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## BIG SKY INFRASTRUCTURE What to do with wastewater and workforce housing?

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Members of the Madison County Planning Board gathered in Big Sky Mountain Village on June 29 for the board's annual meeting. Partners from Big Sky Water and Sewer District, Lone Mountain Land

Company, Big Sky Chamber of Commerce, Big Sky Resort and more met with the board to discuss infrastructure issues, like wastewater and housing.

During the public comment portion of the meeting, Kevin Germain, vice president of planning and development for Lone Mountain Land Company, informed the board that Lone

Mountain Land Company has been working with the resort to update the area's overall development plan (ODP).

"We should have it ready for your review in September," Germain told the board.

Darlene Tussing, board vice president, thanked the group for persisting on creating an ODP.

"I want to say we are re-

ally appreciative that you guys are going through with this," Tussing said. "We know it's something needed in this area, so thank you for being proactive about it."

### Wastewater issues

"Area-wide, wastewater is an issue we've been talking about in Big Sky for a long

time," said Mike DuCuennois, with the Yellowstone Club. "We've recently made an effort to aggregate our overall development plans to create one, big, comprehensive plan."

The Big Sky area is made up of multiple partners – the Yellowstone Club, Spanish Peaks, Big Sky Water and Sewer District, Big Sky Resort, Moonlight

Basin and more. Originally, each of those entities worked independently to manage their own wastewater needs, but with Big Sky continuing to grow, the need for an all-inclusive plan arose, DuCuennois said.

"If the area builds up all its density in the next 10, 20 years, we will have a prob-

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## NEW STREET, NEW FUTURE



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FROM L: Karen Town, Mayor Tom Shaffer and Mace Anderson unveil the new main street with a ribbon cutting ceremony during the Sheridan Farmer's Market. The Main Street Improvement Team has worked toward completing the street project for 10 years.

## How Sheridan's Main Street may impact future growth

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Sheridan's new Main Street is beautiful, sure, but what does the project mean for the future of the town's downtown economy?

"How the new Main Street appears – wider, without potholes, the new lights – makes Sheridan a much more proud, presentable community," said Madison County commissioner Dave Schulz. "Already, there is the appearance that businesses and community

members want to work together to keep making Main Street more presentable and I find that to be incredibly valuable."

Schulz said he credits the town council and community members with a lot of the momentum he currently sees in Sheridan.

"I certainly wish them well and I will help them in anyway I can moving forward," he said.

Rob Gilmore, with the Northern Rocky Mountain Economic Development District, works with Madison County to increase opportunities for economic de-

velopment. Last Thursday, he met with around a dozen people in Sheridan to discuss the community's future.

"We were expecting about five or six people," Gilmore said. "But met with about 12. We introduced a draft economic development strategy."

That strategy includes two major pushes, according to Gilmore. The first is maintaining existing businesses in town, and the second is paving the way for enticing telecommuters.

"Sheridan has a lot to offer, so we need to understand how we can best support telecommuting individuals and companies," he said. "Whether it is infrastructure, like the new street, or just

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Caitlin Avey/The Madisonian  
Barb and The Ruby Valley Boys perform during last Thursday's celebration at the Main Street Park.



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The street project includes period style lampposts that line the new downtown.

## SHERIDAN SPEAKS

We reached out on Facebook and hit the streets in Sheridan to hear what the Ruby Valley community has to say about the new Main Street. Here's what we heard:

"One of the best things to happen in this town for a lot of years. Let's continue to work together and make more improvements to our great little town!" – Dan Kenworthy

"Looks great, but it could have been handled in a much less disrupting way." – Sam D. Maloney

"We love it! We've been waiting nine years for this – good work takes time." – Larry Moulson

"I think it's awesome. I love the lampposts and it is just an awesome addition to the community." – Janet Marsh

"Haven't seen it yet." – Lena Harris

"I think it's really wonderful and inviting." – Diane Kaatz

"It's pretty nice and it wasn't that much of an inconvenience for me." Allen Schallenberger

"We love the road. It gives Sheridan and wonderful facelift." Donna Gilman

"The crew was very cordial and we're lucky to have had them and to have this beautiful new street." – Conn Norling

## PUBLIC LAND? PRIVATE LAND? Patchwork land ownership at Ruby Reservoir Campground leads to confusion

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A patchwork quilt of Bureau of Land Management property intertwined with private land has led

to confusion at the Ruby Reservoir Campground, south of the Ruby Dam.

"The latrine, main boat launch and several of the main campsites are located on private property," said BLM public affairs specialist

David Abrams. "The campground at Ruby Reservoir is partially on private property."

BLM field manager Cornie Hudson said the toilets were placed years ago, and when the BLM later realized they were on private land, they


worked with the landowners to find a solution.

"It has never been an issue," she said. "But the long-time owners have passed away and it appears the kids are selling it off ... there's a for sale sign close to where the toilet is."

Hudson said the BLM is "exploring options" for dealing with the issue. Those options include a land exchange with the owners so the entire campground would be BLM land, or moving the toilets, which Hudson said is a last resort.

"(We) would love to buy that land, but it's hard for us now financially," she said. "Purchasing land is really, really low on our priority list. We just don't have the capacity."

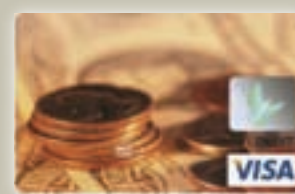
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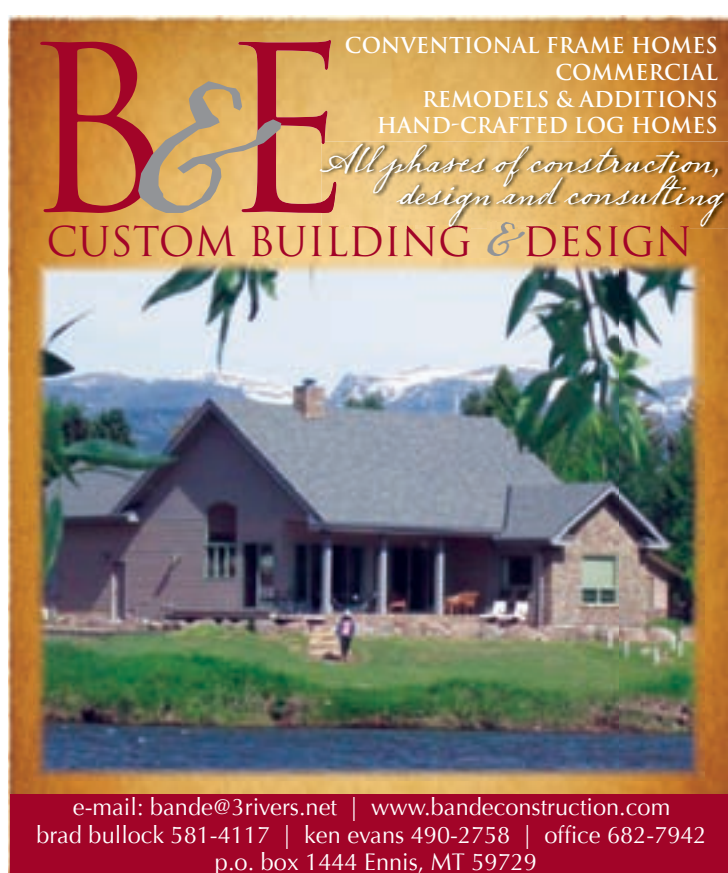


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lem with the sewer system," he said. "Before 20 years, we're going to have significant disposal issues in Big Sky."

Currently, 100 percent of Big Sky's wastewater is used as irrigation and 100 percent of Big Sky's solids are used as fertilization, according to Ron Edwards, manager of wastewater and sewer for the district.

"By the fall, our lagoons are nearly empty," he said. "But then we accumulate over the winter and if you see them in April, they are pretty full and we need to start irrigating."

Edwards agreed with DuCuennois, saying the area is estimated to be approximately 45 percent built out, so there will be an issue with storage in the future.

Germain said the work that has been completed on remedying the wastewater situation over the last nine months has focused on creating a "holistic plan to come up with a watershed approach."

"We've been focusing on quantifying the issue," he said. "The next step is solving it."

Edwards introduced a number of options that have been examined by engineers, from community drainfield systems, to creating snow out of the wastewater, to building

more lagoons and increasing irrigation areas, to surface discharge – essentially, treating the wastewater and directing it into the Gallatin River.

"There's negative imagery when you say 'discharge it into the Gallatin (River),'" DuCuennois said. "But the technology in the last 10 years has made it so the wastewater will be cleaner than what the water in the river is currently. It would benefit the river with instream flows."

Planning board member John Lounsbury asked if the planning process has included reaching out to other communities in similar situations, like Aspen or resort communities around Salt Lake City.

"They dump it into the river next to them," DuCuennois said. "But that sounds negative. Most (places) do that, but some also create snow with the wastewater."

Tussing asked if the group is looking at a single solution, or a combination of the ideas they brought up.

"No one is saying it should be one, sole answer," Edwards said. "We have a lot of different pieces."

**The housing question**

Kitty Clemmons from the Big Sky Chamber of Commerce spoke to the group about workforce housing – a

huge issue in the area.

"It is an issue important to (chamber members)," she said. "They have struggles attracting talent, staffing up and providing good customer service."

The chamber hired a group of economists who created a study that quantified the need for workforce housing – Clemmons said the study found that approximately 83 percent of Big Sky's workforce has to commute each day.

"That's bad for many reasons," she said. "Some of the payroll earned in this community leaks out of the area and doesn't help the businesses here. Our roads are overused, especially the canyon because most people live in the Bozeman area. A lot of the brainpower we have in our community leaves everyday."

Clemmons said creating housing for people who want to live in Big Sky year round is a critical issue and one that is difficult to solve because the cost of land and the cost of building are both expensive.

Currently, eight different landowners in Big Sky have given the chamber parcels of land to study – once one is determined as the best place for workforce housing, that site will serve as a demonstration project that could be replicated in other areas in Big Sky.

"Right now we're looking at October for having something," Clemmons said. "We hope to build something that includes owned homes, as well as rented."

In the next 15 – 20 years, Clemmons said the area will need around 600 units, which is a big goal.

"We're hoping that in the next 10 years, we can see 120 units that provide someone the opportunity to live here year round and contribute to our community," she said. "We believe we have a population of young, educated people who want to live here year round and who would help out our community. One good example is teachers. We have a high turnover of teachers because they can't find suitable housing and they move away."

John Fountain, planning board president, is the only member of the board who lives in Big Sky.

"I'm the only one from the top of the mountain here on the board," he said. "For our other members, we're hitting these problems first here, but I think it's going to happen down (in Madison County). Almost every one of these problems, like housing and wastewater, will hit Ennis and the other communities down there."

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the feel of the community."

Sheridan Mayor Tom Shaffer said one "crippling" factor in Sheridan is the fact that cell service in and around town is poor.

"We're trying to attract people but we can't even stand in our yards and have a conversation on our cell phones," he said.

Shaffer and the rest of the town council have an idea of how to remedy that problem, however. Shaffer said he is currently in negotiations with a cell phone provider that may place a new tower near town if "all the stars line up."

"We're in talks about adding a possible cell tower," he said. "There's no commitment yet, but we're talking about it. There will be more information coming soon."

**The value of Main Streets**

Gilmore said a lot of the benefits of an attractive, easy-to-navigate

Main Street are intangible.

"It's hard to put in measurable terms," he said. "But it is important. It makes people want to stop in town."

Tash Wisemiller is the Main Street program coordinator with the Montana Main Street Program, which is run through the Department of Commerce – Sheridan has a main street improvement team, which is a community-led group affiliated with the program. Sheridan's MSIT has been involved in the Main Street project for around 10 years, and even raised money to purchase the lampposts that line the street.

Wisemiller said the new street does not guarantee a boom in economic development, but it is certainly a success.

"When you look at an attractive main street as a component in a downtown, it is connected to many things – historic preservation, walkability, housing, eco-

economic development," Wisemiller said. "A street project is a foundational project in improving a community. It can make a community more attractive to residents and tourists, but also help attract and retain businesses."

Wisemiller brought up the example of Stevensville – a town that did a similar streetscape project a few years ago.

"(Stevensville) used similar funds, had a local improvement team and more," he said. "It's a quaint community in a beautiful location – similar to Sheridan – and their project really was a catalyst for further development opportunities."

Shaffer said though there were some "rough times" during the construction process, he has not heard anything negative since it has been completed. Shaffer also said Sheridan's economy suffers because people pass through town without stopping.

"We need to keep develop-

ing businesses that inspire people to stop," he said. "They drive by and think 'pretty little town,' but unless they need a soda or gasoline, they have no reason to stop."

Shaffer does think that attitude is changing, however – the Jensen's Market building recently sold and he said that could be the anchor for creating a turning point in town, something Gilmore agrees with.

"What is happening now is a sort of renaissance," Gilmore said. "There's a little renaissance going on in Sheridan for economic development, from the new street to the businesses in town now."

Shaffer said he believes Sheridan is a desirable place for new families and businesses, now the goal is to promote that.

"We're a step back in time – a small town," he said. "But we have modern amenities that people desire."

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Hudson said she has only recently heard about the new for sale signs, so she has not had time to reach out to the new owners, but plans to do so.

"The public should continue using (the facilities) until the private landowner puts

up a sign that says, 'private land, no access,'" she added.

**Fenced land**

North of the campground, other private landowners have been fencing their property, Hudson added.

"There may have been

some folks using it unknowingly before it was fenced," she said. "(Without getting on that land), the public can still access the reservoir."

Hudson said public access to the reservoir is a priority, and that access will not be closed off, even if the private

land at the campground sells.

"We still have access to the lake north of the toilet," she said. "There is another boat launch north of there that the public can use ... (if the land sells) there would still be public access to the lake, we would just have to move the toilets."



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The Madisonian

Parts of the Ruby Reservoir Campground – like the latrines, main boat ramp and multiple campsites – are on private land, not Bureau of Land Management land.

## How well do YOU know Madison County?

We got to spend some time exploring the forest last week – who can identify where we are here? 682-7755 with your guess!



This one must have been too easy for you, it is the Bear Creek School House. Thanks to everyone who called in and played – and congrats to Kathy Barnes from Ennis, who was our first caller! Kathy, head to Maples Coffee for your prize.

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## TRMCC NEWS Buchanan excited to improve facility

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Gary Buchanan took over as the administrator for the Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center on July 1. Buchanan, who moved to Montana in 1983, said he is excited to get to work at the nursing home, and already has a few ideas of things he wants to try.

"In a nursing home, we are pretty regulated so our hands are tied a bit," Buchanan said. "But we can work on culture change.

**"When someone tells them they are moving into a nursing home, as far as they are concerned, their life is over. We need to figure out how to convince them that their life is not over – it's still a good life."  
- Gary Buchanan, TRMCC administrator**

How do we change the culture of nursing homes? How do we make it more home-like? How do we make it a better place not only to live, but to work?"

Buchanan came to Montana as part of the coast guard – he worked as a coast guard recruiter for a few years before working for Veterans Affairs in 1991. Then, Buchanan attended Carroll College and got a nursing degree.

"I worked with psychiatric nursing for awhile and then worked for the state as a surveyor," he said. "That was my first introduction to Madison County and (TRMCC)."

As a surveyor, Buchanan traveled around the state surveying nursing homes for quality of care and facility conditions, according to Madison County commissioner Dave Schulz.

"He knows the facility, which gives him a leg up going forward," Schulz said. "He and Darcel (Cook), the administrator in Ennis, are acquainted and have worked together in several capacities and that's an asset too. Hopefully the two nursing homes can share a number

of decisions and discussions."

The Madison County commissioners advertised for the position of TRMCC administrator when former administrator, John Semington, submitted a letter of resignation effective June 30. The commissioners narrowed the field to three candidates and held interviews, ultimately offering the job to Buchanan last week.

"After being a surveyor, he has a background as a (registered nurse) for most of his career," Schulz said, explaining why Buchanan was offered the position. "He was a (director of nursing) in a number of long term care environments. He has a strong understanding of the value and importance of senior care living and nursing homes."

Buchanan was working in Townsend as a DON for two years when he decided to get his nursing home administrator license last year.

"Then (this job) came up and I thought (TRMCC) was the perfect place," he said. "They have a great staff – I know most of the staff and have known several for many years."

### Changing culture

When Buchanan talks about changing the culture of nursing homes, he emphasizes wanting to make TRMCC a positive place to live and to work.

"One area to look at is meals," he said. "Typically, we serve the three – breakfast, lunch and dinner, which means everyone has to get up in the morning and eat at the same time. In real life, we are not on the same schedule. There are things we can do differently."

Buchanan said he may even consider implementing a five meal plan, which would offer something for the residents who are early risers, but also accommodate those who want to sleep in.

"It's all about giving the residents more choices," he said. "I would like to see things done for the families of the residents too. We want people to come and visit, but also have fun while they're there."

Another thing Buchanan said he will emphasize is valuing all staff members.

"We undervalue and underutilize staff," he said. "The

CNAs, the ones who do all the hands on care, are often underutilized. They know the residents better than anyone and it is important to ask their opinion."

Buchanan said many people are unhappy when they have to move into nursing homes.

"When someone tells them they are moving into a nursing home, as far as they are concerned, their life is over," he said. "We need to figure out how to convince them that their life is not over – it's still a good life."



Gary Buchanan, Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center administrator

## SAYING GOODBYE

### After 24 years coaching, Harrison's Lisa Cooper turns in her whistle

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Coaching was always one of Lisa Cooper's goals. Lisa grew up in Troy, Mont., and attended college at University of Montana – Western in Dillon, graduating with a degree in health enhancement education and a minor in history.

While at Western, Lisa was a two-sport athlete, playing both volleyball and basketball.

"I wanted to be a coach since I was an athlete in high school," she said. "I student taught in Troy for a year and started coaching then. That first year was volleyball and track."

After two years coaching in Troy, Lisa found herself in Willow Creek, and she instantly started subbing at Harrison Schools and helped out then-Harrison track coach, Mike Savage.

Twenty-two years after joining the coaching staff at Harrison, Lisa is turning in her whistle and retiring as coach of three sports – volleyball, girls' basketball and track.

"It was a tough decision because I've always wanted to coach," Lisa said. "It took a lot of time to make the decision (to retire)."

The main factor in that decision is that Lisa's youngest daughter, Britt, graduated from Harrison in the spring and is attending Western next fall, playing basketball.

"I didn't want to miss any of her games," Lisa said. "Her games take place dur-

ing basketball season. I thought if I was deciding to step down from basketball, it would be easier to make a clean break."

While at Harrison, Lisa worked her way up from an assistant basketball coach to the role of head coach for three sports during the last two years – picking a favorite sport is impossible for Lisa.

"I just don't have a favorite," she said. "I can't choose. I like both volleyball and basketball a lot."

Both Lisa's daughters are athletes as well. Mykah graduated from Harrison High School in 2012 as an all-state volleyball player, and now Britt is on her way to playing college basketball.

"I think it pushed us both," Britt said about playing for her mom. "We wanted to be better for each other in both volleyball and basketball."

Britt said athletics have been an important part of her life since she was young – before she was school-aged, she would attend practices with her mother and from a young age, she knew she wanted to play college basketball.

Lisa said one of her favorite parts about coaching was being able to spend extra time with her daughters.

"I got to spend more time with my kids than most parents," she said. "I was with them before school, during school, at practice and on the way home."

When Lisa looks back on 24 years of coaching, one volleyball sea-

son stands out in particular.

The girls missed out on state – barely – with a team of six high school girls. Lisa brought Britt up from eighth-grade to play on the high school team and the girls competed all season without any substitutes.

"That group of girls was so close," she said.

"They called themselves the band of sisters. They were one of the tightest-knit teams."

Another season stands out in Britt's memory – two years ago the Harrison girls won district basketball.

"It was a really cool moment to share with my mom," Britt said.



Former triple-sport head coach from Harrison, Lisa Cooper, said she is hard pressed to say if she prefers coaching volleyball or basketball.

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## COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS

### Linda Holt takes over as county director of communications

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When Linda Holt moved to Madison County in 2008 and became a communications officer for the sheriff's office, she did not have any prior experience in law enforcement.

"I thought it would be tough," Holt said. "But it's a really rewarding job."

A communications officer is

a dispatcher – the people who receive and field 911 calls. Earlier this month, Holt was promoted to director of communications, meaning she oversees and coordinates all the dispatchers.

Former director Steve DiGiovanna resigned in May, according to Madison County Sheriff Roger Thompson.

"We advertised for the position back in May and ended up with quite a few applicants," Thompson said. "Then we

held interviews and made the decision to promote (Holt)."

Holt grew up in Idaho but moved to Montana, and more specifically Butte, in 1997. Her past jobs have given her managerial experience, customer service experience and background as a supervisor, which is why she thought she was a good candidate for the director role.

"I had a pretty good understanding of what the job entailed," she said. "And a

supervisor background."

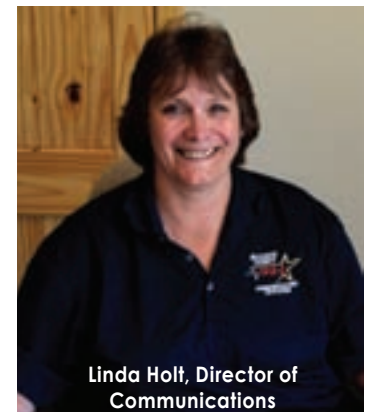
Holt said she enjoys working with the sheriff's office because the deputies are a "really, really good group."

"They are so dedicated to their jobs and the community," she said. "And we (dispatchers) get to talk to people in the county in their time of need – it's rewarding to talk them through that."

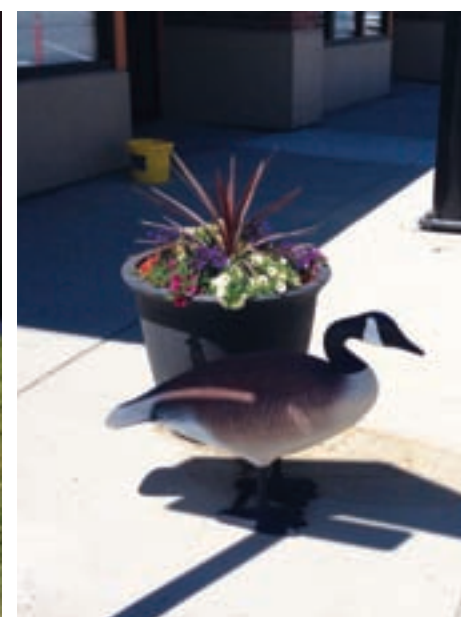
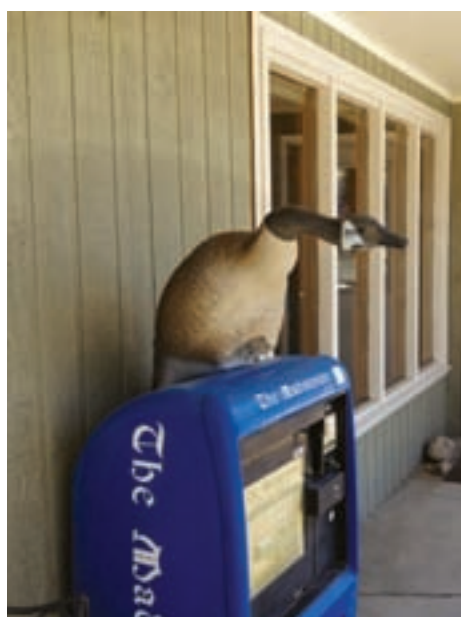
Holt's primary role is overseeing the dispatchers.

There are six communications officers and two supervisors in the department. She will also work closely with the county's disaster and emergency services department for training opportunities and more.

"June 16 was my first day," she said. "So far, it's just been a lot to bring together and work on. Not overwhelming, but busy. We have a great dispatch center and a good group so I'm excited."



Linda Holt, Director of Communications



**GOT GOOSED?**

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In the early morning hours of Tuesday, June 23, the town of Sheridan was goosed! Anyone know who the prankster is?

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## James (Jim) E. Clavadetscher December 27, 1950 - June 21, 2015



Jim was born Dec. 27, 1950, in Seattle, Wash., and passed away on June 21, 2015, in Salt Lake City from complications after undergoing open heart surgery.

After Jim's birth, his family resided in Great Falls and then later in Billings. Jim had a very diversified and satisfying life with many different careers. Jim graduated from Charles M. Russell High School in Great

Falls in 1969 and then attended the University of Montana and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in secondary education in 1973. While attending UM, Jim was a member of the ROTC and after graduation, Jim was a commissioned officer for the United States Navy. Jim was a Navy pilot until he had to leave the service in 1975 due to health issues. Jim also attended graduate school at Eastern Montana College in Billings during the years of 1974 - 1986. A different career was calling, so Jim received his Bachelor of Science in nursing from Montana State University in 1990. Jim has done many things with his nursing degree from working with the State of Montana, being a health facility administrator, director of nursing and safety and risk manager as traveler staff. Jim was dedicated to

the Shriners for many years, was in the Black Horse Patrol in Billings and served on the Shrine Board of Governors for six years. Jim was most recently working as a per-diem nurse at Madison Valley Medical Center.

Jim is leaving behind many that loved him and was surrounded by their love at the time of his death. He leaves behind his wife, Janine Gillan Clavadetscher of Ennis; son Jerred (Amanda) of Wyoming; daughter Kristin Hyndman of Billings; and son Keil Clavadetscher (Jessi) of Laurel from a previous marriage. Jim's life was blessed with grandchildren Andrew, Eli, Brandon, Carly, Lane, Bridger, Mitchell, Jackson and Grant. Jim is also survived by his brother, Carl J. Clavadetscher of South Carolina. He is also survived by his mother-in-law,

Mary Lou Gillan; brother-in-law, Mike Gillan; and sister-in-law, Kathy Jo Gillan.

Jim and his wife, Janine, enjoyed many things together, particularly camping, fishing and traveling. Jim remained a rabid Griz fan - GO GRIZ!

Jim is preceded in death by his father, Carl J. Clavadetscher; his mother, Madeline L. Clavadetscher; brother, John Clavadetscher; and his father-in-law, Gene Gillan.

A Celebration of Life will take place in Ennis at the Presbyterian Church on July 8 at 3 p.m. The family wishes donation in lieu of flowers to the following to Shrine Hospital of Spokane, Wash., Madison Valley Medical Center of Ennis and The American Heart Association. To send condolences visit [www.LEGACYFUNERALS.com](http://www.LEGACYFUNERALS.com).

## "Tad" Virge McDaniel July 30, 1911 - January 5, 2014

"Tad" Virge McDaniel, longtime resident of Madison County, will be interred in the

Ennis Cemetery, July 7, 11 a.m., next to her husband, JP McDaniel, and daughter, Jane McDaniel. The

family was residents and business owners in Madison County from 1938 - 1965. Tad passed away

Jan. 5, 2014, at the age of 102 1/2. Friends are welcome to join the family at the graveside service.



## Arlene Brown June 2, 1926 - June 29, 2015

The family of Arlene Brown would like to say thank you to the Madison Valley Medical Center and the Madison Valley Manor. Your care, as well as your caring hearts, made this

passing bearable. We are heartbroken, yet full of joy because Arlene lived her life according to God's words and daily direction. We know where she is right now. Services and for-

mal obituary will follow later this summer.

*Thank you again,  
Larry and Sandi Brown*

# & MORE NEWS:

## TRAIN DERAILMENT

### Union Pacific cars leave tracks near Glen

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Where the train tracks pass under I-15 north of Dillon, near Glen, a Union Pacific train was derailed on Sunday, June 28 around 2:15 p.m.

"It derailed five cars," said Tom Wagenknecht, Beaverhead County's disaster and emergency services coordinator. "One car was loaded with logs. Two were loaded with new cars,

and probably about four were absolutely destroyed. One car was loaded with fish meal, which didn't smell very good. And one was loaded with magnesium chloride, but nothing leaked."

Wagenknecht responded to the incident even though it was in Madison County because Beaverhead County has a mutual aid agreement with Madison County.

"(The derailment) was at the furthest westerly end of Madison County," he said. "We have a mutual aid agreement

for geographical reasons."

No one was injured in the derailment, but the incident is under further investigation because the cause is unknown, Wagenknecht said.

When the cars left the tracks, it slightly damaged the highway bridge and also started a small grass fire.

"It burned maybe one acre and was contained right away," Wagenknecht said. "Dillon Volunteer Fire Department (responded) and a (Depart-

ment of Natural Resources and Conservation) engine."

Wagenknecht said he closed the northbound lane of traffic on the highway for approximately one hour and a half to see if the damage to the bridge was superficial or structural - it was determined the damage was not structural and traffic was opened back up.

"Cleanup of the site will take several days," Wagenknecht told *The Madisonian* on Tuesday morning.

## ATV crash on Potosi Road

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Last Saturday night, a few hundred yards outside

of the Potosi Campground near Pony, a California man driving a four-wheeler left the road, went airborne and hit a rock, according to Montana Highway Patrol

Sergeant Marvin Reddick.

"He was thrown off the four-wheeler," Reddick said. "It happened around (9:50 p.m.) Saturday, and we got a call around (10:22 p.m.)."

Due to the driver's injuries, an air ambulance was called from Butte and the driver was airlifted to Bozeman, Reddick said. The crash is still under investigation.

## Lightning strike starts structure fire in south Madison

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The Madison Valley Rural Fire District was called out to respond to a "brush fire"

"Things are turning extremely dry and flammable at a rapid pace."  
- Shawn Christensen, MVRFD fire chief

in the south Madison at the Sundance Bench Subdivi-

sion last Saturday around 5:50 p.m., according to fire chief Shawn Christensen.

"We headed out there with our brush trucks, but the first on the scene said a lightning strike actually started a structure fire," Christensen said. "We changed plans and started organizing different trucks, but due to the road and lack of fuel mitigation around the house, we couldn't get our structure trucks in."

No one was at the home, which Christensen said is a seasonal structure.

"About 20 percent of it burned," he said. "Hebgen Basin (Fire District) and the Forest Service responded."

Since the firefighters could not get their large trucks near the structure, Christensen said it took around four and one-half hours to contain the fire.

Through a string of contact numbers, the owners were eventually notified in the early morning hours of Sunday, June 27.

#### Fuel Mitigation

Christensen said hom-

owners need to be aware the necessity of managing the fuels around their homes, especially this time of the year.

"Open burning in our district is over," he said. "Things are turning extremely dry and flammable at a rapid pace."

Christensen recommends that landowners mow to 100 feet out from around their homes and thin trees. He also said driveways should be wide enough to accommodate two pieces of fire apparatus at the same time, which is 24 feet wide.

## Single motorcycle crash results in air ambulance

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At 8:48 a.m. on June 23, the Madison County Sheriff's Office received a request for assistance from a motorcyclist whose friend crashed on Highway 359, northwest of Harrison.

"The guy who was following him said he didn't know what happened," said Harrison fire chief Joe Husar. "The guy just drove off the road and lost control. They were both riding motorcycles - big road bikes."

Husar and the Harrison Fire Department were the first responders along with Harrison QRU and the Whitehall Am-

bulance. The sheriff's office and Montana Highway Patrol were also on scene, according to Sheriff Roger Thompson.

The motorcyclist who was in the accident sustained head and neck injuries, and possibly a broken wrist, Thompson said.

"He was in critical condition when he left," Thompson said. "He was life flighted

to Great Falls, probably because of the head or neck injury ... they have a neurosurgeon up there."

"There will be more investigation," Thompson said. "It was a straight stretch of roadway, not a curve, and he just drifted off the shoulder and went down an embankment and crashed."

# & MORE NEWS:

## WELCOME to the NEIGHBORHOOD

L TO R CLOCKWISE  
All Photos Caitlin Avey/The Madisonian

**FROM L:** Frank Colwell and Jamie Rowe attend the Welcome to the Neighborhood speaker series last Wednesday in Twin Bridges. Attendees were treated to a free meal before the presentation.

**JUNOsmile, a band located out of Florida,** performed in the Lawrence Jeffers building prior to the speaker.

**From L:** Gusty Clarke, Sara Moore, Sue Carl and Emma Powers travelled from Ennis to attend the presentation.

**Robert Garroff from Montana State University** delivered a presentation about big horn sheep and mountain goats. Garroff has been researching these animals for more than 25 years.



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## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

### David and Diane Bricker: Giving back to the community through conservation



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The beauty that surrounds Madison County is what draws most people here – at least that’s how it worked for David and Diane Bricker. After vacationing in the area, the couple soon bought a house in Ennis and immediately became involved in the community.

“That first summer, I sold Fourth of July t-shirts on Main Street,” said Diane.

After chatting with other volunteers, the idea for a fly-fishing festival came about, and in 2003, the Ennis on the Madison Fly Fishing Festival was officially happening.

Soon after, the Madison River Foundation came to be. As co-founders of the MRF, David and Diane live by the foundation’s mission to “preserve, protect and enhance.” David and Diane were recently awarded the Friends of the Madison award at the MRF’s annual gala for their work and dedication to conservation.

“This world-class fishery inspires us to want to help make this place where we live even better than when we first arrived,” said Diane.

David was also recently recognized as a “community river hero” for his dedication to improving natural resources and volunteer work with the Madison Stream Team.

In addition to their conservation work, Dave and Diane work a weekly shift at Nearly New Shoppe and have adopted a stretch of U.S. Highway 287. “We enjoy picking up ‘treasures,’” Diane said.

Diane’s latest focus is working with the Madison Valley Medical Center Auxiliary Home Tour and Silent Auction on fundraising for the auxiliary.

When they aren’t busy giving back to the community, David and Diane enjoy working on their home, fishing the Madison and hitting the tennis court.

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# LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS



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 Lieutenant Governor Angela McLean – a Twin Bridges High School graduate – greets newly elected Boys State Lieutenant Governor JD Mehlhoff – a senior at Twin Bridges High School – at Boys State in Helena.

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June 7 - 13, 2015

June 21- 27, 2015

**June 7**

Missing Person in 2300 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder Criminal Mischief on Main St Ennis Animal Problem in Harrison Accident with Damage on Upper Ruby Rd MM 9 Alder Accident with Damage in 2300 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder Citizen Assist in Twin Bridges Animal Problem on US Hwy 287 MM 77 Harrison Welfare Check in 2300 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder Search and Rescue on Madison River/MT Hwy 84 Norris

**June 8**

Suspicious Person/Circumstance in 2300 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder Unfounded 911 Call in Virginia City Child Custody Dispute in Ennis Unfounded 911 Call in 300 Blk Gallatin St Harrison Animal Problem in Virginia City Child Custody Dispute in Ennis Traffic Complaint in Ennis Unfounded 911 Call at Silver Bow Ln/East Bench Rd Twin Bridges Fire at Electrical Station Laurin Suspicious Person/Circumstance on MT Hwy 84 MM 1 Norris Information Report-boat swamped in river at Browns Bridge Dillon Agency Assist in Ruby Valley Dog Complaint on Crofoot St Sheridan Suspicious Person/Circumstance in McAllister Alarm in 100 Blk South Meadow Creek Rd McAllister

**June 9**

VIN Inspection in 100 Blk Madison St Sheridan Traffic Complaint N of Twin Bridges Traffic Complaint between Nevada City and Virginia City Unfounded 911 Call in Pony Unfounded 911 Call in 200 Blk Johnny Ridge Rd Cameron Animal Problem in Harrison Scam Complaint in Ennis Unfounded 911 Call in 100 Blk W Wallace St Virginia City Scam Complaint in Virginia City Citizen Assist in 200 Blk Ruby St Sheridan Alarm in 1400 Blk MT Hwy 287 Cameron Unfounded 911 Call in 100 Blk W Wallace St Virginia City Suspicious Person/Circumstance in Twin Bridges

**June 10**

Animal Problem in Ennis Coroner Call on Mayflower Rd Whitehall Animal Problem in 300 Blk E Williams St Ennis Wildlife Complaint in 5100 Blk MT Hwy 41 N Silver Star VIN Inspection in 400 Blk Wray St Twin Bridges Accident with Damage at Cliff Lake Boat Ramp Cameron Unfounded 911 Call in Virginia City Unfounded 911 Call on W

Wallace St Virginia City Welfare Check in 200 Blk Ruby St Sheridan Scam Complaint on Wisconsin Creek Rd Sheridan Citizen Assist in Virginia City Medical Aid for Ruby Valley Hospital Sheridan Accident at Ball Park in Sheridan Animal Problem on MT Hwy 287 MM 40 Twin Bridges Unfounded 911 Call in Virginia City

**June 11**

Citizen Assist in 300 Blk Jefferson St Sheridan Trespassing Complaint in Twin Bridges Unfounded 911 Call on Wallace St Virginia City Alarm on Riverwood Dr Ennis Fire/Vehicle on MT Hwy 359 MM .55 Cardwell Welfare Check on 66 Ranch Rd Ennis Traffic Complaint in Virginia City Citizen Assist in Virginia City Citizen Assist on Revenue Flats McAllister Traffic Complaint in Virginia City Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 41 Twin Bridges Suspicious Person/Circumstance on US Hwy 287 MM 43-44 Ennis Suspicious Person/Circumstance at Hells Canyon USFS Campground Twin Bridges Assault in Sheridan

**June 12**

Unfounded 911 Call on Main St Ennis Alarm in 100 Blk E Main St Ennis Traffic Complaint on Crofoot St Sheridan Alarm in 100 Blk MT Hwy 287 Ennis Officer Advice in Sheridan Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 41 S Twin Bridges Unfounded 911 Call on W Wallace St Virginia City Unfounded 911 Call in Harrison Suspicious Person/Circumstance on Mill Creek Rd Waterloo Suspicious Person/Circumstance at E Hugel St and Third St Ennis Dog Complaint on Keary Ln Sheridan

**June 13**

Coroner Call in Whitehall Coroner Call in Ennis Officer Advice in 300 Blk S Main St Twin Bridges Suspicious Person/Circumstance in Sheridan Wildlife Complaint in 400 Blk Mill St Sheridan Dog Complaint in 3400 Blk MT Hwy 287 Sheridan Suspicious Person/Circumstance in Pony Animal Problem in Ennis Medical Aid in 400 Blk Ruby River Dr Sheridan Suspicious Person/Circumstance on Main St Ennis Theft in Upper Ruby Traffic Complaint in Cameron Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 55 McAllister

Animal Problem in 200 Blk Ruby St Sheridan Citizen Assist in Shining Mountains Ennis Suspicious Person/Circumstance on Revenue Flats Norris

**June 21**

VIN Inspection in 100 Blk Antelope Meadows Rd Ennis Alarm in 300 Blk E Main St Ennis Trespassing Complaint at Upper Ruby Rd/Sweetwater Rd Alder Alarm in 100 Blk Ruby Creek Rd Cameron Animal Problem in 200 Blk Madison St Sheridan Traffic Complaint in 300 Blk E Main St Ennis Traffic Complaint in Virginia City Citizen Assist in Virginia City Criminal Mischief in 400 Blk Varney Rd Ennis

**June 22**

Missing Person in Ennis area Animal Problem on MT Hwy 287 MP 20 Alder Traffic Complaint in Sheridan Theft Complaint on Comleyville Rd Ennis Animal Problem on US Hwy 287 MP 11 Cameron Animal Problem on Granite Creek Virginia City Public Safety Complaint on Carey Ln Sheridan Unfounded 911 Call in 100 Blk W Wallace St Virginia City Fire - Other in 400 Blk E Idaho St Virginia City Citizen Assist at Alder KOA Alder Suspicious Person/Circumstance at Red Mountain Campground Norris Unfounded 911 Call on W Wallace St Virginia City

**June 23**

Theft Complaint in Sheridan Citizen Assist in 400 Blk Mill St Sheridan Accident with Injuries on MT Hwy 359 MP 10 Harrison Wildlife Complaint on Jack Creek Rd Ennis Unfounded 911 Call in Virginia City Suspicious Person/Circumstance in 500 Blk N Bridge St Twin Bridges Wildlife Complaint on Jeffers Loop Rd Ennis Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MP 49 Ennis

**June 24**

Agency Assist in Big Sky Alarm in 100 Blk E Main St Ennis Animal Problem on US Hwy 287 MP 64 Norris Unfounded 911 Call in Virginia City Trespassing Complaint in Alder Burglary in 200 Blk W Wallace St Virginia City VIN Inspection in 200 Blk Tuke Ln Twin Bridges Welfare Check in 300 Blk S River St Twin Bridges Suspicious Person/Circumstance in 100 Blk Patrick Ln Sheridan Unfounded 911 Call on Jensen Rd Cameron

Alarm on Beach Canyon Rd Alder Trespassing Complaint on Jessica Ln Sheridan Animal Problem in Virginia City

**June 25**

Unfounded 911 Call in 100 Blk W Wallace St Virginia City Accident with Damage on W Main St Ennis Unfounded 911 Call in Virginia City Alarm in 100 Blk S Main St Sheridan Unfounded 911 Call on W Wallace St Virginia City Citizen Assist in 200 Blk E Main St Ennis Wildlife Complaint on Wisconsin Creek Rd Sheridan Juvenile Problem on Wisconsin Creek Rd Sheridan Animal Problem on US Hwy 287 MP 25 Cameron

**June 26**

Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MP 34 Cameron Suspicious Person/Circumstance at Norris Dump Norris Citizen Assist on S Meadow Creek Rd McAllister Accident with Damage on Lockheed Rd Ennis Fire - Structure in 1100 Blk Ruby River Rd Sheridan Unfounded 911 Call on Fish Hatchery Rd Ennis Disturbance on Fish Hatchery Rd Ennis Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 Ennis


**June 27**

Unfounded 911 Call in 100 Blk E Main St Ennis Suspicious Person/Circumstance on Tuke Ln Sheridan Unfounded 911 Call in Virginia City Abandoned Vehicle in 200 Blk Seyler Ln Twin Bridges Animal Problem at MT Hwy 359 & US Hwy 287 Harrison Alarm in 100 Blk Main St Ennis Suspicious Person/Circumstance at Ennis Trade Center Ennis Welfare Check on Cut-off Rd Whitehall Alarm in 300 Blk E Main St Ennis Fire - Fire Alarm on Windy Pass Ln Ennis VIN Inspection at US Hwy 287 & Pony-Harrison Rd Pony Unfounded 911 Call on Cottonwood Ln Ennis Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 8 June 21 - 27, 2015 MP 4 Norris Criminal Mischief at Mayflower Bridge Cardwell Drug/Narcotic Activity at Warm Springs Boat Launch Norris Fire - Lightning Strike on Sundance Bench Rd Cameron Fire - Structure on Sundance Bench Rd Cameron Dog Complaint in 600 Blk Nicole Way Ennis Animal Problem in Twin Bridges Medical Aid at S Willow Creek Rd & Potosi Rd Pony Dog Complaint in Sheridan

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Submitted by Tom Palmer  
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and dirty barbecue grills. "When bears encounter easy neighborhood food sources, they often have a hard time returning to natural food," said Ron Aasheim, FWP spokesman in Helena. "The only solution is to keep bears from becoming interested in your backyard. A conditioned bear will travel miles to get back to a garbage can." Aasheim suggests that

the following small precautions can go a surprisingly long way to deter bears from visiting one's backyard:

- keep pet food inside,
- clean dirty barbecue grills,
- take down bird feeders,
- make sure the compost pile is not laden with food scraps,
- keep garbage in bear-resistant garbage cans or in a secure building un-

til trash collection. Experience shows that bear conflicts decrease as more residents learn what attracts bears and how to keep these things out of a bear's reach. To learn more about bear proofing backyards and neighborhoods, and what systems, such as bear-resistant garbage cans or electric fence kits, may be needed to keep attractants off-limits, visit or call the nearest regional FWP office.



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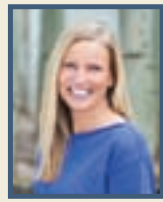


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Courtesy of Kaitlin Sonderer

**Students from the Artemis Institute** present plans for the new playground features at Ennis Community Children's School, including new shaded sandbox area, outdoor garden and climbing structure. The project will be complete by the end of July. The Artemis Institute students from all over the world will be camping in Ennis while they construct their design.

# BIG PLANS

## Summer forecast has FWP keeping close watch on streams

Submitted by **Tom Palmer**  
MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

With higher than normal temperatures forecast this summer – and snowpack runoff depleted a month ahead of schedule – Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks is gearing up now to protect fish from the life-threatening stress of low flows and elevated water temperatures.

“In many areas we’re seeing stream flows fall below average for this time of year, and some that are the lowest ever recorded,” said Stephen Begley, a water conservation specialist for FWP in Helena.

The situation is particularly grim in northwestern Montana. Following the warmest May on record in areas near Kalispell, United States Geological Service data show stream flows across northwestern Montana have already dropped well below normal.

Low flows, high water temperatures and competition for space and food stress most fish, and especially trout. Fish are often physically compromised and can die from the higher water temperatures, lower oxygen levels and disease – all health threats that can adversely affect trout numbers in future years.

To mitigate drought conditions, FWP sometimes employs

certain fishing restrictions and maintains state-owned instream water rights, some granted to the citizens of Montana nearly 50 years ago. These water rights are aimed at keeping enough water in a stream to keep fish healthy.

For instance, last week FWP informed junior water-right holders on Young Creek, a Lake Koocanusa tributary three miles south of the Canadian border, that they may be asked to reduce or stop their water diversions. The request could come if stream flows fall below five cubic feet per second – FWP’s instream flow water right from July through December. Young Creek was flowing

at 8 cfs on June 23, the most recent weekly reading available.

Similarly, FWP administrators Murphy Rights on twelve streams reaches to protect stream flows; has public-recreation claims on the Beaverhead and Bitterroot rivers and in the Blackfoot/Clearwater drainages; and manages water reservations in the Yellowstone and Missouri river basins. FWP also works with a number of local watershed groups to help carry out community drought plans on the Big Hole, Blackfoot and Jefferson rivers.

When the need arises to reduce impacts on drought-stressed fish, FWP also can limit fishing hours to midnight

to 2 p.m. – commonly called a “hoot owl” regulation.

“Anglers could see hoot owl fishing restrictions on some streams this summer if drought conditions persist,” Begley said. “A full fishing closure is also an option if conditions warrant such restrictions.”

FWP’s drought policy provides for the use of angling closures when flows drop below critical levels for fish, when water quality is diminished or when maximum daily water temperatures in a stream reach at least 73 degrees for three consecutive days.

The preferred water temperature for rainbow and brown trout is about

55-57 degrees. Water temperatures of 77 degrees or more can be lethal to trout.

“Fishing in the cool morning hours helps reduce catch-and-release mortality,” said Bruce Rich, chief of FWP Fisheries Division in Helena. “Because Montana generally doesn’t stock rivers and streams with hatchery fish, we work hard to protect our wild fish and each stream’s wild brood stocks. Those are the fish that will spawn this fall and next spring.”

Should they become necessary, information about angling restrictions and closures will be posted on FWP’s website at [fwp.mt.gov](http://fwp.mt.gov).

## Twin Bridges alumni scholarship awardees

Submitted by **Verta Dorseth**  
TWIN BRIDGES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Twin Bridges Alumni Association is proud to announce the recipients of the 2015 scholarships. The alumni association is able to award these scholarships yearly to deserving graduates of Twin

Bridges High School who are pursuing further education in a trade school, or two or four year college institutions because of the generosity of the alumni who believe in the power of helping others from Twin Bridges High School better themselves.

The \$500 salutatorian

scholarship went to recent graduate Josh Kneeland, son of Krista and Keith Kneeland of Whitehall. Josh will be attending Brigham Young University at Provo, Utah, this fall.

The \$700 scholarship went to Katie Hall, daughter of Art and Sue Hall of Sheridan. Katie plans to pursue a degree

in music from the University of Montana this fall.

The alumni association is excited to be able to award two \$1,000 scholarships this year. The first recipient is Bailey Escott, daughter of Dana and Shane Escott of Twin Bridges. Bailey will be in second year at the College of Great Falls

with her major course of study being accounting. She is also a very active member of the rodeo team at UGF.

Tyler Lott, son of Rob Lott and Kathy Lott of Twin Bridges, is the second \$1,000 scholarship recipient. Tyler attends school at Montana Tech and is pursuing a degree in engineering.

We congratulate the winners and are thankful for the continuous support given by our alumni. These scholarships are given out each year and we encourage all graduates of TBHS that are in academic good standing to apply. The application form can be requested at [tbhsalumni@hotmail.com](mailto:tbhsalumni@hotmail.com).

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# FIGHT BACK

Submitted by Taylre Sitz  
MADISON COUNTY BIO-CONTROL

Leafy spurge, spotted knapweed, diffuse knapweed and more. If you are suffering from an attack of the weeds, then I have some good news for you. Madison County Bio-Control is back at it for its 12th summer of fighting noxious weeds. We use host specific insects to combat weeds such as spotted knapweed and leafy spurge. We have seen great results the last couple of years and are very excited about the visibly reduced knapweed on particular sites. The insects are thriving and working hard in the fight against noxious weeds in Madison County.

MCBC mainly focuses on spotted knapweed. We have been working at cleaning up our insectaries where we raise the root boring knapweed weevil *Cyphocleonus*. Our insectaries are used solely for raising this weevil, which is an excellent tool in destroying knapweed. It is great to see so many knapweed plants perish from the effects of the root boring weevil larvae. These weevils will emerge as adults from August to September and will keep us quite busy releasing them all over the county. *Cyphocleonus* is not the only insect we collect and distribute, however. Another knapweed insect available is *Larinus* (knapweed seedhead weevil). The seedhead weevil is a hungry little creature that eats the seeds in a knapweed seedhead, thus limiting its reproduction. *Larinus* collection ranges from late June to early July.

Over the past couple of years, we have begun dealing with leafy spurge. We are fortunate to not have a major leafy spurge epidemic in Madison County, but there are significant infestations. The insects used in managing leafy spurge are *Apthona* flea beetles and a spurge root boring beetle, *Oberea*. Both species are collected from June to July. Two summers ago, we released over 200,000 *Apthona* beetles in the Bear Trap Canyon to attack the leafy spurge populations. We were shocked at the impact these

beetles have made as we were monitoring earlier this month.

We, at MCBC, have also been hard at work learning. After meeting with the regional biocontrol expert, Carol Bell Randall, we are reconstructing our program to adapt to new information. We are currently setting up a standard for releases that involves making the initial release, two augments and then allowing the bugs to populate and do their work while we continue to monitor and reassess the infestation. Insects will never fully eradicate noxious weeds from a site, but are quite successful in managing a weed population over time so that native plants have a chance to compete.

All of these insects work great in areas that are not conducive to spraying, such as along waterways, around trees, etc. We firmly believe in integrated pest management with the insects being a very useful tool to include in your weed management program. We encourage landowners to spray noxious weeds when they can. Spraying works well with the insects when done either in early spring or late fall. The

adult insects emerging in late spring or early summer will have laid their eggs which will develop into larvae by early fall. Spraying around the insects' lifecycles supplements their weed control efforts. We promote grazing noxious weeds appropriately, pulling weeds, mowing and spraying weed borders all year round.

Our crew will be hard at work on the fight against noxious weeds all summer long. We will make a trip to Ravalli County to collect *Cyphocleonus* in large numbers toward the end of July. These root borers have been well established in Ravalli County for over 30 years. They are reproducing at astounding numbers, and Ravalli landowners are seeing dramatic results on their knapweed infestations. We will distribute our collections to new sites and to increase the numbers in previous sites around Madison County. We will also be monitoring our existing release sites to update our database of releases made in the county. If you have received releases in the past, expect a call from MCBC in June or July. We will be glad to monitor your insect/weed

population and help you decide the best plan of action to take. We greatly appreciate the support of our past landowners and are looking forward to working with new landowners this summer.

Our program sponsors this year are the MVRG Weed Committee, Ennis Schools, Bureau of Land Management, the Madison County Weed Board, private landowners and a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Service. Without generous funding from these organizations, our program and service to Madison County would not be possible. We certainly appreciate their continued support.

Please contact us here at the MCBC if you would like to be on our landowner list or to visit with us about our program. Mellissa Newman is the program coordinator with veteran crew members Taylre Sitz and Jourdain Klein. We can be reached via email at [mellissan@hotmail.com](mailto:mellissan@hotmail.com) or by calling 581-4300. You may also call Melissa Griffiths at the Madison Valley Ranchlands Group Weed Committee at 682-3731.

Jourdain Klein and Taylre Sitz collect flea beetles.



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We are fortunate to have outstanding teachers and staff members who came together to help the school move forward. They were willing to put things behind them for the betterment of the school and students.

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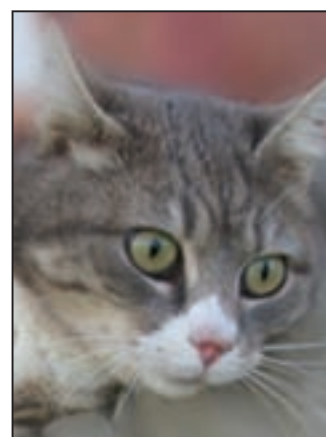
## FUN IN THE SUN

Submitted by Melody Clark  
Madison Valley Manor

Madison Valley Manor residents enjoyed the week and spent lots of time in the sunshine pursuing activities. Fifteen residents strolled down Main Street to the Lion's Park for a delicious picnic. Meals on Wheels folks joined the residents for lunch. On Friday, some of the residents went for a beautiful drive up through Virginia City then returned to Ennis to eat lunch downtown.



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*Quote of the Week:*

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## FROM PONY to CAMEROON

### Jerry Ohs takes his water filter creations to those in need

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A light summer breeze whisks through Pony, nestled on the eastern edge of the Tobacco Root Mountains. The tall grass sways in the breeze and you can hear the creek softly rushing nearby.

"It was hot," said Jerry Ohs, speaking about a recent trip to Africa from his home in Pony. "You had to drink three liters a day to stay hydrated."

Ohs recently returned from his ninth trip to the northwest region of Cameroon in Central Africa. Depending on the season, temperatures can reach 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

Ohs volunteers his time and money to build portable water filters, which provide clean drinking water to various villages throughout Cameroon.

"I always saw the need for clean water," Ohs said after taking his first mission trip to Papa New Guinea in 2003.

Although he started out doing construction work on the trips, Ohs said he was always interested in the idea of providing clean drinking water.

After attending conferences in Calgary, Alberta, he met a man whom he says, "got him hooked" on the idea of portable water filters.

"I've poured probably 20 molds just developing the prototype," Ohs said.

Ohs has always liked handy work and carpentry. Originally from Malta, he has been a rancher and farmer his whole life and has many interests. He likes working with sheet metal and other various metal work, and he built the log home he and his wife, Donna, currently reside in.

He developed a round mold that was more convenient than the square prototypes he learned about at the conferences. Ohs's molds, on average, weigh around 38 pounds. Square molds can weigh upward of 200 pounds and are not nearly as portable.

The molds consist of sand, which water filtrates through. Fifty percent of bacteria is filtered out through the sand while the other 50 percent is filtered out by a biological layer that naturally forms in the top two inches of sand. A simple garden hose acts as a brace for a diffuser

plate, which allows the water to percolate evenly through the sand. The whole process takes about 45 minutes to complete.

"Everything can be developed onsite and I can carry it on the airliner versus having to ship it," Ohs said.

Providing clean drinking water is the main purpose of Ohs's trips, but he wants the villages he visits to be knowledgeable of the process, and follows the "teach a man to fish" proverb.

"Our aim is to teach so they can do it themselves," Ohs said. "It's a slow but very rewarding process."

Locals from the villages are invited to attend classes to learn about the process of filtering water and to learn how to build their own. They are taught the importance of clean drinking water and how to repair broken wells and filters. They can purchase any parts they need in the local store and can build a filter for around \$30. Most villages also have access to a local contractor to help assist with production and help with digging wells.

Until recently, most wells were dug out by hand and could be as deep as 90 feet. On his last trip, Ohs and his team tested a drilling rig they constructed to help speed up the process. With the help of a drilling rig, locals can have a complete well in a week instead of the usual four to six weeks it takes by hand.

Ohs not only developed a mold for water filters, but also for cooking stoves. Currently, locals in Cameroon use a three-stone coal stove that produces smoke, which is harmful to residents. Ohs developed a mold made out of a gallon drum bucket and introduced cooking with twigs to prevent smoke damage. Locals can build their own stoves for around \$6.

Ohs works in collaboration with Wycliffe Associates, an international volunteer organization that manages mission trips and volunteer work abroad. Wycliffe Associates has volunteers all over the world. Through the Internet and apps such as Skype, team members are able to meet and communicate on projects.

Every trip has been funded out-of-pocket and through donations and fundraising events.

"It's rewarding to see the smiles on their faces when they have clean water," Ohs said. "I know what I'm doing is important."



Caitlin Avey/The Madisonian  
Ohs demonstrates the water filtration process on a prototype he built in his shop in Pony.

"I always saw the need for clean water."  
-Jerry Ohs



Courtesy Jerry Ohs  
Ohs (R) and Ambe install a casing that will circulate water into the drill stem. The drilling rigs allow wells to be completely dug in about a week's time.



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Directions for how to operate and install filters and pumps can be found in the local store in villages throughout Cameroon.



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Concrete cooking stoves are made from a gallon drum bucket mold. Cooking with twigs instead of coal helps prevent harmful smoke inhalation and damage.

# HEALTH & WELLNESS

## Parents: Inspire kids to create their own adventures

Submitted by StatePoint

Getting kids to be more active and motivated for outdoor adventure can be a challenge in today's world of cool technology. With so many compelling reasons to stay indoors, like smartphones and streaming video, how do you convince your little ones that the great outdoors is, well, great?

Here are a few ideas to inspire outdoor play and even to use their love of technology to help lure them outdoors:

**Plan a scavenger hunt**  
Turn a simple day

outside into an exciting adventure. Create a thematic challenge that can be carried out in the yard or a nearby playground and set the kids loose for a mental and physical challenge.

Use your kids' interests to get them motivated to participate, or help foster a new interest by having kids seek out specific items in nature.

**Mix things up**

Your own backyard can be home to new and exciting adventures every day, especially for children with active imaginations. Nevertheless, kids will welcome an opportunity

for a change of scenery. From the playground to the pool to the skate park, take kids on mini field trips whenever you get a chance.

**Build confidence**

For many, a lack of confidence may be a barrier to getting involved in neighborhood pick-up sports and other local activities outdoors. Bear this in mind and strive to build your child's confidence.

Even if your home possesses a state of the art home theater and all the latest gadgets, with a few simple strategies, you will have kids off the couch and begging to play outside.



## Tips to throw delicious summer birthday parties for kids

Submitted by StatePoint

Nothing beats the anticipation of your birthday when you are a child. But once school's out, it can be tough to gather all your child's friends due to summer camps and family vacations.

To combat this perennial summer birthday concern, some parents throw a big party during the school year and another smaller family shindig on the actual date. Others make sure the day is full of surprises, including yummy, unforgettable treats.

Here are some great ideas to make the day extra delicious, from lifestyle and entertaining experts:  
**Sundae tea party**

Inspired by the spirit of the tea parties most girls love so dearly, Dawn Sandomeno and Elizabeth Mascali, co-founders of The Party Blueprints Blog, are sharing tips for a tea party with an ice cream sundae twist. This birthday party idea is perfect for summer and can be hosted indoors or out.

Set a table with personal sundae stations for each guest. Each setting should have its own parfait glass with ice cream and three soup spoons or tasting spoons with toppings.

Choose traditional options like sprinkles, mini-marshmallows and flavored syrups or try something new like fresh fruit, pretzels or

popcorn. Then add some fun by placing several cans of Reddi-wip on the table so each child can spritz her sundae herself. Just beware: whipped topping with real cream can go fast, especially with sugared-up fingers on the button, so have enough on hand.

For a fun setting, build your tablescape on a coffee table and provide colorful pillows for seating. Polka dots and stripes can evoke the vibe of a retro sundae shop.

Above all, show your child how special he or she is by celebrating the big day together. These memories can be the biggest treat of all.

## Ways to make life on the go easier

Submitted by StatePoint

If you are constantly on the go, it is important to remember to take care of yourself and your family. Whether you are carting around kids or making your daily commute, there are a few ways to make your busy life a little easier.

**Make 'me' time**

Make sure to reserve time for you. It is easy to get caught up in the daily grind of appointments, meetings, social obligations and chores. Set aside time every day to do something that puts you first. Whether it is listening to relaxing music, going to a yoga class, having coffee with a friend or watching a favorite T.V. show, do something that helps balance your day.

**Shop smart**

With the high cost of

gas and limited time for shopping, every stop counts. Maximize your time and dollar by shopping at a discount retailer where you can pick up an assortment of staples in one stop.

**Automatic renewal programs**

Consider signing up for automatic renewal programs to ensure items you use and replenish most often are delivered directly to your home on a schedule you determine. You can order items like coffee, diapers, pet food, cleaning supplies on a weekly, monthly or bi-monthly basis.

While these programs can help you save time, they often come with special discounts to help you save money too.

**Easy meals**

Preparing daily meals can be just as time consuming to plan as they are to cook. On your busiest days, cooking simple and tasty meals can help you unwind and give you additional time to prepare for the next day.

When you are constantly on the go, making smart and savvy choices can help you save time and money.

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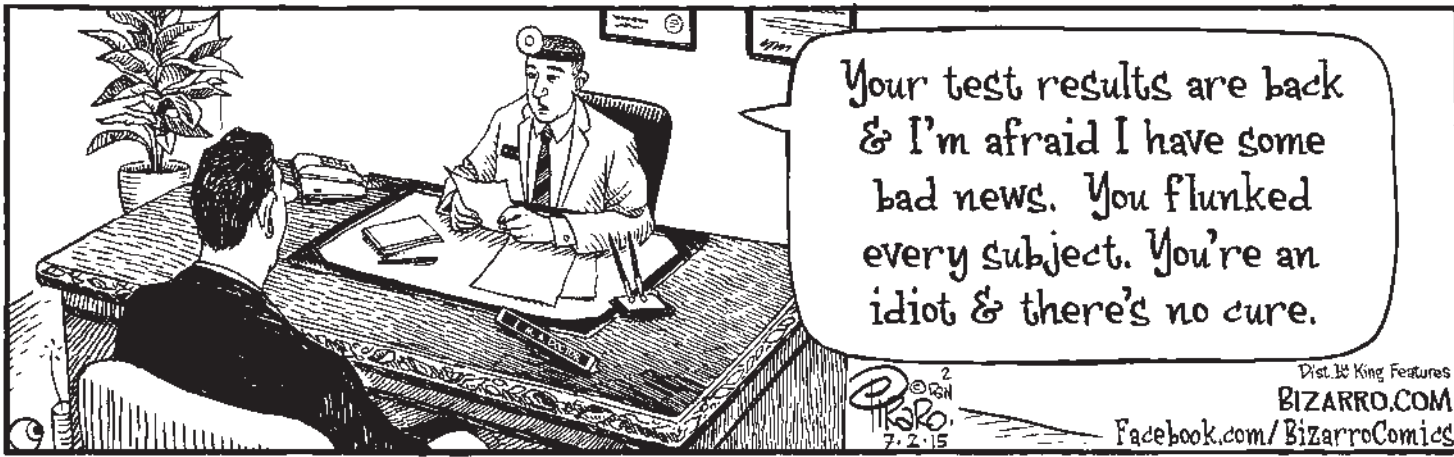
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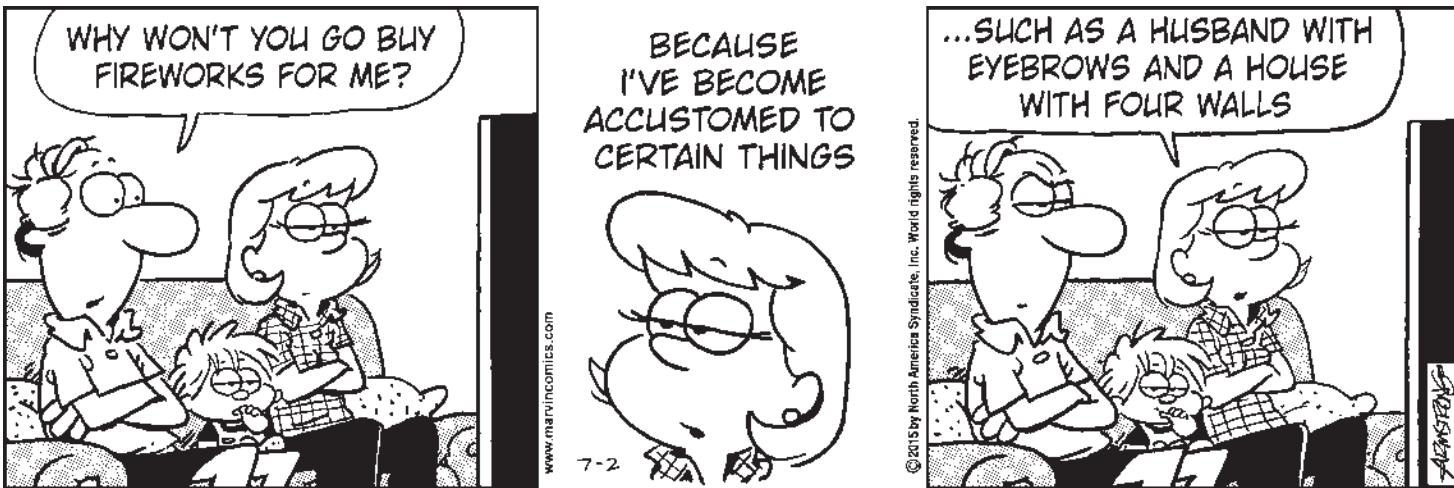
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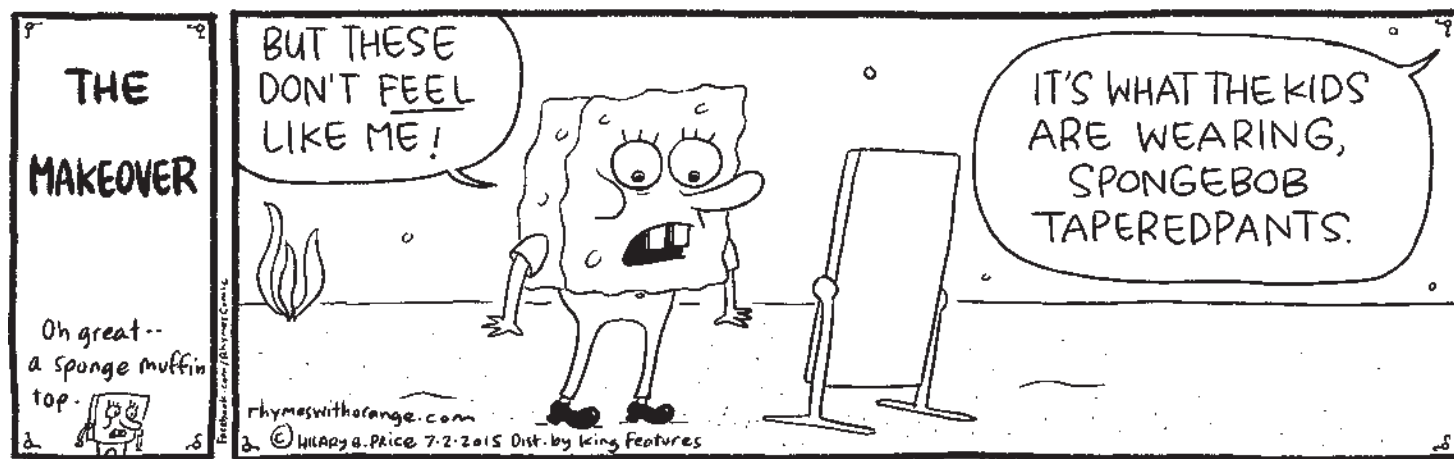
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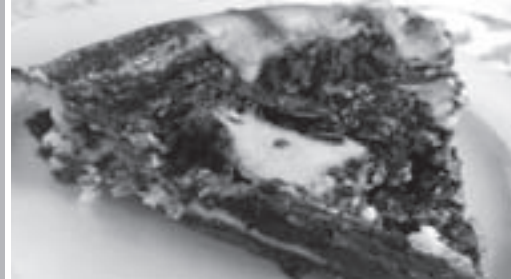
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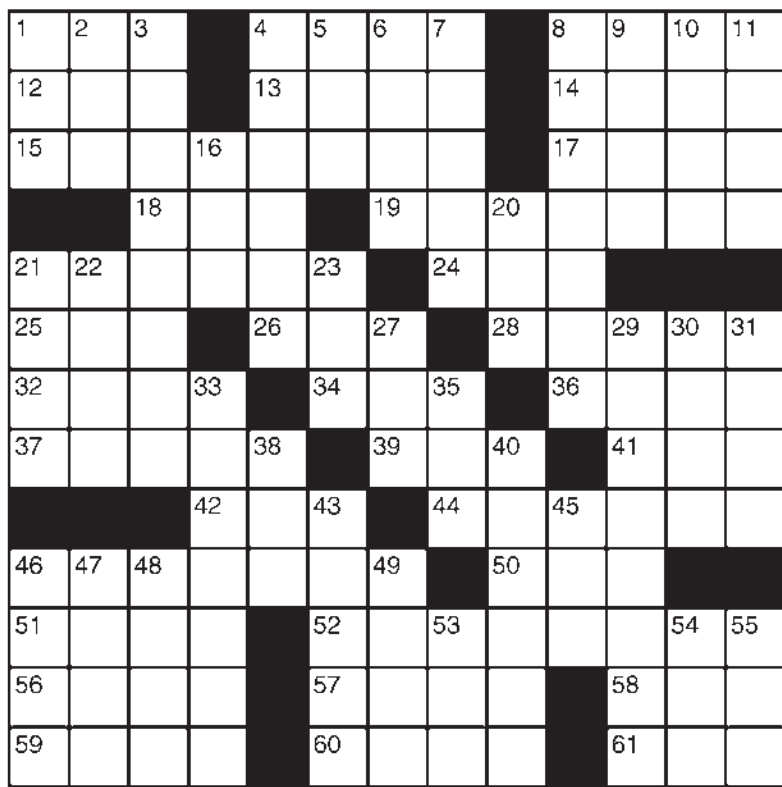
**Brownie Sundae Cheesecake**

- What You Need**
- 1 box brownie mix
  - CHOCOLATE CRUST
    - 1 1/2 c crushed vanilla wafers (about 45)
    - 6 tbsp powdered sugar
    - 6 tbsp cocoa powder
    - 1 stick butter melted
  - CHEESECAKE
    - 4 pkg. cream cheese, 8 oz., room temp.
    - 1 c sugar
    - 4 eggs
    - Chocolate sundae syrup
    - 1 tsp pure vanilla
- Directions**
- Preheat oven to 350.
  - Mix crust ingredients, spray the pan with cooking spray.
  - Press mixture into a 9-inch springform pan.
  - Bake 8 minutes and allow to cool slightly.
  - Beat cream cheese, sugar and vanilla.
  - Gradually add eggs one at a time. Pour batter into crust.
  - Cube up about half the pan of brownies.
  - Sprinkle the pieces into the batter and push them down.
  - Drizzle chocolate sundae syrup on top and with a butter knife swirl gently to give it the marble effect.
  - Bake 50-55 minutes.
  - Loosen from the pan after cooled. Cover and refrigerate.
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# PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that on July 15, 2015, at ten o'clock a.m., in the office of the Madison County Treasurer in Virginia City, Montana, taxes on the 2014 delinquent property will be offered for sale on assignment. Delinquent taxes including penalties, interest and costs are a lien upon the property and, unless such are paid prior to this time, the lien will be offered for sale. Per SB281, notice is to be mailed certified at least two weeks prior to the date of the payment to whom the property is assessed. Before issuing the tax lien sale certificate, the treasurer is to receive proof of this notice. A list of each property and all persons owing taxes for the year 2014 is on file in the County Treasurer's office and is open to the public for inspection. MCA 15-17-122 Shelly Burke, Treasurer sburke@madison.mt.gov www.madison.mt.gov 406-843-4212 Madison County (Pub. June 18, 25, July 2, 2015) mcto MNAXLP

**INVITATION TO BID**

Beaverhead & Madison Counties are jointly soliciting proposals from qualified consultants to update each County's Pre-disaster mitigation (PDM) Plan in accordance with all of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's current standards and requirements. Sealed proposals (10 hard copies; 1 5 copies for Beaverhead County and 5 copies for Madison) must be received no later than Friday the 24th of July, 2015 at 5 PM MST. PROPOSALS NOT RECEIVED PRIOR TO THIS DATE AND TIME WILL BE RETURNED UNOPENED AFTER RECOMMENDATION OF AWARD. Proposals should be addressed to: Christopher W. Mumme Director, Emergency Management Madison County P.O. Box 278 Virginia City, MT 59749 A complete copy of Request for Proposal will be available on line: www.madison.mt.gov, or contact Christopher W. Mumme at: direms@3rivers.net, or Tom Wagenknecht at: twagenknecht@beaverheadcounty.org Lee Diedrich at: ldiedrich@beaverheadcounty.org. (Pub. June 25, July 2 2015) direms MNAXLP

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

Reference is hereby made to that certain trust indenture/deed of trust ("Deed of Trust") dated 07/18/03, recorded as Instrument No. 93467 Bk: 490 Pg: 594, mortgage records of MADISON County, Montana in which Gregory L. Ruff, a single person was Grantor, Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. was Beneficiary and Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. was Trustee. First American Title Insurance Company has succeeded Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. as Successor Trustee. The Deed of Trust encumbers real property ("Property") located in MADISON County, Montana, more particularly described as follows: Unit 1429 of Beaverhead Condo Subdivision, situated on a Tract of Land being a portion of the Amended Beaverhead and Custer Condominium Subdivision and all of the Phase E of Beaverhead Condominium Subdivision, and a portion of the NE1/4 and NW1/4 of Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana. Together with a 2.49 percent undivided interest in and to the common areas appertaining to such Unit, as set out and established in Declaration for Beaverhead Condo Subdivision, recorded November 23, 1992 in Book 366, Page 415, Records of Madison County, Montana, and as subsequently amended. Said Unit is intended for residential purposes only. More accurately described as: Unit 1429 of Beaverhead Condominium, Phase A and B, situated on Parcel A of Certificate of Survey in Book 7 of Surveys, Page 435 and Parcel B of Survey recorded in Book 6 of Condominiums, Page 381, as shown and designated on those certain Basic Unit Floor Plans and Site Map recorded in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana being a portion of a Tract of Land located in the NE1/4 and NW1/4 of Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana (Amended Plat of Beaverhead Condo filed in Book 4 of Plats, Page 601-BA, Records of Madison County, Montana) Together with an undivided 1.97 percent interest in and to the common areas and facilities appertaining to said Unit, the Declaration for which was recorded April 13, 1981 in Book 276, Page 851, and amended by Instruments recorded in Book 277, Page 321; Book 284, Page 724; Book 291, Page 850; and Book 298, Page 432, the Records of Madison County, Montana. By written instrument recorded as Instrument No. 160754, beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust was assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Trustee for Wells Fargo Asset Securities Corporation, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-AR10. Beneficiary has declared the Grantor in default of the terms of the Deed of Trust and the promissory note ("Note") secured by the Deed of Trust because of Grantor's failure timely to pay all monthly installments of principal, interest and, if applicable, escrow reserves for taxes and/or insurance as required by the Note and Deed of Trust. According to the Beneficiary, the obligation evidenced by the Note ("Loan") is now due for the 03/01/11 installment payment and all monthly installment payments due thereafter. As of May 12, 2015, the amount necessary to fully satisfy the Loan was \$419,405.30. This amount includes the outstanding principal balance of \$351,735.95, plus accrued interest, accrued late charges, accrued escrow installments for insurance and/or taxes (if any) and advances for the protection of beneficiary's security interest (if any). Because of the defaults stated above, Beneficiary has elected to sell the Property to satisfy the Loan and has instructed Successor Trustee to commence sale proceedings. Successor Trustee will sell the Property at public auction the North Entrance of the Madison County Courthouse, 110 East Wallace St., Virginia City, MT 59755, City of Virginia City on September 18, 2015 at 2:00 PM, Mountain Time. The sale is a public sale and any person, including Beneficiary and excepting only Successor Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding at the sale location in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by trustee's deed without any representation or warranty, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis. Grantor, successor in interest to Grantor or any other person having an interest in the Property may, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, pay to Beneficiary the entire amount then due on the Loan (including foreclosure costs and expenses actually incurred and trustee's and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred. Tender of these sums shall effect a cure of the defaults stated above (if all non-

monetary defaults are also cured) and shall result in Trustee's termination of the foreclosure and cancellation of the foreclosure sale. The trustee's rules of auction may be accessed at www.northwesttrustee.com and are incorporated by the reference. You may also access sale status at www.Northwest-trustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. (TS# 7023.110036) 1002.268323-File No. (Pub. July 2, 9, 16 2015) nts MNAXLP

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, COUNTY OF MADISON IN RE ESTATE OF: ESTATE OF ROBERT LEE HARRISON, also known as ROBERT L. HARRISON, Deceased Cause No. DP-29-2015-14 That the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to ROSE M. HARRIS, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at 3221 Burning Tree Drive, Hoover, Alabama 35226, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. Dated: June 8, 2015 //s// ROSE M. HARRIS Personal Representative STATE OF ALABAMA -SS COUNTY OF JEFFERSON ROSE M. HARRIS, being first duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and says: That she has read the foregoing NOTICE TO CREDITORS and that the facts and matters contained therein are true, correct, accurate and complete to the best of her knowledge and belief. I make this declaration under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Montana. //s// ROSE M. HARRISON Personal Representative SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 8th Day of June 2015. //s// Jacqueline C. Gaulden Notary Public for the State of Alabama Residing at: 1678 Montgomery Hwy, Hoover, AL 35216 My Commission expires: 3/12/2019 (SEAL) Personal Representative's Attorney: Karen McMullin Post Office Box 55 Ennis, MT 59729 Telephone: (406) 682-7878 (Pub. July 2, 9, 16, 2015) km

**AUDIT PUBLICATION STATEMENT**

An audit of the affairs of Twin Bridges School District #7, Madison County, Twin Bridges, Montana 59754, has been conducted by Strom & Associates, PC. The audit covered the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. The audit also covered the Extracurricular Fund for pupil functions which is included in the financial statements of the District. Section 2-7-521, MCA, requires that this publication concerning the audit report included a statement that such report is on file in its entirety and open to public inspection at the School Clerk's office, and that the District will send a copy of the audit report to any interested person upon request. Respectfully, Eldon C. Johnson, Supt Twin Bridges Schools (Pub. July 2, 2015) tbs

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: MARTHA REST CARLSON, Deceased Cause No. DP-29-1515 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed Personal Representatives of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be filed with the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at 3116 Carrigan Lane, Dillon, Montana, 59725, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. Dated this 26 day of June, 2015 //s// Layne Earl Carlson LAYNE EARL CARLSON Personal Representative (Pub. July 2, 9, 16, 2015) cj

**PROPOSAL FOR MADISON COUNTY FAIR-GROUNDS SEWER SERVICE**

The proposed project consists of the installation of approximately 250 feet of a new sanitary sewer service line from an existing lift station (concrete manhole) north to the Fairgrounds office building. The new service shall consist of 4" Schedule 40 PVC, laid in adequate bedding (min. 4" under and 6" over) at a 2% grade. It is understood that there is currently a short piece of 8" SDR pipe stubbed out of the manhole at a depth of around 7 feet below ground surface. The contractor shall first excavate down next to the manhole to locate and expose this pipe. An 8"x4" flat reducer shall be installed to make the connection between the 8" SDR and the 4" PVC pipes. The 4" service line shall then be laid at the specified grade on a straight line from the connection to a 1000 gallon holding tank near the west corner of the office (location to be identified by the owner). A plug valve with riser box shall be installed immediately downstream of the holding tank in order that the tank may be isolated from the service line during the times that the lift station is not in service. In addition, a cleanout shall be installed just downstream of the plug valve. The contractor shall also be responsible for rerouting the plumbing from under the building (estimated near the midpoint) to the holding tank. Backfill shall be placed in all areas such that settlement does not occur. The contractor will be expected to repair any settled areas that occur during the year immediately following completion of construction. The owner will be responsible for replacing the road surfacing. It should be noted that locations, distances and depths are approximate and must be verified by the contractor in the field. Although the extent of groundwater is unknown, it should be expected and the contractor shall be prepared to deal with it. All methods and means of construction, including safety procedures shall be the responsibility of the contractor. The undersigned, having become familiar with the scope and conditions of the described work agrees to furnish all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the work at the price shown as below: (see FORM) Contact fair office with questions 406 684 5824. Contractors send bids to Madison Co. Fair, Po Box 414, Twin Bridges Mt 59754. (Pub. July 2, 9, 2015) mcc



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Submitted by Rick and Janet Sitts

The first Ruth Haak Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Ennis High School graduate Cheyenne Shields on May 20, 2015. Shields will be attending the University of Montana Western in Dillon. She will be pursuing a degree in human health management, with the goal of becoming an athletic trainer. She is a member of the National Honor Society and graduated

with honors. She is an accomplished band student, plays numerous sports, is active in community service and enjoys the outdoors. The Ruth Haak Memorial Scholarship was started to honor a long time member of the Madison Valley and West Yellowstone community. Haak, a former teacher, had a love of the outdoors, a strong desire to help others and a commitment to community service. She was a co-founder of the Women

of the Wilderness hiking group and a member of many organizations including the Madison Valley Historical Association, Madison River Foundation, the Madison Valley Ranchlands Group, Madison Valley Medical Center and United Women of West Yellowstone. The \$1,000 scholarship is a continuing award. If you are interested in contributing to this scholarship fund, please make your donations payable to: EHS Ruth Haak Memorial

Scholarship Fund, and mailed to First Madison Valley Bank, attention Mary Oliver, PO Box 307, Ennis, MT 59729.



Cheyenne Shields

# Logging in Tobacco Root Mountains

Submitted by Leona Rodreick  
BEAVERHEAD-DEERLODGE  
NATIONAL FOREST

The Madison Ranger District is advising travelers in the Meadow Creek Road area that logging activities

from the "Madison Roadside Hazard Reduction (RHR) Salvage" project will begin west of McAllister on North Meadow Creek Forest Service roads 160 and 160D. When work is completed in the North Meadow Creek area, loggers

will begin to haul timber along the South Meadow Creek roads 161 and 1249. While this work is occurring crews will be piling slash in these areas. Work will be occurring Monday through Friday and

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**E. Idaho - Virginia City - \$129,500**  
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**121 Hugel St - Ennis - \$143,900**  
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**215 First Street - Ennis - \$164,000**  
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**To Be Built - Ennis - \$249,500**  
 5.72+/- acres, mountain views • 3BR + 2BA, 1366+/- SF • country home, open floor plan  
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 • year round access, close to town and school



**Ennis Lake Road - McAllister - \$298,500**  
 • 1.122+/- acres • 1br, 1ba, 700+/-sf  
 • private lake access • RV hookup  
 • Large corner lot



**5 Kildeer Court - Ennis - \$328,500**  
 1.42 +/- ac • 3 bd, 2 ba, 2004 +/- sf  
 • vaulted ceilings, huge family room • stone fireplace, wood & tile floors  
 • landscaped, fenced, 22 x 42 shop



**109 Moore's Creek Ct - Ennis - \$349,000**  
 4+ bd, 3 ba, 3,024 +/- sf • .343 +/- acres, spectacular views • 2 car garage w/ additional 220 insulated shop • immaculately kept w/ up-graded finishes • oversized decks w/ irrigated, landscaped, fenced yard



**Centennial Drive - Pony - \$335,000**  
 778 acres • 2bd/2bth, 2400 sq ft  
 • Pony creek borders property  
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 • large wrap around decks  
 • original Pony Jail included with property



**Madison Mdws. Golf Course - Ennis - \$374,000**  
 .5 acres • 4BR + 3BA, 2872+/- SF • located on 2nd fairway and pond • unobstructed mountain views • landscaped, custom cabinets, central vac, home theater • insulated garage, close to town and school



**Browline Ln. Pronghorn Mdws - Ennis - \$359,500**  
 3 bd, 3 ba, 2574 +/- sf log home • 5.67 +/- acres, open floor plan • 624 sf detached garage + 624sf guest apt • new appliances, granite counters • massive views, 10 minutes to golf, town, fishing • equestrian center, clubhouse



**22 Ennis Lake Rd - Ennis - \$399,000**  
 4bd, 2 ba, 3360 +/- sf • 6.08 +/- acres, landscaped • full finished daylight basement  
 • creek, trees, outstanding views  
 • fully fenced, detached garage/shop



**Madison Mdws. Golf Course - Ennis - \$415,000**  
 1,299 acres, 3864 +/- SF • 3BR + 1 non-conforming BR, 4BA • Private, large lot, close to town • Big sky views from spacious deck  
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**North Meadow Creek - \$ 539,000**  
 3.27 acres • 3bd/2bth w/ office, 2,704 sq ft  
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 • close to all recreation activities • beautifully landscaped



**Old Stage Road - Whitehall - \$549,000**  
 • 400+/- acres • 3br, 3ba, 1280+/-sf  
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 • small cattle or horse operation



**Bear Creek Loop - Cameron - \$545,000**  
 2 bd, 2 ba, 2160 +/- sf • 45 +/- acres, newer carriage house • move right in, wide open floor plan • energy efficient, low maintenance  
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**Pony Rd - Pony - \$560,000**  
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 • assumable mtg to qualified buyer



**Shining Mnts. II Lots 144-146 - Ennis - \$689,000**  
 3 bd, 2 ba, 2560 +/- sf • 20.76+/- irrigated acres  
 • large heated barn/ shop w/ meat cutting room  
 • chef's kitchen with granite counters & back splash  
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**131 N Palisades Dr - Cameron - \$695,000**  
 2 bd, 2 ba, 2,400 +/- sf • 20+/- acres ON THE MADISON RIVER • year round access, NO COVENANTS • 45x31 heated shop, corners BLM • prime fishing location, wildlife  
 • close to hunting, hiking, riding and more



**Montana Log Home - Cameron - \$699,900**  
 20 +/- acres, close to town • 4 bd 2 ba 3554 +/- sf, mountain views • granite counters, radiant floor heat • rustic elegance, open floor plan • 2 bedrooms are non conforming  
 • huge fireplace, landscaped



**Riverstone Drive - Ennis - \$799,000**  
 5 bd, 4 ba, 5028 +/- sf • 20 +/- acres NO COVENANTS • borders BLM, 1500 sf shop, horse shelter • overlooking the Madison River, game range, Madison Range • walk to fishing on the river, hi end upgrades



**17 S Pearson Road - Cameron - \$990,000**  
 3 bed/4 bath +/- 3000 sq ft hunting retreat  
 • 20+ acres on the edge of the Lee Metcalf Wilderness • Non-public access to prime hunting grounds • Chef's kitchen, large decks, remote skeet shooting range



**Martini Ranch Log Home - Ennis - \$999,900**  
 6 bd, 4 ba, 4 fireplaces, 5000 +/- sf  
 • 18 +/- acres, stunning views  
 • 2 master suites, with rock fireplaces  
 • great room floor to ceiling windows  
 • open floor plan, shop, corral



**Riverfront Comleyville Rd - Ennis - \$1,100,000**  
 4 bed 5 bath 4902 +/- sf • 2.208 acres on the Madison River • close to town, year round access, steps to fishing • outstanding views, massive stone fireplace, and over sized deck.  
 • awaiting your finishing touches



**Mad. River Compound - Cameron - \$2,175,000**  
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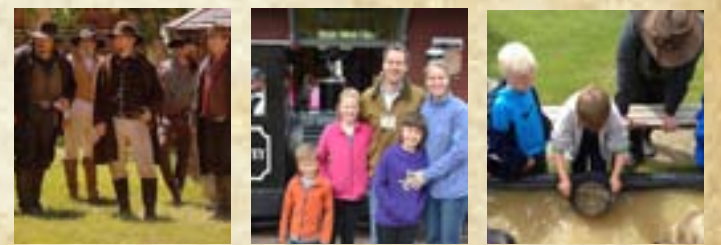
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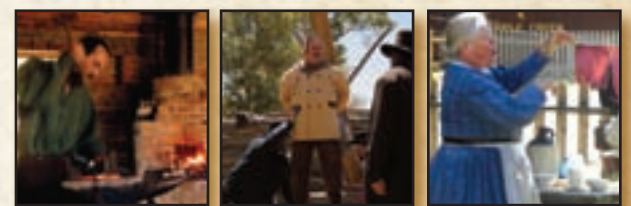
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## WEDNESDAY JULY 1

### Speaker, Ennis

Ever wonder why badgers dig so many holes? At Valley Garden Ranch at 6 p.m. Jim Halpenny of A Naturalist's World will present. A free community potluck followed by the presentation at 7 p.m. Contact Sara Moore at 682-3437.

The various Fourth of July Festivities (pancake breakfast, parade, veterans' memorial celebration, Main Street BBQs, car show, rodeo, Virginia City Fireworks at dusk) showcase the pride and spirit we all enjoy throughout Madison County.

**Ennis Rodeo, Ennis**  
2 p.m., Ennis Rodeo Grounds

**Fireworks, Virginia City**  
Dusk. Experience the best fireworks show in Madison County!

## FRIDAY JULY 3

### Moods brew and spirit fest, Ennis

4 p.m., North 40. Come sample over 150 brews and spirits at Montana's largest combined event! Live music and food Vendors available.

**Ennis Rodeo, Ennis**  
8 p.m., Ennis Rodeo Grounds

## SATURDAY JULY 4

**80th annual Fourth of July parade, Ennis**  
Come celebrate the United States in Ennis at the 80th annual Fourth of July Parade. This year's theme is "Boots, Chaps & Cowboy Hats". The parade starts at 10 a.m.

## SUNDAY JULY 5

### 4th annual Madison Duathlon, Ennis and Virginia City

The Gold Miner's Trail from Ennis to Virginia City. Bike 14 miles and run seven miles. Please send an email to Sam Korsmoe at sam@yespi.net for more information or how to help.

### Third annual Mountjoy piano concert, Virginia City

2 p.m. The Elling House Arts & Humanities Center is very pleased to announce that nine-year-old Addison Oliver will be the featured pianist for our annual

Mountjoy concert. The Mountjoy concert recognizes the deep history of music in Virginia City and the wonderful gift of Janine and Jay Cole who donated a Steinway square grand piano to the Elling House.

## WEDNESDAY JULY 8

### Literary connections of Frank Bird Linderman, Near Laurin

Celeste River will be presenting a program on the "Literary Connections of Frank Bird Linderman". 6 p.m., Robber's Roost.

## THURSDAY JULY 9

### Madison Valley Book Club, Ennis

1 p.m. at Madison Valley Public Library. Discussion of All the Light We Cannot See, by Andrew Doerr. Discussion led by Kathy Robison.

### Reception, Ennis

The medical center will host a reception for the community to recognize Dr. R.D. Marks's honor from 5 - 7 p.m. Please come congratulate him for being awarded this prestigious honor of being selected Montana's Family Physician of the Year. Appetizers and drinks will be offered.

## FRIDAY JULY 10

### Buffalo Runners Long Range Shooting Match, Virginia City

9 a.m. - for three days. at Buffalo Runners Shooting Range. Lever gun and pistol matches, targets 200 to 850 yards, prizes, scope class offered, camping available at range. Call 206-718-1471 for more information.

### Mr. E Magic Show, Virginia City

1 p.m., Thompson Hickman Library. Mr. E Magic will be presenting a magical performance that ties into the Summer

Reading Program theme of Heroes, Magic and Books! The show will last approximately 40-45 minutes, filled with audience participation, music, and laughter!

## SATURDAY JULY 11

### NRA Concealed Weapons Class, Twin Bridges

9 a.m. Rocky Mountain Firearms Instruction will be conducting an NRA Concealed Weapons Class, which includes Basic Pistol Shooting and Home Firearms Safety. The class is taught by an NRA certified instructor. Call 599-6952 for information and sign-up.

### Open Mic, Ennis

2 p.m. at Madison Valley Public Library. Authors, poets songwriters, performers are welcome to perform. Contact Lee Robison through the library to register to perform.

## FRIDAY JULY 16

### Johnny Cash Tribute Concert, Sheridan

7 p.m., Episcopal Hall. Join the Friends of the Sheridan Library for a Johnny Cash Tribute Show featuring Kenny K and Deanna as June Carter Cash. The concert will be held at the Episcopal Hall at the corner of Main St. and Poppleton St. in Sheridan. Call 842-5770 for more details.

### Pony Homecoming Club General Meeting, Pony

6 p.m., Pony Park (In the Pony gymnasium if inclement weather). General meeting (potluck) of the Pony Homecoming Club. Pony Homecoming Club provides the meat, everyone else, please bring a side dish or dessert of your choice. Please join us for this meeting, everyone welcome.

## FRIDAY JULY 17

### Wee Dog, Virginia City

5 p.m., Bale of Hay Saloon. Kick off to the big event. 5 p.m. Pint Night starts with White Dog Brewing from Bozeman. Kevin Clark playing a mix of classic country and rock.

## FRIDAY AND SATURDAY JULY 17-18

### Moods of the Madison music festival, Ennis

This 2 day event will include national headlining music, vendors, non-profits, the great outdoors and of course a great celebration. Chamberlin productions will be producing and preparing for festival in conjunction with community leaders.

## SATURDAY JULY 18

### Dog and Grog, Virginia City

Montana's best micro brewers under the big tent from noon to 7 p.m. Ticket packages are available. Music by the Levitators.

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### Johnny Cash Tribute Concert, Ennis

7 p.m., First Madison Valley Bank. C Steve Music group will present a live concert as a

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## SUNDAY JULY 19

### Inaugural Big Sky Marathon, Big Sky

26.2 mile and 13.1 mile road races with a net drop of 3,500 feet (8,500 to 5,000 feet above sea level). Please send an email to Sam Korsmoe at sam@yespi.net for more information or how to help.

## MONDAY JULY 20

### Blood drive, Twin Bridges

Community blood drive in Montana Room. Twin Bridges School

## THURSDAY JULY 23

### High School football camp, Twin Bridges

High School football camp at Twin Bridges school.



## 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. NO JULY MEETING

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

**Movie Night, Virginia City**  
Movie Night at the Thompson-Hickman Madison County Library Every OTHER Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. Please call 406-843-5346 to find out what is playing!

### 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**  
NO MEETINGS 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

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### *Eighty years of celebration*

2015 marks the 80th year of the annual Fourth of July parade in Ennis

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The first Fourth of July parade showed a fusion of interests in downtown Ennis. Businessmen and ranchers alike created floats and displays to be gawked at and celebrated.

The rodeo played a huge role in the development of the parade. The first official parade occurred in 1935 but the first rodeo, also known as a "bucking contest," occurred around 1912, sometimes held on Main Street.

Eighty years later, the parade is capped at 85 entries and thousands of people come to see, experience and celebrate the town on this patriotic holiday.

Check out photos from the past throughout this special section and have a happy and safe Independence Day!



## FYI: PARKING GUIDELINES DURING PARADE

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The Fourth of July parade is one of Madison County's most attended events, drawing in upward of 3,000 people every year. While it's meant to be a fun event, there are serious

precautions when it comes to parking and traffic around the event area.

The Ennis Chamber of Commerce is implementing new parking limitations and guidelines to keep parade goers safe.

### **Parade Parking Info**

-Chamber will be placing cones

and caution tape behind parked cars on Main Street beginning at 7 a.m.

-Cars will be asked not to leave until the barrier is removed.

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## FIREWORKS: RULES AND RESTRICTIONS

Caitlin Avey  
The Madisonian  
news@madisoniannews.com

It's dry season in Montana, that much is obvious. Before engaging in Fourth of July festivities, like lighting fireworks, make sure you check in with your local fire district to make sure it is allowed. As Chris Mumme, Madison County director of emergency management said on June 30, "right now there are no restrictions on fireworks other than use your head!"

Here are the fire chiefs and numbers you need to know:

**DAN DOORNBOS** – Alder Fire –  
rubybaly@3rivers.net/842-5908

**JOE HUSAR** – Harrison  
Fire – hidepuncher@  
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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS JULY 3RD AND 4TH – ENNIS, MONTANA

### JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>

4-8 MOODS BREW AND SPIRIT FESTIVAL  
8 PM NRA SANCTIONED RODEO *Ennis Rodeo Grounds*

### JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>

6-10 AM FIREMAN'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST *Ennis Fire Hall*  
9 AM CAR SHOW *Sportsman's Lodge*  
8-10 AM ARTIST - GERRY MOONEY  
*Signing t-shirts at the Ennis Chamber Visitor's Center*  
9-9:45 AM 50/50 RAFFLE *Proceeds benefit Chamber Parade*  
10 AM 4TH OF JULY PARADE *Boots, Chaps and Cowboy Hats*  
11 AM ENNIS LIONS CLUB BBQ *Peter T's Park*  
11 AM MEMORIAL SERVICE at *Veteran's Memorial*  
2 PM NRA SANCTIONED RODEO *Ennis Rodeo Grounds*  
DUSK - FIREWORKS *Virginia City (pending conditions)*

### PARADE DETAILS:

THEME: *Boots, Chaps and Cowboy Hats*  
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*Fourth of July car show*

Matt Hill  
FOR THE MADISONIAN  
editor@madisoniannews.com

What's more "American" than a good car show? They may not rank as high as baseball, Mom and apple pie, but cars are just about as U.S.A. as it gets. Since cars became mainstream in America, folks have used them for all purposes imaginable, including best friend, pride and joy, loyal servant, maybe even mistress. And while we love our cars, we also love to

covet our neighbor's cars. What better way get a look under a few other hoods than to have a get together to share the love of all things automobile – on the Fourth of July in Ennis. You couldn't get more American if you reupholstered your back seat with stars and stripes.

Each fourth, for who knows how long, car owners, car lovers and those who love them both have gathered on the lawn next to the Sportsman's Lodge in Ennis to kick off the Independence Day

celebration. Although the show entrants are typically from somewhere nearby, it's historically drawn folks from all over Montana. They show up early, often packing spare parts to offer to their fellow car junkies. A collector car parts flea market, bathed in the musical genius of the Beach Boys and other period music – Americana, indeed.

Over the years, the show has seen everything from a rusty project car just getting restoration underway, to a pristine "number one" caliber classic with a plaque urging

viewers to keep hands off. Therein lies the beauty of the Ennis car show. Just like the good ole U.S.A., there's always been a place for everyone. The fourth in Ennis has proven to be one of Madison County's biggest days of the year, and each year the car show has offered up a chance for folks to gather together and enjoy cars and comradery, on a day that binds us to one another as Americans. I'm not saying they'll be serving apple pie next door at the Sportsman's, but I wouldn't be surprised.

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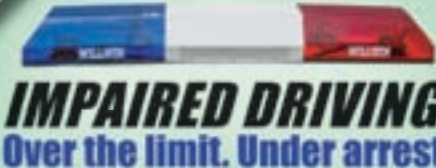
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# Celebrate Independence Day safely

Submitted by Chris Mumme  
MADISON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and firefighters across Montana want to help you celebrate Independence Day with wildfire safety in mind. As we draw near to the Fourth of July, many of us celebrate with family and friends by enjoying campfires, barbecues and fireworks displays. While these activities encourage fun times and great memories, it is important to understand they may also pose serious threats and risks.

The tip of a sparkler burns at a temperature of more than 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit, which can easily ignite dry vegetation. The safest way to enjoy fireworks is to attend a public display sponsored by your local community.

Here are a few additional tips for taking the fire out of fireworks:

- Never leave children unsupervised around any type of fire.
- Avoid starting any type of fire when conditions are dry or windy.
- Light fireworks one at a time, and after doing so, move away quickly.
- After fireworks are done burning, douse them with water before placing in the trash.
- Observe fireworks restrictions.

We can all make a difference in reducing human-caused fires this season.



## Be prepared for fire danger

Submitted by Tom Palmer  
MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

With hot, dry weather bearing down on Montana, campers, hikers and anglers need to be prepared to prevent wildfires statewide. Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks reminds everyone who plans to be outdoors to be cautious of fire danger on public and private lands. “If you’re planning to hike, camp or fish, use caution this summer,” said Ron Aasheim, FWP’s spokesman in Helena. “Above all, be careful with fire and be prepared to prevent wildfires.”

FWP offers these tips to help prevent wildfire:

- Carry in vehicles a shovel, bucket, axe and, if possible, a garden-type weed sprayer full of water.
- Restrict camping activities to designated camping areas and build campfires only in established, metal fire rings where permitted.
- Drive only on established roads. Take care to ensure that exhaust and emission systems are in good repair.
- Do not stop or park vehicles over grass or brush.

## No fireworks at FWP sites

Submitted by Tom Palmer  
MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Visiting a Montana fishing access site on the July fourth weekend is a great idea – just leave the fireworks at home. Fireworks are illegal on all Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks sites including fishing access sites, wildlife management areas and other sites. Anyone using fireworks on FWP lands may be charged with a misdemeanor that can result in a fine up to \$500.



*Keep The Loop's roads safe this 4th of July weekend.*

*Please don't drink and drive.*