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HONORING ALDER:



School receives award from Montana Retired Educators' Association

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The Alder School received the Don and Clarice Walters School Award on Jan. 26, after being interviewed by Dr. Alan Zetler, the treasurer of the Southwest Montana Retired Educators' Association.

"The award is presented to a deserving school each

year," explained Teresa Murdoch, head teacher at the school. "(II) is based on notable performance, scarce resources and financial need."

The school received a certificate and a \$500 check. The award has been given out for nearly 15 years; each of the Montana Retired Educators' Association's 14 divisions nominate a school, and the Alder School was chosen to represent

the southwest division this year. The Alder School was established in 1903 - before that, children in the area attended elementary classes

In Zetler's nomination, he wrote the Alder School has a "legacy born from a long local history and pattern of community support. That legacy is

at the Taylor School.

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SIDEWALK UPDATE

Planning board requests town commission reconsider vote, project updates in the works

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At their regular meeting. on Jan. 20, the Ennis Planning Board passed a motion recommending the Ennis Town Council reconsider their vote on one portion of the proposed sidewalk project around the 'Y' intersection in town.

"It was discussed by board members that the planning board make a recommendation to the town council regarding the Ennis Growth Policy and its goals pertaining to infrastructure

improvement, specifically the 'Y' section in town," explained Keri Kensinger, planning board chairperson. "The growth policy was adopted unanimously by the council and is a roadmap for the community, with the 'Y' section listed as a priority."

The sidewalks in question were proposed to connect the 'Y,' where MT Highway 287 and U.S. Highway 287 intersect in town. The project is being funded through the Montana Department of Transportation's Transportation Alternatives

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NEW FACE AT TRMCC

Saza Lee takes over as administrator

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Last week, the Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center in Sheridan welcomed their new administrator. Saza Lec.

"We went through a very tennous, strennous process to search for a new administrator and (Lee) was our unanimous choice," said Dave Schulz, Madison County commissioner. "I am very confident that (Lee) will be a tremendous asset to TRMCC and Madison County's overall senior care responsibilities."

Lee most recently worked in Nebraska, where he was a nursing home administrator - he even served as the administrator for two facilities at one time. Lee was born in Malaysia. and received his first degree there as a physician assistant. "I came to the (United

States) in 1996 to pursue a health care administration degree from Johnson and Wales University in Providence, (R.I.)," Lee explained. "I graduated in 1999 and started my career in a large, not-for-profit nursing home in Providence."

Lee worked in Providence, Massachusetts and Vermont before moving to Nebraska and working as a state surveyor of nursing homes for a few years until he accepted a job as an administrator.

"There are pros and cons to both of them," Lee said when asked if he prefers working as an administrator or a surveyor. "I like the administrative role better because I get to see different aspects of the service, I don't just come in for compliance issues. I get to deal with all aspects of it." Nearly 10 years ago,

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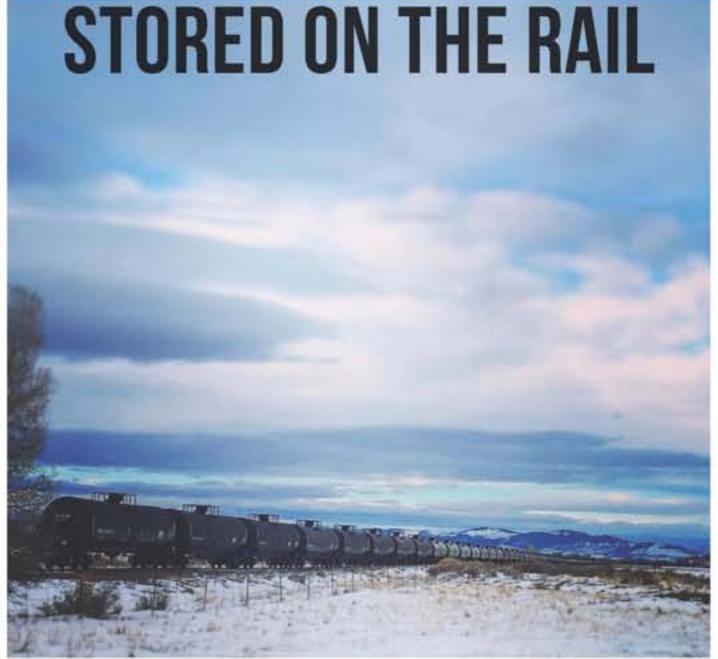


Photo courtesy Kayla Sandru Around 500 of the Montana Rail Line's empty cars are being stored on a track in Madison County.

MRL storing empty cars between Whitehall, Twin Bridges

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Around 500 empty tank cars rolled to a stop on the railroad between Whitehall and Twin Bridges at the end of January.

"Montana Rail Link is currently storing (the) empty tank cars for regional rail shippers on our Whitehall to

Twin Bridges branch line," according to a press release from Jim Lewis, MRL public affairs officer. "At this time it is unclear how long the empty cars will be in storage."

The release goes on to state that regional rail shipments oil and crude - have slowed in the past nine months due to

"various market conditions." "It is MRL's hope that these markets recover soon and

we can do what we do best," the release states. "Providing safe and reliable transportation service to Montana businesses and regional rail shippers."

Dave Schulz, Madison County commissioners, said the county has been in communication with MRL.

"At this point in time, we're not sure the length of time they expect to leave them there," Schulz said. "MRL

property is private property. Because of lessened activity in the oil business in Montana, oil is not moving as it once did. In the short term, we believe (MRL) is going to want to leave those cars there, and we really haven't had the opportunity to evaluate if there is even anything Madison County can do."

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Under construction: MVM nears halfway mark

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The Madison Valley Manor is nearly halfway done with a six phase remodeling process. After applying for a Community Development Block Grant in 2014 and talking with contractors, construction on the remodel began in October 2015. Administrator Darcel Cook said she hopes the remodel can be done by the end of April, but contractors are shooting for no later than the end of May.

Cook and the rest of the manor team have been busy moving. residents into new rooms while construction is underway.

"I don't think (the building) has been updated since it was built in 1977," said Cook. "Everyone is just so excited, they really are." Cook said the goal of

the remodel is to make the manor feel as "homey" as possible and create a sense of comfort for the residents.

"It was made to look like a hospital so we really want to turn it into a comfortable home for the residents," she said The remodel includes all new flooring and ceiling tiles,

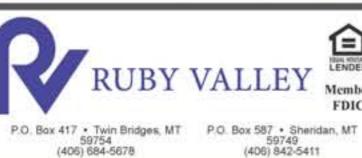
new handrails and LED lighting, updated resident rooms, a sitting area with a fireplace and a completely new nurses station. All the walls will get a new coat of paint to match the warmer, neutral theme and, thanks to donations, all 40 resident rooms will get a new T.V. mounted on the wall.

While this has been the biggest move the manor has ever made. Cook said everyone is positive and looking for-

ward to the updated building. "We are just really, re-ally excited," Cook said.

And to make the manor really feel like home, Cook said she plans to decorate the walls in photos from around the area taken by Madison County residents.

If you have a photo you are interested in sharing please call the MVM at 682-7271.



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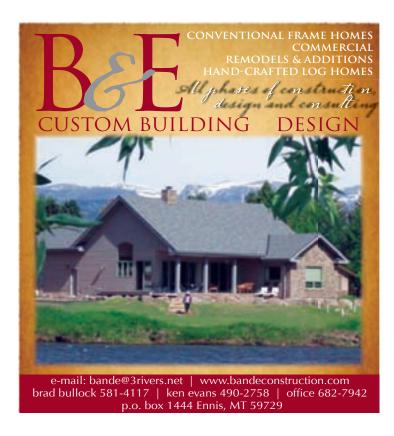
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In the release, Lewis stated the rail line and bridges were inspected by MRL engineers before the cars were placed there.

Schulz added that the county has been assured that "any exposure or environmental concerns related to the cars sitting there is very, very minimal."

"The cars are all empty," he said. "There may be a little residue in them, but they're all sealed."

Schulz said the commissioners

have only heard a complaint from one Madison County resident. "It's something we never Photo courtesy Jeanne Elpel
The empty cars are parked between
Whitehall and Twin Bridges.

expected, of course," he said.
"But at the same time, the rail-

road in that area is still actively

maintained by MRL. If they use

it to keep some cars off the main

routes for the short term, unfor-

tunate as it may be, I think they

will differ from that opinion.'

have that right. Some of our public

"number of reasonable and serious

complaints," Schulz said the county

will look into the situation further.

If the commissioners receive a

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the motivation that today still drives Alder and its school to pursue a passion of doing what 'ought to be done' for the education of its children. Such an attitude has translated into a tangible array of experiences, expectations and support that is exemplary in its operation for the benefit of pupils and thus deserving of recognition."

Though the school is not sure how they will spend the money yet, Murdoch said everyone – from the staff to the community to the students – is excited.

"We were just thrilled that we were even considered

for the award," she said. "It was great to feel pride in our community and school."

Some students attended the award presentation, and Murdoch explained it to those who could not the following day. "They were all very

excited," she said.

Murdoch said she be-

lieves the Alder School stands out because of community involvement and how well all the entities within the school work together.

"We have an art teacher, music teacher, Spanish teacher, para-professionals," she said. "Everybody works well together to make it a great school."

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Lee took a motorcycle trip through western Canada and down into Montana, which is what first sparked his interest in the big sky state.

"I never thought much about it, but in the back of my mind I knew I liked the mountains and the winter in Montana," Lee said. "Sometime last year I was managing multiple nursing homes in Nebraska and it was tiring. That's when the idea of Montana came back up."

Lee quickly reached out to the Montana Health Care Association and expressed his intention to seek a job in Montana.

"Ever since, my phone has been ringing non-stop," he said. "I got multiple offers in Montana. (The job at TRMCC) was one of them."

Lee settled on the Ruby Valley for numerous reasons – the area is conducive to his hobbies, for one.

"I do a lot of target shooting and bicycling – mountain biking," Lee said. "I ride my motorcycle a lot. The views are beautiful and I like the people here." Lee said he is excited to familiarize himself with TRMCC.

"One of my passions is staff development," he said. "I've been getting to know the people in the building. I want to know everyone on the work force and all the residents. Getting to know the residents is important, but I need to start with those who are giving the care."

Lee said. "Sometime last y SIDEWALKS from pg. 1

Program, and fully finances the work in all MDT right of ways.

The project was broken down into four segments – segment one runs from Shedhorn Sports to Chowning Street; segment two runs from First Street to the south entrance of the Madison Valley Medical Center; segment three runs from Pearl Street to Fan Mountain Inn along the west side of the 'Y'; and segment four runs from Fan Mountain Inn to Madison Foods.

On Jan. 14, the Ennis Town Commissioners heard a presentation about the project from Great West Engineering and MDT, accepted public comment and voted on the project. All four commissioners in attendance – John Bancroft, Brian Vincent, Brandi Palmerton and Audra Bourk – voted in favor of segments one, two and four. The final segment, from Pearl Street to Fan Mountain Inn, was voted down; Bancroft was the only commissioner

who voted in favor of it.

The Ennis Growth Policy specifically outlines that the town will "work with MDT to develop a safe, but still unique 'Y' intersection," according to the document's short-term objectives.

Though the Ennis Growth Policy is only a guiding document, Kensinger said it serves as a "road map" for the town.

"It's specific in its goals in terms of infrastructure, natural resources, economic development, housing and more," Kensinger said. "The document is supposed to have teeth. What is the point of spending thousands of dollars to create (a growth policy) if you aren't going to abide by it? It outlines the town's goals and is supposed to be adhered to."

When the growth policy was developed, the entire town commission unanimously voted to approve it, Kensinger added. Planning board member

Lincoln Roberts moved the town council be reminded of

the 'Y' section as a priority goal listed in the town's growth policy and reconsider a vote on section three of the sidewalk project. Board member Halsey Bishop seconded the motion and Roberts, Bishop and Mariah Oliver voted in favor of it. Planning board member Palmerton voted against it.

Multiple requests for comment from Palmerton were not returned by *The Madisonian*'s press time Tuesday.

According to town clerk Ginger Guinn, the commission can revisit the issue if they want.

"It would have to be their decision if they would like to revisit it," Guinn explained. "If they had a reason to bring it back up again, it would have to either be a regular or special meeting – a public meeting – at which they would accept public comment."

Kensinger said she is on the town commission's Feb. 11 meeting agenda to present the planning board's recommendation.

Updates to the project

In the few weeks since the commission vote, the town has been working on a few updates to the project, according to Vincent.

One of those updates includes extending the sidewalk from the south end of the Madison Valley Medical Center to the emergency room entrance at the north end.

"It's still a work in progress," Vincent said. "It would be privately funded, but part of MDT's project ... they said it would be easier if we rolled it right in."

Vincent added that the commissioners are looking into installing a sidewalk along segment three on their own.

"It would be a town project," he said. "There's a way (that segment) can be done, if it can cross into private property. MDT was constrained because they have to work in their right of way."





This is a pretty famous creek in Madison County ... now who knows it!? Call 682-7755 with your guess! Good luck!

MORE NEWS:

Early morning break ins, vandalism

Madison County Sheriff's Office arrests two suspects on Jan. 30

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On Jan. 30, 2016, at 3:24 a.m., the Madison County Sheriff's Office received a call about an alarm going off at Willie's Distillery in Ennis, according to Sheriff Roger Thompson.

"At 3:39 a.m., (the sheriff's office) was advised of another alarm at the Nearly New Shoppe just a short distance away on East Main Street," Thompson said. "Deputies arrived and found the doors on both locations had been broken open."

Thompson said the deputies checked the buildings and then began looking around the area and found a suspect hiding, who was arrested.

"A second suspect was then arrested on Main Street a short time later," Thompson said. "About 1 1/4 hours later, the Town Pump also reported a wine theft had occurred earlier around 2 a.m. The suspects were also linked to that incident."

The suspects are 17 and 18 years old.

Later the same morning, 13 tires were reported as slashed on the Ennis golf course from the night before.

"(The sheriff's office) is still investigating whether the same subjects were involved in that incident," Thompson said.

RECOGNIZING MUMME



Erin Leonard/The Madisonian Bob Fry (L) presents former Madison **County Director of Emergency** Management Chris Mumme (R) with a certificate recognizing Mumme for his years of service to the state of Montana's Department of Military Affairs, Disaster and Emergency Services Division.

Mumme retired at the end of December - the department of emergency services oversees the mitigation of all the different hazards that could threaten Madison County. The commissioners hired Dustin Tetrault to replace Mumme.

DISTRICT COURT ROUND UP

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Not guilty pleas Nicholas Frank David

Bishir appeared at the Madison County Courthouse before Judge Loren Tucker on Feb. 1, and the court entered five not guilty pleas on Bishir's behalf.

The state, represented by deputy county attorney Justin Ekwall, charged Bishir with five counts: sexual intercourse without consent with an enhancement because Bishir allegedly committed the offense with a dangerous weapon, accountability to criminal possession of dangerous drugs (methamphetamine), criminal possession of dangerous drugs (marijuana), accountability to

criminal possession of drug paraphernalia and criminal destruction or tampering with a communications device, according to a filed Information.

Because Bishir has prior convictions in Illinois and a pending case in Illinois, Ekwall recommended his bond be set at \$150,000, which would run consecutively to a \$100,000 bond Bishir already has from Illinois.

Bishir's court appointed attorney, J. Blaine Anderson Jr., stated he will most likely file to reduce the bond at a later date.

Judge Tucker released Bishir back into the custody of the Madison County Sheriff's Office after setting his bond at \$100,000.

Petition to revoke suspended sentence

On Feb. 1, Christopher Fredrick McCann appeared at the Madison County Courthouse before Judge Loren Tucker on charges to revoke

> McCann was previously sentenced to the Department of Corrections for a term of 13 months for a driving under the influence, fourth offense. McCann also received a five year suspended sentence to the DoC. The state filed a petition to revoke his suspended sentence, alleging McCann violated the rules of that suspended sentence in a variety of ways, including failing to maintain full time employment, failing to report to his proba-

his suspended sentence.

according to court documents. McCann did not have an at-

tion/parole officer and more,

torney present with him on Feb. 1, so Judge Tucker entered not true pleas on his behalf. Judge Tucker also requested McCann apply for court appointed counsel and released him back into custody with a \$20,000 bond.

Five year suspended sentence

Christian Ann Hegel appeared at the Madison County Courthouse before Judge Loren Tucker on Feb. 1, on charges that she violated the terms of her deferred sentence.

The state, represented by County Attorney Chris Christensen, filed a fourth petition to revoke Hegel's deferred sentence, alleging Hegel has not complied with the terms of that deferred sentence.

Hegel was previously sentenced with a two year deferred

sentence after she was found guilty of burglary, a felony, in 2010 – she broke into her place of work, Subway, and took sandwiches. Since then, the state has filed three petitions to revoke her sentence due to her non-compliance, and she has been re-sentenced each time.

"This will be her fourth chance," said Christensen. "The state is frustrated with this defendant."

Christensen recommended a five year suspended sentence. Hegel's attorney, Peter Fischer, made his recommendation next.

"She doesn't do well without a lot of supervision," Fischer said. "She has been accepted in Custer County drug court -

there would be supervision and life skills, weekly meetings with the court and drug testing.'

Fischer went on to recommend a three year deferred sentence with an order Hegel enroll in Custer County drug court.

"You have already had far more chances than most people get in a lifetime," said Judge Tucker. "If somehow or another you can get a little traction here, there will be no need to lock you up."

Judge Tucker sentenced Hegel to the Department of Corrections for a term of five years, suspended, and ordered she enroll in Custer County drug court following her release. He also ordered she pay \$135, the remainder of her fines from 2010.

GENEROSITY

Hi readers,

Last week, I was once again reminded how generous our community is. I came to work early one morning and discovered a grocery bag tied to the front door handle. In the bag, I found beautifully wrapped packages with letters for two of The Madisonian's columnists and someone we featured in the paper earlier this year. I quickly called or emailed the recipients of the packages and they came to collect their gifts.

This is the second time mystery gifts have appeared on our doorstep.

Sometimes, in the newspaper business, we're the bad guys. People are passionate about community news and sports. They often let us know when we aren't writing exactly what they want to read. People have a tendency to pick up the phone and make a call when they have a complaint, but not when they have a compliment. If they are happy and content, we probably don't hear from them.

That's one reason I think these anonymous gifts are wonderful. Some caring person went to considerable time

and effort to let others know they are appreciated, and that gesture has special meaning to the recipients.

When I think about the ways our county residents get involved in helping others, it always warms my heart. There are many ways to give back. Are you passionate about healthcare? Our county has multiple hospital boards and foundations. Want to volunteer with kids? Check with one of our many schools. Care about natural resources? The conservation districts are always looking for extra hands.

Last week, I wrote about school spirit in Sheridan. Then I attended the Twin Bridges vs. Harrison/Willow Creek basketball game and saw something so cool. Harrison's two cheerleaders did a fantastic job entertaining fans. They cheered for the team, but also took time to interact and dance with two of the Wildcats' youngest, most enthusiastic fans – just check out the picture.

So, does the anonymous gift-giver want to come forward? We want to recognize you for your kind spirit and thoughtfulness!

Abigail





It is her love for the environment, especially in the Madison Valley, that inspired not only her

natural resources, Dochnahl is heavily involved tion established to help promote sustainable, local agriculture. F2F sponsors a local farmer's market and works within the Ennis school system. The

Gardening, Resources, Outdoors, Watersheds and Wildlife (GROWW) program, which is a collaborative between F2F and other local organizations, works to excite and educate students about sustainable living and getting them outdoors.

"They love getting out in the garden and digging," said Dochnahl about working with students. "They like eating right off the plants, and we have a lot of fun getting them out in the rivers and streams.'

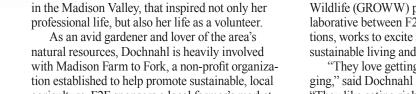
Dochnahl is also an active member of the women's club and she volunteers at the Nearly New

"I think every member volunteers at the

ley is "extremely lucky" to have so many groups and organizations that care about the community.

Dochnahl said. "This is a community that really supports its kids and its resources.'





Shoppe every Friday. The women's club has close to 100 members and Dochnahl is happy to help.

> Nearly New," said Dochnahl. "Everything goes back into the community – it's amazing.' Dochnahl said she believes the Madison Val-

"I think that's how so much happens,"





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Janet Dochnahl has been a member of the

Ennis community since 1979, when she and her

newlywed husband, John, moved to the val-

ley to work for the Forest Service, where she

spent 37 years as an environmental planner.

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Support for town council sidewalk decision

Dear Editor,

We are supportive of our three council members Brandi Palmerton, Brian Vincent and Audra Bourk for all their hard work and dedication in resolving this issue regarding the disputed section of sidewalk at Highway 287 at the fishermen 'Y.'

We, as business owners and concerned citizens, still believe there are serious concerns with this section of the sidewalk project. One – where is the main route for all our emergency

responder vehicles? Our fire trucks, ambulances and patrol cars all have to travel through this 'Y' to and from their emergency calls. If you have to pull off to let them by through this section, where do you go with a sidewalk right there? Two – We are expected to watch four lanes of traffic, plus incoming traffic from the side street. How can we still back out safely onto the street? All the sidewalks downtown are in front of the parked cars. This is the most congested section of road in town, yet you

expect our customers and us to back over the sidewalk onto the street. Where is the safety in this? Three – we have lived and worked through 55 years of changes and updates on this section of Highway 287. We do understand the desire for change and we do know the consequence of a project not properly thought out before it is done. A sidewalk here is one more obstacle to deal with. We all want a sidewalk on the manor side from the hospital all the way downtown. This is the

side of the street where most people walk and it certainly is the safest. Maybe people should be a little more grateful for the beautiful community we already have and appreciate the Lion's Club Park with walking paths for everyone to walk and play safely. All these people working to keep our community safe deserve our respect.

Darlene Pasley Ennis

OBITUARIES



Robert Bray *June 30, 1943 – January 28, 2016*

Robert "Bob" Bray, 72, son of Kenneth and Doris Bray passed away Thursday, Jan. 28, 2016, in Fort Thomas, Ky. Robert served his country and retired as a member of the United States Air Force after 20 years of service. Bob

is survived by his loving wife Virginia Bray; his beloved children: Robert Bray Jr., Christopher Bray (Brenda), Daniel Bray (Jennifer), Andrew Bray and Deborah Sauls (Micheal); 11 grandchildren; one great-grandson; and his dear siblings: Tom Bray (Terry), Diane Rule (Larry), Cheryl Nelissen (Lee) and Clive "Buddy" Bray (Robin); and numerous nieces and nephews. Services for Robert will be held in private at the convenience of his family.

Deborah Kay DiMichele March 12, 1958 - January 25, 2016



Debbie, 58, of Bozeman left us unexpectedly on Monday, Jan. 25, 2016. She was born on March 12, 1958, in Gillette, Wyo., and graduated from Campbell County High School. After, she worked at her family's grocery store where she met her husband Chris DiMichele and had two children. Debbie was a talented floral designer who opened her own flower shop in Ennis. She was very creative and

loved to make beautiful art and craft projects. She was a devoted loving mother and grandmother, whose world revolved around her family and she was lovingly called "Granny" by all.

Debbie is survived by her son Samuel J. DiMichele, his wife Sara and son Vincent; daughter Nichole King and her children Brennen and Lily; brother Phil "Buzz" Varner; sister Teri Hunter and her husband Joe Hunter; nieces Jenifer Keller and Kim Wenger; and nephew Brad Hunter. Debbie was welcomed home by her father and mother Philip and Jeanine Varner, and nephew Tony Varner. A reception to celebrate Debbie's life will be held on Saturday, Feb. 6 at 4:30 p.m. at Dahl Funeral Chapel.

Condolences and memories may be shared with the family at www.dahlcares.com.

Lillie M. Forwood June 6, 1925 - December 19, 2015

There will be a memorial service for Lillie M. Forwood held at Christ Episcopal Church in Sheridan on Sunday Feb. 14 at 11:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers memorial gifts can be made to Christ Episcopal Church and the Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center in Sheridan.

Gemma Maxine "tumbleweed" Eisele January 19, 2016 - January 19, 2016

Gemma Maxine "tumble-weed" Eisele passed away peacefully in the arms of her mother and father on Jan. 19, 2016. She was born at 8:04 a.m. and earned her angel wings and went to heaven the same day. Gemma was the daughter of Jennifer and Jonathan Eisele of Ennis. She

is survived by her three other siblings, Alexis, Kaden and Tristen all at home; her paternal grandmother Gail Eisele of Bismarck, N.D.; and paternal grandfather Harold Eisele of Lafayette Ind.; her maternal grandparents Nan and Tom Wore of Ennis; and also all her aunts, uncles and cousins.

Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep provided a volunteer photographer to record her short life with us. In lieu of flowers we would be pleased to have you support their mission to help other grieving parents through their Rembrandt photography at the Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep Foundation, 780 South Elation Street, #111 Littleton, CO 80120, and also the Assembly of God Church here in Ennis. Celebration of her life service will be Feb. 6, 2016, at the Assembly of God Church here in Ennis at 1 p.m. Please, we ask no dark clothes since we want it to be a happy time, thank you.

Mary Anne Hardies April 9, 1933 – January 28, 2016



Mary Anne Hardies, 92, of Bozeman, passed away Thursday, Jan. 28, 2016. Mary was born April 9, 1933, to Louis and Mary A. (Popish) Vidic in Butte. She graduated from Butte High School. She moved to Seattle, Wash., following graduation and worked for the War Department during World War II.

She married Arthur J. Hardies in 1949 in Seattle. They eventually moved to Butte and then to Sheridan. Mary worked for Chas. Walter IGA in Sheridan for 25 years, retiring in 1988. She traveled to Alaska, floated the Grand Canyon, explored New York City and visited England and Paris.

She was preceded in death by her husband, daughter Diane and brother Ray Vidic. She is survived by her brother Louis Vidic of Helena; daughters and son-in-laws Janet and Don Baum of Billings, Lou Ann and Russ McKenna of Bozeman; grandsons Craig and Jason Baum of Billings; granddaughters Stephanie Clapper of Bozeman and Courtney Sand of Brier, Wash.; great grandsons Josh and Colton Baum of Billings, Marcus and Alex Clapper of Bozeman; and an unborn great-grandchild due in August of 2016 in Brier.

A funeral Mass was held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016, at Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Interment of the urn was at 2 p.m., Wednesday Feb. 3, 2016, at Holy Cross Cemetery in Butte.

Condolences and memories may be shared with the family at www.dahlcares.com.

Sheri Ann Koshell Oldham August 14, 1942 - January 21, 2016

Sheri Ann Koshell Oldham, of Ennis, went to be with the Lord on Jan. 21, 2016. She was surrounded by her children, other family members and loved ones. Sheri was born on Aug. 14, 1942,

in Modesto, Calif. The family moved to North Highlands, Calif., where Sheri grew up and attended Highlands High School. A natural all American beauty, she was First Runner Up in the 1960 Miss

preceded in death by her parents, Dr. Nicholas E. Koshell and Maude Ethone Raymond Koshell; sister Diane Koshell Armstrong; and her faithful furry companion, Alex. She is loved and survived by her sister Candace Koshell Ward, North Highlands; brother Nicholas Koshell, (Jane), Granite Bay, Calif.; daughter Nicolee Oldham Castiglione, Las Vegas, N.V.; son Bradley Oldham, Ennis; five grandchildren; one great grandchild; many nieces, nephews,

Sacramento contest. Sheri was

Services were held at K & L Mortuary in Ennis on Jan. 23 and interment was at Ennis Cemetery. Her brother, Nick, presented the

aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

eulogy. Pallbearers were her children, Brad and Nicolee, her brother Nick and wife Jane, and dear friends, Al and Effie Oldham.



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SPORTS.

TWIN BRIDGES VS. ENNIS



LADY FALCONS CONTINUE UNDEFEATED SEASON; MUSTANGS RALLY FOR THE WIN

Caitlin Avey
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Twin Bridges and Ennis fans packed the gym on Jan. 27, when the Mustangs hosted the Falcons for two close games.

Girls game

"Focus in! Let's do this!" yelled Ennis' MaKenzie Moen, pumping up her team at the start of the game. Moen, a starting guard for the Mustangs, came out aggressive and ready to take down the undefeated Lady Falcons.

A minute into the first quarter, Moen broke through the Falcon offense for a fast break hoping to put Ennis on the board first. As she made her way down the court she was quickly met by Falcon standout Kailee Oliverson with a block. Oliverson ended her night with eight blocked shots.

As the clock wound down in the first, both teams were scoreless. With defensive pressure from both sides, no one could seem to get a shot off without a block or box out from the other team. With less than four minutes left in the first, Oliverson broke through a two-person block, good for two points.

The Mustangs quickly answered back as senior Caitlin Klatt pulled the same maneuver, breaking from a double block for two easy points.

The game was much the

the first half as shot after shot seemed to dance along the rim, but the Lady Falcons managed to pull away, little by little. The teams entered the locker rooms at the half, 22 - 8 Falcons.

As the game started back up in the second, the Falcons continued to stretch out their lead and slowly pulled away, capitalizing on Mustang fouls. Jessica George went to the free throw line for the Falcons after Klatt used the last of her personal fouls, leaving the game at the end of the third quarter.

"It went pretty good,"
said Falcon head coach Rob
Lott. "We played good defense and I thought we were
pretty evenly matched."
The Falcons came out on

top, defeating the Mustangs
42 – 25 and holding on to
their undefeated season.
Most of the Falcon bench

managed to put points on the board but Oliverson led the way with 15; George and Madyson Beagley each contributed six.

Moen was the Mustangs' high scorer with seven points; sophomore Danyel Martin contributed five and Klatt ended her night with four.

"The Twin game was tough,"

said Mustang head coach Jordan Overstreet. "Both teams came out and worked extremely hard defensively ... we must get better at handling pressure and rebounding, if we can improve on those things before tournaments we will be pretty tough to beat." Manhattan Christian on Feb. 5, and West Yellowstone on Feb. 6. The Falcons will host Sheridan for their last in-county game on Feb. 13, before heading to the district tournament.

Ennis will head to Boulder on Feb. 4 to challenge the Jefferson Panthers and will host Shields Valley on Feb. 5. The Mustangs will travel to Sheridan for their last incounty game on Feb. 12.

Boys game

After a tough loss against the Falcons at the beginning of the season, the Mustangs came out ready for a rematch – and that is just what they got.

But the Falcons were not about to give the game away.

Early in the first quarter, 6 foot junior Wesley Harshbarger drained an easy three from the baseline and then sunk another three points from behind the arc on the Falcons' next play. With six points from Harshbarger and a near-dunk from senior Tracen Eggers, the Falcons slowly extended their lead.

While the Falcons kept the Mustangs at arms length through the first half, they could not keep them there.

Both teams were evenly matched when it came to strength and speed. The Falcons bench had a slight edge over the Mustangs, with eight of their 12 varsity players reaching 6 foot or above, versus four of 11 players for the Mustangs. But when the Mustangs shoot well, height

does not even come into play.

The Mustangs brought out

The Mustangs brought out the heat in the third quarter, sinking shot after shot and closing in on the Falcon lead. With three minutes left in the third, Tracer Croy sunk a baseline three, putting the Mustangs in the lead, 37 - 36.

The Falcons answered with a field goal from Eggers, taking back the lead.

The game followed much of the same back-and-forth throughout the second half, but the Mustangs slowly pulled away late in the fourth quarter, drawing on Falcon fouls.

"Ennis was a great learning experience for us," said Falcon head coach Josh Keller. "We were doing some great things getting the ball inside and knocking down outside shots for the first two quarters ... we only scored 17 points in the second half which was the difference maker for us."

The Mustangs were able to defend their home court, finishing the game on top, 52 – 46. Jake Knack led the charge with 22 points, capitalizing on free throws from Falcon fouls in the fourth quarter. Croy finished his night with seven points and junior Gavin McKitrick contributed nine.

Harshbarger led the way for the Falcons with 17 points and Eggers was close behind with 15.



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BASKETBALL ROUNI

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The Mustangs and Lady Mustangs had a week of tough opponents – first, Manhattan Christian traveled to Ennis on Jan. 26. Two days later, Ennis welcomed cross-county rival Twin Bridges to the gym (look for a feature of the game on A5).

Manhattan Christian at Ennis

The Mustangs connected with the basket for 81 points to beat the Eagles, who only scored 63. Four Ennis players scored in double digits – Gavin McKitrick scored 24 points, Tracer Croy scored 16, Ty Morgan had 14 and Cole Crowley had 10. In addition, Kyler Barney scored seven points, Race Owens scored five, Tanner Wood scored out the scoreboard with one.

The Lady Mustangs took the Lady Eagles into overtime, but ultimately lost the game by one point, 57 – 58. MaKenzie Moen led the team with 23 points. Brigit Croy scored 13, Caitlin Klatt scored 10, Danyel Martin had seven, Jourdain Klein had three and Josie Jenkins scored one.

The Harrison/Willow Creek Wildcats and Lady Wildcats were on the road last week – first they traveled to White Sulphur Springs, then they headed to Gardiner.

Harrison at White **Sulphur Springs**

The Hornets hit the court strong and the Wildcats fell behind in the first quarter and were unable to catch up, ultimately losing, 38 - 67.

and Parker Galt, Lane Buus and Zane Von Bergen each scored six. Daly Nesbit scored four and both Matt Fouch and Derik DeFrance scored two.

It was a hard fought battle for the Lady Wildcats, who ultimately beat the Hornets, 47 - 42. Taya DeFrance scored 15 points, Addie Nesbit scored 14 and Josie Hokanson scored 12. Makenna Livezey scored four and Hailey Hokanson had two to round out the scoreboard.

Harrison at Gardiner

Though the Wildcats played the Bruins evenly in the first quarter, they fell behind by half time and ended up losing the game, 36 – 72. Zane VonBergen scored 15 points to lead the charge. Parker Galt had six, Chas Buus had five points, Lane Buus and Matt Fouch each had four and Daly Nesbit scored two.

The Lady Wildcats grabbed a close win over Gardiner, 34

Alexys Bacon scored eight, Addie Nesbit scored six, Shellane Strozzi scored four and Hailey Hokanson scored three.

The Panther teams did not have to leave the comfort of the Ruby Valley for basketball last week. On Jan. 29, the Lima Bears traveled to Sheridan and the following night, Shields Valley was in the gym.

Lima at Sheridan

Panther Tristen Horn had an outstanding game to lead Sheridan to their first win of the season over Lima, 63 - 48. Horn scored 28 points, followed by Tyler Haag who scored 16. Five other players scored to help the Panthers win.

The Lady Panthers played the Lima Bears close, but barely fell short and lost, 25 - 49. Alexis Woirhave led the charge

with nine points. Janie Smart and Tionna Schwend each scored eight, and four other Panthers scored during the game.

Shields Valley at Sheridan

The Panthers were unable to stop the Rebels and lost, 39 - 72. Tristen Horn scored 24 points to make up more than half the team's final score. Moxon Lee scored six, Isaac Bendon scored four, Tyler Haag scored three and Kenny Foster had two.

The tough Shields Valley Rebels brought their A-game, and the Lady Panthers lost, 17 - 65. Alexis Woirhaye scored five points, Tionna Schwend scored four, Madison Fabel scored three, Destiny Fabel and Janie Smart each scored two and Zoe Lee scored one.



Twin Bridges kicked off their weekend of basketball with a trip to Ennis to take on the Mustangs (see a feature on the game on A5). Two days later, White Sulphur Springs made the trip to Madison County to play the Falcons.

White Sulphur Springs at Twin Bridges

It was all about Twin Bridges and the Falcons beat the Hornets, 61 - 43. Tracen Eggers was the high scorer with 19 points. Wesley Harshbarger scored 14, James Bendon scored 10 and Chace Guinnane scored nine. Two other Falcons scored in the game.

Coach Rob Lott's Lady Falcons continued their undefeated record with a win over White Sulphur Springs, 49 – 33. Kailee Oliverson scored 19 points, followed by Mara Johnson who scored eight and Megan Martin who had six. Six other Falcons





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For the second year in a row, students from all over the state traveled to Ennis to participate in the state forensics tournament. More than 450 students and coaches from class B and C schools packed the school Jan. 29 and 30, hoping to take a coveted state title.

Marilyn Jenkins, Ennis' speech, drama and debate coach, and her team of trusty volunteers started prepping for the state meet a month ago.

"The last week is always crazy," said Jenkins, adding that the team worked until 11 p.m. some nights. "But anything worthwhile always takes time."

Providing and organizing

a state meet takes a lot of time and energy and a lot of volunteers. Nearly 130 residents from around the community and area came out to help judge the events; something Jenkins said she is truly thankful for.

"It takes a lot of people to make this happen and we just have a wonderful community," she said.

Joanne Austin, associate director for the Montana High School Association, was present at the tournament, and presented medals to the top eight finishers in each event.

Austin has been with the MHSA for 30 years and said she was impressed with the sportsmanship and camaraderie of the teams, and believes in the benefits of speech, drama and debate.

"I believe in the benefits of

all sports but (speech, drama and debate) is a unique opportunity where students learn skills they will carry through their entire life," Austin said.

Students participate all year, traveling to meets throughout the season and competing in either speech, debate or drama events, working toward achieving a state title.

Four students from Madison County received that honors two students from Twin Bridges, Gabbi Stephens and Alice Giem placed third and seventh in dramatic oral interpretation and spontaneous oral interpretation, respectively; Caelin Marum of Ennis placed seventh in Lincoln-Douglas debate; and Chris Hamilton of Sheridan took home the state title in spontaneous oral interpretation.



Virginia City Masonic Lodge No. 1 commutates the 150th anniversary of Montana Masons Grand Lodge

Submitted by Lyman H Bennett III

One hundred and fifty years ago, Montana masons gathered in the lodge hall on the second floor of Paris Pfouts store in Virginia City to form the Montana Masonic Grand Lodge. Virginia City Lodge No. 43, chartered by Kansas, and Montana Lodge No. 9 and Helena Lodge No. 10, chartered by Colorado, spent the week of Jan. 24, 1866, at the meetings. Those traveling from Helena had a cold journey by stage. They became Lodges No. 1, 2 and 3 of Montana. On the last day of the convention, Nevada City Lodge No. 50 of Illinois became the fourth lodge to receive a Montana Grand Lodge charter.

In commutation of this event grand lodge officers traveled from throughout Montana to meet in the exact same place where the grand lodge was originally formed. The room where they met in 1866 and in

2016, has long been said to be the oldest Masonic lodge room in the United States in which a grand lodge was formed and which is still in Masonic use.

Following the completion of the new Masonic Temple in 1867, the room became the lodge dining room. For this event, it was returned to look somewhat like it did in 1866. Original items from the regular lodge room were brought into the dining room and banners decorated it to look like it

once. Many of the furnishings were actually there when the grand lodge was formed 150 years ago. The crudely made master's chair and columns originally in the Nevada City Masonic Temple, which have been in the Thompson-Hickman Museum since 1918, were loaned by the Vigilance Club of Virginia City.

Following the commemoration in the lodge room, the 50 or so masons attending formed a grand procession and

marched to the new Madison County Administrative Building, where a plaque was dedicated with the full Masonic cornerstone ceremony. Lewis K. Smith III, the Deputy Grand Master, presided at the ceremony which was often seen at the dedication of public buildings, including the United States and Montana State Capitols, in the period from the American Revolution through the first half of the 20th century, but are now somewhat rarely

seen. Three of the county commissioners: Dave Schultz, James Hart and Ron Nye were present, along with a number of spectators from the public.

The Masons returned to the temple for an enjoyable fellowship before the out-of-town visitors returned to their homes, no doubt in far greater comfort than those who made the jour-

ney a century and a half ago. Virginia City Lodge No. 1 intends to keep the 1866 lodge room set up for a time.

AROUND THE COUNTY

Brunch and bingo in Virginia City

Submitted by Janet Allestad

The Virginia City Elks Lodge #390 will host brunch and bingo through February and March, every other Sunday. The menu will change but bingo will be exciting with more and more participants. Proceeds benefit charitable projects endorsed by the local Elks Lodge, State Elks Association and the Elks Grand Lodge. Elks National Foundation and the lodges sponsor youth activities such as the hoop shoot, most valuable scholarship grants for college bound seniors, veterans programs and community improvement projects.

Elks brunch and bingo will take place on Feb. 7 and 21 and March 13 and 27.

Hunting and fishing licenses for sale

Submitted by Andrea Jones

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Montana's 2016 hunting and fishing licenses went on sale Monday, Feb. 1, under a new fee structure passed by the state legislature. Licenses are available at all Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks license outlets.

Reserve a night at **Axolotl Cabin**

Submitted by David Abrams Bureau of Land Management

The winter snows are deep and ice still covers many of the area's lakes, but now is the time to start thinking of summer getaways to the Bureau of Land Management's cabin perched on a hill above Axolotl Lake.

Axolotl Cabin reservations for the 2016 season will begin on March 1 at 8 a.m. For online reservations go to http://l.usa. gov/1SIX6RA or call (877) 444-6777 to make reservation by phone. The cabin will

Axolotl Cabin is located 14 miles southwest of Ennis in the foothills of the Gravelly Range - a picturesque land of small lakes, grasslands, meadows and forests that offer excellent opportunities for horseback riding, hiking, fishing, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, mountain biking, hunting and wildlife viewing.

For more information about Axolotl Cabin, visit the website at http://on.doi. gov/1JJ5YiY or call Chris McGrath at 490-9044 or the Dillon Field Office at 683-8000.

Writer's retreat in Virginia City

Submitted by Allyson Adams

The Elling House Arts and Humanities Center is presenting the Virginia City Writer's Retreat Feb. 19-21, for a creative experience that will touch body and soul. The diverse writing workshops feature instruction by local authors Allyson Adams, Janet Muirhead Hill and Montana Poet Laureate Tami Haaland, supported by the Montana Committee for the Humanities. Discount lodging and meals available. Please visit www.montanawritersretreat.com or call 818-825-9750. Deadline to register is Feb.10.

Twin Bridges American Legion Oratorical Scholarship contest

Submitted by Doug Martin

The American Legion Post #31 of Twin Bridges invites the Ruby Valley community to attend

the American Legion Oratorical Scholarship Program's A Constitutional Speech Contest to be held on Thursday, Feb. 11, starting at

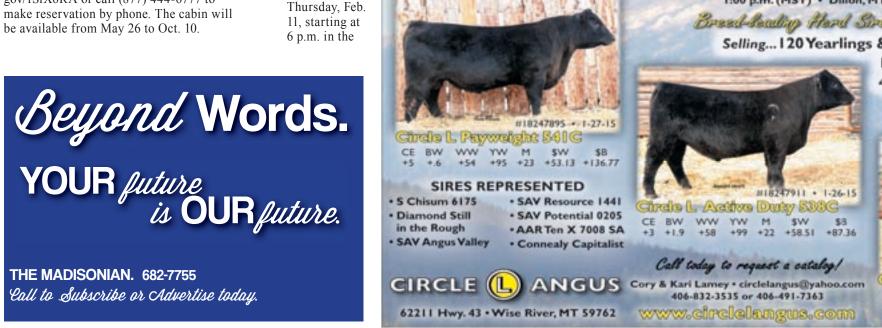
Montana Room of the Twin Bridges school. Students from the Twin Bridges will be presenting prepared and extemporaneous speeches regarding citizenship and the United States Constitution in a competition for a spot at the district competition with the ultimate objective of participating in the national competition in Indianapolis.

Twin Bridges students can register for the competition by contacting the JoAnn Breakall at 684-5656 or Twin Bridges speech and drama coach, Krista Beal at 596-0389 or 842-5441. The deadline for registration is Feb. 9, and contestants are required to make their presentations in business attire.

The winner of the competition will receive a

\$100 award, which may be used to defray travel expenses to the district competition. There are prizes for second and third places as well. District competition winners receive a \$250 award. The American Legion pays the travel expenses for each state's winner and a chaperone to the national contest in Indianapolis. The winner of the national contest will receive a scholarship for \$18,000. The second place contestant will receive a \$16,000 scholarship and third place receives \$14,000 resulting in a total of \$138,000 given in scholarships at the national level by the American Legion. The American Legion has sponsored this competition since 1938.





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Avalanche danger in Southwest Montana mountains

Submitted by Leona Rodreick PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER BEAVERHEAD-DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST

Ten people have died in avalanches across the western United States. in the past 12 days. A layer of weak sugary snow at the base of the snowpack exists across mountainous areas around Southwest Montana. Another layer of concern exists within the top foot or two of the snowpack. These persistent weak layers formed in November and late December are now buried deep in the snowpack, and will likely remain a problem all winter.

Anytime a new load of

snow falls on this fragile snowpack structure, the likelihood of avalanches increases. Snow, heavy at times, as well as strong winds are forecasted for the Southwest Montana mountains into the weekend.

Forest Service officials are advising recreationists to avoid travel on or below steep snow covered slopes. This advice does not apply to developed ski areas where avalanche hazard reduction work is performed.

Avoidance of avalanche terrain, between 30 and 45 degrees steepness, is the most effective way to safely recreate when snow stability is poor. Signs of recent

avalanches, cracking, and/or collapsing of the snow, otherwise known as "wumphing," are clear warning signs that the snow is unstable. These signs may or may not be present right now as the current snowpack is variable and tricky. Trails and low-angle meadows without steep slopes above them are safer terrain choices at times of poor snow stability, as is avoidance of avalanche run out zones below steep slopes. Avoid exposing more than one person at a time to avalanche terrain.

Always carry avalanche safety equipment including a beacon, shovel and probe and know how to use this gear.

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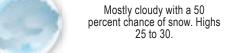
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Saturday



Sunday



Monday

Partly cloudy with a 10 percent chance of snow showers. Highs near 35.

Quote of the Week:

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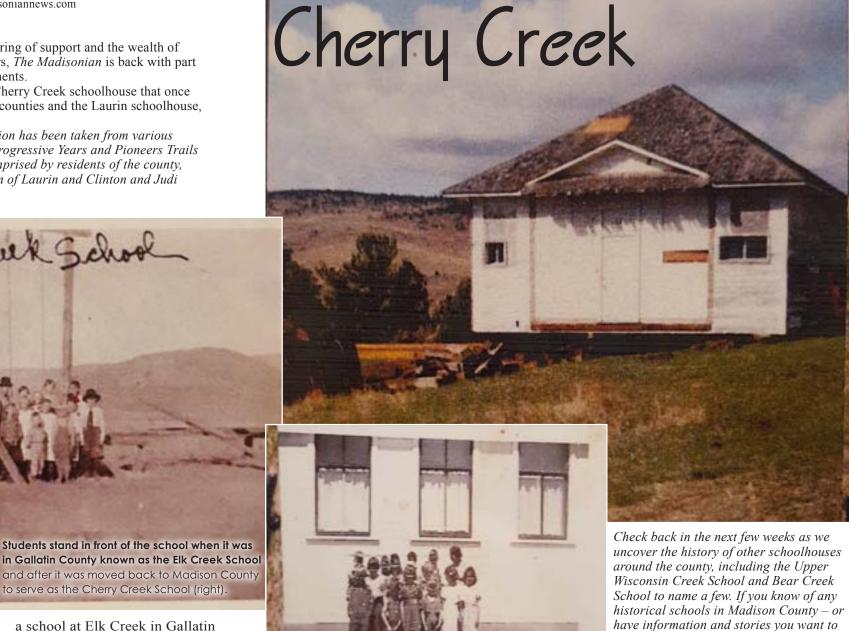
Early Education: part 2 A glimpse at some of Madison County's historic schoolhouses

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Thanks to the amazing outpouring of support and the wealth of information coming in from readers, The Madisonian is back with part two of our early education installments.

This time we focused on the Cherry Creek schoolhouse that once served both Gallatin and Madison counties and the Laurin schoolhouse, now home to a photographer.

** Editor's note: All information has been taken from various reading materials including The Progressive Years and Pioneers Trails and Trials, both of which were comprised by residents of the county, and from Lark Gilmer-Smothermon of Laurin and Clinton and Judi Cain of Bozeman.



Cherry Creek

The Cherry Creek schoolhouse has a unique history. In 1898 a small schoolhouse sat along the Madison River in the small mining and mill town of Riverside, which was where Black's Ford fishing access site is now located.

It was in 1898 that school trustees according to Cherry Creek logbooks, decided to join district #54 (Gallatin) and #44 (Madison) to create the Riverside school. The logbook says the school was later purchased by a Mrs. Carlton to be taken and used in Gallatin County, while others believe it was torn

"In the early days, after the mill quit, they tore down the Riverside school and used the lumber to build a school at Elk Creek in Gallatin County," said Clinton Cain, who had family attend and teach at the Cherry Creek School.

to serve as the Cherry Creek School (right).

The schoolhouse was moved to Elk Creek around 1905, where it stayed until the late 30s, early 40s, when it was moved to Cherry Creek, located just off the main road a mile up from where Highway 84 now crosses the Madison River.

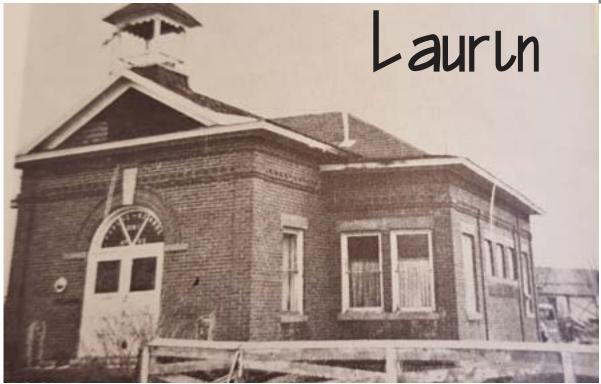
While it is unclear when the Cherry Creek School closed, the last known teacher was Cain's grandmother Emma Carter, who taught at the school from the late 40s to early 50s.

The historic schoolhouse now sits a mile east from its original location on Dan Cain's property, Clinton Cain's son, where it was moved in 2000.



Photo courtesy of the Madison Valley Public Library

Students in Laurin first attended school in a log schoolhouse before the redbrick building was built around 1909. Laurin consolidated with Sheridan in 1962.



Laurin

According to "Pioneers Trails and Trials," the citizens of Laurin were interested in obtaining a school for the children in the area.

"After some experimentation in holding school in various homes, a log cabin was built north of Laurin, near the vicinity of the old Dick Noble ranch," the book states.

The school was under the care and guidance of Mrs. Garvey and over 100 students received some formal education in the log schoolhouse.

A man by the name of Martin Johnson purchased a store in Laurin in 1901, and in 1909, a man by the name of Art Gagnier of Butte came to work in Mr. Johnson's store.

'Art was interested in schools and was instrumental in having a new redbrick schoolhouse built," taken from "Pioneers Trails and Trials."

The schoolhouse had two rooms – a classroom and a gym – and teachers

used to have students square dance to warm up during the winter. Up until 1962 when Laurin consolidated with Sheridan, the school was fully functioning.

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The Laurin schoolhouse was sold in the 1980s to Lark Gilmer-Smothermon, who said she purchased the building from a "Katharine Hepburn looking gal" from Connecticut. Gilmer-Smothermon is a photographer and just happened to be traveling the area after a photoshoot when she stumbled upon the schoolhouse.

"I turned off the highway and saw the for sale sign," Gilmer-Smothermon said. "I bought the house on the spot and moved in in April of 2003."

Gilmer-Smothermon still lives in the schoolhouse today. If you drive the stretch of highway from Alder to Sheridan, you can see the schoolhouse to the left.



HEALTH & WELLNESS

Why understanding yourself better can help you set goals

Submitted by StatePoint

When many of us think about making goals and keeping them, we think about external items, such as our bank accounts or our waistlines. But some experts believe that it is best to turn inward when making positive changes.

"Your entire body, down to the tiniest part of you, is truly a bundle and expression of energy, expressed through digestion, thinking patterns, metabolism and lifestyle choices," said Maria É Garre, a teacher and therapist of yoga and Ayurveda. "Understanding your energy type can help you set and maintain your goals."

Garre said the first step toward understanding your life in a more connected way is to appreciate the qualities and functions of the elements and how they relate to body and mind. That uses ancient Eastern teachings to help people discover which of the five basic elements – space, air, fire, water and earth – is most influential in them.

With those teachings in mind, Garre offers a bit of information about each of the elements and their energetic qualities:

• Space: Space represents freedom and healing. It is clear, subtle and vast. In our bodies it represents the space between our joints, organs, cranium, cavities and so forth. It is also the space between thoughts and cycles. Space brings mental freedom and possibility, but an overly spacey mind will easily forget and be up in the clouds.

• Air: All that moves in the body, from nerve impulses to the movement of eyes, lungs and digestive track, is air. Air also represents the movements of thoughts, ideas and inspiration. In the mind the air element brings creativity and ideas, but in excess, can have us thinking too much.

• Fire: All of our metabolic, enzymatic reactions and transformative processes in the body represent the fire element. In the mind, this fire mediates our ability to learn, comprehend and analyze.

It is our passion for life. The fire of intelligence is rewarding, but too much can make us critical, impatient and irritable.

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• Earth: Earth is the element we hold in the skin, muscles, bones, hair, teeth and nails. It is solid and firm and thus gives us density, stability, fortitude and strength. Earth helps the mind relax and be calm and steady. Excess of earth in the mind can leave us heavy, stuck or depressed.

"As you embark on new goals, start by looking at the basic elemental types to help you understand yourself," said Garre.







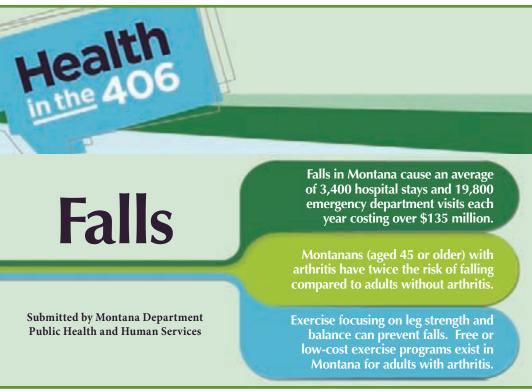
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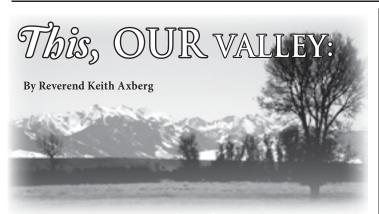


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COLUMNS





Ups and downs in the valley

The flower doesn't dream of the bee; it blossoms and the bee comes - Janet Conner

I was on a hospital visit a while back, and as I got on the elevator, I couldn't help notice how strange elevator culture is.

When people go to the store they act normal; they talk on their cell phones, they check out the shelves and the products, they talk with one another and they make eye contact with employees and fellow shoppers.

The same is true of those

going to a ball

game, or those

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Rev. Keith Axberg

there seems to be a corporate nervousness and paranoia that sets in.

Eye contact is rare, as is conversation. People get on board, scan the wall for buttons to push, push the appropriate one (and the doorclose button if they're in a hurry) and then step back with eyes set on "full vacant."

What is it about an elevator that sends people into zombielike trances? Is it the fact that they're fully enclosed, affecting passengers with a form of corporate claustrophobia? Is it an innate fear of falling (despite knowing the superabundant and redundant safety systems in place to prevent that very problem)? Or is it a heightened fear of the stranger standing next to us (xenophobia, for those keeping track) who could be a priest in civilian dress – or Freddy Krueger enlarging his resume?

Whatever the cause or reason, I know I find elevators to be weird places in which to spend time. The one in which I was riding was stopping at every floor, regardless of whether anyone had punched a button from inside or outside. It was as if the buttons were for show only – to give the passengers a sense of control, but no real control at all.

When I was done with my visit, the elevators were out of commission temporarily so I had the pleasure of using the stairwell. It was a healthier alternative.

Getting back to our elevator idiosyncrasies, I find myself rejoicing that our route to

heaven is described more as a journey - a stroll - than as an elevator ride. I like the idea of walking hand-in-hand with God, our friends and our loved ones. I appreciate the idea of meeting strangers along the way we can talk to, look in the eye and smile honestly with.

I like the idea of an expedition where bodies and souls are stretched and strengthened and where one can step off to the side of the path for rest or refreshment as needed. I like the idea of being in a place where power and control are not the issue – but a life lived in peace and harmony with both the cosmos and the divine.

Someone once said that being in church is like being in an elevator: everyone is gathered together and heading in the same direction. I personally find that a scary thought – it sounds a bit like the Stepford Wives, where everything is a little "too perfect," but the reality is very different. The churches of which I have been a part are anything but perfect, anything but uniform; instead, they are quite diverse.

For sure, most churches and people have their ups and downs – that's the nature of life, but that's as far as it goes with respect to its

comparison with elevators. The hidden jewel in a life of grace, though, is that we journey together. There are folks who'll care for us, who'll reach down and lift us up when we're down and who'll dance and sing when the lost are found.

When I wander around the church, I tend to hum and whistle as I work. I do it because I'm generally more up than down. I also do it to let folks know that I'm around. More than once I've unintentionally snuck up on someone who came in to pray, or light a candle, or set up the altar and frightened the heck out of them. So I whistle as I work.

Perhaps I should start whistling whenever I get on board an elevator - not as one who whistles in the dark, but as one who whistles in the light – for joy, pleasure and in the service of others here in this, our valley.

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



CALVING SEASON

February is the third month of meteorological winter in the Northern Hemisphere. In the Southern Hemisphere, February is



Rebecca Ramsey

And, in the Ruby Valley, February is the month that most of our ranching neighbors are in the

the third month

of summer

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of August in

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full swing of calving season! I love seeing baby cows as they start appearing on our landscape at the end of January and through this month, on into March. It gives me hope that spring is coming! New life springing from the dark of winter... and from the dark, warm depth of the womb of the momma cow. However, February can prove challenging for ranchers and all these baby bovine.

Left to their own devices, the bovine reproductive cycle is like many other mammals – it is influenced by the pituitary gland, which is influenced by light. So as days get longer and animals are exposed to more light, that triggers the heat cycles. However, market demand and the need to have strong, big, healthy calves going onto summer pasture in the mountains, has combined with science and technology to allow ranchers to synchronize the heat cycles of their cattle so that they are receptive to breeding and subsequently have their calves earlier in the year.

Ranchers start by preparing their herds for winter. They feed high quality hay, or have them on high quality forage to help them have enough hair coat and body mass to protect them from the elements. If severe weather is pending or in progress, they may feed extra in the evenings so the cattle are generating more heat as they eat and digest in the coldest part of the night.

The ranchers then have a big job ahead of them once calves start coming. They keep meticulous records of when each cow or heifer is bred (A heifer is a female bovine who has never had a calf). All the pregnant ladies need to be watched, especially the first time heifers, so they are grouped by due dates and kept close so the rancher can check on them multiple times a day. The ranchers are at the ready to lend a hand if needed, and to treat the umbilical stump to prevent infection and tag their ears for identification.

Some of the biggest challenges to successful calf production this time of year include wind, temperature and snow. Whenever possible, ranchers set up shelters and windbreaks in the calving areas to help alleviate these risks. The temperature when a calf comes out can make a difference, especially if it is in the single digits, but getting them dry is truly essential. Ranchers often have bedding material like straw, chips or rolled out hay bales so the baby cow has a dry place to land. Sometimes, momma cow doesn't pick the best spot though, or there is no avoiding giving birth in snow or mud. In an ideal world, we'd get tons of snow every day in the mountains right up until May ... and not have any snow on the valley floors from about January 15 until April to allow for the calves to all be born warm and safe.

Our ranching neighbors go to great lengths to keep every baby alive. They may be out there with towels to help the cow as she licks a calf dry. Or the calf may be brought indoors ... and put on heating pads, electric blankets, put under

methods. It is accredited to all the

heat lamps or even have a hair dryer taken to them! And if a calf is found later that has gotten very cold, they are sometimes brought right into the family bathtub to be submerged in warm water to bring up their body temperature! (Then fully dried with all the aforementioned options before going outside with momma again.)

Once a calf is born and dried, next it has to stand and suckle within an hour or so to get the important, nourishing colostrum – the first milk that is vital to their immune system. If they are kept too long from their mother, or if they have a mother that rejects them, or they have a hard time standing and nursing on their own, the rancher will use a milk replacer formula to bottle or bucket feed the calf.

Not only do ranchers try to protect their newly born stock from cold and ensure they are nourished, they also have to ward off the scavengers such as magpies and ravens (who literally sometimes try to pluck their eyes out), and protect them from predators such as coyote, wolves and domestic dogs ... Particularly when the calves are very young.

Finally, spring really will come, with warm sunshine and green grasses. The calves will all be born and thriving before they head into the hills for the summer. But that is another season, and another article about different ranching challenges. I'm so grateful to my agricultural neighbors who do so much to provide the meat for my table, and the pastoral setting I love to live in.

Tales from Cecil Elliot, Part II

By Charlie Rossiter

Last week, we read the first part of a letter from Cecil Elliot, a mining engineer from the Ruby Valley who traveled overseas during the Great Depression era. Read the rest of his letter here.

Through the yellow sea to Shanghai there was very little to see except going up the Yangtze we got stuck in the mud going over a bar. At the mouth of the river we found six Japanese battleships, a couple of American war ships and beautiful British ships. The British are going to protect their interest although I do not think they want trouble with Japan, but they are ready as in Hong Kong. We found the harbor full of British fighting craft including airplane carriers and submarines. Something is going to happen before very long. England is rushing the completion of Singapore, which is the key and they claim will be impregnable. It's not far from here. I liked Shanghai very much. The Bund is very fascinating and on the whole Shanghai is one of the wildest places I have ever seen. There is every nationality in the world there, and every nation has an armed force there. The British police it with Sikhs and they do a good job. Hong Kong is a queer place. Reminds me very much of Victoria if you can overlook the thousands of Chinese.

From Hong Kong to Manila through the South China Sea was very disagreeable. They claimed that it is one of the roughest pieces of water there is. I was more than uncomfortable. In fact I was

sick, but I had lots of company. Landed in Manila 29 days after leaving San Francisco, and glad to get on land for a while. Reported at the office. Was met by one of the Manila Staff and taken to a hotel. Saw the president and left for Baguio the next morning by train. Got there about 2:30 p.m. and the mine an hour or so later. Baguio is at an elevation of about 5,000 feet and simply a beautiful place. Camp John Hay is situated there and some of the nicest people we have met are Army people. They have an Army and a Navy club, which is most exclusive. We've had the good fortune to have been asked there several times. There are about 3,000 on the payroll that is including the American staff which number 28 in all. There are 14 families and 16 children going to school in Baguio. They are sent up by bus every morning and called for after school is out. The company pays tuition, which is \$25 per month for day pupils. They (the company) of course send their children up in their own bus. Brent school is a very fine Episcopal School and conducted under English

leading schools and universities in the United States and England. Graduates may go right into Stanford without an examination. There are over 5,000 people in the camp, which makes it quite a little town. The miners and mill people are Filipinos and Igorots. Of the latter there are several tribes. All they wear is a G string and say what good use they make of it. They are not such fools after all because which are typical of their dress in dances. They are not supposed to carry the bolo, the knife you see at their side but they do just the same. They are headhunters and although it is not generally known they still get ahead once in a while. A short time ago a Filipino lost his head. They worship anything they feel like, eat dog and hold some of the most barbaric dances I have ever seen or read of. The Fourth of July, four tribes of Igorots were represented and gave their native dance on the tennis court. They are of course all interpretive and very suggestive some of them. The marriage dance and death dance extremely so. One dance gave me the creeps as it was a little too well put on. It was a war dance and the victors were pretending to take the heads. From the looks of the brown devils it would not have taken much for them to do the real thing. I've shown them quite

a little more respect since that dance. As one fellow said after, he was not going to insist that he be addressed to as sir. He was going to say the sir from now on. Well, they are a queer lot but on the whole really quite friendly and if treated right will be quite loyal. It is no use firing them because they consider that quite a distinction and strut proudly around. A fine is the best thing. They are wonderful miners and have been mining for hundreds of years. Even before the Spaniards came. The Chinese used those hundreds of years ago before the Spaniards came. They are of Malay extraction. The women are stocky but well built. Straight as rods and carry everything on their heads. The go around in the Barrio (camp or village) as you see them in the pictures, but if they go out of the Barrio, they generally put something over the upper part of their bodies. We have a talky in camp and two in Baguio. I saw George Arliss in "The House of the Rothschilds." We can go up to three times a week on the company bus, which holds 16, so we are treated well.

Guess I had better stop. My two fingers are getting sore. Please say hello for me to any of the old crowd you may see, and with every kindness and regards to yourself in which Hazel joins me, very sincerely yours,

Cecil Elliott

Commodity Insite! The 'January Effect' for 2016

Stocks and commodities share a common thread in the New Year. Both are off to a shaky start. For stocks, it is the worst start ever to a new year. For commodities that have been doing poorly the past five years in a row, a feat never before seen in history, values fell to a new 13 year low in early 2016. The weakness with both markets has sparked exceptionally volatile price swings, which will last into 2017 and likely, beyond.

For investors, traders and agricultural producers such pronounced weakness in the first month of the year is a wake up call. According to CNBC News, Yale Hirsch in 1972 created the January Barometer that simply states as the S&P 500 goes in January, so goes the year. Also according to CNBC, "The long-term record has been stupendous, an 87.9 percent accuracy rate, with only eight

major errors in 66 years. Those major errors occurred in the secular bear market years of 1966, 1968, 1982, 2001, 2003, 2009, 2010 and 2014. Including the eight flat years (less than +/- 5 percent) yields a 75.8 percent accuracy ratio."

If the January Effect (or Barometer) does indeed have a "stupendous" long-term track record, it suggests loudly that 2016 is going to be bearish. Unfortunately, the same bleak scenario, unusual weakness in January, bodes ill for the commodity markets as well. Of course, markets are always subject to a shift in events or unforeseen circumstances that can change the outlook in the blink of an eye. But in the absence of such a shift moving forward, the odds favor the theory that the year ahead will be far more bearish than bullish.

In my column dated Dec. 24, 2015, entitled, The Wild Card for 2016, the final sentence stated, "... with the most powerful El Nino ever recorded lurking around the globe, the weather is the wild card for 2016 for the agricultural markets." Despite the January Effect suggesting this year will be far more bearish than bullish, the whims and ways of Mother Nature may set the tone for price direction for a host of markets as much as anything. After all, weather patterns are capricious and unpredictable and subject to change without warning.

The first paragraph in my column, The Wild Card for 2016, I stated: "Due to the unseasonably warm weather across the nation some are predicting that 2016 will be the 'year without a winter.' Five years ago, some were predicting that 2010 would be the 'year without a summer' due to a volcanic eruption in Iceland. With the benefit of hindsight, we

know 2010 did indeed have a summer and I would bet heavily that in 2016, most of the nation will eventually have a winter."

Here we are one month later and the east coast of the United States is just digging out of a record setting snowstorm that paralyzed much of the region. According to USA Today, "It was the biggest snowstorm ever recorded for three cities -Baltimore, M.D. (29.2 inches), Allentown, Penn. (31.9), and Harrisburg, Penn. (34), the National Weather Service said. New York City picked up 26.8 inches of snow, missing its all-time record by one-tenth of an inch. The city was recruiting laborers to shovel snow for \$13.50 per hour."

Generally speaking, when a market of any kind heads north or south, what keeps it moving in that direction is the news and

fundamentals. An old saying, "a bull has to be fed daily," holds truth. It simply means that to keep a bull market headed north, the news has to be bullish and frequent. The same can be said about a bear market. What we know about 2016 is that the January Effect, that has a solid track record of predicting price direction is saying loud and clear that rallies with stocks and commodities should be sold rather than weakness bought.

Stocks and commodities are fighting the indisputable fact that virtually all types of assets are historically high priced. They are bubble like. Of course, there are a host of analysts and gurus what will argue loudly against my bold observation. But I do believe that most markets are overpriced as measured by historical standards. And not long ago, the New York Times noted, "While a bubble is

in the eye of the beholder, it is the case that many assets – almost all the major types of assets on earth, in fact – are at the high end of their historical valuations."

In my view, livestock prices of all kinds are high priced and so is gold. Treasury bonds are very high priced based on history and so are stocks, shares, equities and the Dow Jones. So are grain prices. I can list other markets that appear high priced by historical measurement but I think you get the idea. Markets everywhere are not cheap.

The January Effect hints that 2016 will be bearish stocks and commodities because they fared so poorly in the first month of the year. History shows that when such a scenario rears its ugly head, selling rallies is more profitable than buying breaks. Unless, of course, this January was a historical aberration. And I doubt it was.

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By Janet Tharpe

A Sweet Treat for Your Sweetheart

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Vancouver, WA

(pop. 167,405)

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- Top with favorite topping.

Submitted by: Freda London, Vancouver, WA (pop. 167,405) www.justapinch.com/crepes

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NOTICE TO THE BIG SKY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUST-

An Election of two trustees for the Big Sky Fire Department Rural Fire District Board of Trustees will be held on May 3, 2016.

Petitions for nomination for the election are available at the Big Sky Fire Department, Station #1 - Westfork Meadows, 650 Rainbow Trout Run, Big Sky, Montana and the Gallatin County Election Department, Gallatin County Courthouse, 311 W. Main Street Room 210, Bozeman, Montana,

Original petitions must be filed with the Gallatin County Election Department no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 8, 2016.

(Pub. Jan. 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 2016) bsfd

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE

TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE on March 18, 2016, at 11:00 AM at the Main Entrance of the First American Title Company located at 122 South First Street in Ennis, MT 59729, the following described real property situated in Madison County,

Land Situated in the County of Madison in the State of MT. Lot or Tract No. 029 of the Shining Mountain Unit II Subdivision, Twn/ Rng/Sect 07S/02W/24, the plat of which is of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder, Madison County, Montana in Book 4 of Plats, Pages 50-57

More Correctly Described as: Lot 29 of the Shining Mountains Unit II, the plat of which is filed in the office of the Clerk and Recorder, in Plat Book 4, pages 50-57,

records of Madison County, Montana Cvnthia S Hutchison, as Grantor, conveyed said real property to Title Source, Inc., as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Reverse Mortgage, LLC, as Beneficiary, by Deed of Trust on November 29, 2013, and recorded on December 19. 2013 as Document No. 154063. The beneficial interest is currently held by Live Well Financial Inc.. First American Title Company, 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 pay taxes and insurance, beginning May 28, 2015. The total amount due on this obligation as of August 31, 2015 is \$252,414.00 principal, interest at the rate of 2.68700% totaling \$11,835.88, and other fees and expenses advanced of \$14,156.33, plus accruing interest at the rate of \$18.58 per diem, late charges. and other costs and fees that may be ad-

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, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added 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

Trustee to sell the above described property

to satisfy the obligation. property on the 10th day following the sale.

(including costs and expenses actually inthe default

The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postthe trustee for up to 120 days by public proc-

lamation at least every 30 days.

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Assistant Secretary. First American Title Company, LLC Successor Trustee Title Financial Specialty Services PO Box 339 Blackfoot ID 83221 STATE OF Idaho

On this 6 day of November 2015, before me a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Dalia Martinez, know to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Successor 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.

Shannon Gavin Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: 01/19/2018 (Pub. Jan., 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2016) mk

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE

Reference is hereby made to that certain trust indenture/deed of trust ("Deed of Trust") dated 07/18/03, recorded as Instrument No. 93467 Bk: 490 Pg: 594, mortgage records of MADISON County, Montana in which Gregory L. Ruff, a single person was Grantor, Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. was Beneficiary and Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. was Trustee. First American Title Insurance Company has succeeded Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. as Successor Trustee. The Deed of Trust encumbers real property ("Property") located in MADISON County, Montana, moré particularly described as follows: Unit 1429 of Beaverhead Condo Subdivision, situated on a tract of land being a portion of the Amended Beaverhead and Custer Condominium Subdivision and all of the Phase E of Beaverhead Condominium Subdivision, and a portion of the NE 1/4 and NW 1/4 of Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana. Together with a 2.49% undivided interest in an to the common areas appertaining to such unit, as set out and established in Declaration for Beaverhead Condo Subdivision, recorded November 23, 1992 in Book 366, Page 415, records of Madison County, Montana, and as subsequently amended. Said unit is intended for residential purposes only. More accurately described

as follows: Unit 1429 of Beaverhead Condominium, Phase A and B, situated on Parcel A of Certificate of Survey in Book 7 of Surveys, page 435 and Parcel B of Survey recorded in Book 6 of Condominiums, page 381, as shown and designated on those certain Basic Unit Floor Plans and Site Map recorded in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana being a portion of a tract of land located in the NE 1/4 and NW 1/4 of Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana (Amended Plat of Beaverhead Condo filed in Book 4 of Plats, page 601-BA, records of Madison County, Montana) TOGETHER WITH an undivided 1.97% interest in and to

the Common Areas and Facilities appertain-

has declared the Grantor in default of the

terms of the Deed of Trust and the promisso-

ry note ("Note") secured by the Deed of Trust

because of Grantor's failure timely to pay

all monthly installments of principal, interest

and, if applicable, escrow reserves for taxes

and/or insurance as required by the Note and

Deed of Trust, According to the Beneficiary

the obligation evidenced by the Note ("Loan")

is now due for the 03/01/11 installment pay-

ment and all monthly installment payments

due thereafter. As of December 10, 2015, the

amount necessary to fully satisfy the Loan

was \$422,775.86. This amount includes the

outstanding principal balance of \$351,735.95,

plus accrued interest, accrued late charges,

accrued escrow installments for insurance

and/or taxes (if any) and advances for the

protection of beneficiary's security interest (if

any). Because of the defaults stated above,

Beneficiary has elected to sell the Property to

satisfy the Loan and has instructed Succes-

sor Trustee to commence sale proceedings.

Successor Trustee will sell the Property at

public auction the North Entrance of the Mad-

ison County Courthouse, 110 East Wallace

St., Virginia City, MT 59755, City of Virginia

City on April 27, 2016 at 2:00 PM, Mountain

Time. The sale is a public sale and any per-

son, including Beneficiary and excepting only

Successor Trustee, may bid at the sale. The

bid price must be paid immediately upon the

close of bidding at the sale location in cash

or cash equivalents (valid money orders,

certified checks or cashier's checks). The

conveyance will be made by trustee's deed

without any representation or warranty, ex-

press or implied, as the sale is made strictly

ing to said unit, the Declaration for which was recorded April 13, 1981 in Book 276, page 851, and amended by instruments recorded in Book 277, page 321; Book 284, page 724; Book 291, page 850; and Book 298, page 432, the records of Madison County, Montana. By written instrument recorded as Instrument No. 160754, beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust was assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Assoof the sale and late charges, if any. ciation, as Trustee for Wells Fargo Asset Se-Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the curities Corporation, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-AR10. Beneficiary

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 conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The sale purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the

The grantor, successor in interest to the grantor or any other person having an interest 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 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

poned by public proclamation up to 15 days for any reason, and in the event of a bankruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by

Dated: November 6, 2015 Dalia Martinez

on an as-is, where-is basis. Grantor, successor in interest to Grantor or any other person having an interest in the Property may, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, pay to Beneficiary the entire amount then due on the Loan (including foreclosure costs and expenses actually incurred and trustee's and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred. Tender of these sums shall

all non-monetary defaults are also cured) and shall result in Trustee's termination of the foreclosure and cancellation of the foreclosure sale. The trustee's rules of auction may be accessed at www.northwesttrustee. com and are incorporated by the reference. You may also access sale status at www. Northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure. com. (TS# 7023.110036 RUFF, GREGORY L.) 1002.268323-File No.

(Pub. Jan., 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2016) nts MNAXLP

LIQUOR LICENSING

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF OWNER-SHIP FOR MONTANA

On January 4, 2016, White Buffalo Star, Inc. -Shareholders with 10% or more: Darcy Taylor and Christopher Dobb, filed an application for the transfer of a license to be used at Blue Moon Saloon & Cafe, 3793 US Highway 287, Cameron, Madison County Montana.

Protests against an application must be (1) made in writing, and (2) postmarked to the Department of Revenue, Office of Dispute Resolution, PO Box 5805, Helena, Montana 59604-5805 by 15th day of February, 2016. Protests will be accepted from residents of the county from which the application originates from, residents of adjoining Montana counties, or residents of adjoining counties in another state if the criteria in subsection 16-4-207. MCA, are met.

Each protestor is required to mail a separate letter of protest that contains in legible print, the protestor's full name, mailing address, and street address. Each letter must be signed by the protestor. Protest petitions bearing the names and signatures of more than one protestor will not be considered. Protest letters must provide the license number, trade name, or applicant name associated with the license being protested for identification purposes. Protest letters must contain a clear statement of the writer's intent to protest the application. The grounds for protest of an application for a transfer of location are limited to those set out in section 16-4-405, MCA, for a denial of a license, and public convenience and necessity as set out in section 16-4-203, MCA. If the protested application is for a transfer of ownership not involving a transfer of location, the grounds for protest are limited to those set out in section 16-4-405, MCA. Protest letters which do not provide the information described in this paragraph will not be considered valid protest letters. Only those grounds for protest raised in valid protest letters will be considered at hearing. An individual's testimony will be limited to the grounds for protest raised in that

individual's valid protest letter.

If the department receives a sufficient number of protests to require a hearing pursuant to section 16-4-207(4)(a), MCA, a hearing will be scheduled in Helena, Montana. If the department receives a sufficient number of protests to require a hearing pursuant to section 16-4-207(4)(b), MCA, to determine public convenience and necessity, a hearing will be held in the county in which the proposed premises is located. All qualified protestors will be notified of the time, date and location of the hearing. Hearings are typically scheduled within 90 days following the protest

If a sufficient number of protests to require a hearing are not received and all licensing criteria have been satisfied, the department may issue the license without holding a hearing. DATED: January 19, 2015

Danette Tenneson Compliance Specialist (Pub. Jan 28, Feb. 4 2016) mdr

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR CASE 41F-A15 (PART OF)

Kroenke Land and Livestock Company LLC (claimant) has requested amendments to water rights on Jack Creek and one stock water right from Cedar Creek.

Claim Numbers 41F 15327 00 through 41F 15335 00

Claimant has requested the points of diversion for Claim Nos. 41F 15327 00, 41F 15328 00, 41F 15329 00, 41F 15330 00, 41F 15331 00, 41F 15332 00, 41F 15333 00, 41F 15334 00, and 41F 15335 00 be amended to correct scribers' errors and reflect historic use. The source is Jack Creek. The current points of diversion, SWSWNW Section 34, Twp 5S, Rge 1E and SWNENE Section 33, Twp 5S. Rge 1E, will be corrected to the following point of diversion, SWSWNW Section 34, Twp 5S, Rge 1E. Claim Numbers 41F 26868 00 through 41F

26871 00

Claimant has requested the point of diversion for Claim Nos. 41F 26868 00, 41F 26869 00, 41F 26870 00, and 41F 26871 00 be amended to reflect historic use. The source is Jack Creek. The following point of diversion, NEN-WNE Section 33, Twp 5S, Rge 1E, will be corrected to the following location: SWSWNW Section 34, Twp 5S, Rge 1E. Claim Number 41F 26871 00

The claimant has requested that the place of use and period of diversion for Claim No. 41F 26871 00 be amended to correct scriber's errors and reflect historic use. 41F 26871 00 is a stock water right from Jack Creek. Place of Use ID #1 will be corrected from NESENW Section 31, 5 South, 1 West to NESENW Section 31, 5 South, 1 East. The Period of Diversion is being amended from June 1-Oct 15 to May 1-Oct 15 to match the period of irrigation, because the stock drink while water

is diverted for irrigation Claim Number 41F 153955-00

Claimant has requested corrections to legal land descriptions for the Points of Diversion and Places of Use for stock water Claim No. 41F 153955 00. The locations where livestock have been drinking from the creek and ditches are not changing. The source is Cedar Creek and its tributaries on Claimant's property. For a complete description of the corrections, please contact the Water Court. Objection Date:

accordance with Section 85-2-223(6) MCA, any response or objection to the Mo tions to Amend must be filed with the Montana Water Court, P.O. Box 1389, Bozeman MT 59771-1389, by March 27th, 2016. Please indicate "Case 41F-A15" on any response, objection or other correspondence related to this Motion to Amend. (Pub. Jan. 28, Feb. 4 and 11, 2016) dms

NOTICE TO CREDITORS MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, MADISON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KARLA M. BOYD,

Deceased. Probate No. DP-29-2016-2 Hon. Judge Loren Tucker NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the un-

dersigned have 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 first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be mailed to Richenda A Scott and Jon M. Scott, the personal repre sentatives, return receipt requested, at P.O BOX 154, Virginia City, Montana 59755-0154 or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled

DATED this 19th day of January, 2016 //s// Richenda A. Scott Personal Representative //s// Jon M. Scott Personal Representative (Pub. Feb. 4, 11, 18, 2016) lb

PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO PROTEST TRANSFER OF OWN-ERSHIP AND RELOCATION OF RETAIL ON-PREMISES **CONSUMPTION RESTAURANT** BEER AND WINE WITH CA-TERING ENDORSEMENT LI-

CENSE TO PIC-A-NIC BASKET Sherri D. Shows and Joel L. Shows, JTROs Owners, d/b/a The Pic-A-Nic Basket have ap plied to move Montana Retail On-Premises . Consumption Restaurant Beer and Wine with Catering Endorsement License No. 25-729-4638-402 to The Pic-A-Nic Basket, 97 North 1st Street, Ennis, Madison County. The public may protest this license transfer in accor-

dance with the law Who can protest this transfer? Protests will be accepted from residents of the county of the proposed location (Madison County), residents of adjoining Montana counties (Beaverhead, Silver Bow, Jefferson and Gallatin Counties) and residents of adjoining counties in another state if the criteria in 16-4-207(4)

What information must be included? Protest letters must be legible and contain (1) the protestor's full name, mailing address, and street address; (2) the license number (25-729-4638-402) and the applicant's name (Sherri D. Shows and Joel L. Shows, JTROs. Owners, d/b/a The Pic-A-Nic Basket); (3) an indi cation that the letter is intended as a protest; (4) a description of the grounds for protesting and (5) the protestor's signature. A letter with multiple signatures will be considered one

protest letter What are valid protest grounds? The protest may be based on the applicant's qualifica-tions listed in 16-4-401, MCA, or the grounds for denial of an application in 16-4-405, MCA Examples of valid protest grounds include: (1 the applicant is unlikely to operate the estab lishment in compliance with the law; (2) the proposed location cannot be properly policed by local authorities: and (3) the welfare of the people in the vicinity of the proposed location

will be adversely and seriously affected. How are protests submitted? Protests must be postmarked to the Department of Revenue, Office of Dispute Resolution, P.O. Box 5805, Helena, Montana 59604-5805 on or before February 22, 2016.

What happens if the transfer is protested? Depending on the number of protests and the protest grounds, a public hearing will be held in Helena or in Ennis. All valid protestors will be notified of the hearing's time, date and location. Hearings typically are scheduled within 90 days. A protester's hearing testimony is limited to the grounds in the protester's letter. Following the hearing, the Department of Revenue will notify the public whether the license transfer is approved or denied.

How can additional information be obtained? The cited MCA statutes are online at leg mt.gov/bills/mca toc/. Questions may be directed to Danette Tenneson, Compliance Specialist for the Department of Revenue's Liquor Control Division, at (406) 444-4332 or

DTenneson@mt.gov. (Pub. Feb. 4, 11, 2016) mdr MNAXLP

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVIC-ES BY THE TOWN OF TWIN

BRIDGES, MONTANA The Town of Twin Bridges has been awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Planning Grant by the Montana Department of Commerce (DOC) to update to the Town's Subdivision Regulations. In addition, the project will include the development of recommendations for a future process to create a Zoning Code, Annexation Policy and Infrastructure Design Standards. The emphasis of this project will be to engage a consultant with experience in subdivision regulations development for small communities. The Town of Twin Bridges is requesting proposals for professional services to assist the governing body in this endeavor while complying with all applicable requirements under the Montana CDBG Program.
Responses should include as applicable:

the firm's legal name, address, and telephone number; the principal(s) of the firm and their experience and qualifications; the experience and qualifications of the staff to be assigned to the project, a description of the firm's prior experience, including any similar projects, size of community, location and name of local official knowledgeable

regarding the firm's performance. Compensation will be negotiated with the selected offeror. Unsuccessful offerors will be notified in writing as soon as possible.

Additional information on the project, and/or a copy of the CDBG application can be obtained by contacting Mayor Tom Hyndman, 104 E.6TH Ave, Twin Bridges, MT. 59754 (Phone 406-596-1312). All proposals in response to the RFP must be received by 3:00 p.m. February 19, 2016.

The Town of Twin Bridges is an equal opportunity employer. (Pub. Feb. 4, 11, 2016) totb MNAXLP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, MADISON COUNTY LAURA THELMA BARIL, also known as THELMA BARIL,

Deceased Probate No. DP-29-2016-3

That the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be mailed to WILFRED B. BARIL, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at 21240 W. Sycamore Drive, Buckeye, AZ 85396, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. Dated: January 12, 2016 //s// WILFRED B. BARIL

Personal Representative STATE OF ARIZONA) COUNTY OF Maricopa)

WILFRED B. BARIL, being first duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and says: That he has read the foregoing NOTICE TO CREDITORS and that the facts and matters contained therein are true, correct, accurate and complete to the best of his knowledge and belief. I make this declaration under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Montana. //s// WILFRED B. BARIL

Personal Representative SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 12th day of January, 2016. //s// Brenda Rodriguez

Notary Public for the State of Arizona Residing at: Buckeye, Arizona My Commission expires: July 13, 2019 (SEAL) Personal Representative's Attorney:

Karen McMullin Post Office Box 55 Fnnis. MT 59729 Telephone: (406) 682-7878 (Pub. Feb. 4, 11, 18, 2016) km

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

THE FOLLOWING LEGALLY DESCRIBED TRUST PROPERTY TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE. hereby given that the undersigned Successor Trustee will, on June 8, 2016 at the hour of 02:00 PM, sell at public auction to the highest hidder for cash, the interest in the following described real property which the Granton has or had power to convey at the time of execution by him of the said Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the Granto his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Deed of Trust, to satisfy the obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including reasonable charges by the Successor Trustee, at the following place:

North Entrance of the Madison County Courthouse, 110 East Wallace, Virginia City, MT

John A. "Joe" Solseng, a member of the Montana state bar, of Robinson Tait, P.S. is the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust in which Reid L. Rosenthal as Grantor, conveyed said real property to Fidelity National title Ins. Comp., A California Corp. as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REG-ISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR HOMECOMINGS FINAN-CIAL NETWORK, INC, its successor and assigns, Beneficiary of the security instrument, said Deed of Trust which is dated October 31, 2005 and was recorded on November 17 2005 as Instrument No. 110237 BOOK 547 PAGE 313, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Madison County, Montana.

The Deed of Trust encumbers real prop erty ("Property") located at 308 South Main Street, Sheridan, MT 59749 and being more fully described as follows

THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMITMENT IS DESCRIBED AS FOL-LOWS: REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF MADISON, STATE OF MONTANA, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 8 IN BLOCK 13 OF THE ORIGINAL TOWNSITE OF SHERIDIAN, AC-CORDING TO THE OFFICIAL AMENDED PLAT OF THE SURVEY THEREOF NOW ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER, MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA

The beneficial interest under said Deed of Trust and the obligations secured thereby are presently held by Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Trustee for Residential Accredit Loans, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series The Beneficiary has declared the Grantor in

default of the terms of the Deed of Trust and the Promissory Note ("Note") secured by said Deed of Trust due to Grantor's failure to timely pay all monthly installments of principal, nterest and if applicable, escrow reserves for taxes and/or insurance as required by the Note and Deed of Trust. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantors' failure to pay when due the following sums: monthly payments of \$5,499.99 beginning June 1, 2014 plus interest due of \$4,379.62; plus escrow payment of \$4.153.38; together with title expense, costs, trustee's fees and attorney's fees incurred herein by reason of said default; any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described real property and its interest therein; and prepayment penalties/premiums, if applicable.

By reason of said default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said trust deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to wit: \$91,117.50 with interest thereon at the rate of 2.87500 percent per annum beginning May 1, 2014; plus uncollected late charges of \$282.23; plus escrow advances of \$3,996.08; plus property inspection fee of \$228.75; plus title search of \$430.00; plus other foreclosure fees and costs of \$1,931.00; plus other costs of \$101.56; together with title expense, costs. trustee's fees and attorney's fees incurred herein by reason of said default; any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described property and its interest therein; and prepayment penal-

ties/premiums if applicable Due to the defaults stated above, the Beneficiary has elected and has directed the Trustee to sell the above-described property to satisfy the obligation.

Notice is further given that any person named has the right, at any time prior to the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by making payment to the Ben-eficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Deed of Trust. together with Successor Trustee's and attorney's fees. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Successor Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: January 22, 2016

/s/ John A. "Joe" Solseng John A. "Joe" Solseng, a member of the Mon-tana state bar, Attorney of Robinson Tait, P.S., MSB #11800 (Pub. Feb. 4, 11, 18, 2016) RTps

PUBLIC NOTICE Liberty Place, Inc. /Whitehall Public Transportation is seeking bids for a 3 bus stor-age unit to be built behind Liberty Place, Inc. Corporate building at 313 W. Legion Ave in Whitehall. Project details can be picked up at the Liberty Place, Inc. office. Sealed bids can be dropped off before 12:00pm on February 19, 2016. Bids will be formally opened on February 19, 2016. Bids will be formally opened on February 24, 2016 at 1:00pm. (Pub. Feb. 4, 11, 18, 2016) wpt MNAXLP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, MADISON COUNTY IN THE RE OF THE ESTATE OF: WILLIAM RICHARD STRUCKMAN, also known as WILLIAM R. STRUCKMAN,

Probate No. DP-29-2016-4 That the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named All persons having claims against said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be mailed to DOLORES V. STRUCKMAN, the Personal Representative return receipt requested, at PO. Box 1438, Ennis, MT 59729, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court Dated: January 22, 2016 //s// DOLORES V. STRUCKMAN Personal Representative STATE OF MONTANA)

COUNTY OF MADISON)
DOLORES V. STRUCKMAN, being first duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and says: That she has read the foregoing NOTICE TO CREDITORS and that the facts and matters contained therein are true, correct, accurate and complete to the best of her knowledge

and helief. I make this declaration under nen-

alty of perjury under the laws of the State of

//s// DOLORES V. STRUCKMAN Personal Representative SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 22nd day of January, 2016. //s// Karen McMullin Notary Public for the State of Montana Residing at: Ennis My Commission expires: 9/14/2019

Personal Representative's Attorney: Karen McMullin Ennis, MT 59729 Telephone: (406) 682-7878 (Pub. Feb. 4, 11, 18, 2016) km MNAXLP



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Grace Larsen Zoe Lee Cade McParland Kenna Millhouse Madison Van Houten

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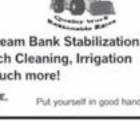
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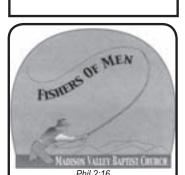
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The TBS&CC provides meals for seniors every Tuesday and Friday at 11:30 a.m. at the Wagon Wheel Restaurant in Twin Bridges for seniors 60 years and up. (Spouse and caregivers are invited.) Donations for meals are appreciated.

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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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JANUARY 28 - FEBRUARY 4 MENU:

Thurs, Jan. 28: BLT sandwich, homemade chips, fruit, dessert

Friday, Jan. 29: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes/ gravy, veggies, dessert

Tuesday, Feb. 2: Chicken and stuffing, veggies, dessert Weds, Feb. 3: Fried cod sandwich, coleslaw, dessert Thurs, Feb. 4: Turkey A la King

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News from the Manor

Submitted by Melody Clark

Madison Valley Manor residents had a busy week as usual. On Monday, Jan. 25, they enjoyed their resident choice meal. Melody grilled the brisket and Tammie and Marg put together the potatoes, asparagus and topped it off with cherry pie alamode.

Winston the rooster also made an appearance. Residents love to

listen to him crow and hold him on their laps. On Jan. 28, John Heckler put on the *Wizard of Oz* and got the popcorn ready for our enjoyment. We rounded out the week by taking a drive and playing bingo on Jan. 30.



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Community Health Screening

February 15—March 18, 2016 Hours: Monday—Friday from 7:30—10:30 AM Barrett Hospital & HealthCare—Dillon, Montana

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For more information, please call the Lab at 683-3062.

No appointment necessary!

SCIENCE AWESOMENESS



Submitted by Bill Mercer

Bill Mercer and Laura Gilmore of ReMax Mountain Property presented a check for \$50 to Megan Knack for her science fair project. Knack wanted to know if the color of a home affected the temperature. Her project was High-Low Color of a Home and her analysis showed that a dark colored home produced higher temperatures and a white house produced lower temperatures in the respective homes. Pictured: Bill Mercer, Megan Knack and Laura Gilmore

Madison County Sanitarian's Office P.O. Box 278 - 103 W. Wallace Street Virginia City, MT 59755 (O) 406-843-4275 (F) 406-843-5362 mcsani@madison.mt.gov

SERVSAFE TRAINING

The Madison County Sanitarian's Office will be holding a series of ServSafe trainings. A successful passing grade will satisfy the Montana Food Code, which requires all licensed food establishments to have a Certified Food Manager on staff.

The dates and locations are listed below:

DATE: FEBRUARY 9TH, TUESDAY, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM HELD IN VIRGINIA CITY FEBRUARY 25TH, TUESDAY, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM HELD IN VIRGINIA CITY

Fee: \$75.00

Registration Deadline: One week prior to the class

Registration forms can be found on the Sanitarian's page of the Madison County website at madison.mt.gov, or the Sanitarian's Office, located at 103 W. Wallace Street in Virginia City.

Textbooks will be available for pick up at the Madison County Sanitarian's Office. Applicants must be registered and fees paid in advance of receiving textbooks and exam materials.

Lunch will be provided at no cost.

Please call the Sanitarian's Office at 843-4265 to register for this training. Seating is limited, so please register early.



The Board of Trustees has selected the Nominating Committee for the 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. 63rd Annual Meeting. These committee members are looking for interested 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. members who live in the listed exchange areas to be candidates for the position of Trustee on the Board of Trustees. This Board manages the business and affairs of 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming an active participant on the Board of Trustees of 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. please call one of the Nomination Committee members listed below for requirements, qualifications and responsibilities by February 15, 2016.

At-Large Committee Member: Linda O'Connor 406-738-4373

At-Large Committee Member: Jeanette "Tootie" Rasmussen 406-466-2091

Lima/Melrose/Sheridan/ Committee Member: Dale Giem 406-596-3253

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Big Sky Committee Member: Maggie Biggerstaff 406-580-6244

Browning/Heart Butte Committee Member: Brother Dale Mooney 406-338-5290 ext 111

In addition, there are two other ways to be nominated:

Fairfield/Augusta/Fort Shaw/Helena Committee Member: Ken Naylor

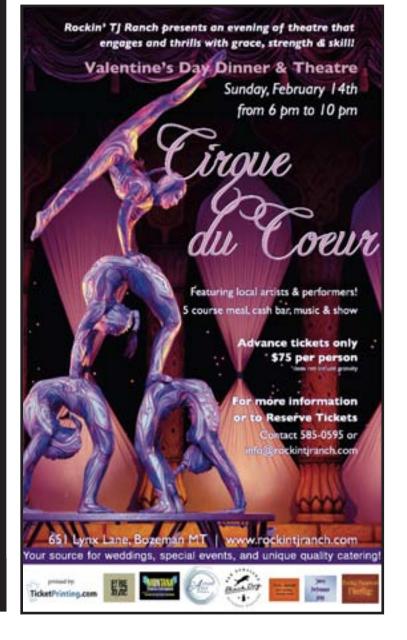
- 1. Any 15 or more members acting together may make nominations by petition up to 30 days prior to the meeting.
- 2. The president of the board will call for additional nominations from the floor at the actual meeting.

For further details on these alternative nomination procedures, please call 1-800-796-4567 ext 4132. The election will be held in Fairfield at the Community Hall on Monday, March 21, 2016.

The business meeting begins at 1:00 p.m.

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Virginia City Elks Lodge #390 hosts brunch and bingo

Submitted by Janet Allestad VIRGINIA CITY ELKS LODGE #390

On Jan. 24, 2016, the Elks Lodge #390 hosted a brunch and bingo with a number of area participants enjoying sausage gravy and biscuits, scrambled eggs, coffee cake, fruit, juices and hot beverages. After brunch, a number of people stayed for bingo, which was played with vintage bingo cards from the 1950s. Winning the first game and five more during the play was Janet Allestad.

Proceeds benefit charitable projects endorsed by the local Elks Lodge, State Elks Association and the Elks Grand Lodge. For this lodge year, grants have been applied for to improve the playground at the town



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of Virginia City's park, which includes the ice rink. Victor Bunitsky, local

Elks member prepared the menu with able assistance from Diana Bunitsky,

Elks Club manager. The food and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

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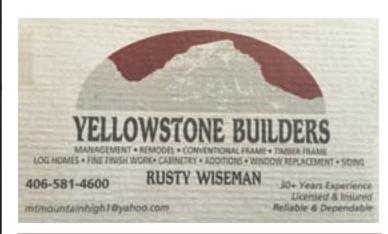
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WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 3

Shrine meeting, Dillon Southwest Montana will be meeting at the Klondike Inn with social gathering beginning at 6 p.m. and the meeting to follow at 7 p.m. Please call 925-1183 if you need a ride. All Shriners are encouraged to attend.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 4

Business after hours, Ennis

BAH will be hosted by Jon C. Goodman, CPWA, Independent Financial Parlners and COPY That! Printing and Administrative Services at their offices in the North 40 Building from 5-7 p.m. BAH is a free networking event open to chamber members and their guests.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 5

Steak feed, Ennis Come support the Ennis High School BPA, FCCLA and SKILLSUSA chapters at the annual

steak feed. Dinner starts at 4 p.m. in the Ennis High School lobby. For information call 682-4258.

FEBRUARY 6-7

Pond hockey, Virginia City

The Virginia City Winter Classic Ice Hockey Tournament will be held the evening of Feb. 6 and run all day Feb. 7. Come watch 14 of the best hockey teams in the west battle for the coveted VC Cup at Pace Park, Call Justin at 579-2168 or Scott at 581-1354 for more information.

FEBRUARY 6

Discussion, Ennis

Questions," an end of life discussion booklet. The fist Saturday library programs about life questions and beginning a series on end of life issues. 11 a.m. at the Madison Valley Public Library.

SATURDAY

Judy Frey will lead a

program on "The Five

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

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

Annex Building TUESDAYS

Madison County Mental Health Local Advisory Council,

Virginia City Meeting the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30 -6:30 p.m. In County Commissioner's conference room in Broadway Annex.

Ennis Arts Association, Ennis

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

Children's Story & Craft Time. Virginia City

Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Thompson Hickman Library,

Movie Night, VIrginia City

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

WEDNESDAYS

Tennis, Ennis 9 a.m. fil 2p.m., come play tennis at the Madison Meadows

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Open Sew with the Quilt Guild-open to the public from 2-5pm at Madison

Valley Public Library

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

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

Grief Support Group, Ennis

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

THURSDAYS

MV Women's Club FIRST THURS OF EA. MONTH

NO meetings June, July or August.

MV Manor Auxilary Meeting, Ennis SECOND THURS

OF EA. MONTH p.m., Madison Valley Manor SunRoom

FRIDAYS

Tennis, Ennis

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

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

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

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SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7

Brunch and bingo, Virginia City

Brunch includes eggs. pancakes, meat, fruit, coffee cake, coffee and mimosas. Come play bingo to get in the mood for the Super Bowl later in the afternoon. Brunch starts at 10:30 a.m. and bingo starts at 11:30 a.m. at the Elks Lodge. Wear your team's logo. Proceeds benefit Elks Lodge #390 community charity projects.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 8

Meeting, Ennis

The American Legion Post 65 will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the V.F.W. hall, Meetings are the second Monday of every month. All veterans and legion members are encouraged to attend.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 9

Meeting, Ennis

Ennis Arts Association meeting at the Madison Valley Public Library with a painting demonstration at 10:30 a.m. Open to the public.

Meeting, Sheridan

American Legion Post 89 in Sheridan will hold its bi-monthly meeting at 6 p.m. at Bethany Hall. Meetings are the second Tuesday of every other month. All veterans and legion members are encouraged to attend.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10

Meeting, Ennis

The school board will hold its monthly meet at 5 p.m. at the high school.

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THURSDAY FEBRUARY 11

Book club, Ennis

Library book club will be discussing "Orphan Train" by Christina Baker Kline; discussion led by Kevin Brenneke at 1 p.m.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13

Honoring Marriage - A Valentine's Day date night, Sheridan Focus on the Family presents a fun-filled stand up comedy event, too hilarious to miss. A casual evening

dedicated to honoring marriage starting with a polluck dinner beginning at 5:30 p.m. For more information call 596-0463.

FEBRUARY 13-14

Winterfest, Virginia City Come cheer on your favorite broomball team

and have lunch at the Elks Lodge, a warm place with activities for children to celebrate Valentine's Day and President's Day as well as inside broomball activities and games. Proceeds from Tunch to benefit the community park's ice rink.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14

Valentines dinner, Sheridan

Valentines dinner in the upstairs of the Ruby Hotel with homemade Italian food provided by Jackson's Garden. Dine in or take out from 5:30-8 p.m. Please call 842-7956 for more information. Reservations are not required but



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