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MADISON RIVER OPEN TO YEAR ROUND FISHING

Fish & Wildlife Commission approves changes to fishing regulations

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The upper Madison River from Hebgen Lake to Ennis Dam is now open to year round fishing, following approval from the Fish & Wildlife Commission on Nov. 12.

"Opening it year round is not going to increase pressure greatly because of weather and the ice gorge," said Dave Moser, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks region three fisheries biologist. "The thought process

behind that is this – if there's a nice day in March, it's going to spread out the pressure."

On the Madison River, from Quake Lake to McAtee Bridge and from Ennis Bridge to Ennis Lake was previously closed to fishing from the end of February through the third weekend in May.

During the public comment period, concerns were raised about opening the river year round, mostly revolving around disrupting spawning fish and increasing pressure.

"Basically, trout put out

tons of eggs, assuming that most are going to die, and most do die," Moser said, explaining why opening the river will not impact spawning fish. "Even if people trample a few redds, it won't have an impact on population level."

Moser pointed out that many rainbow trout redds exist in the river up to July 15, so there are already fishermen walking on them when the river is open.

"And people have been walking on brown trout redds for years because the river is open (when they spawn),"

Moser added. "From a population perspective, there is no impact from walking on redds."

Artificial lures

The commission also approved a regulation that requires only artificial lures be used on the River from Quake Lake to Ennis Dam, which Moser said should not be a huge change.

"(Fishermen) primarily use artificial lures," Moser said. "That's what I see when I'm out there. There are a few bait fishermen, but they may go elsewhere."

Harvest

Initially, FWP planned to recommend a one fish harvest for the upper Madison River, but following the public comment period, they ultimately did not ask the commission to change the harvest rules on the river.

"The public comment (about harvest) was mixed, but we felt like this was not the time to address the harvest issue," Moser said. "There was some misunderstanding – a lot of people thought the Madison (River) was entirely catch and release, but it's not. In about one-third

of the river, you can keep five browns. This is all moot since it didn't go before the commission, but our (initial) thought was that if you can keep one fish it would decrease harvest river-wide, and if someone hooks a fish badly, they could keep it."

The process

FWP does a "big review" of the fishing regulations every for years, Moser said.

"If we do see issues, we can go to the commission between the four years and ask for changes," Moser said.

Hunting violations WARDENS IN THE RUBY, MADISON PRIMARILY SEE TRESPASSING

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"The worst issue we're having right now is trespassing," said Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks game warden Shane Brozovich. "We're seeing a fair amount of trespass. From opening week to now, we've had a couple every week."

Brozovich is the game warden for the Madison Valley, though his Ruby Valley counterpart, warden Ryan Picken, said the majority of the tickets he has written so far this year are also for trespassing.

"It's a (\$170) ticket for failure to get landowner permission to hunt game," Brozovich explained. "A second offense is a \$535 ticket, but I haven't run into a second offender yet."

Out of the tickets Brozovich has written for failure to obtain landowner permission,

he said about half of them go to non-resident hunters, and the other half to hunters not from Madison County.

"We don't have issues from county residents," he said. "(A hunter) will see animals and then doesn't take the time to look at a map."

In Montana, landowners are not required to post his or her land, Picken explained.

"I sympathize with the hunters," Picken said. "It can be a tough state to hunt because there is so much private land interspersed with public land ... it does say right in the regulations that it is the responsibility of the hunter to know."

Picken said the majority of trespassing tickets he has written so far this season have been for people who did not know they were on private land.

"One was a nice mule deer

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Ducks Unlimited columnist fired Thomas loses job after writing article criticizing James Cox Kennedy

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A Montana field editor for *Ducks Unlimited* was fired after his article "A Rift Runs Through It" was published in *Outside Bozeman* magazine regarding the legal battle surrounding the Ruby River and Montana stream access laws.

Don Thomas was a freelance contributor to DU and wrote the Closing Time column, according to DU spokesman Matt Coffey. Thomas had been a contributor since 2001.

"In DU's opinion, the article published by Mr. Thomas in *Outside Bozeman* publicly and very personally attacked a DU volunteer leader," Coffey stated in a press release. "We felt the article demonstrated a lack of fairness in vilifying a member

of the DU family without allowing that person the opportunity to provide his perspective."

The DU volunteer referred to in Thomas's article is James Cox Kennedy, a contributor to DU and a "longstanding DU volunteer leader," according to Coffey.

Kennedy owns the land surrounding a bridge that crosses the Ruby River on Seyler Lane, a public road with prescriptive easements. The bridge in question, located in Madison County, is currently the subject of a more than 10-year court case that is still in Madison County District Court.

Thomas also released a statement saying he was relieved of his position because Kennedy was unhappy with the article.

"A DU functionary in

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TRUCK TRAFFIC



Abigail Dennis/The Madisonian
A semi truck travels through Ennis.

Concerned citizens scrutinize semi truck traffic in Madison Valley

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In October of this year, Madison Valley residents Patty Mayne and Jackie Mathews traveled to Helena to meet with Mike Tooley, Montana Department of Transportation director. Their mission? Discuss issues with trailer-truck traffic on two highways in Madison County, Highway 287 and Highway 84.

"Our whole issue is safety to citizens, tourists, truckers and wildlife," Mayne explained.

A problem?

According to Mathews, there are a few problems with long-haul truck traffic in the Madison Valley.

"Number one is animal migration," she said. "We are one river corridor away from Yellowstone National Park. The ability to keep a viable, healthy population of mule deer, elk, whitetail deer, moose, grizzly bears, black bears, wolves, wolverines, mountain lions and big horn sheep is important. Their ability to move from the Gravelly (Mountain Range) to the Gallatin side is being impaired by those trucks."

Mathews also said the

truck traffic impacts quality of life for those in the valley.

"How aesthetically pleasing is it to see trucks coming through town one after another?" she asked. "We're not talking about local delivery cattle trucks, grocery store trucks and trucks that service our communities. We're talking about long-haul trucks that aren't spending money here, they are just passing through. They are not part of the community and they don't need to be on these smaller roads."

Mathews and Mayne also raised concern about the type of materials being transported.

"We're concerned about the Madison Valley being used to transport toxic materials," Mayne said. "That should happen on the interstate anyway, because it's a safer route designed for trucks."

Or, as Mathews said, "What if it were to spill in the river? We don't know the economic impact. It could be disastrous to the fishery."

Duane Williams, administrator of MDT's motor carrier division, said Highway 287 and Highway 84 are similar to many roads across the state of Montana, and that MDT

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SHERIDAN TOWN: COUNCIL DISCUSSES WATER ORDINANCE, CELL TOWERS

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Aside from narrowing down a potential skate park site, Sheridan town council members' monthly agenda included a lease agreement with American Tower, the demolition of Maddison Meats and a look at the town water ordinance.

To read about the potential skate park, check out the Nov. 9 edition of *The Madisonian*.

Tower

American Tower is talking with the town to extend

its lease agreement. The tower currently sits on the south end of town and can be used as cellular provider, according to representative Michael Card.

Card said the purpose of the lease agreement is to continue a relationship with the town.

"Our goal is to foster the relationship with the landlords and have an ongoing relationship," said Card.

The American Tower lease agreement was seen by council members in early October and according to Mayor Tom Shaffer, it is still unclear exactly what the agreement will do.

"We need to do more

digging," said Shaffer adding the need to clarify verbiage in the agreement.

Card declined further comment on the tower's purpose.

Maddison Meats

"The town is going to take it down," said Shaffer referring to the vacant building between Jensen's and Town Hall. "It's an old building with no value and a liability to the town."

The council awarded the construction bid to Allhands Construction and are expecting demolition to begin some time this week.

"For right now we just

want to remove (the building) and look into boundary adjustments to help the buyer of Jensen's with their renovation and revitalization plan on that corner," said Shaffer.

Water

Shaffer said the town is also looking into possibly reworking the water ordinance to accommodate potential buyers and builders.

The ordinance is being discussed after a piece of property on MT Highway 287 came into question from a possible buyer.

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does not have plans to change any truck traffic regulations on the highways.

The numbers

According to a MDT summary report of traffic statistics on Highway 287 and Highway 84, truck volume has stayed relatively steady since 2012.

"We have (traffic counters) across the state," said Williams. "They tell us the type of rig, how fast it's going, the weight of the rig. We gather data for statistical purposes."

A traffic counter 2.9 miles south of Cameron shows an increase in average daily traffic volume – in 2012, the average daily volume was 1,410 and the 2014 number is 1,659. However, according to the MDT report, only 207 of those vehicles were trucks – on average – and in 2014, 263 were trucks.

On Highway 84, the traffic

counter is located 10 1/2 miles west of Four Corners. In 2012, the average daily traffic was 1,060, and 81 of those vehicles were trucks. In 2014, the average daily traffic was 2,052 and 82 of those vehicles were trucks. It is important to note, however, that the 2012 numbers are based on short-term counts using an estimating procedure, not permanent traffic counters.

Madison County Sheriff Roger Thompson said semi truck traffic in both the Madison and Ruby valleys is "constant."

"We do get complaints from time to time as far as truck traffic," Thompson said. "And yes, we notice a presence, but I can't say if it's increased because we don't monitor that."

Thompson also said safety on Highway 84 was improved this fall, following an MDT project that installed a centerline rumble strip the length of the highway from

Norris to Four Corners.

"That was a great improvement," he said.

Speed in Ennis

Both Thompson and Ennis town policeman John Moore said they have checked the speed of semi trucks entering Ennis from time to time.

"The fact of the matter is, no matter how you look at it, trucks look like they are going faster even though they are going the same speed as other vehicles," Thompson said. "A semi going 25 miles per hour is much more intimidating than a (car) going 25 mph. It's a perception issue rather than reality."

Moore said he spent four hours in his patrol car with an Ennis resident who was concerned about trucks speeding through town.

"I would ask the guy to guess how fast they were going before using the radar," Moore

said. "The guesses were consistently 10 miles over the actual speed limit. What they teach you in radar school is that a big vehicle plays on all senses – visual and hearing – and makes it seem like it's going faster."

What about the Ruby Valley?

Thompson said the Ruby Valley also gets its fair share of truck traffic.

"It's constant on Highway 41," he said. "It's a cut through road coming up from Idaho. They take (Highway) 41 to bypass the hills on I-15."

Madison County's highways are adequate for handling truck traffic, Thompson added.

"There are only so many routes to take coming up from Idaho," he said. "People want the amenities that truckers bring into the communities, because that's what stocks our stores. Unfortunately, to bring those amenities in, you have to have truckers."

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buck taken on what happened to be private land and the hunter didn't even realize it," he said. "There is a lot of property that isn't marked. Maps are pretty good, but I tell people to get GPS. GPS doesn't lie."

Self reporting

"I've had five self-reported spike kills," Picken said. "We are not allowed to kill spikes."

Spikes are bull elk without browntines, and harvesting them is illegal in the hunting districts in the Ruby Valley.

"Five different guys called them in and said they shot thinking it was a legal bull or a cow," Picken said. "I thought it was a big deal for them to self-report."

In those cases, Picken said he wrote the hunters a \$135 ticket, seized the spike and gave them back their tag.

"I give them their tag back so they can go on a legal elk hunt," he said.

Elk on the flats

"Elk are coming down on the flats now," said Brozovich, referring to the Cameron

flats, the stretch of land that spans the valley floor at the base of the Madison Mountain Range. "Especially as we get more weather."

Brozovich said the flats are interspersed with public roads and are often packed with hunters.

"(Hunters) need to know where they are," he said. "They can't shoot from the road or from a vehicle. They need to be aware of property ownership and where they can shoot."

Brozovich also pointed out hunters need to be aware they

are not allowed to cross through private land without permission, even if they are just trying to reach public land. Another important thing to remember when hunting the flats is House Bill 150, which was passed during the last legislative session.

"You cannot hunt from a vehicle," he said. "But you also cannot chase or harass animals with a vehicle. If you are caught chasing with a vehicle or harassing (an animal) then upon conviction, you lose your hunting privileges for two years, mandatory."

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formed me that my position with (*Ducks Unlimited* magazine) was terminated because of Cox's displeasure with the article," stated Thomas in a release.

Thomas also added "while the article was not complimentary to Kennedy, no one has challenged the accuracy of his reporting."

Elizabeth Olmstead,

spokeswoman for Cox Enterprises declined to comment.

"This matter is between Mr. Thomas and *Ducks Unlimited*," she told *The Madisonian* in an email.

Thomas, a self-proclaimed outdoorsman and conservationist, said he is worried about the future of wildlife and recreation because of the pressure advocates face.

"This issue is not about

me or my professional relationship with DU. It is about integrity and the future of wildlife in America," he stated in his release.

Coffey said that Kennedy never asked for repercussions against Thomas and that the DU team would follow the same course of action if the article had been aimed at any DU volunteer leader.

"Mr. Thomas as the right to

express his opinions in any way he sees fit. DU has the right to choose who contributes to its publications," stated Coffey.

** Editor's note: The stream access case is still in Madison County District Court, but a future hearing date has not yet been scheduled, according to Karen Miller, clerk of district court.*

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"A potential buyer came and is interested in putting some sort of duplex or triplex on that property," Shaffer said.

Currently, the ordinance does not cover the area and the town needs to work to get the ordinance refigured.

"When we wrote the ordinance, we didn't give that much thought, though it is certainly viable," Shaffer said. "We need to rework the ordinance and look for the right verbiage to do so."

Cell tower

The highly anticipated cell tower is completely constructed and just needs to undergo testing and fine-tuning.

"Now it is just a matter of getting everyone together to get (the tower) in full operation," Shaffer said.

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Sheridan's town council discusses amending the town water ordinance, cell towers and Maddison Meats.



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SCHOOL BOARD ROUND UP

Highlights from Ennis, Harrison and Sheridan

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Last week, three Madison County school districts held board meetings. The following is a round up of the meetings, which took place in Ennis, Harrison and Sheridan.

Ennis

The Ennis School Board met at 5 p.m. on Nov. 11. Lone Peak, the school in Big Sky, is in the process of proposing the creation of a Temporary Economic Development District, according to Ennis

Superintendent Jon Wrzesinski. "We're kinda trying to keep on top of the proposed TEDD," Wrzesinski said. "They want to create their own tax district. We've hired a financial consultant to see what adverse effect that would have on our school."

It is up to the Madison County Commissioners to create the TEDD, Wrzesinski added. There will be a meeting about the proposal on Dec. 10 at 10 a.m. at the commissioners' office in Virginia City.

Ennis is also in the process of evaluating their AP and honors courses, Wrzesinski said. "We didn't offer as many as normal this year because the kids that took them did it as juniors," he said. "There wasn't a huge demand, so we only

have AP calculus this year.

The school sent a survey out to students to better understand the demand for AP classes to determine what will be offered next year.

Next month, the school board is going to discuss a safety plan. "We want one plan that is all encompassing," Wrzesinski said. "Right now we're operating on a few different plans."

Harrison

The Harrison school board met on Nov. 9 for a fairly light meeting, according to Superintendent Fred Hofman.

"The board heard a staff report on the status of the school and wanted the board to know how well things are going so

far this year," said Hofman. "Things are running much more smoothly at the school and communication is great."

Here are some highlights from the meeting.

Three new students have boosted enrollment to 74 total students, kindergarten through 12th-grade.

Hofman attended The Montana Conference of Education and noted that Montana public schools are fourth in the nation in science and sixth in math. Hofman also pointed out that according to MCEL and the Great Works of Montana's Public Schools, Montana eighth graders are number one in the nation in science.

The board accepted the resignation of Jessica Hall, special

education and history teacher, and hired Kelly Leo as the assistant high school girls basketball coach and Emma Steffen as the new pep club and cheer advisor.

Sheridan

The Sheridan school board met on Nov. 10 at 7 p.m.

The board is working toward replacing the old marquee sign on Poplar Street and Main Street with a digital sign. Superintendent Mike Wetherbee and board member Karen Talley having been working on collecting grants from a variety of outfits to help put in a new sign. As of now, Wetherbee said the school is in the preliminary stages of securing grant money.

The board is still looking at bids for the hand railing project

on the elementary walkway and started to make movements toward outlining different insurance and licensing options.

"We're looking to make sure everything is up to snuff," said Wetherbee.

At last month's meeting, board members, along with faculty and staff, created a safety committee to address and survey current and future safety projects.

"The committee talked and decided that we would move forward on the measures we are currently doing," said Wetherbee. "Looking at (magnetic) locks for the doors and doing more drills and being prepared on all safety measures."



WALL CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

Fish & Wildlife Commission approves purchase of more acreage for Wall Creek WMA

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On Thursday, Nov. 12, the Fish & Wildlife Commission approved the purchase of 631 acres of land adjacent to Wall Creek Wildlife Management Area in the Madison Valley. "The primary focus of why

we wanted to see (the land) incorporated in the WMA is to preserve the land and prevent any subdivision up there," explained Howard Burt, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks region three wildlife manager. "That whole area up there is pretty key elk winter range, we typically have 1,500 to 2,000 elk wintering there."

Wall Creek WMA is around 20 miles south of Ennis, and the adjoining land in question is currently owned by the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, according to an environmental assessment released by FWP on Sept. 15.

"The (property) to be purchased exists in Madison County, approximately 20 miles

south of Ennis ... at the northern boundary of (the Wall Creek WMA)," the assessment reads. "The addition (would provide) 631.12 acres of key winter range grassland habitat along the northern border of (Wall Creek WMA). Wall Creek WMA consistently supports about 2,000 wintering elk. Historically, elk have also commonly made use

of the proposed addition. Securing this habitat helps reduce the potential for conflicts and would ensure this portion of elk winter range remains intact."

Acquiring the land will also provide wintering habitat for pronghorn, and more public hunting opportunities.

"Consistent with the rest of the WMA, this addition

would be open to public use and access subject to FWP commission rules, including a Dec. 1 – May 15 winter closure period for wildlife security," according to the EA.

Since the commission approved the purchase, the request went before the State Land Board on Nov. 16, and the board also approved the land transfer.

SANITARIAN: Commissioners hire Twin Bridges man as new sanitarian

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Last week, the Madison County Commissioners offered the job of county sanitarian to Van Puckett, who accepted it. "Service is a big part of what I like to do," Puckett said, explaining why he applied for the job. "I want to serve the community and be at home more."

Puckett replaces former sanitarian Joyce Crouse, who resigned Sept. 25, 2015, after a nearly two-year stint with the county. While Madison County has been without a sanitarian, commissioner Jim Hart said they worked with sanitarians in adjacent counties and the state so the office could remain open and keep operating as usual. Puckett, who now lives in Twin Bridges, grew up in

Kalispell and graduated college from University of Montana Western in Dillon. "My wife and I taught all over the state, but her family is from Twin Bridges so we moved back," he said. Before taking the county sanitarian job, Puckett was a nurse with the Army. "I (did) medical and safety training and education for the Army in Fort Har-

rison," he said. "I've missed being around home." Puckett worked at the Ruby Valley Hospital and the Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center before the Army, and when he worked in Madison County, he enjoyed being involved in the Twin Bridges community. "Before I started with the Army, I was on the town council, the ambulance and the fire department," he said. "I

miss the everyday interaction with the folks around here." The sanitarian role is an important one, Hart added. "The job takes them anywhere from septic inspections to food handling inspections," he said. Puckett's start date was Nov. 16, and though he does not yet have his sanitarian certification, he started the process a long time ago through the Army.

"My initial Army training was as an Army sanitarian," he said. "I just have to pick that (certification) up again and finish it up this winter." "We encouraged he complete his sanitarian certification by the first of February," Hart said. "And in the meantime, we encouraged he work with local counties and the state government."

MADISON COUNTY RECEIVES ANNUAL EMERGENCY GRANTS

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Madison County Director of Emergency Services Chris Mumme recently secured just over \$56,000 in grant money to be used toward emergency training and planning management around the county. Mumme, who will retire from the director of emergency services position at the end

of December, applied for two grants – an emergency management planning grant and hazardous materials emergency preparedness grant, both of which are to be used within one year of the acceptance date. The EMPG is a grant Mumme has applied for each year and goes toward training programs and exercises. "(It) goes toward trainings and operations and management for my job but also pays for proj-

ects like getting signs up around the county," Mumme said. Mumme received \$34,748 from the EMPG, which requires a 50 percent match from the county, and \$21,750 with a \$5,500 county match from the HMEP grant. The HMEP grant will go toward training fire volunteers and first responders in handling hazardous material, according to Mumme. "(It) will help set a train-

ing plan for handling hazardous material spills," Mumme said, adding that with the expansion of both airports in Madison County, responders need to know what to do. "Now we're dealing with larger planes at high volumes," Mumme said. "If one goes down, that's one big hazardous material problem right there, and we need to train on what we're going to do for that." Commissioner Dave

Schulz said the county has seen an increase in grant money every year. "We have been participating in and receiving grants for a number of years," Schulz said. "Because of the good work (Mumme) does for Madison County, we have always seen a slight increase in (grant money) annually and we are very pleased to get that." Schulz also said that the county director of emergency services works closely with first

responders in each community, and the grants received help to not only fund but also facilitate work and achieve a successful relationship between groups. Because of his years of experience working for Madison County and in the director of emergency services, Mumme has the grant application process down. "I know what I have to do to make Madison County safer and help first responders with funding," Mumme said.

TWIN BRIDGES

Great West Engineering creates subdivision regulations, places survey pins

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Great West Engineering is currently working on two projects with the town of Twin Bridges – one to place survey pins and another to update the town's subdivision regulations. "They're putting in survey pins so we can survey our properties," said Mayor Tom Hyndman. "We found the ones

that were originally here were plowed over or bent or moved." Hyndman said property owners are required to have surveys completed on their properties, and the pins will be placed across the whole town to give residents a better idea of property lines. "This is part of a grant we received for (the town) to put most of their facilities on GIS layers," explained Dan

McCauley, with Great West Engineering. "The town does not have a really good network of property monuments. We're trying to get more control." The grant Great West Engineering received was through the State Department of Administration's Montana Land Information Act. "If everything comes together and the weather doesn't hit us too bad, we will hope-

fully be done before the end of the year," McCauley said. The grant funds \$20,850 of the work but requires a town match of just less than \$5,000, McCauley added. "They will provide that in cash and in-kind work," he explained. Great West Engineering is also involved in updating the town's subdivision regulations. "I actually don't think they

have any (subdivision regulations)," McCauley said. "It's not that we expect a lot of subdivisions in town, but they need to have the regulations in place." McCauley said updating the town's planning strategy will take awhile, but should be done this winter or next spring. "The Department of Commerce has a model that we take and work through to customize it to the town," he said.

Though the subdivision regulations are the emphasis of the project, McCauley said Great West Engineering wrote the town's growth policy, which outlines certain goals the town needs to complete. "It requests certain things be done in the future, like completing subdivision regulations," McCauley said. "We are making sure all the planning processes are up-to-date and in place."

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Hillary's enlistment problems

Dear Editor,

Hillary Clinton's story of trying to enlist in the Marine Corps in 1975 does not carry water. I was a Marine recruiter in Denver for four years and retired in September 1975. Here are three reasons it is not true.

First, the Marines have never called the Army "dogs." They are and always have been called "doggies."

Second, the first question the

recruiter would have asked is, "Are you a high school graduate?" Vietnam was over by that time and a high school diploma was needed for enlistment.

Third, after she replied that she was a college graduate and a lawyer, the recruiter would have called the officer procurement office and they would have taken her for any further interviews. Recruiters did not assist in processing anyone for the officer program except to refer them.

There is another fallacy to her story. In 1975, the Armed Forces were enlisting people up to the age of 29, so when she said "27" she would have been eligible and any recruiter who would have tried her down would/could lose his/her job.

We had some characters who were in trouble and trying to hide in the Armed Forces, but at that time she was making plans to marry Bill, who was Arkansas' attorney general, or

had she found out about all of Bill's girlfriends and was going into the Marines to get away from him. After hearing her lies for the last eight years, I think she did know about Bill's so called bimbos. The Marine Corps would have been a better choice than a wedding.

Bill Hanley
Twin Bridges

A response to "Please educate yourself"

Dear Editor,

In Please educate yourself from *The Madisonian* on Nov. 5, the author states "A well-armed, educated citizenry will prevent memorial services of murder victims." That statement has once again been proven to be totally and insidiously false. Just as it is false and denied some 90 times everyday in America.

On Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015, a young man that I knew, Joe, was shot down and left to bleed to death on a road outside of Whitehall. Two other men were also shot. On Saturday, Nov. 14,

2015, I attended his memorial service. Your contention that a well armed "citizenry" will prevent memorial services did not work in this case. Or any other case in recent history.

Why did it not work?

With over 300 million guns in the hands of the American "citizenry" today, and thousands more being manufactured everyday. Why do I, and many other mourners, attend memorial services for friends and loved ones that have been shot dead?

Why is your theory not working? And will never work? Could it be because the cur-

rent system, the one that you endorse, allows anyone that can pick their nose to purchase a gun? Is that a possibility? No. That is a reality.

All of you that are in denial and refuse to admit, because of your own selfish pride, that America is sick with its addiction to guns and hate, in my view, are conspirators and facilitators.

Like a dog that returns to its own vomit, the defenders of the current system, go to analogy, is alcohol and car crashes.

Another quote: "Clearly a firearm does not cause the handler to lose track of time,

get sick or make a fool of one while it is being used."

It does something much more permanent. It causes one to fall down and not get up. Ever.

Ninety-nine percent of car crashes, involving alcohol or not, are accidents. May negligence be a factor? Absolutely.

Ninety-nine percent of death or injury due to a gunshot are deliberate. A cold, gutless, deliberate act. Did your parents not teach you that two wrongs do not make a right? Think about it.

Gerald Johnson
Cardwell

OBITUARIES

Jan "John" Cornelis van der Have April 30, 1924 - November 1, 2015



John van der Have was born and raised in Kapelle, Netherlands. He was the youngest of four children born to Adriaan and Alag-

onda van der Have-Lucieer.

In 1951 he married Eva Burger surrounded by family, friends and his university rowing team. Shortly after, they moved to Argentina to establish a subsidiary of the family seed business. There they had three daughters, Meta, Kay and Alde.

John accepted an invitation in 1958 to join Northrup King & Co., and moved to the United States. His pride in becoming a U.S. citizen in 1965 remained for his entire life. Working from headquarters in Minneapolis, John became vice president of international trade, traveling worldwide during his

career in the seed business.

At the age of 55 John retired from Northrup King and he and Eve embarked on a new chapter in their lives: a cattle ranch in Northern California. Throughout his life, John had a passion for sailing and often brought together groups of family and friends for sails through the Great Lakes, the Caribbean and the North Sea.

John and Eve enjoyed their annual trips to Montana to visit their daughters and grandchildren, and frequent trips to Oregon to connect with relatives there. He loved and supported his family in

all their endeavors and his presence is sorely missed.

John died in Petaluma, Calif., after a long battle with Alzheimer's. He was preceded in death by his parents, and brothers Piet and Daan. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Eve; sister Bertie Dirkzwager-van der Have; and his children, Meta Orvis (Jim), Kay van der Have (Anne) and Alde Feskanin (Rick), grandchildren Megan Orvis-Aguilar (B.J.), Adrian Orvis and Elizabeth Orvis (Ben); great-granddaughter Candace Aguilar; and numerous beloved nieces and nephews.

Edna Schumacher

November 12, 1929 - November 12, 2015

Edna Schumacher, 86, a longtime Ennis resident, passed away at her daughter's home in Bozeman on Nov. 12. At her request, no services will be held.



Second Grade students interviewing the Veterans.

Veterans Day tea

Submitted by Rodney Stout,
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The Veterans Day tea was started to recognize our local veterans who have served in the various military branches.

The intent was to educate our students and help educate them about these veterans and how they have helped preserve the United States and its ideals.

This year we had 35 local veterans attend the tea. During the tea, they were served

homemade cinnamon rolls with coffee or tea. Our eighth grade band played the National Anthem and America the Beautiful followed by our English teacher, Mr. Rockeman, sharing a poem.

The event was topped off with our second and fourth

grade students interviewing the veterans with prepared questions and our kindergarten students presented each veteran with a coloring they completed in class. It is always well-received and a great opportunity for our students to meet these individuals.

& MORE NEWS:

Winter woes? NO WAY!

Hi readers,

"So Abby, on a scale of 1-10, how awful are the winters up there?"

I got that text from a Kansas friend last week and at first, I was offended. Awful? Our winters aren't awful, they're wonderful. From my office, I can see the Madison Mountain Range, coated in a thick layer of snow. And I love snow.

I realize not everyone shares my enthusiasm. Some folks pack their bags and head south at the first frost. And I understand that. I think it's admirable that many who call Montana home have also figured out how to enjoy living elsewhere in the world.

However, the snowbird life is not for me. There's something magical about winter in Madison County. I love driving our main streets and recognizing nearly every vehicle. I love waking up to a fresh dusting of glistening snow. I love how a warm coffee or tea feels in my hands while the cold air pricks at my face and fingers.

Last week, we sent our winter edition of The Loop magazine to the printer, which means it will be inserted in *The Madisonian* around Thanksgiving.

If you're not familiar with The Loop, we publish two editions per year – summer and winter. It's a lifestyle magazine and our way of introducing out-of-towners to our slice of Montana heaven. And for locals, we hope The Loop gets them energized and excited about the place we call home.

"The Loop" refers to the highways that connect our Madison County's communities. We start outside of the county line to incorporate Whitehall and connect our towns to the interstate. From Whitehall, down to Twin Bridges and on to Sheridan, Alder and Virginia City, then over to Ennis and back up to Norris, Harrison and Pony, a band of two lane highway connects us all as it winds around our mountains and over our rivers. We really took that inspiration to heart when we created this edition of the magazine, and we hope you get something from the pages. We talked with ice fishermen, master wintertime gardeners and people who have interesting tales of the Madison River gorge, just to name a few.

So whether you like experiencing Montana's winters up close and personal, or you prefer to enjoy them via photos from far away, I hope you look forward to The Loop.

At the end of the day, I don't know how to answer my friend's question. On a scale of 1-10, how awful are our winters? For some folks, probably a 10. For me ... I want a different scale. On a scale of 1-10, how peaceful, beautiful and rejuvenating are our winters? I give that a 10.

Abigail



Painting the town

Twin Bridges artist spreads holiday cheer

Caitlin Avey
THE MADISONIAN
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"It really just was my thank you to the town for receiving us and being so supportive," Therese Hutchinson said, referring to the store fronts she paints in Twin Bridges. "I've done it every year since."

Hutchinson and her husband have been in Montana for nearly 24 years. Dividing those years between Charlo, Stevensville and now Twin Bridges, the couple has called the Ruby Valley home since 2009.

Since 2009, Hutchinson has painted storefronts, including her own, along Twin Bridges' main street.

"She has been instrumental in brightening up Main Street with ideas for attractiveness," said Pat Bradley, Twin Bridges resident. "She is a superb artist and calligrapher and she volunteers every year to paint all the business store windows with holiday scenes."

Getting started

Originally from Zillah, Wash., a small town in the Yakima Valley, Hutchinson grew up with the crafting itch – from painting to drawing, anything crafty was right up her alley.

"As long as I can remember I've had a crayon or pencil in my hands," she laughed.

While some are born to be scientists, doctors or mathematicians, others are born to be artists, performers and entertainers.

"I think it's just how we're wired," Hutchinson said of her artistic ability. "I've just always loved it."

Growing up, Hutchinson only took a couple art classes in high school.

"I actually only had one drawing class and one painting class while I was in school," she said.

Before leaving the Yakima Valley, Hutchinson had her own graphic design business designing logos and whatever else she could get her hands

on – all pre-computer era.

"The transition (from graphic design) was easy," she said. "It was just a different type of paint."

Dressing up the town

When Hutchinson and her husband moved to Twin Bridges and took over ownership of the grocery store, she started periodically painting just her storefront before moving on to others. While painting her own, or any other business window is a big time commitment, it is something Hutchinson enjoys doing.

"Sometimes, it is hard to find the time, but it's always fun," she said.

What started as a thank you to the town quickly became an annual tradition and now Hutchinson spends four to five days, sometimes three with help, painting business windows along Main Street.

"I like the effect of having the whole town look like one big Christmas card," she said about the snowy silhouettes residents of Twin Bridges have come to love.

"I think she does a great job – no, a fantastic job," said Joy Day, who helped Hutchinson paint windows last year. "(The paintings) really dress up Main Street and I'm big on anything that improves Main Street."

Day has been part of the Twin Bridges Community Association for years and is always striving to find ways to improve the town for its residents and tourists.

"Her paintings are wonderful and after helping her (last year) you realize how much time and effort she puts into it," Day said.

Making a dream come true

A year after moving to Twin Bridges and showing the town her artistic talent, Hutchinson and her husband, along with the TBCA, opened an art gallery with the hopes of showcasing local artists, as well as bringing in instructors to give a class.

"I took a couple (of classes) at a gallery when we lived

in Charlo," Hutchinson said.

"I'm like a sponge – I've always like liked taking classes rather than teaching them."

It was through these classes that Hutchinson gained an interest in learning how to work with watercolors, a technique she used in her newly published children's book.

"I always wanted to do a children's book," she said.

Hutchinson first became an aunt at the age of 12 and has always loved being around kids. With four children of her own and now eight grandchildren, the idea for her book came from reading to the kids in her life.

"I always read to my kids and I read to my grandbabies and I just thought it would be so much fun to do a kids book," Hutchinson said.

With her heart and mind set on writing a children's book, the concept (for the book) came from a car ride with her oldest granddaughter, who was three at the time.

"My husband told her to watch for antelope – we were on the back road to Butte – and she said 'cantaloupe?'" said Hutchinson. "So I responded 'maybe we can find the antelope in the cantaloupe' and that started this little thing in my head."

Hutchinson would think of fun, silly versus and write them down whenever they came to her and eventually, she had enough for a book.

"I had to take some time off from work so I could stay home and work on the illustrations," Hutchinson said of the eight to 10 hour days she put in for each illustration.

The book in its entirety to Hutchinson five years to complete, but she could not be happier with the outcome.

"Overall, I'm super happy," Hutchinson said. "It's something I wanted to do for so long and it is just a dream come true."

Caitlin Avey/The Madisonian
Twin Bridges' Main Street gets a cheery upgrade every Christmas



Photo courtesy Therese Hutchinson
Therese Hutchinson and her husband Roger moved to Twin Bridges in 2009.



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Ruby Valley appreciation dinner

Submitted by Julie Ward

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have been members for 10 years or more. The Chamber currently has over 150 members.

The grant award winners for the newly adopted "Main Street Improvement Grants" were also announced. This new program awards annual grants of up to \$500 each to main street businesses in either Sheridan or Twin Bridges to assist in improving their main street facades. Winners of this year's

grants were: Kindred Spirits, Walters IGA, American Legion Post 89, Andy's Service and JDL Construction Company.

The final part of the program was an introduction of the new Chamber website by Sue and Ray Marxer. The new site will be up and running in the next couple of weeks and all are encouraged to visit the site at www.ruby-mt.com.

Twin Bridges honors and remembers

Submitted by Tammy Demien
TWIN BRIDGES ELEMENTARY

American author, Sara Catherine Shepard stated, "Those who forget the past are doomed to repeat it." On Nov. 11, Twin Bridges elementary students discussed, wrote and learned about our veteran's dedication to our country. Twin Bridges elementary was honored to spend a few hours

with retired US Air Force MSgt Doug Martin, retired US Army MSGT Joe Witherspoon, US Navy PO William Gibson, and US Navy PO James Paull.

The veterans ate lunch with students the lunchroom decorated with posters, letters, notes and drawings thanking them for their service. Additionally, presented in the lunchroom was the after-school program's creation of

a paper-looped flag in which students were asked to work with their families to honor a special veteran in their lives.

After lunch the veterans presented a short presentation, which included the history of Veterans Day, first known as Armistice Day, and the history of the American flag from the Liberty Tree flag of 1775 to the current version of the United States flag.

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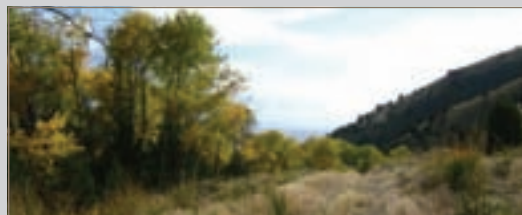
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Be sure all your pet's check-ups and vaccinations are up to date prior to moving. This avoids any additional stress associated with a new vet in unfamiliar surroundings.

Find out from your vet if there are any additional vaccinations that may be needed for the area or climate you are moving to.

Acclimate your pets to crates or cars for the move. If you have an anxious pet, ask your vet about the possibility of calming medication that may help during transportation and transition.

Moving day can be chaotic and provide a confused pet the opportunity to bolt out the door.

Keep your pets safely in a room, crate, leash or at a friend's house. In addition to keeping them safe, you will avoid searching for a pet as the moving van pulls away or when you are in a time crunch to catch an airplane.

To avoid another opportunity where a pet might want to run for the hills, keep your pets confined in the new home - especially for feline friends. Slowly let them explore more of the space as they

settle down and get comfortable.

Show pets where familiar items such as bowls, litter boxes, toys and beds are located. Canine friends can help adjust with lots of walks. Take them in and out of various doors so they can get a sense of direction.

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**ENNIS CHECK STATION
 FOURTH WEEKEND REPORT**

Submitted by Julie Cunningham
 MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

The Cameron game check station opened 10 a.m. both days, closing at 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 14 and 5:30 p.m. on Nov. 15. Personnel were Julie Cunningham Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (MFWP) and Sam Allen (MSU) both days, with help from Christine Marozick (FWP) on Saturday and Tyler Bain (MSU) on Sunday. The weather both days were cool with higher winds on Saturday. There had been snow earlier in the week, but warmer weather later in the week meant snow melted in lower elevations.

We checked 251 hunters on Nov. 14 and 246 hunters on Nov. 15 for a total of 497 hunters. Game checked included 52 elk, seven mule deer and five white-tailed deer. Compared to past years, 52 elk is the new record harvest report for the fourth weekend of season. The previous record was 49 elk in 2014. Deer harvest (both species) was average for this time of year.

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Submitted by Joleen Tadej
 MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Montana's bison hunt has opened Nov. 15 in areas in southwest Montana near Yellowstone National Park. The annual hunt attracted more than 10,420 individual applicants for a limited number of either-sex bison licenses. Sixty-nine residents and three nonresidents were successful in the drawing.

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Audrey Triplett



Marine Corps birthday celebrated in Ennis

Submitted by Barbara Pearson

On Nov. 10, 70 people gathered to celebrate the 240th birthday of the Marine Corps and honor the sacrifices that have been made by our American service men and women.

Along with the celebration, silent and live auctions generated funds to ensure that the Madison Valley Veterans Memorial will continue to

be improved and expanded. Loren Tucker was the guest of honor and expert auctioneer and the participation of donated items and those in attendance is appreciated.

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK ENNIS

Ennis High's Student of the Week is **Josie Jenkins**. Josie is a sophomore at Ennis. She is involved in Cross Country, Volleyball, Basketball, and Track. Josie was nominated by her teachers for her outstanding attitude and work ethic. She maintains a 4.0 GPA and hopes to study elementary education at an in-state college, or university.



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Technology team field trip

Submitted by Anna Tate
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Sheridan High School's Technology Team, board members, and junior and senior classes, toured Black-

Hawk Industrial on Nov. 11.

This experience primarily educated students on life after high school and provided an idea of degree options to pursue. Students toured the factory in the morning and observed products the com-

pany manufactures. Throughout the afternoon, students were able to talk with employees about their positions and duties and students also had the opportunity to work with a three dimensional printer. "The most enjoyable thing

for me was, I got see one of the new products they were coming out with for the Remington 870 shotgun," said Dylan Anderson, senior.

Overall, the trip was enjoyable for all those who attended.

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THE END OF A SEASON



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Kaleb Rosselott (21) sacks the Arlee quarterback as Cooper Christensen (88) rushes to help.

TWIN BRIDGES FALLS TO ARLEE IN SEMIFINAL FOOTBALL GAME

Abigail Dennis
THE MADISONIAN
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"I am very proud of the team," said Falcon head coach Rob Lott, following the team's loss in the semifinal football game. "They had a bunch of team goals and achieved most of them – like the divisional championship."

The Falcons' season ended on Nov. 14, but Lott said it was a great, evenly matched game.

"Our boys put forth a great effort, as did Arlee," Lott said. "They were pretty evenly

matched teams. I betcha if we played them 10 times, we would win five of them."

Twin Bridges was first on the board last Saturday in Arlee. Tracen Eggers scored on a 14-yard pass from quarterback Chace Guinnane to lead 6 – 0 in the first quarter.

The teams exchanged punts a few times thanks to tough defenses on both sides.

"Both defenses controlled the game," Lott said. "Neither team could move in on the other one."

The Arlee defense backed the Falcons up to their own

one yard line and scored two points on a safety.

"Then we exchanged punts a few more times because of that defense," Lott said.

The Arlee Warriors scored again as the second quarter wound down, after forcing the Falcons to punt.

"We had a low snap and the punter dropped it," Lott said. "We gave them the ball on the one yard line and they took advantage of it. We were behind 8 – 6 at halftime."

The Falcons kicked off to start the third quarter, and Arlee's offense returned

the kick for a touchdown, extending their lead, 14 – 6. As the quarter wound down, the Falcons tied up the game with a Guinnane touchdown pass to Cooper Christensen.

"It was playing out pretty evenly," Lott said. "We had a lot of back and forth. Then, they were able to convert on a fourth down. It was close, we had to have a measurement – it was agonizing."

Then, Lott said the Falcons missed a few key tackles, and the Warriors scored with 6:36 left in the game.

"We got the ball, but

they stopped us on a fourth down and that was the end," Lott said.

The Falcons ended the game with 214 total yards – Guinnane completed four passes for 100 yards. Wesley Harshbarger rushed for 61 yards and Bill Yeager had 62. On defense, Eggers had 10 tackles, followed by Colby Minert and J.D. Mehlhoff, who each had six tackles. Harshbarger, Yeager, Kaleb Rosselott and Justin Nelson all had five tackles.

Lott is graduating six boys from the football team this

year, but said there is a solid core of players returning.

"The juniors are going to have to step up next year," he said. "I feel we will be competitive."

As for the Twin Bridges community, Lott said they stepped up and showed incredible support.

"We had a huge crowd in Arlee," Lott said. "The crowd was there and they were very supportive of the team and coaches. They enjoyed the run. It's disappointing it's ending this way, but it ends this way for all teams but one. The community was great."

Photo courtesy Barbi Halverson Wood
Wesley Harshbarger (4) intercepts a pass meant for an Arlee receiver.



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Bill Yeager (15) carries the ball for the Falcons.





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Knowing the facts about Type 2 diabetes is important for everyone, as living a healthy lifestyle can play a key role in helping to prevent and control the disease.

In honor of American Diabetes Month this November, the Certified Diabetes Educators at Nutrisystem are debunking some common myths.

Myth: I am a healthy weight – I cannot get diabetes.

Truth: Although there is a clear connection between being overweight or obese and developing Type 2 diabetes, genetics and other lifestyle factors like diet can play a role as well. By maintaining a healthy weight, eating a nutritious, balanced diet and engaging in healthy habits like regular exercise, you can decrease your risk of developing Type 2 diabetes.

Myth: People develop diabetes because they eat too much sugar.

Truth: Consuming excess calories (from sugary and non-sugary foods) can contribute to excess weight and obesity – both of which are associated with Type 2 diabetes, but sugar is not the singular cause of diabetes. Type 1 diabetes is the result of genetics and additional unknown factors, while Type 2 diabetes is the result of a combination of genetics and lifestyle factors.

Healthy hint: Even if you only use sugar substitutes as sweeteners, consuming excessive calories from other foods can still contribute to developing Type 2 diabetes.

Myth: If I have diabetes, I have to follow a restrictive diet that includes no carbs and definitely no dessert.

Truth: You might be surprised to learn that generally speaking,

individuals with diabetes can follow the same healthy diet recommended for the general public – one that includes lean proteins, non-starchy vegetables, whole grains, healthy fats and fruit and that minimizes saturated and trans fats, salt and sugar.

Carbohydrates are an acceptable and necessary part of a healthy meal plan. However, pay attention to portion. Optimal carb counts vary, but the American Diabetes Association recommends starting with 45 to 60 grams of carbohydrates per meal, and tweaking depending on your body's response.

Some good carbs to consider include whole grain breads, pastas, rice and cereals, plus starchy vegetables like potatoes, peas and corn. Fruits, beans, milk and yogurt also count toward daily carbohydrates.

Those with diabetes can also still enjoy sweet treats in small portions on special occasions.

Myth: If my blood sugar does not improve right after losing weight, it never will.

Truth: It may take time for the body to adjust to the new way of eating. If you do not see quick improvements, be patient.

Also, stay in touch with your doctor since your medication or insulin may need to be adjusted.

Getting the formula right for a healthy lifestyle is not just an art, it is a science – particularly if you have diabetes. This American Diabetes Month, take steps to learn more about the disease and make positive lifestyle changes to support your health.

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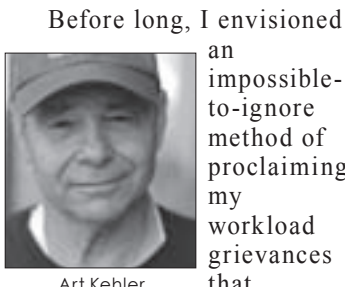
HOLLOWTOP SMOKE SIGNALS

By Art Kehler
FOR THE MADISONIAN

Revolutionary resolution

An impossible-to-ignore method of proclaiming workplace grievances

During my last 11 years of employment, I worked in a three-story school building. Each year, there would come a time when the many demands of my job became overwhelming. Regrettably, just about everyone on site (including the superintendent) suffered from the same problem. As is the case in such harried circumstances, my efforts at voicing workload concerns via traditional communication channels were often overlooked. Not wanting to sound like a whiner, I suffered in silence. Then one year, my inner turmoil became such that something more had to be done.



Art Kehler

Before long, I envisioned an impossible-to-ignore method of proclaiming my workload grievances that, when the intolerable moment arrived, could be executed the same day. I dubbed the revolutionary resolution, "Scream and Jump out the Window on Your Head Day."

Having settled on a formal designation, I set about determining the particulars of carrying out my brainstorm. Right away, I realized the plan required some preparatory steps as well as steps to launch and execute the daring deed. Following, separated by three descriptive subheadings, is my finished plan of action:

- Pre-scream:
 - First and foremost, select a first-story window with a maximum drop to the ground of 2 feet.
 - To guarantee maximum publicity, be sure said window is located in a high-traffic area.
 - Ensure the exterior impact area consists of a cushioning lawn (as opposed to concrete).
 - Draw up a list of workplace grievances on an official-looking scroll.

- Just in case at the last moment, someone might want to prevent you from jumping, discretely leak word of your intentions a few minutes prior to the daring deed.
- Make absolutely sure the superintendent is not absent that day.
- Most importantly, prop open the selected window in a manner difficult to undo.
 - Launch:
 - Begin screaming at an optimal level of desperation.
 - Boldly strike a trot for the window.
 - To avoid soiling it with your head, toss the scroll out the window first.
 - Post-thud:
 - Jump
 - Immediately after impact, if necessary, feign injury to garner sympathy for the cause.
 - Ceremoniously unroll the scroll.
 - Read the grievances aloud, beginning each with, "Hear Ye! Hear Ye!"
 - Publicly present the scroll to the superintendent.

As luck would have it, when the momentous moment arrived, executing the full plan proved unnecessary. At the last minut, I was restrained from jumping out the window by the superintendent who, by then, was fully attentive to my concerns. After that, the mere hint of a "Scream and Jump out the Window on Your Head Day" guaranteed a prompt and thorough hearing. Ultimately, by publishing the above plan of action for others to use, I hope my revolutionary resolution will transform employee/management relations for the better everywhere. One thing is for sure, the soul-stirring sight of screaming employees sailing out of windows is impossible to ignore.

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Art lives in Harrison. His essays, stories and poetry have been published in newspapers, journals, literary magazines and online magazines.



NATURAL Resource News

Rebecca Ramsey
RUBY WATERSHED COORDINATOR

ANIMALS ON ROADWAYS

There's so much to think about when you're driving: your speed, surrounding cars and pedestrians. But in rural Montana, large animals on the road are another consideration, and a real danger. According to State Farm, one in 63 Montana drivers will hit a deer – that is the second highest deer collision rate in the nation. We ranked third in 2013-2014.

There's no perfect solution to keep large animals like deer, elk and moose off of our roads. Deer whistles, reflectors, flashing your lights or honking your horn can sometimes help to deter the animals from running onto the road ... but sometimes they run right into the road. And most often, they are on the road right in front of your car or running into the side of it, out of your control completely.

So what can you do? Stay alert. Scan down the road and off to each side. Pay particular attention between dusk and dawn when these animals usually venture out to eat. Use high beams when possible to further illuminate the road's edges. Be vigilant in areas of agricultural production or near woods and water. If you see one deer, there are probably several others nearby. Be especially vigilant during this time of year, which is peak season. Though accidents certainly happen any time of year, collisions with deer happen most often in autumn because it's both hunting and mating seasons. The deer are moving more due to hunter disturbance and bucks in the rut are not paying attention to anything but mating and moving their does around.

State Farm recommends the following: Brake as necessary. If you think you have time to avoid hitting the animal, reduce speed, tap the brakes to warn drivers behind you and sound your horn. If there's no vehicle close behind you, brake hard. Don't swerve. If a collision seems inevitable, don't veer off to avoid the animal. Try to maintain control of the vehicle. Always obey speed limits and wear seat belts. If you make contact, Montana law dictates that if there is an injury or damage more than \$1,000 the incident must be reported. It is ideal to stay at the

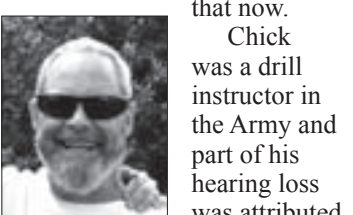


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Picking up where we left off: Chick Murray

By Charlie Rossiter

A few weeks ago, I started telling stories about Chick Murray. I'll continue to do that now.



Charlie Rossiter

Chick was a drill instructor in the Army and part of his hearing loss was attributed to that. After the war, Chick returned to Sheridan, where he taught seventh and eighth grades. He joined the American Legion Post 86, and was in charge of the firing squad for years. Normal firing squads use the commands, "ready, aim, fire," but Chick had a bad habit of adlibbing "ready, aim, 'company,' fire." Normally,

half the rifles were fired on the "company" command. The regulars all knew that you have to (wait for it, wait for it). Newbie shooters were guaranteed to fire on the "company" command, and it became a rite of passage. At a funeral ceremony in Whitehall one year, the legion got hold of some bad ammunition (blanks). At the point in the service where the firing squad fires the 21-gun salute, Chick called the orders: "ready, aim, fire." Nothing but clicks ... again, "ready, aim, fire." Still, nothing but clicks. On the third try, still only clicks. Chick looked down the row of the firing squad, with a disgusted look on his face and shouted "bang!" One of the responsibilities

of the legion members have is to flag the five cemeteries – from Sheridan to Virginia City – the day prior to Memorial Day. Usually, several groups of members do separate cemeteries, which speeds up the amount of time necessary to locate and flag all our veterans' graves. We have some very old graves of vets from the Civil War (both sides) and some from the Spanish American War. One year, there was a group of us following Chick's car from Alder to Nevada City. Jim Darby was riding with Chick, who couldn't hear his rig was having some major problems. We could hear his rig from 100 yard behind and started to notice black smoke emanating from his engine compartment.

Jim described it as, "It was like we were driving 60 miles per hour in first gear." He tried to get Chick's attention but couldn't, and as a last resort he reached over and attempted to turn the engine off. Chick noticed Jim's hand movement and backhanded his arm as he went for the keys. About that time, the engine seized up and smoke and parts started flying out of his car's hood. Chick coasted to the side of the highway, where we picked the two of them up. We called a wrecker from Nevada City and they towed Chick's car back to Sheridan, where it underwent some major repairs. Chick was two blocked for the better part of a week waiting for his car's eventual return.

Commodity Insite! What we know – part two

by Jerry Welch

The El Nino of 1982-83 that spawned a bull market for soybeans causing prices to jump 50 percent was little known at the time. Few ever heard the term El Nino. But today, the phrase is common and it is associated with extreme weather developments. And from the Washington Post dated last June: "Today, we find it amazing to learn that when one of the strongest El Ninos of the 20th century brought damaging storms to California with heavy snow and flooding rain during the winter of 1982-83 no one was talking about El Nino." More recently from the New York Times: "Ethiopia is suffering its worst drought in more than a decade, a condition exacerbated by El Nino, the water-warming phenomenon in the Pacific Ocean that has affected weather patterns and

reduced rainfall levels across a large chunk of Africa, hitting Ethiopia particularly hard." What we clearly know is that the current El Nino is the most powerful in history. We also know that when such a weather phenomenon rears its ugly head the impact on global agricultural markets can be catastrophic. But what most do not know is there is another weather phenomenon lurking that can also wreak havoc with world agriculture. What I am referring to are sunspots and the fact there are fewer of them this year. From Barron's Commodities Corner by Simon Constable dated Oct. 31, 2015 – The opening paragraph, an eye opener, reads: "A decades-old government crop report, combined with the very latest data from NASA, seem to indicate that there will be

poor growing conditions and lower grain yields over the next few years. As a result, traders should expect prices for wheat and corn to rise." The second paragraph is also an eye opener as well as an eyebrow raiser: "The report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, published almost four decades ago, studied crop yields in the U.S. from 1866 to 1973. The paper, Do Sunspot Cycles Affect Crop Yields? by Virden Harrison, an agricultural economist with the commodity economics division of the USDA's economic-research service, matched historical crop-yield data for wheat, corn, rice and cotton with sunspot activity. And National Aeronautics and Space Administration forecasts for sunspots forming on the solar surface suggest that the sun is commencing lower activity that

will last for the next five years." Simply put, fewer sunspots means chillier and colder weather, which results in lower crop growth, lower yields, lower production and lower ending stocks. How much lower you ask? From the Barron's article above: "A substantial amount, if the findings in the 1976 USDA paper still hold. For instance, it found that the yield of Texas wheat dropped 7 percent during periods of fewer sunspots. Likewise, corn yields in Illinois were lower by 8 percent. Both declines were found to be statistically significant, according to Harrison. Other crops and locations were found to show reductions in yields, but weren't statistically meaningful." What we know now is there are two weather phenomenas lurking, not one. We understand what an El Nino can do to crops

anywhere on the globe. We also know the impact sunspots can have on crops. What we don't know is if there has ever been a period when the two forces have been active at the same time. Agricultural producers worldwide may be staring at a double whammy in 2016. A one-two punch. A twofold blow. In mid-October, only a month ago, South Carolina was hit with catastrophic floods cause by one of the most prolific rainfall events in the history of the United States. The governor of the state described the catastrophe as "a 1,000 year level of rain." While it was pouring in South Carolina, the state of California was bone dry and in the midst of the worst drought like conditions in 500 years. The weather is indeed extreme. And with a record setting, monster of an El Nino looming along with fewer

sunspots, the odds are incredibly high that weather conditions may remain more abnormal than normal moving forward. Here is what I wrote way back in the late 1980s in my book regarding El Nino: "Commodity traders, farmers and ranchers remember the years 1972-73 and 1982-83 vividly. Those were the years of the last big bull markets for commodities. And the El Nino was blamed for the resulting high prices." Next week in part three of what we know, I will have more thoughts on weather extremes, market extremes and what the combination of the two suggests for agricultural producers across the globe. And always keep in mind that extremes in the commodity markets coupled with extremes with the weather make for opportunity. We know that for a fact.

COMICS & PUZZLES



"IS IT MY IMAGINATION OR IS THAT TOM FELLOW A BIT TOO EXUBERANT ABOUT WORKING ON THANKSGIVING?"

Editor's Note: Any editorial cartoons printed in our paper do not reflect the opinion of the staff of The Madisonian.

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 A great amount
- 6 Construction piece
- 11 "Evangeline" setting
- 12 Housefly larva
- 14 Street less traveled
- 15 Past
- 16 Salt Lake athlete
- 17 He hit 61 in '61
- 19 Scooted
- 20 Afterward
- 22 Three-man vessel?
- 23 Lose color
- 24 Helvetica lack
- 26 Most goose-bump-inducing
- 28 NOW goal
- 30 Slight touch
- 31 Run off (with)
- 35 "Loves me (not)" factor
- 39 "The Amazing —"
- 40 Bother
- 42 Post-bout garb
- 43 Whatever number
- 44 So far
- 46 Sheepish remark

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- 51 Lens cleaning solution
- 52 Culmination
- 53 Water nymph
- 54 Philippine knives
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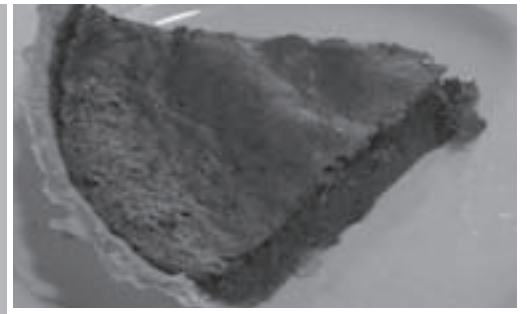
Just a Pinch

Sharing Hometown Recipes, Cooking Tips and Coupons

By Janet Sharpe

Chocolate Buttermilk Pie - A Sweet Addition to Your Holiday Meal

"Try not to eat the whole pie!"



Need a last minute dessert for Thanksgiving? Try Sheila Senghas' super easy, creamy Chocolate Buttermilk Pie. Adding cocoa to a traditional recipe makes for one memorable pie. One batch makes two pies... your family is going to devour this treat.



Sheila Senghas
Concan, TX
(pop. 1,817)

See step-by-step photos of Sheila's recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: www.justapinch.com/buttermilkpie You'll also find a meal planner, coupons and chances to win! Enjoy and remember, use "just a pinch"...

- Janet

Chocolate Buttermilk Pie

What You Need

- 2 unbaked pie shells (9 in. or larger)
- 2 sticks unsalted butter, room temp
- 3 3/4 c sugar
- 1/2 c all-purpose flour
- 1/3 c cocoa powder
- 6 eggs
- 1/4 tsp salt (optional)
- 1 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 c plus 2 oz. buttermilk

- Beat in the eggs and mix well.
- In a separate bowl, combine flour, cocoa and salt. Whisk until mixed. Add to the butter mixture.
- Add buttermilk, vanilla and stir until well mixed.
- Pour into pie shells and bake at 350 for 45 minutes.
- Since oven temperatures vary, bake as long as it takes for the pie to be firm and not jiggle in the middle.

Directions

- Combine sugar, butter and mix until well blended.

- Cool completely before cutting.
- Store leftover pie in refrigerator.

Submitted by: Sheila Senghas, Concan, TX (pop. 1,817)
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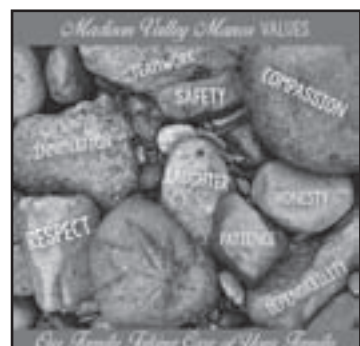
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4-2-b

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1-4-b

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29-tfc

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2-3-b

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Wanted: House Elf
My 70 year old mom is having her shoulder replaced. I need someone to help get her to doctor's appointments, help with household chores, etc. for the month of December, excluding Christmas / New Years, and January, maybe longer. In Virginia City. Room, board and vehicle available if required. Compensation DOE. Call Chris - 539-9862.

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Deceased
HONORABLE JUDGE LOREN TUCKER
Probate No. 29-2015-27
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the un-
dersigned has been appointed Personal
Representative of the above-named estate.
All persons having claims against the said
deceased are required to present their claims
within four months after the date of the first
publication of this notice or said claims will
forever be barred.
Claims must be either mailed to John E. Mc-
Dougall, the Personal Representative, return
receipt requested, at P.O. Box 311, Virginia
City, Montana 59755-0311, of filed with the
Clerk of the above Court.
Dated this 16th Day of October, 2015.
/s/ John E. McDougall
JOHN E. MCDUGALL
Personal Representative
(Pub. Oct 29, Nov. 5, 12, 19 2015) lhb
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**ENNIS PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**
The Ennis Planning Board will conduct a public
hearing on Monday, November 23, 2015 at
7:00 pm in the public meeting room of the En-
nis Town Hall, 328 West Main Street, Ennis,
Montana.
The purpose of the public hearing is to re-
ceive comment on a conditional use permit
allowing a residential dwelling at 104 South
Third Street, Ennis, Montana (a second story to
existing building and additional garage).
Written comments should be received by 3:00
p.m. on November 23, 2015, and may be sent
to the Ennis Town Hall: Mail to P.O. Box 147,
Ennis, Montana, 59729; Fax to (406) 682-
5011; or E-mail to kerik@ennismontana.org.
Oral or written comments may also be given
at the public hearing.
The proposed plans can be viewed at Ennis
Town Hall during regular business hours,
Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:30pm.
Call (406) 682-4287 for more information.
Keri Kensing, President, Ennis Planning
Board
(Pub. Nov 12, 19 2015) epb
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REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS
ENGINEERING AND/OR
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The Madison County Commission is solicit-
ing proposals to hire a firm to provide gen-
eral engineering and/or grant administration
services for public works projects within the
Madison County jurisdictional area. The
immediate need is to assist the County with
bridge assessments and preliminary engi-
neering reports for the evaluation of selected
bridge structures. The County will utilize the
selected firm to serve as an on-call County
Engineer for all professional engineering and/or
grant administration for a five (5) year
period for related activities associated with
but not limited to roads, bridges, trails, wa-
ter, wastewater, solid waste, subdivision plat
and sanitary reviews, site development,
permitting, miscellaneous public works pro-
jects, etc. Desired services may include the
following: planning, preliminary engineering,
final design, surveying, construction admin-
istration, inspection work, grant writing and/
or grant administration. The agreement and
payment terms will be negotiated with the se-
lected offeror.
The immediate need is to assist the County
with evaluating selected county bridges and
preparing preliminary engineering reports for
those bridges. The project is funded by TSEP
and must comply with all TSEP guidelines.
The selected consultant must also assist the
County in grant administration services for
this project.
Copies of the detailed request for proposals
(RFP), including a description of the services
to be provided by respondents, the minimum
content of responses, and the factors to be
used to evaluate the responses can be ob-
tained by contacting the Madison County
Commission, P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, MT
59755. All responses to the detailed RFP
must be received by 1:00 p.m. on
December 7, 2015.
(Pub. Nov 12, 19 2015)mcc
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**REQUEST FOR CATERING
BIDS FOR COURTHOUSE
CHRISTMAS PARTY:**
Madison County will be accepting bid pro-
posals to prepare and serve a holiday meal
for the County Employees' Christmas party,
for approximately 85-100 people, to be held
at the Elks Lodge in Virginia City, Montana,
on January 8, 2016, beginning at 6:00 p.m.
Typical menu items include a meat entrée
with an optional poultry or fish item also be-
ing offered. Potato, vegetable, salad, bread,
and dessert should also be included with the
price of the meal. The Caterer also provides
plates, napkins, and utensils; and if the kitchen
at the Elks Lodge is needed, the caterer is
responsible for a fee of \$150 plus a \$75
refundable cleaning deposit. Please contact
the Commissioners' office at 406-843-4277
or email at madco@madison.mt.gov if you
have questions. Please submit completed
bids to the Madison County Commissioners'
Office, P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, Montana,
59755, by December 18, 2015.
(Pub. Nov 12, 19 2015)mcc
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Madison County Board of Commission-
ers will conduct a public hearing on Monday,
November 23, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commis-
sioners' Conference Room at the Madison
County Administrative Offices Building in
Virginia City, Montana, to receive public com-
ment on a petition requesting to annex lands
in a portion of Section 13, Township 6 South,
Range 2 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Mon-

tana. GeoCode 25-0425-13-1-01-01-0000,
Property Tax ID #0028002100, into the Big
Sky Fire District.
Copies of the petition are available for public
review and comment at the Madison County
Commissioners' Office, the Madison County
Clerk and Recorder's Office, and posted on
the Madison County website, www.madison.
mt.gov.
Comments on the proposal are welcome.
Written public comments may be submitted
or delivered to the Madison County Com-
missioners' Office, P.O. Box 278, Virginia
City, MT 59755; faxed to (406) 843-5517; or
emailed to madco@madison.mt.gov. Written
comments must be received by close of the
November 23, 2015, public hearing.
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**MADISON COUNTY
PLANNING BOARD NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING**
The Madison County Planning Board will con-
duct a public hearing on Monday, November
30, 2015 at 6:15 pm in the public meeting
room of the Madison County Administrative
Office Building, 103 W Wallace, Virginia City,
Montana.
The purpose of the public hearing is to re-
ceive comment on the proposed Big Sky Re-
sort Mountain Village Overall Development
Plan. The proposed plan will offer a mix of
residential densities and uses, and a variety
of commercial, retail, and food and beverage
locations spread over approximately 120
acres located north and west of the Village
area in the N½, Section 19, T6S, R3E and the
NE¼, Section 25, T6S, R2E, PMM.
Written comments should be received by 3:00
p.m. on November 30, 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
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comments may also be given at the public
hearing.
The Overall Development Plan and supple-
mental information pertaining to this pro-
posed subdivision is available for review at:
• Madison County Planning Of-
fice, 103 W. Wallace, Virginia City;
• Madison Valley Public Library,
210 E. Main Street, Ennis;
• Big Sky Fire Department, Sta-
tion 1, 650 Rainbow Trout Run, Big Sky
Call (406) 843-5250 for more information.
John Fountain, President, Madison County
Planning Board
(Pub. Nov 12, 19 2015) mcpb
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**MADISON COUNTY
PLANNING BOARD NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING**
The Madison County Planning Board will con-
duct a public hearing on Monday, November
30, 2015 at 6:15 pm in the public meeting
room of the Madison County Administrative
Office Building, 103 W Wallace, Virginia City,
Montana.
The purpose of the public hearing is to re-
ceive comment on the proposed Driftwaters
Planned Unit Development Subdivision to
subdivide the 20.27 acre Lot 5-B1, South
Madison Firehall Minor Subdivision, in 2
phases with 5 commercial lots, 1 RV park lot
with 17 RV spaces, 4 RV lots, 4 residential
lots, and over 11 acres in 3 open space lots.
Located west of US Highway 287 N im-
mediately south of the Madison Valley Rural
Fire Department Station #2 within the NW 1/4,
Section 30, T11S, R2E, PM.
Written comments should be received by 3:00
p.m. on November 30, 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
drobison@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 subdivi-
sion is available for review at:
• Madison County Planning Of-
fice, 103 W. Wallace, Virginia City;
• Madison Valley Public Library,
210 E. Main Street, Ennis;
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Office Building, 103 W Wallace, Virginia City,
Montana.
The purpose of the public hearing is to re-
ceive comment on the proposed Big Springs
Village Phase 1b Planned Unit Development
preliminary site plan and Overall Develop-
ment Plan update, which will create 7 com-
mercial condominium units and 48 residential
condominium units on Lot 1a of Big Springs
Village Phase 1b. The tract of land is located
at the base of Pioneer Mountain south of and
adjacent to the Warren Miller Lodge, in Sec-
tion 7, T7S, R3E, PMM.
Written comments should be received by 3:00
p.m. on November 30, 2015, and may be sent
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formation pertaining to this proposed subdivi-
sion 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 Mountain
Club Entrance, 13 Yellowstone Mountain
Club Trail, Big Sky.
Call (406) 843-5250 for more information.
John Fountain, President, Madison County
Planning Board
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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S
SALE** on January 25, 2016, at 11:00 AM at
the Main Entrance of the First American Title
Company of Montana located at 122 South
First Street in Ennis, MT 59729, the following
described real property situated in Madison
County, Montana:
Acre Tract 49 in the Townsite of Sheridan,
Madison County, Montana, according to the
official amended Plat of said Townsite on file
and of record in the office of the Clerk and
Recorder of Madison County, Montana
ALICE K. BARNETT, as Grantor, conveyed
said real property to American Land Title co.,
as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems,
Inc., as Beneficiary, by Deed of Trust on De-
cember 26, 2008, and recorded on December
30, 2008 as Document No. 129506. The ben-
eficial interest is currently held by Nationstar
Mortgage LLC. First American Title Com-
pany, LLC is the Successor Trustee pursuant
to a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the
office of the Clerk and Recorder of Madison
County, Montana.
The beneficiary has declared a default in
the terms of said Deed of Trust by failing
to make the monthly payments due in the
amount of \$266.11, beginning May 1, 2015,
and each month subsequent, which monthly
installments would have been applied on the
principal and interest due on said obligation
and other charges against the property or
loan. The total amount due on this obliga-
tion as of September 1, 2015 is \$41,315.43
principal, interest at the rate of 5.75000%
totaling \$989.85, late charges in the amount
of \$53.24, and other fees and expenses ad-
vanced of \$656.01, plus accruing interest at
the rate of \$6.60 per diem, late charges, and
other costs and fees that may be advanced.
The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse
such amounts as may be required to preserve
and protect the property and for real property
taxes that may become due or delinquent, un-
less such amounts of taxes are paid by the
Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the
Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be ad-
ded to the obligations secured by the Deed of
Trust. Other expenses to be charged against
the proceeds of this sale include the trustee's
fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses
of the sale and late charges, if any.
Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the
Trustee to sell the above described property
to satisfy the obligation.
The sale is a public sale and any person,
including the beneficiary, excepting only the
Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price
must be paid immediately upon the close of
bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid
money orders, certified checks or cashier's
checks). The conveyance will be made by
Trustee's Deed without any representation or
warranty, including warranty of Title, express
or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an
as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the
sale is being made subject to all existing con-
ditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other en-
vironmental or health hazards. The sale pur-
chaser shall be entitled to possession of the
property on the 10th day following the sale.
The grantor, successor in interest to the
grantor or any other person having an inter-
est in the property, at any time prior to the
trustee's sale, may pay to the beneficiary or
the successor in interest to the beneficiary
the entire amount then due under the deed
of trust and the obligation secured thereby
(including costs and expenses actually in-
curred and attorney's fees) other than such
portion of the principal as would not then be
due had no default occurred and thereby cure
the default.
The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be post-
poned by public proclamation up to 15 days
for any reason, and in the event of a bank-
ruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by
the trustee for up to 120 days by public pro-
clamation at least every 30 days.
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A
DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED
WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
Dated: September 17, 2015
Kaitlin Gotch
Assistant Secretary,
First American Title Company, LLC
Successor Trustee
Title Lending Specialty Services
PO Box 339

Blackfoot ID 83221
STATE OF Idaho)
) ss.
County of Bingham)
On this 17th day of September, 2015 before
me, a notary public in and for said County
and State, personally appeared Kaitlin Gotch,
know to me to be the Assistant Secretary of
First American Title Company, LLC, Succes-
sor Trustee, known to me to be the person
whose name is subscribed to the foregoing
instrument and acknowledged to me that he
executed the same.
Dalia Martinez
Notary Public
Bingham County, Idaho
Commission expires: 02/15/2020
Nationstar Mortgage LLC vs ALICE K BAR-
NETT 100263-1
(Pub. Nov 19, 26, Dec 3 2015)jmk
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**BIG SKY FIRE DEPARTMENT
AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER
REGULAR MEETING**
Thursday, November 19, 2015 – 8:30 AM
Fire Station No. 1
Introduction of visitors and guests
1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment
3. Consent Agenda Items - Action
Required:
a. Approval of draft minutes of Oc-
tober 28, 2015 Regular Meeting
b. Financial Reports for October
2015
c. Monthly Financial Statements
d. Check Register: Checks
6115074 – 6115123; including voided check
6115073
4. Fire Chief's Report – William
Farhat
5. Correspondence
6. New Business
a. Citizen Recognition
b. Residency Requirement Com-
mittee Update
c. Fire Station #1 Renovation Com-
mittee Update
d. Insurance Services Office (ISO)
7. District Fire Protection Class Evaluation
a. Unfinished Business
b. Firefighter Hiring Process Up-
date
c. Deputy Fire Chief Position Up-
date
d. ESCI Master Plan Update
e. Other Business
f. BSFD Halloween Event Re-cap

b. BSFD Christmas Party – De-
cember 5th @ 6:00pm - Buck's T-4 Lodge
9. Public Comment
10. Date for next regular meeting –
December 16, 2015 @ 8:30am
11. Adjourn
(Pub. Nov 19, 2015)bsfd
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NOTICE
The Madison County Board of Commission-
ers will not be holding their regular Com-
mission meeting on Monday, November 30,
2015, as the Board will be attending MACo
meetings and/or trainings. The next regular
meeting following this date will be held on
Monday, December 7, 2015.
(Pub. Nov 19, 26, 2015)mcc
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Minutes of the Madison County Board of
Commissioners' meetings for the period be-
ginning October 1, 2015, and ending on Oc-
tober 31, 2015, are now available for public
review in the office of the Clerk and Recorder
at the Madison County Courthouse. Indi-
vidual requests for personal copies of these
minutes, or any previous minutes, will be ac-
cepted by the Clerk and Recorder in her of-
fice. Approved minutes can also be viewed
on the Madison County website at www.
madison.mt.gov. Signed this 13th day of No-
vember, 2015.
Peggy Kaatz Stemler
Madison County Clerk and Recorder
(Pub. Nov 19, 2015)mcc
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PUBLIC NOTICE
The Madison County Board of Commis-
sioners approved payroll for payment in the
amount of \$849,051.80 and claims for all
funds in the amount of \$689,334.59 with a
total of \$1,538,386.39 for the period begin-
ning October 1, 2015, and ending on October
31, 2015. The full and complete claims and
payroll lists are available for public review in
the office of the Clerk and Recorder at the
Madison County Courthouse. Individual re-
quests for personal copies of these lists will
be accepted by the Clerk and Recorder in her
office and can also be viewed on the Madi-
son County website at www.madison.mt.gov.
Signed this 13th day of November, 2015.
Peggy Kaatz Stemler
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the public due to construction on the Kid's Pond embankment and
outlet structures until further notice.
Please call Rowe Excavation at (406)683-6556 with any
questions or concerns.
Thank you for your understanding,
Ruby Valley Conservation District

MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DISPATCH LOG

11/8/15 - 11/14/15

11/8/15
 Accident-no injury/damage on US Hwy 287 MM 69 Norris
 Missing person Beaver Creek Area Cameron
 Animal problem on MT Hwy 41 S MM 26 Twin Bridges
 Citizen assist in Wall Creek area Cameron
 Coroner call in Ennis
 Accident with injuries on US Hwy 287 MM 22 Cameron
 Citizen assist on Gravelly Range Road Ennis
 Wildlife complaint on Wisconsin Creek Road Sheridan
 Fire-gas leak/odor at 4999 US Hwy 287 N Ennis
 Citizen assist on US Hwy 287 Cameron
 Trespassing on Bear Creek Loop Road Cameron
 Animal problem on I-15 MM 89 Melrose
 Suspicious person/

circumstance in 100 Blk Sweetwater Road Alder
 Citizen assist at Gravelly Range Road and Johnny Ridge Road Cameron
 Missing person at Trail Creek Trl and North of Ennis Lake McAllister
 Missing person at Wolf Creek Cameron
 Disturbance in 200 Blk Ruby St Sheridan

11/9/15
 Public Safety on US Hwy 287 and Indian Creek Road Cameron
 Medical aid in 400 Blk Mill St Sheridan
 Accident with damage on US Hwy 287 MM 81 Out of Madison County
 Accident-with damage on Jack Creek Road Ennis
 Citizen assist on Johnny Ridge Road Cameron

Trespassing on Andren Ln Waterloo
 Medical aid in 200 Blk W Poppleton St Sheridan

11/10/15
 Animal problem on Anderson Ln Alder
 Alarm-false in 100 Blk E Main St Ennis
 Accident-no injury/damage on US Hwy 41 MM 57 Silver Star

11/11/15
 Welfare check in 200 Blk N Second St Ennis
 Threats/harassment on Shining Mtn Loop Road Ennis
 Animal problem on US Hwy 287 S MM 10 Cameron
 Citizen assist on Madison St Sheridan
 Citizen assist on Main St Sheridan
 Animal problem on US

Hwy 287 MM 71.5 Norris
 Trespassing on US Hwy 287 Cameron
 Accident with damage on MT Hwy 287 MM 2 Ennis
 Accident with damage on MT Hwy 287 MM 11 Virginia City
 Accident with injuries on US Hwy 287 MM 28 Cameron
 Wildlife complaint on MT Hwy 41 S MM 18 Twin Bridges

11/12/15
 Wildlife complaint on W 9th Ave Twin Bridges
 Citizen assist on Madison St Sheridan
 Agency assist out of Madison County
 Road hazard on MT Hwy 287 MM 10 Ennis
 Trespassing on Jeffers Road Ennis
 Alarm-fire/false on

Nye Rd Twin Bridges
 Wildlife complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 19 Cameron

11/13/15
 Accident with injuries on US Hwy 287 MM 61/5 Norris
 Wildlife complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 25 Cameron
 Accident with damage on Johnson Road Pony
 Wildlife complaint in Ennis
 Suspicious person/circumstance on Dyk Road Harrison
 Fire-controlled burn on US Hwy 287 Cameron
 Traffic complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 51 Ennis
 Accident with damage on MT Hwy 359 MM 13 Cardwell
 Missing person in West Fork area Cameron
 Suspicious person/circumstance on Ruby

River Dr Sheridan

11/14/15
 Disturbance on E Main St Ennis
 Wildlife complaint on Point of Rocks Rd Whitehall
 Fire-controlled burn in 1000 Blk N Meadow Creek Road McAllister
 Trespassing complaint in Pony
 Wildlife complaint on Hells Canyon Road MM 3 Silver Star
 Accident with damage in 4900 Blk US Hwy 287 N Ennis
 Animal problem in 100 Blk E Main St Ennis
 Wildlife complaint on Heritage Ln Glen

The Madison County Sheriff's Office responded to 73 calls for service from Nov. 8-14.

Ruby Valley Baptist Church
 Tony Shaw, Pastor
 842-5602

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service 11 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
 Wednesday Eve 7 p.m.

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 Sunday School
 11:20 a.m.

R S & Priesthood
 12:10 p.m.
 Mutual (Youth Group)
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 3560 | MT State Hwy 287
 Sheridan 842-5860

Bishop Dustin 684-5255

Liturgy Schedule
St. Patrick, Ennis
 Sunday ~ 10:30 a.m.

St. Mary, Laurin
 Sunday ~ 8:30 a.m.

Deacon Andy Dorrington,
 Pastoral Administrator ~ 842-5588

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 Visitors Welcome

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 • Bible Study 10:15 am
 • Sunday School 10:15 am

Nov. 25: 7pm Thanksgiving Eve Service

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 Ennis Branch

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 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School
 11:20 a.m.
 R S & Priesthood
 12:10 p.m.

Family History Center
 682-4911, 682-7415, 682-3614
 Pres. Thompson 682-7415
 133 MT Hwy 287

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 Youth Group (7th-12th grade)

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 Saturdays: 10:00 a.m.-Noon

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NOVEMBER MENU:
 Thurs, November 12: Chicken broccoli noodle casserole, roll and spice cake
 Thurs, November 19: Pork chop with spanish rice, green beans, roll or garlic toast and gingerbread
 Thurs, November 26: CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING

MEALS FOR SENIORS, TWIN BRIDGES
 The TBS&CC provides meals for seniors every Tuesday and Friday at 11:30 a.m. at the Wagon Wheel Restaurant in Twin Bridges for seniors 60 years and up. (Spouse and caregivers are invited.) Donations for meals are appreciated.

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MEALS ON WHEELS, SHERIDAN
 The Sheridan Senior Center offers meals for seniors 60 years and over Monday - Friday. Seniors may choose to eat at the senior center, family style for \$3.50 or have their meal delivered for \$4.00. Delivered meals are within the city limits of Sheridan and should be called in by 10 a.m. Call Shirley Sand at 842-5966.

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Reservations 682-4422

To help us plan, please call at least 24 hours in advance for meal delivery or if you plan to dine in.
 Ennis Senior center, 315 W Main Street

NOVEMBER 19 - NOVEMBER 26 MENU:
 Thursday, Nov. 19: Baked pork chop, mashed potatoes, country gravy, veggies, birthday cake
 Friday, Nov. 20: Beef stroganoff, zucchini, dinner roll, dessert
 Tuesday, Nov. 24: Chicken teriyaki stir fry, rice, dessert
 Weds, Nov. 25: Goulash, mixed veggie, dinner roll, dessert
 Thurs, Nov. 26: CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING

King Crossword
 Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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 WED. - 7:30 p.m., Trinity Church in Jeffers
 FRI. - Open, 7:30 p.m., Basement of M.V. Presbyterian Church, No Smoking

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AROUND THE COUNTY

Thanksgiving dinner in Sheridan

Submitted by Kathy Flick

All are welcome to Thanksgiving dinner in Sheridan at Bethany Hall on Thursday, Nov. 26. Food will be provided by local churches. We appreciate reservations so we have plenty for everyone. Call Laurie at 842-5345 or Kathy at 842-5128.

Ruby Valley Giving Tree

Submitted by Billie Ratcliffe

Dec. 2 is the last day for submitting your name for the Ruby Valley Giving Tree.

Gift tags will be placed on The Ruby Valley National Bank's Christmas tree in Sheridan as requests are received. Gifts need to be returned to the bank no later than Dec. 17.

Call Billie at 842-5044 (leave a message) to leave your name, or for more information.

The Ruby Valley Giving Tree serves Virginia City, Alder and Sheridan being funded by generous folks in the Ruby Valley as well as some businesses in the surrounding area. Do not be bashful about submitting your name ... if you need a little boost this holiday, our community is here for you. All inquiries are held in strict confidence. If you know someone whom you feel could use some extra help, I will contact them if given a name and phone number. Food baskets and gifts will be ready Dec. 22.

In 2014, the Ruby Valley Giving Tree was able to provide gifts for children, along with much needed items for their families and needy elderly. The food pantry in Sheridan provided food boxes for Christmas dinner and a Sheridan resident cut fresh Christmas trees.

Christmas store for MVM residents

Submitted by Cherrie Zitting

The Madison Valley Manor Auxiliary provides a Christmas shopping spree for all the residents at the MVM. The auxiliary sets up a Christmas store in the manor sunroom and residents can come and pick out gifts for their immediate family. These gifts are then wrapped and taken to their rooms. These gifts are donated items from the community and the auxiliary so as you are sorting through your things to get ready for winter, when you find items that are to good to throw away think about the manor and if any of those items would make a good gift from one of the residents.

Any items you may wish to contribute may be dropped off to Julie Rogers, activities

director at the manor.

The Auxiliary meets every third Thursday at 1 p.m. at the manor – everyone is welcome to attend and become involved. You can reach the auxiliary president Cherrie Zitting at 682-5409.

Spread Christmas joy with Madison Valley Baptist Church

Submitted by Sheri Riggs

The Madison Valley Baptist Church in Ennis is participating in Operation Christmas Child, an annual project that delivers gift-filled shoeboxes to more than 124 million children in more than 150 countries and territories.

The shoeboxes are packed with items like a doll, ball, school supplies and hygiene items.

Boxes may be taken to the church, located at 5050 Highway 287 in Ennis the week of Nov. 16 – 23 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. – on Saturday and Sunday, the church will be open until 3 p.m. Shoeboxes can be "packed" online as well, just go to www.samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Community Thanksgiving worship service

Submitted by Keith Axberg

Trinity Episcopal Church in Jeffers is hosting a first annual community Thanksgiving worship service on Sunday, Nov. 22, at 6 p.m. The community is invited to join in singing, offering prayers and thoughts on what it is to be thankful – to acknowledge all the wonderful blessings we enjoy in both our communities and our nation – and to enjoy light refreshments and fellowship afterwards. Time will be made available during the service for folks to offer testimonies of gratitude for blessings received and prayers answered.

There is no charge to attend, but persons are encouraged to bring canned or packaged food items for the Ennis Food Bank. A money offering will also be received for Food Bank support as they ramp up for the holiday season. Please note that items past their expiration dates cannot be accepted by the Food Bank.

Four churches in Ennis are coordinating what is hoped to be an annual event, although persons from many of the other area churches will also be actively involved. The sponsoring churches are: Ennis Assembly of God, Madison Valley Presbyterian Church, Madison Valley Baptist Church and Trinity Episcopal Church. Members of the Ennis Community Choir, under the leadership of music director Andrew Scruggs will also be in attendance, lending heart and voice in song and prayer.

Help out the Twin Bridges speech/debate/drama team

Submitted by Cathy Kopf

On Dec. 12, 2015, the Twin Bridges High School speech/debate/drama team will be hosting a meet. Hosting a speech meet takes the whole community. In order to achieve this we will need the team's dedication, the school's commitment and the community's volunteers.

For the meet, we will need approximately 60-80 judges. These judges are people who volunteer from our community and from the surrounding area to help make our meet successful.

When you volunteer to judge there is a hospitality room that will have food and beverages in it from 7 a.m. through finals.

We will have one training session on Dec. 8 at Twin Bridges High School starting at 6 p.m. Volunteers can choose to attend if they are not sure what to expect when judging. We will have judge's assignments ready for volunteers at the training session.

Contact one of the speech team members, or a coach to volunteer your help. Call or text Krista Beal at 596-0389 (email krista@3rivers.net) or Cathy Kopf at 565-7604 (email cakopf17@aol.com).

Holiday performances in Ennis

Submitted by Andrew Scruggs

This year's holiday performance by the Ennis Community Choir will feature several solos, duets and a performance of "Come and Adore Him," a Christmas cantata created and arranged by Dave Clark and Steve W. Mauldin. Andrew Scruggs is the director of the Ennis Community Choir and Vickey Gordon is the accompanist for the Ennis Community Choir. Performances are free of charge and will take place at 7 p.m. at Rocky Mountain Baptist Church in Ennis on Thursday, Dec. 3, and at 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Virginia City on Sunday, Dec. 6.

The Ennis kindergarten through fifth-grade Christmas program – The First Christmas in Ennis – will take place at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, 2015, in the high school gymnasium. Students will perform holiday selections with a slightly Victorian, out-West, homesteading-pioneer-in-Ennis feel.

The Ennis sixth-grade through 12th-grade Holiday Program – Holiday Celebration – will take place at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2015, in the high school gymnasium. Students will perform meaningful arrangements of some of our favorite holiday songs.

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ENNIS VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS NAMED TO ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

Submitted by Betty Klein

Mustangs Brigit Croy (5) and Caitlin Klatt (6) were selected to first team all-conference while Danyel Martin (12) and Jourdain Klein (10) made second-team all conference.

Ennis Arts Association

Submitted by Carol McMullin

The November Ennis Arts Association meeting was held at the Madison Valley Baptist Church on a very snowy morning with a small group in attendance.

After a brief introduction and business meeting, the culinary arts program was presented. Jan Beekman donned a chef's hat and gave a stir-fry wok cooking demonstration using

leftover turkey and vegetables. She was very organized and brought all the equipment, utensils, food and sauce needed.

The quick wok cooking method over very high heat was fun to watch. These morsels of food were then served over rice or rolled in heated buckwheat tortillas. For lunch, the members were treated to this meal along with a tasty salad.

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WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 18

Community discussion,

Twin Bridges
The Twin Bridges Rotary Club will sponsor a community discussion on end-of-life planning and choices presented by Doris Fischer and Mary Carlson at the Montana Room, Twin Bridges School at 7 p.m. All public invited. Coffee, Tea and desert will be served. For more information, contact Frank Colwell, Twin Bridges Rotary Club Program Director at 684-5686 or cell 596-1076; email frank.colwell@bhhsmt.com.

"Stress Makes You Stupid: Hope for the Best, Plan for the Worst." Begins at 7 p.m. For more information, call 682-3326.

Trout Unlimited meeting, Dillon

Please join us in Dillon to meet, greet and see who's interested in revitalizing a TU presence in the Dillon and Twin Bridges area at 6 p.m. at the Beaverhead Search and Rescue building.

Mad Gals, Ennis

Monthly meeting at Valley View Golf Club. Begins at 12:30 p.m.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 20

Public meeting, Ennis

Ennis Government Study Commission public meeting to report findings of the community survey. Begins at 1:30 p.m. at town hall.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 21

Glee night, Sheridan

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 19

Presentation, Ennis

Jon C. Goodman and Independent Financial Partners are proud to host Navy SEAL Team One veteran, Chris Forrest, who will speak on the subject of self-defense, also known as "contingency planning." The title of his talk is

Dessert and entertainment will be served up by the students of Sheridan schools in high school gym beginning at 7 p.m. The band, choir, drama and forensics groups along with funny MCs will entertain in a wholesome, silly, sometimes serious but always fun environment. The art department will also have a display of student-generated artwork for sale. Call 842-5401 for more information.

Workshop, Sheridan

Kids clay workshop. Begins at 9 a.m. Call Sally Schendel at 842-5401 for more information.

Bazaar, Pony

The Hollowtop Senior Citizens group is hosting a bazaar at the Pony senior center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch will be available along with a variety of vendors. Please call 685-3421 or 685-3225 for information.

Food bank fun run/walk, Ennis

Join the community to support the Madison Valley Caring and Sharing Food Bank at the annual four-mile run/walk. Entry fee or 20 canned food items or one turkey. Race day registration starts at 9 a.m. at the Madison Square Athletic Club. Race time is 10 a.m. Contact Sunni for more information 682-3115

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 22

Community Thanksgiving service, Jeffers
An ecumenical gathering for music, prayer, worship and fellowship in celebration of Thanksgiving. Begins at 6 p.m. at

the Trinity Church.

Auction, Sheridan
Annual Ruby Valley FFA alumni auction at the Sheridan elementary school. Shop for Christmas from items made by FFA members. Chili feed starts at 12 p.m. and the auction begins at 2 p.m.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 26

Thanksgiving dinner, Sheridan
All are welcome to Thanksgiving dinner at Bethany Hall with food provided by local churches. Reservations are appreciated so we have plenty for everyone. Call 842-5345 or 842-5128 for more information.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 28

Christmas decorating, Virginia City

Community get together to make decorations for the town. Bring dried plant materials, gloves and shears or pruners and creative ideas. Greenery and ribbon supplied. Will work again on Sunday Nov. 29 in the afternoon if needed. Pack a lunch-stay all-day or just a few hours. Begins at 10 a.m. at the Elks Lodge.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 29

Reception, Sheridan
Thank you for your support of the Sheridan Public Library and our expansion efforts. We'd like to invite you to a reception to be held at the library. Holiday refreshments will be served. You can view the archive addition

and see our plans for archive shelving. Begins at 4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 3

BAH, Ennis
Business after hours will be hosted by Fan Mountain Inn and 3 Rivers Communications on Dec. 3, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Fan Mountain Inn. Free networking event open to all Chamber members and their guests.

Music program, Ennis

The Ennis community choir holiday program will be held Dec. 3, at 7 p.m. at the Rocky Mountain Baptist Church. The choir will perform a Christmas cantata created and arranged by Dave Clark and Steve W. Mauldin. The choir is directed by Andrew Scruggs.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 4

Christmas stroll, Ennis

Come experience Ennis during an old fashioned Christmas Stroll from 3 to 8 p.m. Merchants will be open late, featuring Christmas treats for all! Pictures with Santa, Christmas stories for children, roasted chestnuts, live music, special gallery events and much more! Please call the Ennis Chamber of Commerce at 682-4388 or visit the Chamber website, www.ennis-chamber.com, for more information.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 5

Holiday gala, Virginia City

1880-1920-s period dance with music by R. Alexander James and dance ensemble. Free dance lessons start at 6 p.m., dance from 7-10 p.m. Period or formal wear appreciated. Call Janet at 660-1453 for reservations.

Christmas Feast-ival, Twin Bridges

The Twin Bridges Community Association is sponsoring a Christmas Feast-ival Dec. 5 at the Madison County Fair Grounds. Doors open at 5 p.m. Activities planned from 6 to 8 p.m. include a chili feed, games for kids,

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REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

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

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.

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

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

Ennis Arts Association, Ennis
Meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. ennisartsassociation.org

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

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

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

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!

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

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

Live Music - Norris
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