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FOURTH OF JULY IN Madison County

From rodeos and parades to firework displays and community feeds, the Fourth of July is undoubtedly one of Madison County's biggest weekends.

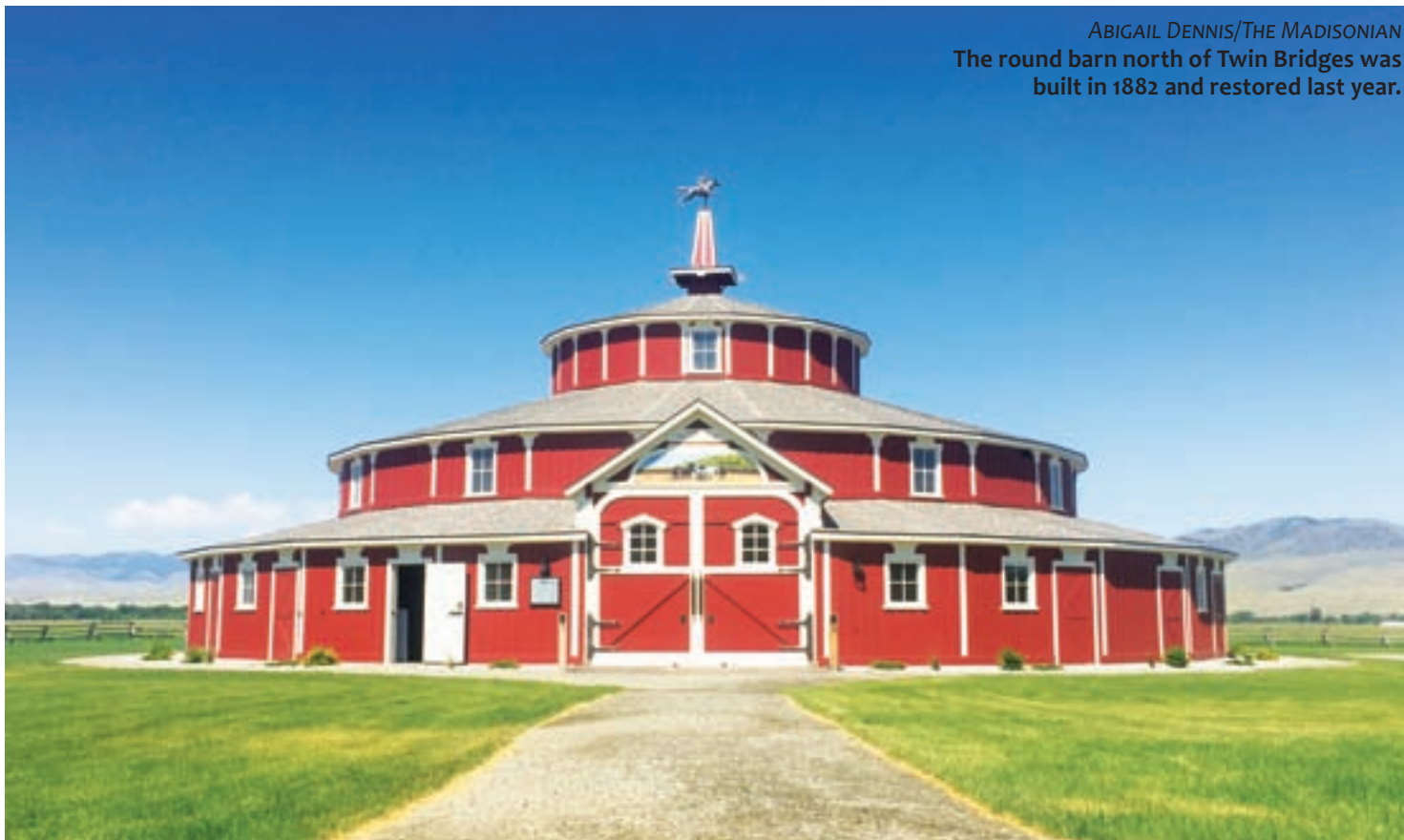
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Amanda Russell holds the nation's colors as she leads her horse through the Ennis Fourth of July parade.



Bettering Madison County

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The round barn north of Twin Bridges was built in 1882 and restored last year.



Economic development council meets at restored round barn in Twin Bridges

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The round barn north of Twin Bridges, which was constructed by Noah Armstrong in 1882 and restored last year, hosted members of the Madison County Economic Development Council, county commissioners and other interested parties on June 29 for a meeting of the minds.

"Instead of our normal set up, where you hear a lot of talk from (me), I want to do it a little differently," said Rob Gilmore, MCEDC coordinator. "I want to hear from all of you. I thought we could share how things have been in our areas."

Gilmore's work in Madison County is through the Northern Rocky Mountain Economic Development District with the purpose of supporting and fostering business development and economic growth in both the Madison and Ruby valleys.

Up first, Madison County's three commissioners – Ron Nye from Twin Bridges, Dave Schulz from Sheridan and Jim Hart from Ennis – addressed the group of 15 people.

"There is a lot of stuff happening in Madison County," Nye said.

In his district, Nye pointed out the Twin Bridges Senior and Community Center is up and running. In fact, the center

feeds around 100 meals per week. Nye also said there is a new boat ramp on the Big Hole River, which the public can use for access where the High Road crosses the river.

"I am optimistic – hopefully, really – that we can get water and sewer to the Children's Center," Nye added, referring to the property that used to be the Twin Bridges Children's Center, which is located across the Beaverhead River from the town.

Gilmore reported he has been working with Headwaters RC&D to apply for grants to fund a \$35,000 – \$40,000 feasibility study to see what it would take to get town utilities across

the river.

"We will keep you posted," Gilmore said. "There is a lot of potential for development, but it won't develop without facilities."

Nye also informed the group of the county's work to get a facility needs assessment done on the Madison County Fairgrounds. Essentially, 4-H and FFA participation in the fair has increased, and the grounds are reaching their capacity.

"We just want to get an idea about what we need for the future," Nye said.

Up next, Hart listed four big projects currently underway in the Ennis area. He reported

the interior renovation of the Madison Valley Manor is complete.

"And if you've been through Ennis at all this winter, you know about our construction downtown," Hart said, referencing the Moore Creek culvert project, which kept the corner of Main Street and First Street under construction for most of the winter and spring.

"It's been a bit of a challenge," Hart said. "There are actually eight culverts to replace. It's supposed to be done, well, now, but will probably be done the end of August or September."

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FIRES in the Gravellys

2 fires burn 15 miles southwest of Ennis

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Lightning caused two fires in the Gravelly Mountains southwest of Ennis, which were discovered late afternoon on Thursday, June 30, according to Leona Rodreck, public information officer for the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest.

"The fires are burning within one mile of each other and in stands of standing dead and down timber," Rodreck's release states. "Firefighters have good access to the fires."

The fires, named Pole and Fine by the BDNE, were a

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Updates at Hebgen Dam

Economic development council meets at round barn in Twin Bridges

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The Madison River may very well be the lifeblood of the eastern half of Madison County. Between Hebgen Dam and Three Forks, anglers contribute \$82 million to the economy with 150,000 angler days, according to Jon Jourdonnais from NorthWestern Energy.


"The presence of Hebgen (Dam) provides an enhanced, blue ribbon fishery," Jourdonnais said. "That doesn't give us a pass to do whatever we want."

Since rehabilitation work on Hebgen Dam started in 2008, NWE has hosted multiple meetings in Ennis, Bozeman and West Yellowstone to keep the public apprised of the project.

"When we've held meetings in the past, we've focused on fisheries and biology," Jourdonnais said. "This time, we're focusing on the project, past and present."


Last year, construction on the dam's intake wrapped up, meaning this was the first summer since 2008 where

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Hart also reported Blaine Spring Creek Bridge, 10 miles south of Ennis is under construction. The bridge was in need of repairs, and must be replaced before Varney Bridge can be reconstructed. Varney Bridge crosses the Madison River, and also needs to be replaced.

"Also, the airport in Ennis is going through reconstruction and paving of the runways," he said. "We are just getting a ton of traffic. We are actually at the edge of going up a class because of how many planes we're seeing."

Jon Goodman, MCEDC board member and Ennis business owner, added to Hart's report about projects in the Madison Valley. Goodman pointed out the project to install sidewalks around the 'Y' intersection in town is still moving forward.

Wrapping up the commissioners' report, Schulz said

the historic Madison County Courthouse in Virginia City is in need of updates, including an elevator, new boiler and possibly an air conditioning system.

"It's a historic building so we have hoops and loops to get through to get things going," Schulz said.

Schulz also wanted the group to be aware of the question of public access at the Ruby Reservoir. The Bureau of Land Management has a campsite, boat ramp and restroom facility along the east side of the reservoir, but it recently became apparent some of those amenities were accidentally placed on private land, not BLM land.

"There is a lot of public interest," Schulz said. "And an ongoing process."

Town projects

Sheridan and Twin Bridges mayors, Tom Shaffer and Tom Hyndman, were present at the meeting and each gave a quick

report on projects within their respective towns. Shaffer said Sheridan is in the middle of completing a preliminary engineering report on the town's water and sewer system.

"We have to get the (PER) done so we can apply for grants for the water and sewer," Shaffer said. "The system needs some improvements."

Twin Bridges is also in the middle of a town improvement project, according to Hyndman.

"We are updating our subdivision regulations," he said.

Ennis as a case study

Gilmore informed the group he met with the Ennis Chamber of Commerce twice to facilitate a discussion about what the chamber can do to benefit economic development for the town.

"In reality, we as a chamber have been focused on events," explained Goodman. "They're great events, but we need to be able to empower businesses to

do better."

Gilmore said he is currently "knee-deep" in a strategic plan for Ennis - when it is complete, he will use it as a case study and then do the same thing in the Ruby Valley.

So far, Gilmore, in collaboration with chamber members, has compiled a list of Ennis' attributes and obstacles, like housing, for example.

"Housing is always at the top of the list," he said. "It's always a challenge. We have a housing problem but it's not one that is insurmountable."

In the next six months, chamber members will work on tangible tasks, recommended by Gilmore. The tasks include establishing an Ennis Business Development Committee to do things like recruit businesses, increase dialogue between businesses and the town council, welcome new businesses and more.

"We will use this strategic plan as a case study," Gilmore said. "Our hope is to benefit the county, and work with our surrounding communities to grow."

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water from Hebgen Lake is being released through the dam instead of over the spillway.

"Since 2008, we have seen some increased temperatures from using the spillway," Jourdonnais said. "But the good news is trout size and population has not been adversely affected."

Before presenting specific project details, NWE handed the floor to Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks representatives Travis Horton and Dave Moser, who reported fish populations in the Madison River are "looking good."

"They're there to catch," Moser said.

What has been accomplished

BJ Cope, NWE's project manager for the dam rehabilitation project, started his presentation with an overview of the project.

"In 2005, the intake was identified as needing to be brought up to seismic standards," Cope said. "Then in 2008, as you know, some stoplogs failed and there was an uncontrolled release of water, which accelerated the need for the project."

Per seismic standards, the dam was redesigned to withstand a 7.3 magnitude earthquake with an epicenter 100 meters from the structure, Cope said. By 2010, a cofferdam, or temporary dam, was constructed and work on the intake began. That work was completed last year, and this summer, water is being released via that intake.

"Moving forward into this year, we are replacing the spillway," Cope said. "The spillway there was deficient for an earthquake."

When complete, the new spillway will be similar to the former structure, but will have higher walls to maximize flood



PHOTO COURTESY BJ COPE

Five excavators work in unison to demolish the old spillway.

capacity new, more robust gates and controls.

Up next

After the spillway work is complete, the project is still not done. Cope said the outlet pipe will be rehabilitated the summer of 2017, meaning the dam will release water over the spillway again.

"(The outlet pipe) was constructed in 1911, along with the dam," Cope said. "It is 475 feet long, 12 feet in diameter on the inside, lined with wood staves with concrete on the outside."

In the last four to five years, Cope said NWE has documented increased rot, and seen some seepage between the wood staves and concrete.

"That raises concern and it is something we want to address," Cope said.

Cope listed three rehab options, and said NWE is moving forward with a solution using shotcrete - they will remove the wood staves, seal leaks

in the original concrete and install the shotcrete, which has a life of 50 years under extreme conditions, Cope said.

A few community members questioned the construction timeline - Cope said work would most likely begin in June 2017. Multiple people asked if it was possible to push the project back to begin in the fall so the dam can release through the intake during the warmest months of the year.

"We don't want to risk going into a second year," Cope said, explaining the need for starting work earlier in the summer.

"It would be difficult to run water on the surface without icing if the project went into the winter," Horton added. "We can't use the spillway in the winter."

Flow management

Outfitter and business owner Joe Dilschneider asked how the flow regime is set - he wanted to know if it was possible to lower flows in the

winter months to increase summer flows.

"Low flows in the summer is hard on recreation," Dilschneider said.

Jourdonnais and Horton both answered his question, emphasizing that flow management is determined by snowpack, possibility of flooding, run off predictions, Hebgen recreation, downstream recreation, fisheries health and more.

"It's like having an air controller blindfolded trying to tell where all the planes are going to land a week before they do," Horton said. "A lot goes into it."

Jourdonnais said the Madison River, as a fishery, takes priority over other factors, like recreation on Hebgen Lake.

Before closing the meeting, Mary Gail Sullivan from NWE emphasized the company is committed to "transparency."

"I've done a lot of public meetings and this is the most engaged I've seen an audience," she said. "It's clearly important."

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Sunni Heikes-Knapton from Ennis was the first to call in and identify this as the road to Axolotl Lakes from the Virginia City Hill. Way to go, Sunni!

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Dr. RD Marks gives short speech during Monday's veterans memorial service and brick dedication in Ennis.



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Kayce Funke, 2, rides his horse Eclipse and sports an American flag during the Ennis Fourth of July Parade.



From the rodeo and parade in Ennis to pancake feeds up and down the valley, then on to Virginia City for an impressive firework display, Madison County put its best foot forward to celebrate INDEPENDENCE DAY.



ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN
Jeret Angell from Dillon battles to stay seated during saddle bronc riding at the Ennis rodeo.



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Wes Orr, with the Ennis Lions Club, serves community members and visitors during the festivities in Peter T's Park after the parade.



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Kelsie Wolfe of Whitehall makes her final turn during the ladies barrel racing during the Ennis rodeo.



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Jesse Medearis from Belgrade quickly ties three of the calf's legs together in the tie down roping event at the Ennis rodeo.



CAITLIN AVEY/THE MADISONIAN
Carol McMullin waves at the crowd as she lead the parade as this year's grand marshal.



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From L: Otis Thompson and Cedar West prepare sausages for the Madison Valley Rural Fire District's Fourth of July breakfast.

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What is a conservative?

Dear Editor,

We hear lots of talk about conservatives. Just what is a conservative?

A conservative is a Republican who just spent \$7 million of taxpayer money on the investigation of the Benghazi disaster. This investigation was dealing with the death of four Americans, which included the United States ambassador, who were attached on Sept. 11, 2012.

The main purpose of the investigation was to get even with Hillary Clinton for mismanagement.

The committee that held the investigation knew what the results would be. They knew Clinton was not responsible for the killings. But getting even with Clinton was far more interesting to these conservatives and the cost was of no concern to them.

But these conservatives need to do more investiga-

tions. Why has there not been an investigation of the fact that George W. Bush and Dick Cheney are war criminals? Over 4,500 American soldiers lost their lives. Over half a million Iraqi children, women and men lost their lives. The country of Iraq was destroyed. The war cost the American taxpayers some \$3 trillion. Halliburton Corporation made \$100 billion because of the war.

I am sure these conservatives will want to get to the

bottom of war crimes and mismanagement of unneeded wars.

I am sure these conservatives will start this investigation soon. You know the saying, "killing one person is murder, but killing thousands is government policy."

LaVon D. Brillhart
Dillon

Gravelly Range should be managed for public values

Dear Editor,

The sheep grazing in the Gravellys article that appeared on June 29 could use a bit more perspective.

The basic issue is whether privately owned domestic sheep should be permitted to continue grazing public lands when their mere presence poses a threat to the public's wild bighorn sheep. This is a classic example of (PPSC) privatize profits, socialize costs. The Helle/Rebish family gets to keep the profits, and the public

pays the costs.

The Helle/Rebish family of Dillon has been grazing sheep in the Gravellys for decades at below market subsidized rates. But this is only part of the public largesse they had received.

According to the Environmental Working Group, between 1995 and 2014 the Helle/Rebish family has received \$806,338 in ag welfare from the federal government.

Beyond these direct cash contributions to their bottom line, their domestic sheep also inflict many environmental

costs on the public and taxpayers. Domestic sheep pollute waterways, spread weeds and compact soils. Much of the killing of coyotes and other predators by Wildlife Services is done at the behest of domestic sheep owners. And domestic sheep can transmit diseases to wild sheep. This often results to the decline and even local extirpation of bighorn herds.

These are all real costs that result due to private domestic sheep using our public lands. The sheep owners get to keep the profits, and we, the public,

are left paying for both the direct and indirect subsidies to the industry.

Grazing on public lands is a privilege and a privilege that can be revoked whenever the public's resources like wildlife are jeopardized by private commercial use of our property. The Forest Service has a public trust obligation to terminate any activities that are jeopardizing public use and enjoyment of its wildlife.

George Wuerthner
Livingston

OBITUARIES

Linda Carol Miller
August 1, 1941 – June 24, 2016

Linda Carol Miller passed away early Friday morning, June 24, 2016, while recovering from lung surgery.

Linda was born in Helena on Aug. 1, 1941, the daughter of George Herbert "Herb" and Barbara Gamwell Atkins. She spent her childhood in Helena and graduated from Helena High School in 1959. She had many fond memories of the house on Breken-

ridge growing up with her two brothers, Richard and Bruce. Her most cherished memories from childhood were from times spent with the Atkins family in Gallatin Gateway. Linda, with Rich, Bruce and her parents, spent summers and weekends on the family ranch there, and Gallatin Gateway became and remained a most special place for her.

Linda graduated and earned a teaching certificate from Western Montana College in Dillon. She taught elementary school for more than 30 years, with almost all of those years spent teaching third grade in Twin Bridges. Linda was a wonderful teacher with an extraordinary gift for teaching children, in particular those who struggled with reading. She was incredibly patient, inordinately kind and stubbornly persistent with her students. As such, Linda had a positive impact beyond measure on hundreds of young minds, and the effects of her skill and care will resonate for generations.

After retirement, Linda moved to Missoula. She delivered meals for Meals on Wheels, took

stained glass classes, grew amazing flowers and became the most loved little lady in her neighborhood. Most importantly, Linda became a vital part of the lives of her grandchildren – Jeremy, Kin-

caid, McKenna and Braeden. She loved nothing more than spending time with them, watching and helping them grow into beautiful adults. The grandkids responded in kind, and treasure every moment they spent with her.

Linda is survived by her brothers, Richard and Bruce Atkins; her children, Brent Miller (Becky) and Christy Stricker (Greg); and her four grandchildren, Jeremy Miller, Kincaid Stricker, McKenna Stricker and Braeden Miller.

Cremation has taken place, and Linda's ashes will be scattered in Gallatin Gateway in accordance with her wishes. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, July 22 at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home, 7405 Mullan Road, Missoula.

If desired, memorials may be sent to the charity of your choice in Linda's name. Condolences for Linda's family may be left at www.sunsetfuneralhomecemetery.com.

A big "thank you" to all of you who helped make my 80th birthday a special remembrance. Thank you for the delicious food, my favorite songs, a great time of fellowship, cards, gifts and sentiments. A very special thank you to Sheri for her "sneaky" way of planning a surprise (I'll never trust you again) and the rest of you who know how to keep your mouth shut!

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FISHING RESTRICTIONS In place on Southwest Montana rivers

FWP officials enact 'hoot owl' rules as a result of high water temperatures

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Last Thursday, June 30, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks placed sections of two Southwest Montana rivers under hoot owl conditions.

"The restrictions ... will close the rivers to fishing daily from 2 p.m. to midnight until conditions improve," according to a FWP release.

The Upper Big Hole River from Saginaw Bridge on Skinner Meadows Road to the mouth of the north fork and the Lower Madison River from Ennis Dam to the mouth are under restriction.

The following day, July 1, FWP announced restrictions on additional sections of the Big Hole River, the lower Ruby River, lower Beaverhead River, Jefferson River and lower Gallatin River.

These additional sections of river are under hoot owl restriction: the Big Hole River from the mouth of the North Fork Big Hole River to Dickie Bridge; the Big Hole River from Notch Bottom fishing access site to the mouth; the Beaverhead River from Anderson Lane to the mouth; the Ruby River from Duncan District Road to the mouth; the entire Jefferson River; and the Gallatin River from Shed's Bridge FAS to the mouth.

"The snowpack melted extremely early this year and river flows around the state are suffering early. This coupled with warm weather has resulted in conditions stressful to fish," said FWP regional fisheries manager Travis Horton.

Horton added biologists are keeping a "close eye" on all area rivers in light of above-average temperatures and low flows, the release contin-

ues.

At a meeting in Ennis on June 29 about the Hebgen Dam project, the topic turned to river restrictions and other potential hoot owl closures.

"To my knowledge, there's never been a restriction between Hebgen (Dam) and Ennis," Horton said at the meeting. "Last year, we got close. This year is looking bad, so it may happen."

Community members who attended the meeting expressed concern that the closure on the Lower Madison River would increase pressure on the upper portion of the river.

"(NorthWestern Energy) is going to start pulsing tonight," Horton said on June 29. "Hopefully that will be the buffer we need."

NWE increases flows out of Hebgen to move more water down to Ennis Lake – that water is then pulsed out of the Madison Dam into the lower river, which cools the river down.

"The goal is to keep water temperatures below 80 (degrees Fahrenheit)," Horton added.

Warm water

Dave Moser, FWP fisheries biologist said the reason for the restriction is that fish are cold blooded, which means they are somewhat at the mercy of water temperature.

"Since fish have few ways of managing their body temperature – other than behaviorally – temperature extremes outside their physiological limits can cause stress," Moser said. "As these temperatures rise there are increasing impacts. At some point water temperatures may rise to a point that fish die. One issue is that there are sub-lethal stresses on fish at higher temperatures



ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN
Travis Horton from Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks explains how catch rates drop and fish mortality rises as temperatures climb.

that don't cause outright mortality. If these fish are caught, played and held out of the water they may die."

Horton said it is FWP's prerogative to use their "tools" to protect fish.

"We're going to use our tools and do what we can to protect the fish," Horton said. "That may mean hoot owl restrictions."

In some rivers, like the Smith and Shields, Horton said the rivers are "self regulating" in some ways – essentially, by the time the rivers get hot enough they should not be exposed to

angler pressure, they are too shallow to float, which reduces access. Along the Madison River, however, that is not the case. Since NWE is mandated to maintain minimum flows throughout the year, recreators can access the river, even when temperatures are warm.

"There is the potential for (fish) mortality," Horton said.

As of *The Madisonian's* press time Tuesday, no other rivers were placed under hoot owl restrictions.

Madison County closes debris burning

Fuel conditions, weather forecast, resource staffing contribute to decision

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With temperatures in Madison County hitting the 80-degree plus mark all last week, the county closed debris burning.

"Starting June 29 at 12 a.m., Madison County (closed) debris burning for the entire

county due to fuels conditions, weather forecast and resource staffing," according to Dustin Tetrault, Madison County director of disaster and emergency services. "The county will remain closed until further notice."

Tetrault clarified the restriction only applies to burn per-

mits, not campfires, backyard fire pits or barbecues.

"It's not so much a restriction as it is just closing the permitting program," Tetrault explained, referring to the fact that Madison County residents can purchase permits to burn yard waste or debris in the spring. "There comes a point

when we start seeing high temperatures, drying of vegetation and an increase in fire activity."

Tetrault gathers with the county fire chiefs and the sheriff to make the decision about whether or not to allow permit burning of debris.

In late spring and early summer, Tetrault said he was

"hopeful" about a moderate fire season.

"We were in good shape for snowpack," he said. "The downside, though, is we got hot, really hot, and it melted out extremely fast."

Consequently, grasses and trees are drying out quickly, which spurred the decision

to close debris burning.

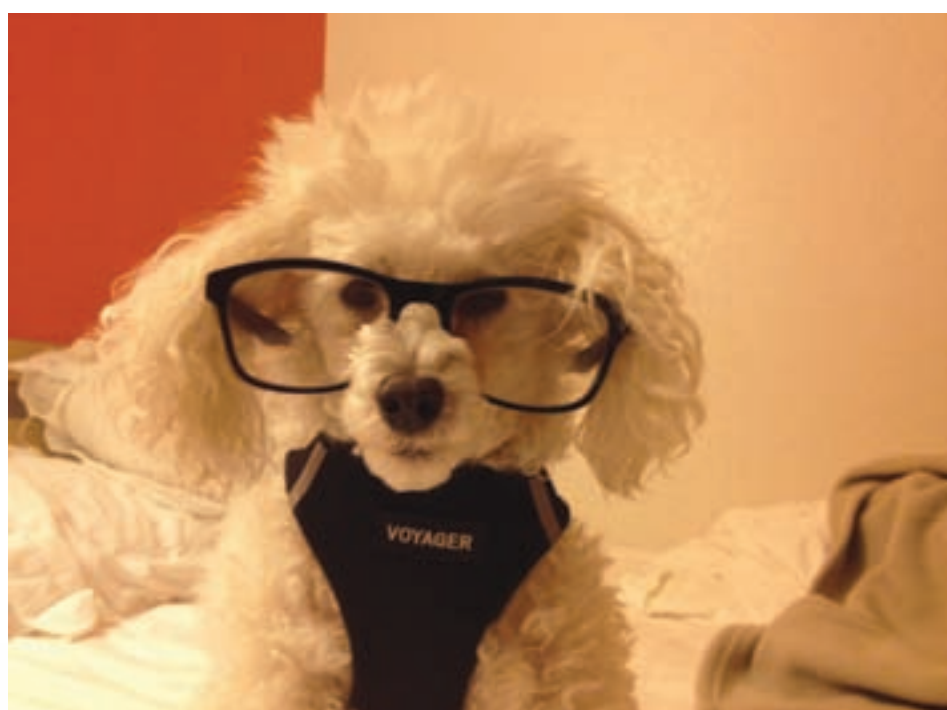
"I had high hopes," Tetrault said. "But for the last two, three weeks, we've had temperatures in the 80s with humidity in the teens and a breeze, and it's just dried everything out."

For more information, call Tetrault at 843-4253.

PET SUCCESS

Amadore the adorable

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What he lacks in physical size, Amadore, the 9 pound toy poodle, makes up for with a big heart. "Amadore is a very special boy to us and in the community in which we live," said Roy Muniz. Roy and his wife, Wendy, had a toy poodle that lived to be 19 years old before passing away in 2011, and chose Amadore as their first adoption animal.

"We couldn't love him more," Muniz said.

Amadore is calm and playful, according to Muniz, and responds to commands such as lie down and rollover.

"He's very loving and smartly responsive to our every movements," said Muniz. "The first day we set our eyes on him we knew we wanted him."

While the Muniz's are now retired, having a furry friend around keeps the couple on their toes. The couple enjoys the Montana landscape and the creative arts, and having Amadore along for the ride is all they need.

Though Amadore is the couple's first adoption animal, they believe the love between a human and pet should never be overlooked.

"We feel it is important as humans that we never stop thinking about the animals that need our love," said Muniz.

And in the case of Amadore, this was the perfect match.

"We found him and he found us," said Muniz. "It's a universal match, to say the least."

* Editor's note: If you have a pet success story, let us know! We want to share your tale with our readers. Email Caitlin at news@madisoniannews.com or call the office at 682-7755.

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total of 37 combined acres and 0 percent contained as of July 3, the most recent update from the Forest Service.

As of July 3, 10 smoke jumpers, three engines, two hand crews, three helicopters and 99 personnel were on scene.

“Both fires continue to consume the dead and down material on the ground along with some intermittent single and group tree torching in heavy mixed-conifer fuels,” according to Incident Information System, InciWeb. “Fire fighters are engaging the fire as it moves out of these timber stands into meadows in order to minimize exposure to numerous snags in the timber stands. Actions to secure the whitebark pine stand adjacent to the Pole fire continue. Structure and private property assessments are ongoing with the Fine fire.”

A partial closure of Forest Service Road 290, also known as the Gravelly Range Road, from the intersection of Forest Service Road 292 south to Warm Springs Road and Forest Service Road 290 is in place.

As of *The Madisonian's* press time Tuesday, this was the most up-to-date information.



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FAR LEFT The Pole fire, pictured on July 3, 2016.

LEFT The Pole and Fine fires were started by lightning on June 30, and discovered late afternoon that day.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Chief Croy: Volunteering how he knows best – with rodeo

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Rodeo and the Madison Valley have played huge roles in the life of Chief Croy. Croy grew up in the valley – and the arena – so giving back to his home through rodeo was the perfect mix for the quiet and humble Croy.

Croy has been with the Ennis Rodeo Association for three years. The rodeo board helps rebuild stalls, fix up the grandstands and out

gates and promotes rodeo in the valley. From pen sorting to high school rodeos to their main event, the Fourth of July rodeo, Croy said he enjoys being able to help out.

“I grew up in it and helped out as much as I could when I was little,” he said. “I’m glad I can give back to the community.”

When he is not busy with on the rodeo board, he enjoys being with his family, working on the ranch, helping his wife with 4-H, watching football and of course, going to the rodeo.

“We’re always staying busy,” said Croy.

**Editor's note: If you or someone you know has given back to Madison County and needs to be recognized, call or email Caitlin at 682-7755 or news@madisoniannews.com.*



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Chief Croy helps his son, Tracer, work with his 4-H steers for the upcoming fair.



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Exercising your right to vote

Hi readers,

When summer rolls around in Madison County, I'm quickly reminded of how busy life becomes this time of year. Somehow as we glide through the other seasons, I forget the frenetic pace of summertime. I hesitate to use that as an excuse for my recent absence from writing directly to all of you, but it has played a role.

Now, our big weekend – the Fourth of July – is behind us and I can catch my breath. But, celebrating Independence Day has me thinking about an important issue: voting.

Less than 50 percent of Madison County voted in the primary election held at the beginning of June. The excuse we most often hear is that people skip the primaries, but plan to vote in the general election. How does one justify that logic?

When compared with other countries, our voter turnout in the United States is low. Books, journals and articles have been written about “why,” and I don't presume to know the answer. Is it apathy? Or hopelessness? Or thinking your vote won't count?

Nationally, one vote may seem insignificant. But in Madison County, one vote can make a difference. In the primary race for Senate District 36, only 232 votes separated Jeff Welborn and Dale Stewart. Many times, the margin is less.

As editor of the paper, I'm committed

to unbiased political reporting. We present facts and let you draw your own conclusions. But, the fact *The Madisonian* remains politically neutral does not diminish the importance we place on voting.

The general election is in November, just around the corner. *The Madisonian* will do its part in educating the local population, not only with reporting, but by hosting another candidate forum where the public can have their questions answered first-hand by our two commission district one candidates.

In the meantime, I want to issue a challenge to you, our readers. Over the last few weeks, I reached out to several Madison County residents with varied backgrounds, political affiliations and passions. I invited them to write their thoughts and feelings about voting. Now I'm extending the invitation to the rest of you.

Here is my prompt:

Please write (no more than 300-400 words) about voting from your point of view, especially on the local level. You can get political or be bi-partisan. This will be a good exercise in illuminating our community's political interests, involvement and opinions. Hopefully, we'll receive valuable information and insight to share with all of you.

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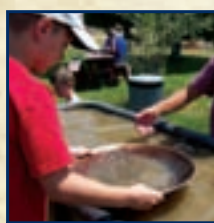
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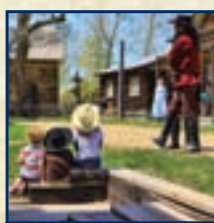
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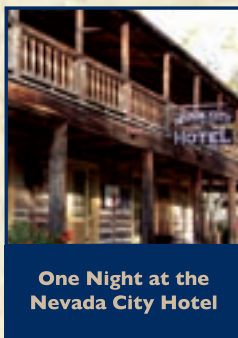
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FISHING DERBY IN ENNIS

Seniors gather at Lions Club Park in hopes of hooking a big one

SUBMITTED BY MARY ELLEN KELLY

On Friday, June 24, the Ennis Lions Club hosted a fishing derby and barbecue for senior citizens in the area. Madison Valley Manor residents, Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center residents and residents of Home Park assisted living facility joined local Ennis seniors for good times at the Lions Park in Ennis.

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Veterans honored at senior pro rodeo

SUBMITTED BY DOUG MARTIN
Twin Bridges American Legion Post 31

On June 18, veterans were honored by opening the senior pro rodeo in Twin Bridges by bringing in the American flag. A wagon and mule team driven by Henry Harrison and Walt Whitfield carried the flag with local veterans representing many eras in time of service from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan, the Cold War and many other known and unknown world conflicts.

Each of these men and women have given a part of their lives defending the United States and our way of life. Did you know that our great state of Montana has 108,000 veterans and has the second highest per capita veteran population of all states, surpassed only by Alaska?

While the national anthem was sung, the veterans stood at attention and saluted.

AROUND THE COUNTY

Enjoy a summer evening in Sheridan

SUBMITTED BY JANET MARSH
The Shovel and Spoon

Thursday, July 7 will be a great summer evening to be out and about in Sheridan. The farmers' market from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. features local organic produce by Labyrinth Gardens, artisan cheeses by Poor Orphan Creamery and fresh bread and compound butters from The Shovel and Spoon. Live music at the market will be by the Ruby Range Band. Also on Thursday night, weather permitting, the park will be the location of an outdoor open mic sponsored by The Shovel and Spoon. Music will begin at 6:30 p.m. All performers are welcome to share their music. Supper will also be available.

Humanities Montana speaker at Madison Valley Public Library

SUBMITTED BY LUCY ENNIS
Madison Valley Public Library

Join Humanities Montana presenter Bill Rossiter on a journey through the songs of union halls, mines, fields, factories, picket lines and jail cells which are the soundtrack to an important part of American history. He will be at Madison Valley Public Library on Monday, July 11 at 7 p.m. Rossiter has been playing traditional finger-style guitar, autoharp and old-time "clawhammer" banjo music in bars, concert halls and back rooms for a long time. He is a retired instructor of literature and folklore and chairperson of the humanities division, Flathead Valley Community College. Rossiter is an excellent presenter of his material. Come join the fun at the library.

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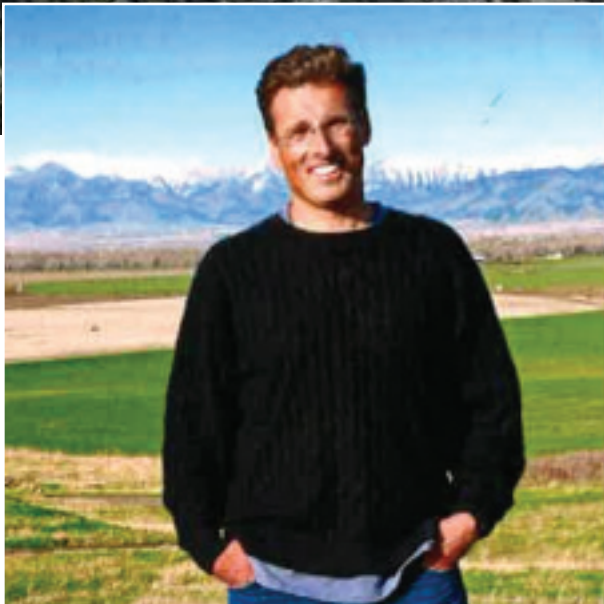


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Alex Diekmann

Naming a peak in the Madison Range after late conservationist would be an 'honest tribute'

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Alex Diekmann could easily be described as magic. His easygoing attitude mixed with an ability to understand and explain complicated concepts and strategies made for a perfect middle ground between landowners, conservationists and federal agencies. With 16 years working for the Trust for Public Land out of Bozeman, Diekmann helped to complete 55 land deals throughout most of Montana and parts of Idaho and Wyoming, protecting 100,000 acres.

In February 2016, Diekmann died after a battle with a rare and aggressive form of cancer, leaving behind a conservation legacy. In an effort to honor Diekmann, friends, family, coworkers, conservation groups, agencies, landowners and so forth, hope to name a peak in the Madison Range as tribute to the work he did to protect the landscapes.

"Diekmann loved the Madison (Valley) and wanted to continue being a part of that," said Jeff Laszlo of the Granger Ranch. "Naming a peak is not only very deserving, but will enable him to be part of that future and a reminder to us of what it takes to preserve the land for future generations."

The peak in question sits partially on the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest and partially on the Sun West Ranch, just east of mile marker 24 on U.S. Highway 287. It is accessible to the public through Moose Creek, south of Ennis along the highway.

Getting to the Trust for Public Land

Diekmann had a background in finance and was on the business track. He worked in the financial sector, from New York to Seattle, but gave it up after his wife, Lisa, was offered a job in Montana with the Yellowstone National Park Foundation.

"He found his way to the Trust for Public Land and was

able to take his knowledge of finance and business deal making and found his calling," said Maddy Pope, project manager with the Trust for Public Land.

With a love for the outdoors and a passion for enjoying the landscape while utilizing his business knowledge, Diekmann was able to marry the two and begin an impressive and influential career.

Breaking barriers

Toeing the fine line between private landowners, agencies, conservationists and every group or person in between, has always been a challenge. Diekmann had a knack for challenges.

"(Diekmann) was special," said Mark Petroni, retired district ranger for the Madison District of the BDNE. "He had the ability to find a common ground and he was very competitive. It was that competitive nature, as well as his smile and personality, that helped keep these projects alive. That's really the magic of Alex Diekmann."

Petroni first worked with Diekmann in 1999 during the Wolverine Basin project in the Gravelly Mountains. After U.S. Steel sold the land to a private owner looking to develop the area, Petroni looked to Diekmann for help.

"He was able to work with (the landowner) and with the help of the Land and Water Conservation Fund, was able to acquire that property back," Petroni said.

In addition to Wolverine Basin, Diekmann helped conserve 11 properties and nearly 30,000 acres in the Madison Valley including the Taylor Fork, an integral part of the valley, Three Dollar Bridge and O'Dell Creek.

"I first met (Diekmann) in 2005 when we had the first meeting for the O'Dell (Creek) restoration project," said Laszlo. "We were meeting with

lots of government agencies and various people were involved with helping to get the project off the ground and (Diekmann) quietly introduced himself – right away, I could tell there was something very different about this guy."

Diekmann suggested a conservation easement to protect the restoration project, which added a new layer for everyone to consider, according to Laszlo.

"He impressed upon us the synergy between the restoration and the conservation at the same time and brought up ideas and put together something that appealed to us ... Suffice it to say, others had tried to entice us and his approach was appealing and made sense to us at the time," Laszlo said.

Both Laszlo and Pope attribute Diekmann's savvy business nature and love for the outdoors to his success throughout his career, but also his good understanding of concerns and issues pertaining to ranchers and landowners.

"He was a great communicator – he was honest, he laid it out and left no empty promises," said Laszlo, adding that Diekmann had a way of getting you excited for a project.

"He was very smart and could understand things in different perspectives," said Pope. "He knew what the landowner needs were and what the agencies program and roles were."

Conservation was extremely important to Diekmann – something Laszlo knew and understood about him.

"Conservation is important and was important to (Diekmann) on a number of fronts," he said. "From protecting open spaces to making it possible for ranchers to get equity out of their land without selling and continue what they love to do at the same time ... These lands are

in danger all the time and (Diekmann) was a champion in protecting them."

Diekmann Peak

Naming a peak would make for the perfect tribute to someone who gave their life to protecting the land and its natural resources. However, naming the peak will be one last challenge for Diekmann.

In order to name a peak through the U.S. Board of Geographic Names, a person has to have been dead for at least five years before they can be considered. The alternative is through congressional legislation.

"A proposal has been taken to three members of the Montana Delegation and support expressed throughout a broad group," said Pope, who hopes to bypass the U.S. Board of Geographic Names.

"If we have to wait five years to go through the proper naming channels, I think we'll lose energy," said Petroni, adding the need to channel Diekmann's determination to lobby Congress.

A lasting legacy

For Diekmann's wife, Lisa, naming a peak would be an honest tribute to her late husband.

"It would be a beautiful tribute and a legacy to someone we all loved and who was passionate about protecting special places for all to enjoy forever," she said.

Just as Diekmann had a gift for uniting differing groups, the potential for Diekmann Peak has united once more.

"The intention here was to find a feature of the landscape that could be a tribute to his conservation legacy," said Pope. "It's really about someone who made such a profound impact on protecting the landscape – it would be the perfect tribute to his legacy."

"He had the ability to find a common ground and he was very competitive. It was that competitive nature, as well as his smile and personality, that helped keep these projects alive. That's really the magic of Alex Diekmann."
~ Mark Petroni

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Jeff Laszlo, middle, along with Diekmann's two sons and Laszlo's niece fish O'Dell Creek.



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HEALTH & WELLNESS

DPHHS offers West Nile Virus prevention tips

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State and local public health officials are reminding Montanans to take steps to avoid mosquito bites and prevent infection with West Nile Virus. Summer is a prime time for exposure to mosquitos capable of transmitting WNV.

However, Montanans can reduce their chances of being bitten by following the advice of public health experts. Public health officials are also reminding the public that while WNV is a concern in Montana, Zika virus is not. In fact, the mosquitos that carry Zika virus have not been found in Montana or neighboring states.

To minimize risk of WNV, experts recommend reducing mosquito populations by removing mosquito breeding areas in and around the home. Simple steps such as draining birdbaths, wading pools or any container with

still water every few days will minimize breeding sites.

Because it is not possible to eliminate all breeding sites, there are several recommendations people can follow to avoid being bitten. This includes wearing and safely using insect repellent when outdoors and wearing pants and long-sleeved shirts when possible.

"The best way to prevent West Nile Virus is to take personal precautions to avoid mosquito bites," said DPHHS director Richard Oppen. "We encourage everyone to take precautions against West Nile while recreating outside this summer."

The 4 Ds of West Nile Virus prevention should be followed to reduce the chance of mosquito bites.

Dusk/Dawn: Peak mosquito's biting hours are dusk to dawn. Limit outdoor activity during those times. If you must be outside, be sure to protect yourself from bites.

Dress: Wear long-sleeved shirts and pants to reduce the

amount of exposed skin.

DEET: Cover exposed skin with a repellent containing the chemical DEET, which is most effective against mosquito bites.

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

WNV is transmitted to humans by infected mosquitos through bites. Most, about four out of five people infected will experience no symptoms and develop immunity. About one in five infected people develop a low grade fever, headache and muscle aches that begin a week or two after becoming infected. Generally, no treatment is needed.

However, in less than 1 percent of infected people, serious, life-threatening symptoms develop including headache, rash, high fever, stiff neck, mental confusion and other symptoms. Individuals who develop any of these symptoms should see

their health care provider immediately.

The number of WNV human cases in Montana varies from year to year. Over 200 cases were reported in 2003 and 2007, but generally the average is about 10 reported human infections each year. Cases reported are more likely to be those that are severe and about one-third of Montana cases required hospitalization.

"We can't predict whether we'll have a summer with little transmission of WNV or a more severe season," said Christine Mulgrew, DPHHS WNV program manager. "That is why it is important to protect yourself from mosquito bites and eliminate breeding sites around your home." With over 90 percent of cases occurring in August and September, it is time to start actively preventing mosquito bites.

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

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Occupation therapy at Ruby Valley Hospital

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Ruby Valley Hospital

The physical therapy department at the Ruby Valley Hospital recently expanded their services to include occupational therapy. Heidi Gleason, OTR/L, joined the department's staff and is helping patients with their occupational therapy concerns.

Gleason's background includes extensive experience in both neurological and orthopedic therapies.

Occupational therapy is not just for work related injuries. The occupational therapist helps patients to resolve a wide range of needs at home and work following an injury, surgery or debilitating

event such as a stroke. Their focus is the functional needs of daily life such as self-care, family care, getting to work and regaining the skills needed to return to work.

"Occupational therapy includes a behavioral spin on the medical model," said Gleason. "The occupational therapist and physical therapist complement each other and frequently work together to help the patient manage the activities of daily living while strengthening their body to a fully functional level."

Occupational therapists are trained in observation and analysis skills and problem solving to identify the source of functional problems and develop effective

solutions.

Originally from North Dakota, Gleason was determined to move to Montana after frequent visits to her brother in Bozeman. She completed a bachelor of science degree in occupational therapy from the University of North Dakota School of Medicine. Following graduation, Gleason headed west to complete her internship at Columbus Hospital (now Benefis) in Great Falls and St. Patrick's Hospital in Mis-

soula. She was the clinical supervisor at St. Vincent's in Billings for nearly nine years. Gleason has also worked at Freestone Rehabilitation in Bozeman and Barrett Hospital.

Gleason and her husband became enchanted with the beauty of Southwest Montana and decided to make their home in Dillon in 2011. When she is not working with patients, Gleason is very busy with her two young sons.



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COLUMNS



This, OUR VALLEY:

By Reverend Keith Axberg

God speaking through magpies?

I think a spiritual journey is not so much a journey of discovery. It's a journey of recovery. It's a journey of uncovering your own inner nature. It's already there. - Billy Corgan

I was out moving the sprinklers in the yard when I happened upon a pack of magpies on the south side of the house. Now, I know birds are routinely said to gather in flocks, and if one wants to get technical, a group of magpies is more properly referred to as a "parliament" of magpies. I presume that's because they are related to ravens (a group of which is called a congress).

It is tempting to theorize on why magpies and ravens are given such illustrious titles when gathered in a group (inane squawking and copious droppings come rather too quickly to mind), but such a mental exercise is beyond the scope of this modest monograph.

I referred to the magpies next to my house as a pack because they were engaged in a nefarious activity when I happened upon them. I'd startled them with my cat-like approach, and they took off like Roman Rockets, abandoning the focus of their attention, which was, surprisingly, an unopened pack of cigarettes! I didn't realize they smoked and have no idea where they could possibly keep their matches. They had just managed to tear open the pack when I caught them. The poor darlings apparently don't know about the easy-open cellophane pull-tab. It is a good thing I stopped them as I am sure they would have ignored the surgeon general's warning.

Many people dislike magpies and I understand. They're noisy and obnoxious and seem intent on stealing whatever they can, wherever they can, whenever they can. Now, in my line of work I don't generally condone thievery, but I admire magpies for their tenacity and for their ingenuity. On top of that, they are simply doing what they do best. They are being magpies.

Whatever else one might say about them, magpies are smart. You hardly ever see them

getting hit by cars, although they're always out there on the road grabbing a quick snack off some inattentive creature that failed to heed their warnings. You see, magpies have learned to warn one another to watch for traffic and, interestingly, on those few occasions they get hit by motor vehicles, more often than not they're killed by trucks.

This has been both documented and studied, and behavioral scientists theorize it is because they know to cry "caw" when they see an automobile coming, but can't say "truck."

Anyway, I enjoy watching the local birds in action, and magpies - love them or hate them - seem to be amongst the smartest of the bird-brained neighbors we've got (and I think they know it).

You can never outsmart them and it's illegal to shoot them, so they've got us right where they want us. When they find something that interests them, they grab it, fly off to a safe spot, post a lookout and then explore their new-found treasure to their heart's content. If you stumble upon them, like I did, they fly off a few feet, stop, look and either scold you for spoiling their fun, or laugh at your inability to catch them.

If they only knew. I have no desire to stop them in their frivolity, and I certainly don't want to catch them. I like peace and quiet, and I'd have none of that if I had a house full of magpies. And if I could catch them, would I want to surround myself with the slowest and dumbest of the bunch (for that's what they'd be)? Of course not!

I guess birds don't bother me so much, even if they are raucous and messy, because they are what they are. It's not my job to change or control them. It's not my place to shoot them or run them over. In fact, if I accept them for what they are, I find my petty irritations pretty much disappear and I can get down to the business of actually appreciating what they have to offer.

It could well be that by stealing a pack of cigarettes, they were speaking to their victim on God's behalf: "Listen to the surgeon general, fool!"

God certainly speaks to us in many ways in this, our valley.

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NATURAL Resource News

By Rebecca Ramsey
Ruby Watershed Coordinator

MONTANA OPEN LAND MONTH

July is Montana Open Land Month, declared by Governor Bullock in 2015, as a way to recognize how much our open lands mean to Montanans. =The experience of visiting or living in Montana is all tied to open lands, and what those landscapes represent.

Montana is known as "Big Sky Country," a moniker earned by our vast, brilliant blue skies, and from the ability to see those amazing skys-

kapes from our incredibly scenic landscapes: open, rolling prairies dotted with grazing cattle and waving swaths of grass; undulating, sage and wildflower covered foothills which capture the light and shadows of the clouds; snow-capped peaks, glistening in the sun, overlooking alpine lakes below; winding rivers, lined with willows, boiling with trout; wetland complexes, filled with tall grasses and taller cattails, red winged blackbirds perched on top; and fields of alfalfa under pivots, the "ch-ch-ch" of the sprinklers soothing the cares of the world away.

We are a state where agriculture and tourism are neck and neck at the top of our economy, and are completely intertwined. Multi-generational cattle ranches and farming operations keep the landscape in tact as it stretches into our public lands. Our fish, bird and wildlife populations don't recognize property boundaries - they are dependent on the good stewardship of our ranchers and our public agencies. Private landowners who are intricately tied to every plant, animal, weather event and earth element are helping to preserve this way of life permanently through conservation easements and other tools. Approximately 30 percent of the land mass in Montana is public lands, managed by our public employees and providing recreational opportunities for all.

The Montana experience is invariably an outdoor experience, and what open land represents - our agricultural heritage, abundant outdoor recreation, clean water, diverse wildlife habitat and populations, scenic splendor, freedom to roam and so much more - this is a way of life that we treasure.

July 2016 offers all of us a way to recognize the value of

open land to our way of life, our organizations and businesses, our families. This is an opportunity to share your love of Montana's open land through writing, photos, art, video and social media. The purpose of Montana open land month is to give you a chance to honor all that open land brings to your life. This is a non-partisan call to put our differences aside and celebrate what we have in common: the open land that makes Montana "the last best place," and to give us an excuse to get outside, be creative and have fun!

The Natural Resource News column will feature highlights of our open lands

throughout the month of July, with submissions from friends and partners on topics such as the importance of native range, public land special designations, our agricultural history and the wonders of wetlands. We hope you'll enjoy learning more about what makes our state so special.

Now get outside, enjoy, and submit your photos, essays, and thoughts at www.openlandmt.org, or on the Facebook pages of Montana Open Land Month, the Ruby Valley Conservation District/ Ruby Watershed Council or Madison Conservation District.

The Ruby Mountains



Robb Ledford



WRITING the WIND STORIES FROM THE TOBACCO ROOT WRITERS

Writing the wind is a series of six short stories, written by women who are passionate about telling true stories from Madison County. In this installment, Lois Stiles tells the tale of Eda Blair.

Eda Blair

By Lois Stiles

Eda came to Virginia City from Butte. Her flower garden is a show place with colors of every hue blooming their splendor. Eda met and married a pharmacist and attorney, Frank Blair, and moved to Virginia City to raise their family in 1928. Frank would become Madison County's Judge for many years.

Long before ... Eda's journey began in Italy near the border of France. Her father Mr. Corgiat left for America when she was a toddler. He worked as a miner in Butte and Anaconda and when he had enough money to send for Eda, her 16-year-old sister and mother, World War I was in full swing. They had waited years to leave Italy and at last they had their visa and date of departure.

Eda was a 10-year-old, playing like all children play, when she tripped and fell, ripping her jaw on a rock. Blood poisoning set in and the doctor decided it was best to cancel their ride to America until her face had healed.

Respectfully, tearfully, angrily, they walked to the dock to wave good-bye to

their friends as they boarded the long awaited ship that left for America without them! You can bet Eda's sister didn't like her one bit and until they had another name of ship and date of departure, Eda would not be popular. Even Mother could be slightly out of sorts.

Not many days had passed since their ship had vanished over the horizon, loaded with women and children, when news returned to Eda's family. "THE SHIP YOU WERE TO LEAVE ON - HAS BEEN SUNK BY A GERMAN SUBMARINE."

The time had come and another ship would be docking to pick up passengers for America. As a parent you would probably weigh the odds of successfully arriving in New York - against the

odds of being another fatality at the bottom of the sea.

Should I gamble my children's lives? If it was just me, but, my children?

The passengers boarded the ship. Mothers carried, pulled and pushed their children up the gangplank to the deck. There were many crying, "Are we going to sink and die like the others, Mamma?"

Everyone wore their life jackets at night. No lights were turned on for fear the Germans would see them. For 22 days and nights, the good captain ducked and dodged German submarines.

Eda will assure you, she and the occupants of that ship crossed the ocean on their knees, talking to the Lord and Mother Mary the whole way.

COMMODITY INSITE!: As smooth as riding over cobblestones set in ruts

by Jerry Welch

Despite betting odds at a probability of 90 percent to, "remain" in the European Union, voters in the United Kingdom shocked the world and markets across the globe by demanding to, "leave" the European Union. How bad was the shock? The following is from Bloomberg News in a piece entitled, "How they got it so wrong. Complacent traders stunned by Brexit." Quoting the head of equity research in NNG Securities in Warsaw, "It's impossible to describe this bloodbath."

Virtually everyone, "got it wrong" not simply because they were complacent. They also got it wrong because they were caught in the grips of, "herd instinct" that I touched upon recently in a column I penned titled, "Everything is so bearish it is bullish." I wrote, "As defined by Investopedia, "Herd in-

stinct is a mentality characterized by a lack of individual decision-making or thoughtfulness, causing people to think and act in the same way as the majority of those around them. In finance, a herd instinct would relate to instances in which individuals gravitate to the same or similar investments, based almost solely on the fact that many others are investing in those stocks. The fear of regret of missing out on a good investment is often a driving force behind herd instinct."

Here is former Fed Chair Alan Greenspan speaking on CNBC regarding Brexit: "This is the worst period I can recall since I've been in public service. There's nothing like it, including the crisis - remember Oct. 19, 1987, when the Dow went down by a record amount 23 percent? That I thought was the bot-

tom of all potential problems. This has a corrosive effect that will not go away."

Market veteran and television personality Jim Cramer speaking on thestreet.com weighed in on Brexit saying, "Britain's decision to leave the European Union was the 'dumbest financial mistake I can ever recall.'" After six trading days since the vote to leave the E.U. carried the day, virtually every stock market in the world and virtually every commodity market in the world is trading below the levels of the U.K. vote. And that, of course, explains fully why Mr. Cramer views the vote to exit a dumb financial mistake.

Moving forward, the entire Big Four: stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities, will roll along about as smoothly as driving over cobblestones in ruts. It is

going to be a rough trip before the full impact of Brexit is known and has run its course. But understand this when it comes to the Big Four as a whole or individual markets per se. The unknown and uncertainty are bearish. Always has been and always will be.

Also consider this. Not until Jan. 1, 2019, will Britain be out of the E.U. for good. Between now and then, there is a long list of details to be worked out and the odds are high they will be market moving details at that. According to finance.yahoo.com, here is a short list of what Britain has to work out in the upcoming two year window they have been given:

"Negotiate a new trade deal with the E.U."
"Negotiate trade deals with more than 50 other na-

tions - including the United States and China - that have trade agreements with the E.U., since the U.K. will no longer be governed by those deals."

"Establish 'passporting rights' that allow the U.K.'s thriving financial services industry to operate seamlessly with the rest of Europe, as it does now."

"Make a deal determining the fate of two million Brits living in other E.U. nations, along

In my view, the economic fallout due to Brexit will limit world trade. History shows that such a scenario is never bullish. But of course, I could be wrong. All things considered, Cramer is right. The vote to leave the E.U. was a dumb financial move.

A few final words about the vote to leave the U.K. comes from finance.yahoo.com.

I dread the thought of a bumpy ride for another three and a half long years over proverbial cobblestones set in ruts. Then again, maybe I am wrong because CBS News posted a piece today with a headline that not so fraught with fear and confusion for the future. They stated, "Markets hate uncertainty - they should get over it."

COMICS & PUZZLES

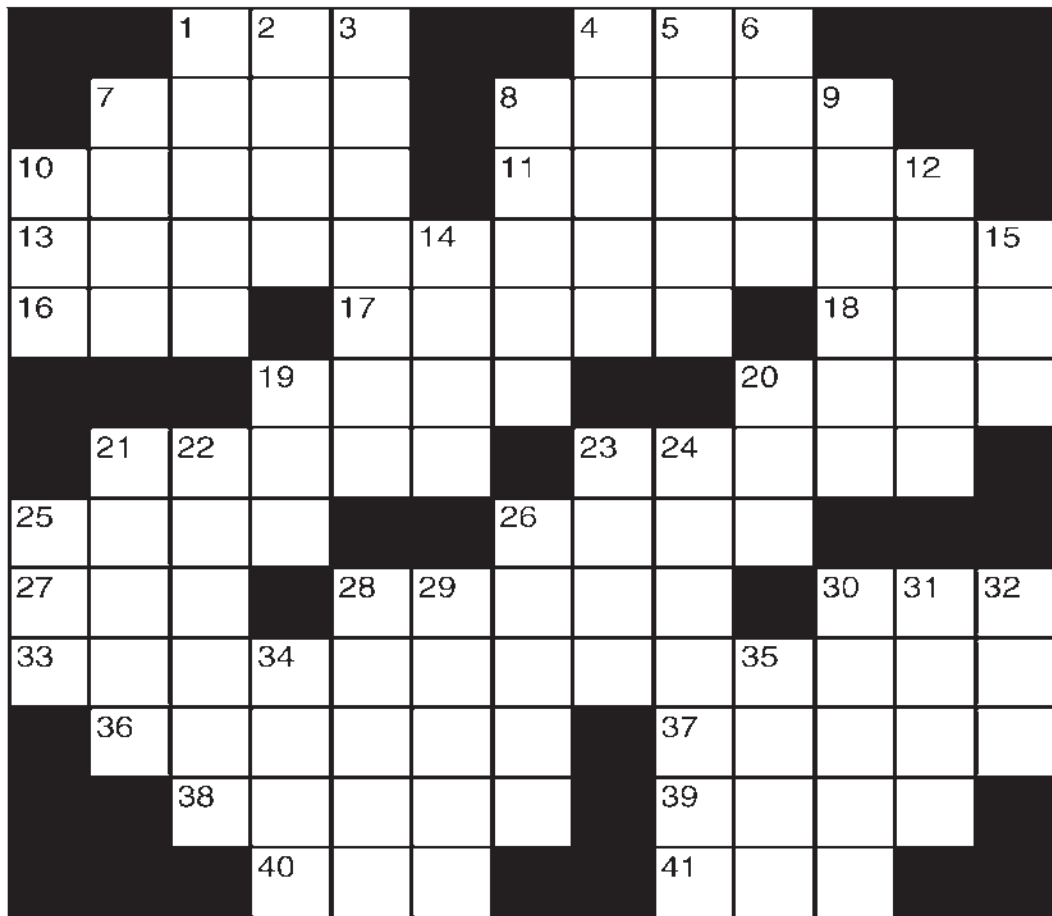


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- 13 Square one
- 16 Chum
- 17 Jagged
- 18 Cattle call?
- 19 Portent
- 20 Show boredom
- 21 Accumulate
- 23 Carriages
- 25 Coagulate
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- 27 Existed
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- 41 Speck



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Just a Pinch



Sharing Hometown Recipes, Cooking Tips and Coupons

By Janet Tharpe

Superb Blueberry Cake With Vanilla Butter Sauce

"Mmmm tasty!"



Blueberries are bursting with flavor right now. Treat your family to ultimate blueberry dessert by serving up Cheryl Croce Culver's Blueberry Cake with Vanilla Butter Sauce. The cake itself is super moist with a nice crunch on top. But that butter sauce... it's wonderful. Not only will I use the sauce in this recipe, I see adding it to other cakes too! See step-by-step photos of Cheryl's recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: www.justapinch.com/blueberrycake You'll also find a meal planner, coupons and chances to win! Enjoy and remember, use "just a pinch"...



Cheryl Croce Culver
Stillwater, OK
(pop. 45,688)

- Janet

Blueberry Cake w/ Vanilla Butter Sauce

What You Need

- 1/4 c butter, softened
- 1/2 c sugar
- 2 large eggs, beaten
- 1 c flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1/4 c milk
- 1 1/2 c fresh or frozen blueberries

FOR THE SAUCE:

- 1/4 c butter, softened
- 1/2 c sugar
- 1 large egg yolk, well beaten
- 1/4 c boiling water
- 1 tsp vanilla

Directions

- Cream butter and sugar; stir in eggs.

- Sift flour and baking powder together.
- Add to creamed mixture alternately with milk, beating well.
- Coat blueberries with a small amount of additional flour (to assure even distribution of berries in cake); fold into batter.
- Pour into lightly greased 8- or 9-inch square pan.
- Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Cut into squares.
- To prepare sauce, cream butter and sugar in top of double boiler.
- Blend in egg yolk and boiling water.
- Cook over hot water until mixture thickens; stirring frequently.
- Stir in vanilla.
- Spoon hot sauce over cake.

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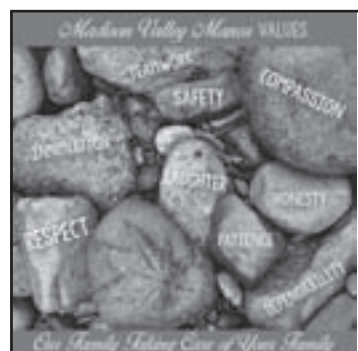
Full Time dentist hygienist needed to work in Sheridan, MT. Wages competitive, - DOE, profit sharing, health insurance, 2 weeks paid vacation. Contact Dr. Tom Bartolotti, 842-5400 or email: mdot56@hotmail.com
31-2-b

Line/prep cook for local restaurant in Ennis.
34-tfc-b

Alison's Pantry sells restaurant quality foods. We are looking for Sales Representatives in McCallister and Ennis. There is already an established customer base. Earn a great commission and groceries for free! Part-time. Contact Julie for more information. 208-206-6669.
36-2-p

Seeking full/part time experienced lawn care and landscaping crew members and general laborers. Pay DOE. 640-0601
31-tfc-b

Coaching Opportunity
Ennis School
Ennis Schools is seeking qualified individual for the following coaching position: Junior High Football Coach. Base Salary \$1,134. For further information and/or to receive an application, call Superintendent Jon Wrzesinski at 682-4258.
36-3-b



The Madison Valley Manor is hiring full time and part time Certified Nursing Assistants. This is a great opportunity to work in a personal healthcare setting.
· Excellent pay
· Government retirement.
· Benefits including life and health insurance.
· Relocation bonus.
· Tuition reimbursement.
· Free training and C.N.A. certification available.
If you are interested in a rewarding career in healthcare, Madison Valley Manor is the place. Please contact Christine Canterbury, DON at 682-7271 for more information. EOE

Harrison is looking for a head and/or assistant head volleyball coach for the 2016-17 school year. The position pays \$2,569 for the head coach and \$1,798 for the assistant. Please contact Fred Hofman, Superintendent, at 406-685-3428 or via email at fhofman@harrison.k12.mt.us or stop on by the school Monday-Thursdays, between 9:00 am-2:00 pm
35-7-b

Looking for a laborer. Wages start at \$15/hr. Call 682-7103. Ask for Eric.
27-tfc-b

Physical Therapy Aide/Patient Care Representative

Madison Valley Medical Center in Ennis is seeking a full-time Physical Therapy Aide/Patient Care Representative. The successful candidate will prepare a patient for treatment, assist with patient care, maintain therapy equipment and ensure a clean environment. This individual will also schedule patients, maintain medical records and complete other administrative duties of preauthorization, charge-entry, and follow-up with referring providers and insurance companies, etc. Must be able to lift/push/pull 50 pounds. Competitive compensation and benefits, including health insurance and profit sharing. Please submit an on-line application at www.mvmedcenter.org/careers or send a letter of application and resume to:
Madison Valley Medical Center
305 N. Main
Ennis, MT 59729
Attn: Human Resources
For more information, please visit our website or contact us at 406-682-6862.
34-tfc-b



MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

The Madison County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for a full-time Communications Officer position. The salary for this position is 14.76 per hour with county medical benefits. Duties and responsibilities include performing the duties of a Communications officer at the Madison County PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) in Virginia City. The position is responsible to the public, law enforcement and first responders. Must have good phone and communication skills. Must be able to type at least 40 wpm. This position requires the applicant to be able to obey rules, regulations and follow instruction from superiors. Applicant must show a desire to work with the public, show self-initiative, demonstrate a high degree of integrity, maturity and confidentiality. The work week is a minimum of 30 hours and includes weekends and holidays. Due to the nature of the job, work hour flexibility with ability to work any shift (late shift, swing shift or day shift) is necessary. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and of good moral character; successfully pass an oral interview, background investigation plus any other requirements which may be deemed necessary to perform the duties of a Communications officer, including successful completion of the Montana Basic Communication Officer Academy. Applicants for this position must have the knowledge and ability to maintain accurate record keeping systems and possess basic computer knowledge. Applicants must be a resident of Madison County. Applications can be found at www.madisoncountymt.gov. The application and a complete resume should be sent to the Dillon Job Service, 730 N. Montana Ste. #4, Dillon, MT 59725 (DillonJSC@mt.gov) or to the Madison County Sheriff's Office, PO Box 276, Virginia City, MT 59755. Please contact Lynda Holt at (406) 843-4211 with any questions about the position. Open until filled. Madison County is an EE/AA employer.

REGISTERED NURSE (RN)/LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE (LPN)
Tobacco Root Mountain Care Center (TRMCC) is a skilled nursing facility located in Sheridan, Montana. This is a senior living residence for individuals with long term care (LTC) needs. TRMCC provides 24-hour long term nursing care and has the capabilities to care for adults with acute medical needs or seniors recovering from surgery needing rehabilitation services.

We are looking for passionate and talented team members to join TRMCC. This is an amazing opportunity for a LTC RN or LPN to work in a great relaxed environment assisting the residents of our facility. Employee Benefits:

- Health insurance available (County sponsored benefit with 30 hours or more per week), optional dental, and vision plans
 - Flexible spending account or Health Savings account available
 - Montana Public Employee Administration (retirement benefit) and optional 457-b savings plan
 - Life insurance • Vacation and sick time benefits.
- TRMCC promotes a drug and alcohol-free workplace. Offers of employment are contingent upon successfully passing pre-employment screenings.
Contact Information
Jody Galica, R.N., D.O.N.
Tobacco Root Mountain Care Center
326 Madison Street, Sheridan MT
406-842-5600
36-2-b

Tobacco Prevention Specialist – Full-time

The Madison County Public Health Department is accepting applications for a full-time Tobacco Prevention Specialist. This position is a grant funded position beginning August 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Job Summary: This position will report to the Madison County Public Health Registered Nurse and will be responsible for the coordination of the County's tobacco use prevention program. Duties include the implementation of community education and paid media, youth advocacy, Montana Tobacco Quit Line promotion and coalition building. Much of the work will be done through community outreach and will require extensive travel throughout Madison and Beaverhead County. This position will be based out of the Public Health Department located in Virginia City, MT.

The position requires accurate record keeping and must have basic computer knowledge, strong communication skills, demonstrates self-initiative, and must be organized and exhibit a high degree of integrity. Flexible 40 hour work week with some weekends or afterhours required. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and have a valid Driver's License. Employee Benefits: Health insurance, optional dental, and vision plans • Flexible spending account or Health Savings account available • Montana Public Employee Administration (retirement benefit) and optional 457-b savings plan • Life insurance • Vacation and sick time benefits.

Madison County promotes a drug and alcohol-free workplace. Offers of employment are contingent upon successfully passing pre-employment screenings. The above information on this description has been designed to indicate the general nature and level of work performed by employees in this position. It is not designed to contain or be interpreted as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and qualifications required of employees assigned to this job. Applications may be found at www.madisoncountymt.gov. The application and a complete resume should be sent to Madison County Public Health Department, PO Box 278, Virginia City, MT 59755. Contact Information
Melissa Brummell, RN
Madison County Public Health Department
406-843-4295
Additional Information
Position Type: Full Time
Flexible Schedules: Weekend or afterhours required
Hourly Wage: \$14.76 per/hour
Ref Code: 2016-7.5
37-3-b

Drivers: LOCAL
Bozeman Reefer
\$2000.00 Sign On Bonus!
Estenson Logistics is now hiring Class A Driver's for local Darigold hauls with occasional layovers.
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CDL-A, 1yr. Exp. Req.
CALL JUSTIN TODAY:
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34-2-p

Place Your Classified
682-7755

FOR RENT

Two cabins on the Madison River near The Grizzly Bar and Grill; sleeps four each. Fully equipped. Weekly, monthly, prefer longterm.
406-287-7992
33-tfc-b

Office Space for rent. 128/SF unit located downtown Ennis in the Lone Elk Mall. Common area. Utilities included.
\$175 per month.
33-tfc-b

MADISON MANAGEMENT
Vacation and Long Term Rentals
570-5401
www.madisonmanagement.com
22-tfc

For Rent: Large storages - 14x48 \$165/mo., 12x40 \$125/mo. Large doors and concrete floors. Boats, RV's, Warehouse. Available May 1st. Call Bob 925-1362.
22-tfc-b

2 BR Country home. Dogs possible. \$750 per month. 1 year lease. In McAllister area. Call 406-539-5798.
37-tfc-b

BARKER VILLAGE APARTMENTS:
1 bedroom furnished apartments available in Ennis. A/C, washer/dryer equipped, private location. 4 month lease, \$700 per month plus security deposit, utilities included, non-smoking, no dogs. Call Erich Vogeli, Manager at 406-682-5737.
15-tfc

FOR RENT: Call Apex Management at 682-7112 or 581-0103 for long term or vacation rentals in Ennis and the Madison Valley.
1-tfc

BARKER VILLAGE APARTMENTS:
1 bedroom unfurnished apartments available in Ennis. A/C, washer/dryer equipped, private location. 1 year lease, \$650 per month plus security deposit, utilities included, non-smoking, no dogs. Call Erich Vogeli, Manager at 406-682-5737.
15-tfc

FOR RENT: Duplex apartments. 1 Br. W/D, AC. 1 year lease. \$750/month, utilities included. N/S, no dogs. In Ennis. Call Erich Vogeli at 406-682-5737. Security Deposit.
26-tfc-b

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

For Rent: HORSE PASTURE
11 acres. Water & shelter. 5 minutes from Sheridan. 842-7737
30-1-b

Sheridan 1bd 1 ba apartment for rent. \$400/mo. All appliances included. NO pets. Contact Ridgely at 596-4495.
31-tfc-b

Ruby Glen Homes in Sheridan Newly built condo living in quiet neighborhood. Single level – no stairs. 2bd/2ba/2-car heated, attached garage. Beautiful views of Ruby Valley. Maintenance-free grounds. Call 596-1111.
36-2-b

FOR SALE

Pony, MT home and lots. For sale: 25 lots, plus older home in Pony, MT. The older home is approximately 1000 sq ft. The listing price for the entire listing is \$175,000. Call Bill Dringel of Mtn. Real Estate at 682-7489 or 599-0243
36-3-b

2015 2500 4x4 duramax beautiful red LTZ. This truck is about perfect and only 40K. Every option on this truck. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.

2011 Chevrolet 3500 single wheel crew cab long wheel base. This truck has leather and is beautiful and loaded. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.

2001 GMC 2500 crew cab. A very nice truck with all the options. Mechanically sound and in awesome condition. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.

2002 Nissan Xterra black and beautiful with gray cloth. Runs and drives awesome. Good tires, good body. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.

2002 Dodge 5.9 cummins 4 door. Runs and drives awesome. White truck with gray cloth, automatic transmission, good tires and body. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.

2012 Acadia. 30K miles, ALL leather, three seats. Show room condition, absolutely beautiful. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.

2007 Yukon long loaded all seats full leather and really in fantastic condition. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.

2004 Ram 2500 5.7 Hemi. This truck is in amazing condition. Ready to work or play. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.

1995 F-350 7.3 diesel. We just put in a 147K motor in this truck and it is a beautful, rare truck. It has four doors, flatbed, auto, fully loaded. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.

2010 Audi Q-7 diesel. This is a vehicle my wife has driven and it is incredible and gets 21 mpg and runs like the wind. Immaculate condition. New tires. Must see. See all details at wolfautogroup.com or call 406-388-3173. We trade and provide financing.
36-3-b

The Town of Sheridan has several items to be sold to highest bidder.
1-FMC tire machine-model number unknown
2-105 gallon/14 gauge fuel tank for pick up truck with 15 gallon per minute pump-Model #480000
3-Crown 5000# pallet jack-Model #PTH502748
4-Ben Pearson 2 post auto/truck lift-electric/hydraulic 208-230 volts-Model#10.000si
To view these items please contact Town Hall at 406-842-5431. Please submit sealed bids for these items before 12 noon July 11, 2016. Bids to be opened at the July 11 Town Council beginning at 6pm. All items to be sold as is where is.
35-3-b

Baby chicks, bantams, ducklings and goslings. Also guinea keets and turkeys. We also have feeders available for sale. 696-1612
30-tfc-b

14 piece dining and living 19th century French Provencal Sets. Asking \$16,000 - worth \$30,000 plus. In ennis. Call 208-241-4864 for showing.
36-2-b

SERVICES

Madison Valley Caring & Sharing
Hours:
Mon. Noon-2:00 p.m.
Sat. 9-11:00 a.m.
Wed. 5-7 p.m.
Lone Elk Mall, Unit 4. Ennis.
682-7844
30-tfc-b

GO-PHER-IT DIGGING
Mini-Excavator/ 4x4 Tractor/ blade/bucket/ post auger
: low impact / cross lawns
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: dig for tree planting
: dig deck supports
: trench water / sewer / lines
: blade new driveways
: No Job too small!
Low Cost ! Senior Discount !
Woman owned & Operated
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30-tfc-b

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

BLAKE MCKITRICK
CERTIFIED FARRIER
Horse Shoeing & Trimming
Call (406) 595-5379
31-tfc-b

WANTED

Looking for house and acreage. Would like to rent, caretake or ownner finance. 406-696-1612
36-2-b

ESTATE SALES

Moving? Downsizing? Liquidating an Estate?

WE CAN HELP
AbleEstateSales.com
Call Mike at 842-5251

GARAGE SALE

Grandma's Overflow Garage Sale
THIS FRI - SAT - SUN
9 am - 2 pm
1 block south of Town Pump. Jewelry, furniture, collectibles., tools , yard art
50% off!
36-2-b

GARAGE SALE
Sat. & Sun. July 2 & 3 AND Sat. July 9
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. @ Madison Valley Storage Units 383 & 384; right next to the Blue Chevy Truck sign. Furniture, tools, household items, prints, books, mud & snow wheels & tires w/studs, car cover, movies, free table.
36-2-b

VC Neighborhood Trade & Sell Flea Market
Saturday, July 30
Starts at 9 am
Everyone Welcome!
Free Set up
Come to sell or Come buy!
Hwy 287 field with Tipi
843-5544 for more information
37-4-p

PUBLIC NOTICES

SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MADISON

Jerry Braach and Shirley Braach Cause No. DV-29-13-19 Plaintiffs, vs. Agnes Sheil a/k/a Agness Sheil, Alfred Sill, H. F. Jackson a/k/a Harvey F. Jackson, Cora E. Jackson, R.R. Tovey, Shelly Burke as County Treasurer of Madison County, Montana, Sally Balkovetz a/k/a Sallie Balkovetz, Fred Balkovetz, Victor Schaub, Jennifer Schaub-Mancuso, Julie Schaub-Peterson, Virginia Schaub, Maggie Trezza-Schaub, Harry Bert Bagely, Rueben R Tovey, a/k/a R.R.Tovey, Roy A. Tovey, Blanche Tovey, Harold Tovey, Eileen Tovey and Evelyn Tovey, Donald Tash Jackson, Earl Keyes and Dorothy Keyes, Olive Sill Holland, Jerome Holland, and Katherine Leoda Bagely, if they are living, and if they are deceased, the unknown heirs and/or devisees of said named Defendants who may be dead; and all other persons unknown, claiming or who might claim any right, title, estate, or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the complaint adverse to Plaintiffs' ownership or any cloud upon Plaintiffs' title, whether the claim or possible claim be present or contingent.

Defendants THE STATE OF MONTANA to the above-named Defendants, and to all other persons unknown, GREETINGS:

A lawsuit has been filed against you. Within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this Summons on you or (42 days if you are the State of Montana, a state agency, or a state officer or employee), you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the Amended Complaint in this action which is filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court, or a motion under Rule 12 of the Montana Rules of Civil Procedure. The day of service is the last day of publication of this summons. Do not include the day you were served in your calculation of time. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiffs or the plaintiffs' attorney, if plaintiffs are represented by an attorney, whose name and address are listed below. If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You must also file your answer or motion with the court.

This action is brought for the purpose of quieting title to lands and tracts of real property situate and lying in the N⁷/_N 1/4 of Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 6 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, described as follows, to-wit:

Tract 1: Commencing from the north one quarter corner, U.S.G.L.O. brass cap, of Section 34, T3S, R6W, said corner is the point of beginning, thence, FIRST COURSE, on the South City Limits Line of the Town of Twin Bridges, N89°17'56"W, a distance of 91.21 feet to a record one inch iron pin, said iron pin is on the East line of Madison Street, thence, leaving the South City Limits Line, SECOND COURSE, along the easterly line of a county road, S12°04'25"E, a distance of 229.26 feet to a point that is a record half inch iron pin, thence, THIRD COURSE, along the easterly line of a county road, S15°01'33"E, a distance of 221.41 feet to a record iron pin and plastic cap by 4473 ES, thence, leaving the easterly line of said county road, FOURTH COURSE, S88°54'34"E, a distance of 85.22 feet to a record iron pin and plastic cap by 4473 ES, said iron pin is on the westerly Right-of-way line of the Burlington Northern Railroad and said point is on a non-tangent curve having a radius of 2914.79 feet, thence, FIFTH COURSE, on said curve to the right, a distance of 327.27 feet to an iron pin with an aluminum cap, this survey, chord bears N02°12'00"W, a distance of 327.10 feet, said point is 50.00 feet west of the railroad centerline station 1394+85.0 and point of tangent, thence, on said Right-of-way line, SIXTH COURSE, N01°01'00"E, a distance of 110.39 feet to a point on the South City Limits Line of the Town of Twin Bridges, thence, on said South Line, SEVENTH COURSE, N89°09'19"W, a distance of 88.76 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel containing 1.313 acres.

Tract 2: An irregular tract of land situate in the NW1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section Thirty-Four (34), Township Three (3) South, Range Six (6) West, M.P.M., and particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the quarter corner on the north of said Section 34, thence south through center of Section 34, a distance of 434 ft., to east side of County Road, thence along east side of County Road south 16°09' east 50 feet to an imaginary corner, or the place of beginning of the land hereby intended to be conveyed, thence south 16°09' east 50 feet, thence second course, east about 60 feet, to the N.P.R.R. Co., right-of-way, thence third course along N.P.R.R. Co., curvature 50 feet, thence fourth course west to place of beginning. This land is south of the land deeded to Alfred Sill by Harvey F. Jackson and Cora E. Jackson (at Book 91, p. 416) and comprising a tract of 1/10 of One Acre, more or less, situated between County Road and the N.P.R.R. Co., right-of-way in the town limits of Twin Bridges, Madison County, Montana.

Tract 3: An irregular tract of land situate in the NW1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section Thirty-Four (34), Township Three (3) South, Range Six (6) West, M.P.M., and particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the quarter corner on the north of said Section 34, thence south through center of Section 34, a distance of 434 ft., to east side of County Road south 16°09' east 50 feet, thence second course, east about 60 feet, to the N.P.R.R. Co., right-of-way, thence third course along N.P.R.R. Co., curvature 50 feet, thence fourth course west to said imaginary corner, the place of beginning, containing one-tenth acre, more or less.

SUBJECT, HOWEVER, to the following: (a) A Right of Way Deed dated October 11, 1911, granted to the Madison River Power Company grating the right to erect and maintain an electric transmission system over, along and across the W1/2NE1/4 Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 6 West, MPM recorded in Book 86, Page 39 Records of Madison County Montana. (b) A Deed of Trust granted to Glacier Bank on April 20, 2005 placing an encumbrance on a parcel of land situated in the N1/2N1/2 of Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 6 West, P.M.M., as described in Certificate of Survey filed in Book 7 of Surveys, Page 848 BA, and recorded in Book 531, Page 66 Records of Madison County Montana. (c) Any and all reservations and exceptions set out and contained in any patent or other instrument whereby said real property, or any part thereof, passed from public to private ownership. (d) Any and all easements existing in, over, or upon said real property, or any part thereof, whether or not appearing of record. WITNESS, my hand and seal of the said Court this 9 day of June, 2016. /s/ Cynthia A. Adams, Deputy Clerk of District Court

W.G. Gilbert, III W.G. Gilbert, III, P.C. 15 South Idaho Street P.O. Box 345 Dillon, MT 59725 (406) 683-6116 fax (406) 683-6117 dgilbert@wggilbertlaw.com Attorney for the Plaintiffs (Pub. June 23, 30, July 7 2016) wgg MNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Sheridan will hold a public hearing on July 11, 2016 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Sheridan Town Hall at 103 East Hamilton St. in Sheridan. The Town Council has scheduled the hearing to obtain public comment on the sale of a portion of the property known as 101 East Hamilton St. in Sheridan. The proposed boundary adjustment documents will be available for review. The Town Council will give everyone the opportunity to ask questions and express their opinion regarding the proposed sale. Comments may be given orally at the hearing or submitted in writing before the end of the hearing on July 11, 2016. Anyone who would like more information may contact Town Hall located at 103 East Town of Sheridan or call 842-5431 Tom Shaffer, Mayor (Pub. June 23, June 30, July 7 2016) tos MNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on July 14, 2016, at ten o'clock a.m., in the office of the Madison County Treasurer in Virginia City, Montana, taxes on the 2015 delinquent property will be offered for sale on assignment. Delinquent taxes including penalties, interest and costs are a lien upon the property and, unless such are paid prior to this time, the lien will be offered for sale. Per SB281, notice is to be mailed certified at least two weeks prior to the date of the payment to whom the property is assessed. Before issuing the tax lien sale certificate, the treasurer is to receive proof of this notice.

A list of each property and all persons owing taxes for the year 2015 is on file in the County Treasurer's office and is open to the public for inspection. MCA 15-17-122 Shelly Burke, Treasurer sburke@madison.mt.gov www.madison.mt.gov 406-843-4212 Madison County (Pub. June 23, June 30, July 7 2016) mct MNAXLP

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

LONE PEAK CENTER CONDOMINIUM OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff, YELLOWSTONE SKI & SUMMER ADVENTURES, INC., Defendant, TO BE SOLD AT Sheriff's Sale on the 12th day of July, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Unit 318 (now known as Room 389) of Lone Peak Center Condominiums, Big Sky, Madison County, Montana, the following described property: Unit 318 of Lone Peak Center Condominiums, located on Lot 14A of the Amended Plat of Lots 10, 13 and 14, of Mountain Village Subdivision Phase 1, in Madison County, Montana, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the county Clerk and Recorder, Madison County, Montana, in Book 4 of Plats, page 508-BA, records of Madison County, Montana. TOGETHER WITH an undivided 1.092% interest in and to the common elements appertaining to said unit, as set out and established in the First Amended and Restated Declaration for the Lone Peak Center Condominium, recorded December 22, 2006, as Document No. 117644, and as subsequently amended, records of Madison County, Montana. The use of the condominium shall be residential purposes only. Dated this 13th Day of June, 2016. /s/ Roger Thompson, Sheriff of Madison County (Pub. June 23, 30 July 7 2016) mcs MNAXLP

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE

TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S

SALE on August 22, 2016, at 11:00 AM at the Front Door to the Madison County Courthouse located at 110 West Wallace in Virginia City, MT 59755, the following described real property situated in Madison County, Montana:

A tract of land situated in Section 17, Township 4 South, Range 5 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown as Lot 5 on the Amended Plat of 7M-4R Subdivision as filed in Book 4 of Plats, page 322-A, records of Madison County, Montana. Bret Carter and Connie L. Hill AKA Connie Hill, JT, WROS, as Grantors, conveyed said real property to First American Title Company of Madison County, as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to American Federal Savings Bank, Corporation, as Beneficiary, by Deed of Trust on March 12, 2008, and recorded on March 12, 2008 as Document No. 124997. The beneficial interest is currently held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. 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 make the monthly payments due in the amount of \$1,039.61, beginning March 1, 2013, and each month subsequent, which monthly installments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan. The total amount due on this obligation as of March 31, 2016 is \$163,756.85 principal, interest at the rate of 5.87500% totaling \$30,465.74, late charges in the amount of \$203.52, escrow advances of \$10,610.52, and other fees and expenses advanced of \$70.91, plus accruing interest, late charges, and other costs and fees that may be advanced.

The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, 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 of the sale and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation. The sale is a public sale and any person, including the beneficiary, excepting only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid

money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by Trustee's Deed without any representation or warranty, including warranty of Title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The sale purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the property on the 10th day following the sale. The grantor, successor in interest to the grantor or any other person having an 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 (including costs and expenses actually incurred and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and thereby cure the default. The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 15 days for any reason, and in the event of a bankruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by the trustee for up to 120 days by public proclamation at least every 30 days. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Dated: April 13, 2016 Dalia Martinez Assistant Secretary, First American Title Company, LLC Successor Trustee Title Financial Specialty Services PO Box 339 Blackfoot ID 83221 STATE OF Idaho ss. County of Bingham On this 13 day of April, 2016, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Dalia Martinez, known 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. Amy Gough Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: 6-9-2021 J P Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. vs Carter/Hill 100786 (Pub. June 30, July 7, 14 2016) mk MNAXLP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

COURT, MADISON COUNTY PROBATE NO. DP-29-2016-19 NOTICE TO CREDITORS MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, MADISON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HENRY JOHN HERBERT, ALSO KNOWN AS HANK HERBERT DECEASED.

PROBATE NO. DP-29-2016-19 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 4 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE, OR SAID NOTICE, OR ALL CLAIMS WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. CLAIMS MUST EITHER BE MAILED TO LINDA HAMILTON, PO BOX 205, VIRGINIA CITY, MT 59755, OR FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED COURT. DATED: JUNE 17, 2016 /s/ LINDA R. HAMILTON, MADISON COUNTY PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, THAT THE FOREGOING IS ACCURATE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. /s/ LINDA R HAMILTON, MADISON COUNTY PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR (Pub. June 30, July 7, 14 2016) lh MNAXLP

NOTICE TO SOUTH BOULDER RIVER BASIN (41G) WATER USERS

Dan & Dixie Harrington have filed a Motion to Amend Statement of Claim 41G 13853-00 with the Montana Water Court seeking to amend the flow rate to reflect historical use. The claimants are amending their flow rate from 32 miner's inches (359.10 GPM) to 48 miner's inches (1.20 CFS). The Harringtons allege they own the entire William T. Stephens November 12, 1871 decreed right in the 1919 South Boulder River decree, which is for 48 inches of water, so the flow rate should be amended accordingly. OBJECTION DATE: Any response or objection to the Motion to Amend must be filed with the Montana Water Court, P.O. BOX 1389, Bozeman, MT 59717-1389, within 45 days of the date of the last publication of this notice, by (August 12, 2016) in accordance Section 85-2-233(6), MCA. Please indicate "Case 41G-A19" on any response, objection or other correspondence related to this Motion to Amend. (Pub. July 7, 14, 21 2016) mk MNAXLP

for bid specifications and terms. Bids will be opened at the regular Commissioners' meeting in Virginia City on July 11, 2016, at 1:00 PM. (Pub. July 7, 2016) mcc MNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF ENNIS, Plaintiff vs. NICHOLAS CONNELL, Defendant, TO BE SOLD AT Sheriff's Sale on the 28th day of July, 2016 at 11:00 am at Ennis Town Hall, 328 W. Main Street, Ennis, Madison County, Montana, the following described property: Mobile Home: 1968 Magnolia 1x260 VIN# FHFDCMN1229L, including all personal property therein; located on Lots #3 & #4, Block 2, Love Addition, Ennis, Madison County, Montana; address of 110 Pearl Street, Ennis, Montana. Dated this 24th day of June, 2016 /s/ Roger Thompson Sheriff of Madison County (Pub. July 7, 14, 21 2016) mcscd MNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE FORM FOR CHANGE OF LOCATION

Notice of Intent to Transfer Location of Air Quality Permit (Pursuant to Section 75-2-211, MCA, and ARM Title 17, Chapter 8, Subchapter 7, PERMIT, CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF AIR CONTAMINANT SOURCES). Jim Gilman Excavating, Inc. will file on or about August 8, 2016, a notification of intent to transfer location of an air quality permit with the Permitting and Compliance Division/Air and Waste Management Bureau of the Montana Department of Environmental Quality. Applicant seeks approval of its transfer of location of a Portable Hot Plant Air Quality Permit #2542-04 to Sec. 22, T12S, R2E, Madison Co., approximately 3.5 miles south of the Highway 287 & 87 intersection on Highway 87. The division must approve or disapprove the permit transfer within 30 days of receipt of a complete notice of intent. Any member of the public with question or who wishes to review a copy of the permit and the division's analysis of it or to submit comments on the change of location must contact the division at 1520 East Sixth Ave., P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901 phone (406) 444-3490. Any comments on the location transfer must be submitted to the division within 15 days after the date of this publication. (Pub. July 7, 2016) jge MNAXLP



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MADISON COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

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The annual transportation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday July 13th, 2016 at 10:00 AM in the Community Meeting room at the Madison County Administrative Offices Building

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the currently enacted legislation regarding the Opencut Mining Act (see Montana Code Annotated (MCA) 82-4-432(4&6)), Jim Gilman Excavating, Inc. has prepared this public notice to inform interested parties of a pending permit amendment for an existing opencut mine. As the current Operator of the Dean Hanson opencut facility, Jim Gilman Excavating, Inc. is required to provide the information herein. Following the successful amendment of the existing permit, the Operator intends to assign operation of the Dean Hanson pit to Madison County for use in road building and maintenance activities.

Site: Dean Hanson (Opencut# 606 - Approx. 7 miles south of Whitehall, MT along Hwy 55)
Current Operator: Jim Gilman Excavating, Inc.; 3099 Grand Ave., Butte, MT 59701; Ph:(406) 723-6349.
Current Permit Acreage: 3.0 Acres; **Proposed Permit Acreage:** 59.0 acres.
Property Owner: Hanson Ranch, LLC; **Approved Reclamation Soil Depth:** 15 inches.
Volume of Removed Materials: Up to 1,265,000 cubic yards of Gravel, Clay, and Sand.
Proposed Equipment: Crusher, Asphalt Plant, Screen, Conveyor Assembly, Grizzly, Dozers, Backhoes, Excavators, Loaders, Dump/haul Trucks, Scraper, Pug Mill, etc.
Duration of Activities: Production will resume Summer 2016 and continue until Final Reclamation. Final Reclamation before October, 2055.
Access Point: Unmarked approach opposite of Franich Lane along Highway 55. (Roughly 9.4 miles northeast of Silver Star, MT.
Legal Description: Section 36, Township 1N, Range 5W.

Members of the public seeking to have the Department of Environmental Quality organize a Public Meeting to review and comment on the specifics of the proposed opencut operations amendment must complete, detach, and mail the Request for Public Meeting form below.

Please feel free to contact Cole Peebles at the office of Great West Engineering at (406) 495-6172 or cpeebles@greatwesteng.com for further information regarding the contents of this notice & the proposed opencut mine amendment. A Site Map can be viewed by visiting: <https://searchopencutpermits.mt.gov> Type "Dean Hanson" into the Site Name Field and click "Submit." Refer to page 50 of the application PDF. Hard copies the Site Map can be obtained by contacting Cole Peebles of Great West Engineering.

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC MEETING

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is accepting requests for a public meeting on the following proposed opencut operation in your area:

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| DEQ SECTION | |
| Operator: <u>Jim Gilman Excavating, Inc.</u> | Site: <u>Dean Hanson</u> County: <u>Madison</u> Opencut #: <u>606</u> |
| Legal Description: Section <u>36</u> , Township <u>1N</u> , Range <u>5W</u> | |
| Public Meeting Request Period: The DEQ will accept requests for a public meeting until <u>7/20/2016</u> | |

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| SURFACE LANDOWNER SECTION | |
| Landowner(s): If you wish to request a public meeting, complete the following and submit to: DEQ Opencut Mining Program, Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901; Fax: (406) 444-4988; Email: DEQOpencut@mt.gov | |
| NOTES: When determining the number of surface landowners eligible to request a public meeting, multiple parties owning the same parcel of land are counted as 1 Landowner. A party owning multiple parcels of land is counted as one Landowner, regardless of the no. of parcels owned. | |
| YES or NO (Circle one) I request that DEQ conduct a public meeting about this proposed opencut operation. | |
| Landowner: Name (print or type) | Signature |
| Address | City, State, Zip |
| Date | Phone Number E-mail |

NOTE: Landowners can submit written comments about the proposed operation to the DEQ using the contact information listed below.

- The following information applies to requests for a public meeting:
- A copy of the application for the proposed operation can be viewed at <http://searchopencutpermits.mt.gov>. If additional information about the proposed operation is needed, please contact the operator at the address or phone number listed in the public notice provided to you by the operator.
 - In accordance with MCA 82-4-432(9), the DEQ must hold a public meeting in the area of the proposed operation if requested by one-half the applicant, or at least 30% of the property owners or 10 property owners, whichever is greater.
 - Prior to holding a public meeting, DEQ will send notice by first-class mail to surface owners of land located within one-half mile of the boundary of the proposed permit area.
 - The public meeting will be held within 30 days of the closing date of the public meeting request period indicated above.

The DEQ will only:

- hold a public meeting if the fee provided with the application payment to MCA 82-4-432(2)(a) is received.
- hold a public meeting if the fee provided for the public notice pursuant to MCA 82-4-432(6)(b) is received.
- hold a public meeting if the fee provided for the public notice pursuant to MCA 82-4-432(6)(b) is received.

Y/N YES NO YES NO YES NO

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SUBMITTED BY JON EBELT
Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services

Many Montanans will be enjoying summer fairs in the coming months. And, with that opportunity presents the chance to visit exhibits such as petting zoos that allow people of all ages the thrilling experience of coming face-to-face with animals.

But, those experiences do

involve some health risks. "Sometimes, even healthy animals can carry organisms that make people sick," said assistant state veterinarian Dr. Tahnee Szymanski of the Department of Livestock.

Young children and persons who have weakened immune systems are at greatest risk for infection and complications from illnesses caused by Salmonella, E. coli, influenza and others.

"Livestock plays an integral part in the lives of Montanans, and we really want people to enjoy this experience, but in a safe way," Szymanski said.

The Department of Public Health and Human Services and the DOL ask that everyone do their part to prevent illnesses transmitted from animals to humans to help keep petting zoos and fairs safe. Since many

of these organisms can be ingested, avoid eating or drinking around animals and always wash your hands after petting animals or touching surfaces in the animal barns.

"Keep food, drinks, strollers and pacifiers out of animal areas," said DPHHS epidemiologist Dana Fejes. "Be sure to wash your hands after leaving the animals and before eating food."

Fejes says to follow these few simple steps to keep humans and animals healthy:

- Wash your hands after handling animals
- Avoid touching your mouth after animal contact
- Do not bring food or drinks into animal area
- Do not bring strollers or pacifiers into animal area
- Supervise small

children
Stay away from animal exhibits when you are ill

Consult with your local health department for further guidance and questions or go to online to www.dphhs.mt.gov.

"Together we can prevent illnesses and keep our children and communities healthy," Fejes said.

Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest officials concerned about abandoned campfires

SUBMITTED BY LEONA RODREICK
Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest public affairs officer

Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest officials have discovered a number of abandoned campfires throughout the BDNF and in particular in south of Butte.

"In the last week, fire crews have responded to abandoned campfires in the Limekiln, Toll Mountain and Thompson Park areas," said Butte-Jefferson district ranger Dave

Sabo. "We been lucky so far with adjacent fuels that are still green to limit the spread of fire, however, temperatures are expected to be in the 80s this week. Those high temperatures combined with gusty winds cause fuels to dry quickly. We want folks to have a great outdoor experience on the forest, but make sure your fire is completely out before you leave."

Forest Service officials offered these tips for anyone outdoors:

- Never leave a campfire unattended.
- Always make sure your fire is completely out before you leave.
- Mix water, earth and embers and stir until they are cool to the touch.
- Remember to bring along a shovel and bucket to help put your campfire out.
- Be careful where you park, catalytic converters can start fires is dry grass under vehicles.

Forests. If visitors are in possession of or discharge fireworks on the National Forest they may be fined up to \$300.

Human caused fires are one of the factors fire officials use to determine if fire restrictions are necessary. Currently, there are no fire restrictions in effect in Southwest Montana. However, weather and fuel conditions can change quickly. To stay up to date with fire restrictions go online to <http://fire-restrictions.us>.

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MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DISPATCH LOG 6/26/16 – 7/2/16

6/26
Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 58 McAllister
Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 21 Cameron
Public Safety on N Ennis Lake Rd McAllister
Welfare Check in Sheridan
Traffic Complaint at Warm Springs Access, Norris

6/27
Theft in 300 Blk E Main St Ennis
Animal Complaint in 2900 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder
Fraud on Caterpillar Rd Alder
Assault on S Boulder Rd, Cardwell
Alarm in 100 Blk Tobacco Root Rd Silver Star
Vandalism/Criminal Mischief on Cutoff Rd Twin Bridges
Medical Aid on Fairgrounds Loop Twin Bridges

6/28
Accident on MT Hwy 84 MM 2 Norris
Animal Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 51 Ennis
Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 20 Alder
Theft on Galiger Ln Alder

Traffic Complaint in 800 Blk MT Hwy 84 Norris
Suspicious Circumstances on Bluff View Ln Ennis
Missing Person on Papoose Creek Trail Cameron
Suspicious Circumstances in 400 Blk MT Hwy 359 Cardwell

6/29
Public Safety on US Hwy 287 MM 60 Norris
Suspicious Circumstances in 200 Blk W Wallace St Virginia City
Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 1 Ennis
Theft on Flyfisher Ln Alder
Suspicious Circumstances on Jensen Park Rd Twin Bridges
Accident on MT Hwy 84 MM 3 Norris

6/30
Fire Call on Granite Creek Rd Virginia City
Animal Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 17 Cameron
Medical Aid on Duck Ln Alder
Disturbance in 100 Blk W Main St Ennis
Welfare Check in 400 Blk W Hugel St Ennis

Fire Call in Gravelly Range
Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 31 Sheridan
Fire Call on MT Hwy 359 MM 5 Cardwell
Citizen Assist in 100 Blk W Main St Ennis
Animal Complaint on Pony Rd MM 1 Harrison

7/1
Fire Call in 100 Blk Carney Ln Silver Star
Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 60 Norris
Accident at MT Hwy 287 MM 1 Ennis
Suspicious Circumstances on MT Hwy 84 MM 4 Norris
Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 40 Cameron
Welfare Check on Patrick Ln Sheridan
Threats at Valley Garden Access Ennis
Threats in 4000 Blk US Hwy 287 Ennis
Suspicious Circumstances in 400 Blk W Hugel St Ennis

7/2
Medical Aid on Geyser St Ennis
Trespass in 200 Blk Washington Bar Loop McAllister
Suspicious Circumstances on Wade Lake Rd

Cameron
Animal Complaint on Tobe Rd Ennis
Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 84 MM 6 Norris
Suspicious Circumstances in 300 Blk Main St Ennis
Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 50 Ennis
Fire Call on US Hwy 287 MM 29 Cameron
Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 55 McAllister
Fire Call on US Hwy 287 MM 71 Harrison
Medical Aid in 4000 Blk US Hwy 287 Ennis
Vandalism/Criminal Mischief in 1000 Blk S Boulder Rd Cardwell
Threats in 400 Blk W Hugel St Ennis
Traffic Complaint on N Ennis Lake Rd McAllister
Medical Aid on Wade Lake Rd Cameron
Medical Aid on Panorama Ln Ennis
Medical Aid in 500 Blk Centennial Dr Sheridan
Suspicious Circumstances on US Hwy 287 MM 51 Ennis

The Madison County Sheriff's Office responded to 125 calls for service from June 26 – July 2, 2016.

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Coachman Lane - McAllister - \$359,000
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9 N Ramshorn Mtn Drive - Ennis - \$439,000
• 5 bed/3 bath +/- 2800 sq ft custom home • .55 acres on the Ennis Golf Course • Hardwood floor, travertine tile, & granite through out • Chef's kitchen, large windows, great views, landscaped



Wapiti Lane - Ennis - \$449,000
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• minutes from fishing, hunting, hiking



Pony Road - Pony - \$560,000
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Thanks Again,
Ruby Valley Conservation District and Ruby Watershed Council



SUBMITTED BY HANNA CALLAHAN
Sheridan Little League

Sheridan Little League had an amazing season this year. We had 43 kids sign up. We had two t-ball teams, a pony team and a minors team. Our t-ball teams had their final games on June 10. Our pony team finished their season on June 14 in the championship game and came out of that game as the champions. The minors last game was June 16, which was also the championship game where they took second.

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| T-Ball: | Charlie Morgan | Gunnar Decker |
| Tessa Scott | | Kaden Browne |
| Kannyon Davis | Pony: | Faith Randolph |
| Ryan Gronning | Aden Miller | Stran Barnosky |
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| Dax Dietrich | Ethan Shepard | Presley Young |
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| Maycee Hyndman | Conner Miller | Michael Galiger |
| Timothy Miller | Jaxon Schuller | |
| Waylon Brant | Charles Larsen | |
| Makinnon Wilke | Cade Davidson | |
| Jazlynn Waltz | Pete Robison | |
| James Waltz | Austin Smail | |
| Riley Chisholm | Minors: | |
| Logan McDougal | Andreena Bock | |
| Brody Decker | Kaleb Schuller | |
| Maggie Robison | Tristan Stout | |
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**Monday, July 11th
4:00 - 6:00**

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WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

ABIGAIL DENNIS
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The Ruby Valley Conservation District and Ruby Watershed Council hosted the 11th annual welcome to the neighborhood party last weekend.

The event was first established as a way to get new residents of the valley familiar with their neighbors and natural resources – over the last decade, however, it has grown into an informational evening.

This year, the night revolved around honey, with honey-themed foods and beverages. The featured speaker, Allison Wentzel, discussed honeybees and the life of a commercial bee keeper.



PHOTO COURTESY REBECCA RAMSEY
 Ethan Kunard entertains the crowd with his vocal talents and guitar.

MORE from the PARADE

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Ennis celebrated the Fourth of July with its annual parade, themed Big Skies, Open Spaces this year.



Local Ennis veterans lead the parade down Ennis Main Street.



Addison Hellwinkel, 3, sings the National Anthem.



The Saddle-ites from Bozeman entertain the crowd gathered for the Fourth of July parade in Ennis.



Chief Tendoy

DAYLIGHT CREEK GATHERING

Virginia City, MT.

July 15-16, 2016

Agenda

Friday, July 15 - Arrival and Cabin CHECK-IN and available camping at Bettinger's place (Daylight Creek)

Saturday, July 16 - Daylight Creek Gathering

7 a.m. Morning Prayer at Tendoy Park

8 a.m. Breakfast at Bettinger's place (Daylight Creek)

10:30 a.m. Power Point Presentation: "The John and Janet Creighton Public History Field School of 2016 Tendoy Park, Interpretive Park Presentation", at the Public Room of the Madison County Court house.
 Guest Speaker - Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Vice-Chairman Darrell Shay

Noon Lunch on your own

1:30 p.m. Exhibition Dance at Bettinger's place (Daylight Creek) - Host Drum, "Old School"

4 p.m. Traditional feast at Daylight Creek

6 p.m. End of Gathering, "HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME"

For more information contact Leo Arriwite @ (208) 478-4025 cell (208) 709-4496; Leah Hardy @ (208) 478-4041 cell (208) 241-8621 or Theresa Bache @ (208) 236-1187 cell (208) 530-2341

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AREA SENIOR MEALS

MEALS FOR SENIORS, TWIN BRIDGES

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MEALS ON WHEELS, SHERIDAN

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

ENNIS MEALS ON WHEELS, ENNIS

Tuesday-Friday 11:45 am to 12:30 pm
Reservations 682-4422

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

JULY 7, - JULY 14, 2016 MENU

THURSDAY JULY 7: CHICKEN FRIED STEAK - GRAVY, MASHERS, VEGGIES DESSERT

FRIDAY JULY 8: BBQ CHICKEN, BAKED BEANS, COLESLAW, DESSERT

TUESDAY JULY 12: CHICKEN PARMESAN, VEGGIES, DINNER ROLL, DESSERT

WEDNESDAY JULY 13: HAM STEAK, CHEESY POTATOES, DESSERT

THURSDAY JULY 14: Red Hats, BAKED MAC & CHEESE, SALAD, GARLIC BREAD, DESSERT



CRAFT SHOW

Sponsored by Madison Valley Manor Auxiliary

FRIDAY, JULY 15TH

9:00 A.M.—3:00 P.M.

FREE ICE CREAM

BAKE SALE and \$5 LUNCH—HOT DOG, CHIP, DRINK, COOKIE

To reserve your booth please contact:

Melody Clark, MVM Activities Director, 682-7271 OR

Cherrie Zitting, MVM Auxiliary President, 682-5409

Booths must remain open until 3:00 p.m. Held outdoors at Madison Valley Manor Booth rental will be \$25 which includes lunch. Bring your own table/chair/shade

Proceeds will benefit the Madison Valley Manor Activity Program

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**THURSDAY
JULY 7**

Wine tasting, Ennis
Wine, food, art auction and live music begins at 5:30 p.m. at the Jumping Horse Ranch. For more information, call 565-2903.

**FRIDAY
JULY 8**

Artist reception, Virginia City
Reception with artist of the month Jody Everts at the Elling House Arts and Humanities Center at 5:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY
JULY 9**

Karaoke, Virginia City
Karaoke at the Bale of Hay Saloon beginning at 9 p.m.

Wildlife speaker series, Sheridan
Jack Kirkley will be presenting on wetland and riparian birds at the Silver Springs Ranch beginning at 8 a.m. Breakfast included.

Wildlife speaker series, Ennis
Steve Primm of People

and Carnivores will be presenting on bears at the Lions Club Park at 5 p.m.

Hike, Lewis and Clark Cavern
Come take a short hike to see a wide variety of Bats flying around the Jefferson River. Begins at 9 p.m.

Celebration of life, Ennis
Please join us to celebrate the life of Myrna Woirhaye. Service at Red Bluff Cemetery in Norris at 2 p.m. with a reception to follow at the El Western.

**SUNDAY
JULY 10**

Piano concert, Virginia City
Fourth annual Ella Irvine Mountjoy piano concert at the Elling House Arts and Humanities Center at 7 p.m. Call 843-5507 for more information.

JULY 10-16

Drama camp, Virginia City
The Elling House Arts and Humanities Center presents Virginia City Drama Camp for ages 9-17. Call 843-5507 for more information.

**MONDAY
JULY 11**

History program, Laurin
"Jeannette Ranking: Myth and Reality" by Dr. Jim Lopach and Dr. Jean Luckowski at the Robber's Roost at 6:30 p.m.

Presentation, Ennis
William Rossiter will give a presentation at the library about America's labor history beginning at 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY
JULY 12**

Book reading, Ennis
Ally McWilliams will read from her book "Big Sky" at the library at 5 p.m.

**THURSDAY
JULY 14**

Magic show, Ennis
Magic show for the entire family at the library beginning at 10 a.m.

Magic show, Virginia City
Mr. E. Magic show for all ages begins at 10:30 a.m. at the library.

Meeting, Ennis
Fan Mountain Red Hat Ladies luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at the Ennis Senior Center.

**FRIDAY
JULY 15**

Wee Dog, Virginia City
Kick off event for Dog and Grog at 9 p.m. at the Bale of Hay Saloon.

Presentation, Lewis and Clark Caverns
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**SATURDAY
JULY 16**

Dog and Grog, Virginia City

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REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

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

KnitNite, Ennis
Meets at Right Angles Framing and Gallery from 5-7 p.m. the first and third Monday of the month.

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.

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

Children's Story & Craft Time for babies, 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.

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

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

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

Books and Babies, Ennis

Madison Valley Public Library, 10:30 a.m. 682-7244

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

Yoga, Virginia City
Gentle yoga with Andrea Frederick at 5:30 p.m. at the library.

Farmers' market, Ennis
From 5-7 p.m. in the Elementary School parking lot.

THURSDAYS

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

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

Constitution classes
6 p.m. at the Ennis High School, room #3.

Farmers' market, Sheridan
From 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the Main Street Park.

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

FRIDAYS

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

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

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

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

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