andy Nevan won the twoman log sawing competition. Sheridan won the fundraising event for the best fans, where dollars and votes were placed in a jar at The Pioneer. The town of Sheridan got half of the \$148 towards their fire department, and the rest went to ice rink improvement.

Sheri Jarvis even drove from her new home in Butte to make original Broomdogs, her homemade version of corn dogs, but shaped like a broom. Jarvis had been making the snacks for the last several years before moving to Butte last year. There was huge excitement that she came back for the Winterfesters, according to Vincent.

"I feel like this year was the best year we had," says Vincent. "We had a large crowd, we had great community support and everyone pitched in and helped."

The committee took a vote this year to move the festival to the weekend before President's Day, when it normally takes place. They thought they might get better attendance. Vincent says they will vote again next year to see what the general consensus is.

Of course, Winterfest would not be such a success without the volunteers and community support they receive. Helpers took time out of busy schedules to flood

the ice rink, raise money and prizes for the event winners, repair fences and put posters everywhere, even as far away as Idaho.

This past year, the rink underwent some major improvements thanks to volunteer labor efforts. Boards were replaced and raised up a bit, essentially to keep the ball in, or the dogs out. Regardless, the 2013 games still saw a few out of bounds balls and one dog on the ice episode.

"I think it's hilarious that we built a fence to keep the dogs out, and that didn't even work," says Vincent. "It's Virginia City. Everything is unusual, and that makes it normal.'



Jf you want to learn all about Broomball in Virginia City, Montana, do not look at photos on the internet. You will be misled. Rather than the plastic or aluminum paddles most teams call "brooms", true Winterfesters use actual brooms, most of them wrapped in duct tape, while maneuvering the ice rink in winter boots to try and score a goal with the soccer ball that plays the part

The sport itself can trace its roots back into the early part of the 1900's, and began to spread into the lower states from Canada. According to the USA Broomball website, teams began forming in Minnesota in the 30s, but it officially became the six-man team broomball as we know it today sometime in the 1960s.

Virginia City's Winterfest began as a brain storm of residents Gary Butler and Dana Harvey in 1980, when the first Virginia City Broomball Tournament began. Players like Bob "Dude" Erdall have been playing Broomball in Virginia City since the 1960s.

We used to play at night at the rink. We would park all the cars around in a circle with the lights on to see," said Erdall. "We actually played in the streets sometimes. Some people had sticks, some people had brooms."

Erdall can still be seen out on the ice playing the annual tournament with one of his daughters, Stacy Gatewood, on the Ice Hole's Team.

Broomball remains the feature event during the weekend of Winterfest, with the dog-in-a-wheelbarrow race and two-man log sawing contest serving as events that draw crowds between tournament play.





Kristen Ashcraft, Twin Bridges Lady Falcon, drives the ball to the basket during a 2012-2013 season game against Ennis.



Levi Strickland (00) looks to rebound as John Brennan attempts to score against the MCHS Eagles on Saturday night's game at Harrison High School. The Wildcats suffered a loss of 80-55 while the Lady Wildcats captured a victory of 45-29 the same night.



CJ Cox helps lead the Twin Bridges Falcons to the District Tournament.

District 11-12 C tournaments preview for 2012-2013 season

By Kate Schwend FOR THE MADISONIAN

The Boys' and Girls' Basketball District 11-12 C tournaments will be held at the MAC center in Butte on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Here's a preview of what to expect for our local teams this weekend:

Boys

Rankings: 1) Twin Bridges 2) Manhattan Christian 3) Shields Valley 4) Ennis 5) Sheridan 6) Gardiner 7) Lima 8) Harrison 9) White Sulphur Springs 10) Lone Peak 11) West Yellowstone

After an end-ofseason rally with two big wins in one weekend, Twin Bridges is the number one seed for the Boys' District 11-

1, and then triumphed over favorite Ennis in an overtime thriller on February 2. The two wins thoroughly rearranged the tournament bracket, putting Twin Bridges on top, Manhattan Christian in second, Shields Valley in third, and Ennis—currently ranked number 9 in the state in the fourth seed. But as games between all four teams have been incredibly tight, it's quite possible that the initial seeds won't count for much by

the end of the tournament. Things are tight at the bottom of the bracket too. The bottom six teams—in order, Gardiner, Lima, Harrison, White Sulphur Springs, Lone Peak, and West Yellowstone will play on Wednesday to fight 6:00 Friday 12C tournament. The Falcons for spots in the tournament.

in a tough game on February are seeded higher and likely favored over Lone Peak (10) and West Yellowstone (11), but the Harrison (8) v. White Sulphur Springs (9) game at 12:00 appears to be a fight-tothe-death scramble.

Sheridan, smackdab in the middle of the bracket, is a wild card. Their record earned them a spot on the bracket, and they have the potential to fight for a divisional spot, but their first game is against formidable Ennis. What's more, they lost to both Gardiner and White Sulphur Springs in regular season play, so they'll face tough games if they play either of these teams.

Games to watch: Twin Bridges vs. Ennis,

If both teams win their

other on Friday night at 6:00. The winner is guaranteed a spot at Divisionals. These fierce rivals split the series this season. Their last matchup went into overtime, with the Falcons narrowly winning on a last minute layup to tie it by CJ Cox, who then made a free-throw to put them up by one. Twin Bridges has the momentum, but Ennis has the state ranking, and they'll be looking for revenge, so you can bet it'll be a full-on buzzer-beater.

Manhattan Christian v.

Shields Valley, 7:30 Friday Once again, these teams will have to come out victorious in their first game to face each other, and Shields Valley will face a tough one against Gardiner in the first round. But if they do come out on top, this one will be a nail Wednesday to earn even a spot biter. Manhattan Christian in the bracket. (2) is seeded ahead of Shields Valley (3), but their regular season matchups were close, and tournament time do-or-die mentality always leaves the possibility of an upset.

Girls

Rankings: Manhattan Christian 5) Shields Valley 6) West Yellowstone 7) Gardiner 8) Lima 9) White Sulphur Springs 10) Sheridan 11) Lone Peak.

Twin Bridges, undefeated in the conference play, is the clear favorite to win the girls district championship. But aside from the Falcons, the rest of the bracket is a complete scramble. The teams with the next three best records, Ennis (2), Harrison (3), and Manhattan Christian (4) have all won at least 10 conference games, but the other thing they share is that they've all lost to Gardiner, ranked 7. Gardiner, on the other hand. will have to battle Sheridan on regular season games for these

If Gardiner (7) beats Sheridan (10), they'll play (2) Ennis in the first round. The Bruins beat the Ennis handily mid season, but the Mustangs' record and rank show that they've grown a lot

Twin in the latter part of the season. Bridges 2) Ennis 3) Harrison Either way, the winner will most likely face Harrison (3) on Friday, and games between Harrison and Gardiner as well as Harrison and Ennis have been within two points. Bet on a scrappy contest at Friday's 4:30 game.

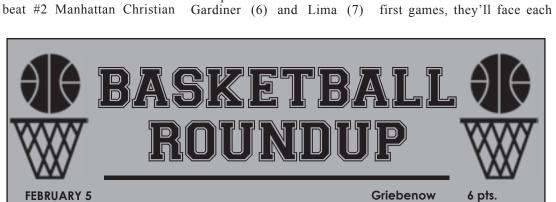
On the other side of the bracket, Manhattan Christian (4) and Shields Valley (5) will face a tough go in the first round. Manhattan is ranked ahead, but Shields Valley easily got the upper hand over them in regular season play, and Manhattan's overtime loss to Gardiner (7) means the stage is set for an upset. But watch for the Lady Eagles to fight hard in the losers' bracket.

Almost all of the girls have been low-scoring, all-out scrappy affairs, and that trend will almost certainly continue in do-ordie losers' bracket play. That means that although Twin Bridges is favored take the championship, the tournament is bound to be exciting. Ennis, Harrison, Manhattan Christian, Shields Valley, Gardiner, and even Sheridan are likely candidates for spots in the Divisional Tournament.

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•	Cox 7 pts.

FEBRUARY 8 **GIRLS**

Harrison/Willow Creek 44,				
Shields Valley	/ 46			
Cooper	20 pts.			
White, B.	5 pts.			
Wilson	5 pts.			
Nesbit, J.	10 pts.			
DeFrance	2 pts.			
Nesbit, A.	2 pts.			

Sheridan 32, Ennis 57 Lee Degel Lueck 20 pts. 2 pts. Evans

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BOYS	
Twin Bridges 78	, Lima 3
Konen	4 pts.
Pfertsh, J.	18 pts
Myers	8 pts.
Miotke	8 pts.
Cox	12 pts
Orrin	6 pts.
Pfertsh, M.	7 pts.
Hirst	7 pts.
Broksle	2 pts.
Johnson	4 pts.
Guillot	2 pts.

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Johnson	4 pts.
Guillot	2 pts.
Sheridan 54,	Ennis 79
Goodman	2 pts.
Ott	10 pts
Croy	6 pts.
McKitrick, B.	15 pts
Bullock	14 pts
Sullivan	19 pts
Leo	3 pts.
Clark	10 pts

FEBRUARY 9

GIRLS

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Harrison/Willow Creek 45, **Manhattan Christian 29** Cooper 23 pts. 8 pts. White, B. 7 pts. Wilson White, K. 3 pts. Nesbit, J. 2 pts. 2 pts. **DeFrance**

BOYS

Sheridan 43, Twin Bridges

Burke	5 pts.
Marsh	2 pts.
Green	6 pts.
Tilstra	13 pts.
Kenworthy	17 pts.
Konen	7 pts.
Pfertsh J.	16 pts.

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Myers	5 pts.
Miotke	7 pts.
Cox	17 pts.
Orrin	10 pts.
Pfertsh, M.	10 pts.
Hirst	4 pts.
Broksle	4 pts.

Harrison/Willow Creek 55

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Petersen, G.	15 pts.
Lehman	7 pts.
Brennan	7 pts.
Strickland	4 pts.
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Ennis 74, Gardiner 65				
Goodman	11 pts.,			
Ott	5 pts.			
McKitrick, B.	3 pts.			
Bullock	19 pts.			
Sullivan	32 pts.			
Clark	4 nts			





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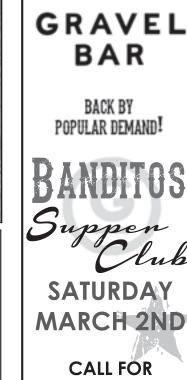
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For the Madisonian

Sustainable Work Life

Carol Delisi of Facilitating Design suggested on Facebook a 'Sustainable Work Life' as topic of discussion. I have been following the Facilitator on Facebook and her daily tips for the workplace are inspiring. Delisi commented, "I think a sustainable work life is one that prevents burnout. You can manage it in a way that keeps you enthused, productive and efficient in your work. It's sustainable from a

mental and physical perspective. means being able to do your best work at a constant rate because you know your skills and knowledge and how much you can handle.'

We have to work to pay the We work bills. to keep busy and

to have purpose in our lives. In the course of a lifetime, a person can experience several career changes. My husband and I are among many who are not using their 4-year college degrees. Knowing at 18 what you want to do for the rest of your life is a tricky endeavor and I applaud those who were able to make it happen. I also congratulate those who are able to walk away when a set-upon

path is no longer fulfilling. What you do to pay the bills should be rewarding, not soulcrushing.

Also included Education on my resumé is my Yoga Teacher Training. I am grateful for the experience as it is something that I can use for the rest of my life, no matter where we live. Yoga and writing are the closest claims I have to any sort of career. And when our family needs it, I fall back on cleaning houses. I have always been able to find work cleaning; cleaning at local fly fishing lodges was where I first made money as a teenager. Working for Merry Maids in Missoula was my first job after graduated from college. It is not something that I want to do 40 hours a week, but it is something that compliments my Stay-at-Home-Mom gig.

"Live to Work"/ "Work to

Live"/ "Do What You Love"/ "Love What You Do"-and to live where we love here in SW Montana, sometimes you have to be a Jack of all trades. Make sure to enjoy your time off and take vacation time.

Twin Bits

The Twin Reminder: Bridges landfill accepts clean plastic for recycling. plastic must have a #1 or #2 symbol on it. No lids or rings. Please rinse the containers. They do not accept plastic grocery bags, but they could be reused and then dropped off at Wal*Mart.

There will be a special TBCA meeting at the MT Room in Twin Bridges, Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 7 p.m. "The meeting is scheduled to be a brain storming session and planning forum with representatives of area civic organizations... we will be

looking at the root causes of why our organizations are struggling and what we can do to change for the future.

The Rotary Club will have light refreshments.

If you have questions, please feel free to call Paula at The Old Hotel at 684-5959 or contact Jack Leber at Prudential Montana Real Estate."

Support Local Art: If you missed Donna Nolte's book signings here in the valley this past weekend, you have another opportunity for the author to sign her book, Hazel, at the Book Store in Dillon, Saturday, Feb. 16 from 1-3 p.m.

From TBS Calendar: Thursday, Feb. 14: VFW Mtg @ MT Room, 7:30 p.m.; FCCLA Valentine's Day

Balloon Sale Feb. 13-15: District Basketball tournaments, Boys & Girls @ Butte MAC

Monday, Feb. 18: School, President's Day

Tuesday, Feb. 19: JrHi BBB @ Ennis, 4 p.m.; School Board Mtg @ MT Room, 7

Saturday, Feb. 23: FFA attending State

Feb. 20- 23: Divisional Basketball tournaments, Boys & Girls @ Hamilton

Wednesday, Feb. Spring Picture Day; Madison County Spelling Bee @ Alder Community Center

Feb. 28- March 2: State Girls' Basketball Tournament @ Belgrade

March 7- March 9: State Boys' Basketball Tournament @ Bozeman

I am here to promote activities and events in the Ruby Valley. Please contact me at 684-5222 or P.O. Box 491, Twin Bridges, MT 59754.

HOLLOWTOP SMOKE SIGNALS

By Art Kehler FOR THE MADISONIAN

Nordic Nerd Cross-country Skiing Misadventures

For a long time, I emerged from winter in the worst physical condition of the year. Then one day, while watching



Art Kehler

the winter Olympics on television, the thought occurred that snow sports might solve my winter doldrums. So, I decided to try cross-country skiing. Confident in my gifted athleticism, I saw no need for high-priced lessons. After all, it looked easy enough on

Hence, for my first attempt, I drove to a crowded, cross-country touring resort. Springing from the car, I quickly mounted my skis, turned to grab the ski poles and--right there in front of God and everybody---fell flat on my butt in the parking lot! I suppose a lesser man would have been embarrassed, but not the "Pride of Madison Street"-Harrison, With supreme Montana. aplomb, I arose and took a deep bow, to scattered applause.

Upon paying the fee at the lodge, I was given a trail map and instructed to draw a

"stitz" mark (X) wherever I fell. To my chagrin, halfway around the groomed "bunny run," I was suffering acute writing cramps. Even worse, my initial stitz mark-worthy mishap involved a violent encounter with a lodge pole pine. Fact is, while learning to stop of my own accord, I ran into or over just about everything that grows in the forest. Things got so bad that, after one especially destructive outing, I found a note on my windshield suggesting I submit an environmental impact statement before skiing again. Clearly my storied athletic prowess was overrated. Truth is, I was a "Nordic nerd."

Luckily, one of my few praiseworthy qualities is blind persistence. Accordingly, after several years, I actually became

a passable Nordic skier. With growing confidence, I began trying ever-more challenging trails. My stitz marks became Then one day my fewer.

fortunes reversed radically. While whisking down a steep, winding trail, I looked ahead to see that some fool had built a snow ramp directly ahead. In a flash, my skis were soaring for the treetops. The view from the ascent's peak was truly stunning, but not nearly so stunning as impacting the frozen ground.

Then, through a fog of painful disorientation. I remembered my brother was skiing down the trail not far behind. Suddenly infused with newfound, perverted vigor, I drug my bruised and battered body to a spot directly alongside the cursed ramp--and

Just as my unsuspecting sibling spied the unavoidable calamity, I bellowed, "surprise!" With eyeballs as big as saucers, he hit the ramp at full throttle. Mesmerized, I watched as the hapless wretch's skis shot heavenward. Whereupon, his trajectory blossomed to an involuntary, twisting-jackknife from the tuck position. A billowing cloud of snow marked his landing. "It was wonderful!'

After regaining composure, I scored the effort an 8 on a scale of 10. Regrettably, in an unpardonable breach of form, my brother's feet had separated just as his head thumped the ground. Rushing to his aid, I was greeted by bitter words declaring that I had, "betrayed my blood of blood!"

Still, after acknowledging that, had the situation been reversed, he would have done the same thing to me, big bro simmered down--somewhat. With that, we skied for home.

These days, the Nordic nerd is no longer able to crosscountry ski. However, no one can take away my memories-or my brother's. Regrettably, though a forgiving man, he never forgets. And I'm still waiting for the hammer to fall.

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By Jerry Welch for The Madisonian

NEWS & VIEWS

**"Commodities rose, capping the longest run of weekly gains in 17 years, on mounting speculation that the economies in the U.S. and China will rebound, boosting demand U.S. jobs and auto sales, the reserves are 'pretty much for metals, energy and crops.

The Standard & Poor's GSCI Spot Index of 24 raw materials advanced 0.5 percent to settle at 679.05, led by industrial metals and energy. The broad gauge climbed for the eighth straight week, the longest rally since January 1996." Bloomberg.com 2-01-13

**"The Dow Jones industrial average closed Friday stock index has ended trading

above that threshold since 2007, before the epic housing crash the following year shook the global economy.

Propelled by reports on Dow crossed the line, gaining 149 points on the day, and kept its ground through the early afternoon, after flitting back and forth throughout the morning. It has gained 6.9 percent this year." Wall Street Journal 2-01-13

**"Palladium is expected to set a record average high this year and platinum to post its best price performance in two years as South Africa's at 14,009.79, the first time the supply problems worsen and the economic cycle starts to favor

industrial metals, a Reuters poll showed on Tuesday.

growth upbeat United States are expected to aid a demand recovery for cars -- lifting automakers' demand for platinum group metals, which are used in catalytic converters -- and, in platinum's case, jewelry." Reuters 1-22-13

**"Russian palladium exhausted' and sales this year may be only 3 metric tons, according to Johnson Matthey. In 1999, during a scare over Russia's palladium supply, the metal ran to an unprecedented \$1,200 about (a price point at which Ford bought substantial holdings in the metal) before collapsing in a multi-year consolidation period getting ready for its most recent secular-bull market. Russia is the world's largest producer of

double its point at the start of 1999, it is likely all-time highs prospects in China and the are on the cusp of revisit." Silver Vigilante.com 1-25-13

** "One of the oldest and most often quoted sayings in the futures industry is, 'buy the rumor, sell the news.' What does it mean? It comes from the phenomenon of a market trading up or down into an announcement and then oftentimes reversing direction shortly thereafter once the news

is fully digested. A perfect example of such a phenomena took place in the grain complex following the release of a eagerly anticipated

USDA stocks report. Historically, the February report is a yawner, not a market mover. This year, with ending supplies of corn and soybeans razor thin but wheat stocks ample, the trade expected the

palladium and, with palladium USDA to slightly lower soybean of corn and wheat.

> going into the report was coiled tight like a spring, ready to move suddenly if the news deviated an iota from expectations. As it turned out, the USDA did lower soybean stocks more than expected, a bullish move but prices fell sharply. The trade sold the bullish news.

Wheat stocks were lowered, not raised but wheat prices fell fractionally for the day. The trade sold the bullish news. Corn stocks were raised as expected but nearby futures lost a meager 2 cents a bushel.

All in all, the February report was far more bullish than bearish, a positive scenario for grain prices moving forward but the trade dumped everything at lower levels. A hard thing to nonetheless. It was a classic case of selling good news.

Still, supplies of soybeans stocks while increasing supplies are pegged to be the smallest in history in the U.S. by March 1. The mentality of the trade Supplies of corn were ratcheted upward a bit but not enough to prevent a price rationing rally to unfold as soybeans rally. The most bullish aspect of the report was lowering wheat stocks more than expected which will underpin prices going into the springtime.

> The trade sold everything in the grain complex because the news was bullish, not bearish. They were motivated by the saying, "buy the rumor, sell the news." But all that bullish news will come back to haunt the sellers sooner than later. At some point in the near future they will be known as, "sold out bulls." Unless, of course, they can re-establish their positions do once sold out."

MADISON VALLEY RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT FRELINE

Madison Valley Rural Fire Department

warmer daytime temperatures and sub-freezing temperatures over night coupled with blowing snow have made road conditions across the district hazardous. The Madison Valley Rural Fire Department responded to one call for service last week and road conditions made the response perilous.

On Feb. 6 at 7:04 a.m. the MVRFD was dispatched to a one vehicle verses elk accident at mile marker 22.3 on US Hwy 287. The MVRFD responded a Command and a Rescue with five firefighters from Station 1 and a Rescue with two firefighters from Station 2. Two additional firefighters stood-by at Station 1 with additional resources. A passing Montana Motor Carrier Services Officer was first on scene and found a pickup truck, which had struck and killed two elk, in the barrow pit. The driver uninjured. Firefighters deployed accident scene warning

signs and established traffic control until the vehicle could be recovered and the scene made safe for the motoring public.

Remember that at this time of year a lot of wildlife is on the move and crossing the roadways. Use caution and be alert for wildlife near your route of travel.

If you have any questions or concerns, Madison Valley Rural Fire Chief Shawn Christensen invites you to contact us at 682-3311. We look forward to hearing from you. If no one is available, please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible. Remember, you can get up-to-date emergency information at the Madison County Montana Emergency Information web site, at http:// madison.homestead.com/. Please visit our home page at www.mvrfd.org/. Remember to sign our guest book and let us know what you think.

BRIDGES SCIENCE FAIR



Twin Bridges School recently had their annual Science Fair and what a great year! Students from the University of Montana Western graciously came down to judge our students thanks to the help of their professor, Michelle Anderson. There were many really outstanding projects this year. Way to go students! Following are a list of winners from this year's fair: 8th grade: 1st: Charali Wetherbee, 2nd Erika Delgado and Shaylynn Broksle (Tied), 3rd Wesley Armstrong and Cassie Williams (Tied). 7th grade: 1st Savanna Stewart and Roman Hendrickson (Tied), 2nd Lance Carlson, 3rd Megan Bausch and Andrianna Pollarena (Tied). 6th grade: 1st Clancy Philips, 2nd Blu Kiem. 5th grade: 1st Robinson Dale, 2nd Kenna Millhouse and Stone Smith (Tied), 3rd Sante Salerno and Issiah Redfield (Tied). 4th grade: 1st Hunter Sager, 2nd Shawn Head, 3rd Hadley Johnson and Delilah Puckett (Tied). 3rd grade: 1st Morgan Hendrickson, 2nd Taylor Smith, 3rd Piper Denno. 1st grade: 1st Alicia Dale and Kara Dale (Tied). Kindergarten: 1st Kole Anderson

Breakfast & Lunch Menu

ENNIS

Lunch includes: fresh salad/fruit bar & milk Thursday - February 14

Breakfast - Ham & cheese omelette, hash browns Lunch - Chili, cinnamon rolls

Friday - February 15 Breakfast - Pancake, sausage

Lunch - Potato bar Monday - February 18

NO SCHOOL Tuesday - February 19

Breakfast - Breakfast burrito Lunch - Chicken rice soup, cheesy bread stick Wednesday - February 20

Breakfast - Biscuits & gravy Lunch - Spaghetti

HARRISON Thursday - February 14

Breakfast - Bagels & cream cheese Lunch - Pizza, special Valentine dessert

Friday - February 15 Breakfast - French toast, ham

Lunch - Chicken BLT, salad Monday - February 18

Breakfast - Cinnamon toast, scrambled eggs Lunch - Grilled chicken, broccoli & cheese baked potato Tuesday - February 19

Breakfast - Waffles, fruit Lunch - Spaghetti, roll, salad Wednesday - February 20

Breakfast - Cinnamon roll, fruit Lunch - Chicken/black bean tacos, veggies

SHERIDAN

Breakfast Buffet: Toast, bagel or muffin, fruit, yogurt, eggs, hot & cold cereal, milk, juice (first & last day of week includes: eggs, ham, sausage or bacon)

Lunches include: vegetables, fruit and milk Thursday - February 14

Breakfast - Biscuit & gravy, fruit Lunch - Mac & cheese, meatballs

Friday - February 15 NO SCHOOL Monday - February 18

Breakfast - Oatmeal bar, fruit Lunch - Pizza, salad

Tuesday - February 19 Breakfast - Waffles, sausage patty Lunch - Baked rotini, salad

Wednesday - February 20 Breakfast - Yogurt, cereal Lunch - Sloppy joe on bun, french fries

TWIN BRIDGES

All breakfast menus include: toast, fruit, milk, juice All lunch menus include: salad bar. fruit. cold milk Breakfast - Ham & cheese omelette, hash browns Lunch - Chili, cinnamon rolls

Thursday - February 14

Breakfast - Cereal, baael Lunch - Spaahetti dinner, valentine treat Friday - February 15

Breakfast - Cobbler Lunch - Hot dog, baked beans Monday - February 18

NO SCHOOL Tuesday - February 19 Breakfast - Choice of cereal, pop tart Lunch - Chicken strips, seasoned rice

Wednesday - February 20 Breakfast - Ham omelette Lunch - Hamburger or fish sandwich

Ennis Meals on Wheels

Thursday, February 14 - BBQ Meatballs, potatoes, corn, cole slaw, bread, iced brownies

Friday, February 15 - BUFFET

Tuesday, February 19 - Ham, scalloped potatoes, mixed veggies, spinach salad, rolls, banana bread & pineapple

 $\label{lem:wednesday} Wednesday, February~20~-~ Hamburger~\&~Noodles, to matoes, green beans, applesauce, rolls, pistachio pudding~with topping$

Thursday, February 21 - Pork roast, dressing, peas, pears & cheese salad, bread, rhubarb cake

Friday, February 22 - BUFFET

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AROUND THE by Gail Banks

Thank gosh we didn't get the likes of the snowstorm that hit the east cost this past week! The snowdrifts from the storm in January are still with us, to deal with. I read on the CBS News web page that January 2013 with temperatures across the globe, made January the second warmest January in the past 35 years. Obviously who ever came up with this, was not in Southwestern Montana.

I was so busy being happy that my kitchen water lines didn't freeze up for the first time in years, that I forgot to pay attention to the level in my fuel oil tank. So this past week I ran out of fuel. Came home and thought to myself, "I must have turned the thermometer down too far this morning, it is cold in here." But it wasn't that, I went out and measured my tank and nothing showed on the stick. So I decided that since I made the stupid mistake of not paying attention, I could just stay at the house and deal with the cold. Oh my gosh,

that was a great idea or self afflicted punishment; it was so cold. Especially getting up in the morning and really the temperatures were kind last week, nights were in the 30's. So right away I ordered fuel, which they were kind enough to deliver right away. But I forgot that the heater fuel lines would have to bleed. So when I got home, turned the heater on and nothing again. I decided that I could bleed the lines, which was a no go. I couldn't even find the bleeder screw. Didn't want to call my rescue team, my kids, late at night to come help me out again, so stayed at the house for the second night with no heat. I have to say, you got to have a lot of respect for those people who go weeks without electricity and heat after Mother Nature strikes. I know there was a point the second night that I really didn't think I could do it, it was so cold. But I kept telling my self it would be colder getting out from under all the covers, so braved it out. Makes you rather appreciate a warm house after a couple nights of freezing with no heat.

Much sympathy goes out to the family of Wayne Gilman and Mary Tolson with their passing this past week. They both were surely foundation stones of the Sheridan/Alder community. They will be missed.

That is so cool that Doug Denson was awarded this week for his 30 years of volunteering is a long time to teach hunters safety. But Doug believes in it so he has stood behind the program full hearted! I had to laugh about a little story about Doug Denson this week. Doug was the school principle for years, also teaching 7th grade math at the Twin Bridges School. Doug was always great with the kids but was a no nonsense teacher. Luckily he taught all my kids in school and hunters safety. I am here to tell you, I had to go the principle's office a few times with each one of my boys through the years. This past year my oldest son Davey and his wife and kids moved into the house right next to Doug and Janice Denson. I was over visiting one night and Davey and Jolene tell me that they are so happy to live right next to Doug and right down the street is the deputy Clay Garrison. I just had to laugh, who would have ever thought years ago that they would be happy living next to a cop and their school principle. They really do grow up! And it really helps in the understanding area, when they have kids of their

I have a young friend that has a case of shingles, so I got to thinking that I would get the shot that is out that helps a person not get shingles. I have known a few other older people that have gotten shingles, and they were in so much pain. Went into Walgreens, because

to teach hunters safety. That they advertise they can give it right there. But you have to be 60 years old to get it without prescription, and many insurance companies don't pay for it. The shingles shot is nearly \$250.00. Found out it wasn't like going to get a \$20.00 flu shot!

So what have we learned this week? Put on a WINNING smile and GO get 'em. If it wasn't for guns, we would be British! Try and figure this out: we can watch violence in a movie for two hours and they tell us it has no influence on our behavior BUT a 30 second super bowl ad, is worth 3.8 million because it will make a viewer go out and purchase the product?? TRUST – Is a fragile thing. Easy to break, easy to lose, and very hard to get back. Some relationships are like Tom and Jerry...They irritate each other... They tease each other but....They still can't live without each other.

Class Basketball tournament starts in Butte this week. Best of luck to all the county teams.

Thursday is Valentine's Day. Don't forget your honey! You know I don't understand why Cupid was chosen to represent Valentine's Day. When I think about romance, the last thing on my mind is a short, chubby toddler coming at me with a weapon.

"They say all you need is love, BUT a little chocolate now and then sure helps!"

Ruby Valley Lenten Breakfast Schedule

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH: Wed., Feb. 20 ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH: Wed., Feb. 27 **DAYSPRING CHURCH:** Wed., Mar. 6 **NEW BEGINNINGS CHURCH:** Wed., Mar. 13 NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH: Wed., Mar. 20

All meals are served at 6:30 a.m.

Madison Valley Lenten Breakfasts Schedule

MADISON VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: Wed., Feb. 20 **ENNIS ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH:** Wed., Feb. 27 MADISON VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH: Wed., Mar. 6 ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH: Wed., Mar. 13 TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH: Wed., Mar. 20

All meals are served at 6:30 a.m.

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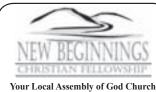


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TOPS' ten ways to boost self-esteem

International Boost Self-Esteem Month. Winter doldrums can get the best of anyone, and this annual observation is a timely opportunity to focus on cultivating feelings of selfrespect. TOPS Club, Inc. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), the nonprofit weight-loss support organization, offers these ideas to improve self-esteem when on a journey to better wellness. 1. Stop comparing yourself to others. Trying to live up to or exceed someone else's personal best is a losing game. As the saying goes, "How boring would it be if we were all the same?" Focus on being the best you that you can be. 2. Compliment yourself regularly, either by looking in the mirror and saying something you like about

compliment others on their success but hesitate to do the same for ourselves. **3. Exercise consistently,** at least 30 minutes of exercise several times a week, to strengthen muscles and to burn calories. Improve your physical strength, and you may feel a sense of empowerment that can dramatically enhance your self-esteem. 4. Simply **smile.** The mere act of smiling changes blood flow to the brain and can actually makes you feel happier and relieve tension. A smile sets off chemical and physical reactions within your mind and body, releasing endorphins that boost your mood. 5. Focus on your accomplishments. Forgive yourself for mistakes and focus on the positive by celebrating your victories. Consider writing yourself or writing it in a journal. them down so you can review

WI – Many times, we're quick to and reflect when you're feeling down and need to renew your confidence. 6. Get the support you need to succeed. Join a weight-loss support group, like TOPS, which can help you to stay on track to accomplish your wellness goals. Fellow members will help keep you motivated. 7. Make a list of your positive qualities. Are you generous? Kind? Write down at least ten positive qualities about yourself and return to this list as often as needed to boost your morale. 8. Find something special in each day. Even if it's in a small way, do something pleasant and rewarding, like catching up on your favorite television show, taking a walk to the park, or indulging in a bubble bath. Or treat yourself to something small that isn't a food or beverage, like a manicure or a new piece of

Pay attention to your food choices and nourish your body. Buy healthier foods and prepare well-balanced meals that will help give you energy and feel like your best self – not sluggish and overstuffed. 10. Explore a passion. Whether it's a side job, hobby, or as a volunteer, pursuing your passion in even a small way can lead to a sense of purpose and significantly improve your overall happiness and quality of life. TOPS Club Inc. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) is the original weight-loss support and 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

costume jewelry. 9. Eat better. combines support from others welcome to attend their first 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

TOPS meeting free of charge. Membership is affordable at just \$28 per year in the U.S. and \$32 per year in Canada, plus nominal chapter fees. To find a local chapter, view www.tops. org or call (800) 932-8677.

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MVMC receives trauma "re-designation"

From JoBeth Northrop, RN

Madison Valley Medical Center was initially designated as a "Trauma Receiving Facility" in November of 2010 by the State of Montana. This designation is granted by the State Trauma Committee through the EMS and Trauma Systems Section of the Public Health and Safety Division. In order to receive a trauma designation, a hospital must be committed to the care of the trauma patient, have a trauma director and a trauma coordinator, develop a trauma program to be implemented in the care of the traumatically injured patient, provide trauma data to the state registry, and meet the minimum requirements established by the State of Montana for delivery of trauma

designations are given relevant to the size presented with an overview

and capabilities of a facility. Madison Valley Medical Center is able to be designated as a "Trauma Receiving Facility", because it has the ability to evaluate, stabilize and transport the traumatically injured patient

when needed. Marty Hensel, PA-C, is the trauma director and JoBeth Northrop, RN, is the trauma coordinator. They work closely with Chief-of-Staff Dr. R. D. Marks to develop, implement and continually reassess the trauma program at Madison Valley Medical Center.

Madison Valley Medical Center was visited in November of this year by Kim Todd, RN, Trauma Designation Consultant with the State of Montana, and Doug Schmitz, MD, FACS, Trauma Surgeon and Trauma Reviewer from Cheyenne, WY. During their survey, they were of Madison Valley Medical Center's trauma program by JoBeth Northrop, as well as informed of the strengths, weaknesses, improvements and goals of the program. Managers from all the trauma related areas of the hospital were present to answer questions as well as the members of the hospital's trauma committee, which has representatives from the hospital departments, nursing staff, providers, and Ennis Ambulance Service. The reviewers were given a tour of the facility, including the Emergency Department, Imaging, and Laboratory. They were shown how and where care is given and were able to visualize the equipment used in each department. The reviewers described the facility as "modern and state-of-the-art for a rural receiving facility". They were

the care of trauma patients at Madison Valley Medical Center in order to gain an understanding of how the program is actually implemented in patient care.

In their written report to the State Trauma Committee, the reviewers stated that "This team has developed a very nice comprehensive trauma program. Most impressive is the Trauma Performance Improvement Process that is currently in place." Madison Valley Medical Center is pleased to announce the

that they have been granted a full, three-year re-designation as a Trauma Receiving Facility effective until November of 2015. Receiving this designation shows commitment Madison Valley Medical Center continues to make in caring for our community and providing excellent emergency care to our

Addiction a result of a person's inability to cope with feelings

By Jennifer Johnson

you know. So here goes. I earned in 1993 with a focus on Drug and Alcohol Prevention and Treatment. I had various jobs, experiences, and interactions in this field. I started back in the day when insurance companies paid for months of rehabilitation for a disease that took years to develop. Now it's a 28 day spa retreat for a fad drug abuser. But that is a debate for another day. Through the years, I worked with every walk of life and age group and learned about the ins and outs of addiction and how to treat it.

I am often asked "How do you know if I (or a loved one) is an addict?" In the eighties drug and alcohol specialists circulated a questionnaire with ten questions that, they claimed, if answered honestly would tell you if you were an alcoholic or not. The questions went something like this: Have you ever had more than two drinks a day? Have you ever

had a black out while drinking? Have you ever done or said could probably answer yes to all the above and be sent to rehab 101. The failure of that questionnaire was it didn't get to the root of the problem. For me, the questions are simpler, just one actually, an open ended question at that: "What negative consequences have you had due to your drinking?" If the person answers, "I have 3 DUIs and I beat my dog every time I drink." then perhaps that person has a bit of a problem.

There are different categories of alcohol "users": Social drinker, daily drinker, binge drinker, maintenance drinker, heavy drinker. A social drinker is one who will pour a drink at a party and walk around with the same drink all night. Perhaps on a whim they will have one more and call it a night. A daily drinker is one who consumes 1-3 drinks a day with no apparent physical or emotional consequences. A

binge drinker is one who will not drink for a month or two or People say write about what something you regret while seven and then consume a large drinking? Well, my question amount of alcohol in one sitting my Masters Degree in Social to that is: "Have you ever been with some or a lot of physical Work from Denver University to college?" If you have you and emotional damage to self. A maintenance drinker is defined as someone who needs to keep a consistent amount of alcohol in their system in order to function. Their consequences are usually overt with negative impact on their emotional, physical, and spiritual self. A heavy drinker is one who drinks several drinks, perhaps daily, perhaps with little apparent consequences. Where one falls in these classifications is frankly how honest they are to their own self.

able to review data collected in

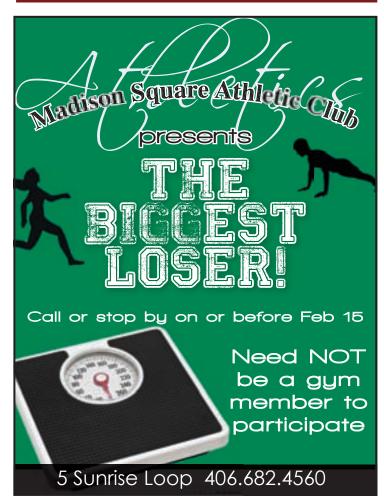
Addiction is classified the American Medical Association as a disease. The Disease Theory of Alcoholism is that it is an illness that is chronic and if not treated will progress to the point of death. There are numerous damaging effects to the brain and the body as a result of alcohol addiction. Some are overt and easy to see. Some are less apparent. Every person's chemistry is different so it effects everyone

differently. What I have taught in my drug and alcohol classes is that addiction is a "DIS-EASE" (an uneasiness) of a person's feelings and emotions. The addiction is a symptom of an underlying issue(s). An addict does not know how to cope with their inner feelings and thus self medicates with their drug of choice.

In this column I focused on alcohol addiction. Clearly substance abuse and addiction does not just pertain to alcohol. There are so many drugs and mind altering substances out there today that effect the brain and body in so many different ways that addiction seems more complicated now than ever. For me, it all comes down to a person's inability to cope with his or her feelings and emotions. If we, as counselors, therapists, medical professionals, etc. can guide a person to their core feelings and help them find the tools to cope with those feelings more positively then the healing

process can begin. If you have any comments, concerns, criticisms questions about alcohol or drug use or abuse, family issues, relationship issues or other therapy related topics please feel free to email me. There is more to come!







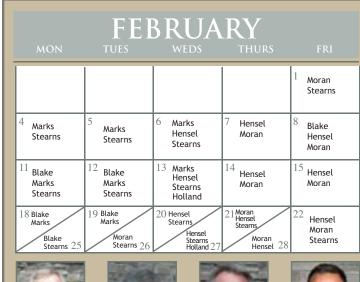


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Ennis students make gnocchi and get rave reviews

From Natasha Hegmann FOODCORPS SERVICE MEMBER

Culinary Arts Ennis students Recently prepared gnocchi to celebrate the January Montana Harvest of the Month food: potatoes. Gnocchi is a simple handmade potato pasta and the students used potatoes grown in the Ennis school garden, flour from Three Forks and eggs

from Great Falls to make the dish. The class served samples of the gnocchi with marinara sauce to staff and students during lunch and met positive feedback - the pasta tasted delicious and many folks wanted to try making it at home.

Check out an upcoming issue of the Scuttlebutt for a recipe to make your own gnocchi!



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The Board of Trustees has selected the Nominating Committee for the 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. 60th Annual Meeting. These committee members are looking for interested 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. members who live in the listed exchange areas to be candidates for the position of Trustee on the Board of Trustees. This Board manages the business and affairs of 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming an active participant on the Board of Trustees of 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. please call one of the Nomination Committee members listed below for requirements, qualifications and responsibilities by February 18, 2013.

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In addition, there are two other ways to be nominated:

- 1. Any 15 or more members acting together may make nominations by petition up to 30 days prior to the meeting.
- 2. The president of the board will call for additional nominations from the floor at the actual meeting.

For further details on these alternative nomination procedures, please call 1-800-796-4567 ext 4132. The election will be held in Fairfield at the Community Hall on Monday, March 18, 2013. The business meeting begins at 1:00 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY13

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, Iullabies and toys. For more information call 682-7244.

District Tournament, Butte MAC (13th-16th)

High School Basketball teams from around the county will be in Butte for four days participating in the District Tournament. Go out and show your support for your local team! Contact your local high school for exact times.

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.

Local Organizations Meeting, Twin Bridges

This meeting is open to all persons/clubs/ organizations in the Ruby Valley and surrounding areas discussion for of importance the community of involvement and how to raise awareness of

our causes. All are welcome. 7pm.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY14

Winter Workshop Series, Ennis

Creating a balanced system to benefit livestock and land This is the health. second part in a 3-part series geared specifically to local producers & land managers. Class will be at 10am at Madison Valley Baptist Church. Cost is \$5 and includes lunch.

Blanket Drive Kick-off, **Ennis**

Join COVERUPS Gift, Embroidery and Quilts held at the Ruby at 110 W. Main Street, Ennis in families warm this Tickets are available year. From February 14th thru December in Sheridan, Booze 14th new blankets can be donated for those in need. The kick-off will party include refreshments call Linda @ 842-5678 and in-store discounts. Anyone who donates a blanket between Feb. 14th – Feb 28th is eligible to sign-up for a drawing to win \$50 gift certificate. Call Stacey @ 682-7745 for more information.

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Jackson's Community Garden Fundraiser, Sheridan

"A Celebration of the Heart" Mexican Dinner is to benefit the Jackson's Community Garden in Sheridan.



Hotel and the cost keeping is \$20 per person. ay Ruby Valley Bank Buns and The Sheridan Town Hall or at the door the night of the event. Please

Documentary Film, Sheridan

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for more information.

The Sheridan Public Library invites you to a free showing of Koch Brothers Exposed, documentary a about these brothers, highlighting environmental pollution to their efforts to dismantle social security. 5:30pm

R I D FEBRUARY15

District Tournament. Butte MAC (13th-16th)

High School Basketball teams from around the county will be in Butte for four days participating in the District Tournament. Go out and show your support for your local team! Contact your

The dinner will be local high school for Saturday, Feb. 16th at exact times.

Live Music, Norris

one-man-soul-band who can rock a slide auitar. Soak while the blues, rhythm and more details. soul pour out of the dome. Music starts at 7pm. Visit www. norrishotsprings.com for more info.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY16

Shooting Sports Tournament, Sheridan

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Annual Banquet, Bozeman

Sons and Daughters of the Pioneers will host their annual banquet

Noon at the Holiday Inn on Baxter. Lunch Tickets for the Dillon will be served at Fiddle Contest are Dan Dubuque is a 1pm for a fee of \$12 available from any for adults and \$5 for children 10 and under. The Call (406) 388-4589 for

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of entertainment Depot Theatre. intellectual and knowledge. First popularized in the 19th & 20th centuries, Teddy Roosevelt claimed it was "the most American thing in America". The fun starts at 6pm, with a potluck dinner at 6:30pm and continues on with performances at 7:30pm. Those wishing to perform are encouraged to contact Toni at 843-5454.

Live Music. Norris

Queen Mab brings their Celtic Folk sounds to the dome tonight. Soak and enjoy. Music starts at 7pm.

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Fiddle Contest, Dillon

Dillon Junior Fiddler, Bookstore, Sweetwater Coffee and at the door for a cost of \$10 that includes a chance to win a door prize. Saturday night tickets will be available at Join us at The Elling the door only, due to House for what is limited seating, at a hailed as a sharing cost of \$5 at The Old

Live Music, Norris

Local favorite Tom Murphy is back in the dome! He's bringing his Thermal Grass to the ears of the soakers. An enjoyable night is in store for sure! Music starts at 7pm. Visit www.norrishotsprings. com for more info.

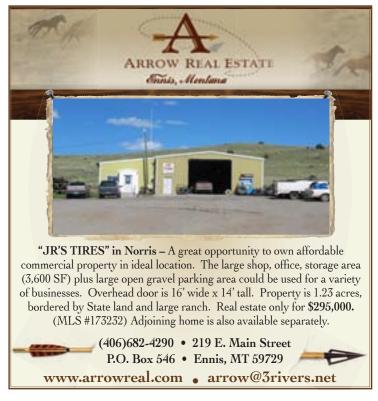
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IN RE ESTATE OF: MAVIS ARLENE JARRETT, aka MAVIS A.

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 CARMEN JARRETT SMITH, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at P.O. Box 2887, Norris, MT 59745, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. CARMEN JARRETT SMITH, being first duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and says:

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

DATED this 29th day of January, 2013. /s/Carmen Jarrett Smith CARMEN JARRETT SMITH Personal Representative Personal Representative's Attorney: Karen McMullin Post Office Box 55 Ennis, MT 59729 Telephone: (406) 682-7878 (Pub. Feb. 7, 14, 21, 2013) km

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ennis School District 52 is currently seeking two trustees for three year terms. Anyone qualified for and interested in running for this position may pick up a petition from Ginger Martello at Ennis High School. Petitions must be turned in at the District Clerk's office prior to 4 p.m. March 28, 2013. No candidate may appear on the ballot unless he or she meets this deadline. If you have any questions about the trustee position, please call Superintendent John Overstreet at 682-4258. (Pub. Feb 7, 14, 21, 28, 2013) es

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE on March 25, 2013, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the Main Entrance of the First American Title Company of Montana located at 122 South First Street in Ennis, MT 59729, the following described real property situated in MADISON County, Montana:A TRACT OF LAND SITUATED WITHIN THE NE1/4 OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST, P.M.M., MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON CERTIFICATE OF VEY FILED IN BOOK 7 OF SURVEYS, PAGE 231, RECORDS OF MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA LESS AND EXCEPT THAT PARCEL DESCRIBED ON CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY FILED IN BOOK 7 OF SUR-VEYS, PAGE 245, RECORDS OF MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA Robert Floyd Opie, as Grantor(s), conveyed said real property to American Land Title Company, as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Beneficiary, by Deed of Trust dated February 1, 2008 and recorded February 6, 2008 under Document No. 124416. The beneficial interest terms of said Deed of Trust by failing to make

is currently held by CitiMortgage, Inc.. First American Title Company, LLC, is the Successor Trustee pursuant to a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of MADISON County, Montana. The beneficiary has declared a default in the the monthly payments due in the amount of \$1,274.96, beginning January 1, 2010, and stallments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan. The total amount due on this obligation as of December 8. 2012 is \$128.506.60 principal, interest at the rate of 5.7500% now totaling \$22,309.07, late charges in the amount of \$2,034.20, escrow advances of \$3,643.96, and other fees and expenses advanced of \$2,671.00, plus accruing interest at the rate of \$20.24 per diem, late charges, and other costs and fees that may be advanced. 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 charged against the proceeds of 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. The sale is a public sale and any person, including the beneficiary, excepting only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding 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, including warranty of Title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The sale purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the property on the 10th day following the sale. The grantor, successor in interest to the grantor or any other person having an interest in the property, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, may pay to the beneficiary or the successor in interest to the beneficiary the entire amount then due under the deed of trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually incurred and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and thereby cure the default. The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 15 days for any reason, and in the event of a bankruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by the trustee for up to 120 days by public proclamation at least every 30 days. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLÉCT A DEBT. ANY

INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, Dated: November 16

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2012 Dalia Martinez **Assistant Secretary** First American Title Company, LLC Successor Trustee

Title Financial Specialty Services P.O. Box 339 Blackfoot ID 83221

STATE OF Idaho))ss. County of Bingham) On this 16th day of November, 2012, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Dalia Martinez, know to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Successor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Lisa J Tornabene Notary Public Citimortgage Vs. Opie

Pub. Jan 31, Feb. 7, Feb. 14) apps

NOTICE TO CREDITORS MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY IN THE MAT-

BONNIE JANE WORKMAN, Deceased NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Cystal Bachmann has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-captioned estate. All persons having claims against the Deceased are required to present their claims within (4) months after date of first publication of this Notice, or such claims will be forever barred. M.C.A Section 72-3-801

Claims must either be mailed, certified return receipt requested, to the Estate of Bonnie Jane Workman, c/o Thomas J. Stusek, attorney for the Personal Representative, 2115 Durston Rd., Ste. 10, Bozeman, Montana 59718, or be filed with the Clerk of the

above-entitled Court. DATED this 31st date of January, 2013. CRYSTAL BACHMANN, Personal Repre-

by: /s/ Thomas J. Stusek THOMAS J. STUSEK Attorney for Personal Representative. All (Pub. Feb. 7, 14, 21 2013) ts

NOTICE OF SEWER RATE IN-CREASE AND PUBLIC HEAR-

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 28, 2013, the Town Council (the "Council") of the Town of Twin Bridges, Montana (the 'Town"), adopted a Resolution of Intention of the Town of Twin Bridges, Montana to Increase Rates for the Users of the Municipal Sewer System

The Town has determined that it is necessary for the Town to increase its sewer rates in order to pay the principal of and interest on its outstanding bonds, to provide for adequate operation and maintenance on the Town's sewer system (the "System"), and to maintain or build necessary reserves. The Town currently charges users of the System a flat rate of \$35.00 per month per equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) (the "Sewer

Effective March 1, 2013, the Town proposes to increase the Sewer Rate Charge to \$36.59

determined based on the water service line

Rate Charge"). The EDUs are currently

per month per EDU as shown below.						
Service Line	Cost per EDU	EDUs	Sewer Rate			
Charge						
¾indh	\$36.59	1.00	\$36.59			
1 inch	36.59	1.70	62.20			
1 1/4 inch	36.59	2.60	95.13			
1 ½ inch	36.59	4.00	146.36			
2 inch	36.59	7.10	259.79			
3 inch	36.59	15.30	559.83			
4 inch	36.59	28.44	1,040.62			
6 inch	36.59	64.00	2,341.76			
8 inch	36.59	113.78	4,163.21			
10 inch	36.59	177.78	6,504.97			
This represents an increase of approximately						
4.5% over the current Sewer Rate Charge.						
On February 25, 2013, commencing at 7:00						
p.m. in the meeting room at the Town Hall						

(Fire Hall), 104 East 6th Avenue, in Twin Bridges, Montana, the Town Council will conduct a public hearing and pass upon all protests against the proposed sewer rate increase. Further information about the proposed rate increase may be obtained by contacting Cathy Grose, Town Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Twin Bridges at (406) 684-5243. Done by Order of the Town Council of the Town of Twin Bridges, Montana, this 28th

day of January, 2013. /s/Cathy Grose, Town Clerk (Pub. Feb. 7, 14, 21 2013) tb

NOTICE OF WATER RATE IN-CREASE AND PUBLIC HEAR-

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 28, 2013, the Town Council (the "Council") of the Town of Twin Bridges, Montana (the "Town"), adopted a Resolution of Intention of the Town of Twin Bridges, Montana to Increase Rates for the Users of the Municipal Water System.

The Town has determined that it is necessary for the Town to increase its water rates in order to pay the principal of and interest on its outstanding bonds, to provide for adequate operation and maintenance on the Town's water system (the "System"), and to maintain or build necessary reserves. The Town currently charges a base rate/or shut off rate of \$19.32 per month per EDU to users of the System who are connected to the System but are not actually using water In addition, the Town charges a base rate of \$28.50 per month per EDU to users of the System who are connected to the System and actually using water. These charges are

shown below:						
Service Line	Multi/EDU EDU/Base 8	1/2 O&M/Off EDU/Bas	se & Full O&M/On			
¾ inch	1.00	\$19.32	\$28.50			
1 inch	1.70	32.85	48.45			
1 1/4 inch	n 2.60	50.24	74.10			
1 1/2 inch	4.00	77.28	114.00			
2 inch	7.10	137.18	202.35			
3 inch	15.30	295.60	436.05			
4 inch	28.44	549.46	810.54			
6 inch	64.00	1,236.48	1,824.00			
8 inch	113.78	2,198.23	3,242.73			
10 inch	177 78	3 434 71	5 066 73			

Effective March 1, 2013, the Town proposes to charge all users connected to the System a flat rate of \$28.50 per month per EDU, regardless of water usage (the "Base Rate

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Service Line 3/4 inch 28.50	Cost per EDU \$28.50	EDUs 1.00	Base Rate Charge
1 inch 1 1/4 inch	28.50 28.50	1.70 2.60	48.45 74.10
1 ½ inch 2 inch	28.50 28.50	4.00 7.10	114.00 202.35
3 inch 4 inch	28.50 28.50	15.30 28.44	436.05 810.54
6 inch 1.824.00	28.50	64.00	010.54
8 inch	28.50	113.78	3
3,242.73 10 inch	28 50	177 78	3

In addition to the Base Rate Charge, the Town proposes to add a monthly water usage charge of \$0.50 per 1,000 gallons consumed per connection or proportionate charge for gallons of water consumed in excess of any 1,000 gallon increment (the "Usage Rate"). The proposed monthly water charge for each connection consists of the proposed monthly Base Rate Charge plus the proposed monthly Usage Rate for such

5.066.73

For a user with a 3/4-inch service connection and no water usage, the Proposed Monthly Charge represents an increase of \$9.18 per month over the current monthly charge (or approximately 48% percent). For a user with a ¾-inch service connection using 5,000 gallons of water a month, the Proposed Monthly Charge represents an increase of \$2.50 per month over the current monthly charge (or approximately 9% percent).

On February 25, 2013, commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room at the Town Hall (Fire Hall), 104 East 6th Avenue, in Twin Bridges, Montana, the Town Council will conduct a public hearing and pass upon all protests against the proposed water rate increase. Further information about the proposed rate increase may be obtained by contacting Cathy Grose, Town Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Twin Bridges at (406) 684-5243. Done by Order of the Town Council of the Town of Twin Bridges, Montana, this 28th day of January, 2013.

/s/Cathy Grose, Town Clerk (Pub. Feb. 7, 14, 21 2013) tb

NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REG-

ULAR VOTER REGISTRATION Notice is hereby given that registration for the Madison Valley Rural Fire District to be held on March 26, 2013 will close at 5:00 p.m., February 25, 2013

All active and inactive**electors of the Madison Valley Rural Fire District are entitled to vote at said election.

Ballots will be automatically mailed to Active Electors only. If you are a registered voter and do not receive a ballot, contact the county election office to update your information as necessary and receive a ballot.]

Persons who wish to register and who are not presently registered may do so by requesting a form for registration by mail or by appearing before the County Election Administrator. If you have moved, please have your registration transferred to your present

...s ___5th_ _, 2013. DATED this _day of ___February_____, 2013. /s/Peggy Kaatz Stemler PEGGY KAATZ STEMLER Madison County Election Administrator

(Pub. Feb. 7, 14, 28, 2013) mccr

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

OF REAL PROPERTY NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by BENJAMIN T. CORY, as successor Trustee, of the public sale of the real property hereinafter described pursuant to the "Small Tract Financing Act of Montana" (Section 71-1-301, et seq., MCA).

The following information is provided: THE NAMES OF THE GRANTOR, ORIGI-NAL TRUSTEE, THE BENEFICIARY IN THE TRUST INDENTURE, ANY SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO THE BENEFICIARY OR GRANTOR, ANY SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE, AND THE PRESENT RECORD OWNER

Grantor: FARMHOUSE PARTNERS – BIG SKY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, (the "Grantor") Original Trustee: AMERICAN LAND TITLE COMPANY Successor Trustee: BENJAMIN T. CORY, an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Montana (the "Trustee") Beneficiary: AMERICAN BANK OF MONTANA (the "Beneficiary") Present Record Owner: FARMHOUSE PARTNERS BIG SKY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY COVERED BY THE TRUST INDENTURE IS: The real property and its appurtenances in Madison County, Montana, more particularly described as follows:

TRACT 5F OF THE AMENDED PLAT OF A PORTION OF TRACT 5 AND TRACT A OF BLOCK 1, AMENDED, CASCADE SUBDIVI-

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SION, LOCATED IN SECTION 19, TOWN-SHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST, P.M.M. MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA, ACCORD-ING TO PLAT RECORDED IN BOOK 4 OF PLATS, PAGE 327, RECORDS OF MADI-SON COUNTY, MONTANA.

RECORDING DATA: The following instruments and documents have been recorded in the Clerk and Recorder's Office in Madison County, Montana. Deed of Trust dated March 26, 1998, and recorded March 27, 1998, in

Book 416, Page 965, under Document No. 065390, as modified by that certain Modification of Deed of Trust dated September 23 1998 and recorded October 9, 1998, in Book 423, Page 527, as Document No. 068477; and Substitution of Trustee dated December 11, 2012 and recorded December 14, 2012,

under Document No. 148541.
THE DEFAULT FOR WHICH THE FORE-CLOSURE IS MADE IS: Nonpayment of the real property taxes due under the Deed of

THE SUMS OWING ON THE OBLIGATION SECURED BY THE TRUST INDENTURES AS OF NOVEMBER 26, 2012 ARE: Princi-\$278,995.32 Interest: est continues to accrue at a rate of 8.53% per annum. As of November 26, 2012 the interest balance is \$727.34 and interest accrues at the rate of \$66.11 per day. Real Property Taxes: \$143,173.80

The Beneficiary anticipates and intends to disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the real property, and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts or taxes are paid by the Grantors or successor in interest to the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligation secured by the Trust Indenture. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of the sale include the Trustee's and attorney's fees, and costs and expenses of sale

THE TRUSTEE, AT THE DIRECTION OF THE BENEFICIARY, HEREBY ELECTS TO THE PROPERTY TO SATISFY THE AFORESAID OBLIGATIONS.
THE DATE, TIME, PLACE AND TERMS OF

Date: May 22, 2013

11:00 a.m., Mountain Standard Time or Mountain Daylight Time, whichever is in effect. Front steps to the Madison

County Montana Courthouse.
Terms: This sale is a public sale and any person, including the Beneficiary, and except ing only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid in cash. The conveyance will be made by Trustee's Deed. The sale purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the property on the 10th day following the

DATED: January 3, 2013. /s/_Benjamin T. Cory BENJAMIN T. CORY, Trustee STATE OF MONTANA

County of Missoula This instrument was acknowledged before me on January 3, 2013, by Benjamin T. Cory, as Trustee. /s/ ChristaShaw

Christa Shaw Notary Public for the State of Montana Residing at Missoula, Montana My commission expires: 04/18/2015 (Pub. Feb. 14, 21, 28, 2013) cf



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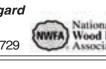
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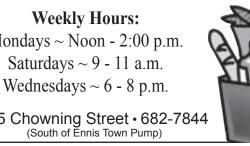
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HELP WANTED: Sheridan School District No. 5 has an opening for a Head Cook for the 2012-2013 School Year. Please contact Linda E. Walter, District Clerk, Sheridan Schools, PO Box 586, Sheridan, MT 59749, or call (406) 842-5302.

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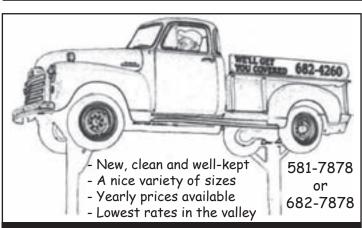
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Fiddle Contest, Dillon

Tickets for the Dillon Fiddle Contest are available from any Dillon Junior Fiddler, The Sweetwater Coffee and at the door for a cost of \$10 that includes a chance to win a door prize. Saturday night tickets will be available at the door only, due to limited seating, at a cost of \$5 at The Old Depot Theatre.

MONDAY FEBRUARY18

Documentary Film, **Ennis**

you to a showing of Last documentary about Appalachian Appalachian coal company from blowing

their blowing Up public. Call 682-7244 5770 for details. for details.

Bookstore, T U E S D A Y FEBRUARY 19

Fly Tying Class, Ennis

Everyone is welcome to join us in a fly-tyina class every Tuesday (except holidays) at 6:30pm. Class will be held on the 2nd floor of the Ennis Café. Call Brad at 600-6081 for more information.

Documentary Film, Sheridan

The Sheridan Public The Madison Valley Library invites you Public Library invites to a showing of The Mountain, The Last Mountain, a documentary about West West Virginia and its citizens Virginia and its citizens trying to prevent a trying to prevent a coal company from their

mountain for its coal. mountain for its coal. The showing starts at The showing starts at 5:30pm and is free to 6pm and is free to the the public. Call 842-

School Board Meeting, Twin Bridges

7pm in the Montana Room at the Twin Bridges School. Call 684-5613 for agenda details.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY20

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, rhymes, nursery Iullabies and toys. For more information call 682-7244.







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Supper Club, Bandito's

A local favorite is back by popular demand. Supper Club will continue at Bandito's starting in March. As with past Supper Clubs, there will be a theme to inspire the cuisine. Whether it's Amy behind the line or guest chefs from the area, you can count on good food and a fun atmosphere. Look for information about the March 2, Supper Club, in. coming soon. Reservations can be made by calling 682-5553 and are highly encouraged, as they are known to sell out every time.

> Valentine Dinner Specials, The Alley Bistro

Looking for a special treat for your sweetie this Valentine's Day? The Alley Bistro is offering a special menu to make your Valentine's Day memorable. Come in for Grilled Mahi-Mahi, Pork Tenderloin, Sweet Potato Wontons, Chocolate Decadence or Strawberry Sponge Cake in addition to other specials and their regular menu. Call to make reservations, 682-5695, or just stop

Ennis Floral Valentine Specials

It's not too late to grab your sweetheart something special for Valentine's Day. Dutch has all your floral needs in addition to balloons,

The Pic-a-Nic Basket. Arrangements of any size are available for pick-up or delivery. Call 682-5532 to order.

Madison Square Athletic Club

It's that time of year again-Time to check back in with that resolution you made six weeks ago. MSAC is here to help you reach that goal. The Biggest Loser is a fun way to challenge yourself to lose that 5+ pounds. You do not need to be a gym member to participate. Call 682-4560 for details on how to join in on the fun and get results.

Editor's note: The Madisonian is happy to put your event in the community calendar. Any community event is welcome. Please email community calendar events to events@madisoniannews.com



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