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BISON IN MONTANA National Park Service and state craft new plan to guide bison management

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Bison in the Greater Yellowstone Area have been managed under the Inter-agency Bison Management Plan (IBMG) since 2001. Now, the National Park Service and the State of Montana are in the early stages of crafting a new

plan to guide management. "Montana has a long history of working with bison," said Fish, Wildlife and Parks region three Supervisor Sam Sheppard. "But a lot of things have changed since 2001. All of us – the state, (NPS) – decided it was time to take another comprehensive look at how we manage bison." Though the plan is being

spearheaded by the state and NPS, the U.S. Forest Service and multiple tribes are also involved. Andrew Coburn, a project manager with NPS, said responsible management of bison in the Greater Yellowstone Area is incredibly important because Yellowstone National Park is the only place in the United States where bison have lived continuously since prehistoric times.

"They were near extinction 100 years ago," Coburn said. "They've been brought back from the brink." Coburn pointed out that Yellowstone's bison are a truly wild herd, and one that has not been hybridized with cattle. "They currently utilize 1 million acres in the park," he said. "They are exposed to predators, severe weather

and more ... and yet, the population has remained between 3,000 and 5,000." **Brucellosis, bison and cattle** State Veterinarian Marty Zaluski said the Montana Department of Livestock is working closely with FWP and NPS on the project because bison management pertains to disease spread.

"We are very fortunate that we have very little brucellosis," Zaluski said. "All the brucellosis we've found in Montana cattle has come from elk, not bison." Bison, however, are carriers of brucella, just like elk, which means the DOL is a partner in crafting a plan that will minimize co-mingling **Turn to BISON on pg. 2**

FIRST MEETING



Commissioners from 10 Montana counties gathered at the new Madison County office building for a district meeting last week – the meeting was the first held in the new building.

County commissioners gather in Virginia City for a MACo meeting

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"The meeting was really a historical step for Madison County," said Madison County commissioner Jim Hart. "It was our very first meeting in the new

county office building." On Friday, June 5, commissioners and representatives from 10 Montana counties gathered at the new office building in Virginia City for a Montana Association of Counties (MACo) district meeting – Madison County is one of 12 counties in Southwest

Montana that meet annually to discuss state business. "We really focused on discussing what happened in the legislature," said Madison County commissioner Dave Schulz, who is also president of MACo. As MACo president, Schulz travels to every

district meeting. Hart said Schulz was in Miles City, Harlowton, Havre and Kalispell last week before the meeting in Virginia City. "This is a great spot for a big meeting," Schulz said about the new office building. "We had about 40 people here."

Photo courtesy of Jani Flinn

DISTRICT COURT ROUND UP

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Ennis woman pleads no contest to issuing bad checks An Ennis woman charged with deceptive practices and issuing bad checks appeared at the Madison County Courthouse before Judge Loren Tucker on June 8. Carol Ann Feist was charged with two counts of deceptive practices (common scheme or greater than \$1,500), two counts of issuing a bad check (less than or equal to \$1,500) and one count of attempted theft of labor or services. On May 18, she appeared in court and pleaded guilty to both

counts of deceptive practices. At her hearing this week, she pleaded no contest to both counts of issuing a bad check and deputy county attorney Justin Ekwall dropped the charge of attempted theft of labor or services. Before dismissing Feist, Judge Tucker ordered for a presentence investigation to be completed. "You must make yourself available for communication with the probation officer," he told Feist. "That's a specific requirement – you must get in touch with the probation officer so she knows how to reach you." Feist was released on her own recognizance. A future **Turn to COURT on pg. 2**

Lightning strike in Sheridan kept town 'limping' for a week

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A lightning bolt hit Sheridan's power lines two weeks ago Tuesday and impacted the town's sewer lagoon lift stations, back up generator and telemetry system that maintains the town's water level. "It was a severe strike," said Mayor Tom Shaffer. "It struck a line by the baseball park but the power surge traveled on." Shaffer said the town immediately went to work – public works director Curtis Green spent the entire night

tending to the portable pump that was brought in to manage the town's sewage. "While that was happening, we got people working to get everything rewired," Shaffer added. "We had to do everything manually." Companies from Helena and Billings were contracted to replace the automated generator switch. Shaffer said the back up generator could still be utilized if need be while the switch was out, but it would have had to be done manually. "The transfer switch for the **Turn to OUTAGE on pg. 2**

Ruby Valley Search and Rescue recovers man outside of Sheridan

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After a full day of intensive searching, Ruby Valley Search and Rescue recovered a Ruby Valley man at the Mill Creek Campground outside of Sheridan last week. The 19-year-old left his house the night of Monday, June 1, and did not return home. The next morning, his mother went to look for him, according to Madison County Sheriff Roger Thompson. "His mom found his car at the Mill Creek Campground," Thompson said. "He wasn't

around so she called the sheriff's office (at 9 a.m.) and we called out search and rescue." Bill Sinclair, Ruby Valley SAR president, was the incident commander. Sinclair said the SAR volunteers "looked and looked" all day long. "We took high probability areas and searched them," he said. "Then we were getting ready to have our 7 p.m. briefing before we left, and a couple guys wandered a little ways out of the campground out of curiosity." One of the SAR volunteers caught a glimpse of a sweatshirt through binoculars, which is how

the crew found the missing person hanging by his leg 25 feet up a fir tree. "He was about dead – at first we thought he was dead," Sinclair said. "But he was breathing and we got him down." Sinclair and sheriff's deputy Dan Birdsill interviewed all the campers in the area for information, which is how they learned

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An extensive, day-long search of the Mill Creek Campground outside of Sheridan resulted in a rescue of the missing person.



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between bison and livestock.

Why a new plan?

Coburn said the IBMP has been a success – bison have been allowed to migrate across the park boundaries into the Gardiner area and Hebgen Basin, and no cattle have tested positive for brucellosis as a result. Still, he said the update is necessary because some circumstances have changed in the last 15 years and there is new infor-

mation about bison management.

"We have new information about bison genetics and how they carry and transmit brucellosis," Coburn said. "There are fewer cattle operations in Gardiner and Hebgen basins."

Essentially, the purpose of the plan is to conserve a "wild and migratory population of Yellowstone-area bison, while minimizing the risk of brucellosis transmission between bison and livestock to the extent practicable," according to Coburn.

Bison tolerance refers to areas adjacent to the park where bison are allowed to migrate – those areas are the Gardiner and Hebgen basins. Bison movement beyond those areas triggers management actions from the state, including hazing, capture and even lethal removal.

Currently, the state and NPS are reaching out to the public through a scoping process. After receiving public commentary, which must be submitted by June 15, FWP and NPS will

draft a plan. That drafted plan is an Environmental Impact Statement that will be out for public review next summer.

"We would like to have a record of decision by autumn 2017," Coburn said. "But that is a tentative timeline. Things come up."

To comment and get involved, follow this link: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/YellBisonPlan>.



Abigail Dennis/The Madisonian

More than 60 people gathered in Bozeman for one of three public meetings outlining the need for a new bison management plan.



Photo courtesy Andrea Jones

Bison are currently allowed to migrate between Yellowstone National Park and Hebgen Basin (pictured).

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court date has not yet been set.

Ennis man appears for motions hearing

On June 8, Jason Karl Bausch appeared at the Madison County Courthouse before Judge Loren Tucker for a motions hearing.

The charges against Bausch stem from incidents that occurred last fall – according to court documents, the state charged Bausch with one count of felony assault with a weapon (partner or family member), one count of felony aggravated kidnapping and one count of misdemeanor partner or family member assault (first offense).

"On or around Nov. 1, 2014, in Madison County ... the

defendant pointed a shotgun, or what appeared to be a shotgun (at his current girlfriend) while behaving in an angry or aggressive manner and making verbal threats against her," according to a filed Information.

During that same altercation, Bausch allegedly restrained the victim in his basement by using or threatening to use physical force against her, according to the Information. The misdemeanor charge stems from an Oct. 7, 2014, incident where Bausch allegedly kicked the victim in the chest, among other acts of violence.

Bausch's attorney, Brian K. Gallik, made two motions – one to dismiss the case on the grounds that Bausch was unlawfully arrested, and

another to suppress evidence that Gallik said the Madison County Sheriff's Office obtained during an unlawful search and seizure.

Gallik argued that the sheriff's office arrested Bausch without an arrest warrant and searched his home and seized his guns without a search warrant – the sheriff's office deputies were working on a temporary order of protection the victim had filed with Madison County Justice Court.

Following testimony from former Sheriff Dave Schenk, deputy Craig Shroeder and deputy Phil Fortner, Judge Tucker ruled against the motion to dismiss the case.

"There was no warrant for his arrest," Judge Tucker said.

"An arrest can be made without one in the event there is probable cause for a law enforcement officer to believe the defendant committed a felony ... they arrested Mr. Bausch out of concern for the safety of the public, the victim, of law enforcement officers and some specific third parties."

Judge Tucker ruled in favor of the motion to suppress evidence, saying the temporary order of protection is not the same as a search warrant.

"No, those weapons (that were seized) may not be used as evidence," Judge Tucker said.

Following a scheduling discussion about pre-trial and trial dates, Bausch was released. His trial is scheduled to begin August 31.

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generator is an automatic device that senses when the power fails and kicks on then," he said.

"We were able to maintain service to our residents without interruption," Shaffer said. "We were limping for about a week, but fortunately, the stars lined up."

The "stars lined up" because the town was able to continue operating manually and no

other incident occurred in the week it took to get everything up and running, Shaffer said.

The lightning strike also took out the town's telemetry system, which communicates between the water pump house and the water tower.

"It tells the pump when it needs to run depending on if the tank is low or full," he said. "The pump and the tower communicate and that's what keeps

the water level at a certain spot. We had to do all that manually."

Cost to the town?

Shaffer said the town has not received all the bills for the work yet, but he estimates the price tag will be around \$20,000.

"We talked to our insurance adjuster and it will be covered once we meet our deductible," he explained. "We have a \$1,000 deductible."

This is the first time Sheridan has ever had to turn to insurance since he has been involved with the town's administration. Shaffer joined the council in 2013.

"The insurance company was just thankful we kept our pumps running and didn't get a (Department of Environmental Quality) violation," he said. "Even without our pumps running we were able to do everything manually."

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the man left his car about 9 p.m. the night before.

"He climbed about 45 feet up in that tree – that's where we found his backpack," Sinclair said. "Either he went to sleep and fell or a storm with wind knocked him out. I don't think he tried

coming down because his pack was still up there. I'm speculating, but it appears he fell feet first and one foot got wedged in a branch."

Sinclair's SAR crew scaled the tree and were able to lower the man with a series of ropes – when they got him back to the campground, which was only about 100

yards away from the tree, the Sheridan ambulance took him to the Ruby Valley Hospital.

"He was airlifted to Bozeman from the hospital," Thompson said. "To our knowledge he is recovering. Finding him alive, well, we all felt good."

Sinclair said Ruby Valley SAR has gone through

rigorous training this year to be prepared for any incidents – Sinclair believes this circumstance proves the training is paying off.

"Everybody worked great as a team," he said. "The guys responded great. They were disciplined and motivated. They knew their stuff and it paid big dividends."

MORE NEWS:

FALSE ALARM

Raft overturns in Bear Trap Canyon, authorities alerted

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The Madison County Sheriff's Office received a request for assistance at 8:05 p.m. on Sunday night from two men who were separated from their friends while rafting the Bear Trap Canyon, down-

river from the Ennis Dam. The callers reported their friends rafted down the canyon and were swamped at a rapid known as the kitchen sink. "The two men got out of the raft before the rapid and were going to walk around it because of the condition of the water while their three friends floated," said Madison

County Sheriff Roger Thompson. "The two saw the raft get swamped but saw their friends get to shore, they were on the other bank of the river." The three men in the raft were tossed into the river around 3 p.m., Thompson said. After the two who were on foot saw their friends make it to the bank, they hiked out to Red

Mountain Campground where they waited, assuming their friends would do the same. "Their friends were a no-show," Thompson said. "They assumed the worst and called us." The sheriff's office responded along with the Harrison and Ennis fire departments, Madison Val-

ley Search and Rescue and Gallatin County Search and Rescue - Summit Air was also called for a helicopter. All the parties arrived on scene and began searching the canyon, when the three missing persons called their friends from the Norris Bar. "Apparently they had righted their raft and floated

on out," Thompson said. "They were wet but uninjured." Thompson said the situation happened because of a lack of communication, but that the men who called for help did the right thing. "It was unnecessary," he said. "But given the condition of the river, they were right to worry and call us."



Single car crash on Ennis Lake Road

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As a result of driving too fast, a driver flipped his car on Ennis Lake Road last weekend, but was not injured, according to Madison County Sheriff Roger Thompson. "The young man was just driving too fast around

a bend," Thompson said. "The car actually hit the edge of the road head on and flipped over."

The Sheriff's Office responded to the crash at 7:38 p.m. on June 6. "We don't see a lot of accidents on that section of road," Thompson said. The road in question runs along the east side of Ennis Lake. Thompson added the crash is still under investigation - the driver may or may not be charged with careless driving. Thompson added alcohol was not a factor.

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A driver flipped his car on Ennis Lake Road last weekend because of too-fast driving.

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- Justin Ebel Memorial = \$400
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OPINION

New courthouse annex needed, not executed right

Dear Editor,

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are long overdue and necessary for the facilities to operate optimally, providing county residents and others with continued, top-rate service.

The library has achieved this through a carefully conceived and beautifully executed structure that resides in harmony with its surroundings, a continuum appearing of an age on the outside equipped

with modern technology inside, and readily accessible to all.

The courthouse annex, in my opinion, is a monstrosity totally out of keeping with the ambiance of all that Virginia City represents. It is a slap in the face of the voters (how many times did we say no?). I believe we did not vote against the need, but against the very thing that materialized – a large, modern struc-

ture on Main Street that shows a lack of discernment. We deserved something ... better? ... less obtrusive? ... something the commissioners lacked the courage to provide – a chance for us to say “yes” or “no” again?

Carol Hacker
Alder

Thank you for Ennis community

Dear Editor,

The family of Robert “Bob” Harrison, also known as White Cloud, would like to give a sincere thank you to

the Ennis community. This includes his friends, the Madison Valley Medical Center and K&L Mortuaries staff, the VFW and all the wonderful people of Ennis. Words cannot

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Bull riding in Virginia City

Submitted by Rex Rammel

For the first time in the town's history, Virginia City is hosting small rodeos throughout the summer. The first one is on June 20 – there will be a dutch oven dinner at 5 p.m. followed by bull riding at 6 p.m. The event will be at the newly-constructed arena located on the right side of the road between Virginia City and Nevada City.

For more information, call Rex Rammel at 307-413-8151.

Open mic in Sheridan

Submitted by Janet Marsh
THE SHOVEL AND SPOON

Open mic night at the Shovel and Spoon in Sheridan is Saturday, June 13. Dan

Horton will open the evening of music at 7 p.m. All are welcome to come share music or just listen. Supper will be available at 6 p.m. and served all evening.

Car show on the Fourth of July

Submitted by Mary Oliver
ENNIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

A variety of unique, classic and eye-catching cars from different eras, including hot rods, will roll into town and find their way to the Sportsman's Lodge in Ennis on the Fourth of July. Motorcycles, racecars and vintage military vehicles are also welcome. Registration is at the Sportsman's Lodge from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Awards, donated from area businesses, will be presented at 1:30 p.m.

To get an entry form and more information, call Joe Richardson at 581-2969 or Brent Oliver at 579-1714.

History museum opens

Submitted by Larry Love
MADISON VALLEY HISTORY ASSOCIATION

The Madison Valley History Museum will open for the season on June 16 and remain open through mid-September. The museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 1 – 4 p.m. Stop and see Madison Valley history, artifacts and stories. The featured display is the Madison Valley "beast" that was featured on the Discovery Destination Channel as the demon wolf. There is another featured display – an apron collection designed by curators Toni

Scully and Kevin Brenneke.

Birding day on the Bozeman Trail

Submitted by Tom Forwood
LEWIS & CLARK CAVERNS STATE PARK

Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park will celebrate our seventh annual birding day on Saturday, June 13. Park ranger Tom Forwood will meet with interested participants at 8 a.m. at the Park's main (lower) visitor center. The birding day is a celebration of the park's bird diversity that ventures into the park's major bird habitat types. We will begin on the park road before traffic starts for the day and then venture to areas from the banks Jefferson River to the Cave Trail below the cliffs of Cave Mountain.

Despite the area covered, the total walking is little more than 2 miles with less than 400 feet elevation gained. Please bring binoculars, a snack, water, good footwear, transportation (carpooling is encouraged) and an enthusiasm for the park's avian species. The field trip should end between noon and 1 p.m.

Range monitoring workshop in Dillon

Submitted by Rebecca Ramsey
RUBY WATERSHED COORDINATOR

The Montana State University Extension Service is pairing with the Dillon Forest Service and the Beaverhead Conservation District for a range monitoring workshop on Thursday, June 25 at 1 p.m. Meet at the Forest Service office in Dillon at 11:30 a.m.

or the Dell exit at noon. Jeff Mosley from the extension service will discuss how, when where and why to monitor grazing for both short term and long term assessment – it is vital for land managers to keep record of land use.

Ice cream social in Sheridan

Submitted by Friends of the Sheridan Public Library

The Friends of the Sheridan Public Library invite you to a pie and ice cream social on Sunday, June 14 from 3 – 4:30 p.m. in Kiwanis Park, adjacent to the Sheridan Library. There will be an array of homemade pies, ice cream provided by the Virginia City Creamery and live music from Dave Walker and local musicians John and Sue Funk.

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THIRD GRADE ARTISTS ENTER JUNIOR DUCK STAMP CONTEST



Submitted by Sally Schendel

Katie Hamilton, Sam Patterson, Brittany Walking Eagle, Ecclesiaste Puckett, Michael Galiger and Levi Ortegon (not pictured) entered portraits of North American ducks in the national Junior Duck Stamp contest. This contest meshes science and the arts in a study of wetlands, species and accurate portraits of waterfowl. Both Hamilton and Ortegon earned special recognition for their art pieces. All these students are in the third grade at Sheridan Schools, a school that demonstrates its commitment to the visual arts every year.

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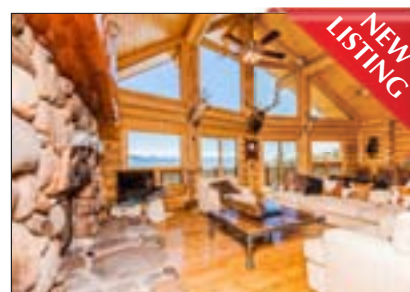
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Ask the Expert forum appears the second Thursday of each month. If you have questions for these area professionals e-mail us at editor@madisoniannews.com.

FRESH, LOCAL FOOD

Q: I live in Sheridan and I can't believe how dead this town is. If a person doesn't want to hang out at the bar, there is nothing to do. How do you people live here? I'm not sure how long I will last.

A: Social opportunities can be limited, but life in a small town is survivable. Here are a couple of tips. Watch for programs at the library – interesting and often free. The schools offer continuing ed classes – meet people and learn something at the same time. If you like excitement, you could be a volunteer fireman. For live music and nightlife, I recommend the Open Mic's at the Shovel and Spoon. On the second and fourth Saturdays of each month at 7 p.m., the mic is open to anyone who would like to play music, read poetry or tell jokes. Come share your talent or enjoy what others offer. The music is free, tea and goodies are available.



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AUCTIONS

Q: Do you sell ranch equipment and livestock?

A: Of course! As a matter of fact, in July and August we will be liquidating the equipment and personal items from a ranch that sold in the Big Hole. We are still working out the details, dates and best plan of action to maximize the return to the sellers. However, you will want to keep an eye on our website for more details to be posted as they become available or, better yet, request to be added to our email notification list to be among the first to know about upcoming auctions. We work for you when you decide to liquidate with us. With well over 20 years of experience in the auction industry, we will assess your needs and come up with the best plan of action for you to drum up the most possible interest in your items and auction! Remember we work on commission and our expertise pays for itself on your overall bottom line!



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Q: How can I learn more about Madison County and the fun things to do here?

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In addition to advertisements for many of our awesome local businesses, this edition includes beautiful photos (from the ground and the air!), a photography scavenger hunt, and articles on topics ranging from horses, airports and the county fair to favorite camping spots, ruby habitat and local resident highlights.

Not a subscriber? You can find The Loop at hundreds of locations around the area, including *The Madisonian* in Ennis. Grab your copy today and prepare to get excited about the loop.



Anne Vandewalle, Sales Assistant
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PHYSICAL THERAPY

Q: Why does my neck hurt when sitting at the computer?

A: Neck pain with sitting is usually poor posture. Poor posture is head forward, shoulders rolled forward, tips of shoulder blades pointing forward with a rounded upper back. Sitting in this position causes muscle tightness throughout the neck, shoulders and upper back. Eventually, this position causes aching, headaches or numbness in arms and hands. Correcting posture can help neck discomfort. For example: lying on your back, squeezing your shoulders back, tucking your chin and taking a deep breath relaxes and aligns your neck and shoulders. Alignment/posture, muscular tightness and strength can affect neck pain. Neck discomfort requires a thorough evaluation. Treatment is simple or complex. Ennis PT/Robert "Bob" Sahli PTATCLAT, The only "Expert" in the Madison Valley has specialized in orthopedic care for over 20 years.



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Q: How can I attract more birds?

A: Even the most attractive feeding station is no more than a fast food restaurant for birds without other necessities that will make them want to stick around. Planting native plants that provide food, cover and nest sites are some good choices. A good assortment includes nectar-producing flowering plants, fruit-producing shrubs and trees for seeds, nuts and nesting sites. Provide nesting boxes with other nesting materials on site like cotton batting, short pieces of twine in a suet cage or wedged in a tree. Supply clean water for drinking and bathing. Many birds are attracted to birdbaths and especially to the sound of dripping or flowing water. Adding a wiggler or a drip system to your bath could help bring in more birds. Clean out your bath whenever it's visibly dirty and at the very least every four or five days to prevent mosquito eggs and algae. You can use clean water and stiff scrub brush.



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Q: What is the difference between an Auto Endorsement and the Specialized RV Policy?

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Christi Barclay, Registered Dental Hygienist
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REAL ESTATE

Q: What is your favorite way to enjoy the area?

A: Never am I more at home than on a horse in God's country, the mountains of Southwest Montana. The Madison Forest District gives riders 800+ miles of backcountry trails. Many end at high mountain lakes, prime for catching trout for supper. Grand views, wildflowers and wildlife, Montana is the perfect place to find peace and tranquility. As you ponder a horseback adventure, let me suggest a few things. Take an experienced friend or guide with you. Tell someone which trail head you are using, your destination and a time to expect you home. Be prepared for all weather and the possibility of being out overnight. Take a safety kit for you and your horses – include waterproof matches, pellets that allow you to drink creek water, and some granola bars. Be in shape. Don't make your first ride of the season a long one – that is hard on you and your horse. Be sure to take a pocket knife! Riding has been one of life's greatest joys for me – I love sharing my view of Montana!



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OB SERVICES

Q: I just found out that I am pregnant. What OB services does MVMC provide?

A: Dr. Maura Davenport, in association with Bozeman Obstetricians, has incorporated prenatal OB care into her practice. Dr. Davenport will assess new patients for risk factors and can determine if low-risk pregnancies can be seen at MVMC. If a high-risk pregnancy is determined, Dr. Davenport will help patients establish with the appropriate provider in Bozeman. Low-risk pregnancies can have the majority of their care done in Ennis. All deliveries will be done in Bozeman. Other services include routine preliminary prenatal blood testing, midterm glucoala testing (gestational diabetes), anemia testing and newborn blood screening. Genetic testing will soon be offered. Nursing Service provides RhoGAM shots for RH negative mothers. In the Imaging Department we have Bev and Sue, two ARDMS registered sonographers for OB Ultrasound exams, including 3D/4D ultrasound.



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Ask the Expert

THERE'S A *light at the* END OF THE *Construction!*



Kevin Allen, project manager for the Sheridan Main Street project, is keeping us in the loop about the construction so we can keep you informed too. Here's what he had to say this week: "We are working on clean up, topsoil and raising manholes and water valves this week. Next week we plan on creating rumble strips Monday or Tuesday, chipping on June 18 and epoxy striping on Saturday the 20th. After next week we should be pretty much complete."

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Madison County Volunteer Hospice ends service

Submitted by the Board of Madison County Volunteer Hospice/Respite Care

In the fall of 2002, Madison County Volunteer Hospice was organized and began to deliver services. We began providing services to those in the county who were in need of hospice care. At that time, there were no other services available in our rural area.

Beginning in 2010, home health and hospice services from outside the county began to introduce their services to those in Madison County. As a result, we began to see a

decrease in request and need for our volunteer services.

Subsequently, in 2012, our organization began offering services as Madison County Volunteer Respite Care. The decision to change our name was made to better reflect the services we were providing.

In the last year, requests for service have continued to diminish. As a result of lengthy and thoughtful evaluation, we have decided to close our doors, effective the end of June 2015. At this time we will donate our remaining funds to community organizations in Madison County.

Scholarships awarded

Submitted by Kris Peyer
IMERY'S TALC

Local area high school graduates have been chosen to receive the 2015 Imerys Talc scholarship in the amount of \$500 each.

Sheridan High School graduate, Mike Hilliker, plans to attend Oregon State University in Corvallis, Ore. He wants to pursue a degree in engineering. Hilliker was Sheridan's student body president.

Harrison High School graduate, Britt Cooper, is going to the University of Montana Western in Dillon. She plans to major in mathematics and health and human performance. She would like to become a sports analyst, sports engineer or a physical therapist. Cooper was very active in a number of sports and community activities.

Ennis High School graduate, Delaney McNally, will be going to Montana State University this fall for a year and then continue her studies at Montana Tech to pursue a degree in radiology. She participated in volleyball, basketball and track along with community clean up and little Mustangs camps.

Ennis High School graduate, Wylie Leo, is planning to attend Montana Tech in Butte. His plan is to achieve a bachelor's degree in environmental engineering. He was active in football, basketball and track. Leo was also very active in community activities such as 4-H, Big Brother/Big Sisters and the food bank.

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Photo courtesy of Kathryn Colado
An afternoon thunderstorm hovers near the Woodson Ranch on the Ruby River.

4-H GRADUATES

10 Madison County students graduate program

Submitted by Katherine Smith
MSU EXTENSION

Congrats go out to all of the 2015 high school graduates, especially our 4-Hers. We know you will accomplish great things in the future because you are 4-Hers. As you go out into the world, keep in mind the pledges you have made over the years and know that

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4 PAWS RESCUE PET OF THE WEEK



NANCY
Oh my goodness. No one has come to call on me yet. I'd best get busy and put an ad in one of those lonely heart's club papers. Makes me want to cry. I got abandoned and now I'm really lonely and would like attention paid to me. I'm a good mouser and can be an indoor and outdoor girl (I like both), cause I'm housetrained, spayed, got all my shots for the year and been tested (neg) for FIV/FeLV. Couldn't someone please find it in their heart to want and then love me? Purrry please? Nancy

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Saturday
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Sunday
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Mainwarings in Madison County



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:

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George Parker Mainwaring turns 90 this month – he has called Montana home his entire life, and even when he lived away from Madison County, he dreamed of returning.

Courtesy of Mainwaring Family
George Parker grew up on a ranch in Jeffers and has been a ranch hand all over Montana.

Courtesy of Mainwaring Family
About 15 years ago, this photo of George Parker was snapped while he felled wood.

Courtesy of Mainwaring Family
George Parker (L) and his brother John (R) grew up in Jeffers.

Courtesy of Mainwaring Family
While logging in Missoula, George Parker met his wife, Ann.

90-year-old George Parker Mainwaring tells his family history

Abigail Dennis
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In just one short week, George Parker Mainwaring will turn 90. For all his years, George Parker has been a Montana boy – he was born and raised in Jeffers and worked as a ranch hand all around the Madison Valley, was a logger outside of Missoula and ranched on the Yellowstone River before settling in Pony.

"I like it here because it's quiet," George Parker said from his Pony home, which was built in 1903. "I can sit here for days and not see a single car go by."

George Parker's parents, George and Helen, moved to Montana from Kansas in 1915. The Mainwarings first settled in Cameron, but within a year moved to Jeffers, where the elder George was a ranch hand for the old Maynard Ranch, working with sheep

and cattle. George Parker is "smack dab in the middle" of 15 Mainwaring children, seven of which are still living.

In his early years, George Parker and his siblings went to school in Ennis – they took the bus to and from Jeffers every day.

"Town has grown since then," he said about Ennis. "There's a new hospital. There's been three schoolhouses since my time. It's all bigger."

George Parker bounced around the Madison Valley working for multiple ranches as he grew up. He even did a stint working on building the highway between Ennis and Virginia City.

"Hard times hit then," George Parker said about the 1940s. "Bad weather chased me to a ranch west of Ennis, where my friend said he had work for me for room and board but no money."

George Parker accepted the offer and worked a few

more years in the Madison Valley before following the allure of a logging job to Missoula, where he eventually met his future wife, Ann. Ann already had a son, who George Parker immediately adopted as his own.

"When we first married, we lived on the Yellowstone," Ann said. "(George Parker) worked for a ranch there but we didn't stay long."

The pull of Madison County was strong, and after a year working outside of Big Timber, George Parker moved his family to Harrison, where he worked for Sitz Angus for a while. Then, it was on to Pony, where the family worked on a ranch for 19 years.

"Then it was back to Harrison," George Parker said. "I worked as a ranch hand for Bob Rice until I retired and came back to Pony."

During that time, George Parker and Ann had four more children – one girl and three boys.

Ranching has always been George Parker's favorite way to live. Though he said it was "just a job, a steady job," he spoke passionately about working with cattle, horses, pigs and farm equipment.

"Through the winter we hauled hay and fed cattle every day," he said. "Spring meant preparing for the next year and starting to irrigate."

Throughout the spring and summer, George Parker worked as a flood irrigator. "You don't see any of that these days," he said. "Now, it's all big pivots and wheel lines ... you have a main ditch with dams and you just stair step the flooding down the field, moving from ditch to ditch (to irrigate)."

At the various ranches where George Parker worked, calving always happened in the winter and early spring, which he said was "sometimes the most miserable thing" because of the weather.

"And then the next year it

wouldn't be so bad," he said. "But some years, the calves would freeze before you could even get them to sucking and get them to fill their bellies."

Despite the sometimes harsh conditions and the grueling work schedule – as George Parker said, "we didn't work banker's hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., we got it backward and worked 5 a.m. to 9 p.m." – working as a ranch hand was a great way to live.

George Parker is a young 90. Ann said he still chops wood for their cast iron stove and loves hosting family and friends at their house in Pony. Ann still cooks on the cast iron stove – George Parker says he can tell the difference when she bakes bread in an electric oven. The Mainwarings spend their mornings at the kitchen table,

Courtesy of Mainwaring Family
The Mainwarings still cook on a cast iron stove – George Parker says he can tell when Ann cooks on a different stove.

looking at the Tobacco Root Mountains – their backyard.

"We see deer, elk, everything," George Parker said. "We even had a mountain lion on our deck once ... it's a good place."



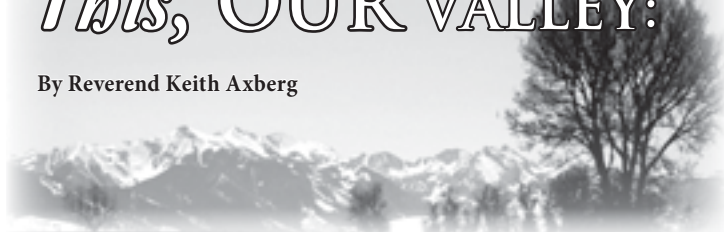


COLUMNS



This, OUR VALLEY:

By Reverend Keith Axberg



Parking in the valley

"I don't much like God when he gets under a roof." – John Wayne

My wife and I were driving into Bozeman the other day to take care of some errands. I needed to stop at a shop downtown and was fretting over whether or not there would be parking close by. I don't know why that would worry me so; I've lived in and around towns like Seattle, Detroit and San Francisco and, believe me, parking anywhere in Bozeman is a snap.

Never the less, I fret over such simple matters for little or no reason. It isn't rational; it's just the way I am wired.

So it was very much to my delight and surprise that God answered my unasked prayer and provided a parking spot right in front of the business into which I was going to pop. I swung my little beater into the spacious slot – didn't even have to do any parallel parking maneuvers – and was quite pleased with myself and with God (who had anticipated my need and desire with exquisite timing and precision).

As I was straightening the car out, however, my better half pointed out a car on the street had her backup lights on and, apparently, had intended to back into the spot I had just filled.

Without thinking (well, that's not true; I did go through about a nanosecond of contemplation) I put on my signal and began to vacate the parking space.

At that exact moment I saw the car door fly open like the escape hatch to an F-1 fighter. The driver's eyes were aflame and riveted on me like a mongoose on a cobra. We locked peepers long enough for the smooth second hand action of a Swiss watch to move half a hair's breadth, at which point she looked down and saw something for which she was completely unprepared.

I swept my right hand in a grand arc, inviting her to take the space I was in the process of vacating. You see, I don't steal spaces. It wasn't a matter of first-come-first-serve, or you-snooze-you-lose; I had simply focused on grabbing a spot and when I realized I had unintentionally outmaneuvered a competitor, I chose the more

gallant, noble course and let her have it (only noting later she was ready to let me have it – and I don't mean the space).

As she parked her car, I crossed the road (about 50 more feet in all) and grabbed a spot that was nearly as close and no less convenient in the larger scheme of things. Furthermore, it meant I could add some steps to my day, inching closer to my "10,000 steps per day" goal. So it turned out to be a win-win for everyone.

I'm not sure why people get upset about things like parking places. I find it better, overall, to yield to the needs of others (real or imagined) and less so to the gratification of my own ego or desires.

It is nice to park close when one is in a hurry, I admit, but the difference between one spot and another is generally pretty miniscule.

As I thought about the incident, it occurred to me that I was being judged, not by my intentions, but by my actions. And isn't that always the way? No one cares what a person's intentions are; what matters is what we do. If we make a mistake, do we own it and apologize for it or do we make excuses?

I would like to think my intentions are always pretty good, but I know my actions are sometimes less so. That can come from fatigue, inattention or just plain stupidity.

Rather than compound the problem by denying one has done something wrong, it seems better to own up to it and make whatever amends are possible. In this case, it meant recognizing I had taken someone's parking space, vacating it as quickly and as safely as possible and signaling my apology as gracefully as I could.

I don't know what she thought about it – if anything at all. I just know that as I crossed the street she and her friends went about their business without so much as a wave or a by-your-leave, and that's OK.

The smallest kindness can work wonders in this, God's valley, even if no one notices.

Keith Axberg writes on matters concerning life and faith. He can be reached at kfaxberg@gmail.com.



Safety tips for high water recreation

Those who have had to give up and return to shore due to poor boating conditions know it can be a tough decision.

"When spring is in the air, snowmelt creates high water in our streams and rivers and high expectations for some good boating or rafting," said Liz Lodman, the boat education coordinator for Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

The combination of high

water and high expectations can be deadly when it turns out that the conditions are too extreme for safe boating.

"It can be hard to put safety ahead of adventure when you've spent hours planning a boating trip, but sometimes the only safe choice is to stay off the water," Lodman said.

Lodman stressed that all floaters wear a well fitted Personal Flotation

Device or life jacket when on and around the water.

"If you are in a boat or even near a rapidly flowing river, wear a life jacket," she said. "It could save your life. If you fall into cold water without a life jacket on you could drown in a matter of minutes."

There are other times, especially for less experienced boaters and floaters, when the dangers aren't as readily apparent until they've entered the water.

Here are some tips for navigating the dangers of high water:

- Don't boat alone.
- Make sure someone on shore knows where you plan to put in, take out and when you plan to return.

- If the water is in a stage you wouldn't choose to swim in, then don't launch your boat either.

- If you do launch, wear a well fitted life vest and – in rough waters – a helmet.

Lodman also recommended that boaters make a study of high-water hazards and be prepared to cope with

dangers that may include:

- debris in water
- cold water
- logs that get lodged together and create a hazard where water can flow through and around them but a boat can't get through
- bridge abutments that catch debris may create swirling waves
- turbid, muddy water that makes other hazards in the water difficult or impossible to see
- the possibility of capsizing and having to rescue yourself or others, or to warm wet boaters quickly to prevent hypothermia

Lodman said boaters should not assume a river is the same as it was during a previous trip.

"Rivers change their channels and new hazards, such as overhanging or broken tree branches and log jams, may exist," she said.

Anyone planning on recreating near water should first check the FWP website for safety information at fwp.mt.gov.



AROUND THE WOOD STOVE

by Gail Banks

I have spent a lot of time this past weekend thinking about what legacy would be the best legacy you would like left behind when your time comes. It seems that it isn't what is written on a headstone in a graveyard, but what you left that weaves into the hearts and lives of your closest of friends and family members. A legacy left that really made a difference in someone else's life.

That is what I liked about the book and the movie, "The Five people you meet in Heaven," by Mitch Albom – the thought that when you pass you come to honestly see how your life and actions did impact other people. So many times, things we choose to

do or say affect others good and bad. We have no idea how they impacted someone else until an honest summary of your life plays out.

I lost a dear good friend this past week, Norton Gribben. Norton was much older than me, and at the time I really got to know Norton he was just looking for something to do to keep busy and someone to talk to. He told wonderful stories about the history of the area and his many years of military service, working in the mines in Butte, tales about area ranches and always stories about his family. He would come over to my office, sit and just talk. Even after his eyesight was nearly gone, Norton would cock his head to the side to be able to see out of the corners of his eyes, and off he'd go with a grin on his face to visit with someone. I can only picture Norton right now, with all his eyesight back, sitting with our maker and friend Buddy Elfrod telling crazy cow stories, while making more friends.

My apologies, I told you

the wrong day for the veterans annual fishing derby for kids in Twin Bridges; it is Father's Day, not the day before. Sorry.

I so enjoy children's imaginations. I read the story of Jack and the Bean Stalk to my 4-year-old grandson Gus. He was in a state of "ah" about the giant that lived in the cloud castle. Pretty soon I heard Gus holler loudly, "Grandma." I found him pointing at one of my living room windows in a panic – there was a 'bean stalk' growing outside the window up to the clouds and the mean giant. It was a hops stalk that was growing tall, but to satisfy the situation we cut it down so no giants would climb down it and make us into bread.

You know when you sit back and think about some of the most popular children's stories they really are rather makers of nightmares. Poor little old Bambi, with his mom getting made into meat in the pot. Cinderella with her in laws – relatives trying to get rid of her. Snow White tries to survive not being killed by the witch. Little Red Riding

Hood, learning not to talk to strangers, because they could be a wolf wanting to eat her. Same with the Three Little Pigs, they fight back against the big bad wolf and finally cook him when he comes down the chimney of the brick house. What can I say, compare them old stories to the T.V. shows daily; I guess they aren't a big deal!

So what have we learned this week? Death is the number one killer in the world. All of us could take a lesson from the weather; it pays no attention to criticism. Life is like a jar of jalapeno peppers, what you do today might burn your rear tomorrow. One of the best feelings in the world is when you hug someone you love and they hug you back even harder!

Wow, it was garage sale mania in the Twin Bridges area last weekend. Made me remember all of the huge garage sales that Regina Givens used to have.

One bad chapter does not mean your story is over!

Keep safe on the water

By Tom Palmer
MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Summer days on the water with family and friends are ahead. Here is a primer on how to keep those days safe and fun for the entire crew.

- All boats must have one U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket, also known as a personal flotation device or PFD Type I, II or III, for each person on board.
- Life jackets must be in good condition, the appropriate size for

the intended wearer and readily accessible.

- Boats 16 feet or longer (excluding canoes and kayaks) must also have at least one throwable flotation device (type IV) such as a ring buoy or boat cushion. This flotation device must be immediately available and within reach of the boat's operator or passengers.
- Under Montana law, life jackets must be worn by:
 - o kids under 12 years of age in boats less than 26 feet in length and in motion;

- o water skiers, tubers or anyone being towed by a boat; and
- o anyone operating or riding a personal watercraft such as a wave runner or jet ski.

The importance of life jackets cannot be underestimated. If you are floating through whitewater, get caught in a storm or you are not a good swimmer, wearing a lifejacket could save your life. These rules are there to help keep summer days on the water safe and fun for everyone.



Commodity Insite: Seismic events spawning death by a thousand cuts

by Jerry Welch

In my last few columns I stated repeatedly that, "The most over-crowded and complacent markets anywhere are U.S. equities." I also stated I could not find a bull market of any kind with the possible exception of the U.S. dollar. And in last week's column entitled June Swoon Soon, I forecasted that the grain and petroleum markets would do a swan dive in the weeks ahead.

It goes without saying I am not the only bearish voice out there. A few days ago, I came across an article on CNBC entitled, "Thinking June swoon for stocks? You might be right." The article was penned by Dominic Chu and he wrote, "June swoon for stocks? If you're looking for a reason to get bearish on the market, at least short term, history may be on your side."

Mr. Chu went on to state, "That's because the month

of June has typically been a rough one for investors who own stocks. According to market data and analysis firm Kensho, June has produced some of the worst returns of any month in the year. During the past decade, all three major U.S. stock indexes have turned in negative performance on average for the month of June."

The day before Mr. Chu posted his comments, the Chinese stock market as measured by the Shanghai Composite fell 6.5 percent over night after soaring 10 percent the previous 10 sessions. However, even a 6.5 percent decline only placed the market at a one week low. By any measure, Chinese stocks are yo-yo-like and not for the faint of heart.

Imagine the headlines, hand wringing and screams to be heard if the U.S. equity

markets rallied 10 percent in 10 days only to drop 6.5 percent overnight? Imagine the outcry. The uproar.

The reason yours truly has grown progressively more bearish the past few months is because of two seismic events that unfolded. One is the massive decline with Treasury bond prices since Feb. 1, where futures moved from 171 to this week's low of nearly 150. There is an inverse relationship between bond prices and interest rates. When bond prices head south, interest rates head north. And history shows that higher interest rates is bearish all markets with the possible exception of the U.S. dollar.

The other seismic event unfolding is the enormous decline with crude oil prices. The last major peak for crude oil was posted in mid-June of last year \$107.50 a barrel

but in mid-March of this year, futures kissed \$42.03 a barrel. Over the past few months, Texas Tea managed to rally up to \$63 a barrel and closed out this week in the low \$59 range. History shows that as crude goes, so go most other commodity markets.

Here is a quick glance at a variety of markets to understand how the month is unfolding, in no particular order. Bond prices fell to a six month low today while crude oil at one time was back down to levels last seen six weeks ago. Gold closed at levels not seen in three months. Silver and lean hog prices fell to a two month low. Copper and orange juice fell to a three month low. Sugar is at a five year low. The Japanese yen slipped to a 12 year low. And the Dow Jones ended at a new, one month low.

Obviously, the month

of June is young but just as clearly, there is weakness surfacing for a wide variety of markets. The weakness is because of the seismic decline seen with crude oil prices and the nearly unprecedented collapse now underway with the U.S. debt markets. As I stated earlier. History shows that falling bond prices and higher rates is bearish, most markets just as collapsing crude oil prices is equally bearish.

Moving forward, all my work suggests the downside leaders for commodities per se should be the U.S. grain markets and crude oil. On the downside, I fully expect all major grains to fall back down to levels last seen five to nine years ago. I expect crude oil to once again trade at \$45 a barrel or lower, which from a percentage viewpoint is a long way down from this

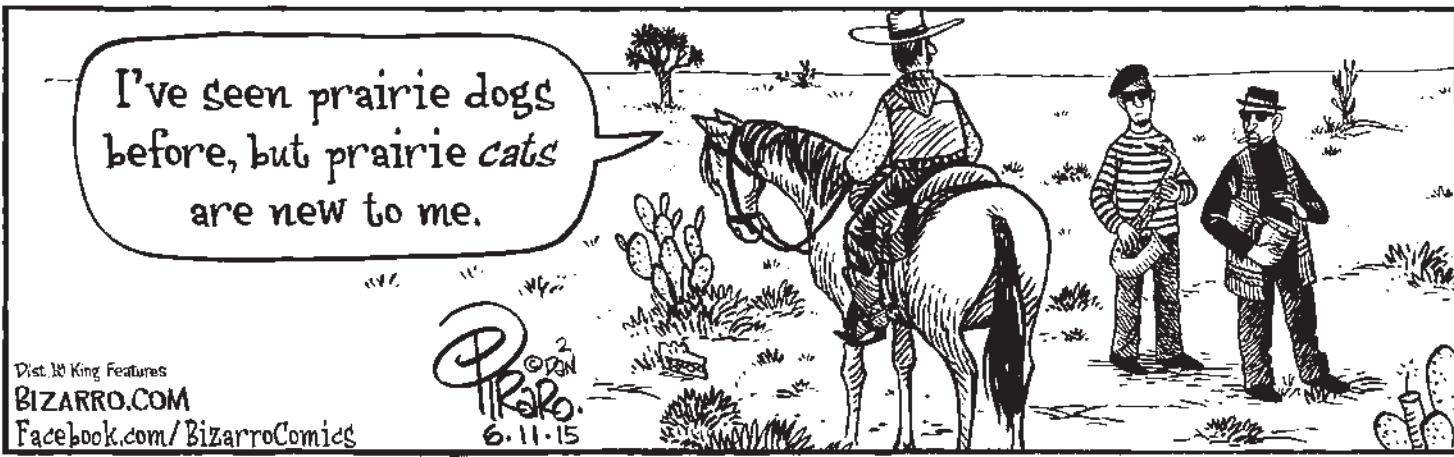
week's levels of \$59 a barrel.

As for shares, stocks, equities and the Dow Jones, a June swoon for those markets would not be a shock. After all, if Mr. Chu is right in that, "During the past decade, all three major U.S. stock indexes have turned in negative performance on average for the month of June," the bulls will be facing stiff, stiff headwinds.

A big mistake investors, traders and agricultural producers will make in the period ahead is to assume the Big Four: stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities, if they do head lower, will come with headlines blaring and sirens wailing. History shows that more often than not, markets end with a whimper not a bang. And after that, the stubborn bulls endure "death by a thousand cuts."

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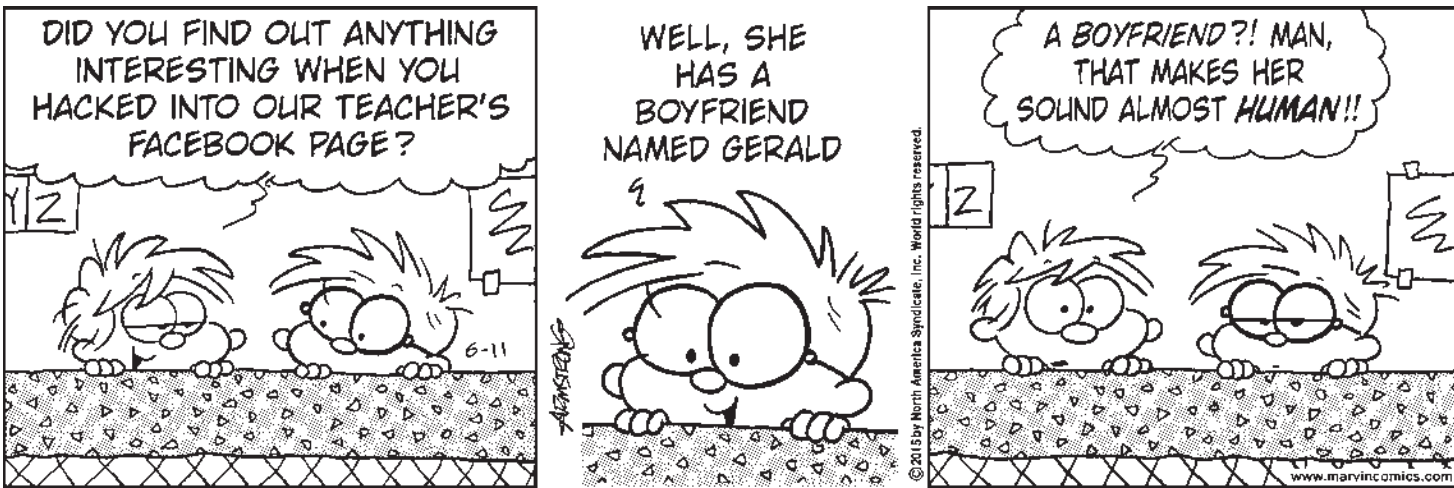
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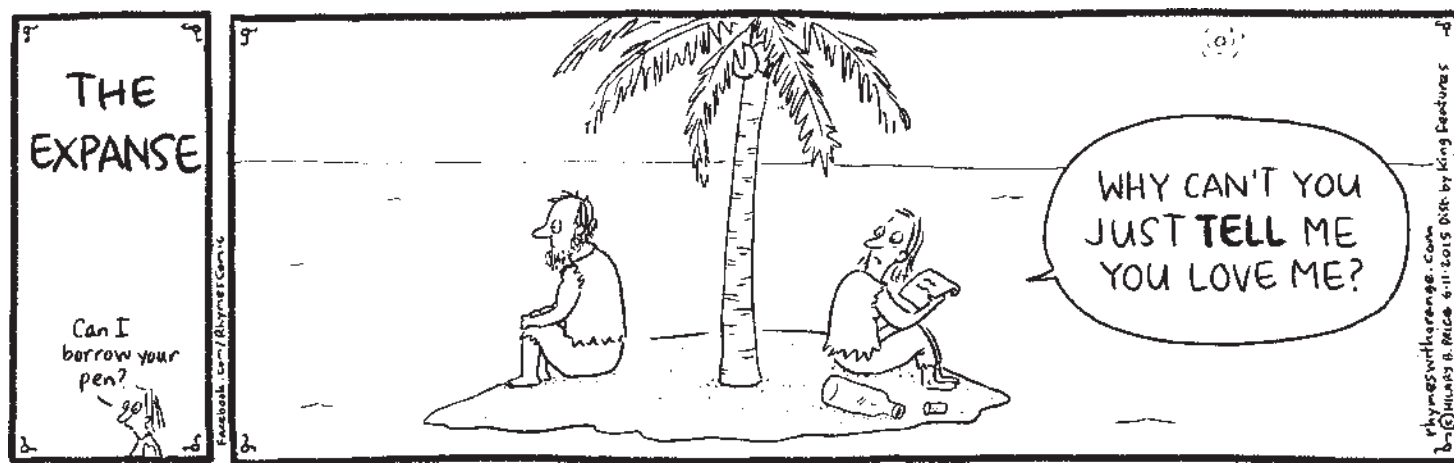
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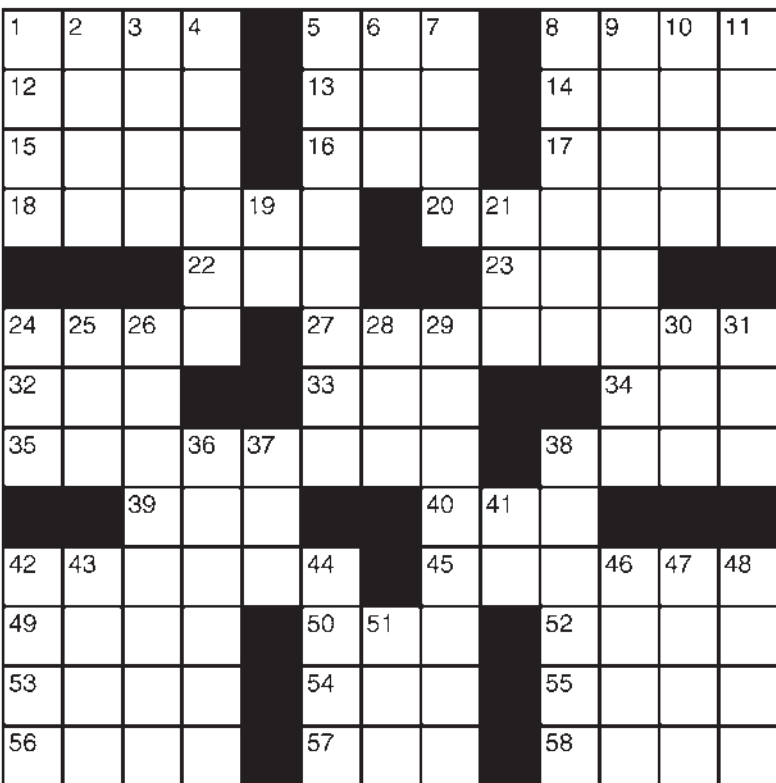
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Lynn Socko
 San Angelo, TX (pop. 93,200)

- Janet

Grilled Steak Sandwich

What You Need

- 1-2 lbs thinly sliced sirloin
- 1 loaf, jalapeno cheese bread, sliced
- 8 slices Asadero cheese, or your favorite, sliced
- 1 onion, sliced
- 1 portabello mushroom, sliced
- 1 tsp granulated garlic
- 1 tsp granulated onion
- 1 tsp cracked black pepper
- Pinch of coarse sea salt
- Olive Oil
- Butter
- Skewers

Directions

- If using wooden skewers, soak in water for about an hour.
- Sit cheese out to come to room temp. It will melt quicker.
- Slice bread and butter both sides.
- Combine granulated garlic, onion, black pepper and sea salt. Sprinkle over meat and veggies.
- Cut steak into slices and place on skewers.
- Slice onion and mushrooms. Season and toss with olive oil.
- Place veggies on foil grill pan and cook until tender.
- Grill skewers to med-rare, or your preference.
- When steak and veggies are done, remove steak from skewers, chop into bite size pieces.
- Layer sandwiches: bread, cheese, steak, veggies, cheese and bread again.
- Grill on each side until cheese melts.
- You may need to place on foil after grilling both sides so that cheese will melt without burning bread.

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Help Wanted. Part time house keeping at Rainbow Valley Lodge in Ennis.
33-1-b

Twin Bridges Kid Country Daycare is seeking one full-time position starting in July. Applicant must be 18 years or older and be certified in Adult/Child/Infant CPR and First Aide. We are looking for an individual with following qualities: enjoys working with children, flexible, working with infants, willingness to cook meals, enthusiastic, dependable, willingness to fill in as needed. Please contact Molly Pritchard at 684-5353 or send Resume to TBKC P.O. Box 296 Twin Bridges, MT 59754
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Twin Bridges Kid Country Board Vacancy: Twin Bridges Kid Country Daycare is seeking one individual to fill a position on our board. We meet once a month. This is a volunteer position. Any interest or questions contact Molly Pritchard. 406-684-5353
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Experienced Carpenter. Must have tools, transportation and ready to work. Call Ed, 581-3178. Be a team player or don't call.
33-1-b

Alley Bistro is now hiring pm dishwashers. Call John 209-4031 or 682-5695
31-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 Mexican restaurant next to Trenz. Servers, prep cooks, dishwashers and cooks. Call 682-3000 or email helen@aandomanagement.com.
32-tfc-b

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

2 Apartments for rent, Both have washer and dryers, Both 2 bedroom, 1 bath One has carport and one has garage. In Ennis. Call Paul 581-7878 or Gary 581-3531
33-1-b

MADISON MANAGEMENT Vacation and Long Term Rentals 570-5401 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. In Ennis.
25-tfc-b

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

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

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

BRIDGE DECK 8'2" wide X 16' long, 12" I-beams. 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

SERVICES

Portable Irrigation Pipe Press - steel/aluminum welding parts available. Repair, wheel lines, hand lines. ALSO: Custom built steel fencing, arenas, corrals. Call 925-1752
22-tfc-b

Madison Valley 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

Expert Tree Care

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406-865-0000
60' Lift Truck
ISA Spring is ideal removing and pruning time!

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

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

GARAGE SALE

Multi-Family Garage Sale Starts Fri. 6-12 am. 500 W Main. Will run each weekend all summer. Furniture-Collectibles-Tools. Watch for signs. Ennis.
33-1-p

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

ESTATE SALES

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LOST CAT

Lost 2 year old cat in Pony on Saturday, May 30. Any information please call 406-422-8739.

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Madison Conservation District Meeting Mon., June 15 Lone Elk Mall 7:00 p.m.



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



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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. Arbour
Personal Representative
Personal Representative's Attorney
John Warren
Davis, Warren & Hritsco
P. O. Box 28
Dillon, Montana 59725
(Pub. June 4, 11, 18, 2015)dwH
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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 4, 11, 2015)mcc
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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 (842-5302). (Pub. June 4, 11, 18, 2015)ss
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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 documents.
Contract Documents: May be examined without 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 guarantee 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 cities.
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 conditions of the 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 sub-contractors 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 provisions 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/WHDR/regs/compliance/posters/davis.htm
The Contracting Officer will review all certi-

fied 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
Twin Bridges, Montana 59754
(Pub. June 4, 11, 18 2015)totb
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PUBLIC NOTICE FORM FOR CHANGE OF LOCATION

Notice of Intent to Transfer Location of Air Quality Permit (Pursuant to Section 75-2-211, MCA, and ARM Title 17, Chapter 8, Subchapter 7, PERMIT, CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF AIR CONTAMINANT SOURCES). A.M. Welles Inc. will file on or about June 9, 2015, a notification of intent to transfer location of an air quality permit with the Permitting and Compliance Division/Air and Waste Management Bureau of the Montana Department of Environmental Quality. Applicant seeks approval of its transfer of location of Gravel Crusher Air quality Permit #2921 to Sec. 16, TSS, R1W, 3 miles north of Ennis on east side of MT Hwy 287. The division must approve or disapprove the permit transfer within 30 days of receipt of a complete notice of intent. Any member of the public with question or who wishes to review a copy of the permit and the division's analysis of it or to submit comments on the change of location must contact the division at 1520 East Sixth Ave., P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901 phone (406) 444-3490. Any comments on the location transfer must be submitted to the division within 15 days after the date of this publication. (Logan P. Good - Secretary) (Pub. June 11, 2015) amw
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MADISON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Madison County Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday, June 29, 2015 at 10:15 a.m. at the Lamar/Gibbon Room, Yellowstone Conference Center, 46 Big Sky Resort Rd., Big Sky, Montana.
The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comment on the proposed Montana Club Subdivision preliminary plat. This subdivision would subdivide the 10.639-acre Tract 10-1 of amended plat of Area 10, a portion of the remainder of Tract F, Block 5, Cascade Subdivision and a portion of the NW 1/4, Section 30, T6S, R3E, PMM into 4 single family lots averaging 0.75 acres in size, one 4.079-acre multi-family lot for 11 condominium units, and 3 open space lots totaling 2.137 acres. Located on the west side of Rising Bull Road south of Powder Ridge Subdivision Phase III within the SW 1/4, Section 19 and NW 1/4, Section 30, T6S, R3E, PMM. (Owner - Boyne Properties, Inc.)
Written comments should be received by 12 p.m. on June 26, 2015, and may be sent to the Madison County Planning Board by: Mail to P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, Montana, 59755; Fax to (406) 843-5229; or E-mail to planb@madison.mt.gov. Oral or written comments may also be given at the public hearing.
The preliminary plat and supplemental information pertaining to this proposed subdivision is available for review at:
• Madison County Planning Office, 103 W. Wallace St., Virginia City;
• Madison Valley Library, 210 West Main Street, Ennis;
• Big Sky Fire Department, Station 1, 650 Rainbow Trout Run, Big Sky
Call (406) 843-5250 for more information.
John Fountain, President, Madison County Planning Board
(Pub. June 11, 18, 2015) mcgp
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids, entitled MADISON VALLEY MANOR RENOVATION, ENNIS, MONTANA will be received at the offices of SMA Architects, 2625 Winne Ave., Suite 1, Helena, Montana 59601 until 10:00 AM local time on Tuesday, June 30, 2015. Bids received after that time will not be opened or considered for this project. The bids will be publicly opened and read at 10:05 AM local time on June 30, 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 interior renovation of Madison Valley Manor, a nursing home owned by Madison County, MT. Interior updates include a relocated nurse's station, new living room area, and administrative office renovations. Interior finish updates include new flooring, ACT ceilings, doors, paint, and casework throughout, as well as the installation of ADA accessible resident sinks and ADA door hardware. Miscellaneous electrical and mechanical upgrades are included as well. Documents: May be examined without 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 guarantee 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 cities.
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 Madison County Montana.
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 Ennis, 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 Tuesday, June 16, 2015. Prospective bidders are to meet at the project site located at 211 North Main Street, Ennis, Montana 59729.
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.
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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 provisions 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/WHDR/regs/compliance/posters/davis.htm
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.
Madison County Montana
P.O. Box 278
Virginia City, Montana 59755
(Pub. June 11, 18, 2015) mcgp
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NOTICE THAT A TAX DEED MAY BE ISSUED

To: Jeffrey L Campbell
1716 E Jackson
Phoenix, AZ 85034
Jeffrey L Campbell
119 Burlington Avenue
Billings, MT 59101-6028
Unknown Interested Party

Address Unknown
Pursuant to section 15-18-212, Montana Code Annotated, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:
1. As a result of a property tax delinquency, a property tax lien exists on the following described real property in which you may have an interest:
Parcel Number 1014200
Described in Madison County Treasurers Tax Sale Certificate
Subdiv. -VIC VIRGINIA CITY ORIGINAL TOWNSITE Lot- 12 Block- 64 06S 03W 22 VIRGINIA CITY ORIG TOWNSITE, VIRGINIA CITY ORIG TOWNSITE, LOT 12.
Described in Litigation Guarantee
Lot 12 in Block 64 of the original townsite of Virginia City, Madison County, Montana, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Madison County Clerk and Recorder.
2.The property taxes became delinquent on June 1, 2012.
3.The property tax lien was attached as the result of a tax sale held on July 16, 2012.
4.The property tax lien was purchased at a tax sale on July 17, 2012, by Madison County Treasurer, 100 Wallace Street, Virginia City, MT 59755.
5.The property tax lien was subsequently assigned to ZINVEST LLC, P.O. Box 22243, Billings, MT 59104.
6.The amount of interest and costs are as of the date of this notice and will continue to accrue until the date of redemption. The County Treasurer as of the date of payment will calculate total amount that must be paid for redemption. As of the date of this notice, the amount of tax due is:
TAXES: \$109.26
PENALTY: \$ 2.17
INTEREST: \$ 23.63
COST: \$382.77
TOTAL: \$517.83
7.For the property tax lien to be liquidated, the total amount listed in paragraph 6, plus any subsequent interest and costs must be paid by 5:00 PM on August 17, 2015, which is the date the redemption period expires or expired.
8.If all taxes, penalties, interest, and costs are not paid to the County Treasurer on or prior to 5:00 PM on August 17, 2015, which is the date the redemption period expires, or on or prior to the date on which the County Treasurer will otherwise issue a tax deed, a tax deed may be issued to the purchaser on the day following the date that the redemption period expires or on the date the County Treasurer will otherwise issue a tax deed.
9.The business address and telephone number of the County Treasurer who is responsible for issuing the tax deed is:
Madison County Treasurer, 100 Wallace Street, Virginia City, MT 59755.
10.The amount of interest and costs are as of the date of this notice and will continue to accrue until the date of redemption. The County Treasurer as of the date of payment will calculate total amount that must be paid for redemption. As of the date of this notice, the amount of tax due is:
TAXES: \$ 967.09
PENALTY: \$ 19.36
INTEREST: \$ 234.38
COST: \$ 500.58
TOTAL: \$1,721.41
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known.
2.The published notice meets the legal requirements for notice of a pending tax deed issuance.
3.The interested party's rights in the property may be in jeopardy.
Dated: June 11, 2015
(Pub. June 11, 18, 2015) zinvest
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NOTICE THAT A TAX DEED MAY BE ISSUED

Mt Baldy Ranch, LLC
PO Box 710
Sheridan, MT 59749
The Converse County Bank
PO Drawer 689
Douglas, WY 82633
Ranches of the West Inc.,
A Wyoming Close Corporation
PO Box 710
Sheridan, MT 59749
The Converse County Bank
322 Walnut
Douglas, WY 82633
Unknown Interested Party
Address Unknown
Pursuant to section 15-18-212, Montana Code Annotated, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:
1.As a result of a property tax delinquency, a property tax lien exists on the following described real property in which you may have an interest:
Parcel Number 8036900
Described in Madison County Treasurers Tax Sale Certificate
04S 05W 01 C.O.S. 7/1555, PARCEL A
Described in Litigation Guarantee
A tract of land located in Section 1 and in the E1/2 of Section 2, Township 4 South, Range 5 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown and described as "Tract A" on Certificate of Survey filed in Book 7 of Surveys, page 1555, records of Madison County, Montana.
2.The property taxes became delinquent on June 1, 2012.
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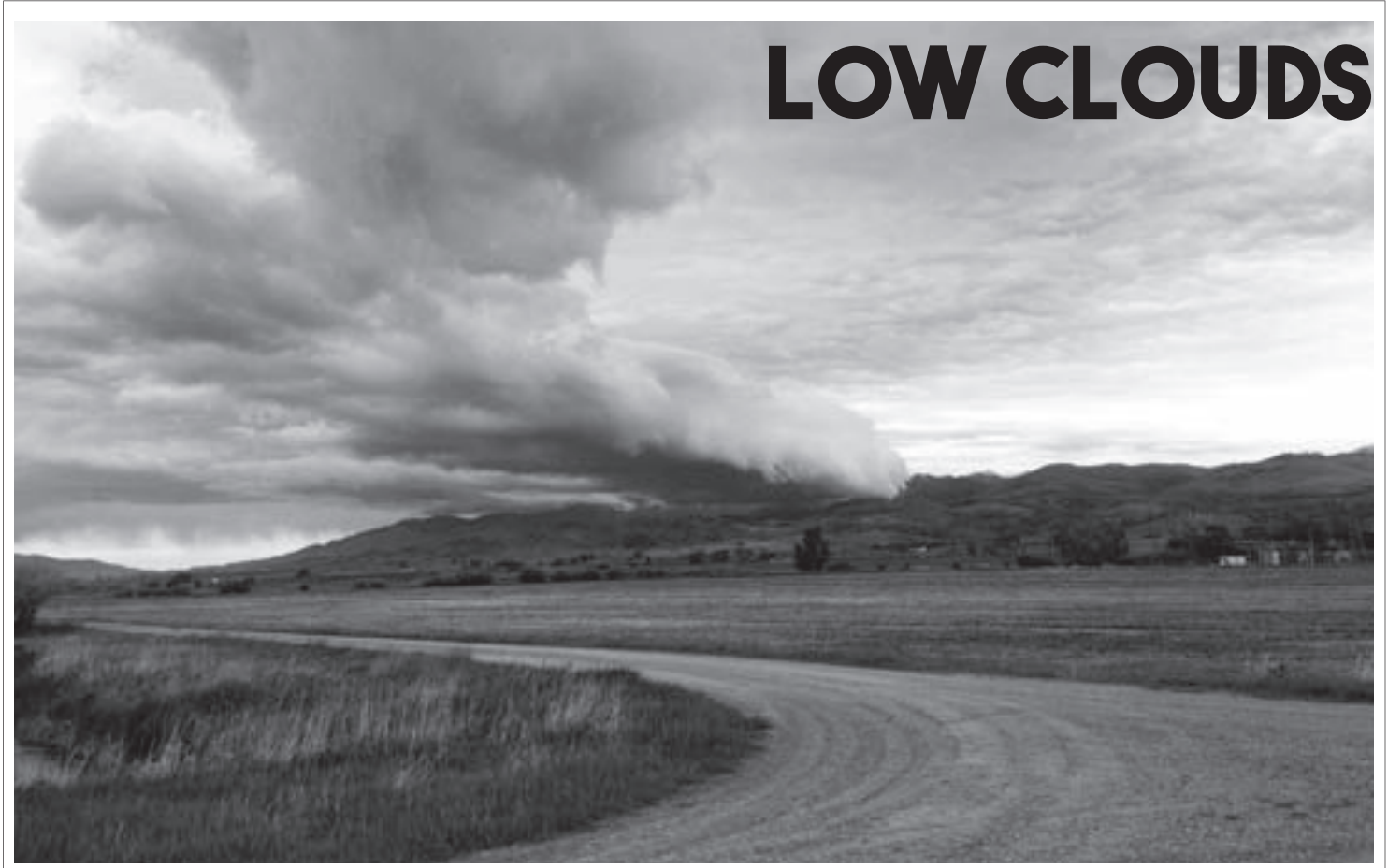
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9.The business address and telephone number of the County Treasurer who is responsible for issuing the tax deed is:
Madison County Treasurer, 100 Wallace Street, Virginia City, MT 59755. (406) 843-4212.
FURTHER NOTICE FOR THOSE UNKNOWN INTERESTED PARTIES OR PERSON LISTED ABOVE WHOSE ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN:
1.The address of interested party is unknown.
2.The published notice meets the legal requirements for notice of a pending tax deed issuance.
3.The interested party's rights in the property may be in jeopardy.
Dated: June 11, 2015
(Pub. June 11, 18, 2015) zinvest
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SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

The Sheridan Schools announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program.
The Summer Food Service Program is a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Child Nutrition Program that provides free, nutritious meals to children when school is not in session.
The program will run from July 6, 2015 through July 31, 2015. The following sites will have meals available:
See Chart A below.
In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, or call (800)795-3272 (voice) or (202)720-6382 (TTY). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.
(Pub. June 11, 18, 2015) ss
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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 4, 11, 2015) bd
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Thunder clouds at Woodson Ranch in the Ruby Valley.

LOW CLOUDS

Courtesy of Dave Delisi

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CHART A

Site Name	Site Address	Begin Date	End Date	Meal Times							
				Breakfast		Lunch		Snack			
				Begin	End	Begin	End	Begin	End		
Sheridan Elementary	211 Madison St. Sheridan, MT	7/6/15	7/31/15	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:30				

Recapping May at TRMCC

Submitted by Roseann Troyer
TOBACCO ROOT MOUNTAINS
CARE CENTER

On the first day of marvelous May, we took a scenic bus ride to see how the Ruby Valley land lay. The Ruby Reservoir was sky blue and the large fields were green, gorgeous and populated with deer. It was a very relaxing jaunt. On our return trip, the Alder Market was where we stopped to refresh with ice cream, water and cheddar cheese.

The resident council meeting was the highlight for the day on May 5.

The ever-entertaining cloggers captured our attention on Thursday the 7th.

Family and friends joined our residents on Saturday May 9 for a wonderful afternoon of socializing. Our

dietary department put out a delicious variety of foods for our Mother's Day buffet. The auxiliary purchased several bouquets of fresh flowers for the tables. The activities department had an array of spring decorations placed throughout our care center. Our dining room resembled a spring garden with the pastel flowers and the spring colors worn by our guests and residents. It was a very festive way to spend the day.

The next week we celebrated National Nursing Home Week.

The 15th of May, several residents celebrated their birthdays (Lillian, Marge, Don and Dick). Mary Ola Churchwell from New Beginnings brought the lovely cake and gifts. Gail and Roseann, the activity department, served the

birthday party celebrants. Cottage Floral of Whitehall donated fragrant fresh flower corsages for the birthday people.

Fresh, puffy donuts were the treat for the day on the 21st of May. The activity department fried the raised donuts and residents coated them with powdered sugar or a mixture of cinnamon and sugar. The donuts were still warm when we passed them out. Needless to say, they did not last long.

A large, brightly painted mural adorned the wall of our spacious dining room for our senior prom. The high school art class created a colorful scene representing our theme, "You are my Sunshine." A huge thank you goes out to them. Six huge, yellow, smiling sun balloons outlined our fireplace while

sunburst tissue flowers brightened the remainder of our dining room and hallways. The Ruby Valley Boys and Barb arrived to get the party started and they did an excellent job. The floor had someone dancing for the duration of the celebration. At intermission time, chilled lemonade and decadent desserts were offered. Our prom afternoon went by in the blink of an eye. This event was held the 23rd of May.

Cold beer, creamy ranch dip and crisp chips were enjoyed by the residents that attended our happy hour on May 30. Those who attended also told funny jokes and stories about the good old days. It was a fun afternoon and now it is already June.

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FWP investigates two wolf poaching cases

Submitted by Andrea Jones
 MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks enforcement is investigating two incidents of poaching occurring in Southwest Montana in the last month. On May 10, a hiker found a dead wolf in the Gardiner area,

a couple hundred yards off Old Yellowstone Trail. FWP staff responded and determined the wolf to be a yearling female. It is estimated she was shot sometime between May 4 and May 7. Prior to May 4, several young wolves had been active in the Cutler Meadows area. Then, on May 23, an adult

male wolf was discovered shot dead at the Ruby River Long Creek Divide just north of the Centennial Valley at the intersection of Ruby Road and Forest Service Road 1216. It is estimated the animal was shot one or two days prior to being found. As with any species, it is

illegal to kill a wolf during a closed season. Penalties for doing so involve a citation and \$1,000 in restitution to the state of Montana. Anyone with information about either of these cases is asked to call 800-TIP-MONT. Callers may remain anonymous and may be eligible for a reward.

MANNERS MATTER: How to share the river

Submitted by Tom Palmer
 MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Montana's welcoming summer waters annually draw anglers, hikers, wildlife viewers, campers, floaters and boaters into the outdoors because it is still easy to have a great summer experience on Montana's rivers. The key is river etiquette – a mix of common sense, courtesy and respect – to minimize one party's impact on another party's good time. Here are some examples of basic river etiquette.

- Respect people's space and privacy – The point at

which someone feels crowded is subjective, but every outdoor activity requires space. On the river, maintain a reasonable space between you and other river users and initiate friendly communication when encounters are unavoidable. When pulling ashore, select unoccupied beaches and swimming areas whenever possible. Do not assume because it is a public space that strangers will welcome company. When passing people fishing on shore or from a boat, be quiet, and if safety permits, move to the opposite side of the river. Avoid floating through an area where anglers are fishing.

- Respect other people's time – Always be prepared to launch your boat before you get to the boat ramp. That may sound obvious, but who has found themselves waiting to launch behind someone who is loading gear into their boat while occupying the boat ramp? Have your gear organized and boats loaded and rigged – and once in the water, clear the launch area as quickly as possible.
- Keep it down – Excitement is what river recreation is about, so a few hoots and hollers are to be expected. But excessive whoops are in the same category as loud music and

noisy generators in camp. Keep noise levels down when others are nearby and when floating past residential areas.

- Respect private property rights – Respect the property rights of private landowners. Know your rights and responsibilities under the Montana Stream Access Law and stay below the ordinary high water mark. Keep dogs under control, respect ranchers' fencing and learn how to properly negotiate float gates and other portage routes.
- Respect wildlife – Taking proper care not to interfere with or displace wildlife has become a golden rule of outdoor etiquette in Montana.

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 May 31 – June 6, 2015

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Consider testing garden soil before fertilizing

Submitted by Sepp Jannotta
 MSU EXTENSION

Knowing about garden soil helps gardeners grow healthy plants, protect ground and surface water and efficiently use resources like nutrients, water and money. Soil nutrients and organic matter are important for a healthy garden. If plants are not thriving, soil nutrients could be lacking, out of balance or even too high. Adding fertilizer, compost or manure may not solve the problem or may actually make the problem worse if nutrients are in excess. "A good starting point is with a soil test," said Clain Jones, extension soil fertility specialist in the Department of Land Resources and Environmental Sciences at Montana State University. Early spring is the best time to sample because the results will best represent what is available to this year's plants. Plus there is time to make adjustments before the plants need the nutrients. Soil test reports generally provide recommended fertilization rates. Due to time and cost of a typical soil analysis (\$20-\$50), many gardeners

use standard fertilizer rates often given on fertilizer bags rather than soil tests. "If you are using standard fertilizer rates and your plants appear healthy, then your current fertilizer strategy is likely working," said Jones. Other soil properties to consider, aside from nutrient levels, are soil pH and soil organic matter. Most Montana soils are high in pH (greater than pH seven). "Although vegetables generally prefer pH levels between six and seven, they grow just fine in high pH soil," said Clain Jones. This is good, because little can be done to lower soil pH. Elemental sulfur lowers pH, but at a high cost and at the risk of increasing sulfate and soil salts to harmful levels. If your pH is below six, consider liming to increase soil pH. Many gardeners love to add organic matter to supply nutrients, keep soil loose and help hold water. "Yet, if the organic matter is manure or food compost, a garden can accumulate too much of a good thing," cautioned Clain Jones. One inch of composted manure adds more than 10 times the nitrogen and potassium annually removed

by vegetable harvest and 50 times the phosphorus. Excess nutrients, whether from organic material or conventional fertilizer, can be unhealthy for the plants and contaminate water. If your soil has high phosphorus and potassium, Jones suggests adding organic matter high in carbon, such as straw, dry leaves, wood-shavings or peat moss. However, these can tie up nitrogen for a few months, leaving insufficient amounts for the plants. Consider using urea, blood meal or legumes (beans, peas) in rotation to supply extra nitrogen. Unlike conventional fertilizers, compost supplies a diversity of nutrients at relatively low, unknown concentrations. Lab analysis can determine nutrient concentrations, but not with the same confidence as the label on a bag of pelleted fertilizer. A concern with compost is the potential for residual herbicides. If in doubt, conduct a simple test by comparing beans, peas or tomatoes grown in pots with and without the compost. If plants do not germinate, die young or have abnormal growth, the compost is likely contaminated. Compost slowly

decomposes and supplies nutrients, so it should be applied and turned into the soil in the fall. It can be used as very thin topdressing during the growing season. Liquid or pelleted fertilizers release their nutrients quickly and can be applied to the side of the seed row or early to mid-growing season. The foundation of a healthy garden is a healthy soil. Understanding soils leads to wise nutrient use, promotes maximum plant health and yields and protects our water and air. More information is available in a new SoilScoop publication (<http://landresources.montana.edu/soilfertility/soilscoop.html>). Montana State University Extension's MontGuide Home Garden Soil Testing and Fertilizer Guidelines outlines soil sampling and fertilizer calculations. There are many other MontGuides with gardening information and tips at MSU Extension Yard & Garden (<http://www.msuxextension.org/category.cfm?cid=5>). For more information on soil fertility, see Jones's website <http://landresources.montana.edu/soilfertility>, or contact Clain Jones at clainj@montana.edu or 406-994-6076.



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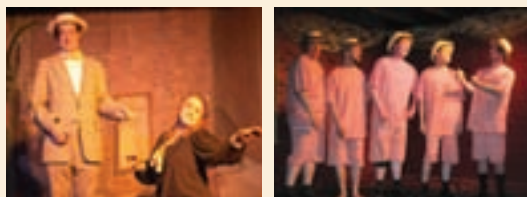
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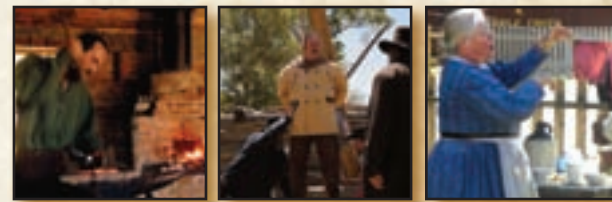
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WEDNESDAY JUNE 10

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. Meet at the Sheridan Library to discuss planning for upcoming events. We welcome anyone who is interested in volunteering for a one-time 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 - 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.

August Ore live at the Sheridan Farmers Market, Sheridan

August Ore brings his Americana music to the Sheridan Farmers Market. 5:30 to 7 p.m. Sponsored by Shovel and Spoon.

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, laughs and refreshments.

"Me and My Shadow" dinner theatre, Sheridan

5:30 p.m. dinnertime, show starts at 7 p.m. Be ready for a chair gripping, mind twirling world full of mystery. It is your fortune after all. Presented by Sheridan Drama Association.

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 a.m. or contact mtknaptons@gmail.com to sign up in advance.

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Mike Dowling concert, Virginia City

7 p.m., Elling 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 seventh 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 Kiwanis Park.

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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 Hay Saloon. Lectures. Bed races at 4 p.m. Costume Ball at 9 p.m. Music by Sam Platts 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.

Book signing, Sheridan

3 p.m., Kindred Spirits Gallery. Please stop by Kindred Spirits Gift Gallery for a book signing featuring Janet Kay and her novel Amelia 1868.

SUNDAY JUNE 21

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Pony Trot - 5K and 10K Run, Pony

7 a.m., Pony Park. The Pony Trot races take place in beautiful Pony Montana. Courses are a bit hilly with stunning views. Both races are run on dirt roads. The 5K is an out and back, and the 10K is a loop. Starting elevation for both races is 5,400 with the 10K peaking out at 6,300-ish. Unique awards are given for each top age group finisher and overall winners. Snacks and treats are provided at the finish. Small children and strollers are welcome on the 5K.

Lion's Fathers Day Fishing Derby and Picnic, Ennis
11 a.m., Lions Club Park. Fishing contest for kids 0 to 12. BBQ at noon.

Speaker, Sheridan

Kelsie Dufin will be serving in the Brazil Belém Mission, for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, from June 2015 to Dec 2016. She is the daughter of Shawn and Janet Dustin, graduated from Twin Bridges, class of 2014. All are invited to hear her speak at 10 a.m. at the LDS church, at 3560 Hwy 287 in Sheridan.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 24

Big horn sheep and mountain goats wildlife speaker series, Twin Bridges

Join us for this summer's Southwest Montana Community Speaker Series about Big Horn Sheep and Mountain Goats at the Madison County Fairgrounds. Bob Garrott of Montana State University will be presenting. A free community dinner will start the evening at 6 p.m followed by the presentation at 7 p.m. For more information and driving directions, contact Rebecca Ramsey at 406-842-5741 x 106.



NORRIS HOT SPRINGS

MUSIC THIS WEEKEND:
Fri 6/12 - Shea Stewart
Hill Country Blues/Americana
Sat 6/13 - Charlie Denison
Soul Troubadour
Sun 6/14 - Walerik
Folk/Bluegrass Duo

HOURS:
Pool & Cafe (September - May)
noon - 10 sat-sun
4-10 thurs-fri-mon

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REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

Commissioner's Meeting, Virginia City
Madison Co. Commissioners meet every Monday, unless noted, public welcome. 9:30 a.m. Annex Building

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 Broadway Annex.

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

WEDNESDAYS

Open Sew, Ennis
Open Sew with the Quilt Guild- open to the public from 2-5pm at Madison Valley Public Library

Open Table Tennis, Pony 7 - 9 p.m.
For all ages and skill levels - Two Tables At the Pony School Info @ 685-3481

TOPS, Ennis

Weekly weigh-ins are at 8:30am Meetings at 9am, MVMC in downstairs conference room. Jeanne, 682-3299

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

Grief Support Group, Ennis

Everyone welcome. Meets every Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Madison Valley Baptist Church

THURSDAYS

MV Women's Club FIRST THURS OF EA. MONTH
NO meetings June, July or August.

MV Manor Auxiliary Meeting, Ennis SECOND THURS OF EA. MONTH
1 p.m., Madison Valley Manor SunRoom

Sheridan Farmer's Market
4:30 - 6:30 pm at corner of Mill and Main.

Children's Summer Reading Program, Sheridan
10 a.m. every Thursday. Summer's theme: "Every Hero Has a Story". Sheridan Library

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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SUNDAY JUNE 14TH: JACK CREEK COYLES
FRIDAY JUNE 19TH: DAVE HORTON
SUNDAY JUNE 21ST: STEVE INGRAM
FRIDAY JUNE 26TH: QUENBY

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