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UPCOMING ELECTIONS

Municipalities in Madison County must elect council members

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Election season is upon the county again. In November, voters in Ennis, Sheridan, Twin Bridges and Virginia City will elect new council members, and in some towns, mayors.

According to Madison County deputy clerk and recorder Paula McKenzie, the deadline for candidates to file for office is July 2. Those wishing to vote in

the election must register to do so by Aug. 17 – all late registrations must be done in person at the clerk and recorder's office in Virginia City. McKenzie said the actual election is Nov. 3.

Here's a breakdown of what to expect.

ENNIS

In Ennis, four council seats are up for election, according to Mayor Becky Vujovich.

"We have four council seats open," she said. "Two four-year terms and two two-year terms because anyone appointed in the last two years has to run again."

Two current council members – Brandi Palmerton and Larry Pine – were appointed in the last two years to fill seats of people who had to leave the council. The council seats currently held by Audra Bourk and John Bancroft are also up for election.

"It's a lot of work to be on the council, but very rewarding," Vujovich said. "We need a

diverse council. Currently only one person has filed to run."

Vujovich said if not enough people run in the election, the town "goes out and beats the drums" to get interested people – then the council appoints people to fill the seats.

"It is a much better process if the voters get to elect who they want," she said.

SHERIDAN

The council seats held by Tom Shaffer and Nick Pairitz are up for election in Sheridan, according to town clerk Gail Leary. Sheridan is also due to elect a mayor - longtime Mayor Dean Derryberry stepped down earlier this year and Shaffer has been serving as interim mayor.

Shaffer said he has not filed to run for mayor yet, but plans to in the next week.

TWIN BRIDGES

According to Twin Bridges town clerk Brandy Piper, two council seats will be up

for election – the seats are currently held by Annette McLean and Joe Willauer.

VIRGINIA CITY

According to town clerk Nancy Stewart, only one council seat is up for election in Virginia City. The seat is currently held by Justin Gatewood. Virginia City will also elect a mayor during this election - Stewart said the current mayor, Robert Erdall, is not planning on running for re-election.

ALMOST THERE





Photos courtesy of Kathryn Colado

With paving nearing completion, visualizing how Sheridan's Main Street will look after the project is becoming easier.

SAGE-GROUSE

BLM and USFS release land use plans in Idaho and Southwest Montana to protect sage-grouse

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Federal agencies released their long-awaited sage-grouse management plans last week, but some feel the plans ignore work already done by state lawmakers and wildlife officials.

"The land management plans, developed during the past three years in partnership with the states and with input from local partners, will benefit wildlife, outdoor recreation, ranching and other traditional land uses that rely on a healthy sagebrush landscape," according to a BLM press release.

"The collaborative federal-state effort includes three key elements to conserve the sagebrush landscape, which faces threats from fire, invasive species and encroaching development: a comprehensive strategy to fight rangeland fire, strong conservation plans for federal public lands and conservation actions

on state and private lands."

Sage-grouse are a hot topic because at one time, the greater sage-grouse population likely numbered in the millions, but is estimated to have dwindled to 200,000 to 500,000 birds rangewide, according to the BLM.

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SINGLE CAR ROLLOVER No one injured, crash results in arrest for DUI

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A Texas man was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol last week after rolling his vehicle west of Nevada City on Montana Highway 287 around 10 p.m. on May 26.

"(The) driver was eastbound at a high rate of speed, lost control, crossed the center line and rolled his truck," said Madison County Sheriff Roger Thompson.

The driver, a 22-year-old man from Magnolia, Texas, was visiting family in Alder, Thompson said. He was processed at the Madison County Sheriff's Office, then booked into Gallatin County Jail with a \$3,000 bond.

As of Monday, June 1, Thompson said the man has not posted bond and is still being held at the Gallatin County Jail.

The man was charged with DUI, open container and failure to give notice of a crash, Thompson said.

NEW CULVERTS FOR MOORE'S CREEK?

Commissioners on hold after receiving high bids for work

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Last week, the Madison County commissioners received three bids for replacing eight culverts along Moore's Creek – the culverts begin near the Mormon Church on the south edge of Ennis and continue into and through the town. Commissioner Jim Hart said the bids were higher than expected so the project is on hold.

"The high bid was over \$2 million," Hart said. "The lowest was \$1.4 million."

That is problematic because the commissioners only have around \$1 million set aside for the project - the \$1 million comes from a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant and a Department of Natural Resources and Conservation grant, Hart said.

"Then the (Montana Department of Transportation) is willing to assist with extra costs, but how much is up to them," Hart said.

In 2011, multiple floods during spring runoff led the commissioners to look into replacing all eight culverts.

'We all felt it was time

to figure out what to do," said commissioner Jim Hart. "Each of the culverts are too small. They do not handle the amount of water that comes during spring runoff."

Hart said Moore's Creek starts backing up at the first culvert, flooding a field and often littering it with debris. Then, each subsequent culvert is also too small, especially when the creek hits the town and passes near the intersection of First Street and Main Street.

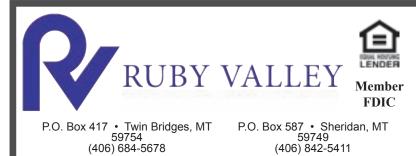
By statute, the county is responsible for managing streamflow, even in a municipality like Ennis, Hart said.

Jeremiah Theys with **GreatWest Engineering** said since the bids were too high, the county will now reach out to FEMA and the DNRC to see if the scope of work can be reduced.

"We're going to request the grant agencies to reduce the scope of work so we can get the high priority sites done," he said.

The two "high priority" culverts are the ones that cross the highway - one crosses MT Highway 287 south of

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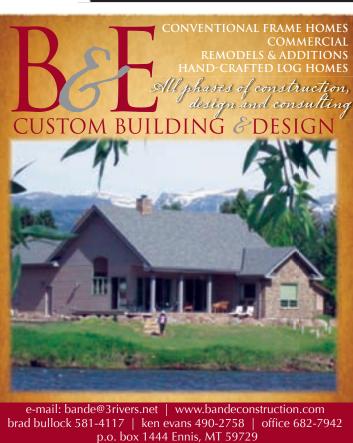
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town and the other crosses Main Street near First Street.

"We don't have a timeline on when we will know if we can (reduce the scope of work)

and still get funding," Theys said. "If it's not allowable to do that, the project will most likely not move forward."

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State Representative Ray Shaw from Sheridan said the BLM and Forest Service plan for the area is not compatible with what the state of Montana recommended.

'The BLM indicated they were going to go with the Montana plan and approve it," he said. "But they threw it under the bus. They got very restrictive."

Montana's plan

In 2014, Governor Steve Bullock created the Sage-Grouse Habitat Conservation Program, which was based on recommendations from a sage-grouse advisory council the governor established in 2013. Shaw was a member of the advisory council.

"We did all that to keep the bird in control of the state," Shaw said.

Shaw's comment referred to the fact that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has a September 2015 deadline to make an initial determination on whether or not the sagegrouse should be listed under the Endangered Species Act.

David Galt, executive director of the Montana Petroleum Association said the governor's plan identified places in Montana as either core sage-grouse areas or general sage-grouse

areas – in core areas, only 5 percent of the surface area could be disturbed and activity cannot happen closer than six-tenths of a mile from an active lek, which is a breeding ground.

"What the BLM did is drop the surface disturbance cap to three percent," Galt said. "We cannot do business with three percent. They took all the core areas we identified and said, 'you cannot operate on the surface in any of this area'. Then, in the general areas, they applied our core restrictions."

Galt said he believes the BLM plan would stop development for oil and gas on federal lands.

"It's going to make development there unappealing, if not impossible," he said. "Is it a disaster? Yes."

Shaw said he was surprised the governor's plan was not adopted.

"They just didn't follow any of the recommendations we came up with in committee," Shaw said. "Instead of using the six-tenths of a mile idea, they basically drew a circle around 2 million acres on the hi-line and said, 'no'."

On the flipside, the BLM release states the plan would benefit local economies that depend on a healthy sagebrush landscape.

"Federal and state governments and private landowners recognize that a healthy sagebrush landscape means a healthy western economy," said Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack in the release. "We are working with local partners to design innovative, long-term conservation plans. Together, we can put effective conservation measures in place that not only benefit the greater sage-grouse, but also preserve the western way of life, help improve grazing lands

and bolster rural economies." In addition, the release states that the plans honor all valid, existing rights, including those for oil and gas development, renewable energy, rights-ofway, locatable minerals and other permitted projects.

What about the bird?

Shaw said he believes the sage-grouse is being used as a tool.

"From the onset of this whole thing – when there was first talk of listing the bird – it has never had to do anything with the bird," he said. "It has been about getting cattle off federal grazing leases and to stop natural resource production. It never was about the bird."

Shaw acknowledged that there are some habitat issues in the region that do impact

sage-grouse, but he said the biggest reason the bird is declining is because of predator pressure, which is not ad-

dressed in the BLM plan. "There isn't even anything about predators in the plan," he said. "The goal was to get livestock and indus-

try off of federal land." Donald Smurthwaite, BLM spokesperson, said he believes the plan is all about the bird.

'The plan is designed toward conservation of the bird's habitat," Smurthwaite said. "Another important point is that all existing rights are honored. We understand people are concerned because it has to do with their livelihood, but we've taken that into consideration all existing rights are honored."

Up next?

The land management plans are currently out for a 30-day public protest period – any person who participated in the planning process for the proposed plan and has an interest that may be adversely affected by the plan may protest approval of this proposed plan through June 29. For more information about how to protest the plan, or to simply read the plan, go to the BLM's website at blm.gov/sagegrouse.

Somewhere over the rainbow...



Abigail Dennis/The Madisonian

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DISTRICT COURT ROUND UP

Toston woman pleads not guilty

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On June 1, a Toston woman pleaded not guilty to the charge of theft at the Madison County Courthouse before Judge Loren Tucker.

Candy Jean Van Blaricom was charged with felony theft for incidents that occurred between Dec. 6, 2013 and Jan. 20, 2014, according to court documents.

"(The defendant) committed the offense of theft of property by embezzlement when, with the purpose to deprive the owner of property, the defendant purposely or knowingly

obtained or exerted unauthorized control over property entrusted to the defendant," according to a filed Information. The value of money taken by the defendant is in excess of \$1,500."

The maximum penalty for felony theft

is a fine not to exceed \$50,000, imprisonment not to exceed 10 years or both. Judge Tucker released Van Blaricom on her own recognizance after she pleaded guilty. A future court date has not yet been set.

HANDS-ON LEARNING



"This is also a great way to introduce the students to what a day in the life of an aquatic biologist might be like. The sampling methods are exactly the same as what real scientists do when they are out in the field collecting macroinvertebrate samples." - Stephanie McGinnis, Montana Watercourse







CLOCKWISE FROM BOTTOM LEFT

Janie Smart inspects macroinvertabrates from the Ruby River.

From left: Alex Saidov, Tristen Horn and Juan Pablo collect water samples Janie Smart, Aspen Tutsch, Tionna Schwend, Charlie Bailey and Charali Wetherbee look to the sky to identify birds under the direction of Jack Kirkley.

Charlie Bailey and Charali Wetherbee collect samples from the Ruby River.

Sheridan students at the Woodson Ranch

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Nine Sheridan sophomores visited the Ruby Habitat Foundation's Woodson Ranch on May 19 for a handson learning experience.

"The students learned a bit about aquatic insects, how to collect them, use of a dichotomous key, why it is important to know about the health of a river ecosystem as many aquatic insects serve as indicator species to show

the health of the system as a whole," explained Sheridan biology teacher Ed Burke.

Stephanie McGinnis, coordinator of education and outreach with Montana Watercourse, joined the students to help them learn about aquatic insects. McGinnis has worked with the Alder students on a water monitoring project on the Ruby River for a few years, and is familiar with the Woodson Ranch.

"The time with the students was spent discussing water quality and the use of macroinvertebrates as biological indicators of water quality," McGinnis said. "Students learned about what water quality is and why it's important to monitor. They learned how to collect and identify macroinvertebrates ... This is also a great way to introduce the students to what a day in the life of an aquatic biologist might be like. The sampling methods are exactly the same as what real scientists do when they are out in the field collecting

macroinvertebrate samples." While at the ranch, which is located outside of Laurin, the students also worked with Jack Kirkley from University of Montana - Western in Dillon to learn about a variety of birds, but spent most of their time watching two eaglets.

"We have bald eagles nesting with two eaglets in the nest," said Dave Delisi, outreach coordinator at the RHF. "The kids couldn't get enough of looking through the binoculars."

The information about birds related directly to what the class was currently studying, Burke explained.

"I had visited the ranch myself a couple of days prior to the field trip to scout out what birds we might see," he said. "Then we had a lead in about what to expect the day before the trip."

Sheridan sophomore Tionna Schwend said she had never seen a bald eagle nest – seeing one up close was a highlight for her.

The aquatic insect work also tied in closely with

Burke's in-the-class lessons. "It was really a review of information the students had

learned about a month earlier," he said. "We had a great discussion and follow up the next day in class. (Later, we also) walked to Mill Creek to check out aquatic insects there and compare them to what we found (on) the Woodson Ranch."

Sophomore Tristen Horn said comparing the insects between the Ruby River and Mill Creek was interesting.

"I liked comparing the aquatic insects we found in the Ruby River at the Woodson Ranch to those we found a week later in Mill Creek," Horn said.



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Dear Editor,

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for all operations within the house, even a jogging track created by Bush and their own rose garden and Mrs. Obama's vegetable garden.

How could a couple who

earn over \$200,000 a year, have a pension from Arkansas for his governor years, her making over \$500,000 from a \$1,000 investment in futures stock, anything she has made as a lawyer, plus the budget that congress gives the first lady for whatever she makes her project as first lady be broke? Mrs. Obama's is getting the right food in our schools,

which hasn't made a big hit with the teenagers who go out of school to eat. Comments like, "ugh, can't even look at it" and "no thanks" are heard at almost every school. They took all the vending machines away so kids have

no choice but to go out.

In eight short years, the
Clintons are now worth over
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just landed a job that pays her
over \$100,000 and they have
the Clinton Foundation that has
hundreds of millions of dollars in it and according to the
Clintons own charity, has only

spent 10 percent of those donations on charitable projects.

One has to hope that they spend the foundation money better than they did in the White House, where every whim and expense was paid by that budget. Or have they already spent that foundation? Eight weeks and not one press meeting? But she can sit down with handpicked groups of six to eight democrats.

Bill Hanley Twin Bridges

Relay for Life works for communities

Dear Editor,

The American Cancer Society (ASC) was founded in 1913 by 10 doctors and five laypeople in New York City. At that time, a cancer diagnosis meant near certain death. It was rarely mentioned in public; the disease was steeped in fear and denial. Doctors often did not tell their patients they had cancer, and patients often would not tell their friends and families they had it. In 1985, the American Cancer Society sponsored its first Relay For Life to raise cancer awareness in communities. Awareness and information is one of the most important goals of our Madison County 2015 Relay for Life.

Yesterday, I received a phone call from a community member asking why we are working for relay when the American Cancer Society just recently defrauded so many people. I was quick to inform her that the incident she was referring to was not about ACS but four other so-called "cancer charities." During our conversation, she also wanted to know why all the money raised at relay cannot be kept in our community. A good question deserves a good answer.

Money raised through Relay for Life is used for cancer research. Research is the number one tool we have for the fight against cancer and 95 percent of the money raised through relay is used for cancer research.

Meg Sammons McAllister

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Spring at TRMCC

Submitted by Roseann Troyer TOBACCO ROOT MOUNTAIN CARE CENTER

Awesome April arrived in a flurry of colorful activities. Gail supervised the coloring of several dozen hard boiled eggs on the morning of April 4. On Easter Sunday, not only did our residents devour a delectable array of food for Easter dinner,

but they also enjoyed festive activities put on by Suzette. Easter Sunday was fun and delicious.

On April 7, our resident council met and decided we needed to start making fry bread (just to eat). Our clogggers had to cancel because several of the members were ill. April 10 found us in the activity room enjoying a movie about the life of the famous racehorse Secretariat who won the Triple Crown in 1973. We also had snacks and beverages during the movie showing.

April 16 was our thank you to our dedicated volunteers. We held a volunteer appreciation celebration. Everyone received a door prize and sweet treats. With our volunteers, the life quality of our residents improves.

We had a very special treat on April 17. Gary Costle and Jane Bing-Craig came and played beautiful music from the 30s, 40s and 50s. It was very well attended. Costle plays a mean fiddle and Bing-Craig makes the old piano jump. It was very enjoyable to hear the

songs from times gone by. April 23 found 11 residents,

staff and family members dining at Chick's Restaurant. After our tasty lunch, we climbed back on the bus and took a tour around the sky blue Ruby Reservoir.

We truly live in God's country. The ladies of the Church of the Valley from Twin Bridges hosted the monthly birthday party for April on the 24th. Gay Ashcraft, Sierra Frandsen, Cassie Williams and Konnie Smith served tasty cake and creamy ice cream to everyone.

Residents that celebrate their birthdays in April are Keith Smail, Joyce White and Lucille Novich.

We ended April with warm slices of cinnamon raisin bread on the 30th. It was over in the blink of an eye.

Motorists hauling watercraft must stop at AIS inspection stations

Submitted by Tom Palmer Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks officials reminds private and commercial boaters that state law requires all motorists hauling watercraft – from trailers with motorboats or inflatable rafts to canoes and kayaks perched atop cars and pick-up trucks – to stop at inspection stations.

Seventeen well marked inspection stations are in operation through September at key border crossings, along major highways and on heavily used water bodies. Motorists who stop will have their equipment checked – and

cleaned if needed – and get information on how to enter a raffle for prizes to be awarded throughout the boating season.

Montana law requires private motorists and outfitters and guides hauling watercraft – including motorboats, sailboats, kayaks, canoes, rowboats, rafts, jet skis and even small kick boats popular among some anglers – to always stop at aquatic invasive species watercraft inspection stations for a brief interview and equipment check. Most inspections take fewer than five minutes but failure to stop could lead to a \$135 fine.

Last year, nearly 35,000 watercrafts were inspected

at Montana's roadside stations. A total of 54 motorboats and three non-motorized watercrafts were found to have been fouled by zebra mussels and other AIS contaminants and hundreds more contained standing water or noninvasive vegetation.

"We were able to intercept those boats and clean them up upon inspection," said Tom Boos, FWP's AIS coordinator in Helena. "The problem is more than 30 percent of all motorists hauling watercraft aren't stopping, and some of those boats are likely harboring AIS."

AIS are non-native, destructive, and highly pro-

lific life forms like harmful aquatic plants, animals, fish and microscopic organisms, which include everything from invasive zebra mussels to whirling disease.

"They're mostly transported from water to water by popular recreational activities like boating and angling," Boos said.

Invasive species' widespread harm in the U.S. amounts to more than \$130 billion in damages and repair each year. For instance, municipal water systems in North Texas, popular recreational lakes in Omaha, Neb., and once healthy fisheries in New York have been shut down

or damaged by AIS in recent years. A study shows even property values surrounding nearby lakes in Wisconsin dropped up to 16 percent due to the infestation of invasive, dense, mat-like water weeds.

While most western states now have mandatory roadside watercraft inspection stations, boaters and others in Montana have been urged for a decade to inspect, clean, drain and dry boats, trailers and gear exposed to the water to self-ensure they do not carry damaging organisms from one water body to another.

"At the inspection stations, boats and trailers are carefully inspected, and boaters

obtain information about how to identify invasive species and prevent their spread from one water body to the next," Boos said. "And this year, they'll also get information on how to win some raffle prizes and then be on their way.'

The most likely aquatic invasive species threats to Montana waters include quagga and zebra mussels, Eurasian watermilfoil and New Zealand mud snails.

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For more on AIS, visit FWP's website at fwp.mt.gov.



STUDENT DESIGNS

Submitted by Gail Banks

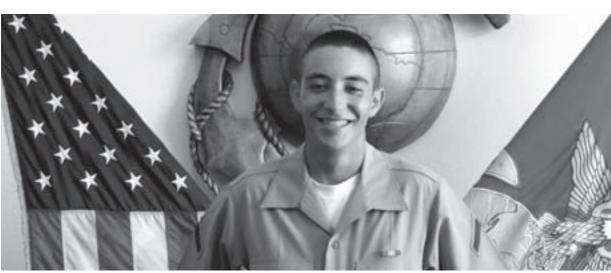
On May 19, the eighth-grade arts class at Twin Bridges Middle School was presented with two \$40 gift certificates for their artistic talents.

Coree Martin, our local farmer's market master, presented a \$40 gift certificate to the Shack for the students' outstanding work designing the new market street signs used during the Saturday markets. Doug Martin of the local American Legion Post also presented the students with a \$40 gift certificate to the Shack for the great work they did painting on our local veterans memorial. We are proud of these students for their work and wish to give them all a "job well done."

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

Submitted by Betty Humbert

Kollin Anderson is serving in the U. S. Marine Corps at Camp Lejeune, N.C. His current rank is Lance Corporal. He is a Field Radio Operator for the Marine Corps. Anderson is a 2014 graduate of Sheridan High School. His parents are Kord and Isabel Anderson of Twin Bridges. Women for Veterans Auxiliary members represent friends and community in commending Anderson for serving our country.





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By Melinda Merrill, Broker Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices

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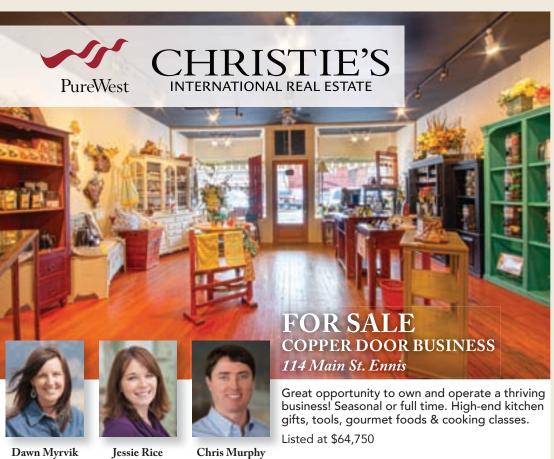




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ENNIS GRADE SCHOOL TRACK MEET

The eighth annual Little Mustang track meet was held on Tuesday June 8. Grades kindergarten through fourth competed.

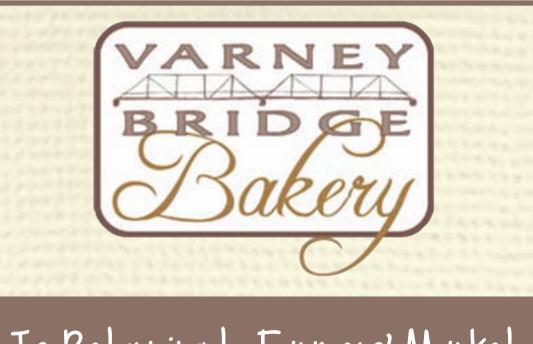


Susanne Hill/The Madisonian Delaney Stearns takes a big leap as she competes in the long jump.



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Scholarship awardees from Ruby Valley National Bank

Submitted by Karen Town
Ruby Valley National Bank

Ruby Valley National Bank is pleased to announce the following recipients of a scholarship award in the amount of \$750 each. These students were selected based upon leadership, work and community service, goals and aspirations.

Katie Hall – Twin Bridges High School – Hall is headed to the University of Montana, Missoula, to study music performance. Hall's parents are Mr. and

Mrs. Art Hall of Sheridan.
Dusty Keim- Twin
Bridges High School - Keim
will also be attending the
University of Montana, Mis-

soula, and is pursuing a business accounting degree. Kipp and Dawndi Keim of Silver Star are Keim's parents.

Spencer Stewart – Twin
Bridges High School – Stewart is headed to the University
of Montana in Missoula to
study international business. Stewart is the son of
Sandi and Gary Stewart.

Nick Haag – Sheridan High School – Haag is headed to Montana State University and is pursuing a degree in mechanical engineering. His parents are Stephanie and Dave Haag of Sheridan.

Charlie Smart – Sheridan High School – Smart is going to Montana State University-Northern, to study to be a diesel technician. Kacey and Greg Smart of Virginia City are Smart's parents.

Taryn Mercer – Beaverhead County High School – Mercer is going to the University of Montana, Missoula, this fall to study music education and saxophone performance. Mercer is the daughter of Leslie and Mike Holmes and Scott and Susan Mercer.

Since 2003, Ruby Valley National Bank has recognized 53 area high school graduates with \$37,250 in scholarships. The scholarships are facilitated through the Twin Bridges School and Community Foundation. Congratulations to all the area graduates and good luck in your higher education pursuits.



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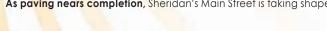
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Youth Art Month and a panther artist

Submitted by Sally Schendel

Mackenzee Fabel's watercolor painting was selected to hang in the state

capitol during March, Youth Art Month, right next to the Governor's office. Fabel is a dedicated artist in the sixth grade at Sheridan Schools.







ENNIS SCHOOL SUMMER HOURS

ELEMENTARY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM JUNE 18TH TO AUGUST 10TH

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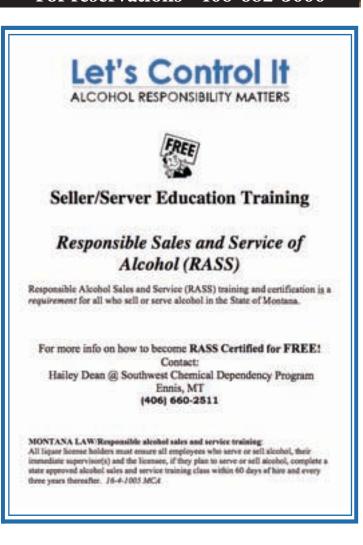
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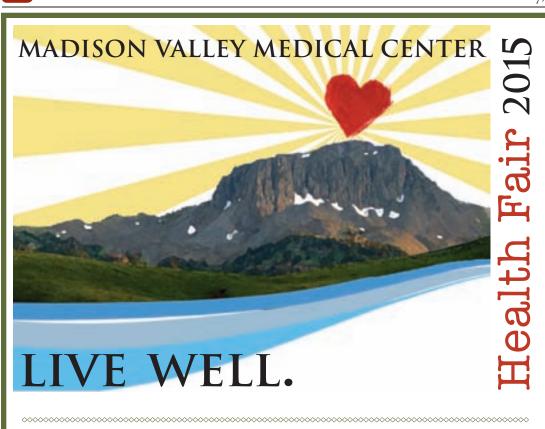


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Bikes for books

Submitted by Gail Banks

The annual Masonic bikes for books finale was held last week at the Twin Bridges School. Masons Ron Nye and Sly Handley presented

new bikes to the students whose names were randomly drawn from the group of students that read enough books to be in the program. The following is a list of winners:

First-grade – Lilly Stockett Second-grade - Janel Baker Third-grade – Allie Dale Fourth-grade - Connor Nye Fifth-grade –Ethan Wayland Sixth-grade – Kyle Salerno



Keeping busy at the manor

Submitted by Melody Clark Madison Valley Manor

Madison Valley Manor residents kept busy this past week. They started off on Memorial Day with a delicious barbecue. They made

items for the upcoming bake sale and craft show on June 5. Residents also went on a mountain drive on Friday. Some residents attended an open house at Berkshire Hathaway Home Services where the MVM signature strawberry

pie was served to the guests.

Above, Madison Valley Manor activities director Dr. Melody Clark, Oakley Clark, Pat O., Jane E. and the Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices team enjoy the open house.

Spring Harvest



The Ennis school garden club had a spring harvest event last Thursday after school. There was a gunny sack race, suitcase race, blind herb smell quiz, basil transplanting, lentil hummus tasting, school-grown radish eating and school-grown rhubarb crumble from the dutch oven. Overall, kids and parents had a great time, and took home some fun garden themed prizes.





I would **sincerely** like to thank the Ennis Community for all their support throughout my school years. From all the scholarship donors, to all the supporting community members and fans, you have been there for all of us throughout our school years. This community is unparalelled in its support for the youth, whether it be for sporting events, 4-H, church youth groups, extracurricular organizations or academics, you have been there. Many of our activities, events and post secondary education would not be possible without your generous donations of time and resources. I am overwhelmed at all that you have done. Words cannot express my gratitude, but **THANK YOU** from the bottom of my heart.

Sincerely, Wylie J. Leo



ACADEMIC AWARDS NIGHT IN SHERIDAN

Courtesy of Laurie Bartoletti

Pictured left to right: Students receiving recognition are Nick Haga April Degel, Caleb Bowey Alessia Baker, Cam Haag, Johnnie Smith, Arnold Smithson, Charlie Smart and Hanna McParland.

Spring Strides 5K

Submitted by Sunni Heikes-Knapton

Run a 5K at 10 a.m. on June 13 to help support Ennis sixth and seventh-graders travel to Florida for a science trip. The race starts at the Madison Square Athletic Club. All participants will get a registration prize, and additional prizes will be awarded to the top place finishers.

For more information contact Sunni Heikes-Knapton here: mtknaptons@gmail.com.

Mountain bike poker ride

Submitted by Pamela Kimmey Virginia City Chamber of Commerce

Montana's first mountain bike poker ride benefiting the Virginia City Rural Fire Department will be held Sunday, June 7, 2015, in historic Virginia City. The event

is hosted by the Bale of Hay Saloon. First rider leaves from the Bale at 9 a.m. and the last rider will be out onto the trail is at 10 a.m. Cards to make your poker hand will be collected on an 18 mile trail on logging roads, of moderate difficulty, in the hills around scenic Virginia City.

For more information, or to register, contact Aaron Davis at aarondavis888@hotmail.com.

Events at the **Elling House**

Submitted by Pamela Kimmey Virginia City Chamber of Commerce

On Saturday, June 6, please join us for our artist of the month reception at 5:30 p.m. Our June artist of the month is Cathy Toot of Ennis. Toot has long been inspired by the areas she has lived. Growing up in rural Cottage Grove, Ore., and raising her now grown chilrates the scenic western lifestyle and wildlife she is surrounded by into her artwork.

Then, at 7 p.m., Bill Fraser will present on his work in Antarctica. The 2013 field season marked his 39th year of work on the birds and mammals found in the vicinity of Palmer Station, Antarctica. The talk will provide a glimpse into what our field team does and experiences.

Summer reading program for children

Submitted by Christina Koch Thompson-Hickman County Library

The children's summer reading program at the Thompson-Hickman County Library in Virginia City is already in full swing. Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. through Aug. 18, gather at the library because every hero has a story. Each week will feature a different theme from superheroes to animal heroes to firefighters to historical heroes. Contact madisoncoun-



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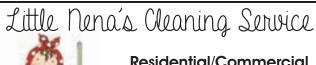
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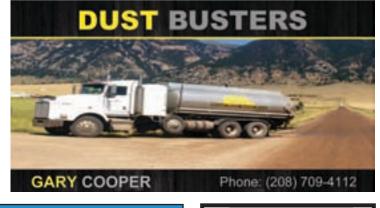
With Honors

Courtesy of Lisa Cooper

Britt Cooper, a 2015 graduate from Harrison High School, received the MUS honors scholarship. This scholarship waives the cost of undergraduate resident tuition at any Montana University System campus. The top high school seniors in the state are chosen by totaling class GPA and ACT scores to rank them. The cut off for the ACT score this year was a 29.

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Saturday



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Sunday



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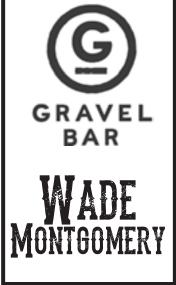


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county superintendent, paraprofessionals, teachers and all staff members for their hard work and dedication. Thankfully we have a wonderful group of employees all the way around. Thank you to all of our volunteers. We would like to thank the community of Alder and the surrounding communities for all of their support. Through this great collaboration, we continue to create a successful rural school.

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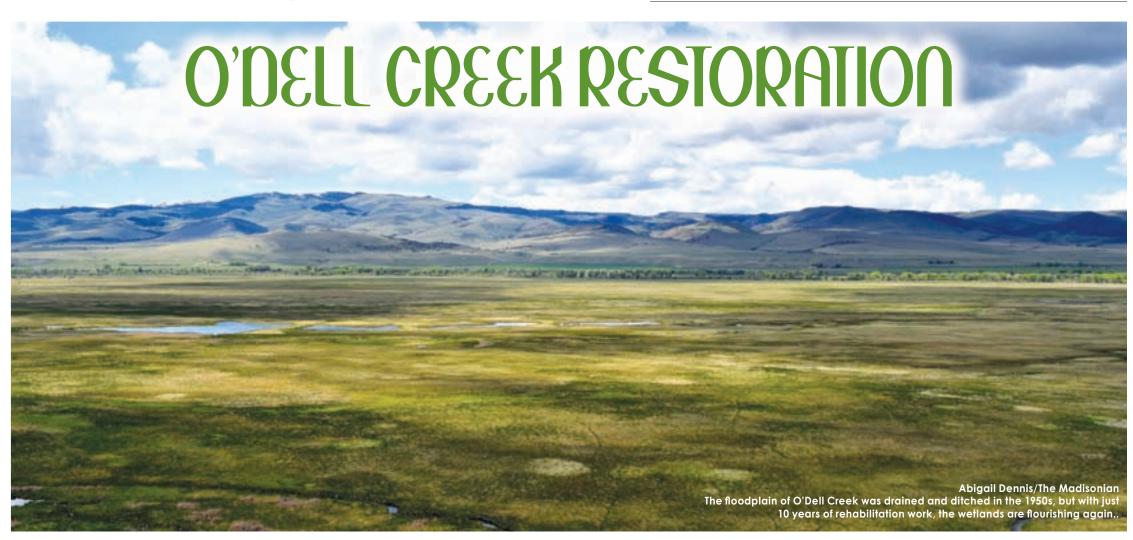
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SECTION B Thursday, June 4, 2015





Rob Hazlewood crosses one of O'Dell's spring creeks on the Granger Ranch.



Pat Byorth with Trout Unlimited explains why O'Dell Creek is an important fishery to the Madison River.

With 10 years of rehabilitation work completed, how does O'Dell Creek look now?

Abigail Dennis The Madisonian a.dennis@madisoniannews.com

Ten years ago when Rob Hazlewood first completed an avian survey of O'Dell Creek's flood plain in the Granger Ranch, he counted 12 species of upland birds and two species of ducks. At his most recent count, 127 species of upland birds and all species of waterfowl were present

- and abundant - he said. Hazlewood, a former U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services biologist, currently advises NorthWestern Energy, which is how he first became interested in O'Dell Creek.

The abundance of birds can be attributed to a restoration project that is reestablishing the headwaters of O'Dell Creek and surrounding wetlands, which were drained and ditched in the 1950s.

"The actual restoration project (in this area) started in 2005," said Jeff Laszlo, who owns the Granger Ranch. "It's taken time to get this far ... we just do a little bit at a time, learning as we go ... In the 50s, my grandfather tried to dry out the area with drainage canals for grazing and having. There were five or six miles of straight ditches. It was overgrazed and overused by livestock and the original streams were broken down.'

A diverse group of partners including United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Conservation Service. Madison River Foundation,

Trout Unlimited, Ducks Unlimited, NorthWestern Energy, Patagonia and more have completed 10 of 15 designated phases to restore the area – however, Laszlo said he believes the restoration should not stop there.

Members of the **Environmental Protection** Agency, including regional district manager Shaun McGrath from Denver, met with many representatives of those organizations, Hazlewood and Laszlo to tour the area on May 25.

According to EPA media contact Lisa McClain-Vanderpool, the EPA wanted to tour the site to recognize and highlight how restoration projects benefit things like water quality, habitat

improvement and more. In the 10 years since the project began, the former irrigation ditches have been filled in, the small spring creeks that create O'Dell Creek have been reengineered and the water table has been reestablished, according to Hazlewood.

"It's hard to remember what this area used to look like when we see it now," Hazlewood said. "We've been blown away by what happened."

Vegetation, wildlife and fisheries

Birds are not the only

creatures thriving in the area. Botanist Tara Luna pointed out that many large floodplains in Montana have been tempered and drained to be utilized for grazing, so finding an

intact wetlands ecosystem is "exceedingly rare."

"We've identified 250 wetland species of plants here," she said. "That is 1/6 of all the types of wetland flora found in Montana."

Luna came on board in 2009, and in that short amount of time, she has identified five species of rare plants.

"Those plants were probably dormant for 80 or even 100 years," Hazlewood pointed out. "We didn't reintroduce them. We didn't seed."

Hazlewood also said that a few years after the restoration project started,

he started noticing fireflies. "There are only seven or eight populations of fireflies in the entire state," he said. "And then all of the sudden we had fireflies here – that's another really unique, crazy thing."

Another element of the restoration project has been the introduction of trumpeter swans to the ecosystem – Laszlo said five swans have been introduced every year for the past three years, and there are two more releases scheduled.

Pat Byorth with Trout Unlimited said modern fish management looks at an entire system – the Madison River depends on tributaries and floodplains like O'Dell Creek.

"Restoring the channel here allows fish populations to increase here," he said. "Then when the system is filled up here, the fish start pushing out into the Madison River."

Hazlewood also said the restoration of O'Dell Creek has lowered the average

temperatures in the area by 20 degrees, simply because the channels meander through the area like they originally did.

"It's 20 degrees lower than if you compare it to areas (of the creek) that are not restored," he said.

The temperature of the Madison River is controlled by the Hebgen Dam and the Ennis Dam, which are owned by NorthWestern Energy.

Byorth said NorthWestern Energy must keep minimum flows in the river, which also keeps the temperature from getting so high it is not beneficial to fisheries. During warmer summer months, NorthWestern Energy releases pulse flows from the Hebgen Dam to cool the river – Hazlewood said that will be unnecessary if all of O'Dell Creek is restored since the ground-fed spring creek has cool water.

"If we finish this project, they will never have to do a pulse flow again," he

said. "I guarantee it."

Agriculture too

Laszlo said his ranching operation has not suffered due to changing the use of the project area.

"Our ag operation has benefitted and improved," he said. "I know that sounds counterintuitive."

As a rancher, Laszlo said he believes his most important asset is the value of the land.

"Maximizing profit while letting your land decline is just playing a losing game," he said. "Through this project, I've learned about ecology and thought about grazing management ... and more.'

Laszlo said the first question he asked himself before he committed to the restoration was if his operation would be okay if the land was not used for grazing.

"We realized that when we restored the hydrology all the areas became more productive," he said. "And it helped us learn where to graze and when."

Up next?

Laszlo and Hazlewood said the same techniques being employed on the Granger Ranch could be used up and down the valley.

"Future phases are being discussed," Laszlo said. "It's all very tentative, but we expect the project will continue to evolve. Everything depends on securing funding and landowner interest."

Ultimately, Laszlo and Hazlewood hope the restoration continues all the way to where O'Dell Creek meets the Madison River, downstream of Ennis at the Valley Garden fishing access site.

"It's been amazing – as soon as we brought the original hydrology of the area back, the plants and wildlife that had been absent started reappearing," Hazlewood said. "We have so much power when we work together on a common goal."



HEALTH & WELLNESS _____

Tips to help you avoid surplus fat as you age

Submitted by StatePoint

There are many ways you can stay fit and promote a long, healthy life. And you probably know about some of them, particularly those habits that are widely discussed in the media and by doctors. However, scientists have recently made new discoveries that can help you activate weight loss while gaining control over deadly aging processes. Beyond eating a well-

balanced diet and getting plenty of exercise, how can you facilitate a healthy body weight?

Your body's enzymes can help

New research indicates that when certain enzymes in your body are functioning properly,

certain aging processes, such as weight gain, can be slowed or even reversed. One enzyme in particular, known as AMPK, is being highlighted by medical researchers – Adenosine monophosphate-activated protein kinase (AMPK), an enzyme found within every cell, serves as your body's master regulating switch, determining body fat composition and how long you will live. When switched "on," AMPK triggers the use of stored energy from fats, enhances removal of fats and sugar from the blood, increases production of mitochondria and reduces inflammation and cellular "junk."

"When AMPK is more activated, it can help protect you against obesity and diabetes and many degenerative processes can be reversed," said Dr. Michael A. Smith. senior health scientist for Life Extension and host of "Healthy Talk" on RadioMD.com.

Smith likens the processes that AMPK promotes as "cellular housekeeping," warning that when these processes do not work, dysfunctional cells can accumulate and create problems like weight gain and chronic inflammation.

Setbacks

As we grow older, cellular AMPK activation decreases, weight gain often follows and we are more likely to succumb to the destructive factors of aging. Additionally, excess calorie

consumption impairs the enzymatic activity of AMPK. Unfortunately, most humans today suffer chronic nutritional overload, say experts.

Solutions

Researchers have discovered a few ways to boost the body's AMPK activity:

- Exercise: AMPK activity increases with regular vigorous exercise.
- Restrict calories: By taking in fewer calories, you create increased AMPK activity as cells sense a requirement to function more efficiently.

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Bananas are a nutrient-rich food choice for your diet

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The average American eats 27 pounds of bananas every year – and it is no wonder, bananas not only taste great, they are also good for your health.

As an excellent source of dietary fiber, complex carbohydrates, vitamins and other nutrients, bananas are low in calories, have no fat, sodium or cholesterol. So, incorporating them into your diet just makes sense. While bananas on

snack, they can also be enjoyed in appetizers, desserts, salads, smoothies and baked goods, too.

their own make a great

For a sweet and savory delight, try this recipe for healthy coconut crusted banana and shrimp skewers with hazelnut habanero mole dipping sauce.

- **Ingredients:** • 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp. paprika
- 1 tsp. salt • 1/2 tsp. freshly
- ground pepper
- Two egg whites
- One egg, beaten • 1 cup panko breadcrumbs
- 1 cup sweetened
- shredded coconut • 1/2 tsp. grated ginger
- Zest of one lime
- One large habanero pepper (seeded and stem removed) (optional)
- · One small onion, chopped
- One clove garlic
- 1 cup tomato purée • 1/2 cup sodium-
- reduced chicken broth
- 1/3 cup hazelnut spread • 2 tbsp. tomato paste
- 1 tsp. salt • 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. chili powder • 1/4 tsp. ground cloves
- 1/4 tsp. cumin
- 1 tbsp. coconut oil

Directions:

• Mole sauce: Place habanero, onion, garlic, tomato purée, chicken broth, hazelnut spread, tomato paste, salt, cinnamon, chili powder, cloves and cumin in food processor. Purée

until well combined.

• Melt the coconut oil in a sauté pan over medium heat. Add mole sauce to the pan and simmer over medium for 30 minutes, remove from heat. Cool to room temperature.

• In a bowl, combine flour, paprika, salt and pepper. In a second bowl, whisk together egg whites and egg. In a third bowl, combine panko, shredded coconut, ginger

and half the lime zest.

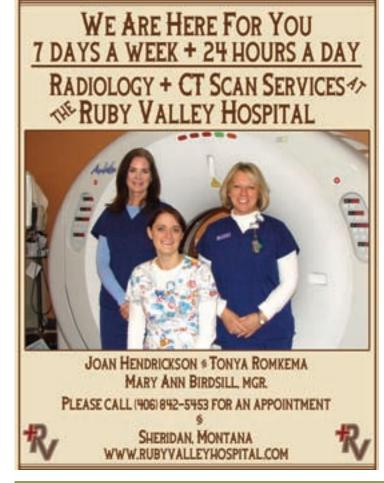
• Coat banana slices and shrimp in the flour mixture, egg and coconut mixture.

• Heat 2 tbsp of oil in a large skillet over medium. Fry banana in batches, about two to three minutes, turning frequently until golden. Add more oil, if necessary. Fry shrimp in batches, about four to five minutes, turning frequently until coating is golden and shrimps are pink.

Remove from oil and

drain on paper towel-lined plate. Skewer two banana slices and two shrimp onto five skewers. Serve with sauce and garnish with remaining lime zest.

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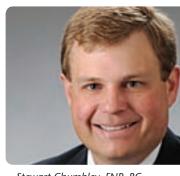
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Spring runoffs of yore

A soggy introduction to Montana neighborliness

In 1968, I moved from Pennsylvania to Harrison. I expected a long, cold winter and was not disappointed. In fact, snow fell until early May. Then one day, the temperature

shot up to

75 degrees.

That was

it! Winter

was over

quickly

and spring

had sprung!



came to understand that, when referring to changes in Montana's weather, the term "moderation" was seldom applicable.

Meanwhile, the water in both North and South Willow Creeks began to rise quickly. Within a week, their currents had become torrents. For sure, I had witnessed end of winter snow melt previously. However, there aren't any 10,000-foot mountains with 25 foot-deep snowdrifts in the Keystone State. Consequently, I was flabbergasted by both the speed at which the streams rose and the volume of water involved. By contrast, the locals took the dramatic happenings in stride. To them, it was just an average spring runoff. I thought I was witnessing the accelerated climax of an ice age.

Because it was situated between the two streams, for a while I thought Harrison might float away. The raging currents swallowed anything their swollen paths that wasn't cemented down. Curious residents watched as beaver dam remnants from Potosi Canyon, lawn ornaments from Pony, waterlogged water snakes, disoriented ducks and displaced muskrats washed by the town.

In the meantime, on the unoccupied west side of Harrison's main street, flood water filled the borrow pit to overflowing. A mini tidal wave then surged eastward across the main street and into the basements of the town's businesses. Sump pumps were used to keep the cellars dry and frog free. Regrettably, the pumped water was discharged into the back alleys from where it flooded other people's basements.

Having been raised where

the rule of social conduct was – "Do unto others before they do unto you" - I nervously awaited the altercations I was sure would follow. To my astonishment, the townsfolk just accepted the situation as part of an annual ritual and helped each other as best they could. Thus, my first experience with Montana neighborliness

Within the creeks' banks, the rushing currents left no place for fish to lurk. Upon enquiring of the locals, I was told that no one knew for sure what happened to them. The popular consensus was that the fish were either power-flushed into Willow Creek Reservoir or they were pasted against inundated tree trunks, unable to move until the current lessened.

left me wondering if I

wasn't watching reruns of

The Roy Rodgers Show.

Finally, the waters surrounding Harrison started to recede. Then, residents began to emerge from their structures, and wild creatures large and small sought out new abodes. Eventually, even the previously menacing streams appeared idyllic.

When all was said and done, I had survived my first Montana spring runoff. For many years, similar snowmelts were the norm. However, over the last twenty years, such robust overflows have been scarce. In fact, thes days, our annual snowmelt often comes and goes without much hullabaloo. I'm not sure why things changed, but I do know that I miss the spring runoffs of yore. They provided an irrefutable, albeit soggy turning point between winter and spring. From those dramatic events, I also learned respect for the raw power of my adopted homeland. Most importantly, they introduced me to Montana neighborliness; a bequest for which I am still grateful.

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Musk Thistle

So it is time to be clear on facts concerning the steroid use among some of our not-so-friendly biennial thistles. Let me introduce you to Musk Thistle, also known as Nodding Thistle, and at first glance you would conclude that this thistle is on steroids. This plant can easily grow to heights of 6 feet. The oversized flower head becomes so large that the stem cannot support its weight causing the flower to droop thereby giving it the moniker Nodding Thistle. This supersize plant made its first debut in the U.S. in the late 1800s in Harrisburg, Penn. Later in the early 1940s, it was documented as a threat to

farmlands in Oklahoma and had spread to 43 additional states by the early 1990s.

Shortly afterward, it made the Madison County declared noxious weed list. Why you ask? First and foremost for its supersize structure. The lone flower head can produce up to 1,500 seeds. Much of that seed is viable and is the mechanism for the spread of Musk Thistle. When this plant goes to seed, 1,500 little parachutes take flight to settle in new territories. Musk Thistle is considered a winter annual to a biennial, meaning that the late fall and/ or first year plant only forms a rosette. This is its most vulnerable stage. The second

year plants are the time they supersize (steroids!) and will grow anywhere from 4 to 6 feet in height. This is also the time that they will form a beautiful pinkish/ purple flower head and go to seed. Your best bet in managing this nasty weed? Answer: at its wimpiest stage – that first year. With the spiny nature of

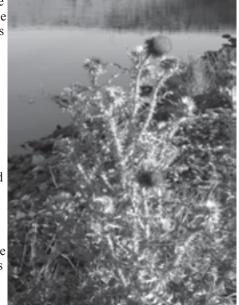
this plant, not many critters are happy about munching on the plant except to nibble on the flower head. It is not that unusual to come across a stand of musk thistle and find a few of those plants with their heads missing. One of the local characters from Madison County said: "mules especially enjoy munching

Now, for the good news, Musk Thistle even though oversized is relatively easy to manage. The trick is to manage the plant before it has the opportunity to produce viable seed. Since it is a biennial plant, you have two chances to

on those bright

colored flowers."

rid yourself of the plant. This can be done with herbicide treatment, digging the plant or chopping and bagging the flower heads. There is biocontrol agents that has been released for this plant and if you were to break into one of the flower heads you most likely will find a few in there. So even though the plant may look all-consuming, remember that even though it looks to be using steroids, it actually is a wimp.





I usually leave home really early in the morning for work – it is dark outside and quiet. This morning I wanted to do some things at home for a while so was later leaving the house. I walked out the front door and had to just take a step back. The early morning birds were just singing up a storm, the dew was on grass and flowers – it was just so peaceful and nice. Go, go, go; hurry, hurry everywhere, and look what I miss every morning. I got

to go to work and can't change that unless I win the big lottery. Then I'd probably still go to work each day. But I don't want to get in the habit of missing out on the mornings in Southwest Montana. the sunrises and wonderful sunsets we have. I have decided that a person just has to make the time, or take the time; it is just simply a have to! Reminds me of the Alabama song, "I'm in a hurry to get things done. Oh, I rush and rush until life's no fun. All I really got to do is live and die. But I'm in a hurry and don't know why."

The veterans in Twin Bridges are gearing up for their annual kids fishing derby, June 20 at Lori's Pond, right outside of Twin Bridges. They go to so much work to make a wonderful day for the area kids.

While talking to Doug, a local friend and veteran this week, he was telling me about the state

of Montana passing a law that veterans who didn't finish high school and went off in defense of our country can now make an application to the Office of Public Instruction in Helena and receive a honorary high school diploma. Wow, that is just too cool. Applications are pretty simple, just go to OPI website to download it or give them a call to have it sent to you.

Lots of lightening recently along with all the rain. This is experience talking when I say have respect for the lightening get yourselves inside and use your common sense if you are caught outside.

So what have we learned this week? Life is a circle of happiness, sadness, hard times and good times; if you are going through hard times have faith that good times are on the way. Time that you enjoyed wasted

is not wasted time. If you can't be interesting without using profanity, then let's face it, you aren't that interesting! I learned that one needs to cherish and treasure what one has, because sometimes life doesn't give you a second chance. The mind of a child is more amazing than the entire night sky full of stars.

Jury duty slips are in the mail for the year; if chosen make sure you send the information sheets back within seven days.

For anyone that would like to tour the Golden Sunlight Mine in Whitehall, they are giving tours the second and fourth Friday of each summer month. You need to call the mine and sign up for each tour. It is really nice, interesting and safe – it takes about three hours.

Experience is a hard teacher because she gives the test first, the lesson afterwards.



A while ago, rummaging through some old boxes in a room of one of the old buildings on Wallace Street, a gentleman by the name of James Emslie discovered volume two of the records of Virginia City. Now that these two volumes are together, it shows the complete records from the time of the granting of the city charter by the legislative assembly in 1864.

James was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, on July 22, 1872, a carpenter by trade. He came to the United States in the late 1880s and made his way to Virginia City in the year 1900 to build shelves for

the new S.B. Buford Store.

His home was a small apartment upstairs, behind the Gohn house on upper Wallace Street. He would build, repair and paint anything that needed fixing. His joy was in his work and he loved to help others.

It was in 1905 he left Virginia City seeking new adventures and set out for Nevada and California. However, that didn't last long and he returned to his beloved Montana in 1908. In 1920, he became superintendent of the Missouri and High Up mines and continued his trade in construction.

James was a collector and

secured a great number of early relics and placed them in a small building further down Wallace Street. However, his collection quickly outgrew its home in the frame building on Wallace Street next to the Elling Bank Building and the need of a new home began its search. Thus, the Thompson-Hickman Memorial Building became the new home.

James never married, served two terms as Virginia City mayor and was an ardent worker for the welfare of the historic town.

At the time his health failed, Mr. Emslie's greatest pleasure was continued support in every manner he could to help Virginia City – he often would be seen escorting tourists to historic points of interest in and around the the city and of course the

Thompson-Hickman Museum. Mr. Emslie passed away in 1947 and rests

in Hillside Cemetery.

I must end his history here by telling what was in volume two of those records of Virginia City he found so many years ago. It was the mayors and the dates they served: E.M. Driggs, 1874; H.S. Gilbert, 1875-76; H.S. Howell, 1877-78; R.O. Hickmanman, 1879; Samuel B. Rice, 1880; O.R. Barber, 1881; R.O. Hickman, again in 1882; S.R. Buford, 1883; and Daniel Tilton, 1884.

James had a way of bettering things and no task was too small for him. He made our yesterdays come alive with all his treasures, time and efforts.

Sources: Thompson-Hickman Library Files; Pioneer Trails and Trials; 1947 The Madisonian

Commodity Insite: June Swoon Soon

In early May, Fed Chair Janet Yellen said even though, "risks to financial stability are moderated, stock prices are still quite high." Stocks, shares, equities and the Dow shrugged off her comments and values moved to new all-time historic highs later in the month. The fact the markets ignored her warning about stocks being high priced was no great surprise.

Back on Dec. 5, 1996, then-Fed Chair Alan Greenspan said, "How do we know when irrational exuberance has unduly escalated asset values, which then become subject to unexpected and prolonged contractions as they have in Japan the past decade?" His words were also ignored as the markets rallied another three years before finally succumbing to the laws of gravity.

Obviously, timing the market is not easy for anyone including the fed chair. But in recent days, a number of widely followed and highly respected market gurus have voiced opinions about where stocks are headed. From CNBC: "Goldman Sachs analysts believe the S&P index may climb a bit higher before its ascent is over at least for the next 12 months. The next 12 months hold little prospect for gain, according to the analysis, with the index at just 2,125 in 12 months, which would be basically flat from here."

From the same article and giving the bulls some concern: "In the face of dwindling returns, investors could have little else but dividends to count on. Goldman forecasts that all of the 2 percent gain in total return by the end of the year will come from dividends,

which are expected to account for 46 percent of market returns for the next 10 years. By contrast, prices have accounted for 80 percent of total return during the current bull market, which has seen the S&P 500 surge about 220 percent since the March 2009 low."

What is interesting about Fed Chair Yellen and Goldman Sachs hinting the stock market is poised to retreat is the timing of such comments coming as the month of June arrives. According to Investopedia, a 'market swoon' is a slang term for a decline in the overall value of the stock market. More often than not, a market swoon is "caused by the negative sentiment of investors." When investors grow nervous or fear an upcoming economic event, they usually stop trading or liquidate a position.

This will cause a swoon, lowering security prices

across the market. There is nothing certain when it comes to forecasting because success or failure comes down to timing. If you doubt that, ask Fed Chair Yellen or past Fed Chair Greenspan. In other words, when reading or hearing catchy phrases such as, "Sell in May, and walk away." Or, beware of a, "June Swoon," take them with a huge grain of salt.

Leading up to this June, here is how the big four – stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities – have performed, broadly speaking. Chinese stocks plunged the most in four months on record volume this week, which weighed on the Dow Jones that fell more than 100 points to end the week. U.S. Treasury bonds plunged a whopping 14 full points

in April but traded mixed in May. The U.S. dollar plunged from mid-April into mid-May but has since rallied impressively. And commodities as measured by the CRB Index after hitting a five month high in mid-May plunged to a six week low a few days ago before recovering.

Not since 2008 have so many Chinese stocks had such a bad day. In fact, the Shanghai Composite Index fell the limit at 10 percent. At one time, the white knuckle break saw one third of the 1,083 firms on the gauge dropping about 10 percent at some point, the level where stock market rules and regulations prevented further losses. No doubt, the weakness in China spilled over to Wall Street from a psychological standpoint.

Few are calling for the

U.S. stock markets to endure a June swoon. Fewer yet believe that shares, equities, stocks or the Dow Jones can endure any sort of meaningful washout because the Fed continues to keep rates low and there are few signs of market froth or excess. However, markets do not have to end with a bang. More often than not, they end with a whimper. And the ensuing weakness becomes, "death by a thousand cuts."

Moving forward, if I had to select a group of markets on the cusp of heading lower to sharply lower it would be the grain complex and the petroleum complex. In fact, all my work suggests loudly that ag producers and those bullish crude oil and crude products should brace themselves for what lies ahead. And what lies ahead should be a June swoon soon.

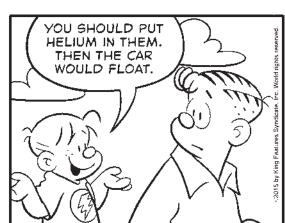
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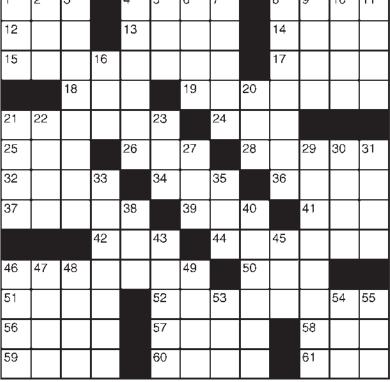
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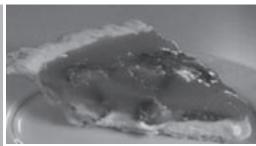
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1 1/2 c water

3 c fresh sliced strawberries

Directions • Prepare pie crusts according to package directions. Cool.

- Mix cream cheese, sweetened condensed milk, lemon juice and vanilla. Beat well. Refrigerate.
- In a small sauce pan, mix sugar and
- Slowly add water to dissolve sugar and flour. • Bring to a boil and cook until
- mixture looks almost clear. • Remove from heat and add box of
- strawberry gelatin. • Allow to cool slightly before pouring over strawberries.
- 1 small box strawberry gelatin Divide cream cheese mixture between two pie crusts. • Top with sliced fresh strawberries,
 - top with cooled strawberry glaze to cover berries. • Refrigerate until set.
 - Serve with or without whipped topping.

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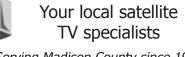
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the Madison County MARKETPLACE # # # # # # #

View classifieds online at www.madisoniannews.com/classifieds.

HELP WANTED

Wanted- Custodian for the Alder School. Approximately 2 hours per day during the school year. Please send resume to the Alder School. PO Box 127, Alder, MT 59710. For more info contact the Alder School at 842-5285. 29-tfc-b

Combination Technician

3 Rivers Communications is looking for a Telecommunication Technician. This position is responsible for general support and maintenance of 3 Rivers equipment. This is a full-time position and based in Ennis, MT.

A Combination Tech performs the following tasks:

- Perform installation and maintenance duties of phone, internet and TV (DSL, Ethernet, IPTV and wireless equipment)
- Basic troubleshooting of POTS and data
- Locating buried copper cable or fiber
 Splice and troublesheet fiber
- Splice and troubleshoot fiber optic cable and copper wire
- Work with analog and digital subscriber equipment and aids network with T-1 problems
- Run Jumper wires and change line cards

To apply or for more information, please contact the Human Resources Department at 406-467-4410 or write PO Box 429, Fairfield, MT 59436, or e-mail robert.frost@3rivers. coop. An application is available online atwww.3rivers. net/employment.

The application deadline is Friday, June 5, 2015 at 5:00 pm. 3 Rivers Communications is proudly an Equal Opportunity – Affirmative Action Employer. 3 Rivers Communications, requires a background check and drug screening test as a part of its selection and hiring process. 29-tfc-b

Alley Bistro is now hiring pm dishwashers. Call John 209-4031 or 682-5695 31-tfc-b

Bartenders Needed

Goldmine Lounge & Casino Send resumes to PO Box 55, Cardwell, MT 59721 or fax to (406) 287-5092. 28-tfc-b

Help Wanted. Tree pruning, carpenter, ranch hand. No smokers. 406-865-0000. 31-2-b

EHS Coordinator – Imerys, the leader in the talc mining and processing industry, has an opening for an EHS Coordinator. This position will create and support environmental health and safety needs for the three operation sites located in Western Montana. 3+ years' experience or combination of work and schooling experience required. Bachelor's degree in related field preferred. For more complete information and to apply go to please go to www.indeed.com and search under Imerys Montana. EOE m/f/d/v 32-tfc-b

Now hiring part time cashier at the Cardwell Store. Call 287-5092 or stop by to apply. 28-tfc-b

NEW Wagon Wheel Steakhouse and BBQ in Twin Bridges is now HIRING all positions. Come in and apply today. 24-tfc-b Help Wanted. Full time general maintenance at Antler Designs.
Monday-Friday, 8-5 p.m.. Benefits.
Apply at 333 W. Main St, Ennis or call 682-7153.
27-tfc-b

Now taking applications for lunch and dinner shifts for a new Mexicsn restaurant next to Trenz. Servers, prep cooks, dishwashers and cooks. Call 682-3000 or email helen@ aandomanagement.com. 32-tfc-b

McAllister Inn- Hiring servers and kitchen help- line cooks, prep cooks and dishwashers. Give us a call at 682-5000 or stop in after 2 and pick up an application. 27-tfc-p

Madison Valley Manor has an opening for a dietary aide/house-keeper position. This is a fill-in position, hours will vary, pay based on experience.

For an application and more information please contact Tom Burt or Candy Vincent at 682-7271. 28-tfc-b

Sheridan Alder Parks and Recreation Dept/Ruby Valley Swimming is hiring for lifeguard positions for Summer Season 2015.

Apply online at www.rubyvalleyswimmingpool.com 24-tfc-b

FOR RENT

PETERSON'S DISCOUNT STORAGE Indoor & Outdoor RV/Boat storage, storage units. Ennis, 682-7442 18-tfc-b

FOR RENT in Ennis 20 x 30 heated shops/storage. RV Storage also available. 581-7687. 28-tfc-b

For Rent. Small office space one block off main street, Ennis. \$250 each month. Water and sewer paid. Phone 498-0676. 32-4-b

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www.madisonmanagement.com 22-tfc

Retail/Office space for rent in downtown Ennis 2 rooms somewhat divided plus full bath 1,000 sq. ft., \$600 month Paul 581-7878

29-tfc-b

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

BARKER VILLAGE

APARTMENTS:
1 bedroom unfurnished apartments available in Ennis.
A/C, washer/dryer equipped, private location. 1 year lease, \$650 per month plus security deposit, utilities included, non-smoking, no dogs. Call Erich Vogeli, Manager at 406-682-5737.
15-tfc

For rent: 14x48' storage, 12x14' high overhead door. Great for warehouse, boats, RV's, etc. \$165/mo, call Bob 925-1362 25-tfc-b

FOR RENT: Retail/office unit, 975 sf, \$460/mo. plus utilities. 682-5653 5-tfc-b

BARKER VILLAGE APARTMENTS:

1 bedroom furnished apartments available in Ennis. A/C, washer/dryer equipped, private location. 4 month lease, \$700 per month plus security deposit, utilities included, non-smoking, no dogs. Call Erich Vogeli, Manager at 406-682-5737. 15-tfc

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

ENNIS MINI STORAGE New low prices with 10 x 10's starting at \$35. Larger sizes available. Call Melinda at 596-4288. 15-tfc

WANTED

Gopher Hunters! Sharpen your skills. Please call 685-3360 for more information. 30-tfc-b

FOR SALE

1948 Studebaker Champion, best offer. 406-682-4105 or 209-3996. 27-1-p

For Sale:

Like new! 22 Anderson casement windows (various sizes), and 5 fixed windows. Call Joyce Adams at 714-679-5351 for more information. 27-tfc-p

In Pony, smaller Victorian brick house on 3 lots. New roof and septic system. Large garage and shop. 406-685-3692. 32-1-cc

Plan ahead firewood for sale. 406-570-2788 32-2-cc

Cheyenne Tipi

18 feet, 10 oz. water repellent flame, mildew resistant door, liners. No poles \$800. Call 682-5615. Cash only. Serious buyers only. 31-2-b

BRIDGE DECK 8'2" wide X 16' long, 12" Ibeams. Gross wt. 32,000 lbs. Ideal for small ditch or canal. \$2,500 OBO. Call 684-5551. 18-tfc-b

Started chicks, ducks, geese, turkeys, guineas and more. Feeders and waterers. Also have eggs. 406-577-6152 28-tfc-12

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Sunday, June 7th,
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Caring & Sharing
Hours:
Mon. Noon-2:00 p.m.
Sat. 9-11:00 a.m.
Wed. 6-8 p.m.
Lone Elk Mall, Unit 4. Ennis.
682-7844
30-tfc-b

DEEMO'S MEATS

Don't stress your livestock by taking them to slaughter. Let slaughter come to your ranch. To schedule an appointment, call 682-7306 or 600-0320 and ask for Scott.

20-tfc-b

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References upon request.
6-eo-p



Pilates classes at the Driftwood Resort, Cameron. Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. Starting June 10 for 4 weeks. \$5 per class. More info: Mary Donlon 682-4905. Email mgdonlon@gmail.com. PM on facebook: Mary Donlon Pilates. 32-4-b

GARAGE SALE

Super Garage Sale
Friday-Saturday
June 5 - 6
8 am - 3 pm
Furniture, household goods and much more. Troutdale II 22/24
Coachman Lane.
30-3-b

Moving Sale and Neighborhood Garage sale in Silver Star 804 Bayers Ln, 6/6, 8-5 32-1-b

MOVING SALE 6 Golden Trout Lane, Troutdale 1. Saturday, June 6. 8am-5pm. Furniture, houseware, outdoor gear, fly rods, antlers, Vboat trailer, wooden McKenzie drift boat, 16' dual axle trailer, 2005 Subaru Outback, Wii with exercise platform, queen mattress, clothing, kid's stuff, tools, books, something for everyone! Rain or shine. 32-1-b

Summer Long Yard Sale. 1610 Hwy 287, Nevada City 9:30-5:30 pm Now through September 12. 32-1-b

Garage Sale
Every Saturday until it is gone!
9:00-2 pm
1 block south Town Pump
Ennis
32-4-b

Garage Sale 203 E Grizzly, Ennis Saturday June 6 From 8 am - 11 am Household items. 32-1-b

Moving Sale
June 5-6
9 am to 1 pm
313 Charles St, Ennis
32-1-b

CLASSIFIEDS CONT. B6



Montana Heritage Commission in historic Virginia City

is looking for a full-time(40 hours/ week), seasonal worker to perform lawn, artifact and janitorial maintenance in Virginia City, Montana. Position runs through Labor Day. Pay range is from \$9.48-\$12.60/hr. Free housing may be available. Call 406-369-8147



Montana Heritage Commission PO Box 338 Virginia City, MT 59755 www.virginiacitymt.com

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ANTIQUES

2015 Bottle, Antique, Collectibles show & sale: June 5th (4 - 8 pm) \$5 early bird & 6th (10 - 4) \$3 admission. Butte Civic Center, 1340 Harrison Ave. Butte. contact James Campiglia 805-689-0125 www.outhousepatrol.com 29-3-b

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ESTATE SALES

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Vintage Motorcycles 20+ June 11, 12 & 13th Indians, BMW, Harleys, Yamahas, Shop Tools, Parts, Ammo/Guns, Address Posted Week of Sale.

> See Photos at www. AbleEstateSales.com



Annual MULTI ESTATES Sale June 4, 5 & 6th Open at 10AM Twin Bridges Montana

Lunch Room at Children's Center See Photos, Get Directions www.AbleEstateSales.com Several Estates have been brought over this winter. Our warehouse has been cleaned out and REFILLED with: Quality Antique furniture, Victorian, mid-century, shabby chic furniture, vintage clothing, current

clothing, Antique tools, 1800's Montana Historical items, Store ledgers over 120 years old, butlers cart, household items, lots of DECOR things, Unusual and interesting chandeliers and lamps, guns and ammo, military clothing, china, ODD THINGS, mirrors, junk, TOOLS, Shell collection from the 40's, rare fossils, side tables, end tables, Vintage car EMBLEMS, decorative Stove Parts, BOOKS, signed pottery, metal decor, collection of masks,

clocks, Lots more. Garage O Rama is Saturday at the Fairgrounds in Twin!!!

over 65 Wool Blankets, stools, chairs, trunks, grandfather



will be closed at 3:00 pm on June 8th and all of June 9th to move our office to the new county building.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BONNIE L. BURTON, Deceased. Probate No. DP- 29-2015-12 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named estate All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be mailed to John Warren, Davis, Warren & Hritsco, P.O. Box 28, Dillon, Montana 59725, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct

DATED May 18th , 2015. /s/ Dale F. Árbour Personal Representative Personal Representative's Attorney John Warren Davis, Warren & Hritsco Dillon, Montana 59725 (Pub. June 6, 11, 18, 2015)dwh

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Madison County Commissioners will not be holding their regular Commission meeting on Monday, June 15, 2015, due to two Commissioners being unavailable that day. The next regular meeting following this date will be held on Monday, June 22, 2015. (Pub. June 6, 11, 2015)mcc MNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE

The individual transportation contracts for the 2015-2016 School Year are now available at Sheridan Public Schools. If you reside at least three miles from the school or transport your child at least three miles to a school bus, you may be eligible for reimbursement. For further information please contact Rebecca E. Larsen at the Sheridan School Office

(Pub. June 6, 11, 18, 2015)ss

PUBLIC NOTICE - COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE

3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc., filed with the Federal Government, a Compliance Assurance in which it assures the Rural Utilities Service that it will comply fully with all requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Rules and Regulations of the Department of Agriculture issued thereunder to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, sex, age, color, or national origin, or on the basis of handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in its program and the operation of its facilities.

Under the Assurance, this organization is committed not to be discriminate against any person on the grounds of race, sex, age, color, or national origin, or on the basis of handicap, in its policies and practices relating to treatment of beneficiaries and participants including rates, conditions and extension of service, use of any of its facilities, attendance at or any participation in any meetings of beneficiaries and participants or exercise of any rights of such beneficiaries and participants in the conduct of this organization. "Any person who believes himself or herself

or any specific class of individuals, to be subjected by this organization to discrimination prohibited by Title VI of the Act and the Rules and Regulations issued thereunder may by himself or herself, or a representative, file with the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250, or the Rural Utilities Service, Washington, D.C. 20205, or the organization, or all, written complaint. Such complaint must be filed no later than 90 days after the alleged discrimination, or by such later date which the Secretary of Agriculture or the Rural Utilities Service extends the time for filing. Identity of complainants will be kept confidential except to the extent necessary to carry out the purpose of the Rules and Regulations."
3 RIVERS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE,

(Logan P. Good - Secretary) (Pub. June 6, 2015)3r

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE This is a public notice from B&D Keylock to the Lessee Of Unit #93 located at 3538 Hwy 287, Sheridan, MT 59749 that your Unit is under foreclosure proceedings (Pub. June 6, 11, 2015) bd

ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

Town of Ennis PWSID#MT0000208 PO Box 147 Ennis, MT 59729

We're very pleased to provide you with this year's Annual Quality Water Report. We want to keep you informed about the excellent water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is and always has been, to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. Our water source is ground water from 2 wells. At the present time we serve about 1150 people. We have

completed a source water protection plan that provides more information such as potential sources of contamination to our drinking water supply. This plan can be found online at http://apps.msl.mt.gov/Geographic_Information/Data/SourceWaterProtectionProgram/ Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. Moré information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline

800-426-4791) The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present include: Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff,

and septic systems; Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas

production and mining activities

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for

We're pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets federal and state

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water, please contact Kelly Elser, Public Works Director, at 682-4287. If you want to learn more about our water, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the second Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at the town hall

Ennis routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following table shows the results of any detects in our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2014. For constituents that are not monitored yearly, we have reviewed our records back the last 5 years

Ennis has been issued a waiver for certain inorganic contaminants. This waiver allows our water system to sample only once every 9 years for these regulated contaminants: barium, cadmium, chromium, fluoride, mercury and selenium. We have also renewed our waiver for asbestos. Past sampling for these contaminants has shown that they are not present in our water supply, or occur in such small amounts that they are not considered a health hazard. This waiver is in effect

from 2011 through 2020. We have monitored for lead and copper and all of our samples are in compliance with the Lead and Copper Rule. If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Ennis Water Dept. is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

In the tables above and below you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions

Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present. Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/l) - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2000 years or a single penny in

\$10,000,000. Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system

Treatment Technique (TT) - (mandatory language) a treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level - (mandatory language) The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - (man-

datory language) The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water. MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). (See table B)

Our system had no violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some constituents have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels

We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's

This Annual Quality Water Report will not be copy of this report is available by calling or stopping by the Town Hall. (Pub. June 6, 2015)toe

PUBLIC NOTICE - COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE

Sealed bids, entitled TWIN BRIDGES SENIOR + COMMUNITY CENTER, TWIN BRIDGES, MONTANA will be received at the offices of SMA Architects, 2625 Winne Ave., Suite 1, Helena, Montana 59601 until 1:30 PM local time on Wednesday, June 24, 2015. Bids received after that time will not be opened or considered for this project. The bids will be publicly opened and read at 1:35 PM local time on June 24, 2015 at the offices of SMA Architects.

Bids are invited for one General Contract and shall be submitted on the Proposal Form provided with the Contract Documents. All proposals must be on a lump sum basis.

The project consists of the construction of an 1800 square foot Senior and Community Center which is generally described as a wood framed, including a kitchen, vestibule pantry, mechanical/ janitorial spaces, rest rooms, activities room and storage. The project also includes limited site development such as new utility services and site grading & finishing as illustrated in the contract docu-Contract Documents: May be examined with-

out charge at the offices of SMA Architects, 2625 Winne Ave. Suite 1, Helena, Montana 59601. One complete set of Drawings and Specifications may be procured from the Architect's office upon deposit of \$150.00 as a quarantee of the safe return of the Drawings and Specifications. The full amount of this deposit will be returned to each bidder

immediately upon the return of

the Drawings and Specifications in good condition. Only those Contractors participating in the bidding process will be eligible for a refund. No refund on documents returned later than ten (10) days after the bids are opened will be obligatory. Plans may also be examined at plans rooms located in major Montana

Bids shall be accompanied by bid security in the amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid and shall be made unconditionally

payable to Town of Twin Bridges. Successful bidders will be required to furnish approved performance and payment bonds, each in the amount of 100% of the contract and to expressly covenant that if the bidder is awarded the contract the bidder will enter into a formal contract for the work within 30 days after the proposal is accepted by the Owner. Each bidder will be expected to comply with all fair labor practices, and must meet the requirements of applicable State of Montana, Town of Twin Bridges, Madison County and Department of Commerce rules and statutes No bidder may withdraw their bid for at least thirty (30) days after the scheduled time for

receipt of bids, except as noted.
Pre-Bid Inspection: Bidders are encouraged to attend the pre-bid walk through of the project, which will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, June 10, 2015. Prospective bidders are to meet at the project site located at 501 North Madison Street, Twin Bridges, Montana 59754.

The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities, award the contract to the responsible Bidder whose bid is responsive and conforms with all material terms and conditions of the bidding documents and proposed

Contract Documents, is lowest in price, and the bid which is determined to be in the best interest of the Owner, or to not award any proposals.

If the contract is to be awarded, the Owner will award the contract to the responsible Bidder whose bid is responsive and conforms with all material terms and conditi bidding documents and proposed Contract Documents, is lowest in price, is in the best interest of the project, and other factors considered.

All prospective general contractors and subcontractors must be registered with SAM.gov prior to submitting bids. Davis Bacon Wage Rates

This project requires compliance with the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts and adherence to the current U.S. Department of Labor Wage Decision. The Contractor must comply with the minimum rates for wages for laborers and mechanics as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the provi sions of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts. The Contract provisions and related matters set forth in 29 CFR Part 5- Section 5.5 are hereby made a part of this Contract. Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project The Wage Decision, including modification must be posted by the Contractor on the job site. The Contractor shall also maintain posted on site a copy of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts poster (form WH-1321). The poster is available at the following website www.dol.gov/WHD/regs/compliance/posters/

The Contracting Officer will review all certified payrolls or timesheets submitted to the Owner for compliance with the labor standards provisions. The Contractor will be required to submit these certified payrolls on a monthly basis along with the Application for Payment

Town of Twin Bridges PO Box 307 Twin Bridges, Montana 59754 (Pub. June 6, 11, 18 2015)totb



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Erosion of

natural deposits

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Parameter	Date	90th % value	Units	Action level	Source of Contamination
Lead	9/16/14	1	ppb	15	Household plumbing
Copper	9/16/14	0.248	ppm	1.3	Household plumbing
T D.					

TEST RESULTS

11/5/13

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Sample Date	Highest Level Detected	Range	Unit Measure ment	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
			Inorganic	Contami	nants			
Nitrate + Nitrite as N	N	11/18/14	1.11	0.64 - 1.11	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewer; Erosion of natural deposits
Barium	N	12/11/12	0.1	0.1- 0.1	ppm	2	2	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	N	12/11/12	1	0.3-1	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits
			Radioactive	Contam	inants			
Gross Alpha	N	11/5/13	3.4	0-3.4	pCi/L	0	15	Erosion of

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School Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 9 7 p.m. Media Tech Center



MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DISPATCH LOG

May 24 – May 30, 2015

May 24

Citizen Assist in 100 Blk Flick Ln Sheridan Accident With Injuries in Pony Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 Ennis Lost or Found Property at Town Pump Ennis Suspicious Person/ Circumstance in Virginia City Alarm in 4900 Blk US Hwy 287 Ennis

May 25

Suspicious Person/Circumstance in 400 Blk Mill St Sheridan Accident With Damage on MT Hwy 84 MM 2 Virginia City Citizen Assist in Alder Citizen Assist on US Hwy 287 MM 13 Cameron Theft Complaint in Harrison Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 31-33 Sheridan Unfounded 911 Call in Virginia City Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 39-40 Sheridan Traffic Complaint in Mammoth Dog Complaint in 400 Blk W Ennis St Ennis Alarm on North Ridge Rd Ennis

May 26

Trespassing Complaint on Hells Canyon Rd Twin Bridges

Fire-Smoke Investigation at Mayflower Mine VIN Inspection on Kokanee Dr McAllister Burglary in 100 Blk S Boulder Rd Cardwell Burglary in 200 Blk S Boulder Rd Cardwell Animal Problem on MT Hwy 41 MM 49-50 Silver Star Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 287 Sheridan Abuse or Neglect in 100 Blk Novich Ln Twin Bridges Disturbance at Madison Valley Medical Center Ennis Accident With Damage on MT Hwy 287 MM 16 Nevada City

May 27

Threats/Harassment on Wisconsin Creek Rd Sheridan Traffic Complaint in 200 Blk S Boulder Rd Cardwell Abandoned Vehicle in Cameron Citizen Assist in Upper Ruby Alder Vandalism Complaint on Duke Rd Harrison Unfounded 911 Call in Cameron Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 Cameron Animal Problem on US Hwy 287 N MM 24 Cameron Animal Problem on US Hwy 287 N MM 46-47 Ennis

Coroner Call in Ennis Fire-Other in 200 Blk E Fagin St Ennis

May 28

Medical Aid in 200 Blk Broadwater Ave Harrison Fraud Complaint in 300 Blk Point of Rocks Rd Whitehall Unfounded 911 Call in Sheridan Alarm in 200 Blk E Main St Ennis Disturbance in 200 Blk Melrose Rd Twin Bridges Unfounded 911 Call in 200 Blk Melrose Rd Twin Bridges VIN Inspection in 400 Blk Wray St Twin Bridges Alarm in 300 Blk E Main St Ennis

May 29

Disturbance on Johnson Rd Pony Low Flying Aircraft in 100 Blk Ennis Lake Rd Ennis **Trespassing Complaint** in Virginia City Theft in 100 Blk Tobe Ln Ennis Traffic Complaint in Ennis Unfounded 911 Call in Virginia City Trespassing Complaint on E St Pony Animal Problem on MT Hwy 41 N MM 45 Twin Bridges Animal Problem on MT Hwy 287 & Depot Rd Ennis Unfounded 911 Call

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Sheridan Ward - Visitors Welcome

Sacrament Meeting

Sundays, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School

11:20 a.m.

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May 30

Threats/Harassment in Ennis Citizen Assist at Sheridan High School Sheridan Animal Problem on MT Hwy 41 MM 54 Silver Star VIN Inspection at Ennis Fire Station 1 Ennis Child Custody Dispute on Reel St Pony Child Custody Dispute in 900 Blk MT Hwy 359 Cardwell Public Safety Complaint at Potosi Campground Pony Trespassing Complaint in 2300 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder Accident With Damage at Norris Hot Springs Norris Animal Problem on MT Hwy 359 Cardwell

Liturgy Schedule

St. Patrick, Ennis Sunday ~ 8:30 a.m.

St. Mary, Laurin Sunday ~ 10:30 a.m.

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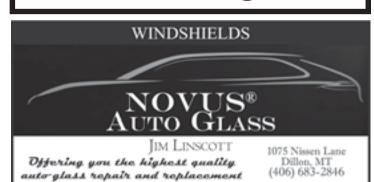
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Forest RACs seek project proposals

Submitted by Leona Rodreick Beaverhead Deerlodge FOREST SERVICE

The Tri County and Southwest Montana Resource Advisory Committees are soliciting funding proposals for forest and water quality improvement work on the National Forest in seven Montana counties. The funding is made available through the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act.

RAC projects must meet established criteria and improve federal lands in the following areas: roads, trails, infrastructure maintenance, soil and forest ecosystem health, watershed restoration, maintenance and improvement of wildlife and fish habitat, control of noxious weeds and re-establishment of native species. At least 50 percent of all project funds are dedicated to restoring streams and watersheds, or road maintenance, decommissioning or removal. Projects may be on private land, but must show a direct benefit to National Forest system lands. The RAC works closely with the Forest Service to recommend projects that will benefit forest health, fish, wildlife, soils, watersheds and other

resources, maintain roads, trails and other infrastructure or control noxious weeds.

Tri County RAC funding is available for projects in Deer Lodge, Granite and Powell counties: Southwest Montana RAC covers Beaverhead, Jefferson, Madison and Silver Bow counties. In the past five years, the RACs have approved more than \$3.5 million in funding for projects that benefit National Forest system lands in these seven counties.

Applications for project proposals are available electronically at http:// www.fs.usda.gov/main/ bdnf/workingtogether/

advisorvcommittees. Proposals must be submitted online by May 29, 2015, to be considered. Individuals, non-profit organizations and local governments can submit project applications. Work can be completed by Forest Service personnel, through partnership agreements or by open-bid contracting with individuals and corporations. Funding would be available for implementation this year.

The Southwest Montana and Tri County Resource Advisory Committees do currently have vacancies for members to represent the following interests:

Commercial

timber industry Archaeological and historical interests

•Federal grazing permit or other land use permit

of non-industrial private forest land owners

holder or representative

•Hold State-elected office

For more information on the committee or to learn more about proposing projects please contact the RAC coordinator, Patty Bates, at 683-3979. Additional information concerning Secure Rural Schools Act and Title II projects is available at the Forest Service website: www.fs.usda.gov/pts.

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High School science club participated in our annual float trip down the Madison River. We started out our day at the Ruby Creek fishing access. Pat Clancy and Travis Lohrenz from Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks gave us a fish shocking demonstration. The students were able to see how the health of the Madison River is tested through its fish populations. They also learned about native versus

nonnative fish, whirling disease

and more. The students were

Submitted by Mellissa Newman

Ennis Schools

On May 4, the Ennis

able to get a better feel of the richness found in the river and how it affects this beautiful valley we live in along with the importance of maintaining

the health of the river. The group drove to the Varney Bridge fishing access, loaded up the boats and headed down the river. We were fortunate to have three guides volunteer their day and their expertise to take us down the river. The local guides were Willy Richardson, Joe Dilschneider and Charlie Rock. Each guide was able to help the students identify many different bird species, wildlife, mountains

of the Madison Range, insect larvae and the different insect hatches occurring. We stopped several times and had mini-presentations as we continued down the river. A few students were fortunate enough to try to catch some fish. We even got to stop and watch a moose for a while. The float continued to the Ennis fishing access. The students were required to compile a list of the bird species and wildlife they observed along with the fish species the fortunate few caught.

The students thoroughly enjoyed their day and are

already looking forward to this trip next year. Some of these kids had never floated the Madison River and so were treated to a unique experience. The Ennis science club greatly appreciates all the time and effort Marc Elser puts into this trip every year. We really are thankful to Connie Diede for volunteering the shuttle service. We also are grateful Pat Clancy, Travis Lohrenz and the river guides for giving up their time to teach us about and show us the beautiful Madison River. It was a great learning experience and a beautiful day spent enjoying where we are fortunate enough to live.

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BLM seeks comments on proposed abandoned mine project

Submitted by David Abrams Bureau of Land Management

The Bureau of Land Management's Dillon field office is looking for public input on its proposal to eliminate physical safety hazards resulting from historic mining activity in the Rochester Mining District, located about nine miles northwest of Twin Bridges.

The Environmental Assessment analyzes numerous sites in the Rochester area, the majority of which will be back filled.

"These mine features were abandoned in the 1960s and left major impacts to the landscape regarding health,

safety and general welfare," said Keith Johnson, assistant field manager with the Dillon field office. "We are currently in the process of reviewing the type of work which could be done to make the abandoned mines safer for both humans and wildlife. Public safety and the good stewardship of natural resources are our main concerns.'

The EA, which can be found online at http://blm. gov/pbmd, lists the hazardous features as "vertical drop-offs, excavated pits, open adits,

shafts and waste piles." The BLM will take public comment on the

EA until June 22. For more information or to submit comments, please contact the Dillon Field Office at 683-8000, or by email to MT Dillon FO@ blm.gov with "Rochester EA" in the subject line.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.



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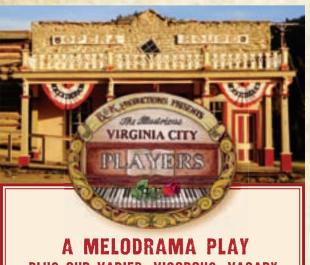
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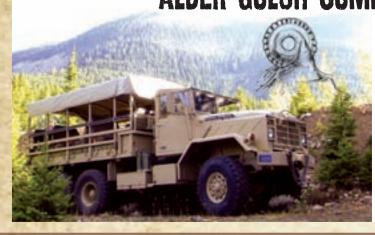
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open to the public.

6-9 p.m. fundraiser for the Madison Valley **Aquatic Center at** the Madison Theatre. Performance by the Illustrious Virginia City Players. Tickets at the Ennis Chamber of Commerce.

FRIDAY JUNE 5

Paint the town purple, **Ennis and Sheridan**

10 a.m., in Ennis and Sheridan. Relay for Life Event Awareness, businesses and community involvement.

SATURDAY JUNE 6

Lip Sync Challenge, Virginia City

9 p.m., Wells Fargo Steak House. The Madisonian hosts its inaugural lip sync challenge. Come participate or watch the fun. Call 682-7755 for more info.

On the ice in Antarctica, Virginia City

7 p.m., Elling House Arts and Humanities

MONDAYS

Commissioner's

Meeting, Virginia City

Madison Co.

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TUESDAYS

Madison County Mental

Health Local Advisory Council, Virginia City Meeting the first Tuesday

of each month from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. in County Commissioner's

conference room in

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Children's Story & Craft Time, Virginia City Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Thompson

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Madison Valley Public Library, 10:30 a.m. 682-7244

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Group, Ennis

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Valley Baptist Church

Center. On the Ice in Antarctica: A Season in the Life of a Working Field Team at Palmer Station and the Western Antarctic Peninsula.

Substance abuse discussion, Ennis

11 a.m. at Madison Valley Public Library. This program is part of the monthly program on health, both mental and physical that is sponsored by Friends of the Library each month. Substance abuse is the topic this month and Lyndon Kacick from Southwest Montana Substance Abuse council will be speaking and leading this informative discussion.

Garage-a-Rama, **Twin Bridges**

The Friends of the Twin Bridges Public Library are holding their 14th annual Giant Garage-a-Rama garage sale 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Madison County Fairgrounds in Twin Bridges. Contact 684-5201 or 684-5993 for more information.

Artist reception for Cathy Toot, Virginia City

5:30 p.m., Elling House Arts and Humanities Center. Please join us as we honor our June artist of the month, Cathy Toot. Her art will be hanging in our gallery.

SUNDAY JUNE 7

Gears for beers, Virginia City

THURSDAYS

MV Women's Club FIRST THURS OF

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TUESDAY JUNE 9

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EAA meeting, Ennis

10:30 a.m. Ennis Arts Association meeting at Carol McMullin's house, 62 S. MEadow Creek Road, McAllister. Turn west at crossroads

in McAllister, go approximately 1.5 miles to intersection of South Meadow Creek and North Meadow Creek. Bear left and go approximately .5 miles to mark stone and tree, turn right. Please bring a salad or dessert. For more information call Carol at 682-4456.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 10

Friends of the Sheridan

Public Library Board Meeting, Sheridan 4:30 p.m., Sheridan Public Library. Friends of the Sheridan Public Library regular monthly board meeting. We meet at the Sheridan Library to discuss planning for upcoming

events. We welcome

anyone who is interested in volunteering for a onetime event or would like to be involved ongoing.

THURSDAY JUNE 11

Madison Valley Book Club, Ennis

1 p.m. at Madison Valley Public Library Discussion of You Are My Sunshine, by Stanley Gordon West. Discussion led by Dottie Fossel.

Madison Valley Medical Center Health Fair, Ennis

Health fair blood drawing at the Madison Valley Medical Center in Ennis from 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. For more info call 682-6842.

Madison Stream Team training, Ennis

10 a.m., Ennis Elementary School. The Madison Stream Team is a citizen scientist group of volunteers collecting data on the health of streams in the valley. Please RSVP by calling the **Madison Conservation** District at 682-7289.

FRIDAY JUNE 12

Evening with the artists, Virginia City

6 p.m. Dancing Buffalo, located in the Depot. Join featured artists DG House and Zach Babat for an evening of art,

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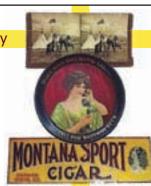
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Children's Summer Reading Program, Sheridan

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FRIDAYS

Story Time, Ennis Pre-K to Grade 2, 11 a.m. Madison Valley Public Library. 682-7244.

Live Music, Ennis Willie's Distillery hosts live music in the tasting room, 5:30 p.m.. See the weekly ad on this page for performers.

Couples League, Ennis Madison Meadows. 5 p.m. every Friday. Call pro shop for more info.

SATURDAY

Farmer's Market, Ennis 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., Sportsman's Lodge

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

Live Music - Norris 7 p.m. See the weekly ad on this page for weekly performers.

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SATURDAY JUNE 13

Spring Strides 5K, Ennis Support local students attending a Science Trip to Florida by attending the fun run/walk event. Start and finish at the Madison Square Athletic Club at 10 a.m., with refreshments and prizes for participants and top place finishers. Race day registration from 8:30-9:30 AM or contact mtknaptons@gmail.com to sign up in advance.

Mike Dowling concert, **Virginia City**

7 p.m., Ellina House Arts and Humanities Center. One of the finest guitarists there is, anywhere. Echoing that sentiment is an ever-growing chorus of music critics, guitar students, and acoustic music fans from throughout the world.

Speaker, Ennis

11 a.m., Madison Valley Public Library. Janet Muirhead Hill will discuss her new book, The Horse and the Crow, It is the 7th book in the Miranda and Starlight series. All are welcome at this free appearance by our author from Norris.

SUNDAY **JUNE 14**

Ice Cream Social, Sheridan

Ice cream social at Kiwanis Park, next to the Sheridan Public Library. Live music, homemade pie and ice cream. 3 p.m. at Kiwanas Park.

FRIDAY JUNE 19

Relay for Life, Ennis Madison County

Relay for Life cancer awareness fundraiser. 6 p.m. at the Ennis High School track.

SATURDAY JUNE 20

Horseback Poker Ride, Cardwell

8:30 a.m. 11th Annual Horseback poker ride sponsored by the PHC, which maintains the old buildings in Pony with fundraiser proceeds. Held at the Todd Brennan Ranch, Cardwell.

Brothel Days, Virginia City

Bale of Hav Saloon. Lectures. Bed races at 4 p.m. Costume Ball at 9 p.m. Music by Sam Platt and the Kootenai Three.

Book reading. **Virginia City**

Author Janet Kay will read from and sign copies of her historical fantasy novel, Amelia 1868, at the Bale of Hay Saloon in Virginia City, 12:30 p.m.



NORRIS HOT SPRINGS

MUSIC THIS WEEKEND: Fri 6/5 Chad Ball Sat 6/6 - Neil Filo Beddow Sun 6/7 - You Knew Me When

Indie Folk/Rock

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Friday-Sunday, June 5-7 MAD MAX: FURY ROAD (R Friday & Saturday 7:15 pm Matinee Sunday 4:00 pm Coming Soon -TOMORROWLAND (PG), PITCH PERFECT 2 (PG-13) Evenings: Adults \$8 • Children (12 & under) \$6 Show time at 7:15 pm,

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