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Newell leaves for West Yellowstone

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Chief of police Scott Newell resigned from his position after seven years serving Ennis. Newell moved to West Yellowstone on Jan. 1 as the town's new chief of police.

"West Yellowstone is a larger department," Newell said, explaining his reason for moving on. "There are 11 people. I needed a new challenge."

Newell moved to Ennis from Florida in 2007 – he was born and raised in Montana and said he "missed the mountains."

As a police chief in a small

town like Ennis, Newell said he quickly learned the necessity of developing trust and a relationship with the community.

"It involves a lot of patience," he said. "You have to get a feel for the community pulse. Montana is a self-reliant state and some people have a hard time trusting law enforce-

ment. I had to be willing to invest time and effort to get to know people and their histories."

Newell is excited about his move to West Yellowstone because he has a history with the area. He grew up in Billings and his schoolteacher father was a seasonal park ranger in Yellowstone National Park –

Newell spent many summers exploring the area with his dad and then ultimately became a seasonal park ranger in Yellowstone for seven years.

"The town will definitely miss (Newell)," Ennis Mayor Becky Vujovich said. "He is an amazing officer and exactly what a small town needs. He

knows the law in and out and follows procedure flawlessly."

The Ennis town commissioners appointed John Moore to replace Newell as the new chief of police at a town council meeting on Dec. 18. Moore has been serving as a volunteer reserve officer for the town since December 2011.

SNOWPACK REPORT

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Though snowpack percentages are below average in both the Madison and Ruby river basins, the region historically gets a lot of precipitation in the spring.



Madison, Ruby snowpack below average

Heading into 2015, both river basins in Madison County are below their yearly average

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According to Lucas Zukiewicz, water specialist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, snowpack percentages in the Madison River Basin and the Ruby River Basin improved with last week's storm, but are still below average.

"The southern parts of both basins are driest with a gradient of more precipitation as you move north,"

Zukiewicz said. "Southwest Montana is about the driest place in the state right now."

Between Dec. 23 and 29, the Ruby River Basin jumped 10 percentage points to hit 84 percent of normal for this time of the year.

"That was a good Christmas gift for everybody," Zukiewicz said. "The Madison (River Basin) saw about a six percent gain ... it is at 90 percent of normal."

The water year started Oct. 1, and Zukiewicz said both October and November

were dry months in Madison County, but December storms benefitted the region.

"At this point in the year, we've only accumulated about 40 percent of our peak snowfall," Zukiewicz said, explaining why the below average numbers are nothing to worry about. "Both basins pretty heavily favor spring precipitation – it's still early in the snowfall season."

Snowpack last year at this time was at a record high because of storms in November and December

2013. The Ruby is currently at 67 percent of what it was last year and the Madison is at 84 percent.

The winter storms that rolled through the region over the holiday were a "huge benefit," according to Zukiewicz.

"Basins in Southwest Montana east of the continental divide have the potential to have significant precipitation events in the spring that make up a lot of the water," he said. "We're not in bad shape."

DISTRICT COURT ROUND UP

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Harrison youth sent to group home

At the Madison County Courthouse on Dec. 22, Judge Loren Tucker adjudicated a Harrison youth, sending him to a group home in Ronan until Aug. 6, 2015 – at that point, the youth's placement will be re-evaluated.

The youth pleaded true to the charges of burglary and theft on Nov. 3 and was placed at the Ronan group home while he was still in court.

The charges stem from an Oct. 4 incident, where the youth entered a residence without permission and took an iPad and a \$50 iTunes gift card, according to filed court documents.

Judge Tucker also ordered the youth remain on probation until he is 18.

"You've dug yourself a bit of a hole," Judge Tucker told the youth before excusing him. "But the object here, ultimately and always, is to get you on the right track so you can be successful."

Wubben enters not guilty pleas

A Belgrade man appeared at the Madison County Courthouse on Dec. 22 before Judge Loren Tucker and entered two "not guilty" pleas to the charges of tampering with physical evidence, a felony, and taking or possessing non-game wildlife, a misdemeanor.

The charges against Garret J. Wubben stem from an October 2014 incident. The state alleges Wubben shot a wolf without a valid wolf license, and "concealed or removed a wolf hide and skull with the purpose to impair its verity or availability in the proceeding investigation," according to a filed information.

After entering not guilty

pleas, Wubben was released on his own recognizance. No future court date has been set.

Sheffield enters not guilty pleas

An Ennis woman appeared at the Madison County Courthouse on Dec. 22 before Judge Loren Tucker and entered two "not guilty" pleas to the charges of theft, a felony, and failure to give immediate notice of an accident, a misdemeanor.

The charges against Tammy Lynn Sheffield are in relation to incidents that occurred between June 15 and Sept. 8, 2014.

According to a filed information, Sheffield "committed the offense of theft of property by embezzlement" by depriving her then-employer of money. The state alleges Sheffield also failed to notify law enforcement after an accident resulting in property damage of \$1,000 or more.

Sheffield was released on her own recognizance – a future court date has not yet been set.

Petition to revoke suspended sentence

Kelly Ann Henderson appeared at the Madison County Courthouse before Judge Loren Tucker on Dec. 22 on charges to revoke her suspended sentence.

Henderson pleaded not guilty to all the allegations – the state alleges Henderson used drugs without a prescription, possessed alcohol and operated a vehicle, all of which were prohibited under her suspended sentence.

Henderson received a suspended sentence following an April 2010 incident where she was found guilty of driving under the influence of alcohol, a felony.

After entering the not guilty pleas, Henderson was released on her own recognizance.

COUNTY FINALIZES PURCHASE OF MHC LAND

The Montana Land Board sells state-owned lots in Virginia City to Madison County

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On Dec. 15, the Montana Land Board unanimously voted to sell 12 lots in Virginia City to Madison County for \$186,500.

"The lots are important to

the county, Virginia City and visitors to the area," Madison County commissioner Jim Hart said. "It is weekday parking for county employees, but then provides parking for visitors after 5 p.m. and on weekends year round. Parking is difficult in Virginia City so it's a bonus."

Hart traveled to Hel-

ena on Dec. 15 to address the state land board – he spoke in favor of the sale.

The Montana Land Board is made up of Governor Steve Bullock, Secretary of State Linda McCulloch, Attorney General Tim Fox, Commissioner of Securities and Insurance Monica Lindeen, Superintendent of Public Instruction Denise Juneau and Land Board Secretary Lucy Richards.

Madison County has been leasing the lots, which are ad-


acent to the courthouse annex construction in downtown Virginia City. The \$186,500 was determined by an appraiser.

"The proceeds of this transaction go to the Montana Heritage Commission for the repairs and preservation of Virginia and Nevada City," according to MCA statute 22-3-1004.

"It's close to the new (courthouse annex) which is a central location for all county offices," Hart said. "It will benefit everybody."



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The county recently purchased lots directly behind the courthouse annex construction site from the state – the lots are currently being used as a staging ground for the construction project.



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Sheridan hires new school superintendent

The Sheridan school board did not renew Superintendent Kim Harding's contract – close to 100 community members showed up for the discussion and approximately 20 people participated during public comment. The board ultimately hired current Superintendent Mike Wetherbee.

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Burnnnnn, it's cold in here

Frigid temperatures hit Madison County in February 2014. Temperatures in the south Madison Valley even dipped as low as 38 below zero on the morning of Feb. 6 and the National Weather Service said exposed skin was susceptible to frostbite within 30 minutes.



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Photo courtesy of Angela McLean

Angela McLean appointed Lieutenant Governon

Governor Steve Bullock named Twin Bridges native Angela McLean as Montana's 31st Lieutenant Governor on Feb. 10, 2014. McLean graduated from Twin Bridges High School in 1989 – during her time in Madison County, she waited tables at the Blue Anchor Café.

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Positive snowpack; lessened fire danger
 Southwest Montana's snowpack runoff led to a normal streamflow for the summer and mitigated danger from wildland fires ... experts from the Natural Resource Conservation Service said the way the situation played out was "pretty ideal."

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Brucellosis in the county

Brucellosis was a hot topic in Madison County and surrounding areas during 2014. In March, 70 elk were captured and tested in the Tobacco Root Mountains – all 70 elk tested negative for brucellosis. However, a few elk tested from the Black's Ford area were positive. Those positives led the Montana Board of Livestock to extend the designated surveillance area for brucellosis in May.

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Election season

Polls closed at 8 p.m. on Nov. 4 and election officials immediately started tallying ballots. All eight Madison County precincts reported preliminary numbers before midnight. In the contested county races, Rep. Ray Shaw was reelected, Karen Miller beat Kacey Smart for clerk of district court, Suzanne Nellen was voted justice of the peace over Marc Glines and Ron Nye beat current commissioner Dan Happel for the commission seat from district two.

Photo by Faith Moldan



Ennis left without water

Ennis residents were without running water for eight hours on April 3 after a water main was damaged by 3Rivers Communications. The town and county worked together to provide residents and businesses with drinking water for the weekend while the water was tested for contaminants.

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Under construction

Virginia City was a hotspot for construction projects in 2014 – both the courthouse annex project and the Thompson-Hickman County Library addition began construction, which will continue into 2015.



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Up and running

It took more than \$17 million and four years of renovations to repair the failing Ruby Dam, but in June, approximately 40 community members joined with local and state leaders like Governor Steve Bullock (pictured) to celebrate the project's completion. The new dam, which replaces the one built in 1938, should last 75 years or more.

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Ready for takeoff

The county completed a project to replace and extend the runway at the Twin Bridges Airport during 2014. The construction extended the former runway from approximately 4,300 feet to 6,000 feet, which allows larger, heavier planes to land and takeoff.

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Virginia City and Nevada City boom

The rest of Montana and even the nation caught on to what everyone in Madison County already knew – Virginia City and Nevada City are historical treasures. From July 2013 through June 2014, the two little towns hosted 401,736 visitors, a figure that continues to climb.

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The issue with septage

Two proposed septage sites in the Madison Valley – one in Jeffers and another off Bear Creek – were the topic of heated discussion, with many community members in opposition and others in support. The sites were ultimately withdrawn from the Department of Environmental Quality permitting process because of community concern.

Photo by Shantil Siaperas



Mr. President (of MACo)

Madison County commissioner Dave Schulz accepted the role of president for the Montana Association of Counties in 2014. Schulz, who has been a Madison County commissioner for 14 years, is now the face of MACo and will represent the organization for an entire year.

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Ennis town council should act appropriately

Dear Editor,

John Bancroft is a loose cannon. We cannot tolerate his bullying, verbally abusive attacks

whenever our paths cross. His apparent issues with anger management need to be addressed. This is very inappropriate behavior for a town council member. The

public has the right to criticize the actions of the town council without fear of reprisal from its elected officials. Mayor Becky Vujovich, please note, this reflects

poorly on your leadership skills.

Respectfully submitted,
James Parsons
Ennis

MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DISPATCH LOG

Dec. 14 – Dec. 20, 2014

Dec. 14

Suspicious Person/Circumstance at MT Hwy 287 Alder
Civil Standby in 800 Blk Madison Ave
Unfounded 911 call in Virginia City
Medical Aid in 1200 Blk Upper Ruby Rd
Traffic Complaint on Norris Hill
Traffic Complaint at MT Hwy 84 MM 7

Dec. 15

Accident with Damage in 500 Blk Jack Creek Bench Rd
VIN Number Inspection in 100 Blk Trail Creek Rd
Suspicious Person/Circumstance at 600 Blk Norwegian Creek Rd

Dec. 16

Welfare Check at Ennis Town Pump

Fire-Gas Leak/Odor in 100 Blk Main St Sheridan
Trespassing at 2100 Blk US Hwy 287
Traffic Complaint at MT Hwy 287 MM 31
Traffic Complaint at MT Hwy 287 MM 30

Dec. 17

Alarm in 300 Blk N Ennis Lake Rd
Accident at US Hwy 287 MM 59.5
Accident at N Meadow Creek Rd Assistance in Big Sky
Animal Problem at MT Hwy 287 MM 28
Accident with damage at US Hwy 287 MM 14
Unfounded 911 call in Virginia City
Privacy in Communications in 500 Blk MT Hwy 359

Unfounded 911 call in Virginia City
Public Assist at MT Hwy 41 MM 27
Accident at Ennis Lake Bridge

Dec. 18

Dog Complaint at Ennis School
Threats/Harassment in Pony
Accident in 100 Blk S Main St Sheridan
Unfounded 911 call in Virginia City
Traffic Hazard on Duncan District Rd
Assistance in Big Sky
Alarm in 1000 Blk of MT Hwy 359
Civil Standby in Ennis
Suspicious Person/Circumstance in Virginia City
Burglary at Cover & Broadway St
Wildlife Complaint on Mill

Creek Rd

Dec. 19

Privacy in Communications in Twin Bridges
Traffic Complaint at Clutes Landing & US Hwy 287
Wildlife Complaint on Coachman Lane
Assault on Crofoot St
Civil Process Service in 200 Blk N Main St Ennis
Suspicious Person/Circumstance at Ennis Cemetery

Dec. 20

Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 in Harrison
Animal Problem on MT Hwy 41 at MM 17
Traffic Complaint at MT Hwy 287 & Scenic Turnout
Assistance in Big Sky

Lions Club keeps busy

Submitted by George Ennis
ENNIS LIONS CLUB

The Ennis Lions Club has been active again this fall and winter with projects in support

of Madison County. In September as schools opened, our eye screening team went to every school district in the county and offered free eye screening to students in kindergar-

ten through eighth-grade and to any teachers and support staff who wished to have their eyesight tested. We tested 522 people in all districts and provided funds for the pur-

chase of eyeglasses for four needy students. It was a great way to begin the school year.

Also in September, the Ennis Lions Club hosted the convention for district 37 S that includes Montana and part of Canada. Many in attendance voiced their appreciation with comments such as, "best convention ever."

In October we held the annual Halloween carnival and bingo at the Ennis Elementary School. The children had a fun, safe place to celebrate Halloween with food, candy and games.

In November and December we Lions took three days to decorate Lions Park for the Christmas season and lit the park and served hot cider as part of the Ennis Christmas Stroll. Each year some of our members add to the Christmas village, train, Nativity and veterans tribute. We hope that you have been able to see and enjoy the decorations at the park.

Also in November, Lion Jim Forsberg and his committee ran the Lions international sponsored peace poster competition for our sixth and seventh-grade Ennis students. This year's theme is peace, love and understanding. Two of our local winners were sent to the district level where they won first and third prizes. All the participants' posters are displayed at the Ennis Post Office and we hope you will look at our students' impressive work.

Also in December, Lions traveled to beyond Missoula to cut Christmas trees. At the elementary school concert, a Lion Santa greeted all the children attending and distributed 250 - 300 gift bags with a toy and candy. Many of the children had their photo taken with Santa.

This Dec. 22, Lion Ken Sculichetti presented a \$500 check to Ennis High School Close Up to help send our students to Washington, D.C., for a week.

Again this year the Lions cooked the steaks for the dinner fundraiser for the school organizations FCLA, BPA and Skills USA. It was a great dinner of steak, mashed potatoes, salad, dinner rolls, homemade desserts and beverages. As well as a great meal, this fundraiser helps Ennis High School programs send students to learn and compete at state level competitions.



Dale Francis Sisel June 26, 1937 - December 21, 2014

Dale and Karen moved to Arlington, Texas. Dale retired from the Air Force in 1967, having reached the rank of Captain, and returned to school. He earned both bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Texas at Arlington. In 1969, Dale accepted a job as a financial analyst at R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. He, Karen and their two daughters, Beth and Paige, moved to Winston-Salem, N.C. Dale moved up the corporate ladder at RJR and, in 1989, was named President and CEO of R. J. Reynolds International. He continued in this position until his retirement in 1993.

Though he spent many years in the corporate world, Dale's love of the outdoors never left him and, in 1993, he bought Sphinx Mountain Ranch in Cameron, Mont. Dale and Karen spent summers at the ranch, fishing, hunting and entertaining their frequent visitors. Dale thoroughly enjoyed spending sunny days fly fishing the Madison and Big Horn rivers with his close friend, Chip Bowles. Having bought the ranch, Dale spent time learning the history of the area and, subsequently became a supporter of the Museum of the Rockies.

Dale and Karen spent winters in Winston-Salem, so they could be near their children and grandchildren. Dale developed a relationship with the faculty at Wake Forest University, where he funded several chairs and scholarships within the business school.

Dale's support of Wake Forest was not limited to academics, however. He was a member of the Deacon Club and enjoyed attending both football and basketball games. Dale enjoyed other sports, as well. On weekends, it was not uncommon to find him reading a good book and keeping an eye on one sporting event or another, or attending one of his grandchildren's games. Dale loved to travel and, over the course of his life, he visited each of the seven continents. His travels enabled him to meet many interesting people, many of whom became good friends.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Dianne and his brother-in-law, Bob Sell. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Karen; his daughters Beth Agejew (Mike) and Paige Sipe; his six grandchildren, Michael, Mark and Emily Agejew and Will, Sarah and Zack Sipe; his sister, Pat Sell; several nieces and nephews and many friends from around the world. A celebration of life service will be held at Wait Chapel on the Wake Forest University campus on Friday, Jan. 9 at 2pm, followed by a reception in the Magnolia Room. We wish to thank the staffs of Forsyth Medical Center's 9 West, Whitaker Rehabilitation, Trinity Elms and Hospice for making Dad's last months as comfortable as possible. Online condolences may be made at www.hayworth-miller.com. (Hayworth-Miller Silas Creek Chapel)

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Grand opening

The Stockman Bank in Manhattan is hosting a ribbon cutting ceremony and open house on Jan. 7 from 4 – 7 p.m. with refreshments and hors d'oeuvres. If you cannot make the ribbon cutting, stop by anytime from Jan. 5 – 9 for refreshments, tours and door prizes.

Continuing education in Ennis

Ennis continuing education classes have announced their winter sessions. Register on Jan. 6 – there are a plethora of options from knitting to yoga to fly tying to welding. Courses start Jan. 12.

Honor the veterans of WWII

Join the Dayspring Mission (between Sheridan and Twin Bridges) on Jan. 10 at noon to honor World War II veterans. Ruby Valley area veterans will be in attendance to share personal accounts. Call 596-

0707 with any questions.

Adult education in Sheridan

Sheridan's adult education courses are kicking off in early January. Participants can sign up to learn about digital photo albums, quilting or fly tying. See the ad in this week's edition for more information.

Music in Norris

Warm chilled bones with a dip at the Norris Hot Springs and catch live music while you do it. Dan Dubuque is performing on Jan. 2, Heather Lingle takes the stage on Jan. 3 and the Dangling Chads play on Jan. 4.

Music and specials at Willie's Distillery

Willie's Distillery in Ennis hosts live music every Friday evening – Dave Horton is playing on Jan. 2. Ladies, listen up! Every Saturday the distillery is holding a ladies night with drink specials for women from 5 – 8 p.m.

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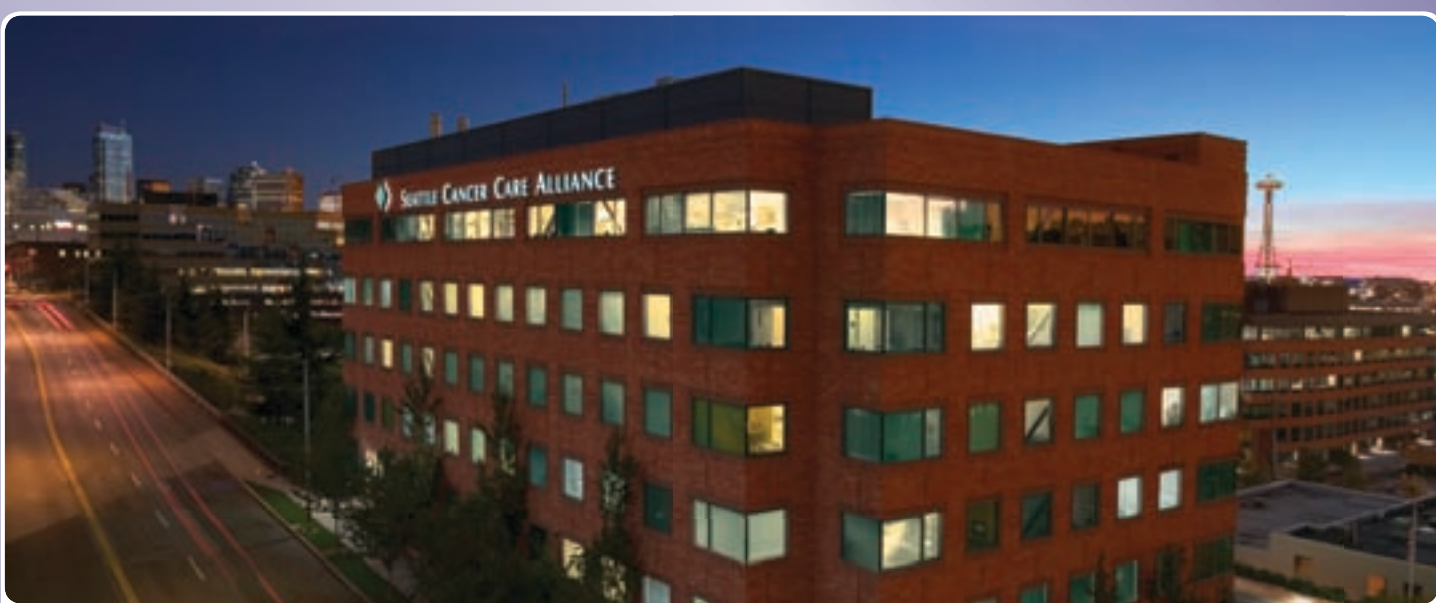
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Lady Wildcats basketball

The Harrison Lady Wildcats were the District 11/12C champions in early 2014 – clinching a victory over the Gardiner Bruins. Though they fell short at the Western C Divisional tournament, they ended their regular season and district games undefeated.



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Champion Mustangs

In the 2014 boys District 11/12C basketball tournament, the Ennis Mustangs charged past the Manhattan Christian Eagles to advance to the divisional tournament in Butte, where they lost out before making it to state.



Photo by Faith Moldan

Band stars

Pep bands around the county committed time and energy to uniting students and communities, while raising enthusiasm for school sports. At most county schools, bands like the one in Sheridan (pictured above) play at every home basketball game – and even some football games – throughout the year.



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T-E-A-M! Spirit

Cheerleading squads in Harrison, Twin Bridges, Sheridan and Ennis took to the basketball court multiple nights each week during the winter of 2014, working hard to support school sports. The cheerleaders commit hours and hours to the sport and do a great job igniting school and community spirit.



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Track stars

Madison County welcomed home three state track champions in 2014 – Walker McKittrick (Ennis) took first in the pole vault, Derek Wham (Ennis) was the champion of the discus and Jed Fike (Harrison) claimed first in the triple jump.

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Semi-finals for the Mustangs

The Ennis Mustangs nearly repeated a state championship win in 2014, but lost to the Wibaux Longhorns in the state semi-final game. The Mustangs had a storied season – battling back to lead the division after forfeiting their first game of the season.



Photo by Kate Roberts

Wildcat proud and Mustang strong

Both the Harrison Lady Wildcats and the Ennis Lady Mustangs traveled to Butte and completed in the Western C Divisional volleyball tournament in 2014. Though neither team advanced to state, both fought hard and made Madison County proud.



Susanne Hill/The Madisonian

A Twin Bridges playoff bid

The Falcon football team headed to the playoffs in 2014, falling in the first round of play to the Powder River County Hawks in a thrilling game. The gritty Twin Bridges team stormed back from a 40 – 13 deficit to lead the game until the final play, where the Hawks won it, 60 – 57.



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Above, Ken Walsh with the winner of the Twin Bridges stocking, Tifus Horn.

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Photo courtesy of Pat Day.
Ruffed grouse hiding in a mountain ash this fall on Indian Creek above Sheridan.

4 P A W S RESCUE PET OF THE WEEK



MISTY
Hi there all. I'd like to tell you a bit about me. I was abandoned after a fire on Toll Mountain and I hooked up with a guy (who left me in the lurch) and I had six babies. I was found and we were brought into the rescue, but I was sick and, even tho they tried hard, we lost two of my babies. The other four are healthy happy little ones. One's already been adopted. I've been spayed (so no more babies for me) and I've had all my shots, been tested and everything. Well I have everything but a home. I don't care if I'm inside (altho I am a trifle shy) or outside (I don't have my winter coat 'cause I've been inside) or both. I'd just like to be loved and petted. Like to play a bit. Would you like to adopt me? Please? I'd be ever so grateful, Misty 3. Oh, you can call Misty: 439-1405 or Afton: 287-3613. Thanks

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HOWDY NEIGHBOR

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Friendly horses look for a treat in the Madison Valley.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK SHERIDAN



Sheridan elementary is proud to announce its student of the week is fourth-grade student **Glynn Strauser**. Her teacher, Mrs. Belice, said, "Glynn is very respectful and polite in class. She is caring towards her classmates and is always willing to help others. She is an amazing speller and story writer. She always does what is asked of her. I have never had to redirect her. She is an absolute joy!" Congratulations Glynn and keep up the great work.

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Sunday



Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of snow. Lows 10 to 20. Highs 25 to 35.

Monday



Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of snow. Lows 10 to 20. Highs 25 to 35.

Quote of the Week:

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YEAR IN REVIEW

features

Courtesy of Louis Reynolds



Madison County remembers Benny Reynolds

Benny Reynolds, rodeo legend, passed away on Feb. 14, 2014. There wasn't a bull he couldn't ride, a bronc he couldn't handle or a steer he couldn't bring to the ground. Reynolds was an all around cowboy, who passed away doing what he loved – driving his tractor on his ranch outside of Twin Bridges. Here, Benny is pictured with his sons Rooster and Louis.

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Fineworks, parades and more

The Fourth of July is always a party in Madison County and 2014 was no different. Ennis is famed for its Fourth of July rodeo and parade, and this year did not disappoint.

Courtesy of Rodney Braaten



Ruby Valley makes FFA a priority

The Ruby Valley FFA had a successful 2014 – 16 students went to Great Falls in March for the state convention and held their own with chapters from large AA schools. Brant Marsh, now a Sheridan graduate, was even named state FFA president.

Courtesy of Walter Family



Walters IGA celebrates 125 years

Walters IGA in Sheridan threw a party in August to celebrate 125 years of running a family business in the Ruby Valley. Charles Walter, a German immigrant, opened the store in 1889 and the rest is history.

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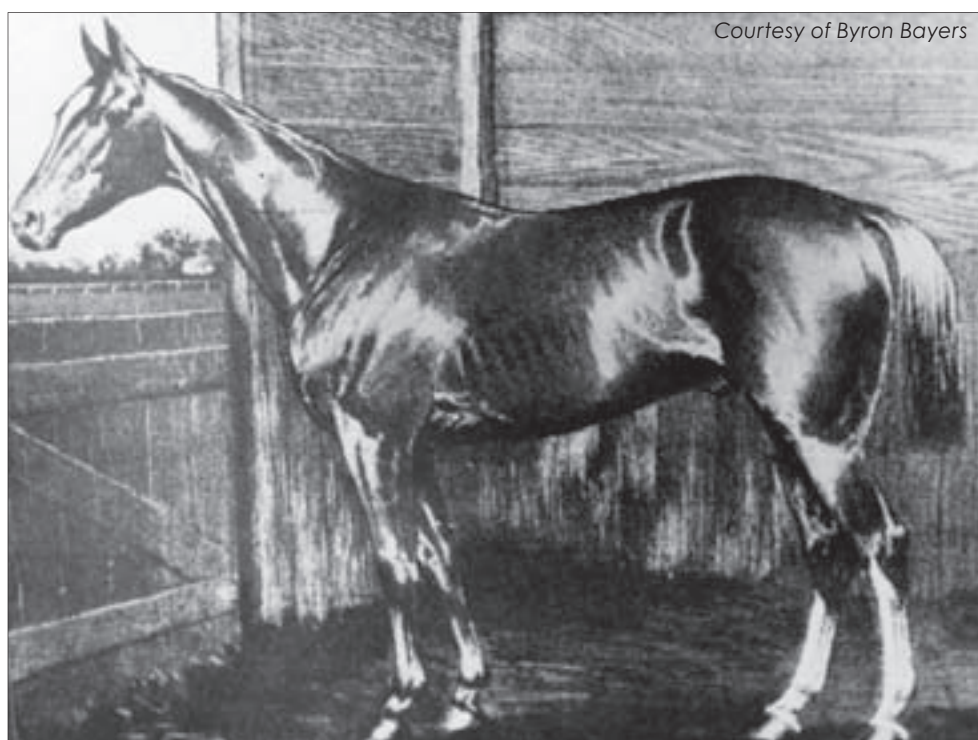


Aphasia to bric-a-brac

The Madison County Spelling Bee attracted 16 fifth through eighth-graders in 2014. The avid spellers went for 24 rounds, spelling words like sarsaparilla, illustrious, sensei, omnibus and more. Ennis student Chrissy Ackerman took the win and Bryce Nye was the runner up.

2014

Courtesy of Byron Bayers



A horse called Spokane

A plucky little chestnut from Twin Bridges was honored at this year's Madison County Fair. Spokane is the only Montana horse to win the Kentucky Derby ... and he did it in 1889. Spokane was born and bred in the famous round barn north of Twin Bridges that still stands as an important Madison County landmark to this day.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Help college-age children resolve to manage their finances better in the New Year

Submitted by StatePoint

Unfortunately, one of the most expensive times in one's life, is when he or she tends to be the least financially savvy – college. But good money management during those years is the best way to keep a college career on path. Parents and guardians can help their children become more financially savvy.

Here are a few ways college-age kids and their families can make sustainable financial health resolutions in the New Year.

- As tuition costs continue to rise, it is more important than ever to understand your college funding options. Completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form is the first step toward obtaining financial aid. Completing and sending

your FAFSA form as soon after Jan. 1 of each year as possible can increase your chances of receiving the maximum amount of financial aid you qualify for. Also, explore private loans through banks and private lenders with competitive rates that do not require payments while you are still in school.

- Manage debt: Paying student loans on time is important. Avoid late fees and mounting interest by sticking to your repayment schedule. Even though some loan payments are deferred until college is over, the earlier you can proactively plan for this the better.

Generally, if you aim to keep your loan payment to no more than 10 – 15 percent of your anticipated post-college income, you should be able to maintain a realistic repayment timeline.

- Establish a budget.

Whether your child is working and making their own spending money, or living on an allowance you provide, help them take better control of that money so they do not create unplanned debt later on. If there are extra funds at the end of the month, parents can encourage students to boost savings to cover future college expenses, spring break vacation with friends and life after school.

- Good credit is a must-have for most major life purchases. Students can start to build a credit foundation while still in school. Consider a card with a low-introductory rate that offers cash back on gas, grocery and drug store credit purchases to free up more money for other necessities like textbooks and emergency situations. Encourage your

student to actively monitor the account by signing up for mobile banking alerts.

A higher education and a financial education can go hand in hand. Help your

child make smart financial decisions amidst the newfound freedom of college life.



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5 quick tips to help keep your New Year's weight loss resolution

Submitted by StatePoint

New Year's resolutions are easier to make than to keep, especially when it comes to dieting. While life can often seem at odds with your health and fitness goals, there are plenty of ways to avoid common pitfalls this New Year and stay on the weight loss track.

- Snack and drink smart: When you are one-the-go, easy protein-packed snacks will help you stay on track. Try beef jerky, low-fat string cheese or 100-calorie packs of almonds. Fiber-rich whole-grains, fruits and vegetables can also help keep hunger at bay.

Calories from drinks add up fast. Stick with dry wines, as they often have fewer calories than sweeter

varieties. Light beers, with approximately 100 calories for every 12-ounce serving, are also a good choice. If you prefer cocktails, use calorie-free mixers, such as seltzer with 1.5 ounces of spirits.

- Make it easy: Dieting should be easy. Most people often complain they fail at diets because they need to constantly count calories, or weigh and measure foods.

- Eat out right: Eating out is sometimes unavoidable. Just be sure to check out a restaurant's nutrition information online before you go so you can make wise choices.

Make substitutions like salad, with dressing on the side, instead of fries and do not be afraid to ask if a menu item can be modified. Also, be mindful of portion sizes.

Take half your meal home and enjoy it for tomorrow's lunch.

- Facing the scale: Weight fluctuates throughout the day. Weigh yourself at the same time of day in similar weight clothing to get the most accurate readings. Remember though, the number on the scale will not always reflect your hard work. Focus instead on healthy, positive changes and how you feel.

- Aim for 30: Squeeze 30 minutes of activity into your day. Walk during lunch, jump rope during your favorite nightly TV show or turn on music and dance around the house.

Remember, everyone falls off the wagon from time to time, but the New Year is the perfect time to commit to your weight loss goals.



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By Art Kehler
FOR THE MADISONIAN

Hack attack Reflections on robbery, then and now

There have been thieves for as long as there have been valuables. However, over time, much has changed in the way robbery is carried out. For instance, not long ago my email account was hacked. To make a long story short, I ended up having to cancel credit cards and get new ones. I



Art Kehler

also had to cancel the payments on several bills I hadn't charged. Since that hack

attack, my enthusiasm for computer communications has dimmed considerably. In fact nowadays, whenever I send an email, it feels as though I'm sending my digital wrists across cyberspace for legions of high-tech crooks to take a hack at.

All in all, it's enough to make a guy long for the Old West days. Back then, unlike today's shadowy thieves, a road agent at least had enough strength of character to rob a man face-to-face. Sure, he wore a mask, but at any rate he did make eye contact with his prey. Further, it required a measure of physical labor to carry off the pilfered gold and silver coins. By contrast, in his attempt to rob me, an anonymous hacker effortlessly slithered a cursor across a computer monitor screen to access my email address, decipher my password and steal my personal data.

As a rule, a road agent seldom felt obliged to leave a mail address at which he could be contacted later. Further, he just didn't have time to dilly-dally around with tricky passwords. Rather, to gain access to another's valuables, the rough and ready lawbreaker's password was apt to be short and easy-to-understand, like "Stick 'em up!"

Then again, because the outlaw's version of a password was issued audibly, there was always a chance the victim might identify his voice. What's more, because the robber used a horse to beat a getaway, the robbed

individual might recognize the horse. Thus, the fiscally injured party would have had the option of paying a visit to the outlaw's hideaway and robbing him back. In comparison, the modern hacker can steal personal information from the far-flung corners of the earth. Then, he can use that data to empty the hackee's checking account with scant fear of ever being identified. Still, a hacker doesn't pose a direct threat to one's physical wellbeing.

Indeed, it is an undeniable fact that the road agent often brandished a firearm in order to encourage compliance. Consequently, a hesitant victim ran a high risk of getting shot dead. But then, a captured highwayman was regularly subjected to terminal justice at the hands of territorial vigilantes, thereby providing a degree of moral victory to the deceased prey. So, despite the harrowing circumstances, one can understand how a surviving victim might grant such a daring desperado a grudging level of respect.

All things considered, as I see it, being boldly robbed up close and personal by a road agent was just plain more sporting than being swindled by a faceless, techno-geek from a hidden location. I was lucky not to have suffered significant financial loss. As a result, I live for the day when technology provides me a chance to launch a hack back-hack attack on the cowardly perpetrator of my recent hack attack. I won't rest easy until, like the fleas of a thousand camels, my Internet viruses and malware have infested every last one of his computer files. Then maybe he'll for the days of old too.

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Hello 2015! Certainly a snowy welcome. It sure was nice to get snow on Christmas though, except for the really bad roads. It was so pretty out with all the snow. I guess snow is much prettier when you don't have to be out in it working or driving. I was teasing my granddaughter about not getting a snow day when she goes back to



Gail Banks

school and she said, "what is a snow day?" What the heck, she really didn't know what a snow day was. Thinking back, I really haven't seen snow days for years. Thank gosh it wasn't like that when I went to school. Living in the country we could count on snow days for at least two or three weeks of the winter months of school. They were for real too. There would be so much snow, no one moved or traveled anywhere. Eventually the county grader would make it through to everyone clearly the snow away. Feeding the cows was done with a large flatbed sled pulled by a tractor if possible or horses. How things and times have changed and even the weather!

The New Year can be so distracting from the normal schedules you make for yourself daily. It is a starting over point and it makes you wonder what the year has in store for you – it reminds you of how one year can change your life so dramatically. Makes me want to listen to the song, "What will be, will be," and just get on with life. But yet you still tend to be a bit down and out. At changes you really do know what is coming your way and you just aren't prepared for them. Guess no one ever said life was easy; so make the same resolutions that probably made the last five years, add a few more, kick yourself in the rear and get going. 2015 is waiting for us all, ready or not.

Aren't these fuel prices wonderful?! I don't really care what the reasons are or who is taking responsibility for it, I am just happy. I got 100 gallons of fuel oil for my home; the lower prices this past month made the bill \$60 less. My gas bill traveling to work is down over \$100 a month. Yeehaw! I just hope it lasts, fuel prices shouldn't be that high. I even heard on radio that some gas prices



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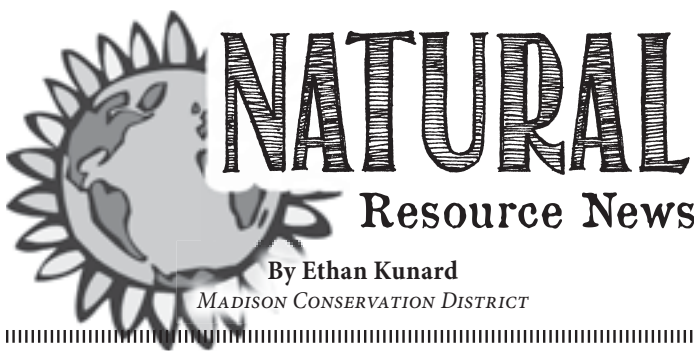
by Gail Banks

in the Billings area are at \$1.99 a gallon; hopefully this area will be following and going down even more.

Some of the kids went skiing this past weekend. They were teaching some of the younger ones to ski for the first time. I just had to laugh to myself when they were telling me about their lessons on the slope. I remember way back when my dad decided we were going to learn how to ski. Since breaking a horse back then was \$80, he traded breaking a horse to a guy for skis, poles, boots and gear for himself, my little brother and myself. We fit in the stuff as best as we could and Dad took us to Perry Canyon, which is no ski resort, to learn how to ski. Learning how to ski over sagebrush, big rocks and very rough terrain is a story in its self. As I remember my dad looked and walked much worse than we did after that first lesson; he had a big pile up with a sagebrush that didn't let go of the skies. So then he took us to a friend's ranch up near the 19 mile marker going to Butte. There are many big log barns at the bottom of the hill because the ranch used to be a stage stop on the old road to Butte. The hill itself was cleared pretty well, but at the bottom of the hill were the log barns I told you about. So the secret was to make sure you had stopped really well or you knew how to corner at the bottom of the hill and head down the road. Things didn't go well for me. I flew down that hill and trying to slow down way too late to do anything about the speed. Thus, I ran right into the side of a barn. They talk about skiers running into trees, well they should try running into a barn, there just aren't enough words to tell about it and how badly it hurt. Finally dad took us to a real ski slope – Z Bar T – on the old road to Butte. I'm certainly not bragging, but people couldn't believe that it was our first time on a ski slope because we did great. We just didn't tell them what we had been through to finally ski on a groomed slope. No rocks, barns, sagebrush, tall grass or logs.

So what have we learned this week? Christmas is forever not for just one day ... for loving, sharing and giving are not to put away like bells, lights and tinsel in some box on a shelf. The good you do for others is the good you do yourself. There are some people who always seem angry and continuously look for conflict. Walk away; the battle they are fighting isn't with you, it is with themselves. You can't live your life as your own worst enemy! The older you get, the shorter your Christmas list gets because the things you need and want can not be bought! The things that many of us take for granted are the same things many pray for! Back to the grind, we are in the New Year and on to Valentines Day. Woo-hoo.

"It's not what you've got, it's what you use that makes a difference."



NATURAL Resource News

By Ethan Kunard

MADISON CONSERVATION DISTRICT

THE NATURE of giving

As the winter solstice has now passed, we can take comfort in knowing that each bitter cold morning is followed by a rising sun that will shine just a little longer than the day before. During these cold, dark, snowy months, we also find comfort inside our warm, dry, brightly-lit houses, which provide us relief from the outside elements of a Montana winter.

We are fortunate in this regard. Many people have the pleasure of deciding when they want to interact with nature and when they would instead prefer to remove themselves from the world outside. For others, however, their lives are more intricately entwined with the environment around them, and there is less separation between nature



Ethan Kunard

and their everyday lives. In either case, we all have an ongoing relationship with the world around us.

Thinking about this relationship between people and the environment sparks memories of a year long program I participated in during my undergrad studies, called Wilderness and Civilization. The premise of the program was to help students better understand the human-nature relationship within communities around Montana. Whereas it appears obvious to many folks that people have inherently strong ties to the natural environment, it may be less evident to others living in the midst of our continuously evolving world.

When reflecting upon the direct definition of the terms "wilderness" and "civilization" they appear as two words that contradict one another. Wilderness is devoid of any human impact, whereas civilization represents a former frontier that has been "improved"

by man. However, the world is not characterized by just these two distinct environments. There is a gray area that we all live in that defines life in the 21st century. Regardless of how we approach our everyday lives there is a piece of nature in everything we do. Similarly, the natural resources that we depend on for food, recreation and intrinsic beauty would not be available if it weren't for the stewards and conservationists who work to ensure that those resources are kept healthy and managed for future generations.

There is no argument about the fact that we depend on the environment as an integral part of our lives. Perhaps, though, we have also arrived at a point in today's world where nature is also depending on us. If we

continue with expectations of having clean water, fresh air, healthy forests, abundant wildlife and fertile soils, we should also expect to put our energy toward protecting the resources that are already healthy and also toward restoring those which are in need of improving.

Regardless of how we decide as individuals to interact with the natural world in which we live, it is important to realize that this relationship of co-dependence does in fact exist. We are fortunate that our resources provide us with a certain standard of living to which we have become accustomed. However, let us not forget that, as with any relationship, we must also put forth a certain level of giving in return to ensure that it sustains itself into the future.



Through the WINDOW OF THE ARCHIVES

By Evalyn Batten Johnson

A bright New Year is upon us and the old year of 2014 fades quickly into the dusk ... we ask ourselves, "Where in the world did those 365 days go?"



Evalyn Batten Johnson

For all of us who each year make New Year resolutions, it's again upon us; I always have that lose weight thing and of course, I always say cut out chocolate. Well

you can guess how far that gets me in the New Year ... So instead of doing the resolution thing I thought that I would bring some suggestions that will help us in our daily lives as we go forth in 2015.

I found a wonderful item in *The Madisonian* from 1894. It is called Hints For Housewives. First, always cut onions, carrots and turnips across the fiber. Second, salt rubbed on the black spot on dishes will remove them. Third, use a short handled paintbrush to wash the outside

of window sills. Fourth, if a shirt or any other item becomes scorched while ironing, lay it where the bright sunshine will fall directly on it. Fifth, to clean the coffee pot or teapot, fill it with water and a piece of hard soap and boil for an hour, it will be bright like new. Sixth, to make white clothes wash easily mix one tablespoon kerosene oil with one pint of soft soap and put them to soak overnight and you will have very little rubbing to do. Seventh, to take out mildew, mix soft soap

with powdered starch, half as much salt and the juice of one lemon ... lay it on the part on both sides with a brush, let it lay on the grass day and night till the stain comes out.

The year of 2015 just became much easier, right?

I would be remiss if I failed to bring up the New Year's annual event that took place at the Virginia City gym in the mid 40s and early 50s. It was the celebration of ringing in the New Year with music provided by Hazel and Earl Pharmer and vocals by Paul Love. The packed crowd came from all over the valley and the celebration was shared by the kids as well as the generation beyond. It really started to swing around 9 p.m. No food or beverages were served but the frequent trips by the older folks to the two local

providers of such was evident.

As the evening progressed the music became louder, the dancing and singing also reached a fever pitch. A few minutes before midnight, one of the musicians would greet everyone, wishing them a happy New Year and the best to come.

The countdown started and the gong hit midnight and the silence and joining of hands all around the room started singing "Auld Lang Syne." The singing started lightly and grew louder and the song rang out – hugs and kisses bloomed all around and yells and laughter as well as a few tears were evident.

The New Year was here. New Year's Eve also found Tuffy Burgstrom at the piano at the local bar and on other occasions. He was quite a musician but never

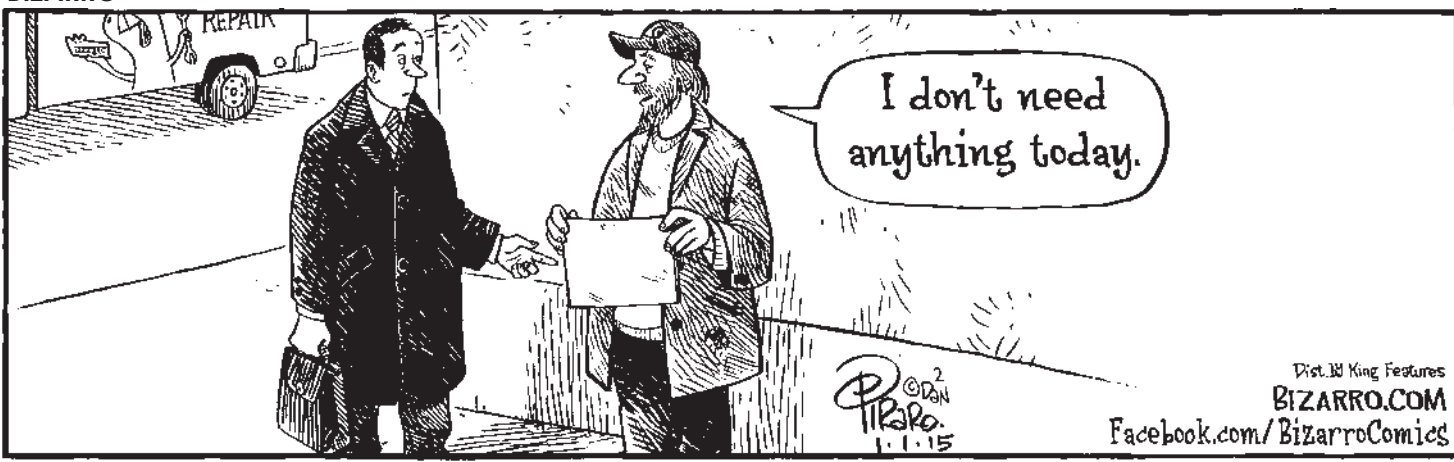
had a sheet of music in front of him. His stubby fingers would glide over the keys as if they were a part of the piano and he never missed a beat with the stomping of his foot, helping to make sure you felt the movement and the rhythm of the song.

New Year's Eve in the small hamlet of Virginia City ... who could forget it? This year as the name of January comes into sight and we get out our new calendars or our daily journals it's great to start a new year with hope, and perhaps with new resolutions. Whether or not you keep them it is all about tradition, so why not?

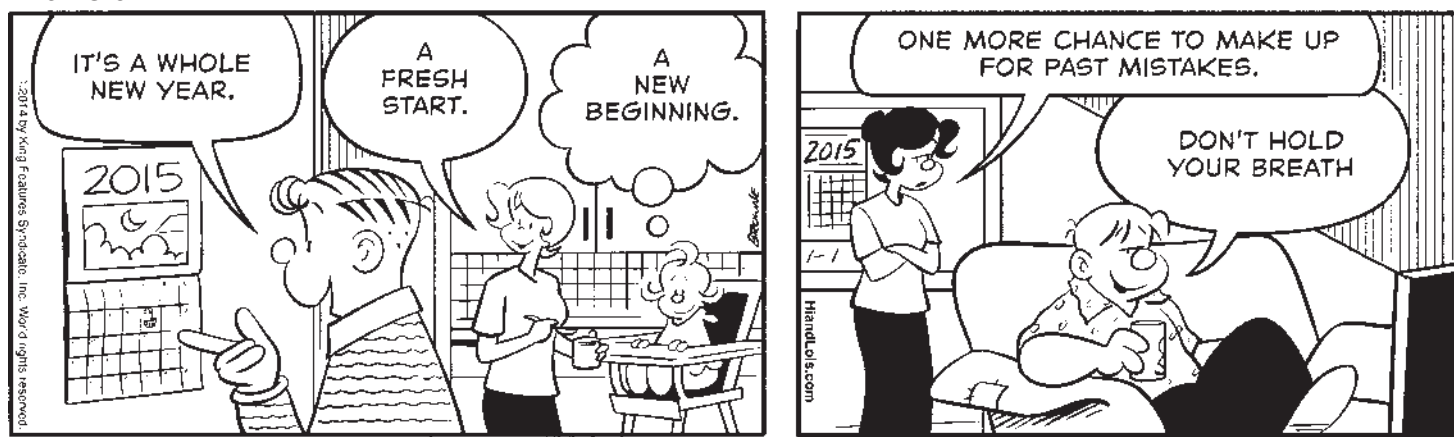
May the New Year bring to you all good health, joy, love and as much fun, adventure, good fortune and happiness you can handle.

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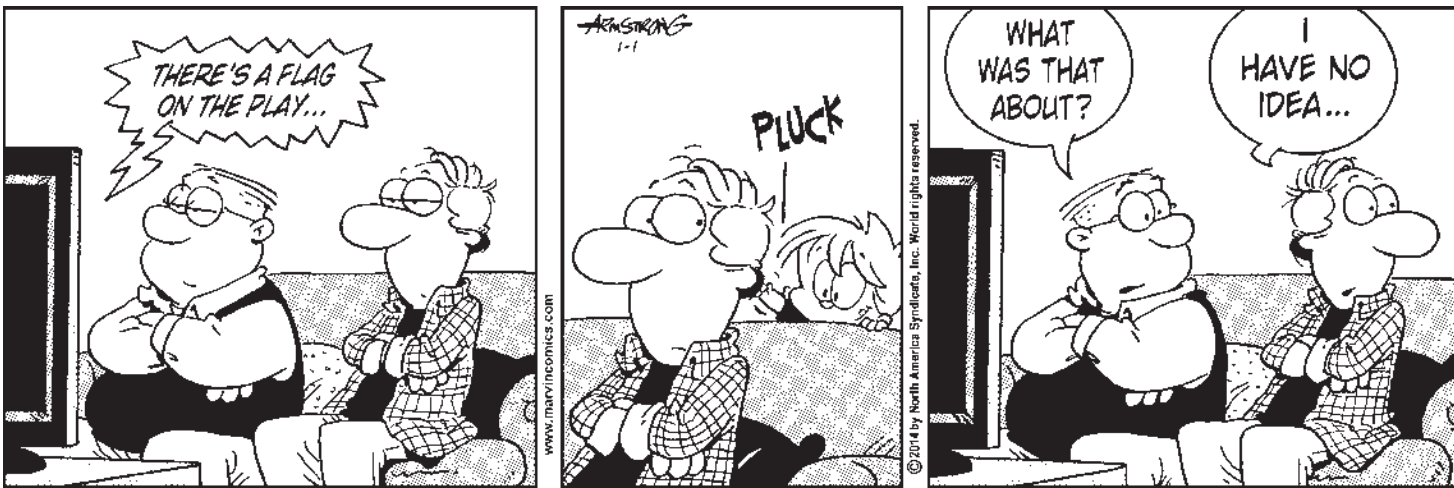
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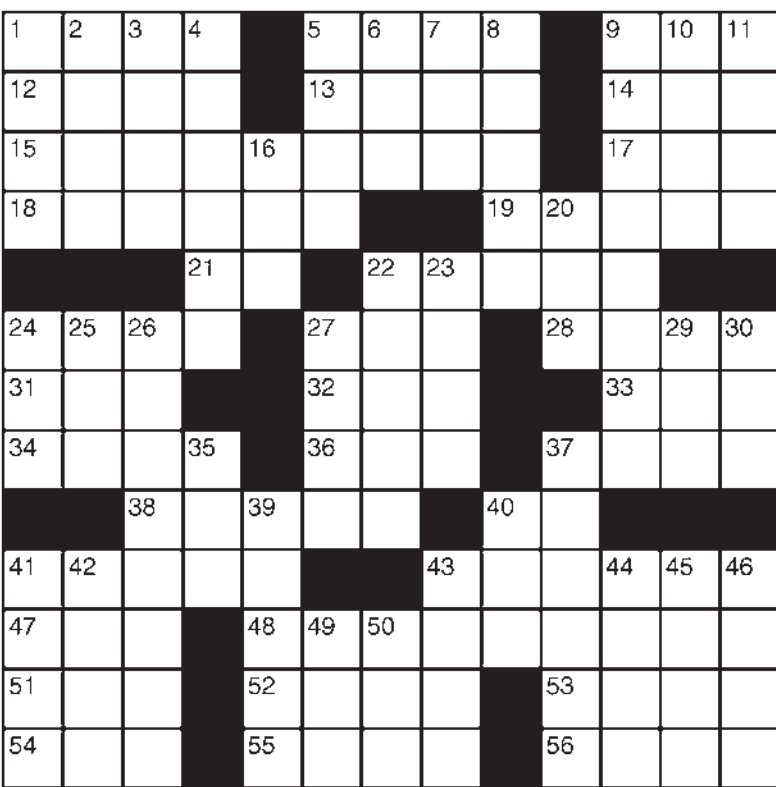
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CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer



ACROSS

- 1 Last place
- 5 Body powder
- 9 Commotion
- 12 Wile E. Coyote's supplier
- 13 Petri dish gel
- 14 Prickly seed case
- 15 Subject's follower
- 17 "NCIS" evidence
- 18 "Monkey suit"
- 19 Sales pitch
- 21 "Hey!"
- 22 Montezuma, for one
- 24 Test the waters
- 27 Lawyers' org.
- 28 Tropical tree
- 31 Time of your life?
- 32 Broom closet item
- 33 Afternoon gathering
- 34 Pop
- 36 Robinson or
- 37 Dalloway
- 38 Tempo
- 40 Gold mold
- 41 Otherwise
- 43 Authoritative statements
- 47 Long-legged Nile birds
- 48 Historic period
- 51 Free from blame
- 52 Witticism
- 53 Pennsylvania port
- 54 Cattle, in poetry
- 55 "A Chorus Line" song
- 56 Track circuits
- High-five, basically

DOWN

- 1 Engrossed
- 2 Beige
- 3 Visa rival
- 4 Night flight
- 5 Mexican entree
- 6 Khan title
- 7 Long, crosser
- 8 Top
- 9 Relinquish the throne
- 10 Sand formation
- 11 Exam format
- 16 Bachelor's final answer
- 20 Vim and vigor
- 22 Scrub a NASA mission
- 23 Uses a taser
- 24 Existed
- 25 Past
- 26 Commit (to)
- 27 Bullets and such
- 29 Meadow
- 30 Wrestling surface
- 35 Pismire
- 37 Third pig's material
- 39 "The People's Court" prop
- 40 Japanese sash
- 41 Showroom sample
- 42 Unyielding
- 43 Mid-month date
- 44 Emulate
- 45 Columbus
- 46 Lab heater
- 49 Leak out slowly
- 49 Savings-plan acronym
- 50 Pinch

All puzzle answers on B7

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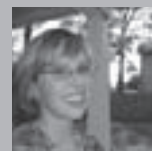
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Cynthia Holbert
 Houston, TX (pop. 2.1M)

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- Janet

White Bean & Spinach Soup

- What You Need**
- 1/2 lb dried navy beans (soaked for 6 hours)
 - 2 tbsp coconut oil
 - 2 stalks celery, diced
 - 1 medium onion, diced
 - 2 Italian turkey sausage links
 - 36 oz organic chicken broth
 - 1/2 tsp pepper
 - 5 oz spinach, fresh
 - 1 tsp dried basil
 - 1 tsp dried oregano
 - 1 tsp powdered red pepper
 - 1 tsp garlic powder
 - 1 c diced carrots
 - Salt to taste
 - 1 c black wild rice
- Directions**
- Soak beans for 6 hours in water.
 - Heat oil in large pot over medium heat.
 - Remove sausage from skin, brown and crumble.
 - Add diced carrots, celery and onion.
 - Saute for 5 minutes.
 - Add beans, chicken broth, pepper, rice, and spices.
 - Bring to a boil, then simmer on medium low for 1 hour.
 - Add washed spinach and bring to a back to a boil.
 - Lower heat and simmer for 10 minutes.

Submitted by: Cynthia Holbert, Houston, TX (pop. 2.1M)
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NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE
 MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY
 Probate No. DV-29-14-69
 IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
 Paige Doreen Asten-Perez
 Petitioner
 THIS IS NOTICE THAT PETITIONER has asked the District Court for a change of name from
 Paige Doreen Asten-Perez
 TO
 Paige Doreen Asten
 This hearing will be on January 5, 2015 At 10:30 a.m.
 The hearing will be at the Courthouse in Madison County

KACEY SMART
 Clerk of District Court
 Madison County
 BY: /s/ Bundy K. Bailey
 Deputy Clerk of Court
 Signed September 19, 2014
 (Pub. Dec. 11, 18, 25, Jan 1) pda
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NOTICE TO CONCERNED SOUTH FORK OF THE MADISON RIVER WATER USERS

Povah Deep Well Ranch, LLC has filed a Motion to Amend Statements of Claim 41F 116811-00, 41F 116819-00, and 41F 116823-00 with the Montana Water Court seeking to correct the period of diversion and period of

use to accurately reflect the historical use of the claims. Allegedly, all three claims are used year round and should have a January 1, to December 31 period of use and diversion. The decreed periods of use and diversion are June 1 to November 30 for stockwater claim 41F 116811-00, May 28 to June 30 for agricultural spraying claim 41F 116819-00, and April 10 to October 31 for commercial claim 41F 116823-00.
OBJECTION DATE
 In accordance with Section 85-2-233(6), MCA, any response or objection to the Motion to Amend must be filed with the Montana Water Court, PO Box 1389, Bozeman, MT 59711-1389, by February 16, 2015. Please indicate "Case 41F-A13" on any response, objection or other correspondence related to this Motion to Amend.
 (Pub. Dec. 18, 25, 2014 Jan 1, 2015) mor

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, COUNTY OF MADISON IN RE ESTATE OF:
 GLEN LOUIS GALLETINE, also known as GLEN L. GALLETINE
 Cause No. DP-29-2014-25
 That the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to ROSEN R. GALLETINE, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at P.O. Box 1310,

Ennis, MT 59729, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court.
 Dated: Dec. 8, 2014
 /s/ ROSEN R. GALLETINE,
 Personal Representative
 STATE OF MONTANA)
)ss
 COUNTY OF MADISON)
 ROSEN R. GALLETINE, being first duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and says: That he has read the foregoing NOTICE TO CREDITORS and that the facts and matters contained therein are true, correct, accurate and complete to the best of his knowledge and belief. I make this declaration under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Montana.
 /s/ ROSEN R. GALLETINE,
 Personal Representative
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this 8th day of December, 2014.
 /s/ Janet R. Cookson
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 Personal Representative's Attorney:
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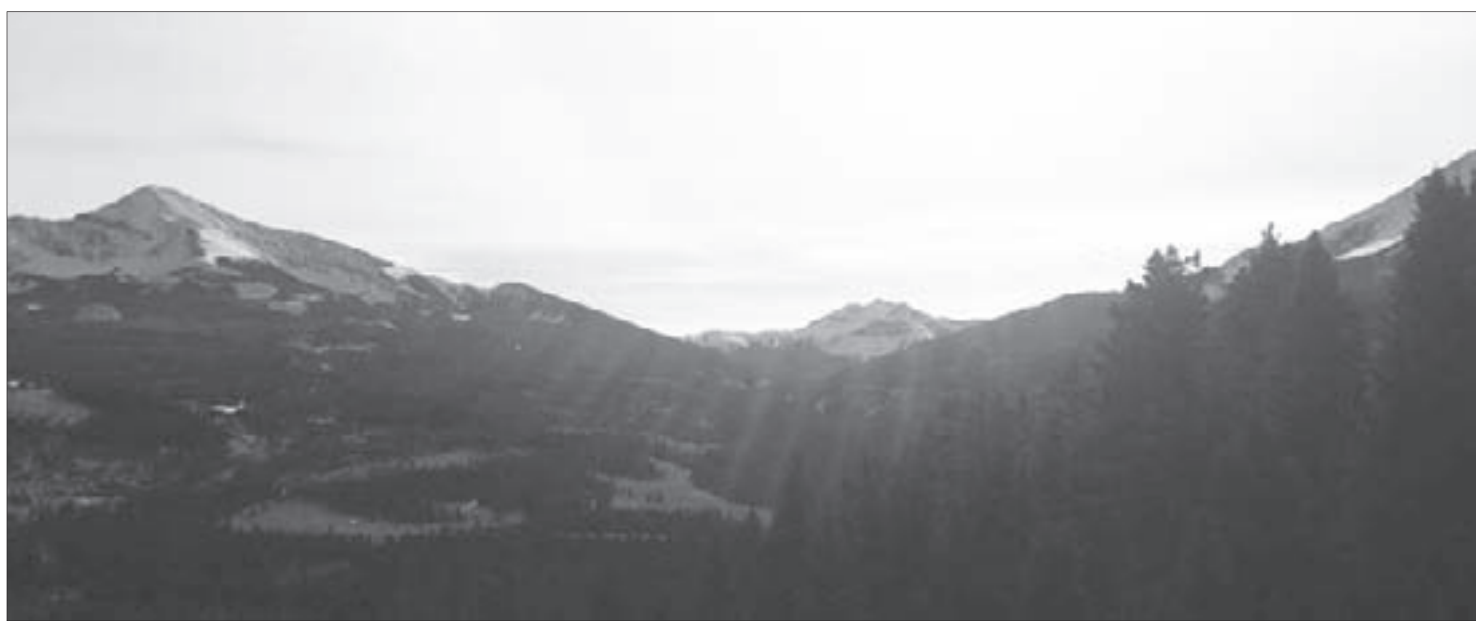
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Jack Creek Preserve Foundation welcomes new faces

Submitted by Katie Coleman
JACK CREEK PRESERVE FOUNDATION

After founding the Jack Creek Preserve Foundation 10 years ago and co-chairing the board since then, Jon and Dottie Fossel have decided to reduce their roles. Although both will remain on the board, Peggy Taylor and Mike Baugh will become co-chairs effective Jan. 1, 2015.

Taylor will become president and co-chair of the board of directors. Taylor is the director of the Master of Science in Science Education program (MSSE) at Montana State University in Bozeman, coordinating over 40 science and science education faculty in 14 academic departments working with the distance-based program. The program's reach is nationwide and has become the largest graduate program at MSU. Taylor will be a valuable resource

considering her extensive background in the science education world.

"I'm honored to be a part of the future of Jack Creek Preserve," Taylor said. "I am excited about opportunities to expand JCPF educational programs for children as well as adults, and I look forward to be working with the JCPF board of directors to further develop relationships with our neighboring communities."

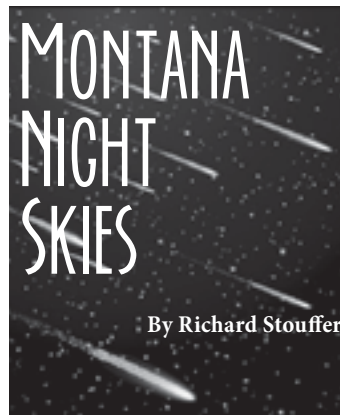
Baugh will become co-chair of the board of directors and brings with him a background in business, conservation and hunter education. He has a long history of involvement with Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation where he has been a member for 30 years and currently serves on the board of directors. Baugh is also a bow hunter education instructor for Yellowstone County and Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks. He will be an asset in all areas of the

Jack Creek Preserve Foundation.

"I am excited about working with (Taylor) and all the JCPF board members as we enter 2015 and continue to carry on the passion and dreams envisioned by (the Fossels)," he said. "The future for hunting and conservation is our youth, awareness and education. JCPF can reach more kids and facilitate more research in one incredible location here in the Madison valley of Montana."

J. Fossel said, "I am extremely pleased to have (Taylor) and (Baugh) step in to the position of co-chairs. Their passion for the conservation and education mission of the Jack Creek Preserve will enable the preserve to achieve even greater successes in the future."

For more information or to visit the preserve, go to www.jackcreekpreserve.org or contact executive director Katie Coleman at 995-7550.



By Richard Stouffer

As 2015 begins, all five naked eye planets are visible in the night sky highlighted by Venus and Mercury making their closest approach since 2012.

Venus begins the month setting a little over an hour after the sun, joined about 20 minutes later by speedy Mercury. By Jan. 10, Venus and Mercury make their closest approach since 2012 at less than a degree apart. Within about 10 days, Mercury will be lost in the solar glare and Venus will continue to rise earlier and earlier, setting two hours after the sun by the end of the month. Far to the left of Venus and Mercury is the red planet Mars. Look for reddish Mars in the southwestern sky about 20 degrees above the horizon about an hour after sunset. Because Mars moves across the sky at close to the same speed as the sun, it sets about three hours after the sun all month long. Mars also moves rapidly with respect to the background stars during January as it passes out of the constellation Capricornus into the constellation Aquarius. Next up in the night sky is the giant planet Jupiter, which rises a little after 8 p.m. as the month begins and within 20 minutes of sunset as January comes to a close. Brilliant Jupiter is found just to the

right of the question mark shape of the head of the constellation Leo, the lion. Later in the night, Jupiter is joined by Saturn, which rises a little before 5 a.m. on New Year's Day and a little after 3 a.m. as the month comes to a close.

For meteor shower watchers, the Quadrantid meteor shower (named after the extinct constellation Quadrans Muralis) reaches its peak in the early morning hours of Jan. 4. Astronomical conditions will be difficult this year because the moon will be almost full. The Quarantids are one of the year's best meteor showers. However, because of interference from moonlight, watching the shower this year will be a challenge. The best approach this year would be to look for meteors from this shower when the moon is getting low in the western sky beginning about 5:30 a.m. until the sky begins to brighten about an hour later. The number of visible meteors will be greatly diminished, but this shower may still be worth a look.

The moon is full on Jan. 4. Look for the moon to the right of Jupiter on Jan. 7 and to the lower right of Regulus, the brightest star in the constellation Leo and below Jupiter the next night. The moon passes close to Spica, the brightest star in the constellation Virgo, on Jan. 13 and passes near to Saturn on Jan. 16. The moon passes to the right of Venus on Jan. 21 and to right of Mars the next night. On Jan. 29, the moon will be to the left of Aldebaran, the brightest star in the constellation Taurus, the bull.

The sun rises at its latest time for the year on Jan. 1.

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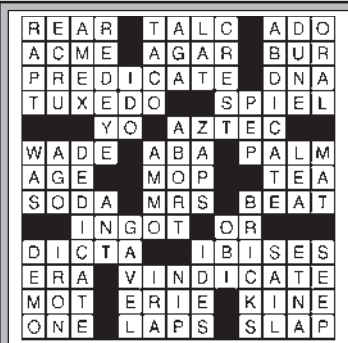
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SATURDAY JANUARY 3

Mental health series ADHD or bi-polar disorder, Ennis

11 a.m. at Madison Valley Public Library. Informational meeting and monthly mental health talk - this month Lisa Brubaker on ADHD and Jessie Close on bi-polar

syndrome. Roundtable presentation with questions and discussion.

TUESDAY JANUARY 6

Mental Health Local Advisory Council Meeting, Virginia City

The Madison County Mental Health Local Advisory Council has a new date and time. The council will now meet on

the first Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m. in Virginia City, Montana.

SATURDAY JANUARY 10

Presentation, Sheridan
2 p.m., Dayspring Church in Sheridan. Come listen to personal accounts of last remaining survivors of WWII.

TUESDAY JANUARY 13

Ennis Arts Association Meeting, Ennis

10:30 a.m. at the home of Bev Claassen, 830 Madison Ave., Apt D in Ennis. She will be showing family art work, including paintings by her brother, Larry Zabel. Please bring salad or dessert for the potluck lunch. For more

info please call 682-5598.

THURSDAY JANUARY 15

Business After Hours, Ennis

Ennis Chamber of Commerce BAH hosted by Ponderosa Advisors at the old Moonlight Basin building. 5 to 7 p.m. Great networking event! 682-4388 for more info.

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TOPS, Ennis
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