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Armed teachers may be an option for Sheridan Schools

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In the wake of tragic school shootings across the country, a Sheridan School Board member proposed arming teachers might be a feasible option to strengthen school safety in the community.

Bill Wood suggested at last week's regular school board meeting a number of Sheridan educators should be allowed to

carry concealed weapons as a way to protect school children from a shooter. Wood would like to see the school board lead a discussion with the community to see whether or not armed teachers would be a viable idea to increase school safety in schools.

"I think it is a good idea, but I can't say whether it is the right idea for our schools," said Wood at the meeting. "I would like to see more community members and teachers come to meetings

to give their input."

Wood proposes the teachers who would be armed with a handgun go through some type of extensive screening process and training regimen. Those carrying firearms would also remain anonymous except to two members on the school board, the other teachers carrying guns and the Madison County Sheriff's Department.

Undersheriff Roger Thompson attended the meeting as a

representative of the Sheriff's Department.

"With proper screening and training, the sheriff's office has no objections," said Thompson at the meeting. "The sheriff's department would be willing to do the training as well."

The debate of whether arming teachers is the answer to school shootings is one that is not limited to the Sheridan School Board. In fact, the issue spans the entire country.

After the school shooting in Newtown, Conn., that left 26 kids and staff dead, school safety is a concern that doesn't limit itself to one area of the country. One week after the shooting, the National Rifle Association reminded the country the organization called for armed educators since the 2007 Virginia Tech shootings. Over 1,000 pieces of proposed legislature have been introduced in states across the country. Some of these legisla-

tive pieces aim to extend gun rights while others seek limit those rights. Very few states have passed any type of legislation that would allow guns into schools.

South Dakota is the only state that passed a law pertaining specifically to elementary and high schools. Passed in March, the new law states school board members may dictate if teachers

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DAM RENOVATION



Photo by Alyse Backus

In its current state, the Ruby Dam is in dire need of repairs to fix safety issues.

Governor approves \$6.7 million for Ruby Dam renovation

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Montana Gov. Steve Bullock approved on Monday a significant amount of funding to improve the Ruby Dam.

"Ruby Dam is classified as a high-hazard dam, because if it were to fail, it would likely cause loss of life downstream," Bullock said in a press release. "Last year, we upgraded the spillway, which didn't have ad-

equated capacity and was deteriorating. Now it's time to finish the job."

The governor awarded a \$6.7 million contract to Johnson-Wilson. Johnson-Wilson is a Helena-based construction company that employs 25 to 30 full-time staff. The company specializes in heavy civil construction work that includes dams, fish hatcheries and water treatment systems.

"Maintaining our public infrastructure pays dividends sev-

eral times over," Bullock said. "We create good-paying jobs for Montana workers. We enhance public safety. And we ensure that benefits for agriculture, recreation, fisheries and wildlife continue for the long term."

Ruby Dam is owned by Montana's Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. It was constructed in 1938 and stores 37,642 acre-feet of water. Ruby Water Users Association operates the dam, which serves 149 users.

In 2012, the DNRC replaced and enlarged the spillways. Johnson-Wilson also completed this phase of the renovation project. The next phase of renovations will involve replacing the dam's aging outlet structure. The governor said the project is slated to be finished in the summer of 2014, with the project starting this upcoming fall.

"The impacts of a failure at

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Madison County gears up for school board elections

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On May 7, communities around the county will turn out for school board elections.

In Ennis, the race is down to three candidates. Mike Graham dropped out of the election, but his name will remain on the ballot.

The three candidates for Ennis are John Scully, Mike Richmann and Maria Lake.

Twin Bridges has two candidates running for one seat. The incumbent Allison Wentzel and David Banks Jr. are the candidates running for the seat.

In Sheridan, two three-year

seats are up for grabs. Bill Wood is running for re-election, and Karen Talley and Mike Davidson are also running.

Harrison has one seat open on their board. Dustin Wagner and Parker Taylor are running for that spot.

Alder will not be holding an election this year. There are two spots on the board open and two candidates running. Duke Gilman will fill a three-year seat while Annaliese Smail will fill a one-year seat.

The Madisonian will run answers to a series of questions distributed to the candidates by the newspaper in next week's edition.

Ennis school board renews superintendent's contract, accepts coach's resignation

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The Ennis school board renewed Superintendent John Overstreet's contract at last week's board meeting.

After a show of support from teachers and board members, the school unanimously voted to keep Overstreet as the district's superintendent. Various board members and educators expressed their appreciation for Overstreet's service to the schools while he has served as the interim superintendent

for the last year.

Board member Jim McNally said he is happy Overstreet wants to remain in the position.

"We all would like to see him back for more than a year," said McNally.

With Overstreet's formal acceptance into Ennis schools, the board also said goodbye to a teacher and coach the entire community treasures.

The board announced Jack Mueller would be resigning from Ennis Schools at

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Madison Valley Manor Directory of Nursing receives award

By Faith Moldan
FOR THE MADISONIAN

The Montana Health Care Association recognized Madison Valley Manor Director of Nursing Christine Canterbury in Helena last week with the Commitment to Caring award.

Madison Valley Manor Administrator Darcel Cook said the award is a great honor not only to Canterbury, but for the nursing home and Madison County too.

"I have been in long-term care for almost 20

years and did not realize that Directors of Nursing like Christine even existed," Cook said. "She epitomizes commitment to caring and Madison Valley Manor is very fortunate to have her on our team."

Canterbury says she really did not know anything about living in a small town or being in Montana when she moved to Ennis from San Francisco, but since being employed at MVM Canterbury has become an integral part of the nursing home and the local commu-

nity as well. She previously worked in a hospital, but said she quickly realized she was not equipped to work in the emergency room and did not want to be the only RN in the building while the on-call doctor was up to half an hour away. Devastated that career path was not going to work for her, Canterbury begrudgingly looked into other options including work at the nursing home.

She tells a story of riding in the car with her husband, a gourmet chef, and telling him, "If I have to work at the nursing home, then you have to work at Dairy Queen."

Employed at MVM since 2008, Canterbury has been a part of changes and improvements at the nursing home. She boasts that MVM

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Photo submitted by Christine Canterbury
Madison Valley Manor Administrator Darcel Cook (on the left) and Activities Director Julie Christensen (on the right) joined Christine Canterbury at an awards banquet in Helena last week.



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carry guns in the state's schools.

Indiana may become the first state to require armed protection within their schools. The House Education Committee passed legislation April 2 that would require schools to have a protection officer. That officer may be a principal, teacher, staff member, police officer or security guard.

A lot of the legislation trying to get armed teachers in schools faced opposition from educators. Teachers expressed having guns around children created a sense of anxiety.

"We are deeply concerned about increasing the presence of guns on school grounds, which has never proven to be a deterrent," Dennis Van Roekel, president of the National Education Association, the major teacher's union, said in a press release. An NEA poll also showed close to 70 percent of educators nationwide oppose allowing teachers to be armed. The NEA president also mentioned how armed guards at Columbine and Virginia Tech were unable to stop those shootings.

Supporters of having armed teachers within schools say by declaring schools a gun-free zone, it is basically advertising the schools as easy targets for shootings since teachers and kids are left defenseless.

Former Congressman Asa Hutchinson (R-Ark.) led a \$1 million-dollar study commissioned by the NRA that lends support to putting armed educators in schools. In the study, Hutchinson cited the 1997 school shooting in Pearl, Miss. In that shooting, a sixteen-year-old male murdered two people and wounded others. The assistant principal responded to the situation by retrieving a .38-caliber handgun from his truck and confronting the shooter as he tried to flee the scene in his truck. The assistant principal, an Army Reserve commander, never fired his gun but was able to detain the shooter till law enforcement had arrived.

In 1990, the Gun-Free School Zones Act was passed. This federal law established no individual can legally possess a firearm within a school zone. This year, a U.S. House Representative from Texas introduced the Safe Schools Act of 2013. This bill is currently in committee. The piece of legislation is designed to repeal the Gun-Free School Zones Act. The act states the Gun-Free School Zones Act is unconstitutional. It goes on to say school shootings have increased since the guns were outlawed in school zones, and teachers, staff and administrators should be able to defend themselves and the children.

Thompson told The Madi-

sonian that different states have different laws that may differ from federal law and the U.S. Attorney General typically tries to honor state laws. The undersheriff says Montana has a state law that prohibits concealed weapons, but the use of lock boxes is a way around both federal and state laws. The Montana Code Annotated also says school boards are allowed to give permission to certain people to possess a firearm within the school. Thompson says this subsection wasn't necessarily created for school protection purposes but rather for the purpose of storing firearms for things like gun shows or different organizations like 4-H or ROTC.

For those who call the Madison and Ruby Valleys home, the threat of a school shooting doesn't seem so foreign. In January, a 14-year-old boy brought two handguns and 47 rounds of ammunition to Harrison Public School. After the boy reportedly threatened to kill her if she told anyone, a female student told school officials. The boy was arrested and charged with criminal endangerment.

"It was as close to an active shooter as possible," said Thompson.

Wood said this not something he expects to take effect any time soon and more research needs to be done. The board agreed a formal security evalu-

ation should be done as a first step in evaluating safety issues in Sheridan schools, which the board is in the process of scheduling.

Thompson said the board will also need to decide on the extent of training the board would like to pursue if they decide this is the right safety option for the school.

"Right now, there are no standards in training for something like this," said Thompson.

Thompson pointed out how in a school safety situation, staff and teachers within a school are essentially first responders with law enforcement being second responders.

"Schools are far apart in the county," says Thompson. "Unfortunately, we most likely wouldn't be able to get there in a matter of minutes."

At the meeting, some community members expressed hesitation to the idea. Wood addressed these concerns by saying while it seems like a good idea, he wants more community input on the idea and that maybe there are other options the school could explore. He emphasized that he would like to take several months to explore different options and hear different ideas. Wood said he was hoping to see more community members and educators at the meeting Tuesday night so the board could start to hear some of that feedback.

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Ruby would be felt as far downstream as Canyon Ferry Reservoir," Bullock said. "Making these improvements will extend the dam's useful life for another

50 to 75 years."

Ruby Reservoir is a popular fishing spot in the valley. Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks reported 9,338 days of use by anglers from March 2011 to Feb-

ruary 2012.

The reservoir is home to a diverse trout fishery, which includes west-slope cutthroat trout, brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout and Arctic grayling.

The dam is located just outside of Alder and is open year around with the exception of the spillway area being closed to fishing.

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had a deficiency free survey in 2012 and that state surveyors were extremely complimentary of the building. The surveyors told her that the residents are happy to be there and like where they live. Five years ago, MVM had lost its ability to train CNAs because of poor survey results. Canterbury and the nursing team have been able to reduce citations until they achieved their goal of no tags. She adds that MVM staff strives to be survey

ready every day, as that is their standard of care. Madison Valley Manor is a non-profit, governmental building that is backed by the taxpayers to provide care for an average of 25 residents.

Canterbury said she was shocked and saddened by the lack of alternative/complementary medicine that took place at MVM when she first began, so she changed that despite the initial challenge. Over the past few years she has instituted an alternative medicine program which includes hot and cold therapy,

rice bags, massage, essential oils, herbal teas, herbal medicine, music, stretching, breathing and vitamins all on a limited budget.

"Christine is very open minded and is more than willing to give alternative medicine its due," Cook said. "She realizes that what works for one resident may not for another. She believes that all options should be presented enabling the resident and their family to make the most informed decisions about their healthcare."

Canterbury graduated from

the University of Massachusetts and Tulane School of Public Health. She is also a certified dementia practitioner and is actively working on her Montana geriatric certification through the University of Montana. The firsthand knowledge Canterbury gained about dementia medication therapy compounded with the startling statistics of anti-psychotic medication mishaps has lead the MVM pharmacy review committee to recommend to eliminate more than half of the psychotropic medications.

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end of the school year. Mueller taught math and was an assistant football coach. With teary eyes around the room, the board accepted his resignation. Community members as well as the board and principals from both schools thanked the young teacher for his commitment to the kids.

Mueller accepted a teaching position in South Dakota to be closer to his family.

High school principal John Sullivan shared some changes to the school with board members and community members. Sullivan announced teachers have received iPads for use in their classrooms and he expects

iPads for all high school students by Jan. 1 of next year.

A new grading scale will be implemented in the schools as well. Both the elementary and high school will move to a ten-point grading scale. Many other schools in the state use this type of grading scale. Sullivan said the scale should promote healthy competition for high grades amongst the students.

As of right now, the school board has opted not to run a mill levy.

The school board revisited an agenda item that was voted on at the last meeting. Previously, the board had voted a board member would not attend the upcoming mediation

between the school district and the Teacher Retirement System. Overstreet would accompany school district attorney Elizabeth Kaleva to the mediation and then report back to the board the outcome and details of the mediation. The board as a whole would then make the final decision on what offers were proposed in mediation. It was decided another board member would not accompany Overstreet based on Kaleva's advice that board members usually do not attend mediation meetings.

The issue was placed back on the agenda after board chairperson Lisa Frye fielded community members' requests to send a board member as an extra set of eyes and ears.

After some debate, a few community members and board member Craig George cited a level of distrust of Kaleva as a reason to send a board member in addition to the superintendent.

Board member McNally said he wanted to follow her advice and continue with the process of the mediation.

The mediation between the school district and TRS is scheduled for April 23 and is expected to take one day.

At Wednesday's meeting, the school board also renewed the contracts of all coaches for fall and winter sports and activities as well as staff, non-tenured teachers and tenured teachers.

Peekaboo!



A young bighorn sheep takes a break from grazing on the little bit of green grass. This herd of sheep claimed its stake on a steep hill just outside of Cameron.

CORRECTION:

In last week's article on Jackson's Garden's Spring Fling event in Sheridan, the information about Debbie Roger's presentation was incorrect. Rogers presented on "walls of water", which keep plants warm and protect them.

MORE NEWS

New County Sanitarian updates commissioners

By Faith Moldan
FOR THE MADISONIAN

Wayne Urbonas, County Sanitarian, continues to settle into his new position and briefed the Madison County Board of Commissioners about his work and department needs at the commissioners' meeting Tuesday in Virginia City.

Urbonas went out with Shannon Cala from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality last Friday to visit a site in Ennis. The site of the former Everything Cowboy, located at 312 East Main Street, which is now Willie's Distillery, is having petroleum-contaminated soils excavated throughout the week.

Approximately 1,600 cubic yards of soils will be removed from the property. According to Cala, the excavation is necessary to address cleanup of petroleum contamination impacting soil, groundwater, and utility trenches.

"Our involvement mostly regards moving the soil to a DEQ approved land site," Urbonas said.

Cala and DEQ have overseen the investigation of the contamination. They worked with the owner to determine that the most effective alternative in cleaning up the contamination is to excavate soils. The contaminated soils will be treated and disposed. During the excavation,

people in the area may notice petroleum odors and increased truck traffic. The odors and traffic are short-term impacts and will end once the excavation is complete.

Questions can be directed to Cala at 841-5058 or scala@mt.gov.

Work is finishing up at the new Palisades transfer site located just off of Highway 287 on the way to West Yellowstone. The site sits next to a BLM recreation area. Fencing was added and cordoned off three fourths of the site. Two roll off boxes and a mat zapper seal off the remaining fourth. Urbonas said the roll offs are large and high enough that bears should not be able to

get over them. The mat zapper gives the bear, or other predatory animal, a charge to discourage them from going any further. There will be signage to alert citizens of the mat zapper.

"I think it turned out pretty good. It's an upgrade," Urbonas said. "We will be adding recycling once it is bear proof."

Urbonas informed the commissioners that he is trying to upgrade equipment for various sites. He feels that now is a good time to add new balers in Ennis and Twin Bridges. Those two sites currently have one baler each for both plastic and cardboard/paper. Urbonas said having one for both is a problem since it takes time to switch

the necessary materials in the machine. He recommended the county purchase two balers from VER-TECH in Wisconsin. Each baler costs \$9,650 and the freight shipping costs come to \$2,275.

Included in the quote from VER-TECH are some free extras like wire. The balers can compress up to 1,000 pounds of plastic and paper into compact squares.

Purchase of the balers has gone before the solid waste board, but Urbonas has not received approval from the board. He said the price of the balers could potentially go up and that the cost would be taken out of vehicles and equipment budget. That budget has about \$152,000 left in it now with no other ad-

ditional large purchases in the foreseeable future. Urbonas said current equipment needs some minor repairs and maintenance work. The department plans to budget for new vehicles and equipment in the next fiscal year.

"I am fully in support of this. We need to take care of cardboard and plastics and do it efficiently, conveniently, and responsibly," Commissioner Dave Schulz said. "I would much rather have support from solid waste board before we approve this."

The next regular scheduled Madison County Board of Commissioners meeting is set for April 23 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room.

Harrison School to ask voters for fund transfer, sets date for candidate forum

By Faith Moldan
FOR THE MADISONIAN

With school funding legislation still hanging in the balance, the Harrison school board had a tough decision to make last Tuesday evening. The group of three decided against possibly raising taxes with a mill levy and will ask district voters to approve a \$250,000 one-time transfer instead.

"We can't go to plan B next month if plan A doesn't work," board chair Todd Brennan said. "Whatever tools are left is what we're going to work with - what the public decides. It's your money. We'll do with it what you want."

The funds would come out of the district's bus depreciation fund and be put into its flex fund.

Both funds act as a savings account, but have different uses set by Montana law. The bus depreciation fund is used to replace worn out old buses as needed or according to a set schedule. Flex fund money is used for technology, facility expansion, student assessment and evaluation, curriculum development and other types of expenditures as described in law. Board members and Superintendent Fred Hofman agreed that if the district were ever going to ask for a fund transfer from the bus depreciation fund, this is the right time. The fund currently has \$333,235 in it and no bus currently needs to be replaced.

Hofman said the transfer could offset the difference in the budget for the first year if current proposed legislation does not

pass and there is a shortfall. Harrison's current general fund budget is \$1,021,755. The minimum budget the board could run with is \$824,619 and the maximum is \$990,613. The difference from the current budget is \$31,142 less. Harrison has not operated under a maximum budget in years and is currently in negotiations on staff salary and benefits. Steps for staff would add another \$9,787 to the shortfall for a total of \$40,929. If the legislation passes, Harrison would see an increase of \$11,031 to its budget.

Board member Sandy Bailey said she was worried voters would be confused if they were asked to okay both the fund transfer and a levy.

"I want them to understand what we are asking for," Bailey said. "If both are on the ballot it's

overwhelming. I think it's better to run a mill next year."

To reach the current budget, the board could have asked for 14.35 Mills or \$31,141.83. Hofman advised that board that even with the Mills, cuts would need to be made. According to Hofman, this option would have required \$10,000 in cuts just to cover basic steps for classified and certified staff with no increase in base pay or insurance contributions. Another levy considered was a security levy of \$12,000 or 5.53 Mills. The money would have been used to improve and increase safety measures at the school. Current levies for the elementary building addition come off the books after next school year. The 47.85 Mills totaled \$107,950.

Whether it was a levy or fund transfer, board member

Ann Hakanson reminded those in attendance that the board would ask for permission from the voters, but may not levy the full amount or use all the funds if they do not need to.

Harrison not only faces a budget shortfall like many other schools, but also has a declining enrollment that will decrease funds available. The projected five-year difference in enrollment is 16 less elementary students and 18 less high school students. That means as much as a \$199,910 deficit from the budget the district is currently operating under. District property taxes provide about one third of the budget with \$301,294, while the other two thirds comes from the state - \$720,461.

Teachers at the school have begun looking at possible cuts

that could be made, some of what Brennan said he never thought they would give up but added that they have to show the school is trying to slim down.

"There's not a lot of frills in the school as it is," Brennan said. "We are cut to the bone. Whatever we decide to do is buying us time."

Hofman applauded the board and said he believes they are taking the first steps in saving the school.

Harrison's next scheduled board meeting is May 13 at 7 p.m. Prior to that meeting, a candidate forum will be held April 25 at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend and meet Dustin Wagner and Parker Taylor. Both men are running to fill the position being vacated by Bailey. The election will be held May 7.

Sheridan school board changes math requirement, talks about career readiness

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At last week's regular board meeting, the Sheridan School Board made a few changes that will affect students.

The board approved requiring students to take three years of math. Right now, students are required to take two years.

Principal Rod Stout said many juniors opt out of taking math, but that is something he would like to see change. Sheridan High School received a grant for all students to take their ACTs their junior year. Stout said math is a subject that needs to be fresh in students

mind for this test.

School counselor Laurie Bartoletti told the board the Montana University System recommends four years of math. The board agreed requiring three years of math would help students' chances of being successful in college.

Bartoletti also presented a slideshow focused on student needs within Sheridan's high school. The assessment of students' needs was based on a survey that asked students what were the skills they think they needed most to excel. Students answered the surveys saying they felt they needed to learn financial management skills, time management skills and

more education on jobs and career path choices.

The school board also discussed calendar options for the upcoming school year. The board proposed to lengthen the day by eight minutes and have a late August start-date and early June end-date.

Community member Karen Talley filled the board in on the rebuild the "S" project. While the project is not associated with the school, students can participate in returning the iconic "S" made of tires to its original hill. Talley said she uses the Facebook page "Rebuild the 'S'" to keep the community updated on the project's progress.

Veterans visit Twin Bridges elementary

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Two uniformed veterans stood up in front of elementary school students on Friday as a living symbol of patriotism.

The two men presented the schoolchildren with the history of the Pledge of Allegiance. Both veterans are from Twin Bridges' American Legion chapter. The American Legion would like to become more active in schools.

"We want to teach the kids to keep going and to keep them interested in their country," says Doug Martin, retired Air

Force Master Sergeant.

Even after almost 24 years of service, Martin says his job isn't done yet.

"We are still contributing to the community," he says. "It's almost like we are never out of the service."

Allen Fox joined Martin on Friday in his Army uniform. Fox served 24 years in the Army before retiring. Fox was on the first Big Sky Honor Flight. The Honor Flight flies veterans to Washington D.C. for no cost to see their war memorials. Priority goes to terminally ill veterans from all wars and WWII veterans.

The men said the school

visits are something they hope the American Legion can continue to do each month as a way to stay active in the community. Different American Legion members would present different topics each visit, and at some point they would like to expand their presentations to kids in middle school and high school.

"We would really like to coordinate with the school," said Martin. "We don't want to force ourselves on them. Right now, we are trying to come up with things to present to older kids. So if the school has ideas on what to present, that would be great."

DISTRICT MUSIC FESTIVAL

Bottom Left: The Ennis choir competed at the District Music Festival in Bozeman last Friday. The six choir members sang two songs then sang a sight reading that led the group through a series of different scales.

Right: Harrison Choir members Jessica Ypma and Levi Strickland talk to the adjudicator and get advice after singing their song selections at the District Music Festival in Bozeman. The band performed earlier that day. Band members and a few Ennis choir members filled the seats to support the two choir members.

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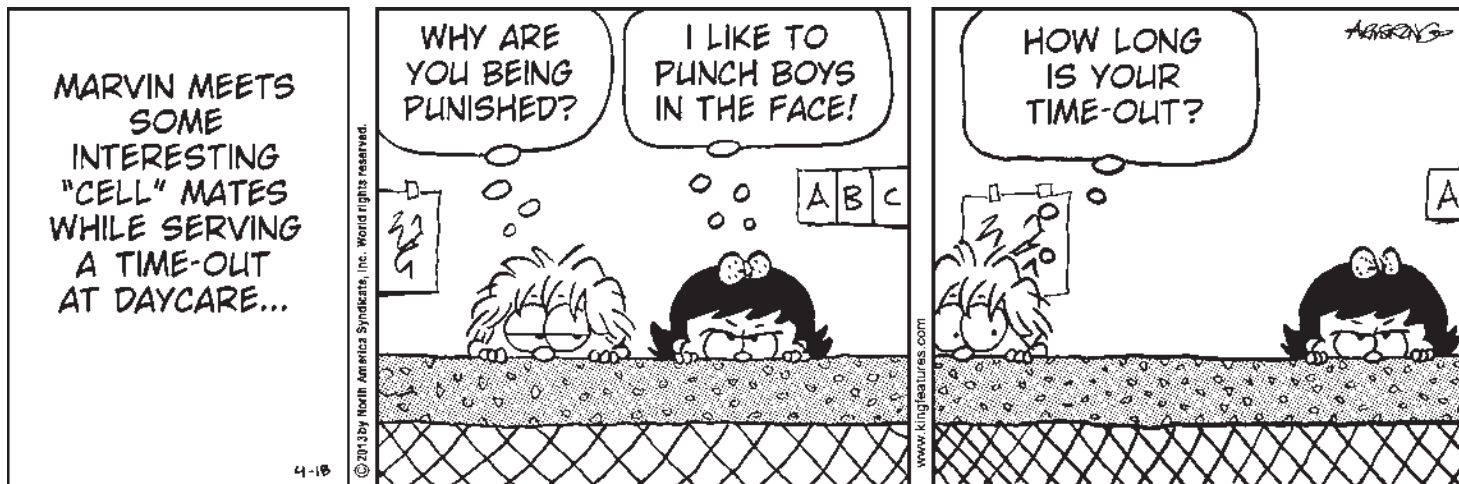
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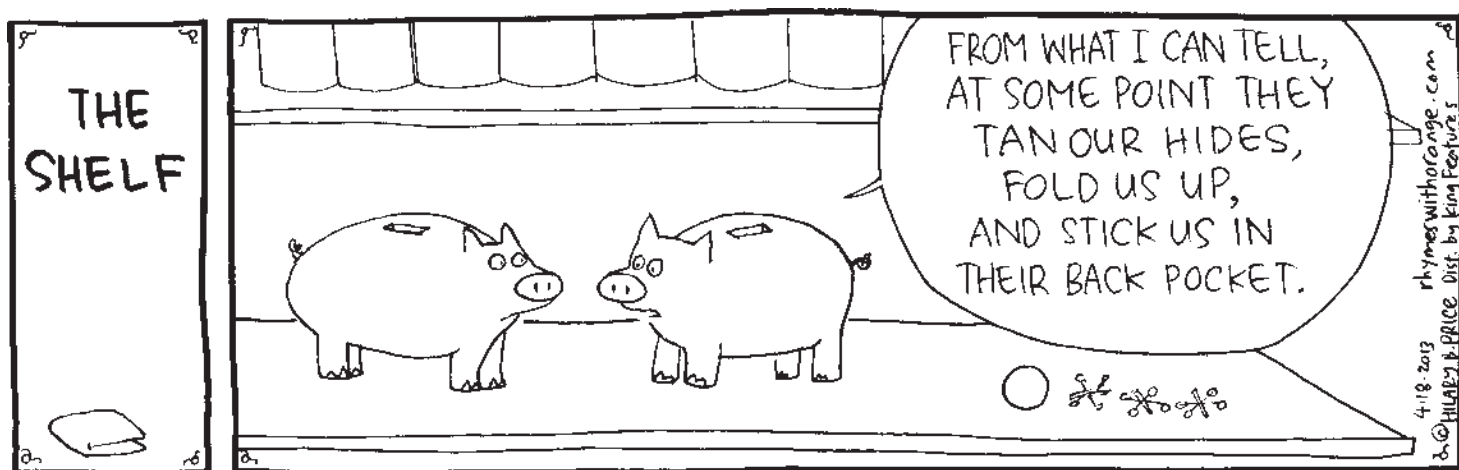
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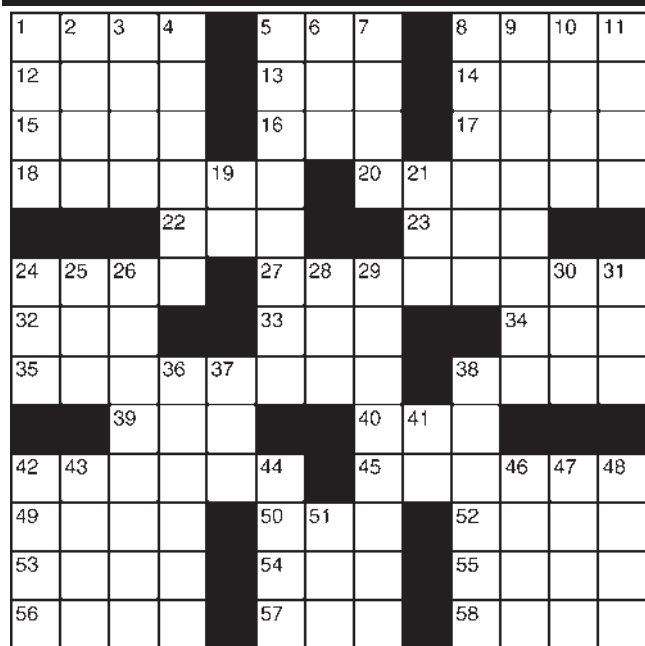
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- 24 "Humbug!"
- 25 Khan title
- 26 Period of inactivity
- 28 Gun lobby org.
- 29 Pessimistic
- 30 Noise
- 31 Agent
- 36 Bit of grain
- 37 Star Wars inits.
- 38 Raining somewhat
- 41 On the other hand
- 42 Office part-timer
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OBITUARY

Brendan Glenn Reints March 18, 1980-April 10, 2013



Brendan Glenn Reints, 33 of Dillon, Montana passed away on April 10. He was born on March 18, 1980 in Sheridan, Mont., to Danny Devers and Robin Lake.

Brendan loved his family and always enjoyed being active and doing things with his brothers and sisters. He was a member of the Dillon Jr. Fiddlers and graduated from Bea-

verhead County High School in 1998. He attended and graduated from UM Western with a Masters Degree in Business and was awarded the Rush Jordan Top Male Student Award. He married his high school sweetheart, and the love of his life April Marie Carpenter in 2006 and they have 2 beautiful children, Corbin and Mira. Brendan was a family man and

adored his children. He worked as a web designer and enjoyed helping people on computers. He liked schooling and fixing things and was a talented handyman he also loved the great outdoors-- skiing, fishing, hunting, paintball, camping, four-wheeling, mountain biking, hiking and rock climbing.

Brendan is preceded in death by his great grandfather and mother, Johnie and Mable Devers, great grandmother, Erna Reints, grandfathers, Dick Carpenter and Carl Brown, and grandmother Nancy Lake. Brendan is survived by his wife, April, son, Corbin and daughter, Mira, his parents Robin (William "Opie") Reints of Ennis and Danny (Gennene) Devers of Dillon, brothers and sisters; Tryston (Jenny) Reints of Ennis, Whitney Reints of Lolo, Montana, Weston (Kendra) Devers of Medina, Ohio, Andrea

Devers of Bozeman, Montana, Father and Mother-in-law; Rick and Julie Carpenter of Willow Creek, Montana, brothers and sister-in-law; Ryan (Jennifer) Carpenter, Mike, Jim, David, Steven and Kendall Carpenter, grandparents; Harvey and Boots Lake of Dillon, Dale and Judy Devers of Twin Bridges, Montana, Elso and Marlene Reints of Dillon, Karen Brown of Dillon, Uncle Jack Reints of Ennis, Montana and numerous uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins.

A visitation is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16 from 9-10:30 a.m. at the LDS Church in Dillon with Funeral Services starting at 11 a.m. at the church with burial following at Mountain View Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made at State Bank and Trust to the "REINTS CHILDREN EDUCATION FUND."

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I am running for an open seat on the Ennis School Board, and if I am elected, my immediate focus will be to help formulate a financial plan that will provide for the legal transfer of millions that are isolated in unnecessarily excessive funds that are unavailable for legitimate uses. This money should be used only for appropriate, honest and legal expenses. First and foremost, there should be no mills levied for any fund in excess of annual need until those funds are reduced to reasonable amounts. I have two priorities: To insure that any excess funds are used for future tax reductions and to bring teachers' salaries in line with administrative salaries.

According to the most recent financial reports from the Office of Public Instruction, Ennis has 348 students and the Bozeman High School District has 1,884 students. Yet here in Ennis, we have 3 times more money in our Transportation fund than the Bozeman High School District has in theirs (\$1,700,000 vs. \$589,000). We have 4 times as much money in our Bus Depreciation Fund as Bozeman High has in theirs (\$726,497 vs. \$173,830). We have 42 times more in our Tuition Fund as Bozeman has in theirs (\$272,169 vs. \$6,500). We have 10 times more money in our Adult Ed. fund as Bozeman has in theirs (\$2,692,331 vs. \$259,600). The excess in these funds amounts to millions of dollars that should never have been taken from taxpayers.

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Stewardship Award winners announced

Rebecca Ramsey
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The Madison and Ruby Valley Conservation Districts are pleased to announce the winners of the 2013 Stewardship Awards. Winners will be honored at the Conservation Districts Annual Banquet on Saturday, April 27.

The Madison Conservation District has chosen Bob and Cora Goggins. The Goggins' have been ranching together as a team since they were married over 66 years ago. They moved to the Madison Valley in 1948, and have been on their current property just north of

Ennis since 1959. Primarily raising Hereford Bulls, and a herd of Hereford and Red Angus Cattle, they not only have been exemplary in their agricultural practice, but also in increasing habitat for wildlife, fish and waterfowl; improving water quality and participating in community monitoring, as well as contributing to healthy soils and range, decreasing weeds and educating their cows for generations through the cows eating weeds project.

The Ruby Valley Conservation District has chosen George Trischman. Trischman recently retired after nearly 25 years as

the Ranch Manager of the Hamilton Ranch outside of Twin Bridges. In that position he worked within the business and budget confines of his employers to improve the range, riparian health, productivity of the ranch to support a large-scale cattle operation as well as improving fish and wildlife habitat. His operation included projects from Rochester Basin to Hells Canyon to Stone Creek to the Upper Ruby, Warm Springs and Moose-Camp Creek. He has been actively involved in numerous community, statewide and national committees and organizations, actively educating

others and implementing practices and policies to benefit the lands and communities and exemplifying successful collaboration to benefit resources.

Join the conservation districts in honoring these stewards, as well as eating great food, dancing to live music and having lots of fun with your friends and neighbors at the Annual Banquet. Contact the District offices to be a sponsor, buy a ticket or for more information. You can reach the Madison Conservation District at (406) 682-7289 or the Ruby Valley Conservation District at (406) 842-5741.

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If you have any information regarding the vehicle or driver/passenger(s), please contact Amanda Nelsen at 406-209-1134. Your identity will remain anonymous. Thank you.



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BROADCAST NEWS



Photos by Alyse Backus

A green screen in the corner of a classroom serves as the backdrop to many student interviews.



Students in Ennis High School's journalism class learn how to edit video on Adobe FinalCut Pro.

Ennis high school students Tucker Ott and Matt Skillman work on editing video for their weekly news broadcast.

Ennis high school journalism class teaches students new skills

By Alyse Backus
THE MADISONIAN
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Tucker Ott and Matt Skillman make their way through video uploaded on the classroom iMac to find the perfect moment for Ennis High School's weekly news broadcast.

The two boys serve as the broadcast's production team in the journalism class's first venture into broadcast news. A room packed with different machines and bundles of wires and other camera equipment serves as headquarters for the students involved with the broadcast side of the school's journalism program.

In addition to publishing a school newspaper, which dates back to the 1940s, the school implemented

curriculum into the journalism and yearbook classes that keeps up with the changing technology.

At the last school board meeting, the yearbook and journalism advisers Brad Mehr and Kurt Koenig presented the changes the classes have seen within the last year.

Now a combined class, the yearbook/journalism class has integrated web-based media into both yearbook production and school news. The yearbook has transitioned to an online program called TreeRing to create the yearbook. Everything for the yearbook is done online and even allows students to create customized pages for their yearbooks.

The school newspaper has created an online version

of the production, which can be found on the school's website. The page is titled "Mustang Media." This is where the weekly news broadcast can be found.

As part of the production crew, Ott and Skillman have learned new skills that include filming and editing video with brand new equipment the school gained from a grant from 3 Rivers Communications.

With the new equipment, the students are able to venture out and capture video footage of news that involves anything related to the Ennis schools.

"Doing interviews for things that don't happen all the time like Special

Olympics has been really fun," says Skillman. "Even though it's on a smaller scale, it gives us an idea what real newscasts are like."

Ott and Skillman complete all the editing and production for the newscast during their 50-minute classroom periods during the week. They say they usually decide on what to cover with their anchors on Mondays and then get the filming and editing done in time to publish to the school's website by Thursday or Friday.

In addition to completing the broadcast requirements of the class, the two students also write articles for the

school newspaper.

For Skillman, who is a junior, the class serves as possible career preparation.

"I am interested in the field of journalism," says Skillman. "That's the career path I am focused on right now and I would like to be in broadcast."

For Ott, the class serves as a way to delve into an interest he hasn't had a chance to explore.

"I have always been interested in film and editing," says the senior. "I have learned a lot about cameras and editing."

With the broadcast aspect being new to the class

this year, Ott and Skillman hope to see the class progress each year.

"It would be cool to start doing live things," said Ott. "We talked about possibly screening live football games and other broadcasts with 3 Rivers."

Both students were happy to be part of the school's first broadcast team.

"It's awesome to be the first ones to try it out," says Skillman.

"We are very fortunate to have the kind of equipment we have," says Ott. "We appreciate what 3 Rivers has done a lot."

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include landscaped areas, trees and benches.

After a "request for bids" was issued, two local contractors, RE Miller & Sons and Rowe Excavation, each submitted project bids for constructing the trail. On March 27, the five-member Hospital

Board of Trustees reviewed the bid packages and unanimously awarded the contract to RE Miller & Sons.

Construction of the trail is expected to take up to four weeks, weather permitting. The second phase of the project will then include the planting of trees

and bushes and re-establishing grass.

According to Barrett Hospital & HealthCare CEO Ken Westman, "We are tremendously excited about having the Kennedy Trail available to our patients, visitors and staff. This is a great asset to the Hospital

and our community, and we will encourage people to use it as a recreational opportunity and a chance to enjoy our campus."

Funding for the Kennedy Trail was provided by Jim & Sarah Kennedy as part of their one million dollar gift to Barrett Hospital Foundation.

The remaining funds were used towards the cost of building the new hospital and the lobby was also named in honor of Jim and Sarah Kennedy.

For more information, please contact Barrett Hospital & HealthCare Foundation at (406) 683-6737.

Community members gather for Ruby Valley Pre-Hospital Care Meeting

More than 25 community members gathered at a public meeting called by The Ruby Valley Hospital to discuss pre-hospital emergency care. Representatives from Ruby Valley Ambulance, The Community Health Center, Twin Bridges Valley Fire Department, The Sheriff's Office, Ruby Valley Hospital and others attended. The hospital convened the meeting because of perceived concerns regarding the viability of the current system to provide needed care in the Ruby Valley, to gather information and offer its assistance in assuring ongoing availability of services.

Representatives of The Ruby Valley Ambulance discussed its 34 year history

of volunteerism as a private not for profit corporation and proudly noted that they had never been unable to respond to a call for assistance during that time. They pointed out that even though only 5 individuals are currently available to take weekend call, additional active volunteers are available at other times. They commented that the number of active volunteers had decreased from previous years but this was felt to be cyclical. They stated that their current staff availability was still felt adequate to meet the needs of the Ruby Valley. Those speaking on behalf of the Ruby Valley Ambulance felt that the current system for pre-hospital care was more than adequate but could

still use more volunteers. The Ruby Valley Ambulance denied that there was a crisis of volunteer availability. They emphasized the need to continually recruit new volunteers as a current priority to assure that future needs would continue to be met and welcomed any help the hospital could offer to assist in volunteer recruitment, and training.

The Ruby Valley Hospital which is a public not for profit, explained that one of the reasons the meeting was called was to assure all interested parties, that they stood ready to assist The Ruby Valley Ambulance as a partner to assure ongoing high quality pre-hospital care in the Ruby Valley. The hospital

presented a brief summary of a potential alternative model with the ambulance service run under the auspices of the hospital still utilizing volunteer but also paid staff. Multiple similar communities have recently implemented this model across Montana when their volunteer system was unable to provide the services needed by their communities. The Critical Access Ambulance model as presented, offered several potential advantages. The potential advantages included: the option to provide some paid staff, more likely assuring availability of trained staff, higher levels of care by potentially paying full time paramedics, the potential to avoid some air

transports by being able to provide paramedic ground transports saving patients money, offering patients sliding scale payment, and greater potential financial viability at no additional cost to the residents of the valley by utilizing the more advantageous reimbursement system that the hospital enjoys.

It was the consensus of those representing the Ruby Valley Ambulance that there was no need to change or upgrade the current system, as long as sufficient volunteers remain available to provide necessary care.

Some public comment questioned the potential risk of any change in the system to tax payers. Other comment

inquired why there was resistance by the ambulance to considering the move to a new model. For the time being there appeared a consensus that if the system was truly not broken not to try to fix it.

The Ruby Valley Hospital offered their ongoing help to recruit and train volunteers for the Ruby Valley Ambulance. The hospital stated that they remain interested, willing and able to provide an enhanced ambulance service should the need arise.

All in attendance committed themselves to work together to encourage volunteer availability and to continue to provide the excellent pre-hospital care that the residents of The Ruby Valley have come to expect.

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Madison Meadows

The Madison Meadows Men's Golf Association will be kicking off their 2013 Summer League with a scramble and team signup on Wednesday, May 1, at 5:30 p.m. If interested in playing in the league or if you

are interested in registering a team please attend the meeting. The league consists of four-man teams and players not on teams can play as subs or possibly get on teams as a fifth player. For more information contact John Sullivan at 581-6756. See you there!!

Welcome Joel and Donni Trenkle

Karen Anderson
DAYSRING CHURCH

Dayspring Church congregation is happy to announce our new Senior Pastor Joel Trenkle and Associate Pastor Donni Trenkle. They began their new ministry in Sheridan on April 1.

Joel was born and raised in Colorado. He received his Bachelor's degree from Regis University with a double major in Religious Studies and Psychology. After which, Joel earned a Master's degree in Pastoral Care and Counseling from St. Thomas Seminary and a Doctor of Christian Ministries from Christian Leadership University. Joel is a US Army Ranger, a Vietnam combat Veteran and the recipient of two Purple Hearts.

Doni grew up in Maryland and Colorado. Earning a degree in Christian Ministries from Christian Leadership University, she is a strong prayer warrior and pastoral counselor and serves in music ministries.

Both Joel and Doni enjoy motorcycles and ministered extensively while riding with Christian Motorcyclist Association. In the past years Joel served as Senior Pastor for Communion with God Home Church focusing on home church planting and ministering to those outside of the body of Christ. Doni served as Assistant Pastor, with a focus on Women's Ministry.



Both served extensively at Rock Harbor Church in Costa Mesa, California where Joel served as the Pastoral Care Minister and Doni served as Prayer Team Leader; additionally they served at West Bowles Community Church in Littleton, Colorado as Spiritual Counselors. Prior to Christian ministry, Joel was owner of a private practice in secular psychology, Director of a Children's/pre-adolescent Psychiatric Unit for Charter Hospital of Long Beach,

California, Clinical Coordinator for Raleigh Hills Adolescent Psychiatric Hospital in Denver.

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Big Brothers Big Sisters announces Volunteer of the Quarter



Cori Koenig

Big Brothers Big Sisters Ennis Branch is pleased to honor Derek Wham as Volunteer of the Quarter. Derek, a Big Brother, has been matched with his Sidekick, Cameron, age 10, for almost two years and have shared many adventures since then. The two have established a good rapport and obviously enjoy each other's company.

With a big grin, Cameron says, "He's a good sidekick. He's a good listener and he's fun. He's always willing to do anything I want to do. He's great at playing and having fun."

Derek is a junior at Ennis High School. He has as much

fun as Cameron does. Derek is an invaluable asset to Big Brothers Big Sisters. His mother, Tammi, works at the school and gets the chance to see all the Sidekicks in action.

She remarks, "Steve and I are both proud of the young man he's becoming."

A comment from his English teacher and football coach helps sum him up. Kurtis Koenig says, "No job is too big or too small for Derek. He's steady. It doesn't matter what task you give him. He's going to do it and do it and do it until it's better than anyone else. It's a good thing he's as big a guy as he is because he's got to have room for his huge heart."

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Ennis Arts Association learns about flower arranging

ENNIS ARTS ASSOCIATION

The Ennis Arts Association met on April 9 at the home of Rachel Van Wingen in Pronghorn Meadows, just southwest of Ennis. Her interesting house of recycled wood from snow fences commands an impressive view of the magnificent surrounding snow-capped mountains.

Rachel conducted the art program on Japanese flower arranging, called Ikebana. In the late sixties she lived in Japan for three years where she developed her interest in Ikebana. But, it was almost thirty years later, living in Washington D.C., that she developed her true love for the art form and had the opportunity to study with a Japanese professor.

Ikebana has a much deeper meaning than just the art of flower arranging. It is a meditation art embodying peace and harmony, sharing many of the tenets of Zen Buddhism.

Rachel explained that there were several styles of Ikebana. The traditional and oldest is very rule-bound. The vase must have an even rounded edge. At the water's edge the stems must be lined up in a straight parallel line and can radiate above. The goal of this art form is to recreate nature in an arrangement showing the essence of the materials used with emphasis on space, balance and the season.

The newer free-style arrangements with fewer restrictions offer much more freedom and versatility to the artist. Any vase can be used with an abundance of flowers and materials of all sorts, including some that are non-living and artificial.

Throughout the house were four arrangements that Rachel had created. She gave explanations regarding the stem, leaf and flower placements and pointing out other interesting features. It was an informative talk and a pleasure to view these Ikebana flower arrangements attractively placed among her collected Japanese art work in her charming home.

New members are very welcome. To learn more about the Ennis Arts Association, visit their website at www.ennisartsassociation.org.

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Tobacco Root Mountain Care Center news

Roseann Troyer

March was simply marvelous at Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center in Sheridan. The very first day, residents appeased their appetites with ice cream sundaes, from white chocolate to mango and of course the basic favorite chocolate was offered. The afternoon ended with Barb stimulating brain cells with her brainteasers.

March 5 found the residents attending the monthly resident council meeting. On March 7, the Butte Silver Bow Cloggers entertained everyone with the dancing of Irish Jigs to lively Irish tunes.

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated on March 15 with the traditional Irish fare and the very talented Ruby Valley Boys and Barb. It was a very festive day and went by way too quickly.

The following Friday, March 22, a group of residents and staff ate lunch at a local eatery, the In-Back. Several resident's attended our very own Happy Hour on March 26. Light snacks and cold beverages were served, as was several Irish themed jokes.

Dying Easter Eggs was the event on Saturday, March 30. Barb kept everyone busy coloring four-dozen eggs. It was a fun way to pass the morning. The Alder



School made very cute customized Easter baskets, which the activity department filled with goodies. The individual baskets were put out at breakfast by dietary and were much enjoyed. Since it was Easter, a special meal was enjoyed and those

who wanted to were able to participate in an Easter egg hunt held by Annie and Suzette.

Thank you, and yes April the First is here, no fooling!

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Twin Bridges scholarships and Alumni Banquet

Tina Giem

TWIN BRIDGES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Twin Bridges Alumni Association has three scholarships available for 2013. A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student that has completed a minimum of one year of college, a \$700 scholarship will be awarded to a TBHS graduate who wishes to continue their education and the 2013 Twin Bridges Salutatorian will be

awarded a \$500 scholarship.

There is not a formal application form. Applicants will be chosen based on their academic performance, presentation of their request and financial need. Scholarship applications must be submitted by June 12. Please include a copy of your college transcript with your application. All applications should be directed to: Twin Bridges Alumni Association, ATTENTION: Scholarship, P.O. Box 142, Twin Bridges,

Montana 59754.

Scholarship winners will be announced at the annual TBHS Alumni banquet on July 27 at 7 pm in the Twin Bridges Multipurpose Room. The alumni association is maintaining the fourth Saturday of each July for future banquets.

Questions regarding the banquet or the scholarship should be addressed to Verta Dorseth at 406-596-3124 or Tina Giem at 406-596-0924.

Long time 911 Dispatcher retires

Steve DiGiovanna
MADISON COUNTY
COMMUNICATIONS

One of the longest tenured Madison County Dispatchers currently working is retiring this month. Vicki Selvidge, who has worked for the Madison County Sheriff's Office for more than 33 years, will retire from the department as of April 15.

Vicki was born in Topeka, Kansas, but moved to Sheridan, Montana, before her first birthday. As far as she is concerned, the Ruby Valley has always been home except during her years at college. Vicki attended MSU before going to beauty school in Great Falls and specializing in Cosmetology.

In May of 1979, Vicki joined the Sheriff's Office and became a Jail Matron and part-time dispatcher. She was also a reserve deputy for two years before becoming a full time Communication Officer in 1986.

Vicki had this to say about her time here:

"Throughout my 33 years here, I have handled all types of calls. Dispatching is never dull, but if there is a lull, it can be similar to the weather in Montana. It can change in a minute's time."

Vicki was on-duty and



took the very first report for the incident that became a best-selling book and also a movie. The Incident at Big Sky, involving Dan and Don Nichols, was a call Vicki took while dispatching. This infamous event involved the kidnapping of an Olympic runner training in the Big Sky area. The crime, also known as the "Mountain Men Kidnapping," headlined the national news on and off for more than an entire year.

Vicki said, "To the officers, fire and EMS people past and present, thank you for your service and your friendship. I have enjoyed working with you. To my fellow Communication Officers, thank you for your strength, your professionalism, your laughter, your tears and your friendship. It has been my pleasure to work with you. And to the people of Madison County, I leave you in the caring and capable hands of my fellow

coworkers."

Vicki and her husband John live in the Ruby Valley and plan on staying in the area. Vicki has been a loyal, courteous and completely professional individual and dispatcher. She is best known for her great sense of humor, capable dispatching abilities and her infectious laughter. She will be sorely missed from the Communication Center in many ways.

THE FALCON MEMORIAL Basketball Tournament
APRIL 26TH - 28TH

The First Annual Falcon Memorial Basketball Tournament will be held within the Twin Bridges Gymnasiums in memory of past Twin Bridges Falcon athletes. Adult Mens and Co-Ed divisions available. With the exception of graduating seniors, high school students will not be eligible to participate. All proceeds will be donated locally in scholarship form or toward community improvements.

If you would like to enter a team, contribute a donation, make a sponsorship, or help with the tournament please contact Matt Ashley at 406-351-2335. We hope to see you there!

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Sheridan Schools to host annual Senior Citizens Brunch

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The Montana Heritage Commission is in process of designing and building a visitor center at the Nevada City Train Depot in Honor of Senator Charles and Sue Bovey who played a major role in the restoration and preservation of Virginia City, Montana. The Montana Heritage Commission are seeking any photos, experiences, and or quotes to help in this project. Please call 406-843-5247 Or email photos or information to: callen@mt.gov



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Janet Allestad
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They visited with attendees at their exhibit that included a display of an 1860's ball gown with hoop. Information regarding the "A Step Back In Time" event weekends was provided to interested individuals as well as a sign-up for a door prize that was given away at the closing luncheon on March 26. Cyndy Andrus, Chairperson of the Tourism Advisory Council, was chosen randomly from the entries. She was very excited and intends to

be here for the Grand Victorian Ball on June 22. The door prize included a couple's ticket to the June Grand Ball, Friday night stay at the Bennett House Country Inn Bed and Breakfast and a professional photograph taken at the ball by Montana Photo Gallery. Vintage Attic may provide an appropriate ball gown and accessories.

"A Step Back in Time" event is sponsored in part by a Montana Office of Tourism Special Events Grant.



A few Sheridan kindergarteners enjoy Kite Flying Day!

Kindergarten Round-Up in Sheridan

Laurie Bartoletti
SHERIDAN SCHOOLS

Sheridan School Kindergarten Round Up will be held Monday, April

29th at 10 am in the school lunchroom. Bring the whole family – refreshments served! Parents/Guardians, please bring immunization record and birth certificate! Most of

all – bring your kids to tour the kindergarten room and school! If you are unable to attend or for more information, contact Mrs. Bartoletti at 842-5401 (ext. 120)!

Twin Bridges Schools offers Kindergarten Round-up and Pre-School Screening

Aaron Griffin
TWIN BRIDGES SCHOOLS

Kindergarten Round Up: Twin Bridges Schools will be having its annual Kindergarten Round-Up on Tuesday, April 23, starting at 1 p.m. in the Montana Room for parents and prospective kindergarten students. Please bring copies of your child's birth certificate and immunization

records. The prospective kindergarten students will go to the kindergarten room from 1-2:30 p.m. Please notify Mrs. Dulaney or Mrs. Holden at the Main Office at 684-5656 if you and your future kindergartener will attend. If you have any questions please contact, Aaron Griffin, Elementary Principal, at 684-5656.

Great Divide Education Service and Twin Bridges Schools will be hosting Pre-School Screening by APPOINTMENT ONLY on Tuesday, April 23, in the Montana Room. New this year, Great Divide Education Service will be scheduling your appointment for Pre-School Screening by calling the Dillon Office at 988-0230.

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<p>6 STAGECOACH TRAIL • LAURIN</p> <p>2 bd, 1ba 1,176+/-sf summer retreat close to the Ruby River sweet fireplace darling fenced yard #187637 \$125,000 406.842.5650</p>	<p>WACE STREET • ENNIS</p> <p>NEW LISTING 5.07+/-acres great location 30X40 airplane hanger insulated & heated #189225 \$60,000 406.682.5002</p>	<p>PRONGHORN MEADOWS • ENNIS</p> <p>1-6 acre parcels newer subdivision wildlife & hiking trails common areas strong covenants starting at: \$39,900 406.682.5002</p>	<p>38 GERANIUM LANE • ALDER</p> <p>PRICE REDUCED 20.16+/-acre recreational getaway power proximate to lot lots of wildlife #176506 \$38,000 406.684.5686</p>

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ECCS news: umbrellas, art auctions and more

Regan Goettle
ECCS

The crazy weather we have encountered in April has us opening our umbrellas indoors, on Umbrella Day, as the wind would have sent us on a "Mary Poppins" sort of adventure had we taken them outside.

Ethan, from the Watershed Project, came to visit us and take us on a journey of a water droplet, as our theme is water this month. The children had fun

finding out the many ways that water travels around our Earth. Thank you Ethan for taking the time to visit our school and plan such a great project for the kids to understand how water gets around.

This week also took us on a trip out to our local True Value to paint some pots that will be planted with flowers and returned to us in time for Mothers Day. Thank you for including us in this fun event every year!

Our AAA Fundraiser, known as the April Art Auction, is fast approaching and it will be the perfect chance for friends, family and the public to see the efforts of our little ones.

Also local artists have shown their generosity in donating pieces to display for a silent auction. These items will be on display at True Value, Wednesday, April 17-20. There will be a bid form present so that you can have a chance to support our school and possibly

take home a great piece of art. Also we anticipate art to be on display at the bank the week of April 22-26. Please stop in to see the amazing talent of our local artists.

The Fundraiser will be held in the Ennis School Cafeteria on Tuesday, April 30, from 5:30-7 p.m.

This is just prior to the Spring Concert in the High School Gym at 7 p.m. Please come enjoy an artful evening!

ECCS to offer Friday after school program

Christine Kern
ECCS

For over 30 years, the Ennis Community Children's School has been offering quality childcare to the families of Ennis and the Madison Valley. In order to better serve our families, ECCS is excited to offer an after school program for elementary children on Fridays from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. beginning April 12. The Friday program is a natural

extension of Colt Club, which is currently offered by the Ennis school system Mondays through Thursdays, with implementation and oversight by ECCS. The Friday program will be held at the elementary school, and some of the current Colt Club staff will be joining us. Fun activities and snacks will be offered. Rates are \$7.50 per child, per day. Please contact Amber at 682-7388 for more information or to sign up.

Bow hunter education

Al Noack
HUNTERS EDUCATION

Anyone wanting to hunt with a bow and arrow in Montana, must take and pass a bow hunter education course. Classes will be held on May 4 and 18, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at 41 Noack Road in Ennis.

Sign up will be online only. Go to fwp.mt.gov, click on educators and students, then on bow hunter education course schedule, then on view course schedule, then on May 4.

Students are required to read the manual and complete

the chapter reviews before the first class. A parent or guardian of students 17 and under must attend the first 30 minutes of the first class.

Please dress for cold and wet weather, as we will be inside and outside both days.

Students can pick up a manual at Shedhorn Sports, at 103 Main St. Ennis, or any FWP office.

Bring your own lunch each day. The last day to sign up will be April 29.

For more info call Al Noack at 682-7352

Retirement Tribute

After 50 years of ministry, Pastor Franklin Wesselius is retiring. Pastor Wesselius has served as Senior Pastor of Dayspring Mission Church, Sheridan, for 23 years. Frank and Louise have served in the church and community, praying and attending to the many needs of many people in the Valley.

The Wesselius' will continue to live in Sheridan and Frank will continue the ministry of visiting those who are unable to leave their homes, or are in the nursing homes and hospitals.

Dayspring Church congregation are planning a pot luck lunch and gathering at Dayspring Church, 3648 Hwy 287, on

SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST AT 12:30 P.M.

We invite all who would like to pay tribute to Frank and Louise, to join us for lunch and a time to visit.

Further information call:
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W E D N E S D A Y
A P R I L 1 7

Baseball, Ennis

Senior League (12-15 yr. old) Madison Valley Pronghorns vs. Bozeman Red Sox. 6 p.m. in the fields by bus barn.

T H U R S D A Y
A P R I L 1 8

HS Golf, Townsend

Ennis at Townsend 9 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

Historical Slide Show, Ennis

MVHA presents a historical look back at Madison County Oil Company and the Varney Well of the 1920's. 4 p.m. at First Madison Valley Bank

F R I D A Y
A P R I L 1 9

Writer's Group, Ennis
Meet at FMVB and carpool to Three Forks for a meeting and potluck lunch at the home of member Lillie Allen. Questions? Call Jan Beekman at 682-4177.

Baseball, Ennis

Senior League (12-15 yr. old) Madison Valley Pronghorns vs. Three Forks. 6 p.m. in the fields by bus barn.

BINGO, Ennis

Ennis Lion's Club hosts another fun year of Spring Bingo. 7 p.m. in the Ennis School Lunchroom

BINGO, Sheridan

Team Ruby is hosting a Bingo fundraiser to raise money for 2013 Madison County Relay for Life. 7 p.m. Sheridan school

cafeteria.

Live Music, Norris
Driftwood Grinders (Folk Grass) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www.norrihotsprings.com

Movie Night, Ennis
Madison Theatre presents: The Croods, rated PG. Doors at 6:15 p.m. with the show at 7 p.m. 682-4023

S A T U R D A Y
A P R I L 2 0

Women's Concealed Weapons Class, Ennis
A NRA certified instructor will be at Shedhorn Sports from 9-4 p.m. for a Women's Only class. Call Shedhorn at 682-4210 to sign up. 18+

HS Track, Belgrade
Harrison at Belgrade, 9 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

HS Golf, Big Timber
Ennis at Big Timber, 9 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

HS Track, Missoula
Seeley Swan Meet, 10 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

Wine Tasting, Ennis
Relay for Life fundraiser for Madison County. Tickets \$25 - call Meg at 682-7093 or Jessie at 682-4490. 6 p.m. at First Madison Valley Bank.

Chautauqua, Virginia City

The 4th Winter Chautauqua, at 6:30 p.m. at The Elling House. 843-5507 or www.ellinghouse.org

Movie Night, Ennis
Madison Theatre presents: The Croods, rated PG. Doors at 6:15 p.m. with the show at 7 p.m. 682-4023

Live Music, Norris
Brett Vredrevoogd (High Country Rock)

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Nevada City Livery Stable
Submitted by Carolyn Hamilton

7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www.norrihotsprings.com

S U N D A Y
A P R I L 2 1

Polka Party Fundraiser, Butte
The Spring Polka Party Scholarship Fundraiser will be at 1p.m. at the Elk's Hall in Butte, \$8. 453-1238

Live Music, Norris
El Kabong (Rockin Roots Originals) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www.norrihotsprings.com

M O N D A Y
A P R I L 2 2

Open House, Ennis
Thirty-One Bags will hold an open house from 8-8 p.m. at Madison Square. Call Michelle at 580-3619 for more info.

HS Golf, Bozeman
Ennis vs. Manhattan at the Bridger Creek Golf Course, 9 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

T U E S D A Y
A P R I L 2 3

HS Track, Missoula
The top Ten compete, 3 p.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

Watershed Meeting, Sheridan
The Ruby Watershed Council will meet at 6 p.m. at the Moraine Center with a potluck dinner at 5:30 p.m. Open to the public. 539-5683

W E D N E S D A Y
A P R I L 2 4

Library Planning Meeting, Twin Bridges
Brief sessions regarding plans for a proposed addition to the Madison County Library. Twin Bridges School at 6:30 p.m.

T H U R S D A Y
A P R I L 2 5

Mad-Gals Meeting, Ennis
The April meeting will be held at the Gravel Bar with a special opening of the Nearly New before that, from 10-12 p.m. RSVP by

April 22 with Jackie at 682-5510 or Ethelyn 682-4348.

Library Planning Meeting, Ennis
Brief sessions regarding plans for a proposed addition to the Madison County Library. Sheridan Elementary School at 7 p.m.

F R I D A Y
A P R I L 2 6

West entrance of YNP open, West Yellowstone
Vehicles will be allowed in the park free of charge today in celebration of National Parks Week.

Earth Day Celebration, West Yellowstone
The 4th Annual Earth Day Celebration lasts all weekend and is filled with free family fun and activities. For a schedule of events please visit www.kidsnsnow.org/earthday.html.

Memorial Basketball Tournament, Twin Bridges
The first annual Falcon

Memorial Basketball Tournament will be held at Twin Bridges schools. Call Matt at 351-2335 or Bo at 531-3520 for more info or to register your team. More info at www.outpostevents.com.

Live Music, Norris Free Radicals
(Acoustic Blues/Rock/Americana) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www.norrihotsprings.com

S A T U R D A Y
A P R I L 2 7

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday May 7, 2013 an election will be held in Ennis at the ENNIS HIGH SCHOOL LOBBY - 223 CHARLES AVE. and in Virginia City at the "REHEARSAL HALL" - 316 W. IDAHO STR. for ENNIS SCHOOL DISTRICT 52. For the election of two trustees for full three-year terms Running for this position are: four candidates to be listed on the ballot. The polls will be open at 12:00 Noon and remain open until 8:00 P.M. Absentee ballots may be obtained from Ginger Martello at the Ennis High School until noon on May 6, 2013.

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HS Track, Bozeman
Manhattan Christian Meet, 9 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

HS Golf, Ennis
Madison Meadows Golf Course, 9 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

Live Music, Norris
Luke Flansburg (Acoustic Rock) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www.norrihotsprings.com

SUNDAY
APRIL 28

Memorial Basketball Tournament, Twin Bridges
The first annual Falcon Memorial Basketball Tournament will be held at Twin Bridges schools. Call Matt at 351-2335 or Bo at 531-3520 for more info or to register your team. More info at www.outpostevents.com.

Barrel Races, Bozeman
Open 4-D Barrel Race with American Quarter Horse Association and UBRC barrel racing side pots and AQHA-approved All-Age Team and Tie down Roping. Ranch office 406.585.7008 or check the website at www.copperspringranch.com.

Earth Day Celebration, West Yellowstone
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Live Music, Norris Flatt Cheddar
(Acoustic Party Grass) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www.norrihotsprings.com

MONDAY
APRIL 29

Planning Board Meeting, Virginia City
The Madison County Planning Board will meet at 6 p.m. at the Courthouse

TUESDAY
APRIL 30

HS Golf, Bozeman
Ennis vs. Manhattan Christian at Cottonwood Golf Course, 9 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

ECCS Fundraiser, Ennis
Join Ennis Community Children's School as they auction off art to raise funds for the Summer Program Scholarship Fund. 5:30 p.m. in the Ennis School Cafeteria. Please call 682-7388 for more information.

THURSDAY
MAY 2

HS Track, Townsend

The Top 8 Meet, 4 p.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

Business After Hours, Ennis
The Ennis Chamber of Commerce presents this fun networking evening. This month's host is Pure West-Christie's International Real Estate on Main Street at 5 p.m.

Town Council Meeting, Virginia City
Rehearsal Hall, Virginia City at 7 p.m.

FRI DAY
MAY 3

Live Music, Norris Coty Hogue
(Appalachian Americana) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www.norrihotsprings.com

SATURDAY
MAY 4

Auction, Ennis
The Ennis Lion's Club will hold its annual auction at 9 a.m. in the Greenhouse Building on Hwy 287.

HS Track, Laurel
Stillwater Meet, 9 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

HS Golf, Harlowton
Ennis vs. Harlowton at Jawbone Creek Golf Course, 10 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

Business Expo, Twin

Bridges
Greater Ruby Valley Chamber of Commerce presents the 6th Annual "Buy Local" Business Expo from 9 - 2 p.m. at the Twin Bridges Fairgrounds. Over 40 local vendors will showcase their talents.

Annual Fiddlefest, Pony
Afternoon Jam Session, Fiddle, Mandolin, Guitar, Ukulele Workshops. Potluck Dinner at 5 p.m. with the Stage Show at 7 p.m. Free Family Fun. Call for info - 685-3481.

Live Music, Norris "V", the Gypsy Cowbelle
(Genuine Cowbilly) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www.norrihotsprings.com

SUNDAY
MAY 5

Solo Recital, Bozeman
Pianist Daniel Immel, originally from Ennis, will perform a solo piano recital at Montana State University in Reynolds Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m. This is a free event and open to the public.

Live Music, Norris Potcheen Folk Band
(Celtic Pirate Folk/Punk) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www.norrihotsprings.com

TUESDAY
MAY 7

Election, Madison County

Madison County Schools will hold school board elections today. Contact your local school for polling places and times.

Dog Obedience Classes, Sheridan
Sheridan Schools Adult Ed presents: Basic Dog Obedience Classes at 6:30 p.m. in Sheridan Park (next to library). This is a free offer and runs a total of six classes. Please call Dottie at 842-5489 for information and to sign up.

THURSDAY
MAY 9

HS Golf, Three Forks
Ennis vs. Three Forks at the Three Forks Golf Course, 10 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www.outpostevents.net

Auxiliary Meeting, Ennis
The Auxiliary of the Madison Valley Manor will hold its regular meeting at 1 p.m. in the Sun Room of the Manor.

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