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Public health director dismissed; board seeks understanding

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More than two weeks after Judy Edwards, who was the Madison County Public Health Director, was dismissed by the Madison County Board of Commissioners, members of the Madison County Board of Health are still waiting for what they deem as an acceptable explanation as to why she was let go without their input.

"With all boards, it is appropriate to say that it is a courtesy to keep them involved in employee issues. We like to keep them informed as well as we can and vice versa, but when it comes to employee issues, we have to do what is lawfully appropriate considering involvement of the county attorney, human resources and MACO legal," commissioner Jim Hart said.

The board of health held a special meeting in Ennis on July 10. The discussion focused on clarifying the board's role and responsibilities, as well as possible re-staffing and restructuring of the public health office.

Hart, commissioner chairman, told members of the board of health that it is an advisory board to the commissioners like a few other boards in the county. He added that the commissioners handle personnel matters for about 240 employees in the county, while the board of health is not required to be involved in or give approval for such matters.

Not satisfied with that explanation, board of health chairman Doug Young and board members

proposed drafting a letter to the county attorney for clarification and a legal opinion regarding Montana Code Annotated referring to county boards and, more specifically, boards of health. Young said the medical responsibilities and decisions the board is charged with make it different from other boards.

"The board of health has made a request to the county attorney for a more layman's version of statute regarding what the public health board's responsibilities are. I'm hopeful that the

county attorney can do that for them," Hart said.

According to Montana Code Annotated, each local board of health shall appoint and fix the salary of a local health officer, elect a presiding officer and other necessary officers, employ qualified staff, adopt bylaws to govern meetings, hold regular meetings at least quarterly and special meetings as necessary and identify, assess, prevent and enhance conditions of public-health importance.

"With a legal opinion there

will be no ambiguity out there, even if we don't like the answer," board member Fred Hofman said.

Board of health member R.D. Marks vocalized his indecision of remaining on the board if it held no authority or was not involved in decision-making. Young added that he felt insulted when he learned of the action the commissioners took. He said he believed there was a good, open line of communication between

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GAGING THE MADISON

Gages on Madison River offer insight for many

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"We all live downstream," is a phrase Sunni Heikes-Knapton said is used quite frequently in her office.

As the Madison Watershed Coordinator with the Madison Conservation District, she knows how very true that statement is and how important good knowledge about the Madison River is to a large number of people who live, work and play in Madison County.

Six gages registered with the United States Geological Survey monitor the water temperature, streamflow and water height of the Madison River. They stretch from West Yellowstone to McAllister. Heikes-

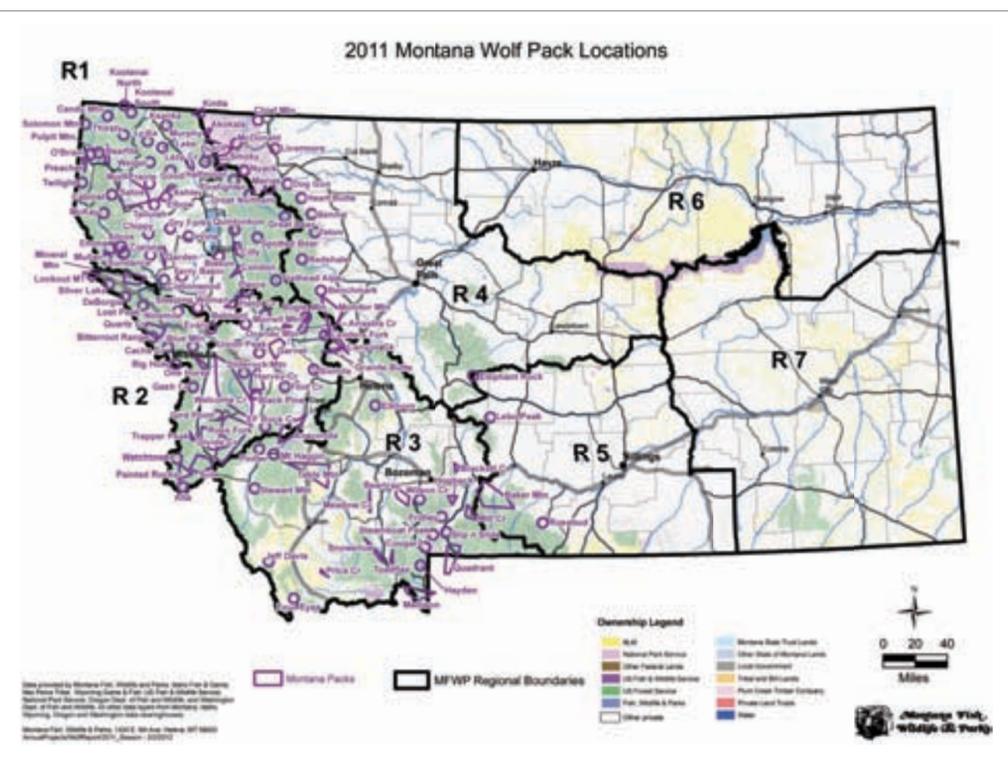
Knapton said the gage at the Varney Bridge near Ennis is an important one. At that location, the river changes from one main channel to a braided one. It's a pivotal transition point.

"Local fly fishing guides use it a lot," Heikes-Knapton said. "The response has been phenomenal. The information is spread far."

Water temperature readings allow guides to know where hatches might be and streamflow readings help them guide people through the river safely. A location where they were able to cross the day or week before

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Photo courtesy of Madison River Foundation
Varney Bridge gage, installed on March 16, 2011.



Wolf season licenses on sale soon, FWP Commission makes changes

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Fish, Wildlife and Parks Commissioners approved modified regulations for the upcoming wolf season at their July 10 meeting. Licenses go on sale, starting Aug. 5, and are available all season long – Sept. 15 through March 15.

The 2013 wolf season, the state's fourth, begins in September and will have only a few real changes from last year's season, according to FWP spokesman Ron Aasheim. He said the biggest change was that an individual this season might take up to five wolves using a combination of trapping and hunting. The ri-

file season will also be extended through mid-March. There is no statewide quota.

"We're continually trying to fine tune things," Aasheim said of the wolf season. "We want to get a handle on numbers in some areas."

Wolf management units around Glacier National Park and Yellowstone National Park will have their own restrictions. Hunters and trappers in Unit 313 near Yellowstone National Park have a limit of four wolves and in nearby Unit 316 there is a limit of three.

The FWP Commission will revisit the rifle season at its Dec. 10 meeting before the trapping season begins.

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the commissioners and board of health.

Hart would not elaborate on Edwards' dismissal. He simply said that he could not divulge the information in a public forum and that it was not appropriate to do so without Edwards present. She was hired in January and dismissed late last month.

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may not be safe to use anymore. PPL uses the readings, which are up-to-date within one hour, to manage the outflow. Recreationists often take advantage of this tool as well. Readings are available March through October.

Richard Lessner, the Madison River Foundation Executive Director, said it is important to have more data than not enough.

"Angling is a key aspect to the county's economy," Lessner said.

Budget cuts shut down the Varney Bridge gage after 1970. It became operational again in March 2011 with the help of lo-

cal supporters and donors. Those supporters include the Madison River Foundation, USGS, Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology, DNRC and PPL.

Lessner said the time that the gage near Varney Bridge was not operational left people with a very incomplete picture of streamflow on the Madison.

"The entire upper Madison was without a gage," Lessner said. "There is a significant difference in flows between the upper and lower portions. It is important to have a gage at the midpoint of the valley."

Heikes-Knapton said the biggest value of the gages is the day-to-day readings and usage.

ing. She said this time of year is usually quiet, but they are doing a lot more work short-staffed, including finishing up a number of grant applications.

Staffing of the office may change again come May 2014, when Durham can possibly retire. The board suggested Durham and Mahlstedt develop different ideas and scenarios of how

to keep the office running no matter who staffs it or holds the title of director.

"We can revamp and make the department strong and better," board member Maria Bartolletti said.

The next board of health meeting is scheduled for August 1, at 4 p.m. at the public health office in Virginia City.

down this year remained operational thanks in part to some local, private support. Heikes-Knapton said that because of the diverse supporters of the Varney Bridge gage, it is often used as an example for other communities.

Gage readings are available online at <http://waterdata.usgs.gov/MT/nwis/current/?type=flow>. People can also have alerts sent to their phones when the river breaks certain set thresholds.

"We need to hear from the public to know if it's something that's still valuable," Heikes-Knapton said. "You need to think of what it would be like if we didn't have the gages."

She added that the information is also obviously important in times of extremes either way, such as 2011's phenomenal water year. Water height readings were the second highest ever on the Madison. At times like that, she reminds people that the dams along the river mitigate drought and flood conditions.

Heikes-Knapton said the Kirby Place gage shows how much water the river gains as it comes downstream and that the West Fork is a big tributary that helps regulate temperatures.

"A lot of communities across the state depend on gages like this," Heikes-Knapton said.

Four gages slated to be shut

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Aasheim said. He added that if wolves have threatened or endangered livestock, they can be shot no matter what. If other wolf issues arise, he urges people to contact FWP.

"We want to make sure we are where we need to be," he said.

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks request that the public report any sightings or signs of wolves. A gray wolf is, on average, 2.5 feet tall; 5-6 feet long, 70-120 pounds with a broad

snout, round ears and fur ranging from gray to black, or tan to white.

According to FWP officials, wolves occasionally do kill livestock and other domestic animals such as dogs or llamas. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the State of Montana work with livestock producers to reduce the risk of wolf-caused losses and resolve conflicts through a combination of non-lethal deterrents and lethal control.

Like many wild animals,

wolves are capable of posing a threat to human safety, but such occurrences are rare. In the past 100 years, there have been several published accounts of human injuries due to wolves. In almost all cases where healthy wolves have attacked people, the wolf or wolves have been habituated to people and food conditioned prior to the attack. Despite their wariness of people, wolves will still use natural habitats in close proximity to humans, particularly in forested areas and other

settings along the 'urban - wildland' interface, according to FWP officials.

You can report wolf sightings to your local FWP office or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at 449-5225. To report a dead wolf or possible illegal activity, call 1-800-TIP-MONT (1-800-847-6668). Information about the upcoming season is available online at <http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/planahunt/huntingGuides/wolf/default.html>.

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FIRST TIME TRANSPORT



Photo courtesy of Madison Valley Medical Center

The new Helipad at the Madison Valley Medical Center was utilized for the first time to transport a patient on July 9. Dr. RD Marks, Medical Center Chief of Staff said, "We met the helicopter at the Medical Center, where the patient was transferred. It was the first time we used the helipad, I believe it went well."

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Two riders with five pack horses and four dogs rode through Ennis on Tuesday. They crossed Highway 287 just outside of Ennis near the turn off for the fish hatchery on the west side of town. The group was seen earlier in the week near Harrison and Norris. The whereabouts of their departure location and final destination were unknown.

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MORE NEWS

Off to the races – Pony Trot gets people moving

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Young and old took part in the Pony Trot 5k and 10k races in Pony on Saturday, July 13. Sponsored by the Pony Homecoming Club, the races were split

between men and women. Kyle McKenzie ran away with the women's 5k title. She finished the race in a time of 20:47. Lisa Larson finished less than five minutes after McKenzie. She was followed by two local teens – Madison Owens and Taya DeFrance. Owens edged

out DeFrance by 11 seconds. Brent Owens won the men's 5k. He finished in 21:13, just beating out Race Owens who clocked a time of 21:57. Craig Hildreth and Derik DeFrance were not far behind the top two. They finished with times of 25:23 and 25:54, respectively.

Tara Forsberg claimed first in the women's 10k with her 52:08-finish. Trisha Jones was a very close second place. Gage Owens won the men's 10k. He was 26 seconds faster than Marvin Speece, who claimed second place. Three children under the age

of 10 competed in the Pony Trot. Maude Kilmer finished the women's 5k in a time of 34:42. Aaron DeFrance competed in the men's 5k and clocked a time of 41:56. Jada Clarkson ran the women's 10k. She finished in 69:26. The Pony Homecoming Club was established in 1961 to

provide a sense of community for Harrison, Pony, Norris and surrounding areas, and to preserve the historic buildings in Pony. Donations are always welcome and can be sent to Pony Homecoming Club, P.O. Box 654, Pony, MT 59747.



Air Fair lands at Ennis Big Sky Airport on July 20

Submitted by Mike McFall

Choice Aviation, LLC is pleased to invite everyone to the first annual Ennis Air Fair and grand opening. Choice Aviation would like to take this opportunity to introduce both our company and our employees to the community, as well as educated the general public about aviation and the benefits that aviation can bring to the Madison Valley. Dark Horse Customs will be hosting a car show as well.

The Air Fair will be held at Choice Aviation's facility at the Ennis-Big Sky Airport, 37 Airport Road, Ennis. The fun begins at 8:30 a.m. and will continue on until 3 p.m. July 20. The scheduled events are as follows: Car and aircraft registration

begins at 7 a.m. and will run to 10 a.m. The Lions Club will be providing breakfast burritos for \$7 from 8:30 –9:30 a.m. An aviation seminar will run from 9:30 – 10 a.m. Aircraft flyovers will start at 10 a.m. For the kids, the Ping-Pong ball drop will begin at 11 a.m. Choice Aviation will be providing a free BBQ at noon.

A sky diving performance starts at 1 p.m. and the Iron Pilot Challenge begins at 1:30 p.m. Dark Horse Customs will be sponsoring the car show as well as displaying a few of their masterpiece custom automobiles. They will be hosting a "Best of

Show" competition.

Aircraft rides will be given throughout the day with rides for kids from 10 a.m. until noon. Discovery flights are available for \$50 for those interested in learning to fly, which includes a 30-minute flight and 30 minutes of ground instruction. Scenic flights are also available for up to three passengers. The Montana National Guard will be displaying one of their Hummers and hosting a children's climbing wall. A bouncy house and vending will be available throughout the day.

Photos courtesy of Choice Aviation

Clockwise from top left: 1.) Choice Aviation will introduce themselves to the community at the Air Fair. 2.) A skydiving show is in the plans for the Air Fair. 3.) Big Sky Airport can be seen by plane at the upcoming Air Fair.



IN THE SERVICE

Submitted by Bob Manners

Trevor Manners was promoted on July 1, 2013, while on leave in Ennis. He has been on active duty in the Coast Guard for the past seven years where he was stationed in Hawaii and North Carolina, and now is en route to Lifeboat Station Port Huron in Michigan. He will be commanding a 25-foot and a 45-foot Search and Rescue boat.

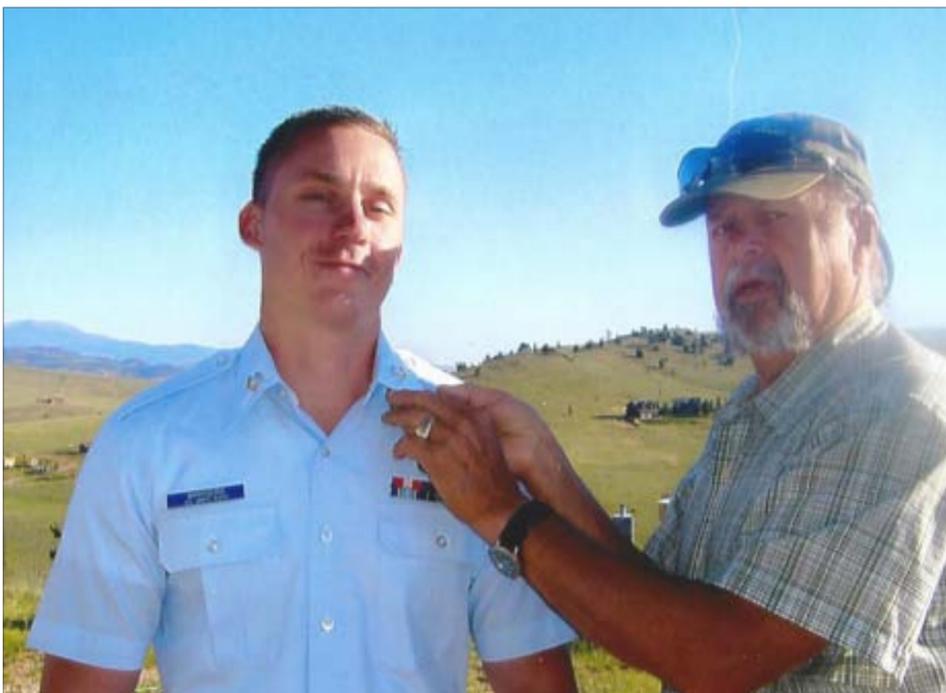
His father, Bob, attained Surfman stature in 1968, said "Surfman" is a boat coxwain who is qualified to take on the Pacific Coast's rough waters, surf and ocean waves to 30 feet in height. He was in charge of three lifeboat stations on the Great Lakes and six stations on the West Coast. Bob is very excited with his son's decision to run boats. The Coast Guard was a great job saving lives and property while commanding so many different size boats.

Bob said his son decided to go into the Coast Guard after hearing about it from

his father and father's friends. Trevor was born after Bob had retired from the Coast Guard. Bob said he himself knew he wanted to go into the military, specifically the Navy, but would up choosing the Coast Guard with a friend because it had a better deal.

The Coast Guard was officially known as the Revenue Cutter Service in 1832 and was first recognized in 1789 when Congress felt the need for a floating police force. In 1915, President Woodrow Wilson approved the act, which created today's Coast Guard. There

are approximately 40,000 men and women on duty. The Coast Guard is the oldest continuous military organization. The motto is "Semper Paratus" or Always Ready.



Retired Coast Guard Master Chief Boatswain's Mate Bob Manners pins on his son's Second Class Boatswain Mate pins.

Submitted by Bob Manners

Amazing Grace



Photo by Faith Moldan

Dead Peasant Society performs live bluegrass music on Main Street in Ennis.

Strong private property rights promote better forest stewardship—part one

Dear Editor,

For decades, there has been an ongoing debate about the role of private versus public land ownership and which provides better forest stewardship. Although there are some pretty egregious examples of private forest land stewardship, there is little doubt that in the bigger picture, private property own-

ership is the better stewardship choice. Now, I know that there are a number of folks out there that would argue against that statement, but I think we can back this hypothesis pretty easily with a little common sense and some pretty solid examples from recent history.

The truth is, in most instances, folks don't take as good care of something pub-

licly owned as they would of something privately owned. They need a financial stake in the game. We need to look no further than subsidized public housing projects to see the truth in that statement. If you pay nothing or next to nothing for the use of something, then in all likelihood it will have little or no value to you...that's just human nature. That's why multi-mil-

lion dollar public housing projects typically have a useful life of only 10-20 years before they are in such a state of disrepair that they must be condemned and/or demolished. Compare that with similarly constructed owner occupied buildings in the same city where investors expect a return on their investment and get a useful life of at least 40-80 years.

I know that public housing stewardship is a bit of a stretch from public forest stewardship, but the basic premise is the same. It is human nature to respect and care more for something that requires personal monetary sacrifice to acquire and an investment of time and sweat equity to maintain. In my years of personal experience as a landowner in Montana, our

traditional farmers and ranchers were far and away the best land stewards because their livelihoods and survival depended on their respect for and stewardship of the land. They wasted nothing and threw away only things that were completely, and I mean completely, worn out.

Dan Happel
Harrison

Speed patrol needed during summer in Nevada City

Dear Editor,

I have worked in Nevada City on and off for many years and still see people speeding through town.

During the summer, we have many people and families with small children visiting our historic town. There are things for them to see on both sides of the highway, so they have to cross. It is dangerous for them, especially if they have small children with

them. Some local folks and travelers from other states/countries fail to abide by the posted 25 mph speed limit. Our sheriff's office is located in Virginia City, which is only one mile from Nevada City, but we fail to see law enforcement patrol our highways and streets.

I, as a concerned citizen, am baffled that during our tourist season, we do not have speed checks or patrol on a regular basis. This has been an ongoing

concern for many over the years. When is something going to be done? I am afraid that it is not going to change until someone gets hurt or even worse. Let's hope this never happens! We need patrol on a daily basis before someone is truly hurt.

Sincerely,
Kim Nixon
Sheridan

Thank you for the honor

We felt very honored and humbled by the selection of us to be the Grand Marshals for the July 4th Parade in Ennis. Thanks for the words of support, encouragement and thank

you's we received before, during and after the parade. We are blessed to have such great family, friends and neighbors. Lynn says he will need "a larger sized hat now". Marj & Devonna en-

joyed being queens for the day. Thanks for the memories.

Bill and Marj
Bowersox, McAllister
Lynn and Devonna
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Our 50th anniversary was wonderful

Thank you to everyone who made our 50th anniversary a special occasion. Thank you to Jerry and the staff at the Blue Moon Saloon for your help and wonderful treatment.

Sincerely,
John and Sharron Gecho
Cameron

True service does still exist, thank you

On July 2, my husband and I were trying to make it from Yellowstone to the Seattle area. However, just outside of Ennis, our car broke down. We knew

that it was probably a fuel filter, but our diesel VW has an engine that was only made for two years and parts can be more challenging to find. We

didn't think that our chances were very good that we would be able to locate one in Ennis. However, the great guys over at D&D not only had one, but

also put us at the front of the line, repaired it quickly and got us back on the road again. We want to thank you for all that you did and for confirming that

true customer service does still exist. Thank you especially to the manager and to Wade who even turned on the air conditioning and cooled down the car

before we got into it!

Thanks again,
Pat and Kris Miller
Stanwood, Wash.

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Murel Francis Clancey (MF), 92, died peacefully of natural causes on July 10, 2013. He was born in Wolf Point, Mont., on Nov. 23, 1920, to Walter and Nellie (Ford) Clancy. They moved to Havre when he was about two years old, where he lived the rest of his life, except for his college years, his Navy service during World War II and the past five years when he lived at Generations Assisted Living in Ennis. His family and his Catholic faith were the foundation of his life.

Murel was a retired U.S. Navy Commander. During his

Murel Francis Clancey (MF)

Nov. 23, 1920–July 10, 2013

active naval service, he was posted in New Guinea, the Philippines and China, where he was a supply clerk with the 115 Construction Battalion (Seabees). He continued to serve in the Naval Reserves until 1967. He was a member of the inaugural Big Sky Honor Flight in June 2012.

While in the Navy, he met Lieutenant Kathrine Rose Rynd, U.S. Navy Nurse Corps, on a blind date in Virginia before both were deployed to the Pacific Theatre. They married on Jan. 4, 1947, at Sacred Heart Church in Charleston, W.Va., and settled in Havre, where he was the Assistant General Manager of the Hill County Electric and Triangle Telephone cooperatives for 38 years until his retirement in August 1984.

He was active in St. Jude's Catholic Church and school and in the Havre community. MF and Katie had seven children: Michael (Beth), Grove City, Penn.; Sheila, Bellevue, Wash.; Mary (Wayne) Mangold, Plevna, Mont.; Martha (Mike) O'Farrell, Bellevue, Idaho; Christopher (Tara), Hamilton, Mont.; Patrick (Beverly), Ennis, Mont.; and

John. They have five grandsons, eight granddaughters and six great-grandchildren.

Murel and Katie dedicated much of their lives and made many sacrifices to raise their children, including putting all of them through college. They were model parents to the extent that their children often comment that they try to raise their own "the way that Mom and Dad did." Murel worked extra jobs to help make ends meet but always had time to treat his visiting children and grandchildren to a walk and late night snack at the local restaurants, no matter how inclement the weather. The children never doubted their parents' commitment to the family. In his later years at the care facility, Murel often commented that the best part of having his children visit was that they would see their siblings again. His spiritual and emotional strength bound his family together.

Murel was generous to his chosen charities and never valued possessions to a large extent. An honorable, selfless, compassionate man, he was most comfortable simply enjoying family.

Genevieve Evelyn Hickey

Nov. 20, 1920 - April 23, 2013



Genevieve (Gen) Hickey, 92, of Boulder City, Nev., formerly of Helena and Ennis, Mont., passed away on April 23, 2013. Gen was preceded in death by her late husband of 40 years, Maurice Joseph Hickey, infant sons John Patrick and Patrick John, and her parents. She is survived by her sister Helen Burns (100) of Snohomish, Wash.,

and her brother Orem Robbins (97) of Minneapolis; sons John Douglas (Sally) Hickey and Michael Patrick (Pamela) Hickey; four grandchildren Colleen Anne (Grant) Jamieson, Aaron Patrick Hickey, Sean Patrick Hickey and Brent Michael Hickey.

Gen was born in Minneapolis, Minn., to Dr. Douglas Ford and Grace Evelyn Robbins on Nov. 20, 1920. After high school, she spent time in art school and as a dining room server on a Great Lakes cruise ship. She followed her sister Helen to Dillon Mont., to act as a nanny where she met the love of her life, Maurice Joseph Hickey. They were married in Moore, Mont., and lived in several Montana towns: Missoula, Eureka, Alder, Ennis and Helena. Later in life she was a snowbird, wintering in 1000 Palms, Calif., and summering at Canyon Ferry Lake in Montana.

She owned and operated

Hickeys Four Season's Motel in Ennis from 1949 to 1995; 45 plus years as a hotelier. She was a member of the Ennis Women's Club in the early years and a Cub Scout Den Mother. She loved to read and enjoyed the arts of painting and ceramics. She was an avid traveler and has seen many parts of the world. She enjoyed the maddening game of bridge, watching sports (especially golf and tennis), computer solitaire, the company of family pets and spending time with her grandchildren and extended family.

Always game for anything, she entered the world of extreme sports at age 70 when she went parasailing while in Porta Villarta. Then, at 75 she rode in a hot air balloon. At 80 she went skydiving and took a three-month long cruise around the world. At 89 she crewed on a sailboat during a race. At 90 she rode the downtown Las Vegas zip line at

His keen sense of humor and calm demeanor were present until the very end.

His wife Katie, parents, siblings Kenneth (KC), Kathleen and Robert, newborn son John, and grandson Matthew Mangold preceded him in death. Cremation has occurred. A rosary will take place at Holland and Bonine Funeral Home on Friday, July 19 at 7 p.m. Funeral Mass will be at St. Jude's Catholic Church on Saturday, July 20 at 10 a.m. Interment will be next to his beloved Katie in the Veterans section of the Highlands Cemetery in Havre, immediately after the funeral.

The family extends its most sincere gratitude to Kenton, Barb, Judy, and all the staff at Generations for their wonderful care, sense of humor, and ceaseless efforts to entertain and care for our Dad.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donation be made to St. Jude's Education Trust Fund, the Jesuits, Rocky Boy Mission or the Big Sky Honor Flight. Condolences may be sent to: c/o Chris Clancy, 620 South 3rd St., Hamilton, MT 59840.

Fremont St. She was truly an example of a full and exciting life.

Memorial donations may be sent to: Vegas PBS at 3050 E. Flamingo Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89121 or vegaspbs.org/donate (she loved Charlie Rose and watching PBS). The American Heart Assoc. at donate.americanheart.org (she had minor heart problems). The Humane Society or your local animal shelter at humansociety.org (her animal friends were rescues); or the March of Dimes (she had polio as a child).

Family and friends can sign an online memorial guestbook at: www.bouldercityfamilymortuary.com.

A vigil will be held in Ennis at St. Patrick's Catholic Church on Friday, July 19 at 7 p.m. A memorial service will be held in Ennis at St. Patrick's Catholic Church on Saturday, July 20 at 11 a.m.

Bonnie Lee MacMillan Rice June 7, 1925 - July 12, 2013



Harrison Montana lost one of its most beloved natives on July 12, 2013. Bonnie Lee MacMillan Rice passed away in Ennis after a brief illness. She was born on June 7, 1925, to Peter M. MacMillan and Mary Elsie MacMillan at the "Stone House", one of Harrison's first hotels, during a severe earthquake. She has been gleefully shaking the world since then. As the youngest of six children, she learned early how to stand up for herself and express her opinion, something she carried on through her busy adult life.

She attended Harrison Public Schools and graduated as valedictorian from Harrison High School in 1943. Following graduation she worked at the Commercial National Bank, now known as US Bank, until 1947. Bonnie spent many lunchroom periods coddling the boys of Harrison into dancing and when they weren't available, she would join the girls. It is a love that she

carried with her for a lifetime; she was dancing on Sundays just a short month ago. She bowled for many years and became an avid golfer when the family donated land to create Madison Meadows in Ennis. Bonnie loved a tournament and inspired all of us by golfing constantly, her last game on this Father's Day.

She married Robert Charles Rice a dashing young rancher from Cherry Creek on Dec. 16, 1946. During their first year of marriage, Bonnie continued to work at the bank and Bob did a brief stint with the railroad. They lived a short period on Cherry Creek where Bonnie laughing recalled that their first home was a remodeled chicken coop. Bob and Bonnie returned to ranching in 1947 at her family home in Harrison. They partnered with her brother Woody for a brief time and then purchased the original home ranch in 1950. She was a vital component of the ranch, first feeding a large crew and then taking care of the book-keeping. Although they raised grains and sheep, Rice Ranches became known for reputation Purebred Commercial Angus Cattle after they started their first sale in 1975.

Their first son, Greg, was born in 1949, followed by Barry in 1953. They worked as a family unit until 1998 when the ranch was split into three corporations. Bob and Bonnie became known as Dry Hollow and stayed active until Bob's death in 2005. They wintered in Lake Havasu City,

Ariz., where they formed lasting friendships in the sunshine.

She was an active participant in community affairs and always loved a chance to celebrate with her friends and family from all over the state. Bonnie was the first woman to serve on the board of directors of First National Bank in Bozeman. She was a member of Bozeman Formal Dance, BPOE Drove #77, Montana Stockgrowers, Community Cancer Drive (Chairman for 9 years), Harrison Presbyterian Church, Republican Precinct Committeewoman, Montana Cowbells, National Cowbells, Montana Angus Auxiliary, and Harrison Homecoming Club Chairman.

Bonnie liked to try her hand at the black jack tables and spent many a holiday at the casinos in Jackpot and Laughlin. She was one of the luckiest ladies around when it came to winning things. One of her most unique winnings was a Shetland pony, complete with saddle that was promptly named "Lucky" and given to her first-born grandchild, Collin, who was born to Greg and his wife Karen. Their daughter, Kristi, was the apple of Grandma's eye, a cherished only granddaughter. Barry's sons, Dan and Sam completed her world of grandchildren and she was proud to have them working on the ranch until her death.

She will be sorely missed by her extended family, which includes Barry's wife Diane and her children, Dana and Dustin.

Grandma was dubbed "Great Bonnie" by one of her great grandchildren, a title she surely enjoyed.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brothers and sisters. Her siblings were Earl MacMillan, Catherine Walbert, Leslie MacMillan, Woodrow MacMillan and Helen Buyan. Her true soul mate was Bob, who left a huge hole in her heart when he passed in 2005.

She is survived by son Greg and his wife Karen of Ennis; son Barry and his wife Diane of Harrison; grandchildren, Collin and Jessie Rice, Kristi and Rick Swandal, Katie and Brett Cunniff, Dan and Marvena Rice and family, Sam Rice, Dana and Jake Ankeny, and Dustin and Tara Rowe; great grandchildren, Kaleb and Keira Rice, Nicki Swandal, Callee Peebles and Brooklyn and Dane, Jace Swandal, Seth Swandal, Cameron Rice, Jordan Rice, Katelyn and Alexys Ankeny; and many nieces and nephews.

Services were held on July 16, 2013, at 11 a.m. in the Harrison Gym at Harrison. A luncheon at the high school will follow immediately after the service. A private family interment will be held at the Harrison Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Bob and Bonnie Rice Memorial Fund c/o Harrison High School, Box 7, Harrison, MT 59735, the Madison Valley Hospice or the charity of donor's choice.

Harold Ray Smail April 27, 1935 - July 11, 2013



Harold Ray Smail, born April 27, 1935, in Lewistown, Mont., to Ward and Mary Smail, died July 11, 2013, of complications from a fall. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Joyce, brothers Ralph and Ivan, and grandson Olin. He attended school in Coffee Creek and Stanford, Mont. He worked for Smail Construction in Alder, leased the Standard Station and built and

owned the Prospector Drive Inn in Sheridan and traveled for more than 36 years building power lines all over the U.S. He retired from the IBEW with 25 years of service in 1991.

He was full of life and a humorous storyteller. He is survived by: brothers, Keith (Evie) and Ollie; sisters, Ora Ayers and Monica (Mike) Maloney; children, Jill Yost, Karen (Neil) McCaslin,

Andrea (Sam) Novich and Brian (Yvette); eight grandchildren; and four great grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2013, at Laurin Cemetery at 10:30 a.m. with a luncheon to follow at the Twin Bridges Fair Grounds. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Ruby Valley Ambulance Service or the Cancer Society.

Colonel George Wright April 1, 1938 - June 19, 2013



Colonel George Wright, a resident of Somerville, Texas, died on June 19, 2013 in Cedar Park, Texas. He was a hobo, scholar, patriot, journalist, novelist and a loving husband and father. His story is one of a kind.

George was a founding raised by an Ethiopian immigrant couple, George and Mary Wright, in Farmer's Branch, Texas, in the late 1930s. At the age of nine, he ran away from home riding the rails as a hobo named "Caboose". He traveled around the western United States finding work as a ranch hand, coyote hunter, on railroad gangs and riding in the rodeo among other things. During these youthful years, he managed to attend school and earn his bachelor's degree in business administration from cor-

respondence school before joining the Army.

In the army, he completed Ranger Training, Officer Candidate School and then served under the Criminal Investigation Command in post-war Korea as an auditor and investigator. While on active duty he continued his education via correspondence classes, completing his master's degree in business administration and later a bachelor's degree in history from the University of New Mexico. While in Korea, he was recruited into a clandestine military intelligence unit carrying out assassinations mostly related to the secret war on drugs. He earned a bachelor's degree in theology from Baptist Bible College in Springfield, Mo., while on assignment under an alias. Over his life he served periodically whenever his country called, as both an operative and consultant, earning the rank of Colonel before retiring in 2000. He penned the story of his childhood and military career in his autobiography, The Runaway with Flyswatter, available from Second Wind Publishing.

After he left active duty in the early 60s, George spent some time as a private investigator in the Dallas, Texas, area but soon settled in Seattle, Wash., where he had a brief marriage to his first wife,

Phyllis, and worked as a typewriter repairman for Remington Office Machines. In 1968 he married his second wife, Kathleen, and in 1976 they had a child, Ross Paul. He worked as an oil-burner repairman and in the 1980s he owned and ran a local newspaper, The West Seattle Shopper. He was active in the West Seattle community with Hi-Yu, one of the longest-running summer celebrations in the nation, and he has been a proud life-long member of the Lions Club. He divorced in 1985 and moved to Arlington, Wash., where he managed area Radio Shack stores and raised his son as a single father.

In 1990 he married his third wife, Geraldine, and moved to Red Oak, Texas, where he continued with Radio Shack, wrote an editorial column for the local paper as "The Cranky Old Man" and published his first novel, The Old Man (re-released in 2010 as Redstone). Geraldine died in 1994 and George moved to Nacogdoches, Texas, where he managed an apartment complex and continued to write. Diagnosed with terminal COPD and released from his military obligations in 2000, he moved to Sheridan, Mont., near the same valleys he frequented in his youth.

There he met and married his fourth wife, Deloris, in

2004. He spent his retirement writing and publishing his novels and on-line editorials, and enjoying the company of his Montana family. He and Deloris moved to Somerville, Texas, in 2010 for health reasons, where they spent two happy, peaceful years together. Deloris passed away in September 2012. In his final months, George reunited with his second wife, Kathleen, who cared for him as his final illness took his life.

George was preceded in death by his wives Geraldine and Deloris. He is survived by his wife and beloved friend Kathleen Davis-Wright. Details of his first wife Phyllis are unknown. He is survived by his son Ross (Barbara) Wright; his step-children Dorothy (Chuck Stoltz) Scott, Donna (Lee) Huckaby, Diane Downing and Doug Deeds; his step-grandchildren, James Scott, Nick (Jolean) Bonney, Shawna (Eric) Van Houten, John Welch, Micah Page Downing, Kaitlyn Downing and Cassie Stoltz; and his step-great-grandchildren, Rickie, Taylor, Matthew, Zoey, Keila, Madison, Hartson and Carter.

Services were conducted by Vickie Simons on July 13 at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Somerville, Texas, with a reception to follow.

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RUBY VALLEY FFA



Submitted by Nicholas Haag

On July 14, Ruby Valley FFA students held a tour of different students' animal projects. The students met at Horse Creek Hay and Cattle to see Charlie and Janie Smart's pigs and Sam's steers. After a close look at the animals the students then drove to see Celeste Hagen's pigs. After she showed off her pigs, Brant Marsh demonstrated animal control with his steer. After an excellent show the students saw Caleb and Zane Bowey's pigs. Once a heated debate over whose swine was superior was over, the students hopped over to Sheridan's School Farm to see Xavier Harris', John McVicker's, and Jacob Huffield's swine. After a hot afternoon in the sun the students, parents, and alumni had a lovely dinner. Fun was had by all.

Public asked to weigh in on environmental assessment of year-round habitat for bison

Submitted by Andrea Jones
FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks and the Montana Department of Livestock are seeking public comment on a draft environmental assessment (EA) reviewing the potential for bison to occupy public lands adjacent to Yellowstone National Park year-round. A digital copy of the document can be downloaded at <http://fwp.mt.gov/news/publicNotices/>. Hard copies may be obtained at FWP Region 3 Headquarters in Bozeman at 1400 S. 19th Ave.

The draft EA evaluates several options, or "alternatives," allowing for increased tolerance of bison in the He-

bgen and Gardiner Basins. It also includes a "No Action" alternative, which would result in no changes to current bison tolerance zones defined by the Interagency Bison Management Plan (IBMP). Prompting for the environmental assessment came in part from the Citizens Working Group on Yellowstone Bison, which formally recommended expanded tolerance for bison to the IBMP partners citing a shortage of habitat for bison given current populations within Yellowstone.

The alternative widest in geographic scope (Alternative B) would allow for bison to roam year-round in portions of the Gallatin National Forest near West Yellowstone

north through the Taylor Fork drainage, and for bull bison to use areas north of Yellowstone National Park's boundary in the Gardiner Basin year-round. Other alternatives focus on smaller geographic areas on Yellowstone's western boundary or focus solely on the Gardiner Basin.

The draft EA will be available for public comment through 5 p.m. on Aug. 13, 2013.

Comments can be emailed to YearRoundBison-EA@mt.gov, or mailed to Bison Year-round Habitat, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, 1400 S. 19th Ave., Bozeman, MT 59718.

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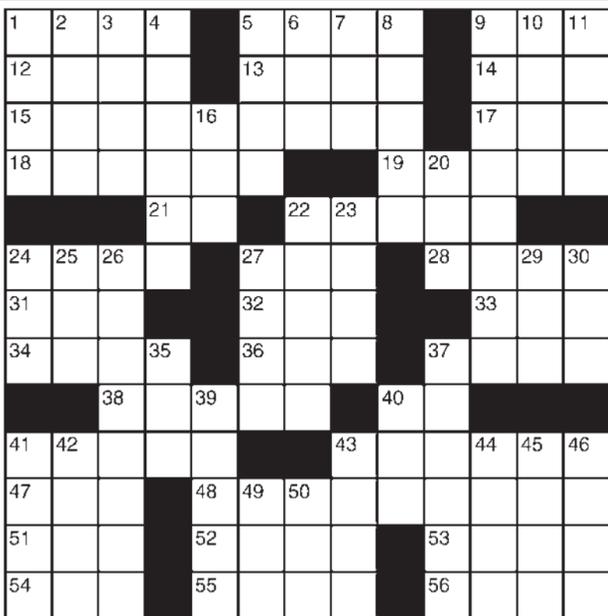
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Greater Yellowstone Coalition Announces New Event for August 2013: Cycle Greater Yellowstone

Submitted by Dean Rodgers

The Greater Yellowstone Coalition introduced late last month Cycle Greater Yellowstone, an epic week-long bike tour through Montana and Wyoming, featuring some of the most spectacular scenery on Earth. Registration is now open for the first iteration of this annual ride, which will take place Aug. 18-24, 2013.

Cycle Greater Yellowstone was created with two distinct goals. The first is to provide a world-class, fully supported cycling adventure that allows up to

1,000 riders to enjoy the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem in a way it has never been enjoyed before. The second is to raise awareness of the issues championed by GYC, a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting and preserving that ecosystem.

"Words and even pictures can't adequately convey the beauty or significance of this truly remarkable place - it's simply something that has to be experienced," said GYC communications director Jeff Welsh. "Everyone who participates in Cycle Greater Yellowstone will

be playing a meaningful role in an incredibly important cause. In return, they'll get one of the best vacations they'll ever have, along with memories that will last a lifetime."

The Cycle Yellowstone route will rotate through the ecosystem from year-to-year, to showcase the diversity of wildlife and topography the area has to offer. The 2013 ride starts in West Yellowstone and will include stops in Ennis, Livingston, Gardiner, Silver Gate/Cooke City, Cody and Red Lodge. The final day includes an option to climb (and descend)

the legendary Beartooth Pass, ranked among the top five climbs in America by Outside magazine.

Registration for Cycle Greater Yellowstone includes three meals daily, fully stocked rest stops, prime camping spots, hot showers, baggage service, on-course safety support and live entertainment. Total mileage for the week is up to 460 miles, depending on options and total elevation gain ranges up to 18,386 feet. The cost is \$995 and registration is limited to 1,000 participants. For more information, visit www.cyclegreateryellowstone.com.

Otter attack in Hebgen Basin area, use caution

Submitted by Andrea Jones
FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks is asking the public to use caution around otters after a confirmed attack on a woman in the Hebgen Basin. The attack occurred Tuesday night near the Madison River Bridge (mile marker four on Highway 191). The woman suffered significant

bites to her hand. There is also an unconfirmed report of a male angler being attacked later in the evening.

While otter attacks are extremely rare, these are wild animals and they can be aggressive, making it especially important for people to keep a safe distance from adult otters and their pups.

FWP is posting signs in the area warning of the danger.

Region 3 opens registration for 2013 wolf trapping classes

Submitted by Andrea Jones

Region 3 Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks has set dates for its 2013 wolf trapping certification classes. Certification and a trapper license are mandatory before a person may set wolf traps in Montana. Students must

register online at fwp.mt.gov/education/wolftrapping/. Region 3 classes are as follows:

•Saturday, July 27, from 8-2 p.m. in Bozeman at R3 Headquarters

•Saturday, Aug. 10, from 8-2 p.m. in Butte at the Copper King Hotel

•Saturday, Aug. 24, from 8-2 p.m. in Bozeman at R3 Headquarters

Changes to wolf season regulations including season dates were adopted at the FWP Commission meeting on July 10. Regulations will be discussed extensively during class in addition

to ethics, wolf behavior, setting traps and reporting a harvest.

Statewide, 97 wolves were harvested by trappers in the 2012-2013 season (Montana's first wolf trapping season), which ran from Dec. 15, 2012, through Feb. 28, 2013.

Prudential Real Estate ranked highest for customer satisfaction

Submitted by Jack Leber

Prudential Real Estate and Prudential Montana Real Estate are proud to announce that the Prudential Real Estate affiliate network ranked highest for customer satisfaction in three of the four segments included in J.D. Power and Associates' recent annual Home Buyer/Seller Satisfaction Study. The network took top honors in Repeat Home Buyer, First-Time Home Buyer, and First-Time Home Seller categories, and third in the Repeat

Home Seller segment.

The sixth annual study measures customer satisfaction among the nation's largest real estate brokerage companies. Overall satisfaction is gauged across four factors of the home-buying experience: agent/salesperson, real estate office, closing process and variety of additional services. Seller satisfaction is evaluated through the same four factors plus marketing.

Among repeat home buyers, Prudential Real Estate scored 829 on a 1,000-point scale, per-

forming particularly well in agent/sales person, variety of additional services and closing process. The network tallied 811 points among first-time home buyers, showing strength in all factors. Prudential Real Estate scored 809 points in the First-Time Home-Seller segment, drawing strong marks for marketing and closing process. This represents the third time in six years Prudential Real Estate ranked highest in seller satisfaction including recognition in 2008 and 2010.

"Prudential Real Estate stands for quality and consistency in neighborhoods across America," said Earl Lee, network president and CEO of HSF Affiliates LLC. "Buyers and sellers alike appreciate our affiliates' market leadership and our agents' skill and innovation."

Lee added that the Prudential Real Estate network enjoys one of the industry's highest average selling prices and that its agents stand out as local-market experts. "Affiliate to affiliate, Prudential Real Estate

sales professionals have a strong work ethic and drive for client satisfaction. These prestigious awards further underscore our agents' success and the quality of our network."

The local Prudential Montana Real Estate offices are excited to hear the news but not surprised. "Our team works hard to exceed the expectations of buyers and sellers alike," said Mike Basil, broker/owner of Prudential Montana Real Estate. "In today's market, our clients require all the expertise and

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Montana Hope Project Fundraiser at Beartooth Flyfishing

Submitted by Nancy Delekta
BEARTOOTH FLYFISHING

Beartooth Flyfishing invites everyone to our second annual fund raising weekend for the Montana Hope Project in memory of Grandpa John Delekta on July 20-21. The Montana Hope Project is a non-profit charity whose goal is to make dreams come true for the critically ill children of Montana.

Beartooth Flyfishing will be offering fly casting and fly tying clinics all weekend.

Food will be served both days from Noon to 6 p.m. for a fee of \$25. Captain Marty will be cooking his famous Louisiana Gumbo, Dan will be preparing Michael's special steak and salad and Elle of Elle's Belles and Vicky Noack of the Country Bumpkin Bakery will be preparing desserts. All proceeds from food sales will be donated to the Montana Hope Project. Beartooth Flyfishing will donate a percentage all retail product sales (except fishing licenses) sold over the weekend of July 20-21 from the fly shop,

our internet shopping cart and phoned-in product sales. Some of our vendors will also be chipping in.

Our first event in 2012 was a great success and we achieved more than our goal to fulfill at least one of these children's dreams, which can cost around \$6,000. Thanks to all. Dan and Nancy are committed to making this fundraiser for the Montana Hope Project an annual event in loving memory of John Delekta who, each and every day, made the world a better place.

If you are unable to at-

tend and you would like to make a contribution, you can do so through us or directly to the Montana Hope Project in memory of John Delekta, C/O Beartooth Flyfishing, PO Box 309, Cameron, MT 59720.

Folks who generously offered to volunteer should contact Dan or Nancy to make plans at 682-7525. Thank you to all for your support. We look forward to seeing our friends during the event. Our physical address is 2925 Highway 287 North in Cameron, just 19 miles south of Ennis.

New Xeriscaping Guide available for landowners looking to landscape

From Leona Rodreck
BEAVERHEAD-DEERLODGE
NATIONAL FOREST

Bozeman – The Sustainable Operations Subcommittee of the Greater Yellowstone Coordinating Committee (GYCC), in partnership with Montana State University (MSU), is releasing a guide to xeriscaping for those interested in landscaping their property in ways to conserve water.

The GYCC asked the Sustainable Operations Subcommittee to develop practical and achievable actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, as well as ways to conserve water. One of the actions identified to accomplish both was xeriscap-

ing. Two subcommittee members partnered with the MSU Department of Plant Sciences and Plant Pathology to create a handbook tailored specifically to the Greater Yellowstone Area (GYA) that can be used by landowners, nurseries, garden shops, realtors or anyone who wants to landscape in a way that will use less water. The guide includes methods of landscaping to conserve water, along with some suggested low water-use plants that do well in the GYA. Photos of beautifully designed xeriscaping in the GYA may help to inspire landowners to successfully convert some or all of their landscaping to xeriscaping.

"Across the West, including the GYA, water is regarded as

an incredibly valuable resource that we all share and have the responsibility to use wisely," said Jane Ruchman, project leader for the xeriscaping guide and landscape architect for the Gallatin National Forest. "About half of the water that is used during the summer, especially in urban areas, goes toward maintaining our landscaping. There is a common misconception that xeriscaping means using only cactus and rocks, however, it is possible to save water and still have attractive and functional landscaping," she said.

The free guide is available online at <http://www.fedgycc.org/documents/GYA.Xeriscap-Guide.pdf>.

At 12 p.m. on July 17, there

was an informal public presentation and discussion of the guide at the MSU Bozeman Area Research and Teaching Farm, accessed from Garfield Street on the west side of the Bozeman campus. Some of the landscapers who contributed photographs for the guide were present and attendees were able to see the MSU test plots with various low water-use turf grasses and perennials.

"Ultimately this guide promotes the wise use of our water resources and that benefits all of us in the long run," said Ruchman. For more information about the guide, contact Ruchman at 587-6966.

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RIDING SHOTGUN



Photos by Faith Moldan
Clockwise from top left: 1.) Doug Hansen, a founding member of the National Stagecoach and Freight Wagon Association travelled from Mitchell, S.D. with this stagecoach. 2.) Five wagons were on display at Just an Experience on Saturday afternoon. Pictured is wagon owner Doug Hansen explaining the intricacies of his stagecoach. 3.) This mud wagon was fully restored to look like it originally did when it travelled between Salem and Portland, Ore., in the mid 1800s. 4.) Victor Haenny of Potlatch, Idaho, explains the braking system of his 1869 mud wagon to a tourist.

National Stagecoach and Freight Wagon Association rolls into Madison County for annual conference

Faith Moldan
 THE MADISONIAN
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While everyday use of stagecoaches and freight wagons all but ended in the early 1900s, enthusiasm for the mode of transportation remains strong today – about 100 years later.

Ashlee Ganoung, a Virginia City native, and other founders and members of the National Stagecoach and Freight Wagon Association showcased their prize possessions and hobby in and around Virginia City, Nevada City and Alder July 10-14. Conference highlights included a walking tour

of Nevada City, gold panning, auto tour of Sweetwater, Mont., public vehicle displays and a dinner and dance. Speakers from around the area also presented information to the group, which includes people from Montana, Idaho, South Dakota, Wyoming, Colorado and other states.

According to the NSFVA website, Ganoung's interest in wagon related topics was fostered by her grandfather, Lester Stiles.

Founding member, Doug Hansen said he and others saw a need for the association.

"There are active collectors in every state," Hansen said. "There's always a search for

an odd or missing link that got stuffed in a barn somewhere. It was a transportation empire."

Hansen is from Mitchell, S.D., and is the owner and operator of Hansen Wheel and Wagon Shop. He has worked as a wainwright and wheelwright since 1978. Hansen specializes in the building and restoration of heavy wagons and wheels. He makes a point of researching and studying the original.

Victor Haenny of Potlatch, Idaho, had an 1869 mud wagon or stage wagon on display at Just an Experience in Nevada City Saturday evening. The wagon cost \$500 new when it first came out.

It served routes between Salem and Portland, Ore., including the towns of Madras, Antelope and Shaniko. Haenny was eager to explain the intricacies and differences between wagons.

"The thorough braces made the ride more comfortable for the horses, not necessarily the people," he said. "Before moving to the braces, the wagons generally had spring suspension that proved too jerky for animals pulling the wagon."

The wagons moved mail, people and gold. There's even a story of a wagon being sent to Utah to bring cats back to Virginia City to remedy the town's mouse

problem.

Most of the profit was made shipping mail across the country. Passenger travel brought little money.

Founded in 2008, the NSFVA exists to research and preserve the legacy of commercial stagecoaches and freight wagons, which were vital to the development of the western United States, including the stories of the craftsmen and operators. Members include collectors, curators and historians, writers and enthusiasts.

More information can be found online at <http://stagecoachfreightwagon.org/index.html>.

TOPS tells how to fare well at summer fairs

Submitted by Kimberly Greene

The season of summer festivals is in full swing. Whether it's the county fair or a music festival, vendors are dishing up food that's often disastrous to healthy eating plans. Some of the unhealthiest fare at the fair is fried, including fried Snickers bars, deep-fried butter, funnel cakes and chocolate-covered bacon. With calorie counts ranging from 450 to 1,000, these popular festival foods can quickly sabotage your weight-loss efforts. Dena McDowell, M.S., R.D., nutritional expert for TOPS Club, Inc. along with The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, offers the following ideas for controlling calories while still having fun at the fair.

Snack first

If you are leaving for an all-day event, start your day with a healthy, protein-rich breakfast – such as peanut butter on toast with fruit and yogurt. If you're off to enjoy an evening concert, before you go, snack on vegetables, low-fat cheese, nuts and fruit.

Get your exercise in

Why not wear a pedometer and challenge yourself, family and friends to walk 10,000 steps (about five miles) while you're at the fair? Increase your mileage by grabbing a map from the visitor center and heading to the sights at the opposite end of the grounds first.

Plan ahead

Many larger fairs, festivals and theme parks list vendors with healthier menus right on their websites so you can check out your options before you go. Look for grilled meats and try substituting fresh or grilled vegetables for French fries. You'll cut the calories and benefit from more fiber, vitamins and minerals.

Skip Sauces

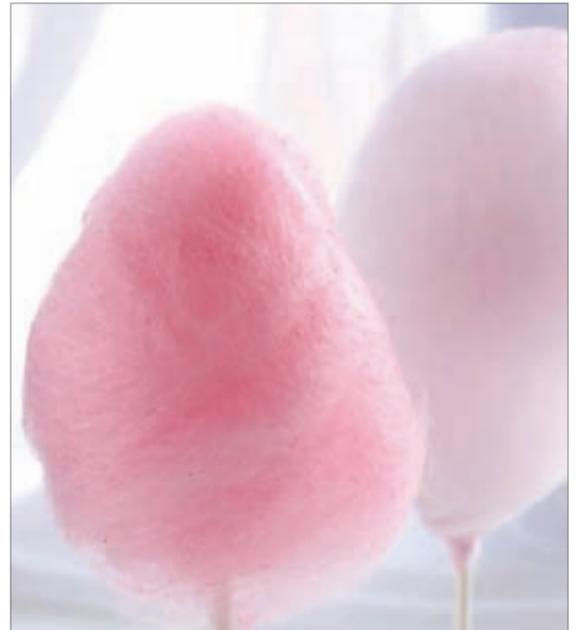
Limit high-calorie condiments like mayonnaise and dipping sauces – or skip them altogether. If you can't live without sauces, dressings or mayo, ask vendors to serve them on the side so you have more control over how much you eat.

Share

Try sharing a favorite treat with a friend or family member to reduce calories, fat and sodium intake and to keep portion sizes in check. An added benefit: you'll save yourself a few dollars.

Limit drinking your calories

Alcoholic beverages such as beer and wine coolers can add an extra 100 to 150 calories per serving. Other calorie-rich beverages include fresh-squeezed lemonade, fruit smoothies and regular soda. Balance your consumption of sugary or alcoholic drinks with water, which will help you stay hydrated – especially on very hot afternoons.



Five ways baby boomers can stay active

Statepoint Media

While it's difficult to encapsulate the moods of tens of millions of people born between 1946 and 1964, one thing has often been said about boomers – they share a determination to stay forever young.

Next to improving diet and shunning tobacco, nothing a person does increases life expectancy more than exercising, according to the National Institute on Aging. As such, many boomers are busy with their quest for immortality on the bike paths and exercise mats of America.

While exercise is great for body and mind, it doesn't come without risk. And an injury can derail a routine quickly.

Here are five ways boomers can ensure they're staying safe and having fun with exercise:

Know your limitations: Don't increase the intensity of physical activity too

quickly, especially if you have existing cardiovascular, joint or muscle problems that could be aggravated as a result.

Work with a licensed trainer at first, who can assess your strength, flexibility, balance and endurance, and create a custom workout program accordingly.

Try something new: New activities can keep you motivated and help you avoid over-working particular joints and muscles. Consider something totally different, such as pickleball, a fast-paced court sport combining elements of tennis, badminton and table tennis.

Take control: Whether gardening, golfing or dancing, it's inevitable that physical activity will create occasional muscle pain, stiffness, swelling and bruising. Pain can be immobilizing and depressing, so managing it is important.

"Avoid medications that mask pain coming

from strained or damaged tissues," says Jyl Steinback, author of "Superfoods: Cook Your Way to Health," and executive director of ShapeUpUS.org. "Instead, consider a homeopathic medicine, such as Arnicare Gel, that works naturally with the body to help it heal and won't interfere with other medications you're taking. I bring it with me whenever I exercise."

Unscented and non-greasy, the gel is quickly absorbed by the skin. More information about natural muscle pain treatment can be found at www.Arnicare.com.

Spice rack resources: Turmeric, ginger and cayenne pepper all have anti-inflammatory properties, as well as many other health benefits. Stick to your good-for-you, energy-boosting diet by giving your bland foods a low-calorie kick with spices, roots and herbs.

Boost your metabolism: As we age, our metabolism

slows down. Avoid compounding this with stress or fatty, heavy meals. To maintain a healthy weight and avoid insulin spikes or hypoglycemia, try eating small, balanced meals six times a day, rather than three big ones. Eating at the same time each day in a relaxed and convivial atmosphere speeds up digestion and makes energy more readily available.

Recharge at night: You'll need your shut eye with your new active lifestyle. Luckily, exercise can contribute to longer, deeper sleep, helping replenish and rebuild every cell in the body. This goes beyond beauty sleep. Great sleep can aid longevity.

Don't let potential aches and pains stop you from exercising regularly. The sooner you start moving, the better you'll look and feel. With a few tricks, you can exercise more safely and pain-free.

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BUSINESS AFTER HOURS



Submitted by Pamela Kimmey
Ennis Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours was held at the Madison Valley Manor. Pictured is their new Administrator, Darcel Cook. What a fabulous addition to the Manor. She hosted a great evening of networking and has already volunteered her time helping with the Ennis Chamber's 4th of July Parade. Next BAH will be held on Aug. 1. Read the Madisonian for details.



"Sphinx Mountain", Shanna Mae Photography



"Ungroomed Trail", Cattleman Gallery



"Varney Bridge", Maydak Gallery

Ennis Art Walk to be held Friday

Peggy Giblin
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Please join us for the Ennis Gallery Walk on Friday, July 19 from 5-8 p.m. Visit our distinctive galleries and studios, enjoy refreshments and meet our featured artists and artisans.

Maydak Gallery

Michael and Linda of the Maydak Gallery are excited about their line up of gallery artists for this season, and Michael Maydak has been chosen once again to be the featured artist for the fly fishing festival held Labor Day weekend. Stop in the gallery and see the painting made for the poster, which will be auctioned off at the end of the festival.

This year we are happy to also feature Carleton McCambridge, a local western artist, and Dennis Boyd, a landscape painter from Billings. We also have Mitch Billis, a renowned sculptor from Bozeman, and Penny Hall, a local gifted

leather artist who designs beautiful sculptured bowls. Linda Newhouse, partner of the Maydak Gallery, is also showing paintings and handmade jewelry. Please stop by and visit. 129 E. Main St. (530) 906-2705.

Shanna Mae Photography

Come on down to Shanna Mae Photography's photo gallery to enjoy refreshments while viewing photographs from around Montana, including the beautiful Madison Valley. Shanna Mae's photos feature Montana's scenic landscapes and wildlife, cowboys and horses and scenes from South America.

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The Cattleman Gallery of Western Art

The Cattleman Gallery of Western Art invites you to

join us for refreshments, live cowboy music and poetry and view the gallery's collection of fine art, including works by several Montana artists and craftsmen.

This art walk, we will feature handcrafted furniture pieces from Dillon craftsman Dave Cypher, Steve Simonson from Troy and Joe Gillispie from Pony. Other featured local artists include paintings of Sandra Alger, Carleton McCambridge, limited edition giclees by the late Larry Zabel and fine western bronze sculpture by James Knight.

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HOLLOWTOP SMOKE SIGNALS

By Art Kehler
FOR THE MADISONIAN

Occupy Norris

A Tri-cities Version of the Wall Street Movement.

During the summer of 2011, a large group of protestors gathered in the financial district of New York City in what became known as the "Occupy Wall Street" movement. Certainly, considering the economic concerns at that time, there were legitimate reasons for discontent. Still, to me, no one seemed to have a comprehensive plan for replacing whatever it was they were bent on overthrowing.



Art Kehler

While not trying to discredit the demonstrators, the fact is it often seemed they were complaining about life in general. As I pondered that concept, I realized that the Wall Street dissenters had hit upon a need common to both New Yorkers and tri-cities (Harrison, Pony, Norris) residents—namely, the human need to periodically "rage against the rage!" Simultaneously, I recalled that Norris is the only tri-cities community wherein a federal highway and a state highway converge. That ease of access made it a logical setting for a large gathering of local people. Hence, I have decided to ask tri-cities potentates, "Why not organize an Occupy Norris movement?"

Clearly, there are substantial differences between New York City and Norris. However, any disparities could be addressed with a few site-specific adaptations. For example, because Norris' main boulevard is noticeably shorter than Wall Street, a mass march would be impractical. So, local agitators will have to be content to gather in the Madison County town's epicenter, stand in one place, jump up and down, and rage as best they can. Also, unlike Wall Street, there will be precious few rich people to criticize or international corporations to condemn. Thus, ranting will have to be more generalized, as demonstrated by the following potential protest signs:

- We're mad as hell--so there!
- Down with responsible people--they make the rest of us look bad!
- Constipation to anyone who has more stuff than me!
- May the fleas of a thousand gophers infest your

pricey, Angora-rabbit-wool chaps!

•Trim taxpayer-subsidized travel expenses--overthrow overweight officials!

•Spread the bull--renounce artificial insemination!"

•Obesity-related illness to gluttonous pine beetles!

•Eradicate education--it's the smart thing to do!

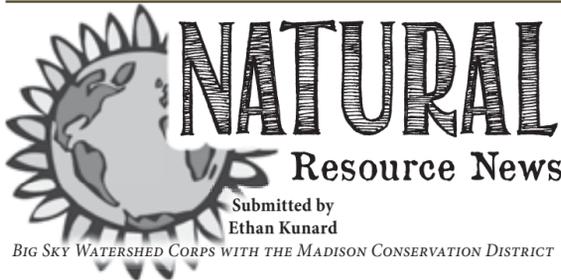
•Restore political integrity--clone the founding fathers!

Regrettably, the Wall Street protestors often demonstrated socially unacceptable behavior (throwing trash cans through windows, overturning automobiles, etc.). By contrast, the local movement needs to be a dignified clearing of the tri-cities air. After all, we don't want to appear on the national media as common rabble-rousers. Therefore, to protest undue government intrusion into citizens' lives, Occupy Norris organizers can utilize carrier pigeons to advertise their event instead of routinely monitored email. Further, said birds can be trained to dive bomb and (with strategically targeted avian droppings) blind any surveillance drones encountered on their routes. They could even protest the capitalist, market price of bulls by staging a "running of the bulls" through the Norris crowd, similar to the event in Pamplona, Spain. Of course, unlike Pamplona, where participants are callously confined to narrow city streets, Occupy Norris participants will have the compassionate option of jumping off a bridge into Warm Springs Creek.

Assuming potentate approval, when the dust has settled, no doubt some folks will be left wondering what all the hullabaloo was about. At this point, I'm not sure. However, if tri-cities folks are enabled to "rage against the rage," it will have been worth it. We'll keep ya posted.

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Art lives in Harrison, Montana. His essays, stories and poetry, have been published in regional newspapers, on-line magazines and literary magazines.



Submitted by
Ethan Kunard

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The Season of Learning

Summer in beautiful southwestern Montana is a time to embrace the wealth of outdoor opportunities that surround us. It can also be a time to take advantage of the favorable weather and additional daylight to participate in natural resource education programs and activities. Whether you are new to Madison County or have lived here throughout your life, there are many fun ways you can get involved in outdoor education events, no matter what your age.

Education is a focus of many natural resource

organizations, particularly when it comes to youth education. This is especially true in Madison County where we are fortunate to be surrounded by a landscape that provides a living classroom with opportunities to engage in hands-on, experiential learning. This means our kids have a chance to spend their summer vacation outdoors while learning about fun and interesting subjects that they might not have exposure to during the regular school year. For instance, kids can attend a number of different summer camps put

on by local organizations that teach them about topics such as fly fishing, food production, geology, invasive species, plant identification, soils, water quality, wetlands and wildlife. These camps allow students to become more familiar with their landscape, while also acquiring an interest in the natural world.

Opportunities to engage in educational activities are not limited to youth. The Madison and Ruby valleys are full of events that target adults, as well as families, and cover a range of topics. Agricultural producers can attend summer field tours that travel to local ranches to examine different management practices and discuss subjects like soil health and grazing management.

If you are looking for an event that appeals to the entire family, you can attend a summer speaker series that brings in experts to discuss wildlife on our landscape. Some of the animals you can learn about through this summer series include songbirds of Southwest Montana, sandhill

cranes, owls and raptors, local amphibians, wolverines and pronghorn. These educational programs allow you to interact with members of the community while learning new things about our own backyards.

While you spend the summer enjoying your favorite activities, be sure to keep in mind the great opportunities you and your family have to explore the outdoors and discover new places and new ideas. Whether it's a summer camp, a gardening class, a wildlife talk or a self-guided nature walk, summer presents the perfect time to enjoy fellowship with friends and family while also learning something new about your landscape and the resources within it. If you are looking to get involved in educational opportunities around the community, contact your local conservation district, watershed group or other local natural resource organizations to see what programs and activities are available.



By Steve Orr | MADISON VALLEY RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT

On July 2 at 10:25 p.m., while MVRFD personnel were preparing for the 4th of July Celebration on Main Street in Ennis, the MVRFD was paged to the report of a subject calling for help in a ravine located between Echo Trail and Dutchman Trail on the Madison River Ranches subdivision. The MVRFD responded a Rescue and a Command with three firefighters from Station 2 and diverted a Command with four firefighters from the detail on Main Street to respond from Station 1. A Rescue with three additional firefighters also responded from Station 1. With the assistance of the Sheriff's Office, local residents and

mutual aid resources from the Hebgen Basin Fire Department, the reported area was searched on foot and by road patrol for more than three hours. No one was ever located. The incident was turned over to the Madison County Sheriff's Office at 1:40 a.m. on July 3. Madison County Search and Rescue was deployed into the area to conduct another search in the daylight but again no one was located.

On July 4 at 6:46 p.m., the MVRFD was dispatched to a structure fire on Leroy Lane near the end of Sheep Creek Road. The MVRFD responded a Rescue, an Engine and a Tender with four firefighters from Station 2 and a Command,

two Engines and a Tender with 10 firefighters from Station 1. Station 2 crews, who were first on scene, found the 1.5-story log structure totally involved. Mutual aid was requested and received from the Island Park Fire Department in Idaho and the Hebgen Basin Fire Department in West Yellowstone. A dog, which was in the residence, expired in the fire. The Montana State Fire Marshal's Office was requested to investigate and determine the cause of the fire. MVRFD personnel remained on scene, providing fire scene security throughout the night and participated in the investigation on July 5. The last of the MVRFD firefighters cleared from the incident late the afternoon of July 5. The investigation was not able to determine the exact cause of the fire.

The MVRFD was dispatched to a one-vehicle

rollover accident on Bear Creek Loop at 12:39 p.m. on July 5. The MVRFD responded a Rescue with four firefighters. The MVRFD response was canceled en route when the Madison County Sheriff arrived on scene and found that the Fire Department resources were not required.

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

Commodityinsite.com Time To Use A Rifle, Not A Shotgun

By Jerry Welch
FOR THE MADISONIAN

From mid-May thru June, stocks, bonds and commodities retreated significantly while the US dollar rose to a three-year high. The Dow and other equity markets slipped to a modest two-month low, but most commodity indices fell to a hand wringing two-year low. Individual commodity markets such as gold, silver, sugar, cattle, corn and wheat hit levels not seen in one to three years. It was a rough six-week period on those bullish most markets.

The weakness with stock and commodities as well as the strength seen with the U.S. Dollar is blamed on Fed Chair Bernanke's statement in May, that the Fed would soon cut back on the stimulus measures in place for the past few years. It is generally accepted that stocks and commodities have improved only because of the Fed. The very thought the Fed would reduce its support for the markets sent investors and traders running for the exit and in the process, stocks and commodities went into a tailspin.

But on Wednesday, in a dramatic speech, Mr. Bernanke did a '180' regarding Fed policy and backed away from his mid-May statement that wrecked the markets. Here are Mr. Bernanke's exact words flowing from his lips at mid-week: "There will not be an automatic increase in interest rate when unemployment hits 6.5 percent." And because the labor market is still anemic and inflation the lowest it has been in over 50 years, he went on to say, "It may well

be sometime after we hit 6.5 percent before rates reach any significant level."

The markets heard the Bernanke speech and rose upward like a rocket ship. Stocks soared to a new all-time high, Treasury bond prices rallied more than two full points, precious metal markets jumped sharply and all major commodity indices posted impressive gains. Crude oil prices, a leading indicator market that was already trending higher in the May-June period, spiked up to \$107 a barrel, a new 14-month high.

Mr. Bernanke's jawboning revived stocks and commodities, making each market appear Phoenix like, arising from the ashes of the previous six weeks. Unless Mr. Bernanke has a change of heart and does yet another '180', it was a watershed week for the Big Four: stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities. Still, many were concerned about the jawboning and the sudden impact it had on the marketplace.

Here are some interesting comments from The Tell, found on Market Watch with a subtitle, Whiplash. "After the close, Bernanke pulled back on any hawkish rhetoric that he ever spoke and told everyone that rates will be zero until the end of life as we know it on planet earth."

The Market Watch article went on to state, "It's almost as if he did a complete 180 and reversed everything he said over the last few months," says Adam Sarhan, chief

executive of Sarhan Capital. "It's a pivotal event and very important as the single strongest catalyst this year has been easy money policies from global central banks. We briefly thought it would stop, and then he came out and said it would continue. It's all good for stocks, but Bernanke continues to 'day trade the economy' and P.S. Buy any and all dips forever. Go get em'."

No doubt, the words tumbling from Mr. Bernanke's lips are bullish stocks. Note, however, that bonds, precious metals and all major commodity indices also benefited from the '180' seen this week. And the fact that crude oil, a leading indicator for commodities, kissed a 14-month high suggests that moving forward, stocks and shares will not be a lonely bull.

A hot topic of conversation the past six months is the one-sided argument touted by market pessimists that the 'super cycle' for commodities is dead. It is over. "You can stick a fork in commodities," they yell, "because they are done."

The conversation is one-sided because, starting late last year, commodities began heading south; while, at the same time, shares and stocks headed north. The divergence, the divorce between the two markets, is the most pronounced in 16 years. Stocks and shares were eagerly sought but commodities shunned.

Almost without exception,

every major global bank has issued study after study, justifying and explaining to traders and investors it is time to exit commodities and buy shares. Since late last year, such a strategy has proven to be far more right than wrong. But thanks the words of Mr. Bernanke and the abrupt reversal he made this week coupled with crude oil prices hitting \$107 a barrel, commodities now appear to have found a floor from which to rally.

The 'super cycle' for commodities will have legs as long as interest rates remain low, the dollar defensive and crude oil prices well bid. It is true, however, that agricultural producers will experience higher input costs due to rising energy prices. And the money received for products produced will be less than the best levels of the past few years. But the likelihood of a crash and burn scenario for commodities has been taken off the table.

Moving forward, it is unlikely the ag markets will move higher in tandem as in past years when the 'super cycle' dominated trade. Individual commodities with bullish fundamentals will have their day in the sun, while those markets lacking such fundamentals will not. In such an environment, traders doing best will be those using a rifle to pick out the good markets from the bad. A shotgun approach to commodity trading will no longer work. Which is fine with me.

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Get Results.

I had a request at our Farmers' Market booth to bake up some gluten-free treats. We are lucky that no one in our family is allergic or intolerant to gluten but there are many people out there who are realizing the gluten from wheat does not agree with their constitution. Food allergies seem to be more prevalent, but perhaps they were always so common, we just have more information these days. We also have more access to alternatives to common food allergens. Even our small town grocery stores sell soy and almond milk as alternatives to dairy (moo) milk. Many products that are gluten-free are labeled so.

Gluten is everywhere. I feel for someone trying to cut gluten out of his or her diet. I had mixed results with the gluten-free baked goods I attempted this past week. My 11-year-old daughter, when

tasting a gluten free strawberry rhubarb crumble in a Mason jar, said, "I just miss the gluten." Ha! I'm sure that's how people with Celiac's disease (an autoimmune disorder that causes severe reactions when those who have the disease come into contact with gluten) feel when they have to say good-bye to pasta, bread, pizza, dairy milk, ketchup, some hair products and beer. Gluten is also found in rye, barley and spelt. Even some food additives like caramel coloring can be laden with gluten.

To create gluten-free treats, I went to our local health food store, The Health Emporium in Sheridan and asked owner, Helleen, for her suggestions on how to create gluten-free pie crust. A company called Gluten Free Pantry makes a pie crust mix and I tried a box of that with strawberry rhubarb pie filling. I also tried, upon her suggestion, Pamela's Baking

Sustainably Sadie

Sarah Miller
FOR THE MADISONIAN

Gluten Free

and Pancake mix. I used the baking mix for thickening the pie filling. I also could have used cornstarch. I made sure to roll out the pie dough with the gluten-free baking mix. Rice flour and potato flour are alternatives to wheat flour. Helleen recommended I check out the Pamela's Products website for recipes and that is where I found a scone recipe using the baking and pancake mix. I am not usually a fan of

scones but was quite impressed with the way that the blueberry scones turned out. However, I was not happy with the strawberry rhubarb galettes I made with the boxed pie crust mix. The crust wasn't flaky or buttery, but crumbly and dry. For next week, I will probably try another flavor of scone. I have printed out recipes from pamelasproducts.com for gluten-free yellow cake and gluten-free crepes.

Experimenting isn't always inexpensive. Connect with me on Facebook (www.facebook.com/SustainablySadie) if you have any questions or want to bounce ideas around about culinary exploration and food intolerances. My husband and I don't drink moo milk and we often use soy milk in our cooking. Do your own research online and support your local health food store by stopping in and asking for suggestions and tips. Thanks for reading and keep enjoying summer safely.

Twin Bits

Twin Bridges Farmers' Market: Saturdays, 9 a.m. - noon at Twin Bridges Main Street Park. Contact Sarah Miller at tbfarmersmarket@hotmail.com. The Farmers' Market will be at the Fairgrounds the Saturday of Floating Flotillas and Fish Fantasies. No charge to vendors to set up that day.

Sheridan Farmers' Market: Thursdays, 4-6 p.m. at Sheridan's Main Street Park. Contact Ann Goldthwait at Kindred Spirits LLC gift shop in Sheridan.

Floating Flotillas and Fish Fantasies: Saturday, July 27 at the Madison County Fairgrounds in Twin Bridges. 5k run, cow pasture golf, River Parade, kids games, BBQ, ice cream and beer.

The Madison County Fair is scheduled for Aug. 14-18 in Twin Bridges at the Madison County Fairgrounds. If you have white button-up shirts and black pants to give away, consider dropping them at Silver Linings Boutique in Twin Bridges, Ruby Valley ReRuns in Sheridan or the Nearly New in Ennis so our Madison County 4-H kids can have affordable access to their required garb.

The Flying Buffalo Project at Madison Buffalo Jump State Park

From Dave Andrus

The Flying Buffalo Project at Madison Buffalo Jump near Logan, Mont., is part of a traveling kite exhibit shown at various locations in Montana and Canada. The event features original designs created by Native artists, including Jaune Quick-to-See Smith (Flathead Salish); Angela Babby (Oglala Lakota); and Allen Knows His Gun (Crow) to name just a few. Illustrated with bison images, kites will be flown at the jump site where Native people once used the landscape to hunt bison for food, clothing, shelter and

tools.

The event will run from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 20 at Madison Buffalo Jump State Park, located seven miles south of the Logan, Mont., I-90 interchange, exit 278.

A kite-building workshop is scheduled in the morning at 11 a.m., where children and adults can build their own bird kites. The \$12 cost of the kite building activity includes the kite kit materials. Visitors are also invited to bring their own kites to fly. Proceeds from this event will support Friends of Madison Buffalo Jump.

The afternoon will include a brief

ceremony and the flying of Buffalo Project kites made from well-known Native artists' original bison images. The event is sure to be great fun for visitors of all ages.

The Flying Buffalo Project at Madison Buffalo Jump State Park is a cooperative effort of Terry Lee Zee and Drake Smith of SkyWindWorld, Inc., a nonprofit corporation that organizes and sponsors kite flies and workshops, and traveling exhibits; Friends of Madison Buffalo Jump State Park, a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting and preserving Madison Buffalo Jump State Park; and Montana State Parks.

Logging traffic from BLM timber sale increases in Black Mountain area

Submitted by David Abrams
PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST,
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Officials from the Bureau of Land Management's Dillon Field Office are advising the public that logging operations from a timber sale in the Black Mountain area are under way.

As part of the Black Mountain Salvage II Timber Sale located in the Pioneer Range, logging trucks will be

hauling on segments of USFS roads 2400A, 2400, and 7467 to Highway 278 at Badger Pass, and onto Interstate 15.

These operations will be in effect through early fall.

The public is advised to use caution when traveling these roads and to watch for heavy equipment. Short delays may also be expected.

For more information, contact Emily Guiberson at 683-8000.

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Summer field tours planned for better land management

From **Sunni Heikes-Knapton**
 MADISON CONSERVATION DISTRICT

This summer, agricultural producers will have the opportunity to expand their knowledge base by learning from some unique teachers – their neighbors.

As a continuation of the Madison Conservation District's Winter Workshop Series, two field tours are being planned to illustrate techniques and practices for better land management. The topics covered have been identified as areas that local producers are interested in learning more about, and anyone interested in improving soil health and production are welcome to attend these tours.

The first field tour will be on Forage and Grazing

Management on July 18. Participants will have the chance to see approaches that local landowners are using to manage and monitor their forage and grazing to address soil health, production and forage use. We will travel in the morning to Valley Garden Ranch to learn from NRCS about soil health and forage measurement techniques. After lunch, the tour will move to the Bar K Ranch, where the managers have been using bale grazing, remote irrigation and other techniques to deal with club moss.

The second field tour will be a journey to the Ruby Habitat Foundation's Woodson Ranch in Laurin, where managers have been experimenting with cover crops and no-till techniques. The test plots are great local examples of what works

for our area and they have been focused specifically on making these techniques realistic and economically feasible for our area. Dan Durham from NRCS and Les Gilman of the Ruby Habitat Foundation will be on hand to talk about how the soil health is responding and to answer questions and give insights for those wanting to try these techniques on their own land. There will be a potluck dinner after the tour and a presentation on moose ecology to follow. The tour will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Aug. 21, and carpooling from Ennis will be available. Call 842-5741 extension 106 for more information.

Go to www.MadisonCD.org for more information on these tours and to stay posted on other learning opportunities this summer.

Clean Energy Fair to include keynote address by Governor Bullock, solar car races and educational workshops

From **Diana Maneta**
 MONTANA RENEWABLE ENERGY ASSOCIATION

Butte – The Montana Renewable Energy Association (MREA) is hosting the 3rd Annual Clean Energy Fair on Saturday, July 20, from 9 – 4 p.m. on the grounds of the National Center for Appropriate Technology, 3040 Continental Drive in Butte.

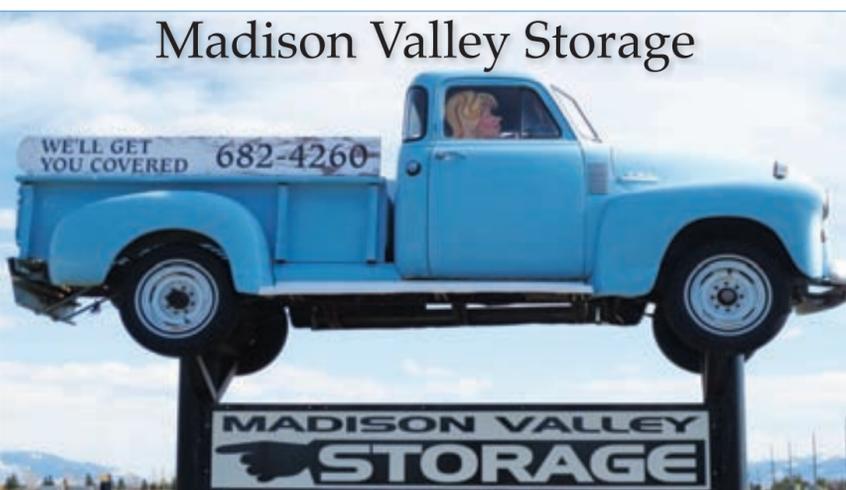
The fair is free and open to the public and will feature a keynote address by Governor Steve Bullock as well as live local entertainment, food vendors and exhibits by clean energy businesses. There will also be free educational

workshops on solar, wind, ground-source heat pumps, biodiesel and other clean energy technologies, and a car show featuring electric, hybrid and biodiesel vehicles. For the kids, activities will include the popular model solar car races and a bouncy castle. All fair attendees will have the chance to win door prizes, including a beginner's solar electric kit.

MREA board member Christopher Borton commented, "This will be our third Clean Energy Fair, and it's so exciting to see the growth year to year. We're especially thrilled that the Governor will be joining us this year!"

Major supporters of the fair include the Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Butte-Silver Bow, the Energy Promotion and Development Division of the Montana Department of Commerce, the National Center for Appropriate Technology, Sage Mountain Center, Montana Public Radio and the NorthWestern Energy Universal Systems Benefit program.

For more information on the Montana Clean Energy Fair, call 214-9405 or visit the Montana Renewable Energy Association website: www.montanarenewables.org.



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Madison Valley historical barn tour

Submitted by **Liz Applegate**

Madison Valley History Association will be hosting a Historic Barn Tour free of charge for the public on Tuesday, July 23 at 9 a.m. We will meet in the parking lot behind Pit Stop Pizza on Highway 287 at 9 a.m. and leave for the tour no later than 9:30 a.m. Carpooling is available. We will be visiting six historic barns around the

valley.

Our first stop will be the Ruby Creek barn and then the Walsh barn south of Ennis – up river. We will meet back at the Lion's Club Park in Ennis for a BBL (brown bag lunch). After lunch we will stop at four different barns in the Jack Creek/Jeffers area. Last stop will be return to Pit Stop Pizza. The tour should last until around 3 p.m.

These historic barns

will provide wonderful opportunities for photos of our unique treasures in the Madison Valley and for learning more about the history this area. Narratives and brief histories will be provided. Please ask questions. Join us for a fun and interesting tour of "The Barns of Madison County."

Bring your lunch, drinks, camera and a friend and join us for an interesting and fun day.



Bannack Days to be held July 20-21

Submitted by **Tom Lowe**
 MONTANA STATE PARKS

Each year, during the third weekend in July, the old ghost town of Bannack comes alive in a celebration of pioneer life. This year, the annual Bannack Days Festival will be held on July 20-21. Activities will run from 9 – 5 p.m. on Saturday and from 9 – 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. Some of those activities include: horse and wagon rides, shootouts, gold panning, candle making and black powder shooting. Guests can also enjoy cowboy poetry and old time music. Visitors can check out a mountain men camp, Doc Hall's Medicine

show, the Great Debate on women's suffrage and a 1800s U. S. Cavalry camp. There is something for everyone, along with plenty of food and drink.

The stagecoach from Virginia City will be arriving at 1 p.m. on Sunday. Rumor has it that Governor Edgerton and other dignitaries will be aboard along with a big gold shipment. Road Agent activity has been noted recently along the Bannack to Virginia City road. The Vigilantes have issued notice that anyone caught engaging in criminal activity will be the guest of honor at a necktie party. Sunday is a great day to visit as the crowds are smaller

and we offer old time church services, blacksmithing and the stage holdup on Sunday only.

Bring the family out to Bannack State Park for a fun-filled weekend. Many visitors like to dress in period costumes to get into the spirit of things. Come see what the old west was really like.

There is a special event fee of \$5 per carload to help cover the cost of this event. This fee will apply to resident and non-resident vehicles. Please carpool to help with our parking and to conserve fuel. Bannack State Park asks that you please do not bring pets to this busy event.



"First Encounter in Jeffers", Trudi Gilliam



"Windblown Horse", Jim Dolan



"Rogue Brown", Ed Totten



"Donkey Portrait", Jerolyn Dirks

Art walk at Depot Gallery – theme show and reception

Submitted by Depot Gallery

Depot Gallery in Ennis invites art lovers and animal lovers alike to the second themed art reception of the season on Friday, July 19 from 5–8 p.m., at 114 East Main Street. The focus of the art on display for this art walk will be animals, birds and fish: creatures that figure prominently in the history of our region and its economy.

Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served and friendly art enthusiasts and artists will be on hand. Come and enjoy the conversation while viewing the artwork of the following artists.

Jim Dolan, from Belgrade, Mont., is a very well known metal sculptor who has contributed to the flavor of Ennis, as well as other places, with his outdoor sculptures that are sprinkled throughout the

town. The pieces represented in the gallery are of the indoor variety and scale. His whimsical horses and other animals will add a finishing touch to any western décor. Coming soon to the Madison Valley, is a herd of life size horses. Located on the Norris Hill, the herd will be the largest equine display in the world. Stop by the gallery for additional information.

Trudi Gilliam, a metal artist from Ennis, creates amazing animal and bird depictions. She combines the historic blue and white china fragments of Montana's archeology within intricate bronze metal collages, creating a stunning and stylish representation of Asia and the Old West.

Jessie Mackay, from Pinehurst, N.C., paints bold, impressionistic scenes in oil. Her strokes are made with broad

brushes and her palette is filled with brilliant color. Many of her pieces shown in the gallery are bold statements about typical ranch life and domesticated animals, such as cows and sheep. She also paints landscapes from her many journeys.

Ed Totten, a native Montanan, is a nationally known artist who maintains a studio in Ennis, Mont. His many talents include oil paintings, woodcarvings and bronze sculptures. His subject matter is just as vast, ranging from realistic underwater fish scenes, to Native American scenes, to landscapes. Both the art and sporting communities have embraced his work. Many of his recent works are glorious landscapes of special places in the Madison Valley.

Pat Lambrecht-Hould, from Lakeside, Mont., uses luminous

color to portray her Native American art. She captures historical Native American life and culture in stunning use of paint and light. She also paints abstract landscapes, which capture the mood and space of the Montana landscape. Her depiction of horses is a site to see.

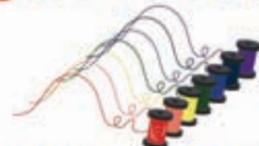
Jerolyn Dirks is from Bozeman, Mont., and captures the transient beauty of the animals of Southwest Montana. She skillfully brings to life the vibrant animal spirit and incorporates the Montana timeless landscape.

Shirley Cleary is from Helena, Mont. She depicts the exquisite beauty of stillness, while enjoying the Montana sportsman experience. She expresses her vision in both oil and gouache media.

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Submitted by Rebecca Ramsey
 VIRGINIA CITY AREA
 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Welcome the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Idaho back to their native lands. This gathering will celebrate all people and include a community feast, drumming, dancing, historical performance of the signing of the Virginia City Treaty, as well as interpretive lectures of the history of the Native peoples and the Treaty. All events are free, open to the public, family friendly and drug and alcohol free.

Friday, July 19

10 a.m. - Hanging of the painting "Virginia City Treaty of 1868" by Shoshone-Bannock artist Willie Preacher at the Madison County Courthouse

2:30 p.m. - "The Virginia City Treaty of 1868 - The Nation's Second Encounter with Sacajawea's People", an educational lecture by Professor Orlan Svingen of the history department of Washington State University at the VC Opera House, Wallace Street.

4 p.m. - Welcoming Ceremony at Contents Corner (above Bob's Place), Wallace Street.

6 p.m. - Grand Entry - Drumming and Dancing at

Daylight Creek Encampment - Wallace Street.

Saturday, July 20

5 a.m. - Sunrise Ceremony at the Veteran's Memorial, Virginia City Cemetery (NO PHOTOS OR RECORDINGS)

7-9 a.m. - Elders' Breakfast

10 a.m. - Coffee, Pastries and Educational Discussion, featuring Leo Ariwite, Shoshone-Bannock Tribal liaison and Professor Orlan Svingen, History Department, WSU at the Elling House Arts & Humanities Center, Fairweather & Idaho Streets

1 p.m. - 5 p.m. - Drumming & Dance Competition at Daylight Creek Encampment

6 p.m. - Free Community Feast at Daylight Creek Encampment

7 p.m. - 10 p.m. - Drumming & Dance Competition continues at Daylight Creek Encampment

Sunday, July 21

7-9 a.m. - Elders' Breakfast
 11 a.m. - Historic Performance of Treaty Signing by the Nevada City Living History performers at Brewery Park

1 p.m. - Closing Ceremony at Daylight Creek Encampment

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Booze Hounds
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//s/ Duke W. Gilman
APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY:
BOONE KARLBERG P.C.
By: //s/ Robert J. Sullivan
P. O. Box 9199

Missoula, Montana 59807
Attorneys for Duke W. Gilman, Personal Representative
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//s/ Thomas Walter, Personal Representative
Personal Representative's Attorney
John Warren
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KATHERINE GARRETT BROWN, Deceased. Probate No. DP-29-13-23

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to Carol Lee Holdbrook Wilcox, Personal Representative, c/o Krueer Law Firm, P.C., P.O. Box 718, Sheridan, MT 59749, return receipt requested or filed with the Clerk of the above Court. Dated this 1st day of July, 2013 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Montana that the foregoing is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

//s/ STEPHANIE GEHRES KRUEER
Attorney for Personal Representative
(Pub. July 4, 11, 18 2013) kif

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES D. REYNER, Deceased. Probate No. DP-29-2013-22

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to Marie Handley, Personal Representative, c/o Krueer Law Firm, P.C., P.O. Box 718, Sheridan, MT 59749, return receipt requested or filed with the Clerk of the above Court. Dated this 1st day of July, 2013 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Montana that the foregoing is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

//s/ STEPHANIE GEHRES KRUEER
Attorney for Personal Representative
(Pub. July 4, 11, 18 2013) kif

NOTICE THAT A TAX DEED MAY BE ISSUED

To: Gina R Ferraro, Gina R. Ferraro, Madison County Treasurer Pursuant to Section 15-18-212, Montana Code Annotated, notice is hereby given: 1. As a result of a property tax delinquency a property tax lien exists on the real property in which you may have an interest. The real property is described on the tax lien sale certificate as: Parcel: 27003401 09S 01W 01 C.O.S. 7/1744-FC, PARCEL 2. The real property is also described in the records of the Madison County Clerk and Recorder as: A tract of land located in the W¹/₂ SE ¹/₄ of Section 1, Township 9 South, Range 1 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly described as Tract 2 on Certificate of Survey filed in Book 7 of Surveys, page 1744-FC, records of Madison County, Montana. Parcel No. 27003401.

2. The property taxes became delinquent on May 31, 2010, and a property tax lien exists on the property as a result of a property tax delinquency. 3. The property tax lien was attached as the result of a tax lien sale held on July 19, 2010. 4. The property tax lien was purchased at a tax lien sale on July 19, 2010, by Madison County Treasurer's Office, 100 Wallace St, Virginia City, MT 59755. 5. The lien was subsequently assigned to HMC Real Estate, LLC, whose address is P.O. Box 1952, Great Falls, MT 59403, and a tax deed will be issued to it unless the property tax lien is redeemed prior to the expiration date of the redemption period.

6. As of the date of this notice, the amount of tax due, including penalties, interest, and costs, is: Tax Penalty Interest Costs Total \$597.11 \$10.05 \$97.69 \$365.57 \$1,070.42 7. The date that the redemption period expires is September 16, 2013. 8. For the property tax lien to be redeemed, the total amount listed in paragraph 6 plus all interest and costs that accrue from the date of this notice until the date of redemption, which amount will be calculated by the County Treasurer upon request, must be paid on or before the date that the redemption period expires. 9. If all taxes, penalties, interest, and costs are not paid to the County Treasurer on or prior to the date of the redemption period expires, or on or prior to the date on which the County Treasurer will otherwise issue a tax deed, a tax deed may be issued to HMC Real Estate, LLC, on the day following the date on which the redemption period expires or on the date on which the County Treasurer will otherwise issue a tax deed. 10. The business address and telephone number of the County Treasurer who is responsible for issuing the tax deed is: 100 Wallace St, Virginia City, MT 59755. 406-843-5261. Further notice for those persons listed above whose addresses are unknown: 1. The address of the party is unknown.

2. The published notice meets the legal requirements for notice of a pending tax deed issuance. 3. The party's rights in the property may be in jeopardy. Dated this 11th day of July, 2013. HMC Real Estate, LLC (Pub. July 11, 18 2013) hmrc

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE on September 3, 2013, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the Main Entrance of the First American Title Company of Montana located at 122 South First Street in Ennis, MT 59729, the following described real property situated in Madison County, Montana: LOT 1 IN BLOCK 8 OF THE ENNIS ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF ENNIS, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT AND SURVEY THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE MADISON COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

Anna Mackenzie and David Mackenzie, as Grantor(s), conveyed said real property to First American Title Company, as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to Long Beach Mortgage Company, as Beneficiary, by Deed of Trust dated August 18, 2005 recorded August 24, 2005 under Book: 540, Page: 1 Document No 108279. The beneficial interest is currently held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-WL1. First American Title Company, LLC, is the Successor Trustee pursuant to a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana.

The beneficiary has declared a default in the terms of said Deed of Trust by failing to make the monthly payments due in the amount of \$291.02, beginning December 1, 2012, and each month subsequent, which monthly installments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan. The total amount due on this obligation as of May 17, 2013 is \$107,915.77 principal, interest at the rate of 2.0% now totaling \$987.31, late charges in the amount of \$122.22, escrow advances of \$609.83, suspense balance of \$-419.15 and other fees and expenses advanced of \$126.00, plus accruing interest at the rate of \$4.95 per diem, late charges, and other costs and fees that may be advanced. The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of this sale include the Trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation.

The sale is a public sale and any person, including the beneficiary, excepting only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by Trustee's Deed without any representation or warranty, including warranty of Title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The sale purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the property on the 10th day following the sale. The grantor, successor in interest to the grantor or any other person having an interest in the property, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, may pay to the beneficiary or the successor in interest to the beneficiary the entire amount then due under the deed of trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually incurred and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and thereby cure the default.

The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 15 days for any reason, and in the event of a bankruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by the trustee for up to 120 days by public proclamation at least every 30 days. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Dated: April 24, 2013 Shandale Gordon Assistant Secretary, First American Title Company, LLC Successor Trustee Title Financial Specialty Services P.O. Box 339 Blackfoot ID 83221 STATE OF Idaho)

County of Bingham) On this 24th day of April, 2013, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Shandale Gordon, known to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Successor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Lisa J Tornabene Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: Nov 6, 2018 Chave vs. Mackenzie 42062.096 (Pub. July 11, 18, 25 2013) apps

NOTICE THAT A TAX DEED MAY BE ISSUED

To: Peter R. Ferraro, Peter R. Ferraro, Madison County Treasurer Pursuant to Section 15-18-212, Montana Code Annotated, notice is hereby given: 1. As a result of a property tax delinquency a property tax lien exists on the real property in which you may have an interest. The real property is described on the tax lien sale certificate as: Parcel: 27003402 09S 01 2 01 C.O.S. 7/1744-FC, PARCEL 1. The real property is also described in the records of the Madison County Clerk and Recorder as: A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE W¹/₂SE¹/₄ OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 1 WEST, P.M.M., MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA, MORE PARTICULARLY SHOWN AS TRACT 1 ON CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY FILED IN BOOK 7 OF SURVEYS, PAGE 1744-FC, RECORDS OF MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA. Parcel No. 27003402.

2. The property taxes became delinquent on May 31, 2010, and a property tax lien exists on the property as a result of a property tax delinquency. 3. The property tax lien was attached as the result of a tax lien sale held on July 19, 2010. 4. The property tax lien was purchased at a tax lien sale on July 19, 2010, by Madison County Treasurer's Office, 100 Wallace St, Virginia City, MT 59755. 5. The lien was subsequently assigned to HMC Real Estate, LLC, whose address is P.O. Box 1952, Great Falls, MT 59403, and a tax deed will be issued to it unless the property tax lien is redeemed prior to the expiration date of the redemption period.

6. As of the date of this notice, the amount of tax due, including penalties, interest, and costs, is: Tax Penalty Interest Costs Total \$592.19 \$9.82 \$95.26 \$369.37 \$1,056.64 7. The date that the redemption period expires is September 16, 2013. 8. For the property tax lien to be redeemed, the total amount listed in paragraph 6 plus all interest and costs that accrue from the date of this notice until the date of redemption, which amount will be calculated by the County Treasurer upon request, must be paid on or before the date that the redemption period expires. 9. If all taxes, penalties, interest, and costs are not paid to the County Treasurer on or prior to the date of the redemption period expires, or on or prior to the date on which the County Treasurer will otherwise issue a tax deed, a tax deed may be issued to HMC Real Estate, LLC, on the day following the date on which the redemption period expires or on the date on which the County Treasurer will otherwise issue a tax deed. 10. The business address and telephone number of the County Treasurer who is responsible for issuing the tax deed is: 100 Wallace St, Virginia City, MT 59755. 406-843-5261. Further notice for those persons listed above whose addresses are unknown: 1. The address of the party is unknown.

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NOTICE THAT A TAX DEED MAY BE ISSUED

To: John Wayne Thomas Sr., trustee of the J-Way Trust, J-Way Trust, John Wayne Thomas Jr., John Wayne Sr., Helen Ann Wayne, Helen Ann Thomas, trustee of the J-Way Trust, Dr. J. W. Thomas, John W Thomas Jr., Madison County Treasurer Pursuant to Section 15-18-212, Montana Code Annotated, notice is hereby given: 1. As a result of a property tax delinquency a property tax lien exists on the real property in which you may have an interest. The real property is described on the tax lien sale certificate as: Parcel: 2001301 06S 03W 16 C.O.S. 37, SE4NW4SE4. The real property is also described in the records of the Madison County Clerk and Recorder as: Township 6 South, Range 3 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana. Section 16: A tract of land situate and lying in the SE1/4 more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest Corner of the tract herein described from which the Northwest Corner of the SE1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of said section West 250 feet; thence East 188 feet to the Westerly Boundary of an existing creek; thence, S 44°10'W, 149.30 feet along the Westerly Boundary of said creek; thence S 81°23'W, 96.3 feet along the Westerly Boundary of said creek; thence, S 49°44'W, 189.89 feet along the Westerly Boundary of said creek; thence, S75°11'W, 97.91 feet more or less to the Northery right of way of Montana State Highway No. 287; thence, N42°54'E, 367 feet to the point of beginning, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder in Book 5 of Plats, page 37, records of Madison County, Montana. Parcel No. 2001301.

2. The property taxes became delinquent on May 31, 2010, and a property tax lien exists on the property as a result of a property tax delinquency. 3. The property tax lien was attached as the result of a tax lien sale held on July 19, 2010. 4. The property tax lien was purchased at a tax lien sale on July 19, 2010, by Madison County Treasurer's Office, 100 Wallace St, Virginia City, MT 59755. 5. The lien was subsequently assigned to HMC Real Estate, LLC, whose address is P.O. Box 1952, Great Falls, MT 59403, and a tax deed will be issued to it unless the property tax lien is redeemed prior to the expiration date of the redemption period.

6. As of the date of this notice, the amount of tax due, including penalties, interest, and costs, is: Tax: \$749.03 Penalty: \$13.06 Interest: \$135.35 Costs: \$470.89 Total: \$1,368.337 7. The date that the redemption period expires is September 16, 2013. 8. For the property tax lien to be redeemed, the total amount listed in paragraph 6 plus all interest and costs that accrue from the date of this notice until the date of redemption, which amount will be calculated by the County Treasurer upon request, must be paid on or before the date that the redemption period expires. 9. If all taxes, penalties, interest, and costs are not paid to the County Treasurer on or prior to the date of the redemption period expires, or on or prior to the date on which the County Treasurer will otherwise issue a tax deed, a tax deed may be issued to HMC Real Estate, LLC, on the day following the date on which the redemption period expires or on the date on which the County Treasurer will otherwise issue a tax deed. 10. The business address and telephone number of the County Treasurer who is responsible for issuing the tax deed is: 100 Wallace St, Virginia City, MT 59755. 406-843-5261. Further notice for those persons listed above whose addresses are unknown: 1. The address of the party is unknown. 2. The published notice meets the legal requirements for notice of a pending tax deed issuance. 3. The party's rights in the property may be in jeopardy. Dated this 11th day of July, 2013. HMC Real Estate, LLC (Pub. July 11, 18 2013) hmrc

Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: Nov 6, 2018 PHH v Brown 41392.893 (Pub. July 11, 18, 25 2013) apps

County of Bingham) On this 10th day of May, 2013, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Dalia Martinez, known to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Successor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Lisa J Tornabene Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: Nov 6, 2018 PHH v Brown 41392.893 (Pub. July 11, 18, 25 2013) apps

FINAL BUDGET MEETING

The 2013-2014 Final Budget Meeting for the Harrison School will be held August 5, 2013 in the Art/Spanish Room at 7:00 p.m. Any taxpayer may attend and give testimony on the budgets. The regular August meeting will be held in conjunction with the Final Budget Meeting. This meeting may be continued from day to day until final information becomes available. Judi Ward, District Clerk (Pub. July 18, 25 2013) hs

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Madison County Board of Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, July 23, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room at the Broadway Annex in Virginia City, Montana, to receive public comment on a petition requesting to annex all privately owned lands and state lands under Madison County Co-op agreement with the Department of Natural Resources contained within the following description: Township 1 South, Range 3 West, Section 21, PMM, Madison County, Montana. Copies of the petition are available for public review and comment at the Madison County Commissioners' Office, the Madison County Clerk and Recorder's Office, and posted on the Madison County website, www.madison.mt.gov. Comments on the proposal are welcome. Written public comments may be submitted or delivered to the Madison County Commissioners' Office, P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, MT 59755; faxed to (406) 843-5517; or emailed to madco@madison.mt.gov. Written comments must be received by close of the July 23, 2013, public hearing. (Pub. July 18, 2013) mcc

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE on September 9, 2013, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the Main Entrance of the First American Title Company of Montana located at 122 South First Street in Ennis, MT 59729, the following described real property situated in Madison County, Montana: Unit 61 of Big Horn at Lone Mountain as shown and designated on those certain Final Amended and Location Plats filed in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana in Book 6 of Condominiums, pages 448-451, being a tract of land located in the NE1/4 of Section 30, and the NW1/4 of Section 29, Township 6 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., as more particularly shown and described on said plat filed in Book 6 of Condominiums, page 448, records of Madison County, Montana. TOGETHER WITH an undivided 1.42857% interest in and to the Common Areas and Facilities as shown and designated on said plats and in the Declaration of Condominium for Big Horn at Lone Mountain recorded October 22, 1992 in Book 365, page 570, and amended by Book 372, page 484, Book 386, page 748 and Book 392, page 221, Book 394, page 148, records of Madison County, Montana Harry W Brown and Nancy S Brown, as Grantor(s), conveyed said real property to Montana Abstract and Title, as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to Morgan Stanley Credit Corporation, as Beneficiary, by Deed of Trust dated August 22, 2005 and recorded August 30, 2005 on Book 540, Page 545 as Document No. 108410. The beneficial interest is currently held by PHH Mortgage Corporation. First American Title Company, LLC, is the Successor Trustee pursuant to a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana.

The beneficiary has declared a default in the terms of said Deed of Trust by failing to make the monthly payments due in the amount of \$2,461.12, beginning June 1, 2011, and each month subsequent, which monthly installments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan. The total amount due on this obligation as of April 7, 2013 is \$211,794.02 principal, interest at the rate of 5.8750% now totaling \$24,053.47, late charges in the amount of \$1,107.54, escrow advances of \$6,685.78 and other fees and expenses advanced of \$1,559.00, plus accruing interest at the rate of \$34.09 per diem, late charges, and

other costs and fees that may be advanced. The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of this sale include the Trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation.

The sale is a public sale and any person, including the beneficiary, excepting only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by Trustee's Deed without any representation or warranty, including warranty of Title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The sale purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the property on the 10th day following the sale. The grantor, successor in interest to the grantor or any other person having an interest in the property, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, may pay to the beneficiary or the successor in interest to the beneficiary the entire amount then due under the deed of trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually incurred and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and thereby cure the default.

The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 15 days for any reason, and in the event of a bankruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by the trustee for up to 120 days by public proclamation at least every 30 days. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Dated: May 10, 2013 Dalia Martinez Assistant Secretary, First American Title Company, LLC Successor Trustee Title Financial Specialty Services P.O. Box 339 Blackfoot ID 83221 STATE OF Idaho)

County of Bingham) On this 10th day of May, 2013, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Dalia Martinez, known to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Successor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Lisa J Tornabene Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: Nov 6, 2018 PHH v Brown 41392.893 (Pub. July 11, 18, 25 2013) apps

County of Bingham) On this 8th day of May, 2013, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Shandale Gordon, known to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Successor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Dalia Martinez Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: 2/18/2014 Suntrust vs. Holladay 41531.722 (Pub. July 18, 25, Aug 1 2013) apps

County of Bingham) On this 8th day of May, 2013, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Shandale Gordon, known to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Successor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Dalia Martinez Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: 2/18/2014 Suntrust vs. Holladay 41531.722 (Pub. July 18, 25, Aug 1 2013) apps

NOTICE OF FINAL BUDGET MEETING

On August 15th, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. the Twin Bridges School District #7 Board of Trustees will meet in the Montana Room of the Twin Bridges Schools for the purpose of considering and adopting the final budget of the district. The trustees' meeting may be continued from day-to-day until adoption of the final budget, but no later than August 25th, 20-9-131(2) and 20-9-151(1), MCA. Any taxpayer may appear at the meeting and be heard for or against any part of the budget. The regular August meeting will be conducted at that time on August 15th, 2013. For further information please contact: Joynn Breakall, District Clerk, PO Box 414, Twin Bridges, MT 59754 (406-684-5656). (Pub. July 18, August 1 2013) tbs

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY Probate No. DP-29-2013-33 IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF RONDA DAWN WETZEL Petitioner THIS IS NOTICE THAT PETITIONER has asked the District Court for a change of name from RONDA DAWN WETZEL TO RONDA DAWN MAILEY This hearing will be on SEPTEMBER 9, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. The hearing will be at the Courthouse in Madison County. BUNDY K. BAILEY Clerk of District Court Madison County BY: /s/ Kacey Smart Deputy Clerk of Court (Pub. July 18, 25, August 1, 8, 2013) rw

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE on September 16, 2013, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the Main Entrance of the First American Title Company of Montana located at 122 South First Street in Ennis, MT 59729, the following described real property situated in Madison County, Montana: UNIT NO. 10,414 OF SUMMIT HOTEL CONDOMINIUM, LOCATED ON LOT 18 OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE SUBDIVISION, PHASE 1, A TRACT OF LAND BEING A PORTION OF THE NORTH HALF OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 3 EAST, P.M.M., MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER OF MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA. TOGETHER WITH A 0.66 PERCENT UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS OF THE CONDOMINIUM APPERTAINING TO SUCH UNIT, THE DECLARATION FOR WHICH WAS RECORDED FEBRUARY 24, 2000 IN BOOK 438, PAGE 425, RECORDS OF MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA THE USE OF THE UNIT SHALL BE FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSE ONLY. Dawnetta J. Holladay, as Grantor(s), conveyed said real property to Charles J. Peterson, as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Beneficiary, by Deed of Trust dated February 24, 2006 and recorded March 6, 2006 in book 554, page 186, under document number 112074. The beneficial interest is currently held by Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas As Trustee RALI 2006-QS6. First American Title Company, LLC, is the Successor Trustee pursuant to a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana. The beneficiary has declared a default in the terms of said Deed of Trust by failing to make the monthly payments due in the amount of \$3,317.40, beginning August 1, 2012, and each month subsequent, which monthly installments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan. The total amount due on this obligation as of April 26, 2013 is \$539,780.00 principal, interest at the rate of 4.375% now totaling \$32,583.23, late charges in the amount of \$1,326.96, escrow advances of \$488.14, and other fees and expenses advanced of \$79.00, plus accruing interest at the rate of \$64.70 per

diem, late charges, and other costs and fees that may be advanced. The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of this sale include the Trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation.

The sale is a public sale and any person, including the beneficiary, excepting only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by Trustee's Deed without any representation or warranty, including warranty of Title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The sale purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the property on the 10th day following the sale. The grantor, successor in interest to the grantor or any other person having an interest in the property, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, may pay to the beneficiary or the successor in interest to the beneficiary the entire amount then due under the deed of trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually incurred and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and thereby cure the default.

The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 15 days for any reason, and in the event of a bankruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by the trustee for up to 120 days by public proclamation at least every 30 days. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Dated: May 8, 2013 Shandale Gordon Assistant Secretary, First American Title Company, LLC Successor Trustee Title Financial Specialty Services P.O. Box 339 Blackfoot ID 83221 STATE OF Idaho)

County of Bingham) On this 8th day of May, 2013, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Shandale Gordon, known to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Successor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Dalia Martinez Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: 2/18/2014 Suntrust vs. Holladay 41531.722 (Pub. July 18, 25, Aug 1 2013) apps

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County of Bingham) On this 8th day of May, 2013, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Shandale Gordon, known to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Successor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Dalia Martinez Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: 2/18/2014 Suntrust vs. Holladay 41531.722 (Pub. July 18, 25, Aug 1 2013) apps

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY Probate No. DP-29-2013-33 IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF RONDA DAWN WETZEL Petitioner THIS IS NOTICE THAT PETITIONER has asked the District Court for a change of name from RONDA DAWN WETZEL TO RONDA DAWN MAILEY This hearing will be on SEPTEMBER 9, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. The hearing will be at the Courthouse in Madison County. BUNDY K. BAILEY Clerk of District Court Madison County BY: /s/ Kacey Smart Deputy Clerk of Court (Pub. July 18, 25, August 1, 8, 2013) rw

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE

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FINNIGAN'S FIREWOOD: Honest Cord, \$150 delivered. Any size or amount, Ennis/VC/Ruby Valley. 599-5270. Senior/Veteran/Volume Disc. 15-13p

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FOR SALE:
75 Railroad Ties
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FOR RENT

ENNIS MINI STORAGE New low prices with 10 x 10's starting at \$35. Larger sizes available. Call Reed Real Estate at 682-4236. 15-tfc

Commercial/Retail space available. 219 E Main St in Ennis. Great exposure and location. 950 sq ft. Call Paul if interested at 581-7878. 20-tfc-b

PETERSON'S DISCOUNT STORAGE now taking reservations for covered storage of any size motor home. 10'x19' units for rent. Ennis. 682-7442 18-tfc-b

BARKER VILLAGE APARTMENTS: 1 bedroom unfurnished apartments available in Ennis. A/C, washer/dryer equipped, private location. 1 year lease, \$600 per month plus security deposit, utilities included, non-smoking, no dogs. Call Erich Vogeli, Manager at 406-682-5737. 15-tfc

FOR RENT: Downtown retail space located in the Lone Elk Mall, 1,250 sq. ft. price negotiable call 640-1351. 28-tfc

FOR RENT: 14' x 48' storage unit with 12' w x 14' h door. \$150/mo. Please call Bob at 925-1362 26-tfc-b

FOR RENT: Call Apex Management at 682-7112 or 581-0103 for long term or vacation rentals in Ennis and the Madison Valley. 1-tfc

FOR RENT IN ENNIS: Office Space - 390 sq. ft. includes office, storage area & bathroom. Please contact Cindy at 682-3011 or 581-5372. 14-tfc

FOR RENT: Large mobile home site 1 mile from Ennis. 100 x 150', water & sewer, country atmosphere, quiet. **NO DOGS.** 682-4854. 29-tfc

For the Nature Lover: Charming 3 bedroom, sunny, energy-efficient home overlooking Sphinx Mountain & the Madison Range. Beautiful office, sunroom, spacious cathedral bathroom w/ Jacuzzi tub, propane fireplace. Available starting August 1st. Year lease required. \$1000/mo. 406-600-2349 35-4-p



VACATION RENTAL: Close to Ennis. Rent by the night, week or month. Sleeps 12+ people. Call for rates and more information at 406-287-7861 or 406-498-6113. 48-e/o tfc

MADISON MANAGEMENT Vacation and Long Term Rentals 570-5401 www.madisonmanagement.com 22-tfc

Professional Office Space available in downtown Ennis, close to banks, restaurants. Common area facilities included. Various sizes starting at \$190 per month. Call 682-5653. 15-tfc

LONE ELK MALL Retail/Service/Commercial space for rent. 2,000 +/- sq/ft. Previously occupied by kitchen & bath boutique. Call for terms. 406-682-5653. 15-tfc

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MISCELLANEOUS

FIDDLE/VIOLIN & GUITAR LESSONS: Now accepting students June-Oct. Contact Peggy at the Cattleman Gallery, 682-5775 or (941)773-3637. 33-tfc-b

HELP WANTED

Help Wanted, Virginia City Creamery, part time night swamper and a full-time server. Call 842-5515 or 596-0843 38-1-b

Town of Twin Bridges is looking for a full time Public Works worker. Requirements are High School Diploma or GED, CDL license, Class 4 water & wastewater operator certificate (or required to obtain after employment), mechanical skills, and basic computer skills. Some of the duties include operating heavy equipment, and park maintenance. Pay D.O.E. Please send resume to Town of Twin Bridges PO Box 307, Twin Bridges, MT 59754 by 5 pm on July 16 or drop off at the Town of Twin Bridges office, 104 E 6th Avenue. 36-2-b

The Madisonian is now taking applications for a part-time reporter. Must have writing experience and a strong grasp of grammar and AP style. General photography skills preferred. Submit two writing samples and resume to editor@madisoniannews.com

Madison Valley Manor is hiring experienced Certified Nursing Assistants. Part-time or Full-time with benefits. Wage may vary based on experience. Contact Christine Canterbury at 682-7271. EOE 38-3-b

The Ennis Community Children's School, a non-profit day care center/preschool is seeking energetic and motivated professionals to join our staff either PT or FT. Child care experience or a degree in education preferred. Wage starting at \$10/hr. and benefits package available! Contact Kaitlin @ (406) 570-4976 for further information. 38-tfc-b

Yellowstone Custom Country Homes is seeking experienced carpenters. 842-5068 33-tfc-b

FULL TIME Head Bartender Wanted: Goldmine Lounge & Casino in Cardwell. Schedule will vary. Apply in person at location. 32-tfc-b

Ennis School has an opening for a high school girls' basketball assistant coach. Prior playing and/or coaching experience are required. The salary for this position is \$2,268. If interested, please contact John Overstreet at (406)682-4258. You may also send a letter of interest and resume to John Overstreet, Ennis Schools, PO Box 517, Ennis, MT 59729. The deadline to make application is July 29, 2013. 38-2-b

Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center in Sheridan, MT, a small family oriented LTC Facility has a position open for an RN or LPN working 9 hour shifts as a charge nurse. Competitive wages, great benefits. Contact Pam at 406-842-5600 for more info and application. EOE 37-2-b

Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center in Sheridan, MT, a small family oriented LTC Facility has a position open for a C.N.A. Competitive wages, great benefits. Contact Connie at 406-842-5600 for more info and application. EOE. 37-2-b

OPERATIONS MANAGER Needed for West Yellowstone, MT Hospitality company. Rewarding, stable work environment. rroberson@yellowstonevacations.com 37-tfc-b

HELP WANTED: Rainbow Valley Lodge Housekeeping positions available for this coming season. Full or part-time. Top wages DOE. Apply in person. 682-4264 28-tfc-b

The Virginia City & Cameron (MT) Post Offices are accepting applications for the position of Postmaster Replacement (PMR) and Ennis (MT) Post Office is accepting applications for the position of Postal Support Employee (PSE). Workdays and hours will vary. The beginning salary is \$12.38 per hour. Limited benefits include opportunity for raises, paid vacation and access to health insurance after the first 360-day term. Contact Pat Havens, Postmaster, at 406-682-4286 for more information. Apply online at <http://usps.com/employment>. The US Postal Service is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 37-tfc-b

Harrison School District has a coaching position open for Junior High VB for the 2013-14 School Year. We Co-op our volleyball program with Willow Creek.

Qualifications: Experience working with students, a knowledge of the sport and completion of coaching certification clinic, upon hire. Candidate with a Valid Driver's License, preferred. Salary: \$1,250 Closing Date: Until Filled Supplemental Information: Interested applicants should send a letter of interest and resume.

Contact Information: Fred Hofman, P.O. Box 7, Harrison Public School, Harrison, MT 59735 fhofman@harrison.k12.mt.us Phone: (406) 685-3428 Fax: (406) 685-3430 37-2-b

REAL ESTATE

HOME FOR SALE: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, new everything, extra large master, landscaped Sheridan home, \$149,000. Call 916-600-3018 or 406-842-7737. 5-tfc

NEWLY REMODELED HOME at Rainbow Point with private access to Ennis Lake. Info @ www.ennislakefront.com or 406-581-7820. 22-tfc

HOME FOR SALE: 1200 sq/ft. with 2-car attached garage and 30x40' shop. 3bed/2bath on 1.04 acres in Troutdale II 406-564-8552 32-tfc-b

LOTS FOR SALE: 4 connected lots in Virginia City. Great location for a cabin. Call 702-271-5694 and ask for Dave. 34-tfc-b

FREE

FREE KITTENS: Siamese cross. Call Teresa 685-3392

FREE KITTENS: Four female tortoise shell calicos and an orange tabby male. Some short hair and some long hair. 406-223-0146 38-1-f

SERVICES

DEEMO'S MEATS Don't stress your livestock by taking them to slaughter. Let slaughter come to your ranch. Call 682-7306 or 600-0320 and ask for Scott. 16-tfc-b

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Barn owners in Ennis are missing a cat. 3 year old Calico with long white legs, very long black tail, and brown and black coat. The tip of her right ear is missing. Owner Peggy Todd is 91 and misses her cat very much. Please call 682-4349 if you have any information. 30-TFC-F

AUCTION

Lawrence Grabinski Estate Auction
Huge Inventory: Guns, antiques, several vehicles, a D7 Cat and equipment, many shop tools, fishing, snowmobiles, gardening and much, much more.
Sat. July 27 at Ruby outside of Alder, Mont. Watch for signs!
View at 9 a.m. Auction at 10 a.m. www.swmontanaauctions.com 842-5844 38-2-P

Shannon Pryor Real Estate & estate Auction
Saturday July 27, 2013@10 am
Preview July 26, 2013 10-5
10 paul gulch road | Whitehall, MT
www.zbauctioneers.com
406-570-5008
Info@zbauctioneers.com
38-2-b

YARD SALE

ENNIS SATURDAY FLEA MARKET
June 29 - Sept 7
9:00 - 2:00
CANCELLED
lot. Info - 682-4360 or 498-0676
35-tfc-b

John Seaman Estate Sale
July 20
9 am to 4 pm
311 Grizzly St (corner of Grizzly and Charles St) Ennis, MT
Furniture from Little Bear, Otter Banks, Antler Designs, Rocky Mountain Interiors.
Tool chest, tools, camping gear.
Call 406-579-4528 for early preview of items, ask for Joan. 38-1-b

TWO FAMILY GARAGE SALE
SAT JULY 20TH (9 AM TO 4PM) AND SUN., JULY 21ST (10 AM TO ?) (no Early Birds, Please!)
6 Bieler Lane, Sheridan
Furniture (oak coffee table, hutch, etc); office (file cabinets, bookcases, chair, printers, etc); Kitchen items including bread baker, pots & pans, flatware, coffee maker, canning equipment and dishes (including Sango Green Nova) and misc. household items; books (most free); clothing (mostly women's size 6 & 6P), coats, shoes; games, speakers, some sporting goods, a Nordic track, a telescope, stereo components, studded tires etc. 38-1-b

HUGE Multi Family Garage Sale
Friday July 19
8 am to 5 pm
Saturday July 20
8am to 2 pm
738 South 3rd St., Ennis
Guns, Household, ammo, saddles and much much more.
38-1-b

Ye Olde Virginia City Neighborhood trade and sell Flea Market
Saturday July 27th
From 9am until 6pm
Everyone welcome
Free set up. Come to sell or come to buy.
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38-1-b
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TUESDAY JULY 23

Historic Barn Tour, Ennis
9 a.m. Meet behind Pit Stop Pizza, MVHA event. 682-5780

Story Time, Virginia City
Thompson-Hickman Library
10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY JULY 24

Books & Babies, Ennis
Madison Valley Public Library,
10:30 a.m.
682-7244

THURSDAY JULY 25

Dig Into Reading Program, Sheridan
Sheridan Public Library, 10 a.m.
842-5770

Sheridan Farmers' Market
Main Street
4 - 6 p.m.

Porch Pickin', Three Forks
Kevin Christopher (Rock)
Sacajawea Hotel
5 p.m. 285-6515

Dinner in the Park, Dillon
Underhill Rose (country/soul), dinner by Soroptomists. 6 p.m. Jaycee Park

FRIDAY JULY 26

Ennis Farmers' Market
Valley Bank Parking Lot
5 - 7 p.m.

Going Away Party, Ennis
For Pokey and Melissa. Ennis Rodeo Grounds

7 p.m. Dino, 544-4624

Live Music, Norris
Calista Singley (Acoustic Originals) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. norrishotsprings.com

Live Music, Three Forks
Tris Munsick Band (Country) 9 p.m. Sacajawea Hotel 285-6515

SATURDAY JULY 27

Floating Flotillas & Fish Fantasies, Twin Bridges
Annual River Parade, 5K, Madison County Fairgrounds 8 a.m., 596-7893

Twin Bridges Farmers' Market
Madison County Fairgrounds 9 - 12 p.m. Part of Floating Flotillas and Fish Fantasies festivities.

Ye Olde Neighborhood Trade and Sell Flea Market, Virginia City
9 a.m. - 6 p.m. 325 E Wallace Street. 843-5544

3rd Annual Beaverhead Fly Fishing Classic, Dillon
9 a.m. Barrett's Park. Kelly, 683-6106.

Speaker, Dillon
Capt. James Liberty Fisk of the Northern Overland Trail. 2 p.m. Bannack State Park.

Live Music, Norris
Shea Stewart (Hill Country Blues/Americana) 7 p.m. Norris

Hot Springs. norrishotsprings.com

Live Music, Three Forks
Diamond Rock & Soul (Rock) 9 p.m. Sacajawea Hotel 285-6515

Live Music, Ennis
Underhill Rose (Country) Gravel Bar 9 p.m.

SUNDAY JULY 28

Madison Marathon, Ennis
themadisonmarathon.com to register

Live Music, Norris
Katherine Claire and Hanz Azaki (Celtic) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs. norrishotsprings.com

MONDAY JULY 29

Madison County Planning Board Meeting, Virginia City
6 p.m. Broadway Annex or Courthouse

TUESDAY JULY 30

Meet and Greet, Ennis
Madison Valley Medical Center Foundation hosts a Meet and Greet Breakfast Reception 7:30 a.m. Lower level conference room. 682-6862

Story Time, Virginia City
Thompson-Hickman Library
10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY JULY 31

Dinner in the Park, Dillon
Shakespeare in the Park: Henry V, dinner by Beaverhead County Chamber of Commerce 6 p.m. Jaycee Park.

THURSDAY AUGUST 1

Sheridan Farmers' Market
Main Street
4 - 6 p.m.

Business After Hours, Ennis
An Ennis Chamber of Commerce event. Host: Arrow Real Estate. Surprise location TBA. 5 p.m.

FRIDAY AUGUST 2

Ennis Farmers' Market
Valley Bank Parking Lot
5 - 7 p.m.

Sheridan Summer Festival
August 2 - 4 Live Music, BBQ, parade. Kiwanis Park 5:30 p.m. outpostevents.net

Live Music, Three Forks
Hollar'n Pines (Folk) 9 p.m. Sacajawea Hotel 285-6515

SATURDAY AUGUST 3

Twin Bridges Farmers' Market
Main Street Park
9 - 12 p.m.

Vigilante Music Festival, Virginia City
Admission is by donation. 12 p.m. - 12 a.m. info@virginiacity.com

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SATURDAY
JULY 20
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