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## MOUNTING TROUBLES



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Chad Murphy, left, and Ryan Gosse stand with mounts and hides recently sold in the FWP Region 3 Trophy Auction. Some of the mounts were from the illegal hunting that took place at Trails End and Hollowtop Ranches near Pony.

### FWP charges 26 in hunting shakedown

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More than \$72,000 in fines has been collected so far from suspects who unlawfully took game animals at two Pony ranches between 2003 and 2010. They all lost hunting privileges as well for 18-24 months.

"There were hundreds of hunters and we will never know

how many animals were actually taken," FWP Warden Ryan Gosse said.

Dubbed Operation Trails End by Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, the state agency recently closed a multi-year investigation into illegal activity at the Trails End and Hollowtop Ranches near Pony. Edward and Sharon Wachs of Illinois formally owned both ranches.

While they could have

been charged with felonies, the Wachs and twenty-four other individuals were charged with various misdemeanor offenses including: license fraud-residency violations, hunting without a license, unlawful possession of a game animal, fishing without a license, transfer of a hunting license, use of a license from another district, and violation of rules and regulations.

Gosse made contact with

a hunting party leaving one of Wachs' ranches in 2008. Both ranches are tucked away in the hills near Pony and border National Forest land. Gosse said FWP suspected something was wrong at Wachs' ranches prior to his field contact, but had no knowledge or clear proof. He said neighbors couldn't put a finger on what was going on at the ranches either.

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## Brucellosis discovered in three Madison County cows

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During a pre-slaughter test early last month, a cow in a Madison County herd tested as a reactor for brucella bacteria and later tested positive for brucellosis. After further testing, two additional positive cows from the same herd and in the same age range were identified. The cows had all run the same pastures. Because of the index cow's negative test last year, the cows' prior pastures can be taken off the table as possible locations of infection.

The index cow, the first to test positive last month, had a clean test July of 2012. Adjacent herds will be tested and about 500 cows in the 1000-head herd that included the infected cow have been tested. It is believed that the cow may have contracted the disease from an infected elk herd. The same day the test came back for the Madison County cow, a positive test came back for a cow in Park County. That cow came from a smaller herd of about 550 and it was determined that the infection was not from intra-herd transfer.

Infected herds are first put under a verbal quarantine and then a written quarantine while testing is done. The same is done with adjacent herds. Herds can

come off quarantine in as little as six to seven months, but it could also take longer.

Long quarantines and the resulting limited ability for ranchers to manage their herds had some Madison County ranchers at a meeting in Ennis frustrated last week. Ranchers in attendance nodded in agreement with Benny Clark's statement that they don't need to be afraid of or nervous about their neighbors' cattle, but rather of elk herds that can spread the disease. Montana Department of Livestock personnel told the crowd gathered that folks at the state level are working with and trying to put some pressure on Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks about their management of elk herds in the area.

Non-adjacent herds can and have gone about business as usual. Madison County is part of a four-county surveillance area that has heightened testing requirements. Sanctions were instituted against the state's cattle producers in previous years due to brucellosis-positive cattle.

Brucellosis was largely eradicated in the country but persists in herds of bison and elk in the Yellowstone area of Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. The disease causes infected animals to suffer miscarriages. Before 2007,

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## Federal Government shutdown affects Madison County residents

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Demoralizing and anger-inducing is how Harrison resident government employee Parker Taylor described the Federal Government's shutdown last week.

The Montana Department of Labor and Industry said that 51 employees in Madison County in the first quarter of 2013 were

federal employees. As of August, the entire state of Montana included 12,600 federal employees not including military employees. It also does not include any state or university employees that get a pay check from the State of Montana, but are ultimately funded by federal funds. It's up for interpretation as to which of these employees are essential versus nonessential.

A fulltime Department of the

Army National Guard technician, Taylor works as a supervisor in a maintenance shop in Belgrade, or at least he did again as of Monday. He and a number of other technicians were called back to work after four days of being furloughed.

"We were called back to work but we do not have any authority to use any funds," Taylor said. "We can't buy parts or get gas to go to other units in Butte, Livingston or Dillon that we sup-

port." Taylor's shop works on any machine with an engine that should fly and doesn't.

Taylor said he is not sure either how they decided which technicians came back this week and which didn't. He said differing legal interpretations of the Pay Our Military Act decided who was furloughed.

When he showed up to work

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## Commissioners vote against requested election on county courthouse addition

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All three Madison County Commissioners voted for a motion to proceed with plans to build a courthouse addition and not to hold a countywide election on the matter after it was requested by a small number of county residents.

One of those concerned citizens, John Claypool, was unable to attend the commissioners' meeting Tuesday morning but did submit an email to be read into the minutes. In his email, Claypool expressed his frustration about not being properly and fully informed about the courthouse addition and the voters' involvement in the process.

"I am more firmly convinced than ever it's a necessity that this go before voters," Claypool said. "It's a capital investment of a very sizeable amount. No timeframe or cost of a ballot are more important than the privacy of a voting booth."

Claypool and a few others brought the commissioners 100 or more signatures of people in the Ennis area who claimed not to know anything about the courthouse addition and asked that it be put to a vote even though many of

them told commissioner Dan Happel they think it's a great project.

The commissioners agreed that the project is a large capital investment, but one that under law they are allowed to make. According to statute, the board of county commissioners has jurisdiction and power to erect, furnish, equip, expand, improve, and maintain a courthouse, jail, health care facility, civic center, youth center, park buildings, museums, recreation centers, and any combination of those buildings and any other public buildings as may be necessary. The courthouse addition would be a public building in which residents of Madison County could attend public meetings, register to vote and visit a number of county offices.

Putting the courthouse addition on the ballot would cost between \$7,000-\$8,000, according to the clerk and recorder's office. Approximately 850 registered voters' signatures are needed to place an item on the ballot of a regularly scheduled election. Otherwise, 1,415 registered voters' signatures are needed to run special election.

Funds were saved in a capital improvement fund over the

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## Ruby Valley Hospital works toward building a new addition

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Enthusiasm is high in the Ruby Valley regarding the Ruby Valley Hospital building addition although groundbreaking is still at least a year or two away.

"It's still in limbo to some degree," Ken Walsh, the Ruby Valley Hospital Board of Trustees President, said. He added that accountants and consultants have been hired to study the project's draft plan and its feasibility.

Hospital administrators and trustees are still finalizing an application for a USDA Rural Development loan for \$8.5 million. Walsh said the board has not made a decision either way on the loan application. Preliminary plans have the money going toward a

28,000 square foot building that will sit north of Mac's Pharmacy on Crofoot Street. Full application for the loan takes three months, according to hospital CEO John Semingson, and was planned for August of last year.

Dr. Warren Swager, a hospital board member, voiced concern over the expansion of the hospital with regards to the financial situation of the hospital and community last year during the early planning stages. He urged the board to keep its options open but continue with pursuing the USDA loan.

New construction was recommended after evaluating the current facility. Remodeling the

Photo courtesy of GRVCCA  
The Ruby Valley Hospital's administration and board of trustees are looking to build a new hospital pending a loan application.

current facility was deemed too costly while a brand new building would allow for all the same services to be provided in labs, offices and exam rooms that are better and

appropriately sized for the needs of staff and patients. Schlenker & McKittrick Architects met with staff to obtain input on the master

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Upon meeting the group, Gosse noted that something was wrong with their licenses, including one in the name of the Wach's employee from Illinois who was serving as the group's guide. Two months later, one member of that group called the FWP tip line and reported that they had indeed been hunting antlered animals with no license to do so. Being involved in an illegal hunt did not sit well with that individual, according to Gosse.

Gosse estimates that the illegal hunting goes back 10 to 15 years.

FWP discovered that Wach's, owner of industrial pipe companies, invited business associates to visit Montana multiple times each year to hunt on his ranches using "ranch tags." Gosse said no such kind of tag is allowed or exists. A Wach's employee, Josh Armstrong, sent out electronic invitations and when the would-be-hunters arrived at the ranch they were taken to purchase one antlerless whitetail

license apiece at the now defunct D&J Grocery. FWP generated a long list of suspects from license registration history at the store and in the area.

"We sat on it and watched activity at the ranches for a number of years until we had enough to start an investigation," Gosse said.

In September of 2010, FWP received a break in the case when a taxidermist in Big Timber contacted the agency to report suspicious tags on antlered animals brought to his shop. According to Gosse, James Butts III of New York had shot a bull elk and buck deer on Wach's property, but the tags on the animals were not his. Butts and two of his family members all cooperated in the investigation.

Gosse and FWP Regional Investigator Chad Murphy soon learned that Wach's ranch manager Tim Stephens, under Wach's direction, provided the hunters with ATVs, showed them around the property, provided them with places to hang, cut and store animals they killed, and would even

ship antlers from the animals out of state in chandelier boxes on Wach's private jets that were sometimes flown by local Daniel Greydanus.

"Tim would do whatever Ed said," Gosse said he heard from a number of suspects FWP interviewed. "Ed told the hunters that it was his property and he could do whatever he wanted with it. Tim's a local, knew better and didn't do anything to stop it."

On a positive note, according to FWP the fair majority of animals taken were salvaged and the meat used. A lot of animals were laid to waste though, and their bones collected in piles. The majority of the animals taken were mule deer and whitetail. According to Gosse, Wach's, who paid for Stephens' legal fees, and his wife Sharon illegally purchased resident hunting licenses and illegally transferred them to other individuals who not only took animals illegally but also often took more than the legal limit allowed.

Fish and game agencies in other states aided Gosse and

Murphy in their investigation. The two travelled to Texas earlier this year to interview Sean Williford and recovered a trophy status whitetail from him. They also collected \$17,000 in fines and restitution on the trip and a bull elk and mule deer. The money collected from the fines and raised from FWP's annual trophy auction goes into the agency's enforcement fund.

Gosse said FWP's Region 3 is the busiest in the state in cases like this one due to the number of areas to hunt and number of animals in the region.

"These resources – the land and animals on it – belong to the state and the people who live here," Gosse said. "It doesn't matter how wealthy a person is, how much property they own or how much money they've donated to different foundations, everyone needs to play by the rules."

The ranches are under new ownership. "I do not believe the new owners had anything to do with the illegal hunting that took place," Gosse said.

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last Tuesday, Taylor and his co-workers were told they needed to complete an orderly shutdown and were out of the shop by lunchtime. He was also supposed to have drill with his National Guard unit last weekend but it was cancelled and will be made up later.

"If the shutdown continues next week when we usually do data collection on employment and unemployment, we may never have good information on the number of individuals furloughed," Barb Wagner with the Montana Department of Labor and Industry said. "At this point, our best data appears to be anything published by the federal agencies themselves, which may

or may not be a Montana-specific number."

Other locals without work due to the shutdown are employees at the Ennis National Fish Hatchery. A visit to the hatchery's website directs people to the U.S. Department of the Interior website with a message that reads, "Due to the lapse in appropriated funds, all public lands managed by the Interior Department will be closed."

Federal dollars will continue to flow to both K-12 and higher education. A longer shutdown, though, could lead to a backlog of paperwork and create problems for those who receive federal funds.

Many of the federal pro-

grams that fund afterschool programs are forward funded or reimbursed, so the impact of the government shutdown will likely not be felt unless the shutdown extends beyond a week or two. The Department of Education will disperse about \$22 billion in key K-12 formula funding through state Title I, special education, and career and technical education grants that were due to go out during the first week of October. At this time, funding for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers, like the one in Twin Bridges, is not expected to be affected.

Taylor went without pay for four days and the weekend drill, which he and his family counts

as a big chunk of their household budget. He said he is unsure if he will see that money again if or when congress decides to stop the shutdown.

"That money was budgeted to make a car payment," Taylor said. "It's impacting our lives financially the most."

A believer of letting government know how you feel and what you are thinking, Taylor encourages others to write to Senators Jon Tester and Max Baucus and Congressman Steve Daines to let them know how Montanans in Madison County want to be governed and to get people back to work.

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site plan.

Both the administration and trustees brought forth the building project, which has been in the works for about two years. Walsh said they identified X-ray, labs and physical therapy as the critical areas that needed enhanced room. To acquire Montana Trauma Receiving Facility and Critical Access Hospital designation, the hospital is revamping a building it already owns to house a CT scanner. This status is good for two years.

The hospital offers 10 inpatient beds, radiology, laboratory, cardiac rehabilitation services, physical and occupational therapy, 24-hour emergency care and a highly qualified nursing staff. Clinics are in Sheridan and Twin Bridges.

Semingson collected more than 500 signatures from fair goers and community groups who support the building project.

"The board thinks it's important for economic development reasons to improve the hospital," Walsh said. "We need good healthcare along with schools and other infrastructure to meet the immediate needs of the community. We

want to build something that will last for 40 to 50 years. Feedback has been positive."

Walsh said he expects the pieces to fall together and for the board to have an answer by early next year. If the answer is not a yes, he said the board and administration might go back to the drawing board and try to cut costs and make changes.

Ruby Valley Hospital serves the communities of Virginia City, Alder, Sheridan, Laurin, Twin Bridges, Silver Star and

Waterloo.

The Ruby Valley Hospital Board of Trustees meets the

last Thursday of each month. Its next meeting is Dec. 5 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.



The proposed building project would sit north of Mac's Pharmacy on Crofoot Street in Sheridan. Tobacco Root Graphics

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Montana had not had an infection in livestock since 1985. Even though bulls do not spread the disease, they are tested in order to shine light on a positive herd.

"We can't entirely eliminate the risk from the elk herds, but we can limit the economic impacts on producers," State Veteri-

narian Marty Zaluski told ranchers last week. "We've been lucky because we've been good about testing a lot. Folks deserve a pat on the back."

Just as with criminal investigations, DNA and fingerprints are used to determine whether or not the brucella bacteria came from elk or bison. Test results from the National Veterinary

Services Laboratory in Iowa can identify which strain of the bacteria a cow has. Calves between four and 12 months of age can be vaccinated. That vaccine wanes after about three years; therefore, MDOL recommends a three-year vaccination cycle. This vaccination, along with early detection and frequent testing, combine to benefit ranchers.

"Testing only every three years in high risk areas concerns me," Eric Liska, MDOL brucellosis staff veterinarian, said. He said that he hoped everyone stayed up to date with frequent and necessary testing.

MDOL staff continues to work with ranchers in the area and are available to answer questions at 444-3374.

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past few years and will be used to construct the addition. Madison County residents will not be asked to pay any additional taxes or fees to fund the project. Under statute, capital improvements means improvements, land, and equipment with a useful life of 10 years or more that increase or improve the service capacity of a public facility. Madison County's budget and finance information is competed and recorded with the state every year, according to Vicki Tilstra, the county's chief financial officer. She said the information is open to the public and the capital improvement funds have been disclosed as being set aside for the purpose of building the courthouse addition.

The commissioners have travelled around the county twice to attend various public meetings with information about the courthouse addition, but the meetings were often poorly attended.

Commissioner Dave Schulz said he, Happel and Jim Hart have not changed direction or altered

their focus and intent. He said he felt it was unfortunate that some people haven't followed county government.

"We're trying to take care of all of us county employees and the rest of the county too," Hart said. "We listened to voters and they didn't want a \$10 million bond for a law and justice center years ago. I appreciate and respect that."

The commissioners moved on from the idea of building a new detention center and proceeded with the idea of restoring the courthouse solely for court proceedings and moving other county offices back under one roof.

Tom Shaffer with the county facilities and maintenance department said that even if the courthouse addition were to be put to a vote, the majority of the public has no clue what the needs of the county offices are in terms of storage space, office space and more. Sanitarian's Clerk Donna Gilman said she would love for Claypool and anyone else who questions the courthouse addition to sit in her office in the small Broadway Annex office building, which was

originally a house. Gilman's office is a bedroom under the stairs and right next to the bathroom. She said there are issues with being in a house. At times all the noise and crowdedness makes it hard for her concentrate. And with files spread out in the building it often times takes more work and time to complete a task.

Some county employees like Lana Kober-Atkins are not excited about leaving the historic courthouse, but Kober-Atkins said she understands why the move is needed. She said she does not want to see the commissioners drag their feet on the courthouse addition by putting it up for election or back out at meetings throughout the county.

Patty Davis, a paralegal in the Madison County Attorney's office, stated that the feeling in her office and others in the courthouse is one of moving forward. Gilman questioned how right it is to make county residents, many of them elderly, walk all over Virginia City trying to find the office they need.

"It's new to some people but

they need to appreciate process we have gone through," Gilman said.

Hart echoed Gilman's sentiment and said it is citizens' responsibility to be educated, involved and informed and that he knows everyone has their own lives and can't necessarily be involved in government at any or all levels.

Happel, who said he is not a naysayer to the plan, stated that he wanted to make sure the commissioners didn't do something they would ultimately have to justify and couldn't. Schulz responded to Happel his thought that if the courthouse addition was not formally addressed now it would always be there and it is important to put legitimate finality to the discussion.

The commissioners agreed to put information about the plan back on the county's website and to advertise the intent and scale of the project in local newspapers.

The Madison County Board of Commissioners meets every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Broadway Annex in Virginia City.

MORE NEWS

# Sheridan infrastructure stronger after years of work

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Outdated and damaged water mains and wastewater system had the town of Sheridan struggling to meet state standards in the early 2000s. The town is now progressing and has moved on to new improvement projects.

Dean Derryberry, the Sheridan Town Council and the Public Works Department had a lot of work to do when Derryberry took over as mayor in 2005. Sheridan was told by the state to build a

new wastewater system or the state would do it for the city.

"That sounds good, but if the state does it they drop you with the bill that has to be paid in 20 years and is no real help," Derryberry told members of the Twin Bridges Rotary Club last week. "It would have created \$119 per month bills just for sewer for everyone for 20 years."

Instead of having the state do the work, Derryberry and the council began looking for grants and other funding sources to repair the wastewater system and water mains in town. The water

mains had a large number of leaks and the town's water system was pumping more water than Dillon in a 24-hour timespan, according to Rural Water. Because of the water main issue, the state had let the wastewater project slide while repairs were made to alleviate the leaking.

Derryberry described the number of issues as a mess that took two years just to work through engineering and funding. They received every grant they applied for, for which Derryberry was thankful, as many households in Sheridan are on a

fixed income and could not pay large bills to help cover the cost of the project. Those households and all other buildings in town are equipped with new water meters. The meters can be checked all at once with the push of a button and also make note of possible leaks on customers' bills. Derryberry was happy to tell the group that Sheridan as a whole is now saving several million gallons of water, annually.

"I'm not happy with the rate structure of the sewer system and am working to lower it," Derryberry said. "Just in case I don't

get re-elected, I want to get this done now."

Last week Sheridan received notice from the Department of Environmental Quality that the city could stop chlorinating its water – with the town council's approval. The city would still have to test the water to ensure it continues to meet standards. The city will save about \$250 a month if the chlorination stops.

The new lagoon, which is five miles out of town, remedied the town's discharge issues and also helps local ranchers with irrigation needs. The potential new

Ruby Valley Hospital building was included in both the sewer and water projects, according to Derryberry.

On the horizon is a second storage tank for the sewer system and repairs to Main Street by the Montana Department of Transportation. Water mains and sewers there will be replaced starting next summer. Derryberry said he hopes they can use some capital improvement funds to put asphalt down where it is in critical need of repair, such as Water Street.

The Sheridan Town Council meets next on Oct. 14 at 6 p.m.

# Court waits on presentence investigation for Jensen

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After a change of plea in February, former Madison County Deputy Attorney Chris McConnell said Dennis Ray Jensen must undergo a presentence investigation that includes a psychosexual evaluation by the Adult Probation and Parole Bureau before a date was set for his sentencing. A presentence investigation has yet

to be completed.

Jensen, arrested July of 2012 on sexual assault charges, entered an Alford plea of guilty to one count sexual assault in District Court on Feb. 4 before Judge Loren Tucker.

An Alford plea is similar to a no-contest plea in which a defendant admits that sufficient evidence exists with which the prosecution could likely convince a judge or jury to find the defendant guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. According

to Montana law "a person who knowingly subjects another person to any sexual contact without consent commits the offense of sexual assault."

According to Claris Yuhas, parole officer, Jensen's medical problems have caused the presentence investigation and psychosexual evaluation to take a considerable amount of time.

"I am near completion of the PSI and hope to have it filed within the next week," Yuhas said late last week. "After it is

filed, it is up to the county attorney to find a date to set sentencing."

According to the affidavit for probable cause in the case, Jensen allegedly grabbed three girls inappropriately inside his Main Street business in Sheridan in June 2012. The girls were between 11 and 12 years old at the time of the incident, and the alleged victims were all included in the one count of sexual assault.

After the court accepted

Jensen's plea, a second count of sexual abuse of children was dismissed by a motion from the prosecution.

Presentence investigations are done on felonies after a conviction via court occurs. They look into the background of a person in areas such as prior criminal behavior, other past counseling done and other personal data so the sentence would work for the suspect, according to Madison County Undersheriff Roger Thompson.

"In this case, a psychosexual evaluation would also be done by a professional, usually in private practice, so the suspect can be tiered in the state tier system for chance of re-offending and the appropriate counseling can be ordered," Thompson said.

Thompson added that defense attorneys also have a lot to do with delaying court actions and that could possibly be the case here too. As of press time the PSI had not been filed.

# Municipality elections all set for Tuesday, Nov. 5

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Residents of Madison County's four incorporated communities all have council and mayoral positions up for election next month. All terms begin in January.

The commission seats that are up for election this cycle in Ennis are those currently held by Brian Vincent and Alinon Arpin, both of whom are running for re-election. David McKenzie is also running. Mayoral candidates include Brandi Palmeron and current town commissioners, Audra Bourk and Becky

Vujovich.

"This is the most people that have run for town offices since I started on the commission in April 2000," current mayor Pat Clancey said.

All five positions are open in Virginia City – mayor and four councilpersons. Those running are Janet Allestad, David Bacon, James Dschaak, Robert Erdall, Justin Gatewood, Scott Kelley, Erin Leonard, Scott Peterson, Barbara Smith, and Lois Yenny. Once the council has been elected, the newly elected council will then name the Mayor.

Mark McLaughlin and Paul Kramer are running unopposed

for the positions they currently hold on the Sheridan Town Council. Mike Laurin will challenge Dean Derryberry in the mayoral race.

Matt Greemore, Dave Smith and Bill Kinoshita are running unopposed in Twin Bridges for town council positions. Mayor Tom Hyndman is also running unopposed.

The Madison County Clerk and Recorder's office will send out mail ballots for these communities. Being an odd year, there are no county offices up for election. Any proposed mill levies run on the school election ballot in the spring and not on the fall ballots.



# If you care, leave it there

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Wild animals have ways and actions that humans do not completely understand and some like Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks officials think that is fine and should stay that way.

Well-meaning McAllister residents found a spring fawn antelope hidden in the grass a few months ago and have basically domesticated the animal. According to FWP Warden Ryan Gosse, this has left the antelope a very limited chance

of survival in the wild.

The fawn head-butts neighbors, lays on others' porches, nuzzles some while they walk in the neighborhood and is cause for concern to many who have observed the animal's lack of fright.

"The family took it upon themselves to bottle feed the fawn after they found it by itself," Gosse said. "They picked it up and took possession of it, which is illegal."

Gosse explained that many times a mother antelope will leave their baby hidden while they eat and water and then pick up the baby when they are

done. Because of this practice many people may think that animals like the fawn have been abandoned.

Now Gosse and the FWP will most likely have to take the animal and drop it into the wild. He said that no matter a person's animal husbandry skills, wild animals are not allowed to be possessed.

"Programs like 4-H are great, but the skills learned there should not transfer over to wild animals," Gosse said. "There's nothing we can do if a young animal really has been abandoned. If you want to help, leave the animal alone."



Photos by Faith Moldan

Sisters on the Fly are a group of women who challenge themselves in all that they set their minds to do. "We have no age or color. We represent no religion or political group. We welcome all women who want to share the adventures of 'sisterhood'," the group's mission statement reads.

Sisters on the Fly offer empowerment and sisterhood through exceptional outdoor adventures. New members are encouraged to join the Sisters on one of their trips and let themselves be spoiled rotten while learning to fish and be a real Western Cowgirl while running rivers on adventures that are just pure highway traveling fun. The best part is gathering new sisters you didn't know you had. Activities run the gamut from fly fishing, kayaking, cowgirl college, wine tasting, and horseback riding to whatever else sounds like fun, according to the Sisters on the Fly website.

"Our goal is to bring women together to challenge themselves, to be all they are capable of being. If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of, come along, we'll save a spot for you," the Sisters state online.

Along the way the Sisters decided it would be fun to outfit some vintage trailers and drag them down the road with them. The trailers – some of which passed through Ennis recently – allow the Sisters to fall into their own feather bed at the end of a long day of fishing and wake up to the smell of coffee right outside their door in the morning. The trailers took on personalities of their own, and that of their owners. They are proudly, and some fantastically, decorated with kitschy themes and love. Not all Sisters elect to have trailers. Some prefer tents, Bed & Breakfast suites, pickup truck beds, and any other place you can roll out a sleeping bag.

There are now more than 2,400 members in this group of women including members all over the United States, some in Canada, and England and even in Australia.

# Daines sponsors Restoring Healthy Forests for Healthy Communities Act

Dear Editor,

Montana Congressman Steve Daines has joined with Natural Resources Committee Chairman Doc Hastings (WA-District 4) to sponsor HR 1526, the Restoring Healthy Forests for Healthy Communities Act. This important legislation was passed by a large margin in the U.S. House and has been forwarded to the Senate for action. Unlike

Senator Testers' S. 37 Forest Jobs Bill, HR 1526 is really about creating healthy forests and real, long term, productive forest jobs, not more roadless wilderness areas.

Timber harvests in Montana have dropped by 90 percent over the past 20 years resulting in sawmill closures and lost logging and timber jobs that were once the bread and butter of Western Montana. HR 1526 requires that

the Forest Service actively manage its commercial timber, annually harvesting at least 50 percent of the sustainable yield from new growth and become once again a revenue generator. It is estimated that HR 1526 will produce 6,300 forest jobs in Montana, 68,000 nationwide and will turn much diseased and dying timber into an income producing resource instead of fire hazard liability.

What a refreshing thought;

create jobs and healthy forests instead of destroying them through mismanagement and neglect. HR 1526 would once again provide funding for our schools with 25 percent of timber sale proceeds going directly to counties. Frivolous lawsuits that have shut down National Forest timber sales for years would be reduced or eliminated with the requirement that lawsuits be bonded by the suing party. Under HR 1526

protection of the environment is still a priority, but the NEPA and ESA consultation process is streamlined to reduce lengthy delays, lawsuits and bureaucratic red tape.

It is time that we put common sense back into resource management and begin to pull the environmental pendulum back to the center. We are destroying ourselves from within with radical environmentalism

that recognizes little or no value from normal human activities like making a living, or utilizing natural resources for human use.

Please call Senators Baucus and Tester and ask them to support HR 1526 the Restoring Healthy Forests for Healthy Communities Act.

*Dan Happel, Commissioner  
Madison County District 2*

## Blessed by community care and admiration

The family of Darrel Shelton would like to express their thanks and gratitude as you have touched our hearts in so many ways by all your prayers and words of encouragement, and many hugs.

I am so blessed that my beloved husband, whom I loved so much, was also admired and appreciated by so many others.

Special thanks go to Dr. Blake Curtis and emergency room staff for the wonderful and prompt care given to my husband. Our community is so blessed to have a great and committed staff and facility.

*Mary Shelton  
Ennis*

## Pet rescuers deserve thanks for help on calf rescue

We wish to thank all the nice people who helped us to get our pet calf back in off the highway last Tuesday night, the Sheriff's Office for notifying us that he was out, Matt Banks for hanging on to him and petting him until we got

there and the Sheriff's Deputy for stopping traffic, and everyone else who stopped. Thank you all.

*Arnie and Mary Rosdahl  
Sheridan*

## OBITUARIES

### James "Terry" Hanson Feb. 11, 1939 - Oct. 4, 2013



He was born to parents James F. Hanson and Alta Mae Nibley. His home was the Centennial Valley, Mont. His school years were at Lakeside, Mont., and some years being home schooled. He lived with his grandparents Charlie and Mary Nibley at Teton, Idaho and graduated from South Fremont high school in 1957. He entered the Army in February of 1958. He married Gayle Sorensen Maupin on his first leave home, May 31, 1958. After a tour of duty in Korea he came home to help his father ranch in the Centennial. A timber accident in 1963 caused a serious head injury. He was in a coma for nearly a month and learned to walk and talk again.

In June of 1964 the family including sons Danny Lee, James Lynn, and Kenneth Bryce and parents Jim and Alta moved to the present homestead between Twin Bridges and Sheridan.

Terry ran the ranch with Gayle and sons by his side as he recuperated his health, milking cows, putting up hay and all the other farm chores. Spare time was spent traveling to school activities for the boys. Later another timber job at Idaho Creek

and finally settling into driving truck. He and Gayle started Hanson Freight and ran it for 18 years. They sold the business to Danny and retired with disability.

They spent his retirement building birdhouses and picture frames and tending his garden and large raspberry patch.

He was a member of the American Legion, VFW, NRA, and Senior Citizens.

He was instrumental in organizing the Centennial Valley Historical Society, and helping write a book "A Journey Through Time" about living and working in the Centennial where his great grandmother homesteaded before 1900.

Terry spent some time with the Senior Companion Program taking some of the old timers to lunch, medical appointments and rides around the countryside.

His parents preceded him in death.

He leaves behind his wife Gayle of 55 plus years. Sons: Danny of Sheridan, James (Debbie) of Twin Bridges, Kenny (Sherrie Vincent) of Helena. Grandchildren: Bryce (Emily) Hanson of Havre, Amanda

(Paul) Smail of Sheridan, and Rocky Jones of Bozeman, his great grandsons who were his pride and joy Kaleb and Ethan Smail of Sheridan, and Jimi and Cooper Hanson of Havre, brothers-in-law Lanny (Diane) of Mesa, Ariz., Duane (Betty) of Blackfoot, Idaho, Jim Maupin of Idaho, cousins Sherrie (Bill) Harrison of Helena, and Sue (Charlie) Pack of Utah, a caretaker and niece Wanda (Dan) Smith of Idaho his helper and friend David Fetterly, many cousins and friends to numerous to mention and his cat "Spit".

Many thanks to all the doctors, nurses at the VA Hospital and the hospice workers who took care of Terry especially Amanda.

Memorials may be made to the Twin Bridges Senior Citizen building fund.

Memorial services will be held Friday, Oct. 11 1 p.m. from the Church of the Valley at Twin Bridges with Larry Mehlhoff officiating. Interment with military honors will follow in the Twin Bridges Cemetery.

K&L Mortuaries & Crematory of Twin Bridges assisted with arrangements.

### David Mathew Platisha Nov. 27, 1972 - Aug. 15, 2013



James "Terry" Hanson passed away at his home with family by his side Friday, Oct. 4.



Entombment of ashes of David Mathew Platisha has been scheduled for Oct. 16 at 3 p.m. in Mount Moriah Cemetery

in Butte.

David passed peacefully due to cardiac arrest Aug. 15, 2013, at home in Weirton, W.Va., with his beloved dog by his side.

Born in Butte on Nov. 27, 1972, to Marjorie Calhoun and Eli Platisha, he was raised in Walkerville and was a graduate of Butte High and Montana Tech. David worked in Butte for Buttery's and was a volunteer and board member for many charities, including Butte AIDS Support Services, The Mother Lode Theater and the Orphan Girl Theater. He moved to Pittsburgh, Pa., in 2001 where he met his partner of 13 years, Gerard D'Alesio.

He spent three summers in Virginia City using his experience in business, accounting and theater to operate the business end of the Opera House for Rocky Mountain College. Most people who knew him in that context had no idea that he had a severe visual handicap due to complications of high blood pressure. He faced life's difficulties with grace, courage and humor. He loved theater, socializing, reading, crocheting, music, laughter, and his two sweet dogs.

His mother, Marjorie, and his father, Eli, predeceased him.

He is survived by partner, Gerard D'Alesio, Weirton, W.

Va.; his brother, Paul (Georgia) Platisha, Helena; his nephew, Cohle Platisha, Helena; his brother-in-law, Skip (Elaine) D'Alesio, Washington, Pa.; numerous other relatives, and his two beloved dogs, Abby and Coco.

His warmth and humor will be deeply missed by his large circle of friends from around the country; the positive impact he had on so many lives is his greatest legacy.

Memorials may be made to Albert's Angels Fund, which provides medical care for homeless pets, at 699 Centennial, Butte MT 59710 or the charity of the donor's choice.

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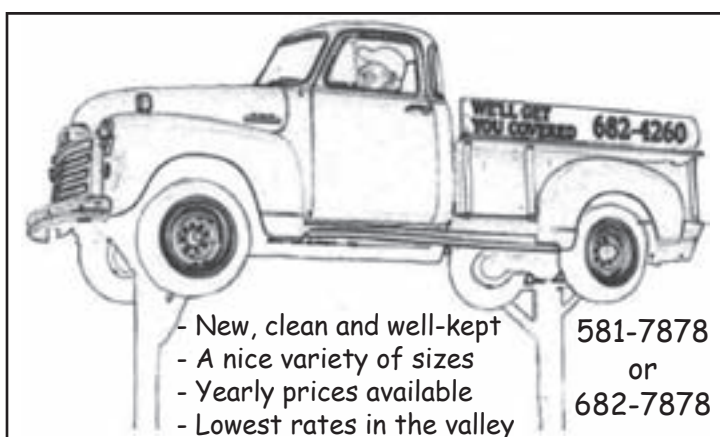


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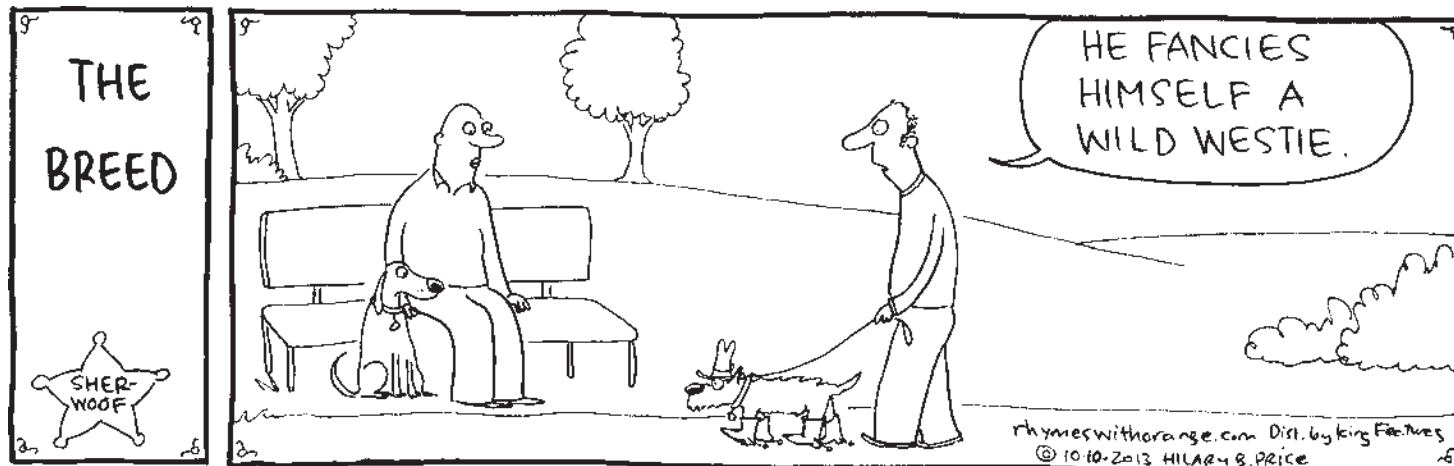
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*Just a Pinch*

Sharing Hometown Recipes, Cooking Tips and Coupons  
 By Janet Tharpe

**More Ooey Goey Mac & Cheese Please!**

"There are never any leftovers when I make this dish!"

What could be better after a long day than a huge bowl of mac & cheese? And Samantha Jacobs's Ooey Goey Mac & Cheese recipe will have your family asking for more. I always say that the more cheese you can fit in your mac & cheese, the better! I love that she mentions you can make this in a crock pot too—a perfect recipe for a busy weekend.

See step-by-step photos of Samantha's recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: [www.justapinch.com/macandcheese](http://www.justapinch.com/macandcheese)

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

Samantha Jacobs  
 Manchester, NH (pop. 109,565)

**Ooey Goey Mac and Cheese** - Janet

**What You Need**

- 2 1/2 box elbow macaroni, 1 lb
- 2 can(s) 10.75 oz each, cheddar cheese soup
- 2 can(s) 12 oz each, evaporated milk
- 1 1/4 stick butter
- 1 tsp each of salt and pepper
- 2 c extra sharp cheddar cheese, shredded
- 2 c sharp cheddar cheese, shredded
- 2 c pepperjack cheese, shredded

**Directions**

- Preheat oven to 350.
- Cook pasta according to pasta directions just until done. (You don't want it mushy, because it will absorb a little of the cheesy liquid in the oven.)
- Combine soup, evaporated milk, butter, salt, and pepper in a large microwavable bowl. Cover with plastic wrap, leaving a small vent, and cook for 6-7 minutes until the butter is melted and the mixture is warm-to-hot throughout. (If making a half batch, 4 minutes in the microwave should do it.)
- Add to cooked pasta.
- Add cheeses one at a time, stirring constantly until everything is melted and incorporated.
- Bake for 40-45 min. If desired, place baking dish under the broiler for an extra 4 min. to crisp up the top.
- FOR CROCK POT: Follow directions 1-5, leave your crock pot on low and cook for 4 hours.

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# Local FFA chapter to compete nationally

Submitted by Rodney Braaten

A local FFA chapter recently was selected to compete for national recognition in an FFA Career Development Event at October's 86th National FFA Convention & Expo.

The Ruby Valley FFA Chapter from Sheridan will send members to Louisville, Ky., as they vie for national honors in the area of Job Interview. FFA members who will represent the chapter in the event include Elle Wood. The chapter advisor is Rodney Braaten.

"FFA members develop, practice and demonstrate skills

needed in seeking employment in the agriculture industry, while encouraging them to examine career interests and opportunities in their local communities," said Melissa Dunkel, CDE education specialist.

Job Interview is one of 25 national CDEs, covering job skills in everything from communications to mechanics. The event is designed to recognize outstanding FFA members for their ability to prepare and interview for real-world employment opportunities. Part of the preparation includes creating a cover letter, resume and completing a job application. Par-

ticipants also show their ability to think on their feet through a networking activity. CDEs help students develop the abilities to think critically, communicate clearly, and perform effectively in a competitive job market.

The National FFA Organization provides leadership, personal growth and career success training through agricultural education to 557,318 student members in grades seven through 12 who belong to one of 7,498 local FFA chapters throughout the U.S., Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by develop-

ing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. The National FFA Organization operates under a federal charter granted by the 81st United States Congress and it is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The U.S. Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to state and local agricultural education programs. For more, visit the National FFA Organization online at [www.ffa.org](http://www.ffa.org), on Facebook, Twitter and the official National FFA Organization blog.



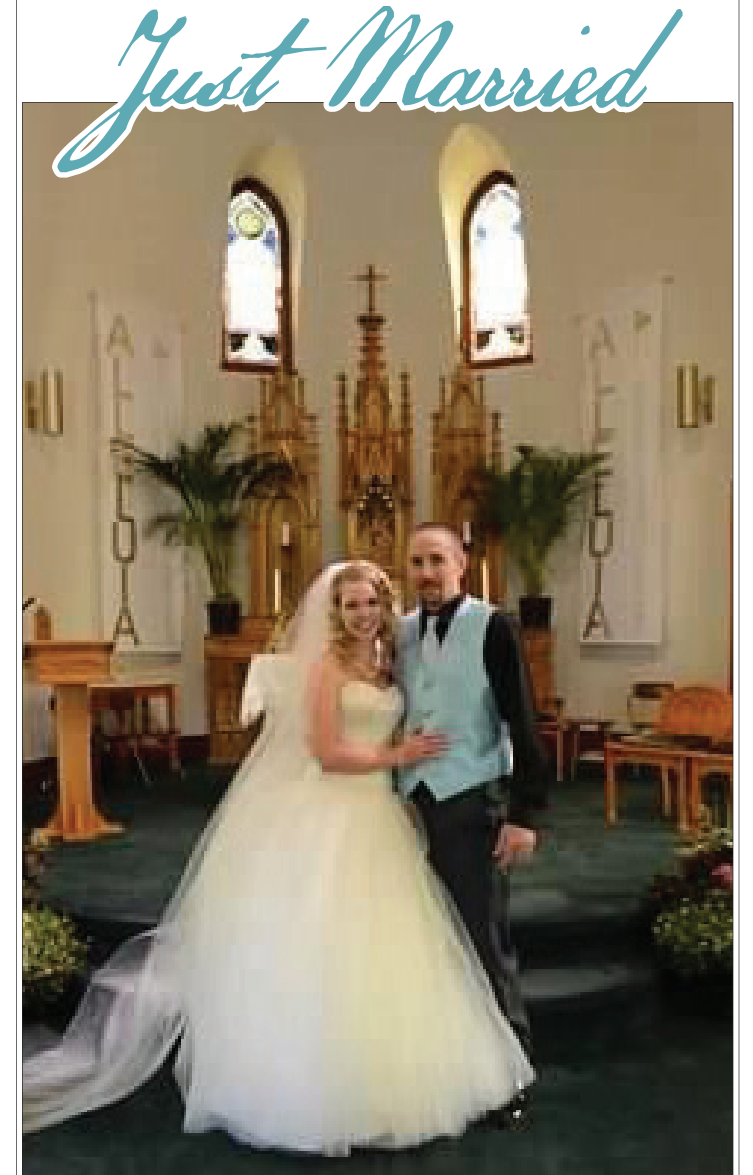
Photo submitted by Lynn Foreman  
Toni Scully, President MVWC, and Lynn Foreman, MVWC & PieceMakers of the Madison

## Woman's Club, PieceMakers raffle off Montana collage quilt

Submitted by Lynn Foreman

Time is running out, so be sure to purchase raffle tickets for The Madison Valley Woman's Club "Montana Collage" quilt on display at the First Madison Valley Bank. Tickets are available at The Nearly New Shoppe, First Madison Valley Bank and the Valley Bank. The raffle drawing

will be held at the Hunter's Feed on Friday, Oct. 25. The beautiful queen size quilt was made for the Woman's Club by the PieceMakers of the Madison Quilt Guild as a thank you for financial assistance the Woman's Club provided for their 2012 Quilt Show. The quilt design is a representation of flora and fauna of Montana.



Brittney Burke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Burke of Sheridan, Mont., and Michael McPhetres, son of Diane and the late Daniel McPhetres of Ennis, Mont. were married on August 17, 2013. The ceremony was held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Laurin, Mont. with a reception that followed at the Elks Hall in Virginia City, Mont. The bride graduated from Gonzaga University and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree. The groom is the manager of the meat department at Madison Foods in Ennis, Mont. The couple will reside in Ennis.

# GFWC of Montana Fall meeting

Submitted by Gayle Cart

General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) Madison Valley Woman's Club members Kim Montag, Lynn Foreman, Toni Scully, Vurnie Kaye Barnett, Bobby Bjork, Holly Clark, Jackie Shirley, Kitty Enboe, Marcia Zankowski and Lynn Learning attended the GFWC of Montana Fall Meeting held at the GranTree Inn, Bozeman, Sept. 27 - 28.

Club members enjoyed a full slate of programs, workshops and guest speakers. GFWC of Montana "Reflecting on the Present - Take Time To - Remember, Reflect And Renew" began with a presentation of colors and a welcome to Bozeman by Sean Becker, Mayor of

Bozeman. Followed by a workshop, "Cooking Up a Leader, Leadership Allergies" by Kathy Janssen, Western States Region president.

Friday concluded with a book discussion featuring Montana author, Elizabeth Watry, Women in Wonderland-Lives, Legends and Legacies of Yellowstone National Park. Watry presented information about some of the influential women in Yellowstone Park from the first woman ranger to store owners and more.

Saturday morning continued with a general business session, LEADS workshop by Penny Cope, 2013 LEADS candidate, presentation of International awards and reports from various state committees

including GFWC of Montana President, Nancy Hanford's Project, Montana Talking Books.

The "Celebrating Accomplishments" luncheon began with President, GFWC of Montana Nancy Hanford presenting membership awards including a 65-year award to Barbara Kirscher. Jean Carol Thompson presented the three Jennie Award nominees Vurnie Kaye Barnett, Ennis, Sharon Britton, Cascade, and Barbara Kirscher, Thompson Falls. Thompson announced that Barbara Kirscher was the winner for GFWC of Montana. Kathy Janssen, WSR president surprised GFWC of Montana members by announcing that Kirscher had also won the WSR Jennie Award for the

11 Western Regional States and would represent WSR for the 2014 GFWC International contest. The GFWC Jennie Award honors one clubwoman selected by her club, state and region for outstanding commitment to club, community, and family.

Meetings and workshops continued in the afternoon and concluded with guest speaker, WSR President, Kathy Janssen's talk "The West is Best - WSR, that is."

GFWC The General Federation of Women's Clubs is a unifying force, bringing together local women's clubs, with members dedicated to strengthening their communities and enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service.



## TRMCC residents, staff enjoys time in September

Submitted by Rosann Troyer

September started sunny and bright at TRMCC. The second day of the month we celebrated a major holiday by having a picnic meal for lunch on Labor Day.

The Resident Council met on the Sept. 3 to discuss upcoming events. The Silver Bow Cloggers made their entertaining appearance on the Sept. 5. Friday, Oct.

13 we celebrated with the monthly birthday party. Four residents have September birthdays, Ron Ashcraft, Tom Holland, Mabel Hillicker, and Larry Schulz. Ladies of the Madison County Catholic Community hosted the colorful and festive occasion. Those who helped serve the fresh strawberry shortcake and the moist and tasty Sheridan Bakery cake were Mary Kenworthy,

Bonnie Kelly, Yvonne Fillion, and Jan Know. The Cottage Floral of Whitehall donated lovely fresh flower corsages. The corsages had little black spiders for decoration. Several friends and family members joined in the celebration.

On Oct. 17 we would be found at the Sheridan Bakery enjoying everything from French toast and sausage, to a wet bur-

rito. Everything was fresh, hot, and very tasty. As always we look forward to a freshly baked cookie.

On Oct. 19 members of the Dayspring Mission came and held a church service with our residents. The sharing of the Bible and singing was uplifting. Our month ended on a happy note, because we had a very well attended Happy Hour.



At Forestry students are given instructions on tree identification

Photo by Nicholas Haag

## Ruby Valley FFA hosts invitational

Submitted by Nicholas Haag

The Ruby Valley FFA chapter hosted the Ruby Valley Invitational on Oct. 1. The contests held were Range, Livestock Judging, and Forestry.

In Greenhand Range Daniel Doolittle from Shields Valley placed first, Kayla Gagen from Shields Valley placed second, and Bronson Mystrol from Shields Valley placed third. The

Shields Valley chapter placed first, with Stevensville in second, and Park at third.

In Varsity Range Lauren Mehlhoff from Twin Bridges placed first, Mike Eller from Shields Valley placed second, and Brielle Foster from Shields Valley placed third. Shields Valley placed first as a team, with Twin Bridges in second, and Wheatland in third place.

In Greenhand Livestock

Judging Jess Moody from Big Timber placed first, Trinity Boyd from Shields Valley placed second, and Jasmine Martin from Park placed third. The Shields Valley team placed first, Big Timber placed second, and Park placed third.

In Varsity Livestock Cody Boyce from Fergus placed first, Celeste Hagen from Ruby Valley placed second, and Brant Marsh from Ruby Valley placed

third. Fergus placed first as a team, with Ruby Valley in second, and Belgrade received third.

In Varsity Forestry Josh Gilkey from Deer Lodge placed first, Daniel Beck from Deer Lodge placed second, and Nick Haag from Ruby Valley placed third. The Deer Lodge team placed first, with Ruby Valley in a close second, and Big Timber at third.

## Black bear season to close in BMU 520

Submitted by Joleen Tadej

By order of the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Commission, the above listed hunt-

ing district shall close to hunting of all black bears in BMU 520 which includes portions of Park, Sweet Grass, Stillwater and Carbon Counties. BMU 520 shall be

closed to hunting of all black bear hunting one-half hour after sunset on Wednesday, Oct 9, 2013.

To check Montana's black bear harvest go to the 2013 Black

Bear Hunting Status Report by Bear Management Unit link: <http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/plana-hunt/huntingGuides/blackBear/blackBearStatus.html>.

## All black bear hunting closed in BMU 510

Submitted by Jeanne Connolly

The hunting of all black bears in Bear Management Unit 510, in portions of Bighorn, Carbon and Yellowstone Counties, closed one-half hour after sunset on Friday, Oct. 4, 2013.

The order halting the hunt came shortly after Fish, Wildlife & Parks officials received word that the pre-established harvest quota for the district had been met.

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## Madison Valley Veterans Memorial Board to meet

Submitted by Andy DeBona

On Thursday Oct. 10, the MVMVB will meet at 3 p.m. at the Ennis Town Hall. Some of the topics to be discussed are

future plans for the memorial, a new information stand and how to display the sand we have received from WWII invasion beaches. The public is invited to attend and comment.

## Montana State Parks remain open during Federal Government shutdown

Submitted by Jennifer Lawson

Montana State Parks, (stateparks.mt.gov), is reminding the public that all 54 state parks remain open for business, and are not part of the federal government shutdown that has closed the national parks across the country.

Montana families and out-of-state visitors can continue to

visit our state parks and enjoy the outdoors and learn about nature, history and more.

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## History Association talks about bowling

Submitted by Larry L. Love  
PRESIDENT OF THE MVHA

Come and join us at the Fish Bowl Lanes and the Alley Bistro on Oct. 17 at 4 p.m. for a program on the History of Bowling in Ennis. We will relate a little on the history of bowling itself and then on the history of bowling here in En-

nis, starting with bowling of the two lanes in the present day Gravel Bar. If you have pictures, stories, or tales about the early days of bowling here in Ennis come and share those with us. We will have a tour of the alleys and afterwards there will be discount bowling and if you would like to eat at The Alley Bistro, that is available too.

## Headwaters Fiddle Contest in Three Forks

Submitted by David Zimmerman

The Montana Old Time Fiddlers will hold the 6th Annual Headwaters Fiddle Contest at the Headwaters Livestock Auction Barn near Three Forks on Oct. 12. Contestants will compete for cash prizes in four age categories plus novelty and twin fiddle.

Registration opens at 8 a.m. and the first round starts at 9 a.m. Finals begin at 6 p.m., so

it's a full day of fiddling' fun.

The public is welcome to attend, and admission is free. The auction barn is located 1/2 mile north of I-90 exit 274, just off HWY 287 on Wheatland Road. For more information call 285-4083 or 685-3481.

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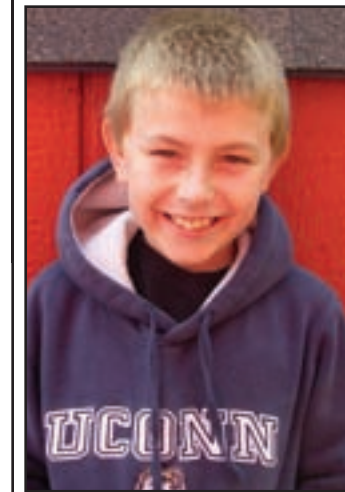
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## CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:

1. Madison County Deputy Sheriff Dan Birdsill and his K-9 partner Shay work in Madison County and other locations out of county when needed. (Faith Moldan) 2. Birdsill carries his equipment and Shay's in a truck vault. The storage in Birdsill's new vehicle allows for him and Shay to be ready no matter what the situation. Shay's kennel sits in between the front of the vehicle and the truck vault. (Faith Moldan) 3. Shay takes a flying bite at master trainer Dale Brandeberry. (Dan Birdsill) 4. Shay and Birdsill train at least four hours each week. (Dan Birdsill) 5. Shay, a 10-year-old Belgian Malinois, has worked with the Madison County Sheriff's Office for about eight years. His handler is Deputy Sheriff Dan Birdsill. (Dan Birdsill)

## K-9 Extraordinaire aids Sheriff's Office

Faith Moldan  
THE MADISONIAN  
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When it comes to Shay, a 10-year-old Belgian Malinois, criminals may not want to find out if his bark is worse than his bite.

Part of the Madison County Sheriff's Office for eight years, Shay and handler Dan Birdsill work in tandem to detect drugs, protect officers, and apprehend criminals. Birdsill, a deputy sheriff, purchased Shay from a breeder in Missouri when the dog was 8 weeks old after Birdsill received approval from the Sheriff. The approval is necessary due to the many policies, health insurance coverage, kennel fees, and other food and care expenses a K-9 officer requires. Shay's police training did not start until he was more than 1 year old.

He can detect five different narcotics – ecstasy (MDMA), methamphetamines, cocaine, heroin, and marijuana – as well as other drugs with similar chemical components.

"He's always looking and is curious. He looks a lot without even being commanded," Birdsill said of Shay. "Sometimes he will surprise you."

When Shay is commanded to do various tasks, he is told to do so with either hand signals or verbal commands in German. The commands in a different language lets Shay know that it is time to work and he needs to pay attention. Birdsill uses hand signals especially when Shay is further away from him or cannot hear him. Birdsill said Shay responds to about 25 verbal commands and about as many hand signals. They train to keep up their skills for at least four hours each

week and are re-certified once a year by master trainer Dale Brandeberry of Kalispell.

Birdsill began training Shay with basic obedience skills like sit, stay and being housebroken. Birdsill said it's important to not overload the dog and the dog must have the right kind of personality for the job.

"If you do it the right way it's imprinted in their minds," Birdsill said. "You only get one chance really."

The majority of the pair's work consists of many search warrants for dope and suspects. Birdsill also takes Shay to area schools for events like Red Ribbon Week and the duo visits nursing homes, libraries and makes appearances at the Madison County Fair. They also travel out of the county to assist other law enforcement departments and state and federal agencies.

Birdsill and Shay helped BLM handler Cory Manseau train his K-9. They may have another opportunity to pass on their knowledge in the next year or two when Birdsill possibly adds another dog. Five of Shay's seven offspring also work with law enforcement.

"It's a lot of work, but it's fun for both of us," Birdsill said. "Shay is happiest when he's working. He's like my right hand and with me during every shift."

Birdsill has worked for the Sheriff's Office for about 30 years. He recalled one arrest that he and Deputy Sheriff Phil Fortner made years ago in which Shay was vital to finding drugs in a vehicle that had passed over a few state lines and was known to be coming through Madison County. Shay helped them locate drugs and paraphernalia in the center console of a

truck and multiple bags of meth that were hidden in a cooler. Upon first appearance, the cooler seemed to only be holding some melted ice and a few sodas, but Fortner looked closer after Shay alerted on the cooler and found that the suspect had pried part of the cooler open, hid the drugs and glued it back together.

"Nobody's fooled and people know a lot more than criminals think," Birdsill said. "With the public's help we are doing little bits and pieces to make a difference in the county."

The cost of keeping and training Shay has been kept low. Birdsill has paid for some out of his own pocket, local veterinarian offices donated food when Shay began working with the Sheriff's Office, and Shay receives free checkups once a year. Birdsill has withheld from purchasing a bulletproof

vest for Shay. A beneficial and lifesaving tool, the vest costs about \$3,000 and is custom-fit for each dog. Birdsill said the vest also cuts down the dog's mobility and heats them up quicker. Birdsill's vehicle is equipped with an alert system to notify him when the vehicle is too hot for Shay. It also has a fan above Shay's kennel.

When not on duty, Shay enjoys bringing Birdsill the newspaper from their yard and fetching packages from other delivery personnel no matter how scared they might be of the large dog.

"We love being able to get out and talk to people," Birdsill said, adding that Shay loves being around children and acts as an icebreaker with them and many adults too. "We love our community and want to have a real connection with them and help people. We want them to run to us and not away from us."

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## Bosom Buddies provides support to breast cancer survivors in Madison County

Submitted by Justin Short  
MSW, MPH CSC  
PROGRAM DIRECTOR

A diagnosis of cancer is often accompanied by a sense of isolation, both physical and emotional. Women and men who are going through cancer treatment may feel fatigue and have a reduced immune system, thus resulting in a tendency to stay away from friends and family that provide support during difficult times. Further contributing to the feeling of isolation, is the awkwardness many friends and family experience as they often don't know what to say - so many say nothing at all, thereby unintentionally creating distance from the cancer survivor.

In this day and age, there is no reason to be alone, feel isolated, or ashamed of a cancer diagnosis. In Montana, we have Cancer

Support Community (CSC) - a non-profit organization that provides opportunities for survivors, caregivers and family members to gain support, education and hope. On a weekly basis, CSC provides a variety of free programs that complement traditional medical care for cancer. These include support groups, nutrition education, exercise opportunities, workshops, youth and family programs and special retreats. CSC works diligently to develop programs that are the most effective, appropriate, evidence-informed psychosocial programs our survivors and caregivers want and need.

The mission of Cancer Support Community is "To ensure that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action and sustained by community."

One of our flagship support groups is called Bosom Buddies and is open to men and women diagnosed with breast cancer. Bosom Buddies is facilitated by a professional mental health practitioner and meets twice per month at CSC giving survivors a chance to talk, cry, and even laugh at the tumultuous journey a cancer diagnosis often brings.

Bosom Buddies not only provides a place for sharing one's emotional impact from cancer, it is a wonderful resource for sharing information on cancer treatment side effects. Many of our participants discuss their experiences with a variety of issues including: neuropathy, lymphedema, sleep issues, chemotherapy-induced menopause, body image, weight gain and changes in their relationship with their partners or caregivers.

Through participation in Bosom Buddies, many of our participants have found hope and promise in the future through their shared experience while building a community of supporters and friends that may endure for years to come. A sense of isolation during cancer is not necessary, as support is available and services are offered free of charge.

Simply put, if you are someone who is affected by cancer and wish to meet others who understand what you and your family are going through, join us at Cancer Support Community. We are for the whole family...the whole time! If you are a breast cancer survivor in Madison County and interested in attending Bosom Buddies, please call Program Director Justin Short at 582-1600 and schedule an orientation prior to your first visit.

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# SPORTS



Photo by Gerry Mooney  
**Jake Knack and Grady Lorhenz** break up a pass intended for Ty Morgan. The Ennis Mustangs rolled over the Sheridan Panthers 60-24 last Friday night.

## Winning streak continues for the Ennis Mustangs

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So far this season the Ennis Mustang football team has outscored its opponents 297-63, resulting in a 5-0 record.

Five rushing touchdowns and two receiving touchdowns put the Mustangs up 60-24

over the Sheridan Panthers Friday at home. Freshman Jake Knack scored two of the team's rushing touchdowns. He finished the game with 135 yards rushing and 30 yards receiving and led the team in tackles and total yards.

Wylie Leo and Connor Sullivan scored the receiving touchdowns. Wes Goodman

recovered one fumble to aid the Mustangs.

Ennis heads to Twin Bridges for the Falcons' Senior Night Friday. Twin Bridges should challenge the Mustangs in this conference game, although Ennis has the upper hand in rushing yards per game and points per game. The game is set to start at 7 p.m.

## Whitehall-Harrison wins on road

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Jed Fike of Harrison had quite the game against Three Forks on Friday in the

Trojans' 19-16 win. Fike contributed 68 yards rushing on 12 carries and 42 yards passing with two receptions. He also had one touchdown and one interception.

Teammate John Brennan, a Harrison senior, recorded five tackles and one sack.

Now 5-0 on the season, the Trojans host Manhattan Friday for a 7 p.m. kickoff against the Tigers.

## Harrison-Willow Creek finishes third at Manhattan Christian Tournament

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After winning pool play, the Harrison-Willow Creek Wildcats went on to claim third place at Manhattan Christian's weekend tournament.

To make it to the semifinals the Wildcats first had to defeat Three Forks, Bozeman Sophomores, Shields Valley, Manhattan, Fairfield, and Big Timber. They lost to Red Lodge and Columbus during pool play.

In the semifinals Harrison-Willow Creek lost to Cut Bank

1-2.

The Wildcats' match against Lone Peak will be played in Willow Creek Thursday. The team travels to Lima on Saturday and then to Twin Bridges on Tuesday. All three games are conference matches.



Photo provided by Sheridan School  
 Janie Smart attacks the ball as the Falcons' front line attempt a block. The Sheridan Panthers faced off against rivals Twin Bridges Falcons for the second time this season and fell short 0-3.



Photo by Faith Moldan

Rylee McKinney hits the ball past a Bighorn defender.

## Ennis volleyball team wins at home

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In what seemed like an easy win, the Ennis Mustang volleyball team fought hard to finish the 3-0 sweep of the Lone Peak Bighorns on Friday.

Ennis won 25-17, 25-18 and 25-23 using an aggressive offensive attack led by Delaney

McNally and Nacole Martello with six kills apiece. McNally also recorded six assists, seven digs and two blocks. Taylre Sitz added five kills and four digs.

The Mustangs beat out the Bighorns in kills 22-16 and assists 21-8. Lone Peak recorded 41 digs on Ennis' hard hits.

Ennis' match in Shields

Valley against the Rebels the day before was cancelled due to weather. The team travelled to Park City for a tournament over the weekend, but no stats were available.

The Mustangs play in White Sulphur Springs Thursday and host Three Forks on Saturday before the team's senior night on Tuesday against Manhattan Christian.

## VOLLEYBALL STATS



**Gardiner def. Twin Bridges**  
 25-10, 25-8, 25-10  
 Kill - 9; Kristen Ashcraft 4  
 Aces - 0  
 Blocks - 0  
 Assists - 9; Kristen Ashcraft 4  
 Digs - 7; Page Phillips 3

**Ennis def. Lone Peak**  
 25-17, 25-18, 25-23  
 Aces - 9; Rylee McKinney 5,  
 Kortney Dietz 3  
 Assists - 21; Nacole Martello 13, Delaney McNally 6  
 Digs - 17; Taylre Sitz 4,  
 Delaney McNally 7  
 Kills - 22; Delaney

McNally 6, Nacole Martello 6, Taylre Sitz 5  
 Blocks - 2; Delaney McNally 2

**Harrison-Willow Creek vs. Manhattan Christian**  
 18-25, 25-27, 16-25  
 Alecia Panagakis 10  
 assists, 1 block, 5 digs  
 Britt Cooper 1 ace,  
 11 assists, 8 kills, 4  
 blocks, 5 digs  
 Kristen White 1 assist,  
 5 kills, 12 digs  
 Jaci Nesbit 11 kills,  
 1 block, 8 digs  
 Addie Nesbit 1 ace,  
 2 kills, 1 block, 1 dig  
 Brooke Griffis 4 assists  
 Taya DeFrance 9 digs

Ludovica Massa 4 digs

**Harrison-Willow Creek Manhattan Christian Tournament**  
 Def. Three Forks 25-24  
 Def. Bozeman Sophomores 25-22  
 Lose Red Lodge 22-25  
 Def. Shields Valley 25-16  
 Def. Manhattan 25-21  
 Def. Fairfield 25-14  
 Lose Columbus 24-25  
 Def. Big Timber 25-16  
 Lose Cut Bank 1-2

**Twin Bridges did not place at the tournament.**

**Sheridan stats were not available at press time.**



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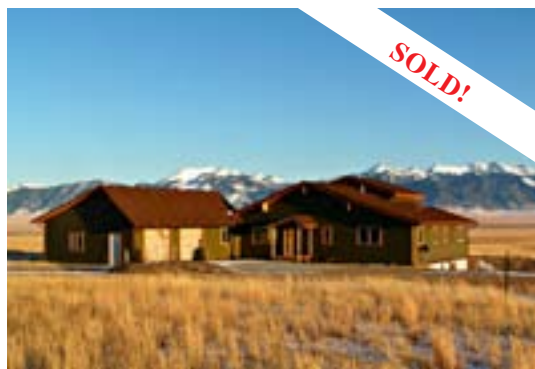
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COLUMNS

# HOLLOWTOP SMOKE SIGNALS

By Art Kehler  
FOR THE MADISONIAN

## Resuscitation Revised

Some Revolutionary Thoughts on a Life-Saving Procedure

For a long time, every two years, I have been updating my coronary, pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) skills. Each time, it's the same thing: opening the airway, chest compressions, rescue breaths etc. Sure, CPR-masks are available for professional emergency personnel. However, for the impromptu aid-giver, such masks are seldom available. Hence, if called on to give rescue breaths, I would be required to engage in mouth-to-mouth contact with complete strangers. Like many folks, the social awkwardness of such an act makes me uncomfortable but rescue breaths.



Art Kehler

Obviously, the situation cries out for a new system. At such times, all it takes is for one bold, free thinker to look at the problem from a new perspective. Thus, after a period of deliberation, the idea hit me like a thunderclap: Why not give CPR with a sink plunger?

Indeed, the idea is so simple and obvious, it's a marvel no one has thought of it before. With the current method, precious time is spent tilting the head, depressing the tongue, pinching the nose, and extending the jaw. By contrast, with my innovative technique, the CPR-practitioner simply flops the cupped rubber plunger over the nose and mouth (thereby forming the all-important seal) and immediately begins propelling life-saving air into sagging lungs. Meanwhile, his/her teammate jumpstarts the heart with chest compressions. Like a finely oiled machine, a well-trained duo of chugger and compressor could substantially increase cardio-pulmonary-resuscitation efficiency. Even better, the chances of personal contact disease transmission so common with traditional CPR is all but eliminated.

Additionally, conscious patients will see at a glance that help is at hand. A note of caution though: often such patients, deliriously grateful for their deliverance, may start flailing their arms and hands wildly. At the mere sight of a

determined rescuer dashing to their aid, plunger at the ready, their emotions might simply overwhelm them so much so that, to the untrained eye, it may seem that victims are intentionally trying to beat the instrument of their resuscitation away. Fortunately, trained aid-givers will recognize the situation for what it is and, oblivious to hysterics, press on with their mission of propelling compassion.

As well, the rhythmic "chugga-chugga-chugga"-of "thump-thump-thump" of trained CPR volunteers at work will serve as a soothing solace, assuring concerned bystanders that the patient is receiving the best modern medicine has to offer. Even better, the humble heroes will earn the undying gratitude of the resuscitated (although the more timid may decline to express their feelings until after the plunger ring has dissipated).

Of course, I cannot stress strongly enough that every effort must be made to ensure that sink plungers used for CPR are used solely for that purpose. It is imperative that each one be clearly labeled: "Pulmonary Plunger - For Use On Stopped Lungs Only!" Most crucially, never ever, under any circumstances, use a flange (toilet) plunger for CPR.

Frankly, I suspect overcoming the public's unsavory perception of plungers in general will be the greatest obstacle facing pulmonary plungers. Further, the medical profession does not abandon established procedure impulsively. Hence, despite its tantalizing potential, current CPR methods will doubtless remain in effect until after my revised resuscitation technique has been exhaustively tested. Even then, broad approval is not a given. I'll keep you posted (tongue in cheek).

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

Mother Nature certainly gave us a taste of winter last week. Even though the storm hit some areas and spared others, it was felt county wide. I drove to Sheridan and could hardly see the roads when I left Twin Bridges. I got down the road about four miles and there was no wind or snow. Same way to Dillon. Terrible weather in Twin and then nothing at all. Then I got nearly to Dillon and the storm was hitting hard. Typical Montana storm.

My son Luke and Katie Ashcraft were married a couple weeks ago, as I have told you. When planning the wedding Luke asked me if I thought my friend Gerry Mooney from Ennis would take the pictures. Told Luke only one way to find out is to ask him.

I met Gerry nearly 18 years ago at the Madison county Fair and when he asked me if it would be okay to take pictures of the fair. We talked for a bit, telling him neat things about the fair he may want to capture on film. After fair he stopped to show me his photos he had taken, and to see if I wanted to use them in the fair book the next year. His pictures were wonderful, capturing the feeling of fair in each. One photo still comes to mind of Shawnee Hamilton and Ethan Nordquist from Twin Bridges; they must have been five or so years old and were just laying in big old straw pile at fair. Each had the biggest belt buckles on with their western attire and huge smiles on their faces. The photo was fair perfect. When Shawnee and Ethan graduated high school we got them together so Gerry could take a photo of them at age 18. No straw pile though. As the years went by Gerry has become a friend to my entire family. He has photographed my kids from having the chicken pox and very miserable to pure happiness in horn hunting.

Gerry enjoys taking picture stories. He has done this with me and my school bus route, meeting the Amish in Waterloo, many cattle drives, rodeos and round-ups, the area art shows, the many historical events in the area and one of my very favorite was a football game between Twin Bridges and Sheridan when Luke was a senior. One of my favorite pictures in that photo story was the team getting ready. Tony Degal's dad Joe always helped the team in football but at this time of the game he was on army active duty overseas. The team had a picture of coach Degal on the locker room wall. Gerry photographed

Tony kneeling down on one knee in front of the picture of his dad saying a silent comment and prayer to his dad. The film was breathtaking in feelings.

Gerry agreed to barter with Luke and Katie to take their wedding pictures so the deal was set in painting and staining his house. The



## AROUND THE WOOD STOVE

by Gail Banks

wedding is over and Gerry's picture story of their wedding is here. You can always tell by the pictures when a photographer has the rare eye and the feeling. Their pictures all talk. They aren't just wedding pictures; they are "feelings" pictures.

I asked Gerry once, "What do you do with all your pictures," he just answered, "Give them away to the people most of the time." In my feeble opinion, that is the true photographer. Not for the money, not for the prestige but for the happiness of giving a precious gift to another, a photo of the heart making a memory.

Gerry reminds me of Tom Brook from Twin Bridges. Tom took pictures of Madison County and its residents his entire life (1890-1966). His many pictures are stored on film at MSU library which you can access any time on the computer. It takes people like Gerry and Tom to love capturing the area, its foundations and its folk, to preserve the history. Thank you, Gerry, my friend, for being a family friend and all of your talents that you have taught me and shared.

"The best kind of friend is the one you

could sit on a porch swing with, never saying a word, and walk away feeling like that was the best conversation you've ever had."

Much sympathy goes out to the family of Don Harrington this week with his passing. Don certainly had many accomplishments in his lifetime, but I think his "best" was his family.

Had to laugh this past week when my neighbor came over to ask if he could use the apples off one of my trees. I told him yes. I guess his conscience was bothering him a bit, cause then he tells me that he had been taking some apples off the tree already for pies. He then tells me, "I am telling confused though, the first time I took some apples off the tree they were like a yellow delicious apples and then next time I got some off a branch they were red wealthy apples?" I really had to laugh then as I explained to him that most of my apple trees were cross breed and grow two kinds of apples on each tree. He seemed a bit relieved, like he was having a bad apple experience.

So what have we learned this week? Life is like a piano. White keys are happy moments and black keys are sad moments. But remember both keys are played together to give sweet music. If you see a guy opening a car door for a girl it's one of two things - either a new girl, or a new car. Alcohol doesn't solve any problems, but then again neither does milk. The first 40 years of your childhood are always the hardest. We're all mature until somebody brings out the bubble wrap.

The storm last week was fierce but after was beautiful. The leaves seem to all drop the day after, but leaves of so many colors laying on the white snow was so cool. The mountains were gorgeous with all the snow and then the fall colors in the valleys. We are so lucky to live in this big picture.

I took my grandson Gus back to his mom this weekend and when I was leaving I heard him say to me, "Grandma, be careful out there." Where in the world does a 2-year-old hear this stuff to say? It isn't like he has been watching Hill Street Blues for years. You know that is a great saying though, just simply be careful out there.

Here's what I tell people who try to buy happiness. Stay away from mine. It's not for sale.

## Our Manor

By Karen Claassen FOR THE MADISONIAN

### "Autumn" By Donald Jones

The splendor of an autumn day  
Choice words cannot convey,  
When God, the Master Painter  
Puts nature on display.  
The grandeur of a timbered trail,  
Lush beauty of the hills;  
The stately trees, their colored leaves  
Mute samples of God's skill.  
The brisk clean air,  
October's sun,  
The azure skies above,  
All manifest the presence of  
A God replete of love.

Those golden pumpkins  
nestled close  
Near withered shocks of corn,  
And standing sentinel in the field,  
Is a scarecrow quite forlorn?  
The pleasant scent of burning wood  
From autumn's early fires;  
The melody of singing birds  
Proclaiming God's empire.  
The splendor of an autumn day  
With nature on display,  
Mere man attempts with brush and quill  
Its brilliance to convey.

With the vernal equinox,

the leaves on the trees turn their glorious colors. Some people have a different idea of why the leaves change - anywhere from the ocean breezes to a more simple sensible answer like the sap from the trees quits flowing. These glorious colors from yellow to orange to red to purple come into our existence, as the weather turns colder. These colors are bright so we can enjoy them.

God has created these marvelous tones for all of us. This is a gorgeous time of year in which we can take part in the leaves falling from the trees or jumping into the

pile of leaves like some of us did as kids. Enjoying apple cider in the kitchen reminds us of fall, too.

Our monthly birthday party for October will include music, cake and ice cream with the Tune Tanglers. We will help Peg and Hattie celebrate their birthdays. It is a beautiful and marvelous month. If you have a chance, come and join us on Thursday, Oct. 10 at 2:30 p.m. We will be having special treats for the kids who come to trick or treat later this month.

## Business Briefs

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THE MADISONIAN  
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### Pic-a-nic Basket

Sherri wants everyone to know "Soup's On" over at The Pic-a-nic Basket in Ennis. You will find a homemade soup daily, perfect for the crisp fall days. Fall hours are in full swing and the shop is open Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. - noon. In addition to the homemade soups you will find breakfast items, sandwiches, homemade treats, lunch specials and, of course, coffee in many forms. As the end of the year approaches remember The Pic-a-nic Basket when planning your holiday parties. Call Sherri for availability and options at 682-7900.

### Glow at TRENZ

With cooler temperatures upon us we all strive to stay a little warmer. Dulcie invites you to treat yourself to the ultimate

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### Norris Hot Springs

As the seasons change so have the hours at the Water of the Gods. Norris Hot Springs is now open Thursday, Friday and Monday, 4 - 10 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, noon - 10 p.m. Yes, they are open Mondays instead of Wednesdays, locals. Live music is still on the docket every Friday - Sunday, from 5 - 9:30 p.m. Check out Outpost events or the Norris Hot Springs website for musical performances. Come on over and soak your bones this fall.



Submitted by  
Jane Mangold

EXTENSION INVASIVE PLANT SPECIALIST, MSU

## Plant identification - To know you is to love you

The ability to identify a plant is important for several reasons.

From a vegetation management perspective, it is important to know a plant's identity so you can determine if it is a weed and the level of risk it poses to desired vegetation. Identification is especially important for early detection of new weeds that have never been documented in an area before and can be targeted for eradication.

Plant identification is also important to determine if a plant is toxic, especially for people who raise livestock or harvest edible plants from the wild. Knowing what plant you or your animals are about to eat can become a matter of life

or death.

Finally, being able to identify a plant is just plain fun and a great way to impress your friends and family. Most people that spend a lot of time dealing with plants, including weedy plants, find that plant identification becomes something they grow to love and take great pride in being able to do.

Plant identification can be challenging and even intimidating for the inexperienced. There are great resources to help you identify plants, though. One is a recently published MontGuide called "Plant Identification Basics" (<http://msuextension.org/publications/AgandNaturalResources/>)

MT201304AG.pdf). The publication walks the reader through eight questions to ask about a plant that will assist with speedy and accurate identification. Sketches that illustrate key features described in the question accompany each question. The publication will be especially helpful if used in conjunction with your favorite field guide and will help you narrow down your choices so that you don't waste your time thumbing through the guide page by page until you happen to find a picture that looks similar to the plant you wish to identify.

Even if you try and try and still can't seem to come up with the identity of an unknown plant, you can get the plant identified for free at the MSU Schutter Diagnostic Lab (<http://diagnostics.montana.edu/>). The lab accepts unknown plants from clients across Montana (and even from other states and Canada), identifies them, and provides management recommendations at the client's request. Each year the lab processes around 500 plants.

To give you a better idea of what unknown plants are being found across Montana, here is a rundown of what has been submitted to the

lab in 2013: The majority of plants were non-native. Forbs made up the vast majority of unknown plants followed by grasses, shrubs, and aquatic species. Twenty-four of the submissions were state-listed noxious weeds; one submission was the first ever record in Montana of the invasive forb garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*), which is noxious in many states in the eastern half of the U.S. Twenty-nine plants were submitted to determine if they were toxic to livestock, five of which were. Ten were submitted by clients who planned to eat the plant, but wanted to verify it was safe. Four of those plants would have made the consumers very ill, a great example of why plant identification is so important! Nine of the submissions were new county records and were added to the Montana State University herbarium. These records help track how plants are moving across the state and their ability to tolerate different climate regimes and habitats.

In spite of how much we already know about Montana plant communities, they continue to change and we learn new things about them every year.

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# Hunters: Know your WMA rules

Submitted by Andrea Jones

Montana's Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) provide for the protection of wildlife habitat and great opportunities for hunting this time of year. In order to manage for these goals, the Fish and Wildlife Commission has implemented important rules for public use on WMAs ranging from seasonal closures, to food storage orders, camping stay limits and more.

While hunters and other recreationists are required to abide by all the rules for public use, here are some of the key rules to remember (starting with the newest):

- (\*NEW) Food storage – Bear resistant food storage is required on the following WMAs: Mount Haggin, Bear Creek, Canyon Creek, Wall Creek, Blacktail, Robb-Ledford, Gallatin, Fleecer Mountain, and Dome Mountain.
- (\*NEW) Camping – Stays are limited to 16 days in any 30 day period.
- Winter closures – Most Region 3 WMAs are closed from Dec. 2 to May 15 at noon each year (exceptions include Canyon Ferry, Lake Helena, Silver Gate, and a portion of Mount Haggin).
- Hunting and trapping – Hunting and trapping are

allowed unless the WMA is closed for the winter or the season is closed as per Hunting or Trapping Regulations. Trappers must also receive written permission by FWP to trap on WMAs.

- Vehicle use – Vehicles are allowed only on designated open roads. Off road travel with a motorized vehicle is prohibited. Snowmobiles are allowed on established roads (except for portions of Mount Haggin which allow cross country snowmobile use).
- Weed free feed – Only pelletized or certified weed free feed can be used on WMAs.
- Firewood – Cutting down trees and shrubs is

prohibited unless specifically authorized by FWP (i.e. Mount Haggin often allows the cutting of standing dead trees by permit when the WMA is open to the public). Downed trees may be used onsite only.

- Animal carcasses – Dumping of animal carcasses is prohibited (not including boned-out big game animal remains legally taken on site).
- Littering – Littering is prohibited (including dumping of sewage waste from trailers, etc.).
- For more information on visiting specific WMAs, go to: [fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/wma/](http://fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/wma/).

# SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

## SHERIDAN

**Monday, Oct 14**  
Breakfast: Waffles and fruit  
Lunch: Hot dogs

**Tuesday, Oct 15**  
Breakfast: Cereal, yogurt  
Lunch: Sloppy joes

**Wednesday, Oct 16**  
Breakfast: Biscuits & gravy  
Lunch: Stromboli

**Thursday, Oct 17**  
NO SCHOOL

**Friday, Oct 18**  
NO SCHOOL

## TWIN BRIDGES

**Monday, Oct 14**  
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza  
Lunch: BBQ chicken sandwich

**Tuesday, Oct 15**  
Breakfast: Cereal, yogurt  
Lunch: Tacos

**Wednesday, Oct 16**  
Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls  
Lunch: Pizza

**Thursday, Oct 17**  
NO SCHOOL

**Friday, Oct 18**  
NO SCHOOLS

## ENNIS

**Monday, Oct 14**  
Breakfast: Breakfast burrito  
Lunch: Chicken sandwich

**Tuesday, Oct 15**  
Breakfast: French toast and ham  
Lunch: Beef fingers

**Wednesday, Oct 16**  
Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy  
Lunch: Corn dogs

**Thursday, Oct 17**  
NO SCHOOL

**Friday, Oct 18**  
NO SCHOOL

## HARRISON

**Monday, Oct 14**  
Breakfast: Pigs in a blanket  
Lunch: Cheeseburgers

**Tuesday, Oct 15**  
Breakfast: Cereal, bagels  
Lunch: Super nachos

**Wednesday, Oct 16**  
Breakfast: Tri-taters  
Lunch: Tator tot OR Tuna Casserole

**Thursday, Oct 17**  
NO SCHOOL

**Friday, Oct 18**  
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# Ennis Meals on Wheels

**Tuesday, Oct 15** - Fish, rice, spinach, cole slaw, bread, jello and topping

**Wednesday, Oct 16** - Beef barley soup, grilled cheeses, potato chips, relish tray, banana bread, peaches

**Thursday, Oct 17** - Hamburger tomato rice casserole, green beans, garlic bread, fruit salad, rhubarb dessert

**Friday, Oct 18** - BUFFET

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The Board of Madison County Commissioners will be accepting applications until filled for the full time position of Clerk of District Court. The Clerk of District Court is an elected position but because of the current vacancy, the position will be appointed by the Board of Commissioners until the next regular election. The duties and records to be kept by the Clerk of District Court are covered under Title 3, chapter 5, part 5, MCA. There are also numerous other duties set forth throughout the statutes which are listed in the General Index under "CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT" and under "COUNTY OFFICERS". (SEE Title 7, chapter 4, part 22nd title 7, chapter 6, part 22, MCA). Interested candidates may send a resume to: Madison County Commissioners' Office, P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, MT 59755, call 406-843-4277, email to [madco@madison.mt.gov](mailto:madco@madison.mt.gov), or visit our website at [www.madison.mt.gov](http://www.madison.mt.gov). Madison County is an equal opportunity employer  
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The Alder School is taking applications for the position of District Clerk. This is a part time position (20-30 hrs/week) which handles all aspects of the school's business and finances including accounts payable, payroll, state & federal program compliance and reporting, budget and much more. Knowledge of general business practices is required. Starting wage is \$13/hr, plus vacation & sick leave, matching contribution to Public Employees Retirement, a flexible work schedule and a friendly work environment. Health insurance is NOT available through this position. Send resume with 3 references and letter of introduction to Alder School, PO Box 127, Alder, MT 59710. Applications due October 10th. Please phone Lisa Morgan at 842-5285 for more information on this opportunity.  
48-3-b

## LOST & FOUND

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LOST/STOLEN: Rocky Mtn Slayer Mt. Bike. Disappeared Tuesday, Sept 17 between Ennis and Quake Lake on Hwy 287. Please call 406-599-4176 if found or with details

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The ghost of Nellie Paget sharing her sad tale during the 2012 Ghost Walks. Photo from Tom Lowe

## Bannack State Park offers Ghost Walks

Submitted by Tom Lowe

Bannack State Park will host a spooky night on Oct. 25 and Oct. 26 for visitors.

When the October moon rises over Cemetery Hill above Hangman's Gulch beware of things that go bump in the night at Bannack. The ghosts of Bannack come alive for two special performances each night presented by the Bannack Association. Meet the ghosts of Henry Plummer, Dutch John Wagner, Cyrus Skinner, Chief Snag, Doctor

Glick, Nellie Paget and many more rogues from Bannack's colorful past. Based on historical events that occurred at Bannack these spooky reenactments are sure to entertain you. This annual fundraiser for the Bannack Association has two shows nightly, the first at 7 p.m. and the second at 9 p.m. Each show is limited to 100 people so reservations are required. Dress warm, bring a flashlight and prepare to meet the ghosts of Bannack. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 years

old and under. Tickets must be paid for in advance, no refunds. The shows are not recommended for children under 6 years old. Pets are not allowed. Be sure and make your reservations soon while there are still openings. Walk it if you dare.

Call the park at 834-3413 to make reservations for the Ghost Walks or for more information. The park is open from 8 a.m. until dusk every day. Bannack State Park is located 25 miles southwest of Dillon, just 4 miles off Highway 278.

## Sheridan Schools celebrate students of the month

Submitted by Sheridan Schools

Sheridan Schools are very pleased to announce the Students of the Month for September. Students are chosen by faculty and staff members based on the following criteria: citizenship, leadership and academic attitude. The recipients of

this award expectantly look forward to the free meal so generously awarded them by Jennie Short, proprietor of The Prospector. Thank you, Jennie. We think you are wonderful and truly appreciate all you do for Sheridan Schools.

Students receiving this honor are Jaida Tutsch, Kindergarten; Addy Robison,

grade 1; Kialar Maddison, grade 2; Clairaa Haag, grade 3; Kaiden Batzler, grade 4; Ruby Rossiter, grade 5; Micara Devereaux, grade 6; Aislinn Deavel, grade 7; Peri Gump, grade 8; Ty Morgan, grade 9; Marcus Fuller, grade 10; Johnnie Smith, grade 11; and Katherine Rasmussen, grade 12.

## Pheasant release applications for 2014 now available

Submitted by Tom Palmer

It's not too soon for landowners to submit an application for 2014 pheasant releases through Montana's Upland Game Bird Enhancement Program.

Under Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks' pheasant release program, landowners who attempt to establish pheasant populations in suitable habitat can be reimbursed for raising and releasing ring-necked pheasants.

Landowners interested in raising and releasing

pheasants have until Jan. 15, 2014 to submit an application. Landowners can apply annually for up to five consecutive years to establish pheasants.

Projects must comprise at least 100 contiguous acres of land and contain a combination of habitat components that include the types of cover and food upland game birds need to survive. Lands enrolled in the pheasant release program must allow free public access to hunt upland game birds during the season the releases take place.

Applications need to be

mailed to FWP in Helena no later than Jan. 15, 2014. Pheasants will be scheduled for release between Aug. 1 and Sept. 15, 2014.

Hunting preserves, lands that host a commercial hunting enterprise, and lands where hunting rights are leased or paid for are not eligible.

For more information, and an online application form, visit FWP's website at fwp.mt.gov—search "Upland Game Bird Enhancement Program," or contact Debbie Hohler at: 406-444-5674, or by e-mail: dhohler@mt.gov.

## Youth-only deer hunt comes week early

Submitted by Tom Palmer

Montana's annual youth-only deer hunt—set for Oct. 17-18—will come a week earlier this year.

The two-day special season is open to youngsters ages 12 to 15 who've passed a hunter safety course. Additionally, 11-year-olds who passed hunter safety may hunt if they'll be 12 by Jan. 16, 2014.

"There's been some confusion this year due to the scheduling of the statewide teachers' convention," said Ron Aasheim, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks spokesman in Helena.

The youth hunt is always scheduled during the public schools' two-day vacation in October, which is scheduled for Oct. 17-18 this year.

"The teachers' convention usually falls on the Thursday and Friday just before the general season opener, but this year it's a full week before the big game season opens on Oct. 26," Aasheim said.

That also puts youth rifle hunters in the field during the final days of Montana's archery season.

"Archers and our young hunters need to be aware of the overlapping seasons and plan accordingly," Aasheim said.

Young hunters must wear hunter orange and follow all hunting district regulations, which may limit them to certain species or require a special permit.

To participate, an adult and also wear hunter orange must accompany youth hunters. The adult is not allowed to hunt during the youth-only deer hunt and should not carry a hunting rifle.

"This is the fourth year for the youth-only deer hunt," Aasheim said. "It has proven to be a good opportunity to introduce kids to hunting. This year, remember the hunt is set for Oct. 17-18 and remember that archers may also be in the area looking for deer, so be extra careful."

## Twin Bridges Library hosts book signing

Submitted by Betty Humbert

Gary Forney of Ennis and June Severance of Waterloo will have a joint book signing at the Twin Bridges Public Library on Oct. 17 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In Dawn in El Dorado: The Early Mining Camps and Settlement of the Montana Territory, Forney chronicles the tragedies, intrigues and the colorful characters that shaped the formative years of Montana.

Gary R. Forney is a retired college administrator who, with his wife, Cathy, has lived near Ennis since 1999. His published works include: It Takes All Kinds, Discovery Men, and a biography of Thomas Francis Meagher.

In From the Inside, a look at Nursing Homes and their Patients in Today's Elder Care System, Severance examines the question "What will we do when we can no longer take care of ourselves?"

Severance wrote From the Inside to share her

views on the pros and cons of nursing home care. It is based upon her personal experience as a patient in various nursing homes. Her stays were made richer by the special friendships formed with patients and staff. June lives with her husband in Waterloo.

Story hour will begin at the Twin Bridges Public Library on Wednesday, Oct. 9. The children are lucky to have Kerstin Clark continuing as a volunteer leader of this program.

New books at the Twin Bridges Public Library are: The Hit by David Baldacci, Under Fire, the untold story of the attack in Benghazi by Fred Burton and Samuel M. Katz, Fifty Cents an Hour, the builders and Boomtowns of the Fort Peck Dam by Lois Lonnquist, The Hunter by John Lescroart.

New DVDs at the Library are: Apollo 13, How the West was Won, Colorado Cowboys, The Bridge on the River Kwai, and The West Wing.



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# Ask the Expert

Ask the Expert forum appears the second Thursday of each month. If you have questions for these area professionals e-mail us at editor@madisoniannews.com.

Local businesses have the information you need to make a variety of decisions. Best of all, they're here and available to meet your needs. In our "Ask the Experts" section, we went to these local experts for information on topics important to you.

## SKINCARE

**Q:** When and how should acne be treated?

**A:** The right time to treat acne is when it is bothersome or when the potential for scarring develops. Treating acne requires patience and perseverance. Correct products play an important role in improvement. Most over-the-counter treatments will work for the first few months and then the problem reoccurs. This is caused by stripping of the skin's natural oil, which in turn causes overproduction of oil causing increased bacteria and clogged pores. Breaking down dead skin cells with proper exfoliation, restoring the skin to its natural pH balance and banishing bacteria with minimal irritation are key to achieving clearer skin. This can be done with the assistance of a skincare therapist/aesthetician. One should expect to receive professional treatments with active yet natural ingredients that are effective and not damaging, helpful tips to achieve healthier skin, and homecare products that will work long term.



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## AUCTIONS

**Q:** When is the last time you auctioned real estate and how does that work?

**A:** As a matter of fact we will be auctioning a three-bedroom home in Ennis this Sunday, Oct. 13, by absolute auction to settle an estate. With no minimum sales price, it will sell to the highest bidder! Melinda Merrill & Prudential of Ennis are working with us and posted the auction on MLS so Realtors can also bring buyers to the auction. There's no minimum bid price on this auction, it will sell to the highest bidder! And no Buyer's Premium either! You just need to have your 'ducks in a row' before the auction because it also sells without contingencies. You can contact Melinda for a showing and more information at (406) 596-4288. The estate, full of personal property, will be selling this Sunday as well starting at 11 a.m.; house and real estate sells at 2 p.m. Flyer online at WWW.HAGEDORNAUCTION.COM



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## DENTISTRY

**Q:** How do I know if I have gum disease (Gingivitis)?

**A:** The most tell tail sign that you have gum disease is bleeding of your gums when you brush or floss. Bad breath, red or purplish colored gums or swelling are other signs. Plaque is the worst offender. It is an acidic byproduct that the bacteria, viruses, and fungus – basically plaque is a beautiful word for "bug poop". This acidity eats into the teeth and causes decay and eats into the gingiva (gums) and makes them bleed – like wearing a dirty diaper. This is why it is so important to floss all the way down to the bottom of the periodontal pocket and to brush at least 2-3 times – really well – daily. This will reduce infections in your mouth. The hard calcium deposits you get on your teeth is tarter (calculus) build up. Tarter and stain removal can only be done at the dental office – checkups and cleanings every six months are vital to dental health.



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## GENERAL HEALTH

**Q:** How does MVMC prepare for potential disasters?

**A:** All medical facilities are required to develop and maintain emergency operations plans for a variety of potential disasters. To determine which of the many potential disasters should receive priority attention, a Community Hazard Vulnerability Analysis is developed and reviewed annually. Training is a very important factor in successful planning. Over the last 15 months, MVMC has had the following training: Incident Command training (two staff attended); Healthcare Leadership training (four staff), Hospital Emergency Response Team training (one staff), Advance Public Information Officer training (one staff). Another facet of disaster preparedness is the conduct of training exercises. On Sept. 4, a full-scale exercise included many parts of the emergency response community. Ennis Schools, Madison County Communications, Madison County Sheriff's department, Ennis Ambulance, and Ennis City Police all participated and exercised their own response protocols. This effort enables MVMC to be better prepared to respond to and recover from disasters within the Madison Valley.



**Doug Skillman, Disaster Preparedness Chair**  
MADISON VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER • 406.682.4223

## MUSIC

**Q:** What is the difference between a violin and a fiddle?

**A:** As a fiddle player, I've been asked this many times. The instrument is actually the same, however, the style of music played determines whether one would call himself a "fiddler" or a "violinist". If one plays classical or even jazz, he would usually be called a violinist, and if one plays old-time, bluegrass, Texas swing, country, etc., he would typically be called a fiddler. Other differences between violin and fiddle may also be in the 'set-up' of the instrument, with many fiddle players preferring less arch in the bridge for greater ease in playing two strings together, to the numerous string choices ranging from steel core (great for bluegrass) to gut core (orchestral, chamber). In the fiddle workshops, we start with the very basics needed for any style of playing. As we learn fiddle tunes, we work on ear training, memorization, theory, improvisation, and most of all, having fun.

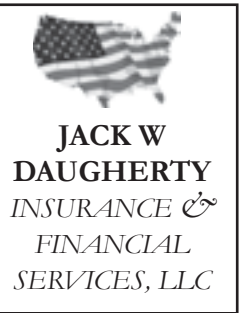


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## INSURANCE

**Q:** How does health insurance coverage work?

**A:** • Premium is a fixed amount you pay to your insurance plan, usually monthly, even if you don't use medical care that month.  
• If you need medical care, a Deductible is the amount you pay for care before the insurance company starts to pay its share. Once you meet your deductible, your insurance company begins to cover costs of your care. Some plans provide preventive services (routine care including screenings, check-ups, patient counseling to prevent illnesses, disease, or other health problems) and sometimes other care, before you've met your deductible.  
• Copayment is a fixed amount you'll pay for a medical service after you've met your deductible. For example, after meeting your deductible you may pay \$25 for a doctor visit that would cost \$150 if you didn't have coverage. The health plan pays the rest.  
• Coinsurance – similar to copayment – is a percentage of costs you pay. For instance, you may pay 20 percent of a \$100 medical bill. So you would pay \$20. The health plan pays the rest.



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## REAL ESTATE

**Q:** Winter is fast approaching. What are some tips to protect our property and prevent major repairs?

**A:** 1. Roof, gutters, downspouts: Rain, ice, snow and wind can all damage your roof and gutters. Trim tree limbs and vegetation away from the roof. Clean out gutters and downspouts. Clogged gutters prevent water from draining away from your home.  
2. Water heaters: Perform an annual inspection including testing tank's pressure and temperature relief valve. Remove sediment from bottom of tank by draining two gallons of water.  
3. Heating/cooling system: Check exhaust vent and air shutter openings for lint and dirt. Vacuum air passages, check fan belts, check/clean filters.  
4. Doors and windows: Check that doors and windows are properly sealed. Repair and replace weather stripping, check for loose glazing putty and caulking.  
5. Water pipes: Insulate water pipes or wrap with heat tape or blanket insulation in unheated areas. Examine pipes for cracks and leaks.  
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## WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 9

**Children's Reading Programs, Ennis**  
Books and Babies 10:30 a.m., Story Time for Toddlers 11 a.m. Madison Valley Public Library 682-7244

**School Board Meeting, Ennis**  
Ennis School Board, regular meeting, 5 p.m. Room #3, 682-4258

**Alzheimer's Training, Bozeman**  
Alzheimer's or Other Dementias CARE program developed by Home Instead Senior Care. 6 p.m. Bozeman Senior Center, 807 N Tracy Ave., 922-5060

## THURSDAY OCTOBER 10

**Cross Country Meet, Helena**  
7 on 7 Meet, 11 a.m.

**Thirsty Thursday at Willie's Distillery, Ennis**  
\$3 cocktails from 4-8 pm.

**Auxiliary Meeting, Ennis**  
Madison Valley Manor Auxiliary Meets 1 p.m., Sun Room

**Veterans Meeting, Ennis**  
The Madison Valley Veterans Memorial Board will meet at 3 p.m. Ennis Town Hall. Public welcome.

**Bible Study, Ennis**  
Bible study and gospel sing. Bring your voices

## PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Photo by Jan Beekman  
A fish painting at Madison Valley Arts Festival with a curious fly on the fish.

and instruments. Everyone welcome. 7 p.m. Cattleman Gallery, 413 W Main St.

## FRIDAY OCTOBER 11

**Live Music at Willie's Distillery, Ennis**  
Jonathan Klein with happy hour and music from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**Flu Shot Clinic, Ennis**  
\$20 seasonal flu shots 4 - 7 p.m. Main Lobby, Madison Valley Medical Center. There will be no cost for Medicare patients.

**Movie Night, Ennis**  
Madison Theatre

presents "The Family" rated R. Movie starts promptly at 7 p.m. 682-4023

**Live Music, Norris**  
Chad Ball (Folk) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs.

**Football Games**  
Sheridan at Harlowton, 7 p.m. Ennis at Twin Bridges, Senior Night 7 p.m. Harrison/Whitehall vs. Manhattan, 7 p.m. (schedule change)

## SATURDAY OCTOBER 12

**Flu Shot Clinic, Ennis**  
\$20 seasonal flu shots 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Main Lobby, Madison Valley

Medical Center. There will be no cost for Medicare patients.

**Cross Country Meet, Big Timber**  
Twin Bridges at Big Timer, 10 a.m.

**Book Club Luncheon, Jeffers**  
Madison Valley Book Club welcomes author Sharon Rossmiller Christensen. 12 p.m. Trinity Church Social Hall. Pot-luck luncheon, everyone welcome.

**Reading Group Meeting, Ennis**  
Barbara Pierce leads discussion of Mutiny by John Boyne, 1 p.m., Madison Valley Public Library

**Celebration, Sheridan**  
Ted Darby & Ken Mumme are 90 years old. Come help celebrate. 2 - 5 p.m. Bethany Hall. No gifts please.

**Live Music, Norris**  
Dave Manning (Boogie Woogie Piano Man) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs.

**Movie Night, Ennis**  
Madison Theatre presents "The Family" rated R. Movie starts promptly at 7 p.m. 682-4023

## SUNDAY OCTOBER 13

**Fall Roundup Fundraiser,**

**Bozeman**  
Intermountain Children's Services raise funds with an auction and catered dinner at Copper Spring Ranch, 4 p.m. Live music by The Dirty Shame. 599 Hightower Rd, Norris Road. 585-7008 or 457-4760.

**Live Music, Norris**  
Little Jane Duo (Acoustic) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs.

## MONDAY OCTOBER 14

**JV Football Shields Valley**  
Ennis at Shields Valley, 4 p.m.

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**Meeting, Harrison**  
Harrison School Board, 7 p.m. Art Room, 685-3428

**TUESDAY OCTOBER 15**

**County Commissioners Meeting, Virginia City**  
9:30 a.m. Broadway Annex. Public welcome.

**Film Showing, Ennis**  
Madison Film Group presents "Everything's Cool" 6 p.m. Community room of the Madison Valley Public Library.

**School Board Meeting, Twin Bridges**  
Twin Bridges School Board, 7 p.m. Montana Room, 684-5613

**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 16**

**Children's Reading Programs, Ennis**  
Books and Babies 10:30 a.m., Story Time for Toddlers 11 a.m. Madison Valley Public Library 682-7244

**THURSDAY OCTOBER 17**

**MVAC Meeting, Ennis**  
Madison Valley Aquatic Center will hold its monthly meeting 8:15 a.m. First Madison Valley Bank. Enthusiasm always welcome. 682-5654 or

682-4901.

**Blood Drive, Ennis**  
Madison Valley Medical Center will host a Blood Drive 1 - 5:45 p.m. In conference Room 682-6862

**MVHA Meeting, Ennis**  
Madison Valley History Association monthly meeting. 4 p.m. Ennis Fish Bowl "The History of Bowling in Ennis" 682-5780

**FRIDAY OCTOBER 18**

**Live Music, Norris**  
Tommy Georges (Americana) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs.

**Football Whitehall**  
Harrison/Whitehall (Senior Night) vs. Jefferson, 7 p.m.

**Movie Night, Ennis**  
Madison Theatre presents: "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2" Rated PG. Movie promptly at 7 p.m. 682-4023

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 19**

**Cross Country Meet, Townsend**  
9:30 a.m.

**Craft Bazaar, Sheridan**  
11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Bake sale, crafts, plants and other items. Lunch served.

Bethany Hall. Kathy, 842-5128

**Movie Night, Ennis**  
Madison Theatre presents: "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2" Rated PG. Movie promptly at 7 p.m. 682-4023

**Live Music, Norris**  
Jacob Green (Blues/Folk/Roots/Grass) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs.

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 20**

**Live Music, Norris**  
Doghouse (Americana) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs.

**TUESDAY OCTOBER 22**

**County Commissioners Meeting, Virginia City**  
9:30 a.m. Broadway Annex. Public welcome.

**Film Showing, Ennis**  
Madison Film Group presents "Hot Coffee" 6 p.m. Community room of the Madison Valley Public Library.

**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 23**

**Children's Reading Programs, Ennis**  
Books and Babies 10:30 a.m., Story Time for Toddlers 11 a.m. Madison Valley Public Library 682-7244

**FRIDAY OCTOBER 25**

**Hunters Feed, Ennis**  
The 28th Annual Ennis Hunters Feed sponsored by the Ennis Chamber of Commerce, 3 p.m. Downtown Ennis. Call Pamela, 682-4388, to enter a dish. ECCS Annual Gun Raffle, 682-7388, and a 50/50 Raffle also going on.

**Flu Shot Clinic, Ennis**  
\$20 seasonal flu shots 4 - 7 p.m. Main Lobby, Madison Valley Medical Center. There will be no cost for Medicare patients.

**Football Townsend**  
Harrison/Whitehall at Townsend, 7 p.m.

**Live Music, Norris**  
Marianne and the Crumtones (Acoustic) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs.

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 26**

**Flu Shot Clinic, Ennis**  
\$20 seasonal flu shots 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Main Lobby, Madison Valley Medical Center. There will be no cost for Medicare patients.

**Spay/Neuter**

**Clinic, Ennis**  
The Task Force Clinic, in conjunction with Spay Montana, offers low-cost spay or neuter for dogs and cats to residents of Madison County. Ennis Town Hall 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Call Tami at 599-4893.

**Cross County Meet, Missoula**  
State Meet, time to be determined.

**Live Music, Norris**  
Coty Hogue (Americana) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs.

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 27**

**Annual Bazaar and Luncheon, Twin Bridges**  
Woman of the Church of the Valley Annual Bazaar and Luncheon. 12:30 p.m. Church of the Valley 842-5934

**Live Music, Norris**  
Mathias (Acoustic) 7 p.m. Norris Hot Springs.

**MONDAY OCTOBER 28**

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

**TUESDAY OCTOBER 29**

**County Commissioners Meeting, Virginia City**  
9:30 a.m. Broadway Annex. Public welcome.

**Film Showing, Ennis**  
Madison Film Group presents "A Place at the Table" 6 p.m. Community room of the Madison Valley Public Library.

**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 30**

**Children's Reading Programs, Ennis**  
Books and Babies 10:30 a.m., Story Time for Toddlers 11 a.m. Madison Valley Public Library 682-7244

**THURSDAY OCTOBER 31**

**Halloween Carnival, Ennis**  
Lions Club Annual Halloween Carnival and Bingo Night. 6 p.m. Ennis Elementary School. Everyone welcome.



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