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Madison County enacts stage one fire restriction

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Due to "extreme fire danger," the Madison County commissioners enacted a stage one fire restriction in Madison County, beginning 12 a.m. on July 7, 2015, according to a notice from Chris Mumme, director of emergency management for the county.

The ban is effective on all private property in the county.

Stage one means building, maintaining, attending or using a fire or campfire, except within a developed recreation site, is banned. So is smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

"Any exceptions to the stage one restrictions must be approved in writing by your

local district fire chief," the notice continues. "All exceptions approved by the fire chief will then be reported to the dispatch office before exercising said exception."

The following is a list of exemptions:

A. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.

B. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels.

C. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.

D. Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

E. All land within a municipal boundary is exempt unless imposed locally. F. Other exemptions unique to each agency.

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TWIN BRIDGES SENIOR AND COMMUNITY CENTER Group accepts bid, construction to start next month

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The timeline for constructing the Twin Bridges Senior and Community Center is still on track, even though the bids for the work came in higher than expected.

"We opened bids (June 24) and they were way high, like a rocket going to the moon," said Ron Nye, Madison County commissioner and chairman of the senior center board of directors. "The lowest one was \$100,000 above what our engineer estimated, but we decided to go ahead with it."

Nye said the engineer originally estimated the construction would cost \$375,000, which the senior center board had ready - In July 2013, Nye said the project received a \$400,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Since the cost of construction will exceed that amount, Nye said the board is going to use other funds that were obtained from a capital campaign.

"We had \$160,000 raised from the (capital campaign fundraiser) for FFE things -

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Small blaze during Saturday night's fireworks show in V.C. put out in 10 minutes

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During Virginia City's annual fireworks show the night of the Fourth of July, a shell that did not explode correctly started a few spot fires that the Virginia City Fire Department quickly put out.

'There was a shell that didn't go all the way up," said Mayor Robert Erdall, who is also the town's fire chief. "It just exploded and came

straight down and started a bunch of little spot fires that consolidated into a larger fire."

Erdall said the fire department had "a bunch" of equipment on site, so the blaze was put out in 10 minutes.

"We had burned the top of the hill so if any fire got up there it wouldn't have fuel," Erdall said. "It looked way bigger than it was. It made it us a little nervous for a minute or two, but we were prepared because we thought something like that might happen."

Harrison School looks toward the future

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In preparation for the upcoming school year - and many school years to come – the Harrison School Board sat down with school staff, administration and community members to start developing a strategic plan for the future.

"It's sort of important for all schools to do this," said Superintendent Fred Hofman at a special board meeting on July 6. "It's about looking up and out. We

set some goals and then a way to achieve those goals. From five years to 10 years to 20 years."

Board chair Ann Hokanson started the discussion by asking everyone in the room to list one positive about Harrison Schools - the answers ranged from the involved community to small class sizes to caring students.

Then the group, which included the three board members-Hokanson, Dusty Wagner and Elizabeth Hall, a few teachers and some community

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The Bozeman Saddle-ites stand at attention before embarking on the parade route. The Saddle-ites are an all female volunteer mounted drill

SUSTAINING AND GROWING Focusing on Madison County's economy

"It's really come about in

sions and interviews with folks

throughout Madison County."

The draft plan, titled

Sustaining and Growing the

Madison County Economy,

is currently broken into eight

pieces that Gilmore says the

support existing businesses

and nurture growth opportu-

nities; promote our area as a

telecommuting destination for

community needs to focus on:

the last 60 days," Gilmore

said. "It's come from discus-

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Economic development is at the forefront of conversations countywide. Madison County contracts with Northern Rocky Mountain Economic Development District, and their representative Rob Gilmore, to focus on sustaining the area's current economy, while also focusing on attracting new businesses.

Gilmore has also identified a few tangible action steps to help get the community involved in thinking about the future. If you are interested in more information, or if you want to participate in what is happening, contact Gilmore at robgilmore@msn.com.

young families and small businesses; socialize local existing telecommuters; it is a community thing; millenniums; identify resources that can be maximized for economic development; prepare the way; and maximize financing resources, fill the funding gap.

Existing business

The NRMEDD works in cooperation with Headwaters RC&D, which is a company that provides consulting, financing and other resources to support, nurture and grow existing businesses.

"Sustaining our existing businesses is always important," Gilmore said. "If we can grow the businesses we already have, that is preferred over bringing in other businesses. Think of the health of a plant, if it's grown locally, it is going to do better."

Drawing telecommuters

Gilmore is currently in the process of researching companies that allow telecommuting - that information will then help him target certain groups that may be interested in relocating to Madison County, he said.

"I think the numbers speak for themselves - the majority of people in the world like living in big cities, that's why there are big cities," Gilmore said. "But within those big cities, there are a lot of people just like us. They want to get out of the

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"They're a local con-

tractor, using local subs

and buying materials lo-

cally as much as possible,"

Nye said. "We're just happy

Nye said he, and other

reached out to people who con-

members of the board, have

tributed to the FFE fundrais-

'We can probably look

nity engagement and staff.

at many of these things and

realize we're already doing

plan," Hofman pointed out.

them, just not under a formal

After identifying the main

objectives, the group also out-

lined a few points under each

they want to focus on in future

meetings. For example, student

Millenniums

achievement includes looking at

Gilmore said reaching

that are interested in helping

nest new companies in rural

communities is an important

"We want to create a

mentor pool to support the

entrepreneurs and existing

businesses," he said. "We

want to seek out, embrace and

Gilmore said companies

foster young entrepreneurs."

like StartUpBozeman and

Blackstone Launchpad al-

ready at work in the area

- StartUpBozeman hosts

an intensive 56-hour train-

ing for start up businesses.

"We can take any start up

company we have in Madison

County and put it through the

rigors of the process," he said.

"If they survive, they have a

good business plan. It allows

system in Bozeman, but bring

them back to Madison County."

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Gilmore said Black-

stone Launchpad is a pro-

gram from Montana State

University that works with

faculty, alumni and students

business needs of young

out to venture companies

part of the plan as well.

we had the money to do it.'

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fixtures, furniture and equipment," Nye said. "So we'll have enough to cover the construction costs, but we'll have to do another capital campaign to raise more money for fixtures, furniture and equipment." G&G Housing out of

Whitehall was awarded the contract, Nye said. G&G Housing recently worked in

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members, set five broad objectives they would like the school to work toward in years to come. "This will be an ongoing

process," Hokanson said. "We need to look at our students, staff, facility, technology."

The group boiled down their ideas to five objectives - student achievement, facilities/operations, future viability, commu-

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city to raise their families, to recreate. They want a calmer life. They are just the kind of folks we're looking for."

Existing telecommuters

A huge part of making Madison County an attractive place for telecommuters is having socializing opportunities for those people, Gilmore said. The first step in achieving that is creating a list of local individuals who already live in the area and telecommute.

'We're in the early stages of this," he said. "I've spoken to some and I'm finding out what we expected. They want a way to socialize, to exchange ideas. We're really in the process of trying to locate telecommuters in the area though."

A community thing

It all comes back to community spirit and feel. Gilmore said it is important to capitalize on the contacts that local guides, tourist-based businesspeople and other local businesspeople already have with visitors, to then build on those relationships to market the attractiveness of the area.



the county – they built the ing campaign, and they were Thompson-Hickman County agreeable to having the money Library addition last year. fund construction instead.

> Nye said the board decided it was better to move forward with construction instead of waiting another year and reopening the project for more bids.

We don't want to put the grant off, and you never know if it may even get more expensive next year," he said. "We're

academics, life skills, wellness, guidance, safety and more.

Part of the need for a strategic plan stems from Harrison's declining enrollment, Hofman pointed out. When Hofman first came to Harrison in 2012-13, the high school enrollment was 47 students and 59 elementary students. The projected enrollment for this coming year is 27 high school students and 39 elementary students.

"We've said, as you're building those businesses, let us introduce them to our communities and nest them here to see how it goes." Gilmore said. "They've agreed to that."

Identifying resources

Madison County already has a number of structures and facilities that are currently underutilized, Gilmore said. Part of the drafted plan is to identify those structures to promote economic development and sustain the local economy.

"There's the (old children's home in Twin Bridges), the round barn up there," Gilmore said, listing examples. "Our airports. Other public facilities like broadband - we need to understand where it is and if there are areas we need to improve."

Preparing the way

There are always obstacles to economic development, Gilmore said. An important step in attracting business and growth, is first understanding permitting, zoning and other regulations that may be future obstacles. Part of that includes

Sheridan

just happy we had that money." The hope is to have

a groundbreaking in the middle of July, Nye said.

"Contracts still have to be signed and all that stuff," Nye said. "We want to get concrete and stuff poured before winter hits us. They have 180 days to complete the building once they get the notice to proceed, so we want to be done in January or so."

"This is going to be really important for us by the end of the year," Hofman said. "We have to be viable into the future in light of our rapidly declining enrollment."

Before wrapping up the discussion, Hofman suggested the group meet once more in July and then meet throughout the school year, one hour before scheduled board meetings.

the locations of buildings, broadband hook ups and power infrastructure, so companies have an idea of where desirable locations are.

Funding gaps

There is always a question of money. Gilmore said this step is still in its early planning stages, but he wants to focus on creating equity financing and revolving loan funds that work with existing lenders to fill funding gaps.

"One of the biggest problems we have in this area is lack of investor money for good ideas," Gilmore said. "Montana has one small fund in the Flathead and one more fund beginning in Bozeman, but by and large, it is skinny here in Montana."

Gilmore said he is working with the woman who started the fund in the Flathead and a major law firm to put a system in place in Madison County.

"That way, if we have a young company and investors, we can expedite the process of making it happen," he said. "We hope to have a solution in place by the end of the summer."

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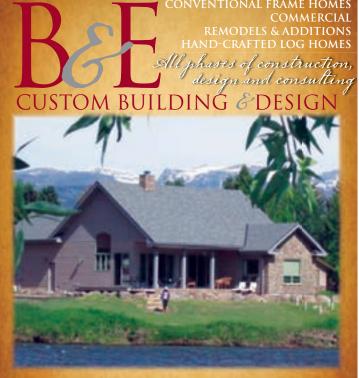
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Restrictions on the Big Hole and Jefferson rivers

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Last Friday, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks enacted angling restrictions on the Big Hole and Jefferson rivers due to high water temperatures.

'The restrictions (will close) the rivers to fishing daily from 2 p.m. to midnight until conditions improve," according to an FWP press release.

The entire length of the Big Hole River, except for the stretch from Dickey Bridge to Maiden Rock fishing access site, is under restriction, and the entire length of the Jefferson River without exception is under restriction.

Dave Moser, FWP fisheries biologist pointed out that fish are cold blooded, which means they are somewhat at the mercy of water temperature.

"Since fish have few ways of managing their body temperature - other than behaviorally - temperature extremes outside their physiological limits can cause stress," Moser said. "As these temperatures rise there are increasing impacts. At some point water temperatures may rise to a point that fish die. One issue is that there are sublethal stresses on fish at higher temperatures that don't cause outright mortality. If these fish are caught, played and held out of the water they may die."

Moser said the ideal water temperature for fish is from 55 to 65 degrees Fahrenheit, and that outright mortality can occur at 77 degrees Fahrenheit.

"Montana has drought management plans and a policy that aims to protect fish from angling stress during periods of warm temperature," he added.



Jefferson River, go here: http://www.jeffersonriverwc.org/files/Plans/ Drought_Management_Plan/JRWC_Drought_Mgt_Plan_2012.pdf.

The FWP release also states that restrictions on other Southwest Montana rivers are likely in the near future - as restrictions are implemented, FWP recommends anglers seek out opportunities for fishing waters less susceptible to fish kills, like high mountain lakes and reservoirs.

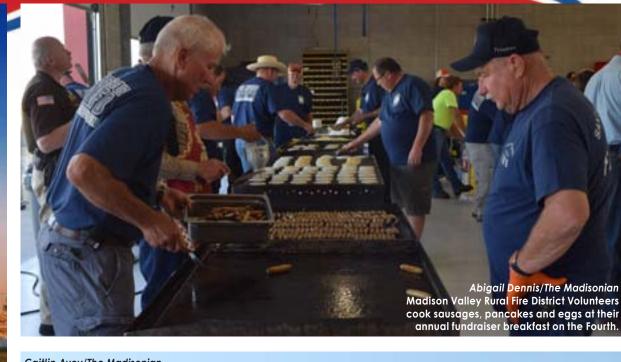
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FOURTH OF JULY Celebrating the red, white and blue

Madison County knows how to celebrate Independence Day. Starting on July 3, the towns in our county pull out all the stops to honor the red, white and blue. Here are some snapshots of last weekend's festivities, from the rodeo to fireworks.

Abigail Dennis/The Madisonian The sun sets over the Ennis rodeo during the National Anthem on July 3.





Caitlin Avey/The Madisonian





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Kyle Nelson and his son, Tripp, wave to the crowd during the parade.

The Bozeman Shriners traveled to Ennis to participate in the parade on the Fourth of July.





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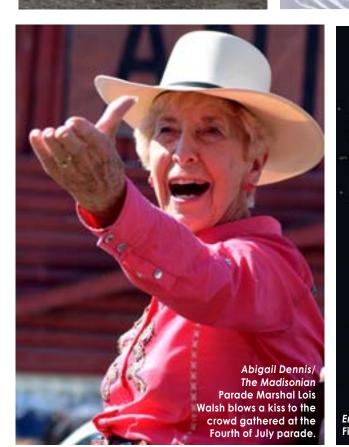


Abigail Dennis/The Madisonian Amanda Russel from Ennis opens the Fourth of July rodeo, American flag in hand.





Caitlin Avey/The Madisonian All parade goers donned patriotic colors at Saturday's Fourth of July parade - even our four-legged friends!



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Thoughtfulness is helpful

Thank you, wonderful friends, for your prayers, cards, phone calls and food. This kind of thoughtfulness makes the healing go faster.

God Bless you all, Bobby Klatt

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OBITUARIES

Gregory Roe Corr June 24, 1958 - July 1, 2015

them for some of their child-

hood, he made every effort to

visit them on weekends and have

Greg was a kind, gentle and

generous soul and made everyone

around him comfortable. He had

a warm genuine smile and was a

good listener and counselor. He

donated gallons of his blood to the

Red Cross and United Blood Cen-

drive in Whitehall to help travelers

who were down and out and need-

ed a boost. He was on the board of

directors at Liberty Place in White-

hall and served on the board of the

Montana Newspaper Association.

gave freely of his time and energy.

He loved small communities and

served each one in which he lived.

In 2008, Greg met the love

newspaper, walking their dogs and

enjoying life. They took as many

the newspaper would allow. Their

favorite trip was to Yellowstone

trips and vacations together as

of his life, his wife Cheryl. They

spent their days running the

Greg was everyone's friend and

ters. He started a coin collection

them spend summers with him

in Whitehall. He loved sum-

mertime when they came to

stay with him in Whitehall.



Gregory Roe Corr, 57, of Bigfork, passed away on July 1 from cancer. His soul mate and wife Cheryl was at his side. He fought bravely since being diagnosed in 2014 with lipo-sarcoma. The funeral service was Tuesday, July 7, at Epworth United Methodist Church in Kalispell with a burial service that followed at the Bigfork Community Cemetery.

Greg was born in Seattle, Wash., on June 24, 1958, the third child to Carolyn (Lien) and Odon Corr. They eventually moved to South Dakota where Greg graduated high school and enrolled in South Dakota State University, earning a de-

gree in journalism in 1982. Greg began his long and accomplished career in the small newspaper business while interning at various newspapers in South Dakota during his college years. He then worked for and/ or owned numerous newspapers in Colorado, Iowa, Alaska, North Dakota, Wyoming, Wisconsin, Montana and lastly, was owner/ publisher of the Whitehall Ledger in Whitehall, for the past nine years. His newspapers won many achievements and awards and in June of this year, he was awarded Master Editor/Publisher by the Montana Newspaper Association, a prestigious accolade to top off his 35 years in the business.

Greg had a love of the outdoors, and during his younger days, he worked summers at Glacier National Park, Yellowstone National Park and Denali National Park in Alaska. He was also athletic and rode his bike on 20-mile rides for exercise.

In 1991, he married Lisa Connors and they later divorced. Greg's pride and joy were his two children, Jerrica and Keaton. Although he lived apart from

Pauline Oberg Bayers May 26, 1931 - July 3, 2015

at the University of Montana in Missoula, where she obtained a degree in music education and graduated with honors. During this time she was also named to the Mortar Board organization and was a member of the Tri Delta sorority.

Shortly after graduation in 1953, Pauline was married musician and over the years was part of several musical groups. She was a member of the Chug Chug Girls, a group of local ranch wives who entertained throughout the state of Montana for about 10 years. She also was part of a Ruby Valley string quartet, which practiced regularly. Her children often marvel that not too many ranch kids had a string quartet practicing in their living room. The quartet occasionally performed at local events in the valley. Pauline also taught piano lessons to many Twin Bridges kids, one of whom recently carried on part of the tradition by teaching children in Africa how to play piano. She was the director of the local church choir at the Church of the Valley for 35 years and with friend Ruth Woods, started the Ruby Valley Choral, which is still in existence today. Ruth and Pauline, along with Phyllis Ruppel and several others in the Twin Bridges community, were instrumental in organizing Jubilate which was a music and arts retreat held at the Church of the Valley for close to 20 years. This was a tremendous Christian outreach, which included music and art seminars, choral groups and instrumental performances. The group was able to obtain professional singers and musicians who participated in and taught retreat, which was held in the little town of Twin Bridges. Along with her musical talents and activities at the Church, Pauline had a deep Christian faith and was very involved in the Church of the Valley her entire life. Pauline was a member of the Butte Symphony for over 15 years, playing the viola. A highlight of her time with the symand Grand Teton National Parks. Greg loved Mexican restaurants and he and Cheryl frequented their favorite one in Butte often.

When Greg was diagnosed with cancer, he and Cheryl made plans to sell the Whitehall Ledger and move near Cheryl's hometown of Kalispell. They bought a small cottage along Highway 35 with some cherry trees and a gorgeous view of Flathead Lake. This is where Greg spent his remaining days.

Greg was preceded in death by his mother, Carolyn. He is survived by his wife Cheryl Cheman Corr of Bigfork, children Jerrica and Keaton Corr of Post Falls, Idaho, father Odon Corr and wife Joan Corr of Wessington Springs, S.D., sisters Jodie (Mike) Dirksen of Mason City, Iowa, Nancy Froning and her fiancé Wayne Kolbeck of Iowa, Karie Waters of Wessington Springs and numerous nieces and nephews. His two faithful canine companions Pica and Yukon will miss him dearly.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Flathead Hospice, Bigfork Ambulance or the Northwest Sarcoma Foundation.

phony was being selected to play with the Montana Summer Symphony in Helena for three years.

Pauline was also an avid member of Toastmasters and participated in speaking events throughout Montana.

Pauline was fortunate enough to see some of the great cities of the world, mostly because of her connection to the cattle and agricultural community and her travels with her husband, but also in traveling with her daughter Kathy. Those cities included London, Paris, Madrid, Rio de Janeiro, Montevideo, Buenos Ares, Honolulu, New York, San Francisco, Seattle, Denver, Phoenix, Kansas City, Chicago and Calgary, among others. Her travels also included many bull sale trips. Pauline had a definite love of fun and adventure, especially with her family. She would take the kids and any young cousins that wanted to go swimming, touring Yellowstone Park, skiing and any other fun activity. Pauline and Byron's 62nd wedding anniversary was July 4, 2015. Survivors include husband, Byron of Twin Bridges; son, Rich (Mary Ann) of Buffalo Wyo. and daughter Kathy Bayers of Bozeman; daughter Jill Bayers Hotchkiss (Marc) of Reva, S.D.; granddaughters Lindsay Hruby (James) of Cheyenne, Wyo., Britt Bayers of Portland, Ore.; and great granddaughter Mia of Cheyenne, Wyo.; and numerous nieces and nephews. Preceding her in death were parents Ross and Oubri Oberg, brother Bob and sister Marian.



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Pauline Oberg Bayers passed away on July 3, 2015, at the Marquis Care Center in Butte, after a courageous 15 year battle with Alzheimer's disease.

Pauline was born in Great Falls on May 26, 1931, to parents Ross and Oubri Oberg of White Sulphur Springs, where her father was manager of the Woodward's Department store. Approximately 10 years later, the Obergs moved to Twin Bridges, where her father managed the Woodward's store there. Her parents were also teachers at the Montana Children's Center and her mother was a music teacher and church organist.

In the Twin Bridges school system, Pauline excelled in academics and music and she was elected to be the first delegate to Girls State Montana from Twin Bridges in her junior year. She and her siblings were musically talented and had music lessons every Saturday in Butte, some 45 miles away. For the times, this was unusual for an entire family to have weekly music lessons. Pauline excelled in piano and strings, primarily viola, and she was a part of the Twin Bridges High School music programs.

She graduated as salutatorian of her high school class the following year. Pauline went on from high school to college

to Byron Bayers, who at that time was in the Air Force. Pauline and Byron spent the next two years at an isolated radar site in Yaak. From this union three children were born, Rich, Kathy and Jill. After Byron's release from active duty, they returned to the ranch in Twin Bridges where they raised registered Herefords.

Pauline was a dedicated ranch wife and was involved in the family's Hereford ranch, traveling to many sales and events with her husband Byron. They attended two World Hereford Conferences, one in Brazil and the other in Canada. She spent many summers cooking for at least 12 hungry young ranch workers. She was a fabulous cook. Since the ranch had an annual bull sale, Pauline was also in charge of feeding the sale day crowd, which often numbered between 600 to 1,000 people. These were both huge tasks that she did very well. She was active in the Montana Hereford Auxiliary and Montana Cowbelles for many years. She was awarded the Montana Hereford Association Woman of the Year.

At age 50, after flying with her husband for over 25 years, she decided to learn to fly and received her pilot's license. She took her flight test in a high performance Cessna Centurion to prove her skill at that juncture in her life. Pauline was the first licensed woman pilot in Madison County.

Pauline was an accomplished

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LEFT: Six AmeriCorps volunteers from the St. Louis Emergency Response Team work to refurbish the Peacock Trail outside of Sheridan.

RIGHT, ABOVE: AmeriCorps St Louis Emergency Response Team program director, Bruce Bailey, discusses the Peacock Creek Trail with Sheridan resident Susan Kemper.

COOKOUT IN SHERIDAN Local business owner takes Dutch oven to the trailhead, thanks AmeriCorps workers

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When Sheridan restaurant owner Janet Marsh heard there were six AmeriCorps members camping outside of town while restoring a Forest Service trail, she came up with the idea to treat them to a true campfire cookout, complete with moose swiss steaks from a Dutch oven, campfire mashed potatoes, beans, greens from Jackson's Garden and buttermilk pie.

"It was good fun, it really was," Marsh said. "I always love being around kids who volunteer for a year of service, they are interpermits on the Madison Ranger District of the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest.

Marsh got involved after she approached Ash a few years ago and offered to cook a meal for any crew working on a non-motorized trail in the area.

"The Peacock Trail ... is a three-mile long, non-motorized trail linking the Mill Creek drainage to a motorized route on the Horse Creek Ridge," Ash wrote in a Forest Service press release. "This trail has been used for cattle allotment management, hiking, hunting and winter snowshoe/skiing recreation. The trail is starting to melt into the landscape and is in need of refurbishing."

Marsh agrees with that statement.

"It's an easily accessible trail for the community," she said. "I think it will be a good thing. It might not be great for winter use because it is low and exposed, but it will be accessible for people who don't want a steep, rough trail."

Ash said he is always on the look out for projects for volunteer organizations to take on – projects that would not be eligible for critical funding from the Forest Service, but that would be good for groups like AmeriCorps.

"People in the community identified the need for areas that are quick to get to

since 2000, Ash explained.

"Over the years, Ameri-Corps St. Louis has partnered with the Back Country Horseman, Montana Wilderness Association, Montana Conservation Corps, area ski clubs and area cycling clubs to carry out projects that help improve and restore Montana public land," according to Ash's press release. "Projects have included protection of watershed areas, combating invasive species, eliminating hazards and building and maintaining trails to increase public access."

Ash said he thinks the trail will be a success. The AmeriCorps crew worked for about 10 days, and all that is left to complete is touch up work, like adding signage and trail markers, Ash said. "We already had a couple



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esting young people.

The AmeriCorps members were working on the Peacock Trail, which is located on the south side of the Mill Creek drainage outside of Sheridan, according to Gordon Ash. Ash handles trails, recreation, wilderness and special use

Ash said one of the greatest benefits of the trail is its location.

"There are not too many opportunities so close to the town that will provide the hiking and winter activities this trail will offer," Ash said. "(It is) only five miles out of town." for walking and horses, not more motorized trails," Ash said. "It's an important trail we don't want to lose."

The AmeriCorps members are part of the St. Louis Emergency Response Team (ERT), which is a trail team that has been working in Montana

in there hiking the second day the crew was working," Ash said. "They heard it was going to be worked on and headed right over."

rank Colwell: Giving back to the Ruby Valley for more than two decades

Caitlin Avey The Madisonian news@madisoniannews.com

Frank Colwell first came to the Ruby Valley in the mid-70s to visit an old school friend and help with his business in Twin Bridges, with the goal of relocating. In 1988, Colwell became a full-time resident and quickly got involved with the community.

"It's hard to hide in a small community," Colwell said. "I saw a need for people in the

Twin and Sheridan areas and I have been pleased to assist." Colwell was active with the

chamber of commerce in the early 90s and helped to unite Sheridan and Twin Bridges into the Ruby Valley Chamber. Colwell served as president of the chamber for five years.

Since moving to the area, Colwell has been involved in the Rotary Club of Twin Bridges. Rotary is an international service organization active throughout the world dedicated to creating positive change. Like most local chapters, the Twin Bridges Rotary is more community minded versus global think-

ing, according to Colwell.

"We have various fundraisers and give scholarships to four graduating seniors in Sheridan and Twin," said Colwell. "We are involved in many community projects and were active in the development of Riverside Park, Lewis and Clark Bi-Centennial Park



and various other projects at the fairgrounds," he said.

Colwell currently serves as the chairman for the Ruby Watershed Council, whose mission is to enhance and conserve the Ruby Valley's natural resources. Having been drawn to the beauty of the Ruby Valley, he always wanted to be close to public lands and natural resources. "I like to canoe the riv-

ers and ride horses and mules in the surrounding mountains," Colwell said.

For him, it all boils down to being in a place he truly loves and with people who care just as much about the community.

"I love the area and the small town atmosphere," Colwell said. "There's a lot of community spirit here."

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NorthWestern Energy Hebgen operations update

Submitted by Butch Larcomb NorthWestern Energy

Current conditions:

NorthWestern Energy manages the Hebgen Project taking into account current and previous month's stream flow, snowpack conditions and volume runoff projections. Inflow for the month of June has averaged 51 percent of normal while May flows were 65 percent of normal. The snowpack has diminished and future forecasts will be precipitation dependent. Hebgen Lake elevation is at 6,534.57 feet as of June 24, which is 0.30 feet from full pool. Currently, Hebgen outflow is at 663 cubic feet per second, and at Kirby, the USGS gauge below Hebgen, flow is at 839 cfs, while the Madison plant outflow is 1,150 cfs.

Forecast:

Inflow increased to 2,359 cfs on June 1, and Hebgen filled to full pool. Due to the high inflow, outflow was increased in an attempt to keep the lake from overfilling. Flow reductions from that point were gradual to prevent fish stranding which caused the lake to draft about half a foot. Wind conditions moving the lake have also made it difficult to get accurate gauge readings for flow adjustments.

Hebgen outflow has been increased in anticipation of the warm weather and potential pulse flow requirement. The current and extended forecasts indicate a high probability of above average temperatures out as far as 90 days. The precipitation outlook has more variability. It indicates a below

average amount for the next few weeks, slightly above average for July and has no indication of above or below for the months of August and September. Outflow continues to be managed conservatively to preserve water that may be needed during the summer.

Refill of Hebgen Lake is important for several reasons. In addition to maintaining the summer recreational level of the lake, our FERC license requires Hebgen Lake to provide adequate flow to meet downstream minimum flow requirements, and additional flow for potential pulse flows in the lower Madison River. Pulse flows reduce water temperature for fisheries protection. The pulse flow protocol has been developed and updated for fisheries protection while maximizing water conservation. Taking into

account our FERC license requirements, the daily operation of the Hebgen and Madison hydro projects are subject to constant monitoring, reevaluation and collaboration with applicable agencies. Appropriate operational changes will be made as necessary.

Construction update:

NorthWestern Energy's work at Hebgen Dam on the intake rehabilitation project has continued this year since early January. Work from now through the summer is directed towards completing the installation of all of the gates and the operating equipment, electrical installation, controls and automation, the operations building and starting up and testing all operations. The intake rehabilitation is currently scheduled for completion at the end of

the summer. Upon substantial completion of the work on the intake, river flow will be transitioned from the spillway to the new intake gates. This change is expected to return downstream water temperatures to what they were previously and aquatic insect populations will gradually return to those observed before the intake repairs began in 2008.

Concurrently with the intake rehabilitation project this year, NorthWestern Energy is proceeding with construction work to remove the cofferdam in front of the intake and construct a new cofferdam in front of the spillway at the other end of Hebgen Dam. At the point in the intake rehabilitation project when gates are secured and dam safety concerns are mitigated, work will begin to disassemble and remove the large cellular cofferdam in front of the intake. Much of the materials from the intake cofferdam will be re-used to construct a new cofferdam in front of the spillway. The spillway cofferdam is needed to isolate the spillway from the reservoir for 2016. Beginning early in 2016, NorthWestern Energy will demolish and completely replace the spillway. The spillway replacement project is expected to be completed by the end of 2016.

NorthWestern Energy will provide a Hebgen operations update to interested stakeholders and the local media on a monthly basis throughout the summer months. For more information, contact Claudia Rapkoch, Director, Corporate Communications, NorthWestern Energy, (866) 622-8081.

Outlaw country in Virginia City

Submitted by Ryan Chrys

Ryan Chrys and the Rough Cuts will be at the Wells Fargo Steakhouse in Virginia Ctiy on July 10. Chrys is originally from Sheridan - he graduated from Sheridan High School before moving to Denver to pursue music. Chrys and the band coined the term modern outlaw country to describe their style of music. Swing by the Wells Fargo Friday night for the show.

FWP commission to meet in Great Falls

Submitted by Joleen Tadej Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission will meet in Great Falls beginning at 8:30 a.m. on July 9. The meeting is located at FWP's region four headquarters. Commissioners will make final decisions on:

• Rule amendments for recreation on Silver Lake near Anaconda.

• A work plan for nongame conservation funded by income tax check-off contributions. • Upcoming upland game bird hunt-

ing harvest quotas and limits, including sage grouse season dates and closures.

• Upcoming furbearer seasons and quotas. • Upcoming wolf hunting and trap-

ping seasons and landowner take quotas. Changes to deer, elk and antelope quotas outside of biennial quota ranges.

· Big horn sheep hunting licenses to facilitate the depopulation of the Tendoy Mountain herd near Lima, contingent upon approval of an environmental assessment.

Commissioners also will consider two proposals for public comment, including early season migratory bird hunting regulations and a recreation management plan for 163,883 acres in Mineral, Missoula and Powell counties managed by The Nature Conservancy and enrolled in FWP's Block Management program, which provides free public access during the fall big game hunting seasons. The proposed rule will provide year-round recreational access for public use.

Dedication of Tendoy Park in Virginia City

Submitted by Orlan Svingen University of Washington, Pullman

The dedication of Tendoy Park, previously called North Park in Virginia City, will honor Chief Tendoy, a nephew of Sacajawea and Cameaweit who led a local mixed band of Shoshone, Sheepeater and Bannock Indians from 1863 to 1907. Tendoy was known for working peacefully with early white settlers and skillfully negotiating with the federal government through turbulent times.

The day of free, public events includes a prayer service, a pow-wow, a feast of salmon and buffalo meat and exhibitions of traditional Native American dress, drumming and dancing. A panel of historians and cultural experts will discuss Shoshone and Bannock presence in Southwest Montana. The event is on Saturday, July 18 and lasts all day.

Johnny Cash tribute show in Sheridan

Submitted by Carol Delisi FRIENDS OF THE SHERIDAN PUBLIC LIBRARY

On Thursday, July 16 at 7 p.m., at Episcopal Hall in Sheridan, Steve Christiansen will entertain with narrative, recitations and songs of Johnny Cash.

Open yourself to Johnny Cash's spirit as the magical journey unfolds. From Sun Record Days of "Hey Porter" and "There you Go" to

ful delivery, Christiansen has a magnetic way of engaging his audience. Christiansen has performed as the featured artist at the Prescott Opry and the Arizona Broadway Theater. This event is a fundraiser sponsored by the Friends of the Sheridan Public Library. For more information call Carol Delisi at 842-5473.

Lewis & Clark **Caverns** programs

Submitted by Tom Forwood Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park

On Friday night, July 10, Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park will present another campfire program called "Medicine and Lewis & Clark" with Dr. David Peck. Peck is the author of "Or Perish in the Attempt - The Hardship and Medicine of the Lewis and Clark Expedition." He has great insight of what Lewis and Clark went through medical-wise during their expedition. Come join us on July 10 at 8 p.m. for this interesting talk.

Peck is a retired physician and is a nationally recognized speaker on the medical aspects of Lewis and Clark. A documentary based on his book is currently in production by four time Emmy Award winning director and Montana native, Craig Wirth, and should be completed this fall.

Then, Saturday's naturalist walk will travel well off the beaten path into the backcountry of Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park as we head behind Cave Mountain travelling up Sheep Gulch.

Several different habitats can be found on this hike from hot desert like slopes to shady cottonwoods and Douglas fir forest. This hike is off trail, so extra water, sunscreen and good sturdy footwear is highly recommended. The hike is about four miles round trip and will climb 400 plus feet. We will gather at the Main Visitor Center in the lower Park on Saturday July 11 and then drive to the start point in the Jefferson Canyon.

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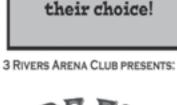
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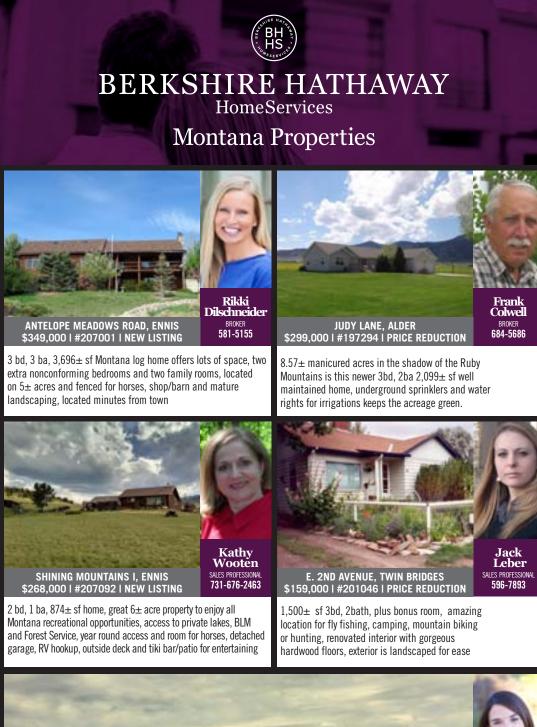
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MISTY MOUNTAINS

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Smoke travelling south from Alberta, Canada, where

over 120 fires are burning across the province, covered the Madison Mountain Range over the holiday weekend. States experiencing heavy fire activity include Washington, Oregon, Alaska and Idaho. To stay up-to-date on current fire activity visit the Northern Rockies Coordination Center's website at http://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/.



Mike Treloar and his daughter, Jackie, spend an early morning at the Kid's Fishing Pond at Lion's Club Park, where they were able to catch a pretty cutbow.



Thanks to:

Rich Johnson Whitehall Fire Department Twin Bridges Fire Department

We can not thank these people enough for responding to our house fire last week. Thanks to them, we were able to save items that can never be replaced.

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> Thanks, Joe and Marlys Nicholls

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Avis Mae Grauman May 25, 1931 – January 27, 2015

Our loving mother passed away peacefully in her home in Missoula, surrounded by her family at her side, on Jan. 27, 2015, at age 83. She was born to Joel C. "Clifford" and Irene Godwin on May 25, 1931. Due to a family tragedy, she was raised by her

grandparents, Solomon "Reid" and Mae Pasley on the family farm in Jeffers. She was schooled in nearby Ennis.

After graduating high school in 1949, she married Hiram "Tom" Grauman

and moved to Whitehall. They then bought the Jefferson Valley Grain and Feed Store from Tom's parents Otto and Katrine Grauman in the early 1950s. They successfully ran the business until

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they sold it in the mid 1970s. In 1976, they moved to Soap Lake, Wash., and bought a coast to coast hardware business in nearby Ephrata, Wash., which they ran successfully until they sold it in the mid 1990s and retired. In 2004, they moved to Missoula and bought a new house.

She was preceded in death by her son Bradley; husband Tom; brother Allen and his wife Leah Godwin of Fort Worth, Texas.

Widowed in 2007, Avis is survived by her son Michael of Bellevue, Wash.; son Marcus; and granddaughter Destany Grauman of Missoula.

Being very gregarious in nature, with a very humorous sharp wit, Avis enjoyed a very rich and rewarding social life. She was exceptionally fond of family, friends and community strong with commitment.

Just about everyone who knew her sought out her counsel, encouragement and fortitude. Most of all, the humorous pleasure and hospitality of her company. She left a niche of inde-

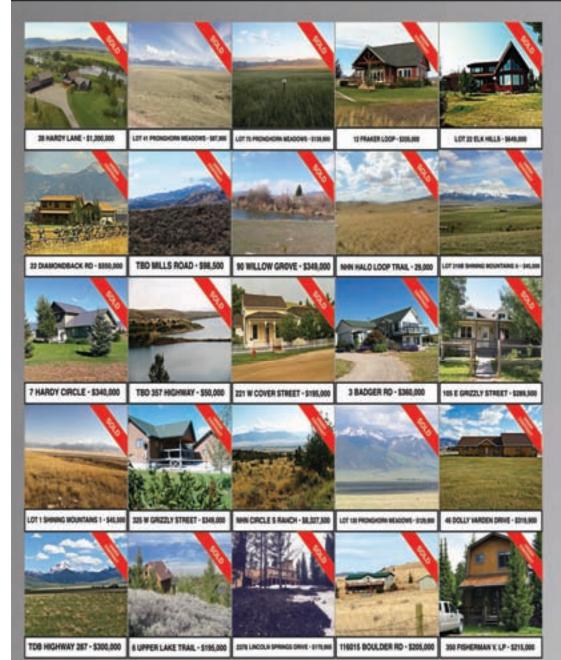
pendent free thinking and a positive outlook on life and in the hearts of all that knew her.

She was highly respected and one of a kind. Now she belongs to our

hearts, memories and the ages. May her soul be blessed, forgiven, protected,

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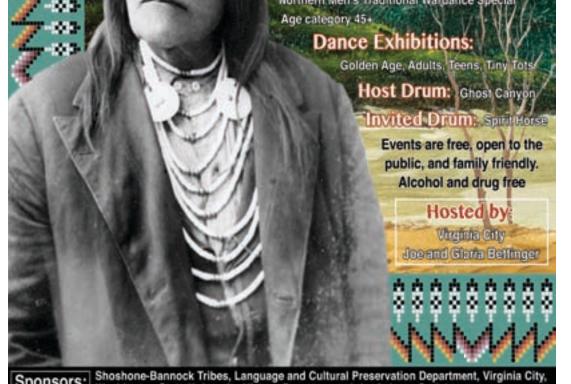
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Local group encourages Montanans to "hunt right"

Submitted by Mike England Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Citizen Advisory Committee

Few Montana pastimes enjoy a richer, more storied tradition than hunting. From our furtrapping forbears to the many native tribes who chased bison across the prairie, the pursuit of wild game has shaped our state's character from the beginning. Even today, the great story of hunting is told and re-told, as elkobsessed locals share the woods with wide-eyed nonresidents awestruck by the grandeur of the Montana landscape. Hunting reflects both our heritage and our contemporary lifestyle, and is therefore an important element of who we are as a people.

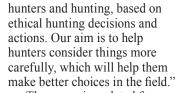
But like many traditional activities, hunting faces challenges in the modern world. Foremost among them are the social and technological changes that often distance hunters from their prey and from the intimate nature of the hunting



experience. This separation can ultimately degrade the thoughtfulness and careful consideration that ensures responsible, ethical conduct while afield.

In light of recent events, including last year's "flock-shooting" fiascos and the unfavorable news reports that followed, the need for higher ethical hunting standards has become paramount. The Montana Fish. Wildlife and Parks region three Citizen's Advisory Committee, with the support of a wide range of partners who care about hunter ethics and the future of hunting in Montana, have undertaken a multifaceted hunter ethics campaign called "Hunt Right," promoting greater awareness and practice of ethical hunter behavior.

"People won't tolerate for long the kind of ethical violations we saw last year," said CAC member Dennis Nelson. "The future of hunting in Montana depends on social acceptance, which means improved public perception and support for



The campaign, slated for launch prior to the 2015 general hunting season, will include a 30-second PSA to be aired on local T.V. stations, as well as radio, print, billboard and online advertising. Stickers and brochures will be disseminated around the region to further inform the public, and social media and other outlets will help spread the message far and wide.

"The success of Hunt Right depends on the involvement and cooperation of the entire community," said Nelson.

* The Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Region 3 Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) is a volunteer assembly of community members; the Hunt Right campaign is an independent CAC project fully endorsed by FWP.

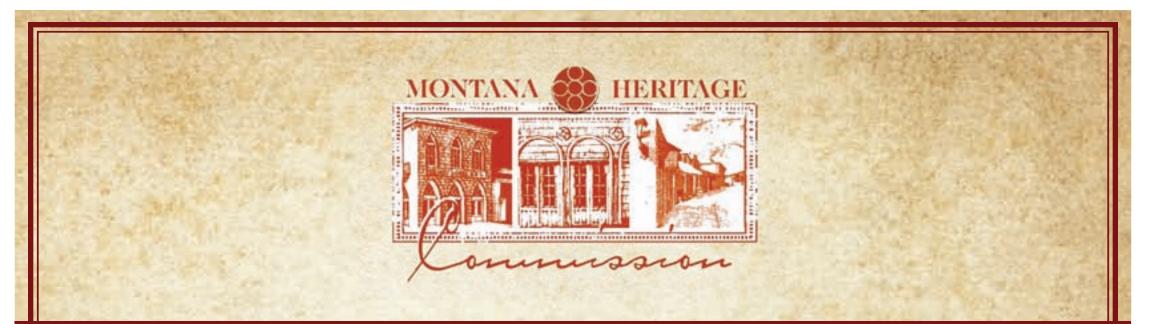
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"On the way to Virginia City for the fireworks" Submitted by Daniel Kruer





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Local Virginia City kids (from left) Peter Kelley, Bo Kelley and Catcher Murphy play with some new kids on the block.



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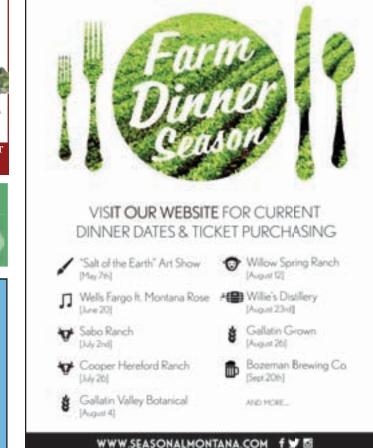
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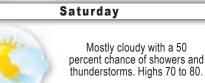
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Students prepared for their field trip with a research project on different animals found at the zc

Twin Bridges summer program STEMS to keep students learning

Caitlin Avey The Madisonian news@madisoniannews.com

Have you ever built a stomp rocket? Well the students of PRIDE certainly have. A stomp rocket is a science and engineering project that gives students have the power to create. The rockets are made of small PVC-like pipe and cardboard and it is the student's job to determine how to best get the rocket to blast off.

"The kids have to come up with a strategy and engineer a way to see how to get the most height," said Michelle Head, program director.

In Twin Bridges, upward of 30 students, K-12, meet for seven weeks in June and July for the PRIDE Program, a federally funded grant program operating under the 21st Century Community Learning Center. CCLC is a program dedicated to the creation of learning centers that provide academic enrichment to students during non-school hours. The grant is a five-year program specific to after school programs and PRIDE is in its third year.

"We have the opportunity to apply again and renew the program after five years," said Head.

Head was one of the original team members who applied for the grant and is active in the community and after school program throughout the year.

"It's a lot of work and it's busy, but it's fun," said Head.

The program provides reading and math skills to students and follows the STEM system, which stands for Science Technology Engineering and Math. PRIDE is for ages K-12 but Head says the main target is K-6.

"We want the kids to feel like they are part of something and be active," said Head. Students and volunteers

meet three times a week to learn, explore and create. "Thursdays are our field

trip days so the hours are a little longer," Head said. So far, the PRIDE Program has visited the Countryside Greenhouse, The Berkley Pit, Montana Resources and the Idaho Falls Zoo.

"The zoo was a big hit

for everyone," Head said. "Even the students who had been were just excited to go with their friends and ride on the charter bus."

PRIDE partners with different groups to keep the students active and involved.

"We partner with the library and participate in their summer reading program and we also work with Altacare, which focuses on mental health and counseling," said Head.

The students will also work on a service project to help benefit the Seattle Children's Hospital. "Everything we try and do is interactive and it always ties in with our weekly theme," Head said.

Through the program's partnerships, students get to experience a wide variety of activities – everything from stomp rockets to the science behind puppeteers, all activities are interactive.

"I like to hear the kids' reactions and the feedback," said Head, explaining what she enjoys most about the program. "They like routine and structure and to be part of the experience."



PRIDE took a field trip to Montana Resources in Butte where they were able to tour the mining operations and the mill.



The students took a field trip to the Idaho Falls Zoo. All of PRIDE's field trips tie in with a weekly theme or project.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

State reports first case of West Nile virus

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Submitted by Jon Ebelt Department of Health AND HUMAN SERVICES

State and local health officials are encouraging Montanans take steps to avoid mosquito bites and prevent infection with West Nile virus. The state's first human case has been reported in Rosebud County and reflects an early start to the season. The adult case was hospitalized and is now recovering.

To prevent infection, advice includes wearing insect repellent when outdoors, removing standing water from around the home and wearing pants and longsleeved shirts when possible. It also serves as a reminder that horse owners should get their animals vaccinated and revaccinate annually.

Summer is a prime time for exposure to mosquitos in Montana. Removing mosquito breeding areas and preventing

mosquito bites are two ways to prevent being infected with West Nile virus.

"The best way to prevent West Nile virus is to take personal precautions to avoid mosquito bites," said DPHHS Director Richard Opper. "We encourage everyone to protect themselves while enjoying the outdoors this summer.'

Public health officials offer the following advice to avoid being bitten and encourage all Montanans to remember the four Ds of West Nile virus prevention to reduce their chances of becoming ill.

Dusk/Dawn – Mosquitoes carrying West Nile virus usually bite at dusk and dawn. Limit outdoor activity during those times and, if you must be outside, protect yourself from bites.

Dress - Wear long-sleeved shirts and pants to reduce the amount of exposed skin. **DEET** – Cover exposed skin

with a repellant containing the

chemical DEET, which is most effective against mosquito bites.

Drain – Empty any containers holding standing water because they can be excellent breeding grounds for virus-carrying mosquitoes.

West Nile virus is transmitted to humans by infected mosquitos through bites. Three to 14 days after being bitten by a mosquito that carries West Nile virus, about one in five of those infected will develop a low grade fever, headache and muscle aches lasting for three to six days. Generally, no treatment is needed.

However, in less than one percent of infected people, serious, life-threatening symptoms develop including headache, rash, high fever, stiff neck, mental confusion, muscle weakness, tremors, convulsions, coma and paralysis. Individuals who develop any of these symptoms should see their healthcare

provider immediately. Luckily, most infected people do not develop symptoms and never knew that they were bitten by an infected mosquito.

The number of West Nile virus human cases in Montana has been highly variable from year to year since it came to the state in 2002. Over 200 cases were reported in 2003 and 2007 and none in 2010. In 2014, five cases were reported.

'Scientists have not been able to predict the number of West Nile virus cases, so it is important to protect yourself from mosquito bites and eliminate breeding sites around your home," said Christine Mulgrew, DPHHS WNV program manager.

With over 90 percent of cases occurring in August and September, it is time to start actively preventing mosquito bites, she added.

For more information go to the DPHHS website at www.dphhs.mt.gov.

Traffic deaths on the rise: Tips to keep your family safe

Submitted by StatePoint

Traffic deaths are on the rise, and experts fear the trend will continue this summer during a period known as the 100 Deadly Days. Summer weekends tend to be the most dangerous, with seven out of 10 crashes having happened on a Saturday or Sunday in the summer of 2014.

"While the statistics point out a dangerous trend, we have the ability to influence outcomes through our choices and behavior," said Deborah A.P. Hersman, president and CEO of the National Safety Council (NSC). "Summer is typically a high-exposure

period with lots of miles driven and several long holiday weekends. Take your responsibilities behind the wheel this summer seriously and ensure that you get to your destination safely."

Traffic deaths in the U.S. increased each month during the six months leading up to the summer, compared to the same six month period a year ago.

NSC believes the spike in fatal car crashes is due in part to an improving economy. Lower gas prices and lower unemployment rates often lead to an increase in traffic because more people can afford to drive, and many travel long

distances and take vacations. Certain crash factors, such as speeding and alcohol, are also more common during the summer. A yearly average of 2.781 deaths in June, July and August involve speeding, and 2,846 involve alcohol, according to NSC analysis of National Highway Traffic Safety Administration data.

To help stay safe on the roads this summer, NSC recommends drivers:

 Learn about their vehicle's safety systems and how to use them. Free resources, such as MyCarDoesWhat.org can help drivers understand the ins and outs of such features as blind spot, lane departure warning systems and backup cameras. Visit www.MvCarDoesWhat

org to learn more.

• Buckle up for all trips - short and long, even back seat passengers.

· Designate a nondrinking driver or arrange alternate transportation.

• Get plenty of sleep and take regular breaks to avoid fatigue.

• Never use a cell phone behind the wheel, even hands-free.

• Monitor teens' driving habits. An NSC survey found many parents are more inclined to loosen household driving rules during the summer. Teen passengers are one of the greatest distractions.

"We believe that by taking the proper precautions, we can make the roads safer and save lives this

summer," said Hersman.



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This, OUR VALLEY: By Reverend Keith Axberg

Bullets in the valley

The kingdom suffers violence, and the violent take it by force. – Jesus

For the past few weeks I have been in beautiful downtown Salt Lake City for our church's national convention. We meet every three years to see where we are, look to where we're headed, and discern what we need to do to get there.

I have been impressed with a number of things about both the convention, which was being held at the Salt Palace Convention Center, and the city. Our motel was only four blocks from the palace, but the blocks here are humungous. Apparently they are each an acre as the city founders wanted everyone to have space for a garden.

The streets are also very wide as the city planners, led by Brigham Young, did not want drivers to be tempted to curse while turning or maneuvering their horse drawn wagons. The best part of all this was that I really got to put my new fitness trainer to work counting steps and stairs as I chose to walk rather than availing myself of the shuttle. There were a few days in which that seemed less than wise as temperatures hit triple digits, but I survived and felt pretty good in the process.

One of the non-convention



Rev. Keith Axberg

in was a march against gun-violence. There were about 1,500 to 2,000 people gathered

for the march; we were led by the bishop of Utah Scott Havashi (who was nearly killed as a young man when he was shot by a robber while working the counter at a convenience store) and marched from the Salt Palace to Pioneer Park and back. The point of the march was not to promote the end of gun ownership, but to encourage folks to seek solutions to the epidemic of gun violence. Simple laws requiring universal back-ground checks, cooling-off periods, gun registrations and the like have been shown to be effective in reducing gun-violence in states that enact those laws. They don't eliminate gun violence, but they do reduce the number of deaths and injuries. If all life matters, and I believe it does, then doesn't it make sense to work together to address the problems

directly and find solutions? I have never been shot, but I have been shot at. I stood on the fire escape of an old flea-bag motel in Spokane - I was a cop back then – and watched the muzzle blast of a handgun fired through the window while the bullet went whizzing past me. The gunman was a fellow with mental health problems; he then turned the gun on himself, ending the standoff.

Winston Churchill once confessed that there is nothing as exhilarating as being shot at and missed, and I agree.

Another time I stepped into the back yard of a home where a counselor was asking for help with a troubled client. As I passed through a low opening in the hedge surrounding the yard, I found myself standing20 feet from a young man holding a 30-30 lever action rifle. If he had wanted to, he could easily have taken me out. Instead, he chose to end his own life right then and there (and I am still haunted by the memories of that most tragic event).

No one believes laws will prevent firearms from getting into the hands of criminals, but criminals aren't the only people using guns in acts of violence. Of the 30,000 gunrelated deaths each year, about a third are homicides, while two thirds are suicides (with a smattering of accidents and unintentional fatalities recorded each year). That coincided with my experience.

I know that gun ownership does save lives occasionally. I saw a report just the other day of a former CNN reporter and her husband being robbed at gunpoint in their motel room. The couple was armed, a gun-fight broke out in which the robber was killed. The husband suffered a gunshot wound in the melee, but he (and his wife) survived. Jesus recognized the human propensity to solve problems with violence and power. Human history shows us just how ineffective that route can be to bringing about peace. If life matters, and I think it does, perhaps it is time to turn down the rhetoric and lower our voices, and to start talking with one another here in this, God's valley. There has simply got to be another way.



Associate Professor and Extension Invasive Plant Specialist

Brazilian waterweed (Egeria densa)

Brazilian waterweed is currently being considered for priority three (regulated plant) listing in Montana. Please use this as an opportunity to familiarize yourself with this plant, should the listing go through.

History: Brazilian waterweed is native to Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay and was introduced to North America through aquarium trade. It was first reported in New York in 1893. In addition to being a popular aquarium plant, it is frequently used for biology education and research. It is now widely distributed throughout the

world and found on all continents except Antarctica.

Identification: A member of the Hydrocharitaceae family, Brazilian waterweed is a freshwater, perennial herb. It generally roots one to two meters below the water surface, but can root up to seven meters below the surface. It is a bushy plant with dense whorls of bright green leaves. Each whorl has four to eight leaves and leaves are one to three centimeters long. The leaves are minutely serrated and linear. The undersides of the leaf midribs are smooth and have no teeth. Stems are erect, cylindrical, simple or

branched, and grow until they reach the water surface where they form dense mats.

Impacts: Stems can form dense monocultures over large areas and produce substantial biomass relatively quickly. A Brazilian waterweed invasion can alter aquatic systems and crowd out native aquatic plants. Additionally, Brazilian waterweed can decrease water flow and cause clogging of equipment, affecting irrigation, drinking water supply systems and hydroelectric generation systems.

Habitat: Brazilian waterweed grows in standing or slow-flowing freshwater systems. It especially thrives in warm, slow-moving water that has high nutrient availability.

Spread: Brazilian waterweed reproduces both by seed and vegetatively in its native range, although only vegetative reproduction has been reported in North America. Vegetative reproduction primarily occurs by fragmentation, in which fragments take root and grow when two or more nodes are present. Since Brazilian waterweed fragments easily, it can spread to new areas

through the movement of plant fragments by boats or other water recreational equipment. Brazilian waterweed also spreads when people dump their aquarium plants into water bodies.

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Management: Brazilian waterweed has not been reported in Montana, but it is currently being considered for listing as a regulated plant (priority three). It is present in nearby states like Idaho, Washington and Oregon. It is unknown whether it would be able to establish in the relatively cold climate of Montana; freezing is reportedly lethal. Since aquatic plants can be very difficult to eradicate or control, prevention followed by early detection and rapid response is critical for management in Montana. Control of established plants is possible with herbicides such as diquat, fluridone and penoxsulam. Mechanical removal as the only control measure of wellestablished populations is believed to be ineffective. However, control of small populations by mechanical means may be effective if fragments and roots are completely removed.



I was talking to local veteran Doug Martin and he was telling me if a veteran served in a certain time frame, they can apply to the Montana Office of Public Instruction and be awarded an honorary diploma. Wow, that is so cool! The first person I thought of was my dad, who was drafted into the service for World War II.

He didn't finish high school, but served in the Navy, a different kind of classroom. The form is quite simple to fill out, but you need release papers to file with the application. That is where I ran into trouble – my dad had a bad fire a few years ago and lost all his valuable paperwork, thus, he has no service papers left. But I found it is quite easy to apply for duplicate paper from the National Personnel Records Center for Military Personnel Records, free of a charge for any veteran. I could request for him his entire records, thus getting his service number and copy of the release. I'm just waiting for those papers so I can send

them off with the diploma application to Helena. I'm

excited and patiently waiting. One thing I thought was so cool this Fourth of July holiday was the unique messages on Facebook and emails for the support of the United States of America. With all this being offended over everything, the polls trying to change the American flag and more, it is almost like most people want to defend their country, and what so many hold dear. Kind of makes you want to go around singing American Soldier or God Bless the U.S.A.

So what have we learned this week? There are three solutions to every problem:

accept it, change it or leave it; if you can't accept it, change it, if you can't change it, leave it. There are two kinds of people in this world, givers and takers the takers may eat better but the givers sleep better! Stay close to anything that makes you glad you are alive. Do not forget your sunscreen or lots of bug spray!

The Fourth of July holiday came off pretty well this year. Now on with summer, smoke in our air and worrying about more fire starts ... and mosquitoes carrying diseases. But then we all know, there is always something.

Tough times do not last, tough people do.

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By Evalyn Batten Johnson

The Fourth of July has come and gone. I am, however, not

going into further details of that great celebration, but another "fireworks" that took place here on July of 1972.

A 96 year old building at that time burst into flames from an undetermined cause. Fire engines from Virginia City, Alder, Ennis, Sheridan and Twin Bridges quickly responded to assist in the outbreak of flames at the Madison County

Courthouse. It apparently started in the basement of the building and burned through all three floors. All efforts were made to save records, and due to those efforts, very few were lost. The clerk and recorder's office and treasurer's office were hit the hardest, but both safes were saved.

The staircase leading up to the county attorney's office took a real beating; a huge hole in the stairway leading out of the sheriff's office because flames had

gutted the hallway outside the clerk and recorder's office door and both walls caved in. The floor in the treasurer's office caved in. A real handicap for the firemen were the steel bars covering the jail windows. When the mesh and glass windows were removed, the smoke poured out so heavy that it was impossible for firemen to stand it for more than a few seconds. Many offices had flames licking at their doors but weren't too badly damaged;

floor had fire damage but before the fire went into the rafters the spirit and actions of the firemen certainly prevented a great disaster.

That is just a short memory of a very bad July in Virginia City. How fortunate all our neighbors worked so diligently to save this historic building, all its records, and day to day working of our county.

This is definitely a very brief sketch of what "fireworks" happened on what could have been disastrous day in Virginia City in July of 1972.

Source: Dick Pace Archives, Thompson-Hickman County Library

Commodity Insite: The June Zoom

by Jerry Welch

A few weeks ago in my column entitled," Seismic Events Spawning Death By A Thousand Cuts," I boldly offered the following prediction: "Moving forward, all my work suggests the downside leaders for commodities per se should be the U.S. grain markets and crude oil. On the downside, I fully expect all major grains to fall back down to levels last seen five to nine years ago. I expect crude oil to once again trade at \$45 a barrel or lower which from a percentage viewpoint is a long way down from this week's levels of \$59 a barrel."

In the same column, I touted the potential for stocks and a host of other markets to endure a, June swoon in the month of June. And how did June turn out in light of my negative outlook for most all markets you ask? Here is a brief review of a number of

markets and their performance in the month just ending.

Crude oil did fall to a one month low in late June, but on July 1, prices fell much further to a new, three month low as values slipped well under \$57 a barrel. Clearly, a June swoon. Stocks, shares and equities as measured by Dow Jones futures also fell to a three month low and did so on the final day of June. Coffee and sugar prices fell to multi-year lows. Again, a clear and certain June swoon. Gold, silver and copper prices fell to a four month low in June. Platinum hit a six year low. All in all, the seismic events of the months leading up to June were not headline grabbing, nor touted by the media, but the facts are indisputable. In June, markets swooned and did so quietly.

But the one group of markets I predicted would drop sharply in June, did the very opposite. Those markets were grains,

corn, wheat and soybeans. In mid-June, the growing weather appeared ideal and it certainly seemed as if grain values were poised to drop to lower levels. New crop December corn was down as low as \$3.63 a bushel and wheat basis September Chicago futures kissed \$4.88. New crop November soybeans fell to \$8.96 bushel.

However, rather than continue with the ideal growing conditions in June, Mother Nature threw grain producers a curve by drenching most of the U.S. with abnormally high levels of rainfall. The rain became such a problem that many acres of soybeans and corn were left unplanted. Acres already planted were flooded. There were ponds of water amid the growing crops. Wheat fields, on the cusp of harvest were waterlogged.

Grain prices began zooming north on or about June 15, and

then on June 30, the USDA released a major grain report regarding acres planted and ending supplies. The report showed less corn acres planted, fewer supplies than expected and an uncomfortably large decline in old crop soybean stocks. I thought the report was, at best, mildly bullish but the trade thought otherwise. Following the release of the data from the report, corn prices rose \$.30 a bushel, wheat jumped \$.29 cents and soybean prices soared a whopping \$.57 a bushel. All in one hectic day.

Essentially, grains bottomed in mid-June, rallied sharply because of excessive rainfall and then the complex was hit with a report viewed by most (not me!) as a wildly bullish. From the low point in mid-June, new crop corn prices rallied from \$3.63 a bushel to a high set this week of \$4.36. New crop wheat moved from \$4.88

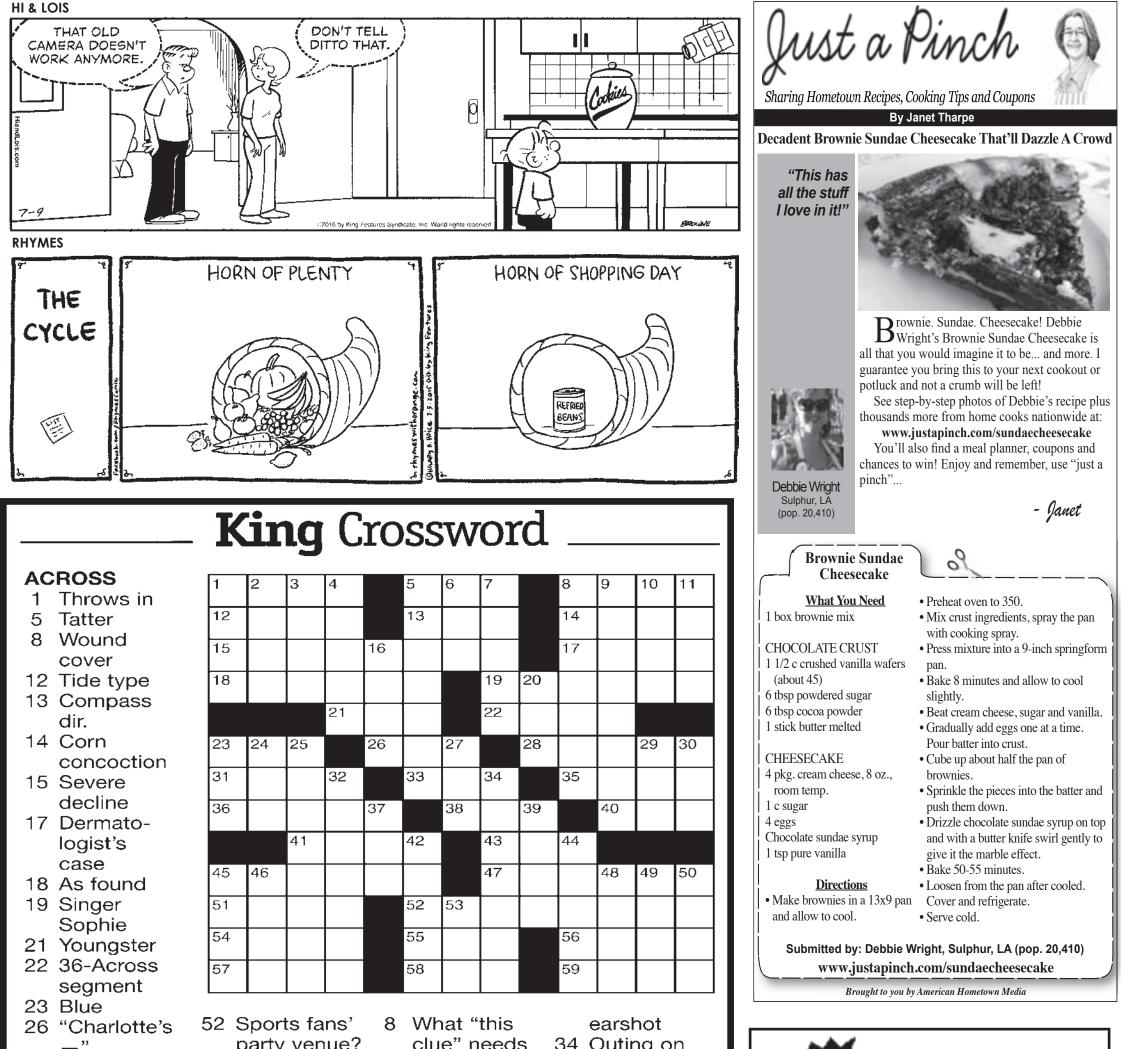
to a high of \$6.17 1/2. New crop soybeans soared upward from \$8.96 to \$10.40 a bushel.

Obviously, in June, there was no swoon but there was a zoom. The zoom with prices was a gift from heaven because the price rise of \$.73 a bushel for corn, \$1.29 for wheat and \$1.44 a bushel for soybeans came in the midst of harvest and seedings. For producers, it does not get any better. After all, in the past, such rallies only unfolded if there were drought conditions with the crops suffering, yields cut and production reduced. Grain producers always suffer under a hot and dry scenario. But the June zoom, based on heavier than normal rain fall, gave producers the best of two worlds. Higher prices and big crops.

Historically, a corn crop is made in July when the plant tassels and a soybean crop in August when the plant flowers. If there are no weather problems over the next two months and no early season, crop killing frost, the odds are high that grain prices this past week carved out a meaningful and long lasting high. Of course, I could be dead wrong about such an outlook. After all, I am the one that predicted just a month ago, "On the downside, I fully expect all major grains to fall back down to levels last seen five to nine years ago."

The month of May was the wettest month in history for the U.S. But June was one of the wettest months on record for the Midwestern U.S. The excessive rainfall did spoil my forecast for grain prices to endure a swoon in June. But where there is change, there is opportunity. And the June zoom with grain prices has opportunity knocking on the door of producers and traders right this very moment. Right this very moment.

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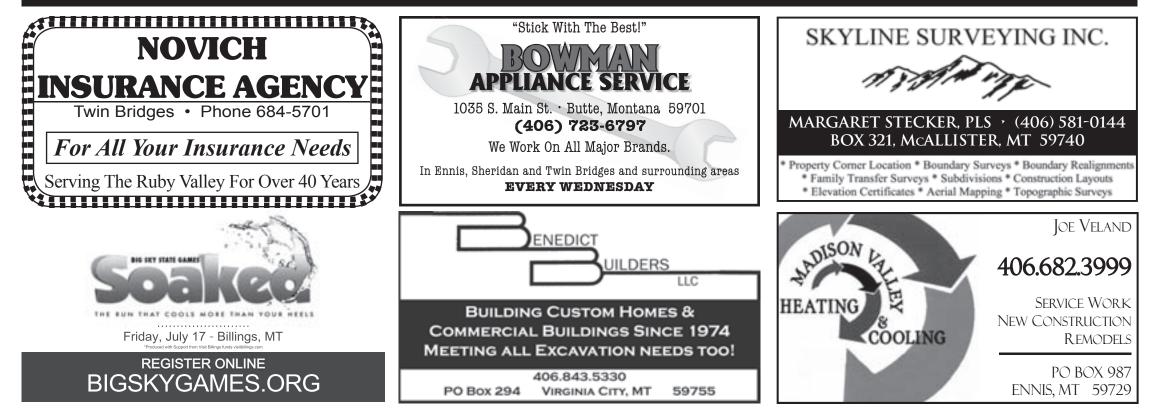


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Like new! 22 Anderson casement windows (various sizes), and 5 fixed windows. Call Joyce Adams at 714-679-5351 for more information. 37-tfc-p

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SERVICES

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

BLAKE MCKITRICK CERTIFIED FARRIER Horse Shoeing &Trimming Call (406) 595-5379 26-4-p

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



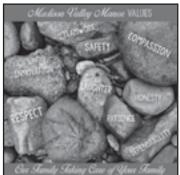
DEEMO'S MEATS Don't stress your livestock by taking them to slaughter. Let slaughter come to your ranch. To schedule an appointment, call 682-7306 or 600-0320 and ask for Scott. 20-tfc-b

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Help Wanted. Part time/full time house keeping at Rainbow Valley Lodge in Ennis. 682-4264. 37-2-b

The board of Directors of the Madison Valley Medical Center in Ennis, Montana are seeking those Building Construction Contractors in the Ennis Community who might have an interest in bidding on a future project that will replace the exterior siding and trim on the existing hospital building. Those interested are directed to contact the Project Design Team at JGA Architects, PC, prior to July 15, 2015. Contact: Terry Sukut, AIA, Project Manager for additional information. 406-245-6363 or e-mailtsukut@ jgaarchitects.com 37-1-b

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



Madison Valley Manor is looking for a per diem LPN or RN. Pay commensurate with experience. This is a great opportunity to work in a personal healthcare setting. If you are interested in a rewarding career in healthcare, Madison Valley Manor is the place. Please contact Christine Canterbury, DON at 682-7271 for more information. EOE <u>36-tfc-b</u> Help Wanted. Full time general maintenance at Antler Designs. Monday-Friday, 8-5 p.m.. Benefits. Apply at 333 W. Main St, Ennis or call 682-7153. 27-tfc-b

37-2-b

Madison Valley Medical Center is seeking a self-motivated, reliable person to transport lab specimens from Big Sky Town Center to Ennis every afternoon, Monday - Friday weekly. Hours will be about 15-20 per week. Must have own vehicle with insurance. Compensation will be for mileage plus an hourly wage. Check out our website for more information or call Melinda at 682-6644. Apply with resume and application which can be found on our website www.mvmedcenter.org or stop by to pick one up. E-mail to careers@mvmedcenter.org or mail to 305 N. Main Ennis, MT. Application close on July 17. 37-2-b

RANCH STEWARD POSITION now open with Ranch Resources. Responsible for working with General Manager in achieving agricultural and natural resource objectives, including cattle and crop production, food plot development, equipment and infrastructure maintenance. Download employment package at www.ranchresources.net/ contact-us/ or call 1-800-842-5010. 37-3-b



Two bedroom apartment for rent. Major appliances included. No pets. No smoking. Ennis. 682-7152 37-tfc-b

3 bedroom house for rent in McAllister. \$650 per month. No indoor pets. No smoking. Available July 1. 682-7153. 34-tfc-b

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30'x60' metal shop. 3-phase power. Overhead door. Floor is 1/2 dirt-1/2 cement. Located in Nevada City – HWY 287 and Browns Gulch Rd. \$500/mo, deposit required. Call 435-752-5215. 37-tfc-b

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

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

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



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



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

ESTATE SALES



Living Estate Sale July 17 & 18, Fri & Sat, 10-4 High quality antiques, furniture, collectibles, art, books, flat screen tv, ping pong table, barrister bookcase, vintage safe, household items, oriental rugs, antique clocks, pie safe, blue willow, lamps, bed, 60" Woods brush cutter, landscape rake and many more misc. items. Priced to move. 72 Jack Creek Rd - Jeffers. (Turn left 1/2 mile so. of Ennis off 287 S)

Follow signs. NO EARLY BIRDS!

GARAGE SALE

Ennis Yard Sale Antiques, tools, furniture, piano, art supplies, potters wheel, kiln, S-XXL ladies clothes, kitchenware, house plants, faux flowers, more. 9-4 pm Friday-Saturday July 10-11 Early bird prices double. 207 E. Hugel. 37-1-b

Place Your Classified 682-7755

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE July 10 & 11, starts at 9am 307 Ruby Street in Sheridan Riding lawnmower, Brand new lazy boy rocking recliner, memory foam mattresses, tack, misc household. 37-1-b

Large Multi Family Barn Sale 3 miles S Ennis on 287 (toward Cameron) Look for signs Some antiques, massage table, snowmobile gear, pressure washer, lots of mis. Fri-Sat, July 10-12, 10-4 37-1-b

LOST

LOST: Black metal toolbox on Shining Mtns. Loop Road. Reward. 406-579-1987.

LOST: Oars and Kick Fins at Axolotl Lake June 26. Call 406-585-7101579-1987

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Reference is hereby made to that certain trust indenture/deed of trust ("Deed of Trust") 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 Ben-eficiary and Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. was Trustee. First American Title Insurance Company has succeeded Alliance Title & Es-crow Corp as Successor Trustea. The Deed Company has succeeded Alliance Title & Es-crow 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 Condo-minium Subdivision and all of the Phase E of Beaverhead Condominium Subdivision and Beaverhead Condominium Subdivision, and a portion of the NE1/4 and NW1/4 of Section 30, Townshin 6 South Pages 2 Fest Privile 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 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 on those certain Basic Unit Floor Plans and Site Map recorded in the office of the County Site Map recorded in the Orifice of the County, Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana being a portion of a Tract of Land Iocated 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, Data 604 PA. Beaverd of Madison County Page 601-BA, Records of Madison County, Montana) Together with an undivided 1.97 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 in-strument two recorded as Instrument by 160754 strument 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 as rustee, 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") se-cured by the Deed of Trust because of Crant. cured by the Deed of Trust because of Grantor's failure timely to pay all monthly install-ments 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 ben-eficiary'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 19, 2015 at 2:00 PM, Mountain Time. The sale is a public sale and any per-son, 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 convey-ance will be made by trustee's deed without and 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 (in cluding foreclosure costs and expenses ac-

tually 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 nonmonetary 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, De-ceased

ceased

ceased 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, re-turn 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

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON ROSE M. HARRIS, being first duly sworn, 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 //s// ROSE W. INARRISON 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 W. Commission expires: 3/12/2019. 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

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 Rep-resentatives of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said de-cendent 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

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 con-nection between the 8" SDR and the 4" PVC pipes. The 4" service line shall then be laid pipes. Ine 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 in. service. In addition, a cleanout shall be in-stalled just downstream of the plug valve. The contractor shall also be responsible for rerouting the plumbing from under the build-ing (estimated near the midpoint) to the hold-ing tank. Backfill shall be placed in all areas such that settlement does not occur. The contractor will be expected to repair any setdiately following completion of construction. The owner will be responsible for replacing

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. Al-though the extent of groundwater is unknown, it should be expected and the contractor shall be prepared to deal with it. All methods and more of construction including catchy and means of construction, including safety procedures shall be the responsibility of the

The undersigned, having become familiar with the scope and conditions of the de-scribed 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

PUBLIC HEARING

The Madison County Board of Commission-ers will conduct a public hearing on Monday, July 20, 2015, at 5:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Madison County Administrative Offices Building in Virginia City, Mon-tana, to receive public comment on a Petition to Make Range View Road and Pintail Ridge Road County Roads.

Copies of the petition are available for public review and comment at the Madison County Commissioners' Office and the Clerk and Re-corder's Office

corder's Office. Comments on the petition are welcome. Writ-ten public comments may be submitted or de-livered to the Madison County Commission-ers' Office, P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, MT 59755; faxed to (406) 843-5517; or emailed to madco@madison.mt.gov. Written com-ments must be received by close of the July 20, 2015, public hearing. (Pub. July 9, 16, 2015) mcc

MADISON COUNTY PLAN-NING BOARD NOTICE OF PUB-LIC HEARING The Madison County Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday July 27, 2015 at 6:15 pm in the public meeting room of the Madison County Administrative Office Building, 103 W Wallace, Virginia City, Mon-tana.

to plaintiff's ownership or any cloud upon plaintiff's title thereto, whether such claim be present or contingent, Defendants

property described in the complaint adverse

Cause No.DV-29-2014-49 THE STATE OF MONTANA SENDS GREET-INGS TO: COMINCO AMERICAN RESOURCES IN-

CORPORATED, a Delaware corporation; and SUNWEST ABRASIVES COMPANY, a defunct Nevada corporation; MONTANA OREGON INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC OREGON INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company; and ALDER GARNET JOINT VENTURE (a.k.a THE ALDER JOINT VENTURE);, AND ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR DEVISEES OF THE ABOVE NAMED: AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, UNKNOWN, CLAIMING OR WHO MIGHT CLAIM ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, OR INTEREST IN OR LIEN OR ENCUMBRANCE UPON THE REAL PROP-ERTY DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF'S OWNERSHIP OR ANY CLOUD UPON PLAINTIFF'S TITLE THERETO, WHETHER SUCH CLAIM BE PRESENT OR CONTINGENT: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO answer

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO answer the Complaint to Quiet Title in this action. This action is brought to quiet title to land situated in Madison County, Montana, and described as follows:

situated in Madison County, Montana, and described as follows: Real Property: a.A tract of land located in the SE¼SE¼ of Section 9 and SW¼ of Section 10, Town-ship 6 South, Range 4 West, P.M.M., more particularly shown and described as Tract A of Certificate of Survey filed in Book 7 of Surveys, page 1707-BA, and A tract of land located in the SE¼ of Section 9, Township 6 South, Range 4 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown and described as Acquired Portion Tract B on Certificate of Survey filed in Book 7 of Surveys, pages 1882-BA, records of Madison County, Montana, both collectively and com-County, Montana, both collectively and com-monly known as: 2210 MT Hwy 287, Alder,

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Turkey, bacon swiss

wrap with potato salad

MT 59710: b.All minerals and mineral rights related thereto in an under and that may be produced from a tract of land located at the S ½ NE ¼ of Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 4 West, Medicare Current, Machanan

Madison County, Montana; c.A tract of land located in the NE¼ and N ½ SE¼ of Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 4 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana together with all appurtenant metals, stone oil, gas, coal, and mineral rights, and all appurtenant water and ditch rights owned by the Grantor. No warranty is made as to the status

or extent of such rights. The Complaint in this action is filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court, a copy of which is deemed served upon you by this publication, and you are hereby summoned to file your answer and serve a copy thereof upon the Plaintiff's attorneys, Trent N. Baker, Datsopoulos, MacDonald & Lind, P.C., 201 West Main, Suite 201, Missoula, Montana 59802, within twenty (21) days after the service of this Summons for Service by Pub-lication, exclusive of the day of service, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default, for the relief demanded in the Complaint to Quiet Title.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court, this 30 day of June, 2015. Karen J. Miller, Clerk of District Court /s/ Karen J. Miller (Pub. July 9, 16, 23, 2015) dml

OPEN FOR BIDS

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245-6363 or e-mailtsukut@jgaarchitects com<mailto:tsukut@jgaarchitects.com (Pub. July 9, 2015) mvmc

STAGE ONE FIRE RESTRIC-TIONS IN MADISON COUNTY On July 6, 2015, the Board of Madison County Commissioners, in cooperation with the Sheriff/Fire Warden, the Director of Emergency Management, and all local fire chiefs, confirmed that, until further notice, the county is now under Stano One fire particle county is now under Stage One fire restric-tions effective 12 a.m. July 7, 2015, on private property in Madison County due to extreme fire danger. Any exceptions to the Stage One restrictions must be approved in writing by your local district fire chief. All exceptions approved by the fire chief will then be reported to the dispatch office (843-5301) before exercising said exception. Stage One restrictions are as follows:

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire or campfire except within a developed

recreation site, or improved site. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

Exemptions: A. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act. B. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels. C. Persons conducting activities in those des-

ignated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice. D. Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty. E. All land within a municipal boundary is ex-En think within a manapart before the second of the second second

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	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI			
	6 Chicken gyros with broccoli salad	7 Turkey focaccia club with vanilla fruit salad	8 Buffalo chicken panini with broccoli & apple salad	<i>g</i> Reuben style pizza	20 Tuna and hummus wrap with melon/ grape medley			

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Potato pizza

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PROPOSAL FOR MADISON COUNTY FAIR-GROUNDS SEWER SERVICE

The proposed project consists of the instal-lation of approximately 250 feet of a new sanitary sewer service line from an existing sanitary sever service interform 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

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tana. The purpose of the public hearing is to re Village, Phase 1c Subdivision, creating 4 residential (2 duplex) condominiums within Big Springs Village PUD and updating the Big Springs Village Overall Development Plan. The tract of land is located in the Yellowstone Club at the base of Pioneer Mountain in the vicinity of Warren Miller Lodge, in the SE1/4, Sec. 12, T7S, R2E, and SW1/4 Sec. 7, T7S, R3E, PMM.

R3E, PMM. Written comments should be received by 3:00 pm on July 27, 2015, and may be sent to the Madison County Planning Board by: Mail to P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, Montana, 59755; Fax to (406) 843-5229; or E-mail to planb@ madison.mt.gov. Oral or written comments may close be being a the period.

madison.mt.gov. Oral or written comments may also be given at the public hearing. The preliminary plat and supplemental in-formation pertaining to this proposed sub-division is available for review at: Madison County Planning Office, 103 W. Wallace, Vir-ginia City; Madison Valley Public Library, 210 E. Main Street, Ennis; and Yellowstone Moun-tain Club Entrance, 13 Yellowstone Mountain Club Entrance, 13 Yellowstone Mountain

Club Trail, Big Sky. Call (406) 843-5250 for more information. John Fountain, President, Madison County Planning Board (Pub. July 9, 16, 2015) mcpb

SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY

GARNET USA, LLC, Plaintiff,

and COMINCO AMERICAN RESOURCES IN-CORPORATED, a Delaware corporation; and SUNWEST ABRASIVES COMPANY. and SUNVEST ABRASIVES COMPANY, a defunct Nevada corporation; MONTANA OREGON INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company; and AL-DER GARNET JOINT VENTURE (a.k.a THE ALDER JOINT VENTURE); and all unknown heirs and/or devisees of the above named; and

All other persons, unknown, claiming or who might claim any right, title, estate, or inter-est in or lien or encumbrance upon the real

FORM

wrap with macaroni salad	Zucchini pasta with roll	burger with side salad	Mexican pizza	sandwich with veggie tossed salad
27 Apple, beef panini with summer garden medley	28 Chicken salad croissant with apple, cranberry delight	29 Chicken, spinach and citrus salad	<i>30</i> BBQ chicken pizza	32 Taco salad wrap with chips

Grilled flank gyros

with asparagus

tomato salad



FUN IN THE SUN



Submitted by Melody Clark, Madison Valley Manor

Madison Valley Manor residents recently spent lots of time in the sunshine pursuing activities. Fifteen residents strolled down Main Street to Lion's Park for a delicious picnic. Meals on Wheels folks joined the residents for lunch. 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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Back & Neck Care



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FRESH, LOCAL FOOD

B8

Holy heat wave, it's so darn hot nothing sounds good to eat but ice cream and I don't want to think about cooking. Do you have any suggestions? We can't live on ice

In the heat of summer, we do A: well with fresh raw fruits and vegetables, full of nutrients and

light in fat. Think salads – add protein such as roasted chicken or seasoned, canned beans. Maybe even put it all in a wrap. Instead of ice cream, think fruit, fruit fruit. Have you ever tried frozen grapes?

For nutritious and delicious dinners that you don't need to cook, remember we serve supper at The Shovel and Spoon on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 5 to 7 PM. You can eat in or take out. Call or check the menu on our Facebook page. We also have a selection of frozen dinners, always made from scratch using quality ingredients. Remember our summer is short, it will be cold again before we know it, enjoy!

> Janet Marsh, Owner Shovel and Spoon • 406-842-7999

PHYSICAL THERAPY

What is the rotator cuff?

The rotator cuff holds the shoulder's ball and socket together. It consists of four

small deep muscles. Three of the muscles originate from the back of the shoulder blade and attach to the ball. One small muscle originates underneath the shoulder blade and attaches to the inside of the ball. These muscles are not

powerful movers of your arm. There main function is to keep the ball rolling properly in the socket in the shoulder. Rotator cuff injuries/symptoms are weakness, night pain, and problems fixing your hair and reaching into the cupboard. Treatment is as simple as "ICE", simple exercises or surgery Rotator cuff is a small complex set of muscles that need to be thoroughly evaluated by your orthopedic physician. Management/ Treatment of the rotator cuff requires an experienced





auctions coming up this summer? Any trucks, tractors or

A: I'm glad you asked! July 19th in Jackson, Mont., over in the Big Hole we are conducting a ranch liquidation for John & Joan Jackson. They have retired and sold the fourth generation ranch that John grew up on. Ranch Equipment to be sold will include their Motor

Grader, Caterpillar Track Loader/Backhoe, Ibex Yarder, 3-Torflex Axel Equipment Trailer, Implements, a Few Older Tractors, Lots of Tools, Commercial Grade Shop Equipment, 2 Semi Loads of Poles, Cattle Panels, Gates, Bale Feeders, Fuel Tanks, Antique Sawmill, & More! Also for auction will be several of their Pickup Trucks, including a Nice '08 Dodge Big Horn Edition Megacab 4x4 Dually Flatbed Diesel with LOW miles, a 1990 Nissan Extend Cab, 1954 Five-window Cab Chevy Longbed Stepside (all original, no rust, and runs!), plus their Nice '06 VW Jetta Diesel Car, ATVs, & Much More! Full color flyer, payment terms and conditions are on our website! WWW.HAGEDORNAUCTION.COM

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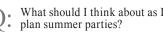
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Welcome to July! The month of baseball games, summer picnics and weddings! Can you guess from that list—especially the last two—what coverage issue jumps to mind? That's right: Liquor Liability! What doors are you opening if you provide alcohol or let guests BYOB?

Parties that have drinking often result in a few guests drinking more than they should and, although the summer is a time for celebration, too much drinking could result in drunk driving accidents, for which the HOST could be responsible. Besides the hosts being on the lookout for any guests who appear visibly intoxicated in order to try and prevent an accident from happening, making sure you have the proper insurance coverage in place is another wise choice you can make.



BIRDING

How important is water to birds?

Water (or the lack thereof) can be deadly for birds. Birds must be ready to fly at all

times and bathing is a critical part of feather maintenance and staying in top-flight condition. Whether they are feeder visitors or not, birds need water. Offering a dependable source of water is probably the simplest and

most important step you can take to greatly increase the variety of birds in your yard. Water is also vitally important when it's extremely hot and a bird's ability to regulate its body temperature can become stressed. Birds do not sweat and must remove excess body heat through their respiratory system. So when temperatures rise, a bird's respiration rate increases, sometimes to the point that it can be seen panting like a dog. This activity dehydrates birds and increases their need for a reliable source of water to





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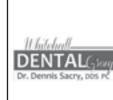
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DENTISTRY

O. How important is prevention to my oral health?

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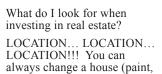
used to diagnose a number of conditions such as cavities, bone defects, oral cancers and bone loss associated with periodontal disease, just to name a few. As for radiation, we are surrounded by naturally occurring radiation daily. Radiation is measured in micro sieverts (µSv). One banana contains 0.1 µSv of radiation from radioactive potassium. Sleeping next to your spouse, you receive 0.5 µSv. Dental x-rays account for 5 µSv annually. We also receive radiation from living in brick homes (70 μ Sv), flying on airplanes (10 µSv) and even reading books. Humans have thrived for years on naturally occurring radiation, so why decline the benefits of a few dental x-rays each year?

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replace lost fluids. So, while the addition of a bird bath, fountain or mister to your yard can supply hours of enjoyable bird watching entertainment for you, it may also be providing a lifesaving necessity.

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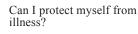
you would be thrilled to own and don't plan on flipping. Good real estate investments are often owned for 5 to 10 years or more (we conservatively increase in value 2-5% per year and have averaged 10% per year increase with better quality investments). Become educated about trends for any LOCATION that you are considering. Don't have cash? Become educated about owner financing or loan possibilities. Become educated and then make a choice that best fits you. Prices are starting up again. Interest rates are starting to increase. Don't miss this opportunity. Call your real estate agent today to begin your investigation of what can possibly create a portion of your wealth tomorrow!

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Call us or stop in and talk to us to learn what measures you can take to help offset the huge cost or judgements that this situation may generate

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GENERAL HEALTH



The easiest and most effective way of protecting oneself from illness is to wash your

hands. The flu, norovirus and many other viruses can live on a surface from 2 to 8 hours. When you touch a surface contaminated with the virus, the virus is transferred to vour hands. If you touch your face, eyes,



or mouth you have just put the virus in a place where it can grow and eventually cause illness. Hand washing is easy. You should soap up your hands and rub them together for 30 seconds, rinsing them under running water and making sure that you are rubbing all surfaces including the backs of your hands and between your fingers and finger nails. Hand sanitizer can also be used in the same fashion, rubbing your hands together until the alcohol solution has dried. Another way people get illnesses is by drinking water from sources that have not been tested to be safe to drink. Use filtration or water treatment devices if you are in the backcountry drinking from the streams. Summer time activities can increase your exposure to all kinds of virus and bacteria that can cause illness.

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The very much alive ghost town, Virginia City, Montana, is frozen in time. It is a remarkably well-preserved Old West Victorian gold mining town just 50 miles west of Yellowstone National Park (90 miles by road). When the gold ran out, there was still enough left so that homes and businesses were occupied, but there was not enough wealth to remodel the buildings. So it froze, and now represents the whole Victorian era. Virginia City is the true and original Old West. It is a gem, held within an incredibly rich area of natural beauty, recreation and history.

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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.

Family Night at MVPL, Ennis

5 p.m., Madison Valley Public Library. Food, music, crafts and books of course. All free.

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 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!

Magic Show, Ennis

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

Commissioner's Meeting, Virginia City Madison Co. Commissioners meet every Monday, unless noted, public welcome.

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

THURSDAYS

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

11 a.m., Madison Valley Public Library. Summer reading program magic show for all ages.

Evening with the artists, Virginia City

6 p.m., Dancing Buffalo. Join us for and Evening with the Artists, featuring fine art by Patrick and Jennifer McClellan of Sheridan and unique beautiful multi-metal jewelry by artist Cheryl Degroot. Come and enjoy their works, a visit and refreshments.

Ryan Chrys & The Rough Cuts, Virainia City

9 p.m., Wells Fargo Steak House. Outlaw Country Band from Denver, Colo. - Ryan Chrys & The Rough Cuts.

SATURDAY **JULY 11**

NRA Concealed Weapons Class, **Twin Bridges**

9 a.m. Rocky Mountain Firearms Instruction will be conducting an NRA **Concealed Weapons**

NORRIS HOT SPRINGS

music this weekend:

Fri 7/10 - Brian Ernst Acoustic Soul/Roots Sat 7/11 - Aran Buzzas Homegrown Mortana Folky Sun 7/12 - Britchy Original Acoustic Duo

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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.

TUESDAY JULY 14

Ennis Arts Association meeting, Ennis

10:30 a.m. Ennis Arts Association meeting at the home of Judy Daluiso. 21 Arrow Trail, Ennis, near the Fish Hatchery. Program: show and share with members bringing artwork from workshops or anything they would like to show everyone. Please bring

salad or dessert. For more information, call Judy at 682-3645.

WEDNESDAY **JULY 15**

St. and Poppleton St. in Sheridan.Call 842-5770 for more details.

THURS 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

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. We provide the meat, everyone else, please bring a side dish or dessert of your choice.

MADISON COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

School Administrators, Board Chairs, Transportation Supervisors, and County Commissioners

The annual transportation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday July 22nd, 2015 at 1:00 pm in the Community Meeting room at the Madison County Administrative Offices Building

All school transportation questions will be addressed at this time. Find the agenda at madison.mt.gov under department of Superintendent of Schools



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

Tennis, Ennis 9 a.m. til 2p.m., come play tennis at the Madison Meadows Golf Course. All levels welcome.

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

MV Manor Auxilary 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

Tennis, Ennis 9 a.m. til 2p.m., come play tennis at the Madison Meadows Golf Course. All levels welcome.

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

Live Music, Ennis Willlie'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

Farmer's Market, Twin Bridges 9 a.m. Main Street City Park

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

Live Music - Norris 7 p.m. See the weekly



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