

The Montana Supreme Court heard three sides of a Ruby River stream access battle on Monday.

As part of Montana State University's Law Day 2013, the court heard oral arguments from attorneys representing Public Lands Access Association, Madison County commissioners and landowner James Cox Kennedy.

in MSU's Strand Union Ballroom.

how the public could access the Sevler Lane Bridge located on Kennedy's property. Tucker ruled public use of Seyler Lane Bridge didn't guarantee public use of the Ruby River from the bridge.

The bridge is a prescriptive easement, meaning the public has a history of using the bridge. Seyler Lane was created by a public easement when the original landowner Bud Seyler allowed the public to The oral arguments took place use the road. The Public Lands Access Association's attorney Devlan



raise for the first time in more than four years.

'We did not raise income taxes, (we) fulfilled our obligations, paid our debts, dealt with our liabilities, made new investments," Senate Minority Leader Jon Sesso, D-Butte, told his colleagues on the Senate floor.

Lawmakers met their one constitutional obligation: passing a balanced budget. They apcies and programs over the next

that money by paying particular attention to employees with the lowest incomes and those who did not receive any raise over the past two years.

### Health care

Some of the longest hearings and most heated debates this session came over a proposal to expand Medicaid, the federal-state program that provides health care to low-income proved \$10 billion to fund agen- Montanans. In the end, the Legislature rejected accepting billions of federal dollars under the national Affordable Care Act to extend coverage to uninsured Montanans. Following a U. S. Supreme Court ruling on the federal health overhaul, each state was left to decide whether to accept money to provide coverage to Turn to LEG. on pg. 2

The ballroom was standing room only as anglers and landowners joined students and attorneys to take in the hearing that could change stream access laws and affect how easements cross private property.

The Supreme Court hearing addressed an appeal made by the Public Lands Access Association to

Geddes said the prescriptive easement had historically been used by anglers and workers to access the Ruby River.

Tucker ruled that the public could continue to use the road but only the paved surface was public. Only the county could use the adja-

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Peter Coffman, James Cox Kennedy's lawyer, questioned the legality of stream access laws in his cross appeal in front of Montana's Supreme Court on Monday.

two years.

Republicans, however, lamented that taxpayers will see little – if any – relief. When the session began in January, members of both parties suggested sending part of a \$500 million budget surplus back to property and business owners.

"I think the people who like to spend a lot of government

# Man goes on trial for 2012 Bear Trap Fire

By Alyse Backus The Madisonian news@madisoniannews.com

A Billings man accused of starting a fire in the Bear Trap Canyon outside of Bozeman that burned more than 15,000 acres began a jury trial Monday to determine whether he is criminally responsible for damage caused by the fire.

Kyler Schmitz, a 24-yearold enlisted Marine Corps member, is charged with eight counts of arson. He also faces seven charges of misdemeanor negligent arson. Schmitz has pleaded not guilty to the charges. Each arson charge carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in jail, a \$50,000 fine or both.

On the morning of June 25, 2012, Schmitz was at a camp area in the Bear Trap Canyon and reportedly set off an artillery-shell firework that malfunctioned. Rather than flying 700 feet into the air like the firework was designed to do, it only flew ten feet into the air and

set fire to dry grass alongside a caused. In addition to no crimicounty road. According to witnesses, the

fire. The group of young adults stomped on flames, threw dirt

on the fire and ran coolers full

of water back and forth between

the Madison River and the fire.

Once the fire grew out of con-

trol, the group was forced to flee

to where they had cell service to

up in his chair with precise

military-like posture, his de-

fense opens its argument with

claims that he immediately took

responsibility for the fire, tried

to put it out and then cooper-

ated with law enforcement and

gave a voluntary statement. The

24-year-old's defense lawyer

also told the jury in its open-

ing statement that even though

Schmitz had made a mistake

lighting off the firework, there

was no malicious intent behind

his actions and that he is very re-

morseful for the damage the fire

While Schmitz sits straight

call 911

nal intent, Madison County had not imposed a fireworks ban at group of people with Schmitz the time of the start of the fire. tried desperately to put out the

When Schmitz was charged, he said he wanted to help the landowners who were affected by the fire as much as he could and that he was currently securing as many loans as possible to begin repayment.

The Madison County prosecutor counters these claims by saying Schmitz knew that his actions on the hot, windy day were dangerous and therefore he is criminally responsible for the fire.

The fire caused \$4.55 million in property damage, lost income and property value lost.

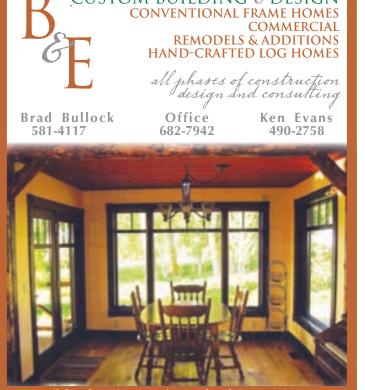
#### Turn to SCHMITZ on pg. 2

Photo by Alyse Backus Kyler Schmitz answers his attorney's questions as he testifies in his own defense. Several landowners who were affected by the Bear Trap Fire were in attendance at the trial on Tuesday.









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### **RUBY from pg. 1**

cent right-of-way area to perform maintenance to the road and the bridge. Anglers could not access the high-water line of the river without trespassing.

Geddes argued this restriction to anglers and recreationalists violated the Stream Access Law of 1985 that allows people to access waters by staying within the ordinary high-water marks of rivers and streams. The attorney also says the ruling violates the 2009 law stating the public may access streams and rivers by using public roads. According to Geddes, the width of the easement needed to be expanded to not only include the paved area but also allow access to the highwater mark and then the easement should be open to any type of public use.

Kennedy filed a cross-appeal claiming that both of those laws that allow public access to

#### his land are an unconstitutional taking of his property.

His lawyer, Peter Coffman, challenged Montana's stream access laws and asked to overturn historic court rulings that helped establish these laws. Coffman said the state has been in the wrong for almost thirty years by allowing anglers to wade in the waters of the Ruby River.

According to Coffman, Kennedy owns the river streambed and the water above it. The attorney went onto to declare the state was taking that land without providing any type of compensation, which breaches the U.S. Constitution.

Justice Patricia O'Brien Cotter interjected after Coffman's statement and asked the attorney if he was declaring part of the Montana Constitution unconstitutional.

Cotter explained the state constitution declared all waters are property of the state and for use by its people.

Coffman said that part of the constitution is, in fact, unconstitutional since the state has included streambeds and banks in the definition of waters.

The Ruby River is considered a non-navigable river since boats didn't use the river when Montana gained statehood. Since the river has been deemed nonnavigable, that means the landowner owns the land underneath the river and on larger rivers the state owns the streambed.

In response to Coffman's arguments, Geddes told the justices that the question of unconstitutionality had not been introduced in lower courts. He said it was inappropriate to include such a claim now.

State attorney Matt Cochenour agreed with Geddes and said Coffman shouldn't be trying to undo decades' worth of laws.

"We shouldn't be upending 30 years of law with something the district court didn't get a chance to rule on," Cochenour said. "When Kennedy started buying land in Montana, this court had already ruled that the stream-access law was constitutional. The remedy for that isn't to wait 20 years and try again."

Justice Mike Wheat presided over the hearing as Chief Justice. Chief Justice Mike Mc-Grath had recused himself from the hearing since he had argued against Kennedy in a previous case when he served as attorney general. Justice Brian Morris also recused himself from the hearing. District Judges Kurt Krueger of Silver Bow County and Mike Menahan from Lewis and Clark County replaced Mc-Grath and Morris.

The Supreme Court Justices expect to return a decision on the hearing in the next few months.

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people up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level. Beginning in 2017, states will have to pick up some of the tab until they pay 10 percent in 2021. The proposal is popular among Democrats, though a handful of Republican governors have also endorsed it.

In Montana, Republican legislators blocked several attempts to expand health care, including a plan to expand Medicaid and another to accept the federal money for low-income people to purchase private insurance on the federal insurance exchange. Taxes

Most attempts to cut taxes died this session, but a proposal to reduce the business equipment tax and simplify the state's income tax code await the governor's signature.

Senate Bill 96 would exempt businesses from paying taxes on the first \$100,000 of equipment. Companies with equipment valued up to \$6 million will pay a 1.5 percent tax rate.

Senate Bill 282 would reduce the number of income tax brackets from seven to two and eliminates numerous tax credits. Montanans will either pay a 4 percent or 6 percent rate.

#### Pensions

Lawmakers crafted several proposals to shore up a projected \$4 billion shortfall in the state's pension systems over the next 30 years. But in the end, two of the governor's proposals passed both chambers.

Legislators voted down a

property taxes for the next two years. It also increases the basic state entitlement districts receive and sends additional money to schools that see significant enrollment increases. It allows schools in oil- and gas-producing areas to keep up to 130 percent of their maximum budgets in production-tax revenue.

### School choice

Democrats and a coalition of Republicans voted down several attempts to establish charter schools in Montana.

They also rejected establishing a tax credit for families whose children attend private schools.

One measure, Senate Bill 81, awaits the governor's signature. If signed, individuals and corporations would receive tax credits for donating to organizations that provide scholarships to private school students or grants to public schools for new, innovative programs.

#### **Higher education**

The Legislature and Montana University System have agreed to freeze in-state tuition over the next two years and implement a performance-based funding system to divvy up an additional \$7.5 million between the state's colleges.

Lawmakers also approved a number of building projects on college campuses, including \$29 million to fund a new Missoula College.

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concealed weapons on college campuses. House Bill 205 also awaits his signature and would allow people to use sound suppressors while hunting. Bullock has already vetoed a similar bill.

The governor also vetoed a bill that would prohibit local law enforcement from enforcing a potential federal ban on semiautomatic firearms.

The Legislature voted down a bill to allow concealed carry in public buildings, bars and banks.

Bullock signed a bill to keep the names of concealed carry holders confidential

#### **Campaign finance**

The governor's major campaign finance reform bill, known as the TRACE Act, never made it to his desk. The bill aimed to defeat dark money organizations that do not disclose their donors yet often spend money to attack candidates.

Another measure is waiting for Bullock's signature and would require a disclaimer on election materials funded by anonymous sources. Disclaimers will read, "This communication is funded by anonymous sources. The voter should determine the veracity of its content."

Republicans passed a bill that increases contribution limits and is headed to the governor. **Elections** 

Republican-backed Two referendums regarding voting are headed to the 2014 ballot. Dodging likely vetoes from Gov. Bullock, Republican lawmakers opted instead to ask voters to end same-day voter registration and establish a "top-two" primary system. If approved, the referendum to end same-day voter registration would make the Friday before Election Day the last possible day to register to vote. Republicans say it would help reduce long lines at the polls and ease the burden on election officials, and they argue that it's reasonable to ask voters to be responsible for registering ahead of an election. Democrats say the bill disenfranchises groups of voters and leaves zero room to correct registration errors. The other referendum would establish a primary system where voters would receive a single ballot and could vote for candidates from any party rather than have to choose which party's ballot to fill out. The two candidates who receive the most votes, regardless of party affiliation, would advance to the general election. Republicans say the new system ensures that the winning candidate receives most of a district's

overall vote. Democrats argue the bill would kill third parties.

## **Reproductive health**

Attempts to regulate reproductive health this session were met with varying levels of success

The Legislature passed a measure that criminalizes assaults on pregnant women that result in the death of a fetus. The bill went into law without Bullock's signature.

Bullock also took no action on a proposal to require parental consent for a minor to have an abortion. Pro-choice groups urged the governor to allow the bill to become law to avoid an identical referendum on the ballot in 2014. They plan to challenge the law in court.

The governor vetoed a bill that would have required parental consent for children to take sex education in school. Lawmakers voted down an identical referendum measure.

#### Land access

The Legislature approved a measure to provide an incometax credit of \$500 to people who allow access through their property to previously inaccessible state land. The bill awaits the governor's signature.

Other land access proposals fell short, including bills to permit corner crossing, increase funding to procure new easements and add money to the block management program.

### Drones

Montana's first effort to regulate drone use is headed to the governor's desk.

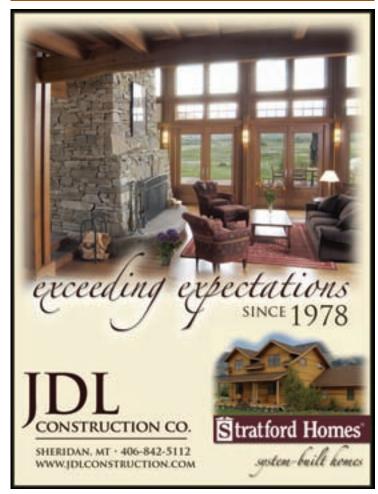


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Republican-backed plan to implement a 401(k) system for new state workers, opting instead to maintain a defined benefit plan where state employees receive guaranteed monthly checks based on their salary and duration of government employment.

The plans address the teachers' and public employees' retirement systems by increasing contributions from employers and employees and drawing from state funds.

#### K-12 education

The education community came together to back a historic education funding reform bill that sends an additional \$50.5 million to Montana's public schools.

Although Senate Bill 175 offers schools less than originally proposed, it drew support from Republicans and Democrats after a Republican senator worked with education officials across the state for two years to craft a comprehensive proposal.

The bill freezes some school

feeling the effects of the oil boom might soon see some relief.

Lawmakers approved a new oil and gas impact program, which would provide grants to Bakken-area towns in need of new infrastructure. The grant program, administered through the Department of Commerce, would draw money from the state's share of federal mineral royalties to the tune of \$10 million per year.

Gay rights

Gay rights activists waited 16 years after a state Supreme Court decision to see a law removed from the books that criminalized gay sex. That day finally came during this legislative session when all Democrats and a number of Republicans voted to eliminate the law, which the court had previously deemed unconstitutional.

#### Guns

The Legislature approved a number of gun rights measures, though not all have made it past the governor's desk.

If signed, House Bill 240 would allow students to carry

Senate Bill 196 prohibits authorities from using information collected by drones in criminal proceedings unless it was obtained with a search warrant or through the monitoring of public lands or international borders.

#### Marijuana

Attempts to change Montana's medical marijuana laws failed this session, but the Legislature established new restrictions on drugged driving to designate a limit that legally constitutes impairment.

The new law sets the maximum amount of tetrahydrocannabinol – the active ingredient in cannabis – that drivers can have in their blood at 5 nanograms per milliliter.

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The cost of fire suppression was about \$1.25 million. The fire was suppressed by July 2.

The fire consumed public and private property including miles of fence line, a couple's home, crops, pastures, a vehicle and eight horses.

The jury heard from various witnesses called by the prosecution on Monday and Tuesday who testified to how quickly the fire spread and the extent of damage caused by the blaze. The witnesses included law enforcement from both Madison and Gallatin counties, two young men who helped fight the fire when it started and landowners who suffered damage to property.

Schmitz took the stand in his own defense on Tuesday. He testified he purchased fireworks en route to the campground on June 24. According to his testi-

mony, he didn't conceal the fireworks from the campground's attendant when the attendant came by to discuss collecting campground dues.

Schmitz also testified that he had set off fireworks the night of June 24 and that he was not impaired by alcohol at the time of lighting those fireworks. He lit those fireworks in the middle of the road where the campsite driveway intersected with the county road. Schmitz said these fireworks didn't cause any damage. A firework he lit off later tipped over and skidded across the ground. Schmitz said he was able to stomp out the sparks caused by this. He went on to say no one in the campground complained about fireworks being lit off by Schmitz the night of June 24.

Schmitz said on the morning of June 25 he lit off more fireworks and one of those didn't function correctly and fizzled out. Later, he said he lit off the mortar-shell type firework that caused the Bear Trap 2 fire.

"At the time I lit that off, the wind had died down," said Schmitz. "I specifically set it off at that time because the conditions didn't seem to pose any danger. It came out of the tube and it exploded just above head level. Because of the altitude, it showered sparks and ignited several small spot fires. As soon as it exploded, I ran to the fires and tried to stomp them out and kick dirt on them. And then, I called for help."

Schmitz continued by testifying that he and the group he was with immediately began to stomp three small spot fires.

"It was a very frantic moment," Schmitz said. "We started carrying water in coolers to the fires. Anyone without a cooler continued to stomp on the fire.'

The young man went on to

tell the court that he felt like he had taken appropriate precautions when lighting the fireworks.

"Generally I would have a shovel available but the coolers with water seemed like a suitable substitute," he said. "To light off a firework in the middle of a road, on damp grass or over water is what I have been told is the safest place to light fireworks off."

Schmitz testified that after he had been charged, he returned to the campsite in October 2012 to document where he set off the fireworks. He took pictures of the BLM campground signs to show there were no written warnings concerning fireworks.

At press time, the jury continued to hear from witnesses called by the defense. The trial was expected to conclude on Wednesday.



# **DUI laws modified to include marijuana impairment**

By Alyse Backus The Madisonian news@madisoniannews.com

Earlier this month, Montana Gov. Steve Bullock signed into a law House Bill 168.

The bill revises current law by creating a legal limit for THC allowed to be pres-

ent in a person's blood stream standard for marijuana. Per only way to charge someone ery sheriff and police officer Per se convictions do count towhile operating a motor vehicle. The legal limit was set at 5 ng/ml. A blood test must be done to determine the level of THC.

The bill passed with limited opposition in both the House and the Senate. The law creates a per se

se laws that apply directly to drunk driving mean a person is guilty of the crime if the blood alcohol content is higher than the legal limit. No additional proof of impairment is needed to convict someone of a DUI.

Before the law passed, the

with a DUI while impaired by drugs was to have a Drug Recognition Expert come and evaluate the person's actions for drug-related impairments.

'There are only a handful of those experts in this area," said Madison County Undersheriff Roger Thompson. "Ev-

can't do those evaluations, but with the per se law, the person is guilty based on the amount of drug in their blood."

The punishment differs slightly for a per se charge. A DUI charge requires one night in jail, while a per se charge does not mandate that jail time.

wards further convictions. So if a person gets subsequent DUIs, the per se charge will count and the person may face more severe punishments.

Colorado also passed a similar law in early April.

# **Communications Coordinator tells County Commissioners** dispatch aims to hire two, alleviate scheduling issues

# By Faith Moldan

For The Madisonian

A recent retirement and resignation in the county dispatch office has put strain on the staff just before its busiest time of the year. Madison County Communications Coordinator, Steve Di-Giovanna hopes to remedy that by hiring two new dispatchers and with continued dedication from the remaining dispatchers.

The two open positions were previously advertised for as part-time positions with no success, but recent re-advertising garnered legitimate candidates for the job when the possible number of hours of work was increased. DiGiovanna said

Schenk and Undersheriff Roger Thompson to figure out how to make the short-staffed situation better and they decided hiring 30-hours-per-week distwo patchers would be the best option.

"We have received some really good applicants that are interviewing later this week," DiGiovanna told the commissioners on Tuesday.

Two of the current seven dispatchers work 40 hours per week. The others work an average of about 26 hours a week. DiGiovanna said that if hire two new dispatchers are hired for 30 hours a week they are eligible for benefits and can do 40 hours a week without overtime. They

he worked with Sheriff Dave will also prove helpful in the upcoming busy summer months and not lose significant hours in slower times. Right now some dispatchers are accruing overtime and a large amount of vacation hours, but can't use the time off because the office is short staffed.

Schenk said they budget for overtime and some overlapping shifts, which are used when having more than one dispatcher working at the same time, would benefit the county. He said they do not have two people there when there's lag time. It often times depends on circumstances, but they know when the busy times of the day, week, month and year are.

dispatch receives have more ers. Commissioner Dave Schulz than doubled to more than 4,400 each year now, making it harder for one dispatcher per shift to cover it all compared to eight to 10 years ago, according to Di-Giovanna. Schenk said there is indication that this busy season may be busier than others.

"We are an insurance company in essence. There better be somebody there even when it's slow," DiGiovanna said.

Commissioner Jim Hart agreed with DiGiovanna and Schenk about their desire to keep dispatch covered 24 hours a day, seven days a week, but he and the other commissioners questioned how the 168 hours in a week that need to be covered The number of incident calls will be split among the dispatch-

said he wanted to support Di-Giovanna and Schenk, but took issue with the number of hours dispatchers would be putting in and possible overtime.

"You're at 230 hours," Schulz said. "If you can minimize the two new dispatchers from working 40 hours when possible that would be best. It would be nice to have someone ready to call in if you needed instead of having two sitting there."

DiGiovanna said that when leave and training time are figured in, the 60-plus overlapping hours disappear quickly. He added that he does not want to promise 30 hours and not fulfill that promise. He added that his

current staff does its best to not have overtime. DiGiovanna himself works as a dispatcher every other Saturday night and tries to be available during afternoon hours to help out whether it is an hour or more or just 10 minutes.

"It's no longer a one-person operation with so many things happening in our county," Di-Giovanna said. "It's not just the sheriff's department dispatched out from here. We're going to have those busy times – like fire season - and need to be ready."

The commissioners approved of the hiring after the interview process is done. They meet next on May 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room.

# **Madison County Planning Board** reviews Twin **Bridges Growth** Policy

By Faith Moldan For The Madisonian

Twin Bridges' Growth Policy moved a step further at Monday night's planning board meeting. Board members set May 20 as the date for a public hearing in Twin Bridges.

be reviewed every five years and updated if necessary. Public input was received at a needs assessment hearing in November 2012 and public meetings this spring. Fechter said the policy is used by other agencies such as the planning office to make An update of the town's 2003 decisions that will compliment

guide, the policy is supposed to

Farewell, Joanne!



growth policy, the new version received numerous comments and suggestions from the planning board. The board acts as the planning board for Twin Bridges through an agreement with the town and will make a recommendation to the town council about the policy that covers everything about the town from the history, population, housing, land use, infrastructure, economic conditions and local services.

Planning Director Charity Fechter said the Twin Bridges airport should be acknowledged in the policy since part of it lies in the one-mile planning buffer. She added that she does not anticipate any conflicts with airport in the policy. Fechter suggested the town's bike trails be referenced in the policy as well. The local services section needs some work too. Craig Erickson with Great West Engineering said he is waiting for input from Twin Bridges' fire department, but the section is about 90 percent done. An update, required by statute, about sand and gravel resources will have to be included in the policy as well.

"I don't consider any of these changes major. They don't change the overall growth policy," Fechter said.

A non-regulatory planning

what the town wants and provide guidance for accommodating development within the town.

Dan McCauley, also of Great West Engineering said he and Erickson met with Twin Bridges town officials Monday. McCauley said officials did not have an issue with the growth policy and that the mayor and city council have provided quite a bit of input. He added that they have already started work on making the necessary changes. McCauley and Erickson thanked Fechter and the board for their comments saying it is nice to have another set of eyes on it.

"We appreciate the comments and input," Erickson said. "We will try to get the most accurate and up-to-date maps, photos, and information that we can. We will clean it up as per your guidance."

The May 20 meeting will be at the Twin Bridges town hall in order for more people to attend and comment on the growth policy. The comment period will begin around 6:15 p.m. The policy will be posted on the planning department website prior to the meeting. It will also be available at the Twin Bridges town hall, planning office, Twin Bridges library and Thompson-Hickman Library.

Joanne Erdall Vanderiet is presented with a plaque in appreciation of her service to the Thompson-Hiickman Library.

# **FOR YOUR INFORMATION** Schools will serve as polling places for elections

By Alyse Backus The Madisonian news@madisoniannews.com

Schools in Madison County will function as polling places for the upcoming elections on May 7. Polling places will open at noon and close at 8 p.m.

Each individual school will count votes the night of May 7.

#### **Twin Bridges**

David Banks Jr. will challenge incumbent Allison Wentzel for a school board trustee position.

Voters will cast ballots at Twin Bridges School.

### Sheridan

Bill Wood is running for reelection against Karen Talley and Mike Davidson.

Sheridan School will be the polling place.

#### Harrison

Dustin Wagner and Parker Taylor are running for the available school board trustee seat. Voters will cast ballots at the

Harrison High School.

Ennis Ennis school district is com-

prised of three different precincts. Those who live in Ennis or

rural Ennis will vote at the Ennis High School, while those who

live in Virginia City will vote at the Rehearsal Hall.

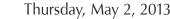
There are two open seats on the Ennis School Board. John Scully, Mike Richmann and Maria Lake are running for those trustee positions.

Alder will not be holding an election this year.

Also, on the May 7 ballot is a one-time mill levy for the Madison County Public Library. The mill levy, if passed, will fund an addition onto the current library in Virginia City. The addition will house a conference room, children's room and archives repository.

Photo by Faith Moldan







## **CORRECTION:**

In last week's edition, The Madisonian incorrectly printed John Scully's responses to the Ennis School Board candidate questionnaire. Mr. Scully's answers were not printed in the correct order. Consequently, his answers did not match up with the appropriate questions. The correct version of John Scully's Q&A can be viewed on our website www.madisoniannews.com.

# We need to reindustrialize our nation, return to greatness

#### Dear Editor,

We hear a lot about the recovery that is underway in our national economy. As far as I can tell, the recovery we are experiencing doesn't exist, except in the minds of government bureaucrats. As the saying goes, "liars figure, but figures don't lie". According to recent government statistics, one in five families now receives food stamps.

That percentage has more than doubled since the start of the "Great Recession", which officially ended in 2010. We are bleeding manufacturing, natural resource and other high value jobs, and growing service sector jobs in their place that pay on average, less than half. That is not the key to success for our nation and is truly "unsustainable" in the long term.

leading export to The Peoples' Republic of China (the largest communist power in the world), our leading trade partner. Second only to the privately owned Federal Reserve System, The Peoples Republic is the major holder of American debt and has a huge trade surplus with us. They have been the recipient of our industrial base, collateralized with our natural resources, Scrap metal has become our and we are acting like it's no big

deal. What in the world is wrong with the thinking of our national leadership? Don't tell me that they're not smart enough to see where they are sending our once great economy.

We need to reindustrialize our nation and reopen our natural resource sector to return to greatness. A country that produces nothing but services cannot survive in a world of manufacturing giants. The Chinese,

Brazil, and other communist governments are beginning to realize that a totally controlled economy isn't very efficient and are adopting some ideas of free market economic policies like allowing private ownership of businesses, but they still control the whole system...kind of like an earlier German experiment in government. Hmmm.....isn't an econo-

my run by the private sector but

controlled by the government known as Fascism, and didn't we fight a world war to end Fascism because it was so incredibly dangerous for humanity? Are we missing the big picture?

> Dan A. Happel Commissioner Madison District 2

# Reader addresses Medicaid, private school (continued from last week)

#### Dear Editor,

Healthcare, end-of-life issues, and women's health related issues – It seems over the years the democrat's choice of wording always evolves into some-

suicide, it is now end-of-life; abortion – then pro-choice – and now women's health related issues. Same agenda - different words, but always wanting someone else to pay for it. If

thing easier to hear. Instead of Ms. Bradley doesn't want to invite us into her bedroom then keep your door closed, and don't ask for my money to fix your problems.

> Finally, there is ALWAYS the reference to the Tea Party.

totally out of context and relating to nothing. An organization that promotes personal responsibility and freedom is not what Pat Bradley wants. She doesn't want Legislators that know and

Constitution because therein lies the only thing standing in a Socialist's path to enslaving everyone to the goals of a few. That is why she said to contact your "moderate GOP" because

Usually, as in this instance, it is serve their oath to uphold the those are the ones that people like Ms. Bradley have worked hard to put in office.

> Christy Wagner Harrison

## big thank you to fire departments very

A blessed thank you to the Twin Bridges and Sheridan Volunteer Fire Departments for their quick and thorough response on the Jefferson Acres fire in Silver Star on April 20. It was a flawless firefighting response, no one was injured, no homes were damaged and very little ac-

tual property damage occurred, mostly trees and grass which fortunately grow back in time. This is in spite of extremely dry conditions, winds gusting to 25 mph, driving the fire into a large wooded section, which then lofted embers across the Jefferson

north side of the river.

Under the quick thinking and action of Fire Chief Lloyd Carlson from Twin Bridges, Fire Chief Ted Woirhaye from Sheridan, Fire Chief Jeremy Ward from Whitehall, their team of volunteer Fire Fighters, For-River touching off fires on the est Service Fire Fighters from

Whitehall and Ennis, and numerous generous neighbors, the south side fire was extinguished and the north side fire was limited to less than an acre. A remarkable feat considering the amount of dry grass, tinder and dense woods.

If you have not yet support-

ed your local fire department, keep in mind that about 50 fire fighters worked tirelessly from about 11:30 a.m. until about 10 p.m., some staying until 1 a.m. This diligent effort is especially remarkable considering the majority of fire fighters were volunteering their time.

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> Jeanne Elpel Silver Star

# OBITUARY



Kitty passed away on Tues- her bedroom hitting her head, day, April 2, 2013. She fell in which caused hemorrhaging



# Katherine "Kitty: Garrett Brown June 22, 1923-April 2, 2013

of the brain. She was "Life Flighted" from Sheridan to St. Patrick's Hospital, in Missoula where she underwent surgery. She died one week after the surgery. In June, she would have celebrated her 90th Birthday.

Kitty was born in Versailles, Kentucky. Her parents were farmers, on Allen's Grant, a farm of about 300 acres of land granted to the family by the English king. Their home was Antebellum Style, common in the south, with 2-story columns across the front porch. It was a beautiful winding drive through the gate and over the front pasture to get to the house. There were five children: Babi, Ish, Betty, Joe and Kitty. They all had farm chores to attend to. They raised beef cattle and milk cows, along with producing several different crops on the farm. The family enjoyed a creek-fed, stone and concrete, swimming pool. The farm's kitchen was where everyone hung out. The kitchen had a hand pump and the water there was cool and sweet. It was the family's social center, where Kitty spoke of snapping beans and husking corn, with everyone working together. Kitty was proud of what a good farmer her father was, and that he was very good with the land. She was also proud of her Kentucky heritage and considered herself an easterner

with a touch of Kentucky drawl. When Kitty was young she contracted polio and dealt with that the rest of her life. There was a tight social

relationship between neighbors in Kentucky. Kitty's family belonged to the Pisgah Presbyterian Church in Versailles. It was founded in 1784, is still an active church today, and is now part of the National Historic Registry. When Kitty was growing up, church was a big part of their family life. They spent Saturday afternoons at church social activities, or doing work that needed to be done on the church itself or the church grounds. Kitty's son, Marty, remembers one work afternoon when he, his uncle, and his grandfather blew up a tree stump there. "That was so much fun, one of the best work afternoons ever!" he recalled. There would be games and social activities for all ages, and maybe even a cookout. After high school, Kitty attended Margaret Hall Junior College. She was still in Kentucky, but the start of the Second World War changed that. She went to the Willow Run Bomber Plant in Michigan to help in the war effort as an assembler of B-24 Bombers. It was while she was there that she met Eugene Brown, a University of Michigan graduate in Engineering, and a relationship

developed between them.

Kitty married Eugene in 1946; they moved to Lynnfield, Massachusetts, close to his work as a Design Engineer at the General Electric Aircraft Engine Group. They had 3 children: Lucy, Marty, and Marci. Their first house together was at the end of a long dirt road, with no power and no water. Kitty and "Gene" built the foundation for a house that they bought; and City. later had the house brought in

attended the University of New Hampshire. Lucy and her husband later moved to Montana, where he was the Director of Health Systems for the BIA. They had two children, Farrah and Matt Korshin (Kitty's grandchildren). The family later moved to Anchorage, AK. Matt is an Engineer on the Aleyeska Pipeline, and Farrah works in financial services in New York

Marty moved to Boston and graduated from Boston University. He had a 25-year career in Materials and Production Control; then he began a second career that lasted for 20 years in Computer Network Design. Marty has been married to Peggy Romano for 35 years. They have no children. Peggy is an IT Director at a hospital in Portland, Maine. In 2009, Marty went back to school at The Landing School in Arundel, Maine and now runs his own boat shop. Kitty was Marty's Cub Scout Leader and he remembers all the fun times they shared. Marci lives in southern Maine and is not married. When Marci was still in high school, Kitty spent one summer at Brigham Women's Hospital undergoing the Harrington Rod Procedure in which rods were put into her back; the doctors would adjust the rods to straighten her spine, all of which was a very painful procedure. She was in a full body cast all that summer. Over the years, Kitty's scoliosis (a side-to-side bend in her spine) progressed leaving her bent over and unable to stand up straight. In 1974, Kitty decided she wanted a change, so she loaded her belongings into a rental van and by herself moved across country to Billings. She worked in Billings for a few years then moved to Sheridan. During those early years in Sheridan she hiked to the top of Baldy Mountain with her friend Roger Ellinghouse. In November 2008, Kitty and Andy Hupe were married in Butte, Montana. Kitty and Andy loved to go for rides – just anywhere- for they both love nature and enjoyed seeing wildlife or the farm animals. Her love of nature, animals, and birds stemmed from her childhood days on their Kentucky farm. Her passion was that animals whatever kind - were dependent upon "their people" to have their CONTINUED ON A6

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and moved onto the foundation. They needed a well so Kitty and her mother dug it by hand. The well was dug at a slant so they could fill up a wheelbarrow down in the hole, and then tow the wheelbarrow up and out behind a cart. The family had water.

From there the Brown family moved to Reading, Mass., living in several houses before finally settling into a house with some acreage. While in Reading, Kitty began honing her skills as an artist, with charcoal sketches, then oils, and finally watercolors. She studied water colors for two summers with Robert Brackman in Noank, Conn., and was an active member of the Reading Art Society; spearheading the annual art show on the Reading Common. Later, she would be in the Madison County Writers Group, writing poems and short stories, some of which have been published.

Gene and Kitty separated in 1965. Kitty bought a house in Reading, so the family pretty much stayed put as they shared parenting responsibilities while raising their children. Kitty worked as an administrative assistant in several positions, ending with a 10-year stint in that position at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston while always living in Reading. Kitty and Gene remained friends throughout their lives.

During her time in Reading, Kitty started a local newspaper that addressed women's issues, local issues, and other progressive issues. She was a bit of a rebel never afraid to express her thoughts. Kitty was outspoken, vou always knew just what was on her mind; that was who she was. If she had an idea she went with it! As the pastor said at her funeral, we should all embrace each person's unique qualities, and Kitty should be remembered for not being afraid to be who she was.

Lucy, her oldest daughter,



# **CROSSWORD** By Eugene Sheffer

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needs for food, water, medical care, proper shelter (in the heat of the summer or the cold of the winter) provided to them. She felt if people owned any animal or pet that those pets or animals deserved to be well taken care of.

She rescued lost animals, homeless animals, or sometimes discarded pets for years. She cared for them until she could find them a home. She also worked with her friend Susie Brown of the Dillon Animal Shelter. She wrote a weekly article in the local Madisonian Newspaper called "For Pet's Sake." The article covered a variety of topics and had pictures of animal's up-for-adoption.

Kitty's favorite color was

blue. She often dressed in blue, and her coffin is of a soft blue, velvety texture.

In February, Kitty and Andy lost their faithful, devoted black lab Russell. Kitty was right there holding Russell as he was put to sleep. She took his loss very hard and missed him everyday, for he would come to Kitty and nudge her - - just a little reminder-- that he just might need a "treat." Russell loved going for rides with them, and the back seat was all his.

Andy and Kitty's first adventure of the day, if she were up for it, would be to go out for lunch to the Sheridan Senior Citizen's Center. They both loved the excellent food and enjoyed gathering with their friends. Wintertime was hard

for Kitty to be out and about; it was difficult for her to walk. She enjoyed the big Christmas, Thanksgiving, and Easter Holiday Dinners at the Koenig house. The house was full as family gathered, and she loved being part of it all. Even though she might say she's getting full she loved desserts and rarely turned them down. She truly enjoyed eating.

Kitty and Andy always looked forward to the special presentations put on by the Sheridan Public Library. They enjoyed the special guest speakers, artists, or movies that are shown for the public. They looked forward to any new upcoming events at the library. Kitty was busy putting together a book that would include "For

Pet's Sake" and the events of those years when she was actively helping the community. She planned to donate her book to the library. Her friend, Susie Brown, is going to finish it for her, since Kitty didn't have the chance.

She brought joy to Grandpa Andy and to all of us when she joined our family. Kitty loved being around the two newest members of the family: Dixon Lyall Koenig, 5, and Aurora Juliet Koenig who is almost two. Kitty loved watching them while they were just "being kids" as she said. She loved the enthusiasm they brought to life.

Kitty had been looking forward to our family's upcoming wedding for

Kyle Koenig and Ashley

Douglas on March 23; but she was in the hospital at that time. Kitty loved family gatherings; she held a "very special place in her heart" for her dear friends Bette and Steve Gall of Butte.

Funeral services for Katherine Garrett Brown were held on April 3, 2013 at 2:00. Pastor Ben Nardi officiated at K & L Mortuary, and at the gravesite. Speakers at her services were: Kurtis, Kyle, and Ginny Koenig. Pall Bearers were: her son Marty Brown of Maine, Kerry Koenig, Kyle Koenig, Kurtis Koenig, and Tom Gall of Big Timber. Betty Bennett of Butte, who married Kitty and Andy, also said a Baha'i Graveside Prayer. Kitty was buried in the Sheridan Cemetery.

Those who preceded her

in death were: her parents, her sisters Babi and Betty; and her first husband Eugene. Family members are: her sister Ish of Maryland; her brother Joe of Lexington, Kentucky; Kerry and Virginia (Gall) Koenig of Spring Creek, NV; Kurtis, Cori, Dixon, and Auroa Koenig of Ennis; Kyle and Ashley Koenig of Belgrade; Gina (Koenig) and Boone Hodgin of Witter, AR; Martin and Katherine Hupe of Anchorage, AK; Valerie Hupe of Dutch Harbor, AK; Joyce (Hupe) Corpuz of Anchorage; Lenard Hupe of Anchorage, and Arlene (Hupe) Moreno of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Memorial donations can be made to the Dillon Animal Shelter or to the Bozeman "No Kill Animal Shelter."

# Madison Meadows women's golf season begins

#### Submitted by Carol Bennett LADIES LEAGUE PRESIDENT

The Madison Meadows Women's Golf Association will get the 2013 season underway on Thursday, May 16. We will begin the season with a \$5 buy-in evening game at 5:30

p.m. Please call the clubhouse 5:30 p.m. we will play a \$5 buyat 406-682-7468 to sign up no later than noon on that day.

Madison Meadows Women's Golf Association is open to all women who are interested in playing golf regardless of skill level.

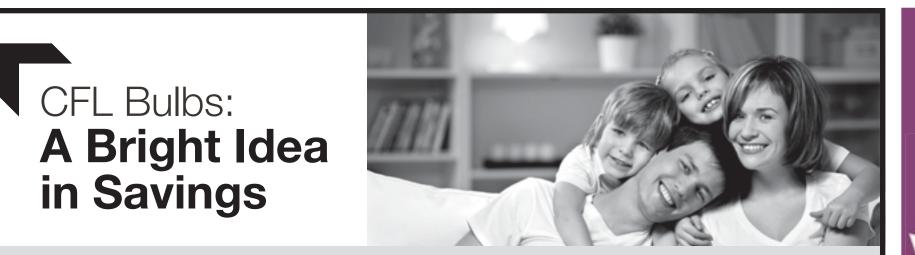
in nine-hole scramble followed by refreshments and our annual spring organizational meeting. Please call the clubhouse at 406-682-7468 by noon on May 23 to sign up for the scramble. If you cannot play golf on May On Thursday, May 23, at 23 and wish to attend the meetclubhouse by 7 p.m.

If weather prevents playing the scramble, the meeting will begin at 6 p.m. Agenda items for the meeting include evening league format, morning league play, President's Cup Play, and the Ladies Invitational Tourna-

association is a great way to improve your golf game, make new friends, rekindle friendships and have a fun "girls' night out".

If you have any questions regarding Madison Meadow Women's League, please call

ing, please plan to be at the ment. Participating in the golf Madison Meadows Pro Shop at 682-7468, or one of the officers: Carol Bennett, President, at 682-4389, Nancy DiMeola, Vice-President, at 682-7397, Judy Hovan, Secretary, at 682-3183 or Alde Feskanin, Treasurer, at 581-4414.





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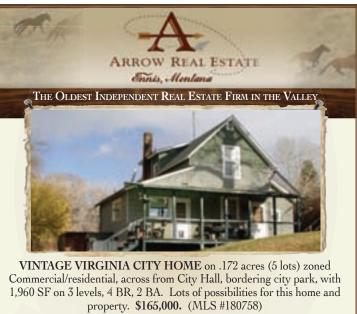
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# **First Madison Valley Bank assists Virginia City Chamber of Commerce with mailing**

From Mary Oliver First Madison Valley Bank

In the spirit of community service, the First Madison Valley Bank tellers assisted the Virginia City Chamber of Commerce by managing a mass mailing of the 2013 Visitors Guides showcasing the 150th Anniversary Celebrations and Events to be held in Virginia City and Nevada City.

On May 26, 1863, weary gold prospectors on their way home made camp in the Alder Gulch area. A prospecting trip in the evening yielded a piece of exposed bedrock that would prove to be one of the richest gold deposits in North America, and one of the greatest events in Montana history. Virginia City was borne from this incredible discovery. About 150 years later, on

April 26, 2013, the energetic tellers of First Madison Valley Bank of Ennis - Amanda Newell, Christy Stahl, Liz Fortier, Lori Taylor and Amanda Burgess - efficiently labeled more than 100 boxes and envelopes, inserted hundreds of 150th flyers and posters, all in the spirit of community service. The mailings will be delivered via the United State Post Office to places far

and wide, from Alzada to Zortman and to neighboring states, promoting southwest Montana tourism.

Community service comes in many different forms. The Virginia City Chamber extends a colossal thank you to the tellers of First Madison Valley Bank for this random act of kindness and for the bank's ongoing support of the communities they serve.





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Photo by Susanne Hill

Dan Kenworthy of Kenworthy Electric in Sheridan (right) and Tony and Emily Simonsen of Home Park Assisted Living in Sheridan were just a few of the business owners from Madison County who attended this year's Statewide Small Business Development Network Invest in Success Conference. The conference was held on April 24-25 at the Montana Tech campus in Butte and participants attended a variety of trainings on small business topics and challenges. The conference also presented valuable opportunities to connect with industry experts, peers and key business resource partners

In addition to the experts presenting on a variety of topics throughout the conference, Michael Shuman, a nationally renowned economist, delivered a thought-provoking keynote presentation on local sustainability and local economies.



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Thursday, May 2, 2013

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# STEWARDS of the



Photos submitted by Madison Conservation District and Ruby Valley Conservation District

Top: Bob and Cora Goggins have ranched in the Madison Valley for 66 years.

Bottom: George Trischman recently retired as ranch

manager of Hamilton Ranch near Twin Bridges.

# Madison and Ruby Conservation Districts present stewardship awards

By Alyse Backus The Madisonian news@madisoniannews.com

Ranchers from all over Madison County gathered together Saturday night in Virginia City to honor the efforts of a few stewards from both Ruby and Madison Valleys.

The stewardship awards recognize the roles private landowners and residents play in resource conservation through their stewardship activities. Nominations for the award share the stories of stewards' projects and showcase the successful voluntary stewardship efforts happening within the Madison and Ruby Conservation Districts.

Winners of stewardship awards provide lasting benefits to the landscape by completing projects that focus on educational efforts, streams, riparian areas, forests or any other natural resources.

#### Valley Madison Stewardship winners

Cora and Bob Goggins received the Stewardship Award for the Madison Valley. The Goggins, who are from Ennis, have been a ranching team for over 65 years. The two have been on their current ranch since 1959. The ranch a unique partnership between primarily raises Hereford Bulls.

Nominated by granddaughter, Endecott, the Goggins have them, one must take care

the improved water quality and participated in community stream monitoring and have increased habitat for wildlife, fish and waterfowl.

The NRCS and Madison Valley Weed Committee enrolled a group of the Goggins' heifers in the Cows Eating Weeds project. The cows are now five-yearsold and graze knapweed and wild licorice every summer. In addition to grazing, the Goggins have controlled weeds by spraying and hand pulling.

"Successful ranching is people and livestock where the cattle work for you and their you work for the cattle; Rachel and in order to work for

of the land," Endecott said in her nomination of her grandparents. "Bob and Cora Goggins of Ennis are a great example of this philosophy."

#### Ruby Valley Stewardship winners

Valley The Ruby Conservation District awarded George Trischman with this year's stewardship award. Nominated by his crew at Hamilton Ranch, Trischman served as the ranch's manager to control weeds by using for 25 years up until his recent retirement. The Hamilton Ranch is outside of Twin Bridges.

Trischman improved riparian health and worked on improving the productivity of the ranch while creating

habitats. His operation included projects from Rochester Basin to Hells Canyon to Stone Creek to the Upper Ruby, Warm Springs and Moose-Camp Creek. As an active member in numerous community, statewide and national committees and organizations, Trischman educated others and implemented practices and policies to benefit the lands.

Trischman also worked chemical and biological methods to keep noxious weeds and undesirable plant species at bay. He targeted weeds without threatening native grass species.

Weed Fighter of the Year Madison County healthy fish and wildlife Commissioner Dave Schulz

rancher Rick presented Sandru with the Montana Weed Control Association's Weed Fighter of the Year award. This award is given to an individual who institutes an aggressive attack on weeds by implementing unique and innovative approaches to weed control. The award is open to any age level.

Sandru is a thirdgeneration Montana rancher. He currently operates a family ranch in Twin Bridges. He also serves as the Ruby Valley Stock Association President; Southwest Montana Stockmen Association Director; Ruby Valley Conservation District Supervisor; Montana Stockgrowers' Association member and Montana Public Lands Council member.



# HEALTH & WELLNESS



# **MVMC celebrates Hospital Week**

By Dottie Fossel and Sandi Pfau

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Madison Valley Medical Center (MVMC) will be celebrating hospital week May 6-10. The first national hospital day was held on Florence's Nightingale's birthday, May 12, 1921. The idea was conceived in Chicago as a public healthcare event that encouraged trust in the city's hospitals after the "Spanish Flu " outbreak of 1918, which killed more than 600,000 Americans. Today, every state celebrates National Hospital Week sponsored by the American Hospital

Association. It not only creates camaraderie and team spirit." community awareness, but also honors every department and and group honored starting with person in our medical center.

On Monday through Thursday, different departments will be honored by having breakfast served to them by other medical staff employees and volunteers. Friday everyone will share in a lunchtime barbeque.

Dottie Fossel, chairman of the Board of Trustees said, "Susan Miller, a member of the laboratory department, along with her committee, has planned a fun week to increase

Each day will have a theme Monday: Western day, honorees are the clinic, transcription, and the business office.

Tuesday: Camo dav. honorees are the lab, imaging, physical therapy, and medical records. Wednesday: Pajama day, honorees are the nursing staff. Thursday: Super Hero day, honorees are central supply, IT, the Foundation, maintenance, and administration. Friday: Pick Your Decade day, honorees will be our providers.

"On behalf of the Board of Trustees and our Community, thank you to all those who diligently serve with SO compassion and care at our Medical Center" said Dottie Fossel. If community members visit MVMC during May 6-10, they are encouraged to join in thanking our honorees. Dottie Fossel invites anyone who would like to tour the Medical Center to come in anytime for a tour and to meet our dedicated staff and volunteers that deliver high quality care every day of the year.

# Slimming seasonal staples for spring

#### Submitted by Kimberly Greene

With spring finally upon us, you may be inclined to add some fresh foods into your diet. The season synonymous with change provides a variety of seasonal produce that can recharge your diet, as well as aid in your weightloss efforts.

Incorporating specific springtime staples into your diet can help keep you fuller and more satisfied while improving your overall health. TOPS Club, Inc. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), the nonprofit weight-loss support organization, offers the following tasteful recommendations that work overtime to help benefit vour body.

• Sugar snap peas – One cup these sweet veggies contai only 26 calories. Besides being loaded with flavor and crunch, they also are full of fiber and vitamin K. • Ginger - According to researchers at Florida's University of Miami, just a teaspoon of ginger can make you feel full twice as quickly. This is due to the gingerol and zingibain inside ginger that act as powerful appetite suppressants. Ginger is also a great anti-inflammatory. • Green onions – Also known as spring onions, these have all the flavor of regular onions without the smell. Stanford University researchers have found the high amounts of sulfur in spring onions help your pancreas burn carbs for fuel before they are stored in your body as fat. Add these to recipes for a little flavor and color. • Eggplant – Eggplant can be incorporated into many recipes as a low-calorie meat replacement or

eaten on its own. Baked or grilled, eggplant is a great choice at just 20 calories per cup. Its low sugar content and muscle-strengthening high protein and potassium levels make it a powerhouse of taste and nutrition.

• Button mushrooms -According to UCLA research, the plant protein in button mushrooms carbohydrate slows down absorption in the intestines and helps your body soak up and burn sugars fast, aiding weightloss efforts. The study has shown that eating one cup a day could accelerate your weight loss by 50 percent

• Peppermint – Add this fresh and light herb into your diet as often as possible. Studies from Chicago's Smell and

Taste Treatment and Research Foundation have shown that adding one tablespoon of fresh, chopped peppermint to a meal can cause you to feel full on 100 fewer calories. Plus, its lively flavor and smell are perfect for the season.

• Cucumber – A spring and summertime favorite, cucumbers are a guilt-free flavor booster to any salad or a great snack on their own. One cup of cucumber slices equals only 16 calories. They're water-rich and high in fiber, so they work double to make you feel full and satisfied.

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 combines support from others at weekly chapter meetings, healthy eating, regular exercise, and wellness information. TOPS has about 150,000 members male and female, age seven and older - in nearly 9,000 chapters throughout the United States and Canada. Visitors are welcome to attend their first 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-



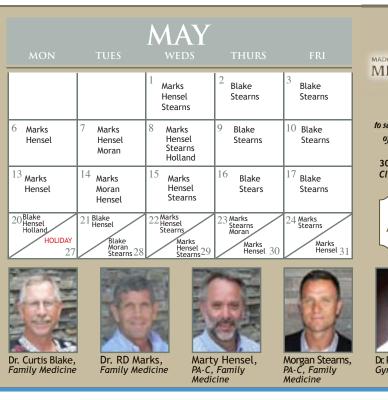
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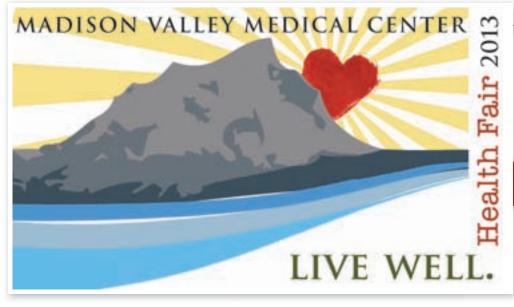
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# **MVMC** ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR JUNE 8





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# ENNIS GOLF TOURNAMENT AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

Thursday, May 2, 2013



A Gallatin Valley Outlaw runner takes off for first base after connecting with a pitch.

Photo by Alyse Backus

# **Gallatin Valley Outlaws fall to Bitterroot Bucs**

**By Alyse Backus** The Madisonian news@madisoniannews.com

The Gallatin Valley Outlaws lost a double header to visitors, the Bitterroots Bucs Sunday afternoon in Three Forks.

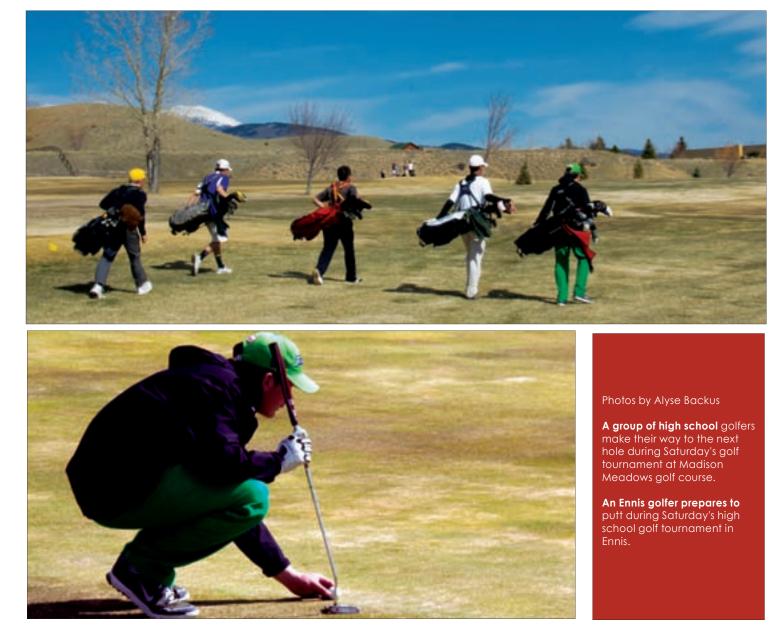
unbeaten in Class A American Legion Baseball.

The Gallatin Valley Outlaws gave up seven runs in the first game and fell 7-4. Then in the second game, the Outlaws couldn't rally and lost 4-3.

On Saturday, the Outlaws The Bitterroot Bucs remain hosted the Lewistown Red Birds. They pulled out a 14-3 win in the first game but lost the second game 1-11.

The win against the Red Birds is the team's only win so far this season. The Outlaws' record is 1-5.

The Outlaws take on the Red Birds again at home next Saturday at 1 p.m. Then the team travels to face the Bitterroot Bucs once again on Sunday. The Outlaws will play two games of seven innings each day.



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# THANK YOU!

# Lone Peak, Townsend takes first at Ennis golf tournament

By Alyse Backus The Madisonian new@madisoniannews.com

Lone Peak boys' golf team and Townsend girls' team won Saturday's golf tournament at Madison Meadows golf course in Ennis.

Lone Peak finished out the day with a team score of 333. Townsend girls led the course with a total score of 373.

Michael Daines from Manhattan claimed the individual title by finishing his first and second rounds with a score of 38.

Trevor House from Lone Peak placed second in the boys' tournament. He scored 41 in his first round and 40 in his second round.

Townsend's Bailee Dexter led her team and won first individually with a score of 43 in her first round and a score of 42 in her second. Teammate

Madison Robischon followed 2. Trevor House Lone Peak right behind her in second with a first-round score of 48 and a second-round score of 44.

Maddy Galloup from 4. Keagan Lindsoe Ennis finished out both rounds with a total of 126.

Kyler Elliot led the Ennis 5. Charlie Johnson squad. He finished in seventh place with 41 first-round score and a 45 second-round score.

Both Three Forks teams placed second in the tournament.

Ten teams competed in Saturday's tournament.

Madison Meadows is a par-36 course.

back on the road to compete at Manhattan Christian on 10. Taylor Jones Manhattan Tuesday.

### Top ten boys:

1. Michael Daines Manhattan Christian 38 38 76

41 40 81 3. Tate Taton Lone Peak 43 40 81

Three Forks 47 37 84 Lone Peak 44 40 84 6. Quinn House Lone Peak 45 40 85 7. Kyler Elliott Ennis 41 45 86 8. Parker Robinson Gardiner 43 43 86 The Ennis golf teams head 9. Griffin House Lone Peak 48 43 91 45 46 91

#### Top ten girls:

1. Bailee Dexter Townsend 43 42 85 2. Madison Robischon Townsend 48 44 92 3. Abi Venzor Three Forks 50 44 94 4. Macaul Bartaff Three Forks 47 50 97 5. Megan Crawford Manhattan Christian 47 50 97 6. Tehya Braun Lone Peak 48 49 97 7. Lynzee Dexter Townsend 45 52 97 8. Taylor Ferguson Three Forks 50 48 98 9. Anna DeMars Townsend 48 51 99 10. Makenzie Wasson Harlowton 53 46 99

Although late our thanks is still huge to all out family, friends and fans that supported us throughout the 2013 Basketball season. For each of you to travel to our games, cheering us on, in our wins, as well as our losses, makes each of us proud to be an Ennis Mustang!! Through each of our Varsity, and JV games in the regular season, Districts, Divisionals and our quest for State, your support was behind us 100%!

Thank you, Mr. Overstreet, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Bills, Board Members, Entire Ennis Teaching staff, Secretaries, Janitorial Staff, Mr. Scruggs and Band members, Cheerleaders and advisors, Lunch Ladies, Bus Drivers, our coaches and managers, thanks for everything!!

Dalton Bullock, Brady Croy, Tucker Ott, Colten Clark, Reid Farnes, Wes Goodman, Chad Johnerson, Gabe Leum, Braydon McKitrick, Wyatt Murdoch, Connor Sullivan, Kyler Elliot, Troy Fortner, Haakon Fredrickson, Wylie Leo, Jake Lohrenz, Walker McKintrick, Gabe Snider Thursday, May 2, 2013







Sheridan Schools celebrated National Poetry Month in April! Seniors joined up with kindergarten and first graders to share poetry. Pictured is senior Michael Tilstra with his kindergarten cousin Austin

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# **Ennis High School Rodeo kicks off**

### Submitted by Stacy Croy

It's rodeo time friends! The Ennis High School Rodeo will kick off this weekend Saturday, May 4, and Sunday, May 5, at the Ennis Rodeo grounds. The Montana High School Rodeo Association and the Ennis Rodeo Association bring this rodeo to you. There will be upwards of 100 competitors, including many from Madison County.

students will be competing. Senior Brady Croy has been in high school rodeo for three years and will be competing in saddle bronc and team roping. Junior Braydon McKitrick has been in high school rodeo Jr. High, starts Saturday, May for two years and will be competing in team roping. This is freshman Mackenzie Moen's first year in high school rodeo and she will be competing in barrel racing and pole bending. Eighth grader Tracer Croy will This year four Ennis be competing in bull riding,

chute dogging, and breakaway roping for the first time. Senior Mason Hamilton will be singing the National Anthem to kick off this weekend events.

The rodeo, which includes 4, at noon and Sunday, May 5, at 9 a.m. Please bring your family and friends out to enjoy the day and the great rodeo athletes. Admission is \$5 at the gate and children 5 and under are free. We hope to see you there!

# The Friends of the Madison Valley Public Library hosts "Follow the Money Trail"

#### Submitted by Lucy Ennis

The Friends of the Madison Valley Public Library will host Humanities Montana Speakers Bureau program "Follow the Money Trail" with Edwin Bender on May 16. The program will be at the library, 210 East Main St, Ennis at 7 p.m. The presentation is free and open to the public. Partial funding for the Speakers Bureau program is provided by a legislative grant from Montana's Cultural Trust. Hiding in plain sight in

downtown Helena, the National Institute on Money in State Politics offers instant access to details about campaign donations to statewide races in all 50 states. This unique database reveals political donors active in Montana since the 1990s, illuminating the financial supporters of our elected leaders. In this interactive presentation, Bender uses the nationally recognized website, FollowTheMoney.org, to take you on a trip down the money trail in Montana state

politics. He will invite audience interaction and questions as he focuses the formidable power of FollowTheMoney.org on Montana politics and issues.

Dive deeper into the Institute's fascinating online resource with Edwin Bender, executive director, or Denise Roth Barber, managing director, of the National Institute on Money in State Politics in Helena, Mont.

For more information, please call the Madison Valley Public Library at 682-7244.

# **Ruby Valley hosts Buy Local Expo**

# By Bob Reimard

On Saturday, May 4, the Ruby Valley Chamber of Commerce will again sponsor the Sixth Annual Buy Local Business Expo.

This event will be held at the fairgrounds in Twin Bridges from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Over 40 local vendors

will be on hand to provide information regarding their products and services.

Vendors include gardening and lawn care specialists, health and beauty supplies, candies and jams, home and business products, artists and artworks, bicycle repairs and services, and many more.

There will be a free child ID program and free food and drink. There will also be drawings for four \$50 door prizes. This event is free and open to everyone and showcases the diverse nature of local Ruby Valley businesses. For more info, call Bob Reimard at 842-7900.



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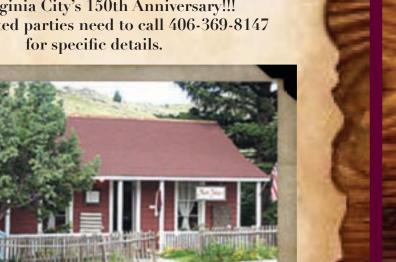
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# SEASONAL HELP

The Montana Heritage Commission is looking to hire up to 12 short Term Seasonal Workers in Virginia City, MT. \$9.48 \$12.60/hour. Positions will run from approximately mid May mid September. For application information, contact any Job Service or the state website to apply online: http://mt.gov/statejobs/statejobs. asp or call 406-843-5247. Resumes/applications will also be accepted at the office at 300 ½ West Wallace St., Virginia City. Applications will be reviewed as received.

# **CHARLES AND SUE BOVEY VISITOR CENTER**

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: eallen@mt.gov



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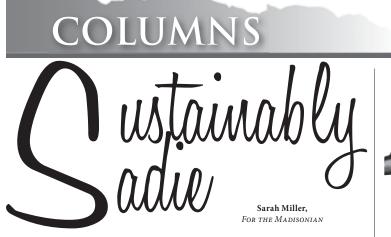
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### **Farmer's Market**

Each day gets us closer and will be held at the fairgrounds closer to Farmers' Market season. What a wonderful time of year: the weather is warmer, the days are longer and Saturdays are a great day to find yourself at a Farmers' Market.

That being said, I have heard that there will be a Farmers' Market Thursday evenings in Sheridan. Ann Goldthwait of Kindred Spirits Gift Gallery Ltd in Sheridan is the contact for the Sheridan Farmers' Market, 842-7702.

I love exploring our local Farmers' Markets. Missoula's three markets can be an overwhelming display of color, local produce, yummy eats and amazing handcrafted items. I have yet to attend Bozeman's Farmer's Market, Bogert Farmer's Market at Bogert Park near Bozeman Deaconness Hospital. Missoula's Farmers' Market runs May 11 to October 26. Bogert (Bozeman) Farmers' Market will be June 4 to September 24.

Find Madison Farm to Fork on Facebook and check out www. madisonfarmtofork.com.

Whitehall and Dillon also host Farmers' Markets during the summer. During your travels this summer, strive to stop at five different Farmers' Markets and support Southwest Montana's local economy.

Paula Gilman organized the Ruby Valley's original Buy Local movement, the Twin Bridges Farmers' Market over a decade ago. My husband and I feel very fortunate to be acting Market Managers for the 2013 season. The first Twin Bridges Farmers' Market will be Saturday, May 18, 9 a.m. to Noon. Markets will be held at the TB Main Street Park every Saturday through the end of September. Vendor Fees are \$5 per booth space, no fee for non-profit organization and youth (16 and under) booths. The first two weeks in May there will be no fees for vendors. "If you Grow It, Raise It, Bake It, Make It then Market It!" Email tbfarmersmarket@ hotmail.com, or call us at 684-5222 with any questions.

on May 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There are still a few vendor spaces available for Ruby Valley businesses. Call Bob Reimard at 842-7900 to reserve a space.

There is a Mother's Day Brunch May 12 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the historic Ruby Hotel on Main Street -Sheridan a fundraiser to benefit Jackson's Garden. Buffet to include breakfast casseroles and strata's, quiche, potatoes, fresh fruit, muffins, croissants with a custom dessert bar including assorted cheese cakes, carrot cake, pie, etc. Coffee, tea and juice included. Mimosas available!! \$20 per person, ages 12 and under \$10, age 3 and under free. Reservations recommended call Carla at 842-7956

### From TBS Calendar:

Thurs May 2: Top 8 Track Meet (a) Townsend

Friday May 3: JrHi Track Meet @ Townsend; Mile High Track Meet

May 3-4: State Music Festival (a) Missoula

Sat May 4: JrHi Track Meet (a) Bozeman; Track Meet (a), Anaconda

Mon May 6: Grades 5-8 County Track Meet @ TB

Tues May 7: Election Day; 1st & 2nd grades Field Trip to Museum of Rockies, 6th Grade Field Day

Thurs May 9: HS Spring Concert, 7 pm (a) MP Gym; 7:30 pm Veterans Mtg @ MT Room

Friday May 10: Retirement Celebration w/ Staff, 3 pm; 6,7,8th Grades Spring Dance @ Lunchroom

Sat May 11: District Track Meet @ Bozeman

Tues May 14: Elem Spring Concert, 6:30 pm @ MP Gym

Wed May 15: Spring Awards Banquet, 6 pm @ MP Gym

Friday May 17: Divisional



## Spring is here! And Spring Cleaning...

Jill Gaar

Prudential Montana Spring in Montana, a beautiful time and brings thoughts of spring-cleaning, especially if you are trying to sell you home. Spring for many is a time to declutter, clean and get those lawns in shape. The spring real estate market is here. To prepare, from cosmetic to strategic, sellers can take advantage of a few tips to attract possible homebuyers.

Create Curb Appeal - look and evaluate your property as if you were a buyer. General spring cleanup and lawn maintenance is essential! Money Magazine reports that "landscaping can bring a recovery value of 100-200 percent at selling time" while kitchen and bathroom remodeling can bring a 20-125 percent recovery. Planting and maintaining trees and shrubs in our area is no easy task. It's important to research varieties and planting and maintenance requirements for our area. Such information is amply available online and through our area nurseries. Just sprucing up the front of your home and entryway with flowering annuals and window boxes will help set the tone when your property is shown.

Spring Cleaning! First of all, box up your winter items and move them out as you de-clutter your home. You'll impress buyers with all that open space! Then it's time for a major spring-cleaning, touch up painting, polish the floors and scrub away! Your windows need to sparkle. Wash windows inside and out and remove screens to let in the most light possible. Buyers love to see a lot of natural light in a home. Bring the spring aromas indoors; scents have a profound effect on mood. Infusing scents into your décor with diffusers, fresh cut flowers and plants can change the overall feeling of space.

An Amazing thought! The above tips will improve your mood as well!

They care, they love and they

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# Our Manor By Karen Claassen

The Creation of Mothers -Henry Beecher

When God thought of Mother, He must have laughed with satisfaction And framed it quickly So rich, so deep, so divine, So full of soul, power and beauty Was the conception

We all have mothers and they are very special to us.





# Give Your Dam an Annual Checkup

landscape. Man-made dams in the state are high hazard dot the natural landscape from border to border. These dams are also diverse - in function, size, construction and age. Whether large or small, earthen or concrete, on-stream or off, whether built for electrical generation or to supply water for agricultural needs, all dams have one common factor. They need regular maintenance.

This fact faces every dam owner from federal agencies operating hydroelectric power plants to the small landowners with recreational ponds. Although many dams are permitted and must follow stringent federal and state rules that include regular inspections and maintenance, most of the state's 3,500 to 10,000 dams are unpermitted. This means that inspection and maintenance of these dams is the responsibility of the owner.

Many of Montana's dams are small and in remote locations. Often these, mostly earthen dams, would not pose a threat to downstream life in the event of a failure, but it is still important for the dam owners to know how to carry out an inspection, how to address maintenance issues and who to contact for help. As dams age, the incidence of failure increases. Many agricultural dams date to the '30s and '40s, and some are almost 100 years old.

failures Dam cause problems not only for the dam owner; they also have great impact to county resources. An example of the cost is illustrated through a 2011 incident that involved the overtopping of a dam in Lincoln County that resulted downstream flooding. in Although this dam did not fail, the clogged outlet works and an inadequate auxiliary spillway were partially the cause of damage to the dam and downstream. Response to this incident involved personnel and equipment from Search and Rescue, three fire departments, and the Lincoln County Road Department, Sheriff's Office and Emergency Management. The estimated cost is between \$9,500 and \$10,000. Additional man-hours were involved with the State Disaster Emergency Services, the state's Dam Safety Program, and notifications to the State Highway Department. The dam owner was required to hire a professional engineering firm to conduct a formal inspection and oversee repairs. The state of Montana classifies dams in accordance standards. with national Classification standards do not evaluate the condition of the dam, but instead consider the downstream consequences resulting from a dam failure. Dams fit into one of three categories. High hazard dams are those with the potential for loss of life downstream during

Montana has a diverse failure. Currently, 186 dams dams. The remaining dams are classified as significant hazard dams if there is the potential for significant property or environmental damage downstream, or low hazard dams if only limited or no property damage is likely to occur during failure.

Through the Dam Safety Program, and under the guidance of the Dam Safety Act, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) regulates the construction, operation and maintenance of most high hazard dams. Dams owned by the federal government or inspected by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or those dams included in a mine-operating permit issued by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality or associated with facilities certified under the Major Facility Siting Act, are exempt from the Dam Safety Act. Private dams on federal property, including dams on U.S. Forest Service property are also exempt, however new liability rules now govern these dams.

According to Michele Lemieux, Manager of the Dam Safety Program, dam owners should carry out yearly inspections of their dam, and following noticeable earthquakes or flood events. Annual inspections should include checking the condition of corrugated metal outlet pipes, the cause of most dam failures in Montana. Inspect concrete for cracks, rust stains, and seepage. Inspect embankments for seepage, sinkholes, cracking and rodent holes.

The Dam Safety Program focuses most of their outreach efforts on high hazard dams Owners of other dams need information and resources to aid inspections. One avenue of help offered to dam owners is to attend the Dam Owner Workshop on May 22 in Butte at Montana Tech. This four-hour workshop includes presentations by experts on topics such as: how to inspect your dam; corrugated outlet pipe rehabilitation; concrete repair; liability issues and emergency actions in case of failure. Participants have the opportunity to ask questions, receive a notebook of resources, and enjoy a meal. A special one-hour session will follow for owners of dams on Forest Service lands. The workshop is organized by the Montana Watercourse from MSU in Bozeman. Space is limited. Cost: \$10 to hold your spot, refundable at check-in. To reserve a spot, call (406) 994-6671 or email mtwatercourse@montana.edu or visit www.mtwatercourse. org for more information.

#### Twin Bits

The next TBCA Meeting will be Wednesday, May 8 at noon at the Prudential Office in Twin Bridges.

Track Meet @ Missoula; K-4 Field Day @ Carroll Field; Seniors Last Day

Sunday May 19: HS Graduation 6pm Mon May 20: Trailblazers 4-H mtg, 7 pm (a) Lunchroom Tues May 21: 8th Grade Promotion, 6 pm; Regular School

Board Mtg, 7 pm @ MT Room May 24-25: State Track Meet (a) Laurel

Friday May 24: Last Day of *The Buy Local Business Expo* School! School out at 2 p.m.



A Lull In The Super Cycle By Jerry Welch FOR THE MADISONIAN

# CommodityInsite.com

Reduced demand expectations from China and Europe convinced two influential firms, Goldman Sachs and Rabobank, to downgrade their near term outlook for commodities. Goldman is specifically calling for lower crude oil and cattle prices, cutting its forecast for commodities from overweight to neutral for the next three months. The only explanation I can offer why Goldman is neutral for the next three months is they want to see how the growing season unfolds.

Rabobank, far more negative sounded a bearish note on all agricultural commodities, cutting its forecasts for grain prices by up to one dollar a bushel, claiming that only cocoa and coffee will escape declines in the second half of the year. Rabobank is not waiting to see how the growing season unfolds. They are bearish here and now.

Forecasting lower commodity prices into the end of the year is not a hard call to make. As long as the upcoming growing season is free of hot and dry weather while demand from China and Europe slows, a host markets will be pressured to the downside. What ag producers are likely staring at is the makings of a multi-year bear market.

Also weighing on commodity values is the collapse that took place a few weeks ago with gold when prices over the course of two

days experienced the worst decline in 33 years. It was a disaster of historic proportions that changed the psyche of those that participate in any of the commodity markets. After all, gold is supposed to hold its value. Buying gold was touted not only by the best and the brightest of individual traders but the world's central banks were also wildly bullish as well.

If the central banks "got it wrong" what does that say about the value of agricultural commodities in face of reduced demand from Asia and Europe amid a normal growing season?

Here are some interesting thoughts from Bloomberg News about how wrong the central banks have been regarding gold:

"Central banks bought the most gold since 1964 last year just before the collapse in prices into a bear market underscored investors' weakening faith in the world's traditional store of value.

"Nations from Colombia to Greece to South Africa bought gold as prices rose for an 11th year in 2011, highlighting the reversal of a three-decade-long bout of selling that diminished the world's biggest bullion hoard by 19 percent. The World Gold Council says they added 534.6 metric tons to reserves in 2012, the most in almost a half century, and expects purchases of 450 to 550 tons this year, valued now at as much as \$25.3 billion.

"Central banks are the biggest

losers, with about \$560 billion of value erased since gold reached a record \$1,921.15 an ounce in September 2011.

"The metal was already in the eighth year of its longest bull market since the end of World War I when reserves started expanding again in 2008.

"They were also buying in 1980 when bullion peaked at the equivalent of \$2,400 in today's money, and selling in 1999 as prices slumped to a 20- year low."

"They sell at the wrong time and buy at the wrong time," said Walter "Bucky" Hellwig, who helps manage \$17 billion of assets at BB&T Wealth Management in Birmingham, Ala. "With the benefit of hindsight, they tend to get it wrong more often than not."

Obviously, the best and brightest can be woefully wrong when it comes to forecasting markets. The world's central bankers proved that point when they were caught on the wrong side of ledger during the biggest decline in the price of gold in 33 years. If the world's central bankers can be caught off guard with markets they understand, can the same fatal mistake befall US agricultural producers? Sure it can.

My long-term bias is commodity super cycle has another 20 years to go before it is over. The Asian economies will expand further, pushing more families into a growing middle class that will be

the underpinning force supporting commodity markets of all kinds. There is nothing long-term bearish about commodities. However, based on near term fundamentals of supply and demand, it does indeed seem as if a one to two-year lull in the super cycle is at hand.

American agricultural producers should view any stiff rally as a hedging or selling opportunity. Do not allow high prices to slip away. There is nothing wrong with the logic Goldman Sachs is using to justify their outlook for the next three months regarding commodities. The same can be said for Rabobank that holds a far more negative outlook than Goldman.

Grain and livestock prices are where they are today, because the nation endured two growing seasons in a row that were troublesome. If the weather conditions this season and next return to normal, the odds are high that most commodity markets will work lower from current levels. It only makes sense.

As an agricultural producer, do not fall victim to the same fate that befell the world's central bankers that trade gold. The bankers were convinced that gold prices could only head north. They now realize that when it comes to markets, prices can rise or fall depending on circumstances. It was an expensive lesson to learn.





# Breakfast & Lunch Menu

## ENNIS

Lunch includes: fresh salad/fruit bar & milk Thursday - May 2 Breakfast - Ham & cheese omelette Lunch - Chicken alfredo

Friday - May 3 Breakfast - Pancakes & sausage Lunch - French dip

Monday - May 6 Breakfast - French toast Lunch - Chili cheese tots Tuesday - May 7 Breakfast - Muffins for Mom

Lunch - Pizza Wednesday - May 8 Breakfast - Biscuits & gravy Lunch - Chicken & wild rice soup

# HARRISON

Thursday - May 2 Breakfast - Soft pretzel & cheese Lunch - LEVI: Lasagna, salad Friday - May 3 Breakfast - Pancakes Lunch - KYRA: Pizza (Taco Pizza for Kyra) Monday - May 6 Breakfast - Hot or cold cereal Lunch - TYLER: Biscuits & gravy Tuesday - May 7 Breakfast - Waffles

Lunch - BECCA: Chicken enchiladas Wednesday - May 8

Breakfast - Bagels & cream cheese Lunch - TORI & MATT: Chicken fried steak

# **SHERIDAN**

FYI: Breakfast meals are served with toast Lunch meals are served with fresh romaine & spinach salad and a vegetable bar which includes: Carrots, tomato, broccoli, kidney or garbanzo beans Thursday - May 2

Breakfast - Pancakes with fruit Lunch - Turkey dinner Friday - May 3

NO SCHOOL Monday - May 6

Breakfast - Pancakes with fruit Lunch - Chicken & cheese quesadilla Tuesday - May 7 Breakfast - Biscuits & gravy

Lunch - Walking tacos Wednesday - May 8 Breakfast - Bagel & cream cheese

# Lunch - BBQ pork sliders

Thursday - May 2 Breakfast - Choice of cereal Lunch - Spaghetti Friday - May 3 Breakfast - Egg pizza Lunch - BBQ chicken



by Gail Banks

It is national volunteer week! Volunteering is something that we should all think about. There are so many places to volunteer, that even with the smallest amount of time, it is so important. There is someplace calling your name: the fire department, ambulance department, library, hospice, the school board, a cemetery board, fair board, a women's center, the school booster club, a suicide hotline, a foster parent, so many places in any community.

"It is imperative to ask our self every morning "what will I give those around me today?"

"'One cannot feel self-worth without giving," Dayna Leavins wrote on her Facebook a while back. "Firefighters, EMT's, Paramedics, & Law Enforcement Officers of all kinds work the streets day and night to keep people safe. They are missing their family to care for yours." It is so true and needs to be remembered!

Volunteerism--pass it down to your children as a tradition. More importantly, it's a gift for a lifetime.

My little granddaughter Jasmine had a dance recital Monday evening. She loves it, and does great. But as I watch her dance, I have to say I have horrible flashbacks from my childhood when my mom made me take tap and ballet dance lessons. She'd get me by the ponytail and make me go to those lessons each week, always reminding me that I had promised to put some effort into the lessons. I can still remember the recital night. All the little girls were lined up onstage, ready for the curtain to go up. I looked up and down the line up, all those petite little girls with cute little tanned legs, ready to dance the night away. There I stood in the middle of that line up, certainly not petite, with white chubby little legs with scabs on my knees from playing marbles in the dirt and believe me I was not graceful. Just took a big breath, in my green bull frog dress with a big ole' lily pad on my head for a hat, and tapped and danced my way through one of most embarrassing moments of my life. Nothing was ever said about me taking dance lessons again (thanks to the good Lord) until one of my sons found a picture of me many years later in my frog dance dress, and blew it up into a poster for my birthday. Which I might add was with some help from a friend named Jimilea Grose. Written on the picture was, "There was a time wearing a TUTU was nifty, put now you are grown up and fifty"

What do you say? At least I can laugh about it now.

We are serving hot dogs for lunch at the school cafeteria tomorrow, so I was singing the Hot Dog song: "Hot Dog, Hot Dog, Hot diggity dog. I'm leaving the scene, you are all full of beans."

My co-workers thought I was nutty and said they had never heard the Hot Dog Song. So I had to tell them that when they are graced with grandkids, they will know the song; for those with grandkids know that you have to know the Hot Dog Song to belong to the Mickey Mouse Clubhouse.

Dan Leavens from Twin Bridges is pictured on the cover page of American Angler, this month. Wow, going to have to get his autograph!

So what have we learned this week? The first five days after the weekend are always the hardest. Don't waste your life with someone that does not respect you. Everyone comes with baggage; find someone that loves you enough to help you unpack! Be nice, everyone you meet is fighting some kind of a battle. No one is too busy in this world... It's all about priorities.

Elections are next week. Don't forget to vote. Next week is National Teacher Appreciation week. "Every rose has it thorn, every night has its dawn."

#### ontana's Night Sky-— By Richard Stouffer, FOR THE MADISONIAN

May is going to be an exciting month for planetary watchers. The two brightest planets joined by tiny Mercury will gather very close together in late May in an impressive conjunction of three of the five naked eye planets. Until then, the two largest planets in the Solar System put on a show of their own on either side of the evening sky.

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As the month begins, brilliant Jupiter shines about a quarter of the way up the western sky as darkness falls. In the other direction, the ringed planet Saturn hangs very low in the eastern sky just after sunset. To find Saturn,

trace an arc through the curved handle of the Big Dipper through the bright red star Arcturus to the bluish star Spica. Look about 15 degrees below Spica to find golden colored Saturn. All month long, Saturn shines brightly throughout the night, setting just before dawn by the end of the month.

In the latter part of May, the grouping of Venus, Jupiter and Mercury put on a spectacular everchanging nightly show. Beginning May 19, this trio of planets forms a line from brilliant Jupiter through even more brilliant Venus to much dimmer Mercury, which is just starting to emerge from the solar glare. From May 24 through May 29, these three planets will be tightly grouped and each night will show them noticeably different from the previous night. On May 24, radiant Venus appears a little over a degree to the lower left of reddish Mercury. A little to the left and above this pair is the giant planet Jupiter. All three planets are most tightly grouped on May 26. On May 27, Venus and Jupiter are next to each other, standing a little over a degree apart with Mercury about 2 degrees above them. By the end of the month, Jupiter is the lowest of the three followed by Venus and then Mercury as they form a line in the evening sky and the grouping begins to break up.

A very thin crescent Moon is just to the lower left of Venus on May 10. The Moon will be such a slight sliver on this date that you will have difficulty spotting it. By the next night, the Moon will be a larger crescent and pass just below Jupiter. The following evening, May 12, finds the Moon above and to the left of Jupiter. The Moon passes just to the right of Spica on May 21 and is closest to Saturn on May 22.

For meteor shower, the Eta Aquarid shower peaks the morning of May 5. For Montana sky watchers, this is a fairly minor event. Even so, a sporadic meteor can flash across the sky at any time. From a dark site, meteors typically can be seen at a rate of about five meteors per hour.



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# **Ruby Valley attends State FFA Convention**

Submitted by Cody Boucher RUBY VALLEY FFA

The Ruby Valley FFA chapter had a very successful trip to the state FFA convention with 18 members attending the convention. The convention was held April 3-6 in Billings.

Highlights from the convention include 2nd place in Parliamentary Procedure by team members Elle Wood, Chase Grover, Brant Marsh, Samantha Zetler, Natalie

Hagen, and Celeste Hagen. The Ag Mechanics team placed third out of 60 teams.

The Ag Mechanics team was made up of the following members, Colter Guinnane, Nick Haag, Austin Huttinga, Business Management the team placed 4th out of 48 teams. Team members include Chase Grover (fourth individual), Natalie Hagen (ninth individual), Samantha Zetler and Elle Wood.

In Livestock Evaluation, the team placed seventh out of 68 teams. Team members were Celeste Hagen (sixth individual), Xaiver Harris, Brant Marsh, and Sam Wood. Also receiving a reward for and Charlie Smart. In Farm her secretary book was Celeste Hagen who received second place.

The chapter also participated in Agronomy, Food Science, Extemporaneous Public Speaking, Talent, Hall of Chapters, Tech Corp and

Delegate Business. Apart from competitions many scholarships were given to students across the state to attend various leadership camps. Cady Guinnane received a scholarship to attend the Alumni Leadership Camp (ALC) this summer.

The Ruby Valley FFA chapter was very successful at the state convention this year and congratulations to all the winners.



Gustafson Branding Party! LIVE MUSIC Eric "Fingers" Ray Saturday, May 4th at 9 p.m.

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# **Jackson's Garden hosts Mother's Day** brunch

Submitted by Carla Marsh

There will be a Mother's Day brunch on May 12 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the historic Ruby Hotel on Main Street in Sheridan. The brunch is a fundraiser to benefit Jackson's

The buffet will include

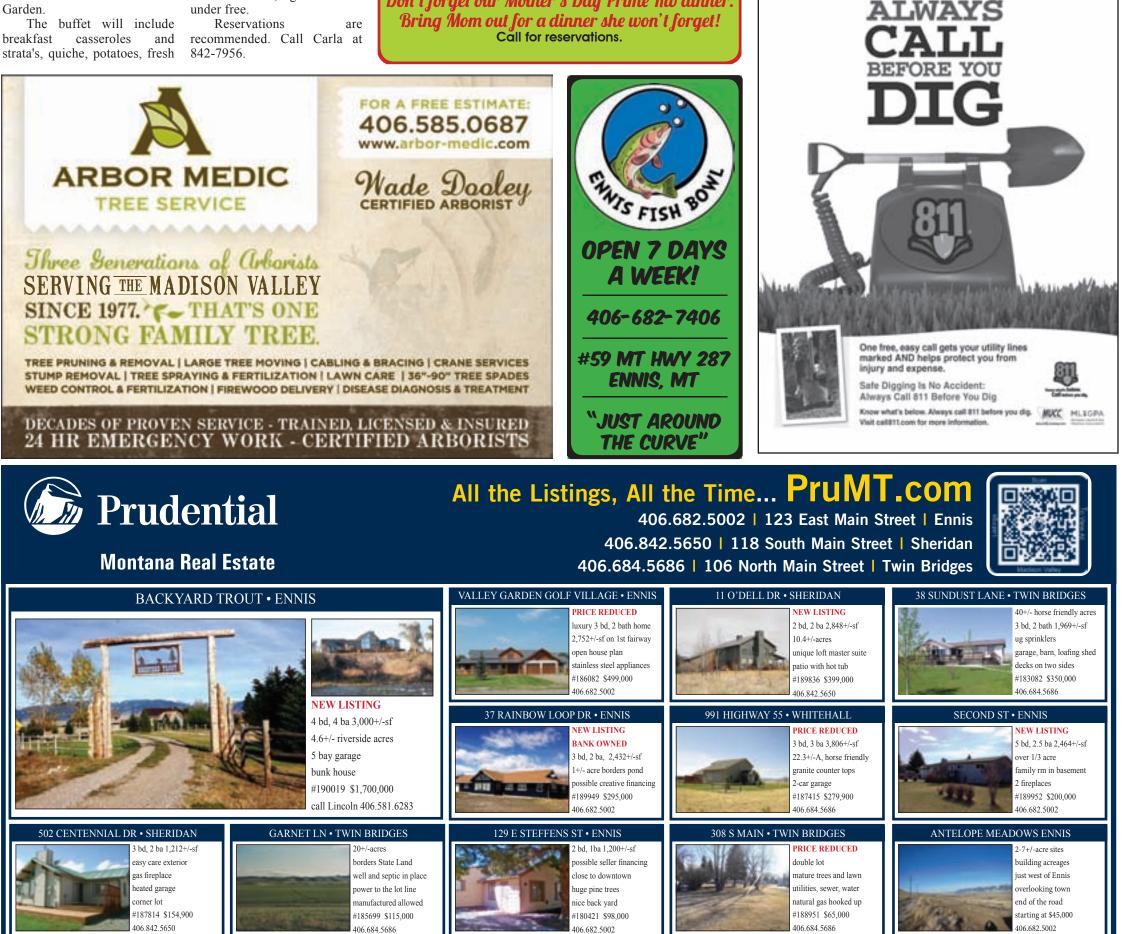
fruit, muffins and croissants with a custom dessert bar including assorted cheesecakes, carrot cake, pie, etc. Coffee, tea and juice

included. Mimosas available. \$20 per person, ages 12

and under \$10, age three and under free.







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# **Democrats say budget reflects our values and** priorities without raising taxes

Submitted by Emily Samhammer Montana State Senate

Helena – As both the Montana House and Senate adjourned, Democratic Leaders wrapped up the session calling their bipartisan work a success for putting hardworking Montana families first. They thanked Republicans for working across the aisle to deliver real results for Montanans; including passing a balanced budget that invests in jobs

and creates opportunities for raising taxes," said Senate together at every step, even Montana families, investing Democrat Minority Leader in education, fully funding the state's pension and employee pay responsibilities, and providing tax relief for hardworking Montanans.

"We thank our Republican families." colleagues who, like us, put Montanans first this session. We worked together working with moderate to advance the best ideas for our state, balancing the budget, reforming our pension system, and investing in Montana jobs – all without

Jon Sesso, "I'm proud to say our bipartisan collaboration allowed us to invest in jobs, education, and create opportunities for Montana

While Democrats expressed gratitude for Republicans on critical issues this session, they pointed out that the hard-right Republican leadership threw up roadblocks for working

using procedural tricks to kill real reform on key issues, such as expanding access to healthcare.

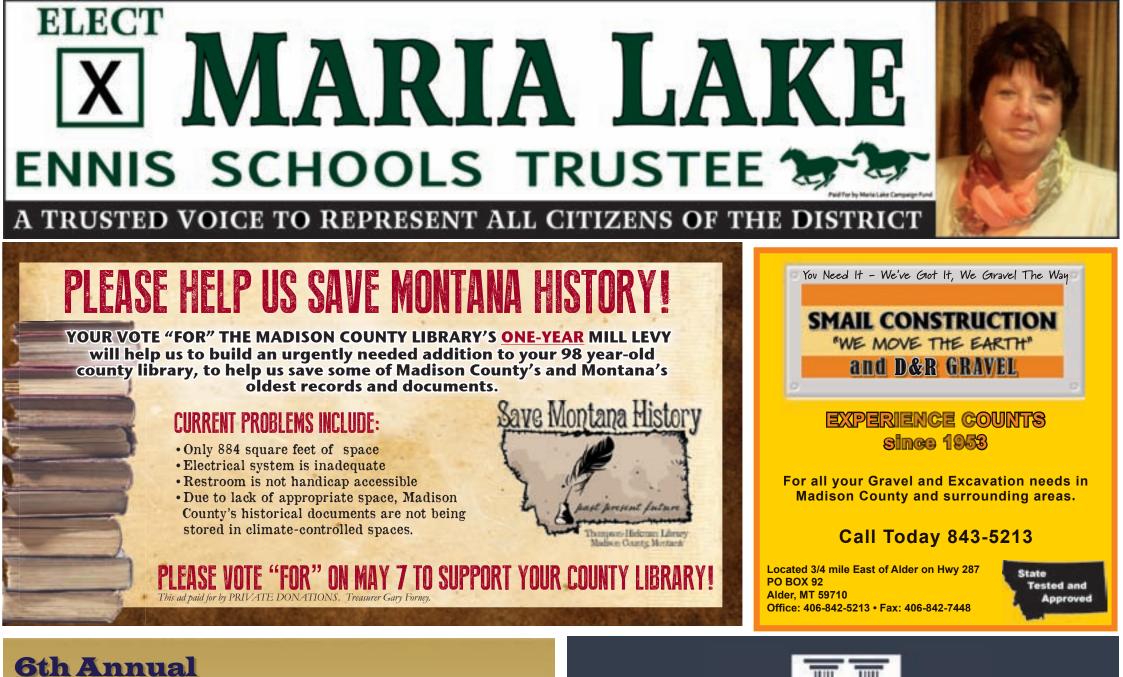
"This session, Democrats proudly stood up for fair, clean elections, defended our right to vote, and fought to increase access to health care," said House Democrat Leader Chuck Hunter, "I'm disappointed that some Republicans made the decision to not expand access to healthcare for

70,000 Montanans. Going and we'll continue to reach home without getting that accomplished is a real shame."

Democrats thanked the Governor for his leadership this session, and expressed leadership over the interim and during the next session.

"As we've said since day one: small businesses and community leaders asked us to put aside party politics and work together to create jobs. We listened, and did just that, across party lines and put Montanans first," said Sesso.

"I'm pleased with the work we've been able to get done this session. Our their willingness to continue collaboration has allowed us reaching out to Republican to present a budget that puts Montana families first," said Hunter. "Montanans expect us to listen to the other side, just as they expect the other side to listen to us. They expect their representatives to get the work done. I think we did that this session."



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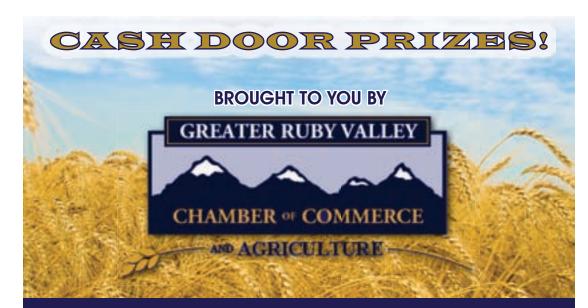


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MAY WINE DINNER Tuesday May 28th at 6:30. Hess Collection Wines will be paired with a 5-course meal at Pompey's Grill \$55 per person.

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# WEDNESDAY MAY 1

HS TRACK, WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS Harrison Schools @ WSS 9 a.m.

Special Meeting, Twin Bridges The Twin Bridges School will hold a special meeting at 6 p.m. in the Montana Room of the school.

School Board CANDIDATE FORUM, Ennis MVEA will be holding a candidate forum at 7 p.m. in the multi-purpose room. All are welcome to attend.

# THURSDAY MAY 2

NEGOTIATIONS MEETING, Ennis A committee of the Ennis School Board along with a committee of teachers and Superintendent Overstreet will meet at 11:30 a.m. in the high school staff room in an attempt to negotiate a tentative agreement. 682-4258

WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING, ENNIS

FARMER'S MARKET VENDOR MEETING, Ennis Are you interested in selling some of your goods at the Farmer's Market this summer? Join us for a planning meeting at Madison Valley Public Library at 6 p.m. For more info please contact Christine at 600-7922.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, VIRGINIA Сіту Rehearsal Hall, Virginia City at 7p.m.

# FRIDAY MAY 3

BASEBALL, ENNIS Madison Valley Pronghorns vs. Belgrade Twins. 6 p.m. MVP Fields by Bus Barn.

LIVE MUSIC, NORRIS Coty Hogue (Appalachian Americana) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www. norrishotsprings. com

MOVIE NIGHT, ENNIS Madison Theatre presents "Oz: The Great & Powerful", rated PG. Doors at 6:15 p.m. and show at 7 p.m.

GO TO **OUTDOSTEVENTS. NET** FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF EVENTS

# PHOTO OF THE WEEK



"Osprey return from warmer climates and refurbish last year's nest in preparation for laying eggs, usually three. Last year, this pair raised three fledglings." Submitted by David Hoag

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.

at 1 p.m. Potluck Dinner at 5 p.m. with the Stage Show at 7 p.m. Free Family Fun. Call for info 685-3481.

MOVIE NIGHT, ENNIS Madison Theatre presents "Oz: The Great & Powerful", rated PG. Doors at 6:15 p.m. and show at 7 p.m. 682-4023

Rodeo Grounds. \$5 admission with children five and under free.

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.

school board elections today. Contact your local school for polling places and times.

ANNUAL MEETING, Ennis The Friends of the Library will hold its annual meeting in the Thexton Community Room of Madison Valley Public Library at 10 a.m. Please attend to elect officers for the coming year, approve the by-laws and discuss activities to support the library.

The Madison Valley Women's Club will hold their regular meeting at 12 p.m. at Madison Valley Baptist Church.

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.

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# SATURDAY MAY 4

ANNUAL 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.

HIGH SCHOOL RODEO, Εννις Jr. High and High School students will compete starting at 12 p.m. at the Ennis Rodeo Grounds. \$5 admission with children five and under free.

ANNUAL FIDDLEFEST, Ρονγ Afternoon Jam Session, Fiddle, Mandolin, Guitar, Ukulele Workshops

LIVE MUSIC, NORRIS "V", the Gypsy Cowbelle (Genuine Cowbilly) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www. norrishotsprings. com

> SUNDAY MAY 5

HIGH SCHOOL RODEO, Ennis Jr. High and High School students will compete starting at 9 a.m. at the Ennis

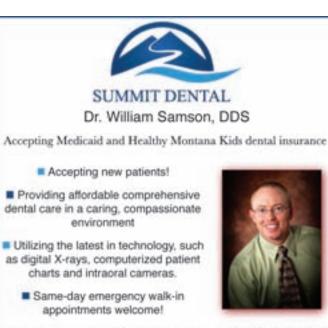
Live Music, Norris Potcheen Folk Band (Celtic Pirate Folk/Punk) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www. norrishotsprings. com

# TUESDAY MAY 7

ELECTION, MADISON COUNTY Madison County Schools will hold

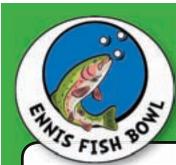
Concert, Harrison Harrison School will host a "Pops'n Pizza" concert at 6 p.m.

Dog Obedience CLASSES, SHERIDAN Sheridan Schools Adult Ed presents: Basic Dog Obedience Classes at 6:30 p.m. in Sheridan Park (next to



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Trustee Sale Number: 12-00932-5 Loan Number: 0022888333 APN: 29013005 TO BE SOLD for cash at Trustee's Sale on August 14, 2013 at the hour of 02:00 PM, recognized local time. On the front steps (North entrance) to the County Courthouse, 110 East Wallace, Virginia City, MT. the following described real property in Madison County, Montana, to-wit: Unit 1429 of Beaverhead Condominium, Phase A and B, situated on Parcel A of Cer-tificate of Survey in Book 7 of Surveys, page 435 and Parcel B of Survey recorded in Book 6 of Condominiums, page 381, as shown and designated on those certain Basic Unit Floor Plans and Site Map recorded in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana being a portion of a tract of land located in the NE1/4 and NW1/4 of Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana (Amended Plat of Beaverhead Condo filed in Book 4 of Plats, page 601-BA, records of Madison County, Montana) TOGETHER WITH an undivided 1.97% interest in and to the Common Areas and Facilities appertaining to said unit, the Declaration for which was recorded April 13,1981 in Book 276, page 851, and amended by instruments recorded in Book 277, page 321; Book 284, page 724; Book 291, page 850; and Book 298, page 432, the records of Madison County, Montana. More commonly known as: 1429 BEAVERHEAD, BIG SKY, MT GREGORY L RUFF, A SINGLE PERSON, as the original grantor(s), conveyed said real property to ALLIANCE TITLE AND ESCROW CORP, as the original trustee, to secure an obligation owed to WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC, as the original beneficiary, by a Trust Indenture dated as of July 18, 2003, and recorded on July 29, 2003 in Film No. 490 at Page 594 under Document No. 93467, in the Official Records of the Office of the Record of Madison County. Montana ("Deed of Trust"). The current beneficiary is: US Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association as Trustee for Wells Fargo Asset Securities Corporation, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-AR10 (the "Beneficiary"). FIDELITY NA-TIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY was named as Successor Trustee (the "Trustee") by virtue of a Substitution of Trustee dated October 10, 2012 and recorded in the records of Madison County, Montana. There has been a default in the performance of said Deed of Trust: Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears as of April 3, 2013: Balance due on monthly payments from March 1, 2011 and which payments total: \$51,164.58: Late charges: \$673.84 Net Other Fores 1410 50.0 Advances \$274.94 Detects Fees: \$105.00 Advances: \$2,718.24 There is presently due on the obligation the principal sum of \$351,735.95 plus accrued interest thereon at the rate of 2.87500% per annum from February 1, 2011, plus late charges. Interest and late charges continue to accrue. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds include the trustee's or attorney's fees and costs and expenses of sale. The beneficiary has elected to sell the property to satisfy the obligation and has directed the trustee to commence such sale proceedings The beneficiary declares that the grantor is in default as described above and has directed the Trustee to commence proceedings to sell the property described above at public sale in accordance with the terms and provisions of this notice. 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 in cash. The convey-ance will be made by Trustee's Deed. 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 aforesaid property, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, may pay to the beneficiary or the successor in interest to the beneficiary amount then due under the deed ( trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually incurred and trustee's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and thereby cure the default theretofore existing. SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.lpsasap.com AUTOMATED SALES INFORMA-TION PI FASE CALL 714,730,2727 DATED: April 3, 2013 FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, Trustee, By: Megan Curtis, Authorized Signature A-4377555 04/18/2013, 04/25/2013, 05/02/2013 (Pub. Apr. 18, 25, May 2, 2013) lps

levies each in the amount of \$15,000 Requests for absentee ballots for those unable to go to the polls may be made by calling the School District Clerk, (842-5302). The deadline for requests for absentee ballots is 12:00 noon on Monday, May 6, 2013. (Pub. Apr. 18, 25, May 2, 2013) ss

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, COUNTY OF MADISON

- Cause No. DP-29-13-14 IN RE ESTATE OF:
- JOHN HENRY PETERS

Deceased.

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

Claims must either be mailed to JOY DAY the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, JD Law Firm, P.C. 336 Waterloo Road, Whitehall, MT 59759 or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. "I declare under pentalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct." Dated: April 11, 2013 /s/ Joy Day JOY DAY Personal Representative c/o.ID I aw Firm 336 Waterloo Road Whitehall, MT 59759 /s/ Lori A. Harshbarge LORI A. HARSHBARGER JD Law Firm (Pub. Apr. 18, 25, May 2, 2013) JD

#### NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

The Madison County Tax Appeal Board will be in session from July 1 through December 31, 2013, for the business of hearing ap peals. Any taxpayer who disagrees with the appraised value of his or her property may file an appeal with the Madison County Tax Appeal Board on or before the first Monday in June or within 30 days of receipt of a Notice of Classification and Appraisal, or Notice to Change Valuation (assessment notice), whichever is later. It is possible that not all taxpayers will receive an assessment notice. If you have not received a notice of classification and appraisal, consider the first Monday in June as the deadline to file an appeal. Appeal forms are available from Laurie Buyan in the Commissioners' Office, Virginia City, MT, 843-4277, the Clerk and Recorder's Office, 843-4270, or by email at madco@madison.

mt.gov. (Pub. Apr. 25, May 2, 2103) mcc

#### NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELEC-TION

Notice is hereby given that on May7, 2013, an election will be held at the school election for the election of Madison County Library Mill Levy.

The polls will be open at 12:00 pm, and continue to be open until 8:00 pm, on election day

DATÉD this 22nd day of April, 2013. Peggy Kaatz Stemler Election Administrator

Madison County

(Pub. Apr. 25, May 2, 2103) mccr

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF OWNER-SHIP FOR MONTANA ALL-AL-**COHOLIC BEVERAGES WITH** CATERING ENDORSEMENT

LICENSE NO. 25-999-4597-002 On March 25, 2013, Ennis Lake Enterprises, Inc. - Shareholders with 10% or more: Linn and Kevin Krieg, filed an application for the transfer of a license to be used at MCAL-LISTER INN, 5566 US Highway 287 N, McAllister, Madison County, Montana Protests against an application must be (1) made in writing, (2) mailed to the Department of Revenue, Liquor Licensing, PO Box 1712, Helena, Montana 59624-1712, and (3) received and date stamped by the Department no later than the 13th day of May, 2013. Protests will be accepted from residents of the county from which the application originates, residents of adjoining Montana counties, or residents of adjoining counties in another state if the criteria in subsection 16-4-207 (4) (d), MCA, are met. Each protestor is required to mail a senarate letter of protest that contains in legible print, the protestor's full name, mailing address, and street address. Each letter must be signed by the protestor. Protest petitions bearing the names and signatures of more than one protestor will not be considered. Protest letters must provide the license number, trade name, or applicant name associated with the license being protested for identification purposes. Protest letters must contain a clear statement of the writer's intent to protest the application. The grounds for protest of an application for a transfer of location are limited to those set out in section 16-4-405. MCA, for a denial of a license, and public convenience and necessity as set out in section 16-4-203, MCA. If the protested application is for a transfer of ownership not involving a transfer of location, the grounds for protest are limited to those set out in sec-tion 16-4-405, MCA. Protest letters which do not provide the information described in this paragraph will not be considered valid protest letters. Only those grounds for protest raised in valid protest letters will be considered at hearing. An individual's testimony will be limited to the grounds for protest raised in that individual's valid protest letter.

If the department receives a sufficient number of protests to require a hearing pursuant to section 16-4-207(4)(a), MCA, a hearing will be scheduled in Helena, Montana. If the department receives a sufficient number of protests to require a hearing pursuant to section 16-4-207(4)(b), MCA, to determine public convenience and necessity, a hearing will be held in the county in which the proposed premises is located. All qualified protestors will be notified of the time, date and location of the hearing. Hearings are typically sched-uled within 90 days following the protest deadline.

If a sufficient number of protests to require a hearing are not received and all licensing criteria have been satisfied, the department may issue the license without holding a hear

DATED: April 22, 2013 BY: Danette Tenneson, Compliance Specialist

(Pub. Apr. 25, May 2, 2103) mdr

SUMMONS FOR PUBLICA-TION IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, COUNTY OF MADISON Judge Loren Tucker Cause No. DV 29-13-13 LANCE L. SMITH, Plaintiff

WILDFLOWER ENTERPRISES, INC.; ED-WARD C.MCRONE; DOE DEFENDANTS 1 THROUGH 20 INCLUSIVE,

Defendants YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action which is filed in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, and

to file your answer and serve a copy thereof upon the Plaintiff's attorney within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. This action is brought for the purpose of foreclosing real property situated in Madison County, Montana, and described as follows: TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 5 WEST, P.M.M, Madison County, Montana: Section 29: S<sup>1/2</sup> Section 32: N<sup>1/2</sup>NE<sup>1/4</sup>, NE<sup>1/4</sup>NW<sup>1/4</sup> Section 33: Lots 1,2, N1/2SW1/4 WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court Dated: April 18, 2013 /s/ Bundy K. Bailey Clerk of District Court Attorneys for Plaintiff: Martin S. King, Esq. WORDEN THANE P.C. Attornevs at Law Post Office Box 4747 Missoula, MT 59806-4747 Telephone: (406) 721-3400 Facsimile: (406) 721-6985 mking@wordenthane.com (Pub. Apr. 25, May 2, 9 2013) wt

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEAR-ING

MADISON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TWIN BRIDGES GROWTH POLICY.

The Madison County Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday, May 20, 2013 at 6:15 p.m. at the Twin Bridges Town Hall, 104 E. Sixth Avenue, Twin Bridges

The purpose of the public hearing is to re-ceive comment on the proposed Twin Bridges Growth Policy 2013 Update, which updates the Twin Bridges Growth Policy last adopted in 2003.

Written comments should be received by 3:00 p.m. on May 20, 2013, and may be sent to the Madison County Planning Board by: Mail to P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, Montana, 59755: Fax to (406) 843-5229: or E-mail to planb@madison.mt.gov. Oral or written comments may also be given at the public

#### (Pub. May 2, 9, 2013) mcpb

#### NOTICE FOR PUBLIC HEAR-ING

The Twin Bridges Town Council and the Board of Director's of the Twin Bridges' Senior Center will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, May 14, 2013, 6:30 PM in the Twin Bridges Town Hall 104 East 6th Avenue, Twin Bridges, MT for the purpose of obtain ing public comments regarding a proposed application to the Montana Department of Commerce's Community Development Block Grant Program for funding to construct a new Senior Citizens Center in Twin Bridges At the public hearing, the proposed project will be explained, including the purpose and proposed location of the project, activities, budget, possible sources of funding, and any costs that may result for local citizens because of the project. All interested persons will be given the opportunity to ask questions and to express their opinions regarding this proposed project.

Comments may be given orally at the hear ing or submitted in writing before 6:30 PM May 14, 2013. Anyone who would like more information or

who wants to submit questions or comments Should contact Cathy Grose, Town of Twin Bridges, (406) 684-5243. (Pub. May 2, 9, 2013) tofb

#### CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

#### TOWN OF TWIN BRIDGES CCR

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT The 2013 Annual Consumer Confidence Report is available by requesting a copy of it from the Town Hall Office.

This report will not be mailed to individual water customers and covers all of the water testing conducted in 2012

(Pub. May 2, 2013) totb SUMMONS FOR PUBLICA-

TION IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, COUNTY OF MADISON

Judge Loren Tucker Cause No. DV 29-13-26

MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA, BY AND THROUGH COUNTY COMMISSION,

Plaintif Vs. THREE CREEKS RANCHCOMPANY, a dissolved Montana corporation, its succes-

sors and assigns Defendant GREETINGS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT, AND ITS SUCCESSORS

AND ASSIGNS YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to Answer the Complaint in this action, which is filed with the above-named Court within twenty

(20) days after the date of the last publication of the Summons and set forth what interest if any, you have in or upon that certain real property or any part of the real property situated in Madison County, Montana described below. This action is brought for

the purposes of quieting title to land situated in Madison County, Montana, particularly described as follows: A tract of land located in the S½SE¼ of Sec-

tion 19, Township 4 South, Range 4 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown and described as Parcel 1 on Certificate of Survey filed in You are further notified that, unless you appear and answer, the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the

complaint, namely: A.That the Court order the subject property be transferred to Plaintiff B.That the Court make a complete adjudica-

e title to the s

1800 W. Koch, Suite 5 Bozeman. MT 59715 Phone: (406) 587--4427 Fax: (406) 587-9291 (Pub. Apr. 25, May 2, 9, 16 2013) sn

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATION AC-**CEPTED FOR FILING AND SO-**LICITING COMMENTS, MO-TIONS TO INTERVENE, AND **COMPETING APPLICATIONS** UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COM-MISSION

Hydrodynamics, Inc., Project No.14492-000 On February 1, 2013, Hydrodynamics, Inc. filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Ruby River Reservoir Water Power Project (project) to be located on the Ruby River. near Alder in Madison County, Montana The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturb-ing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners express permission. The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) an 846-foot-long, 111-foot-high

earthen dam; (2) a reservoir with a surface area of 970 acres and a storage capacity of 36,663 acre-feet at a normal water surface elevation of 5,392 feet mean sea level: (3) a 180-foot-long, 84-inch-diameter concrete with steel liner penstock consisting of a con crete outlet tunnel works; (4) a 20-foot-long, 84-inch-diameter penstock extending from the tunnel to the powerhouse; (5) a powerhouse containing two generating units with a combined installed capacity of 2.3 megawatts; (6) a tailrace discharging flows into the Ruby River at the base of the dam; (7) a new substation; (8) a 2-mile-long, 15-kilovolt transmission line; and (9) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 10 gigawatthours.

Applicant Contact: Roger Kirk and Ben Singer, Hydrodynamics, Inc., P.O. Box 1136, Bozeman, Montana 59771; phone: (406) 587-5086 FERC Contact: John Matkowski; phone:

(202) 502-8576. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the is-

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suance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission' website http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment. asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washing ton, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-14492) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary. (Pub. Apr. 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23 2013) oerc



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#### **NOTICE OF ELECTION:**

The School Trustee and Building Reserve Fund Levy Elections for Sheridan District No. 5 will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013. The polls will be open from 12:00 noon until 8:00 p.m. in the Sheridan Elementary Gymnasium and in the Alder Community Hall

There are two (2), three-year trustee positions open (Sheridan)

The following propositions will also be determined

Shall the district be authorized to impose a High School Building Reserve in the amount of \$20,000 per year for five years and being approximately 6.46 mills, for a total amount of \$100,000, for the purpose of minor/major construction, maintenance, remodeling existing facilities, and/or acquisition of additional school sites.

Shall the district be authorized to impose an Elementary School Building Reserve in the amount of \$20,000 per year for five years and being approximately 4.02 mills, for a total amount of \$100,000, for the purpose of minor/ major construction, maintenance, remodeling of existing facilities, and/or acquisition of additional school sites.

Passage of these mill levies allows the Sheridan School District to replace expired hearing. The draft Growth Policy is available for review at:

•Twin Bridges Town Hall, 104 E. Sixth Av-enue, Twin Bridges; •Thompson-Hickman County Library (217

Idaho Street, Virginia City); •Twin Bridges Public Library (206 South

Main, Twin Bridges); •Online at www.madison.mt.gov, "Current Proposals"

After considering the recommendations and suggestions elicited at the public hear-ing, the Planning Board will adopt a resolution recommending appropriate action be taken by the governing units represented on the planning board.

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deem just and proper. ATTEST my hand and seal of said Court Dated: April 26, 2013 /s/ Bundy K. Bailey Clerk of District Court By /s/ Diane Degner

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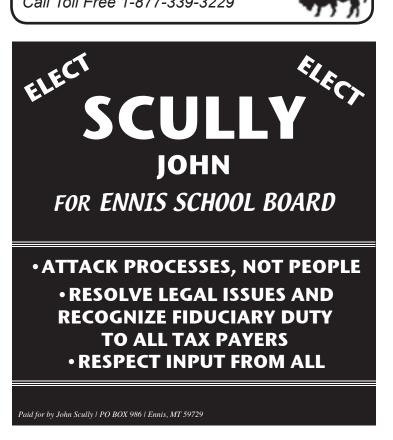
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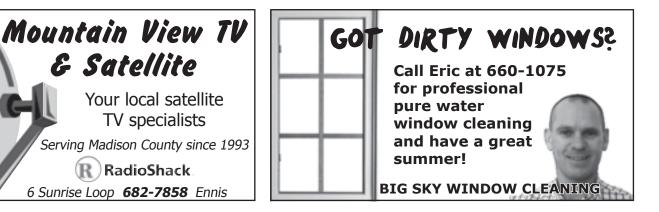
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Sheridan School District No. 5 has an opening for a Middle School Volleyball Coach for the 2013-2014 School Year. Please contact Linda E. Walter, District Clerk, Sheridan Schools, PO Box 586, Sheridan, MT 59749, or call (406) 842-5302. 26-3-B

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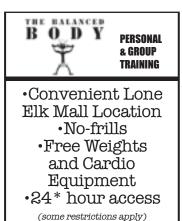
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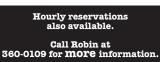


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# WEDESDAY MAY 8

BASEBALL, ENNIS MADISON VALLEY Pronghorns vs. Belarade Tigers. 6 p.m. MVP Fields by Bus Barn.

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

Reading Group MEETING, ENNIS A discussion of Butterfly's Daughter by Mary Alice Monroe will be lead by Phyllis Wasick at 1 p.m. at the Madison Valley Public Library.

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"A NIGHT AT THE Movies", Ennis Join the Ennis School band & choir for a night of musical fun as they present "A Night at the Movies". 7 p.m. in the Ennis High School Gymnasium

# FRIDAY **MAY 10**

TORCH RUN, VIRGINIA CITY The Law Enforcement Torch Run for **Special Olympics** (fundraiser) will start in Virginia City at 8:30 a.m. Please call the Sheriff's office at 843-5301 to sign up, help out or for more information.

LIVE MUSIC, NORRIS Chad Ball (Folk/ Blues) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www. norrishotsprings. com

# SATURDAY **MAY 11**

HS TRACK, BOZEMAN District Meet, 9 a.m. For a complete listing of sports please visit www. outpostevents.net

HISTORY PRESENTATION, VIRGINIA CITY Join Jim Jarvis as he speaks of the Bovey History in Virginia City and the memorial that is being built next to the Hangman's Building. 7 p.m. at The Elling House. 843-5454 or 843-5507 (evenings).

LIVE MUSIC, NORRIS Dan Dubuque (One Man Soul Band) 7 p.m.

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# SUNDAY **MAY 12**

# Mother's Day!

MOTHER'S DAY Brunch, Sheridan A fundraiser to benefit Jackson's Garden from 10 - 1 p.m. at the historic Ruby Hotel. \$20/ adults, \$10/12 & under, kids 3 and under are free. Reservations recommended: 842-7956.

LIVE MUSIC, NORRIS Watson and the Shark (Folk/ Rock) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. For more info please visit www. norrishotsprings.

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# Rusiness

preorder many of their baked goods to take home? Kathy is now taking orders for a variety of their breads, buns, rolls and desserts and is even willing to coordinate deliveries. She comes to Ennis on Fridays. Call 842-5716 for a list of products

#### **Trenz Salon**

Trenz Salon is already expanding its services in its new location. The staff welcomes Emily Hayes, licensed massage therapist, to the team. Emily will at Trenz on Tuesday, May 7 and will be available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week. You will have a chance to meet Emily on Saturday,

will have her massage chair, offering complimentary massages. Call 682-3400 to schedule an appointment and welcome her to the team.



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### Copper Door

The highly anticipated grand opening of Copper Door in Ennis, will be Saturday May 4 from 10 – 5 p.m. Come check out what Shawna has been working \*\*\*In last week's edition of the Business Briefs, it stated that Copper Door was open for business. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

#### Sheridan Bakery