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Last weekend, the Ruby Valley celebrated summer with a parade, car show and more.

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VIRGINIA CITY POST OFFICE

Commissioners push for more hours to increase efficiency of county offices



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Around two years ago, the United States Postal Service reduced hours at the Virginia City Post Office to only four

hours per weekday. Since then, the Madison County Commissioners have been arguing that

"We think it is very unfortunate that we are the only county seat in the state

of Montana with reduced hours at the post office," said commissioner Dave Schulz. 'Not only is it a burden to our residents, but it adds incredible court and more all send and inefficiency for county offices with time sensitive mail and

quick turnaround."

Schulz said county offices like the treasurer, clerk and recorder, commission, clerk of

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Airports: growth on the horizon

Ennis on 'cusp' of moving up a class; Twin Bridges sees increased traffic



ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN The Ennis-Big Sky Airport received new aprons and taxiways this summer.

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A project to replace the aprons and taxiways at the Ennis-Big Sky Airport is

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nearly complete – the paving is finished, and all that is left is striping and lighting, according to Madison County commissioner Jim Hart.

The update was necessary

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because the taxiway at the airport was constructed around 25 years ago, which means they were well past their useful life.

"(The aprons and taxiways had) extensive cracking and rutting resulting from load related pavement failures," said Lance Bowser, engineer with Robert Peccia & Associates, the firm handling the engineering and construction on Madison County's airports. "The project (reconstructed) the pavement in accordance with current standards for the existing air traffic utilizing the airport.'

The project's price tag of \$1.8 million was primarily funded by the Federal Aviation Administration – Madison County paid 10 percent of the cost through the county airport budget.

Increasing traffic

When the commissioners first applied for FAA funding to update the Ennis Airport, the FAA declined the request. "We're right at the cusp

of moving from a class B to a class C airport and (the FAA) said, 'you know what?' we better plan to accommodate

future traffic," Hart explained. Bowser revised the scope of work to alleviate the FAA's concerns about accommodating the volume and type of traffic that projected at Ennis in the future, and the project was approved.

Hart said the next step for the Ennis Airport is widening the runway - the airport is starting to see more flights, but also traffic from bigger, faster aircraft, which emphasizes the need for an upgrade in the near future.

"We need to plan how soon we will widen the runway," Hart said. "Doing that might have to include purchasing minimal property to the east."

The Ennis-Big Sky Airport is only one of Madison County's two facilities. The other, in Twin Bridges, is also experiencing increased traffic.

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LEAD in the WATER

Sheridan town discovers low levels of lead in drinking water

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According to a release from the town of Sheridan, elevated levels of lead have been found in some areas of Sheridan's drinking water system.

"Levels of lead in the Sheridan public water supply were discovered during routine sampling of the system during the Department of Environmental Quality prescribed sampling period of Jan. 1 to June 30, 2016," according to the release. "Results of 29 samples taken during this period identified an exceedance of the lead action level of 0.015 micrograms per liter."

The release continues to state that DEQ has mandated a plan of action to identify the source of the problem, as well as steps to mitigate the excess levels

"We've outlined the steps (the town) need to take including public education and information, collecting samples at both the source of the water and home taps and have provided other recommendations with regard to treatment," said Kristi Ponozzo, public policy director for the DEQ.

Ponozzo also issued a statement recommending consumers to "drink tap water in moderation and to provide bottled water to children under the age of 6 and those with compromised immune systems."

The release states children under the age of 6 and pregnant woman are at the most risk in addition to those with high blood pressure and kidney problems.

The next move

According to Mayor Tom Shaffer, the town has initiated the required actions and will hold a public meeting at the Sheridan Elementary School on Aug. 15

"We found lead in three sections of the town, mostly on the eastern side of town and not throughout the entire (water) system," Shaffer said. "We're not in any violations with DEQ but it has reached a point where we need to take action."

Though it is unknown at this time what caused the spike in lead levels in the system, DEQ is conducting a corrosion control study to determine the source of the contamination.

Shaffer and the town council, along with the Madison County Sanitarian, Madison County Department of Health, Madison County Department of Emergency Services, DEQ and a representative from Great West Engineering, will be on hand during the Aug. 15 meeting to address comments from the public as well as actions the town is taking.

The town and the DEQ will be conducting more samples and will meet in the following weeks with all county department representatives.

"As far as we know right now, it's kind of early to tell anything," said county sanitarian Van Puckett. "We'll meet next week and get more guidance and another set of samples to see if there were some sampling

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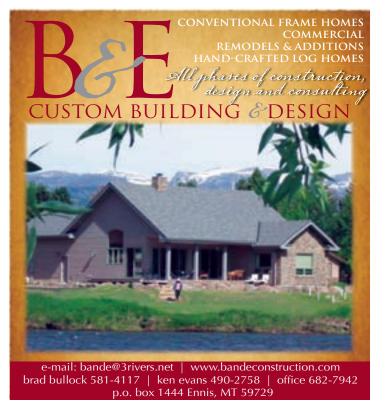
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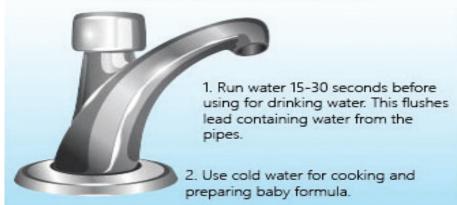
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Take these steps to reduce exposure to lead

*The following information is complied from a release the town sent to residents



- 3. Boiling water will not remove or reduce lead!
- Look for alternative treatment sources. Consider using a water filter approved by the National Sanitation Foundation, and regularly replace the filter.
- Test your water! Contact the town of Sheridan at 842-5431 for a water testing schedule and for more information about testing your water.
- Get your children tested for lead by contacting your local health department or healthcare provider.
- Identify plumbing fixtures that may contain lead.
 Visit www.nsf.org for more information about lead and non-lead containing fixtures.

errors and if any false positives were generated from bad sampling techniques or cross contaminated samples. We want to rule out everything before we can take action."

As sanitarian, Puckett works closely with restaurants and retail food providers and said if they find unsafe levels of lead they will surely let the public know.

Health concerns

According to Ponozzo, lead is a chronic exposure and builds up in the body over time. Lead is not absorbed through the skin, so swimming and bathing is a not a concern.

Melissa Brummel, public heath nurse with the Madison County Public Health Department also released a statement regarding the potential lead-related health concerns.

"No amount of lead exposure had been proven to be safe," the release states. "It is important to know your risks of being exposed to lead and decrease or eliminate them as soon as possible."

Brummel continued, saying not all who have toxic levels of lead in their body present symptoms. The following symptoms may indicate an exposure to lead: abdominal pain, constipation, irritability, difficulty concentrating and anemia.

If you suspect you may have had a lead exposure or know of one, Brummel recommends seeking advice from your medical provider.

* Editor's note: Anyone with questions should reach out to the town of Sheridan at 842-5431 or attend the public meeting at the Sheridan Elementary School on Aug. 15 at 6 p.m.

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receive time sensitive mail, that is sometimes delayed up to three days because of short hours at the post office.

On July 25, two of Sen. Jon Tester's field representatives, Jennifer Madgic and Smith Work, attended the commissioners' meeting, curious if any progress had been made in increasing hours at the post office.

"We told them no," Schulz said. "Tester's office is going to evaluate what options we have and make recommendations for how we should move forward."

Schulz and commissioner Jim Hart clarified the postal service uses revenue as a determining factor when deciding hours for a specific branch.

"We have a postage machine in our courthouse and send a lot (of mail)," Schulz said. "And with the amount of public and tourist business that goes through that office, it is about more than revenue."

According to Pete Nowacki, spokesperson for the United States Postal Service, the Virginia City Post Office was one of more than 13,000 offices nationwide that were reviewed as part of a "Post Plan."

"Retail window hours at Post Plan Offices were adjusted to two, four or six per day, based upon workload and proximity to other post office facilities," Nowacki explained. "The Post Plan process had a public contact process, including surveys sent to all customers and public meetings to solicit community input beyond analysis of postal workload."

Nowacki said all post offices are periodically reviewed to determine if the current hours accurately reflect workload, but he was unable to say when the Virginia City Post Office would be reviewed again.

Kathleen Mumme, Madison County clerk and recorder and election administrator, said her office has learned to work around the shorter hours.

"We do believe that having it open for only four hours makes it more difficult – not only for the county offices but for whoever is working there," Mumme said. "We have so much responsibility here at the county to get things from and to the taxpayers."

In the past, Mumme said the office could count on all

mail within the area to get where it is going within a day.

"That is no longer the case," she said. "We seem to get the bulk of our mail on Monday and Tuesday. The rest of the week it seems to trickle in. Since so much of our daily workload

is based in mail, that leaves two days of large workloads, with the other three less so. That is not a problem, really, but we often long for the days when things were a bit more

spread out."
Sen. Tester's staffers agreed with the commissioners that the situation was "unfortunate" and even "inappropriate."

"At the end of the day, it's about provid-

ing adequate service," Schulz said.

ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN The post office, located on Virginia City Main Street.



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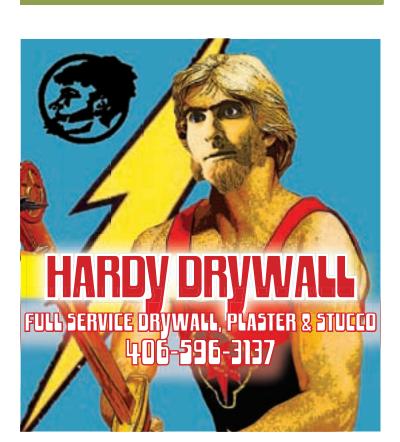
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"For safety, we will need to widen the taxiway from the runway into the tarmac," said Madison County commissioner Dave Schulz. "We're talking maybe five or seven years out."

Though traffic at the Ennis facility is growing faster, Schulz said if Twin Bridges upgrades, they might start getting traffic that currently goes to Dillon.

Serving a need

"Montana and Madison County is quite often considered a recreational spot," Hart explained. "People come fishing and hunting and recreating in various ways." Hart said the county airports bring traffic into the surrounding communities.

"They don't just drop in the airport then turn around and leave," he said. "While they're here, they go to motels, restaurants and shops. They buy fishing and hunting licenses. It helps Madison County."

Schulz brought up another

benefit of the county airports.
"They provide public
and resource safety," he said

Schulz used the recent Blue Lake Fire, south of Ennis, as an example.

"Helicopters were sitting at the Ennis Airport, just using it as a base to fight that fire from," he said.

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Nobody correctly named this road last week. Who knows it!?

MORE NEWS:

Water supply below average for summer

Mid-July storm front brings nearly all the month's precipitation in 3 days

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As a hot, dry June came to a close, July started much the same way. Fortunately, between July 10 and 13, a storm covered Southwest Montana, bringing most of the month's mountain precipitation in just three days, according to Lucas Zukiewicz, water supply specialist with the Natural Resources and Conservation Service.

"June is the last month we usually have, the last burst of precipitation we get before a few dry months," Zukiewicz said. "But in the Ruby (River Basin) and Madison (River Basin) both, our mountain precipitation was well below average."

In fact, the Madison River Basin only received 35 percent of its average precipitation during the month of June. On the Ruby side, that basin received 58 percent of average, he added.

That below average precipitation, combined with the fact the snowpack peaked early, means that most area rivers are experiencing "fairly low" flows, Zukiewicz said.

In the Madison and Ruby valleys, snowpack peaked at the beginning of April for low elevations and mid to late-April at higher elevations, which shifted snowmelt into start about two weeks ahead of usual. Once that melt started, there was no going back, so mountain snows were not available to sustain the system this summer.

Average July

Typically, July brings a little less than two inches of rain to Madison County, Zukiewicz said. July 2016 stayed true to that, with a midmonth storm that left behind nearly all the month's precipitation in just a few days.

As the month drew to a close, the Madison River Basin rounded out at 100 percent of average precipitation, and the Ruby River Basin was at 122 percent.

"There's no strong signal that things are going to change heading into August," Zukiewicz said. "Persistence is probably the best forecast."

Like July, August and September are generally dry months for Madison County – Zukiewicz said the area usually receives 1 1/2 to 2 inches of rain per month from July through September.

Demand on reservoirs

Fortunately for Madison River users, Hebgen Dam regulates the flows, augmenting runoff with dam releases. In the Ruby Valley, however, the reservoir is in high demand due to irrigation. Though Zukiewicz did not have updated reservoir percentages by The Madisonian's press time on Tuesday, he did say he is expecting to see a "drop" because of the summer's below average

precipitation and the demand for water.

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A summer storm approaches across the
Tobacco Root Mountains in mid-July.



SHERIDAN SUMMENT FESTIVAL





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Kids scramble for candy during the parade.

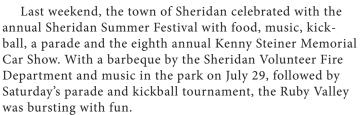
Pete Rossiter shoots parade viewers with a squirt gun during Saturday's parade.

Sheridan veterans carry the colors and start the parade.

Rob Tipton passes candy from his saddlebag into eager

Over 40 cars participated in the Kenny Steiner Memorial Car Show.

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"It's been going well," said Janna Verhow, one of the festival coordinators. "We served over 300 people for dinner and the band was good. It's always nice to see some folks you haven't seen in a while and everyone comes together."









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The Republican 'good old days' mean disaster for middle class

Dear Editor,

The Republican motto is, "Make America strong again." I thought America was strong now. If America is not strong, it is because of the "no" party. The last Republican president sent us to an economic decline. The last Republican president started an unneeded illegal war that cost taxpayers \$3 trillion. The last Republican president gave the super rich big tax breaks. You know what the middle class got?

In the past eight years the Republicans in Congress have

done little to help America. They have been the party of "no," but have collected their big paychecks and have a good health care system for themselves. You know what the middle class got?

Now the Republican Party wants us to go back to the good old days. The good old days means the rich get richer, the poor get poorer and the middle class pays the bills.

The Republicans say they want smaller government, which means the rich get richer, the poor get poorer and the middle class gets cheated.

The Republicans say they are conservative. Which means the rich get richer, the poor get poorer and the middle class gets bilked.

We cannot afford to get rid of social security, as the Republicans want. You worked all your life, paid into social security and if the Republicans get their way, you will get nothing, zero, naught.

We cannot afford the Republicans who said they will create more jobs, but what did they do? They shut down the

government, which put thousands out of work and cost taxpayers \$24 billion to reinstate what they shut down.

The Republicans want fewer regulations to control Wall Street. Which means the rich will get richer and you know the rest.

The middle class and the working poor cannot afford to go back to the Republican "good old days." The Republican "good old days" means disaster for the middle class.

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OBITUARIES

William Franklin Johnson November 3, 1933 – July 26, 2016

William Franklin Johnson, "Bill," graduated peacefully from this life on the morning of July 26, 2016. Bill was born Nov. 3, 1933, in Rector, Ark., and spent his childhood moving frequently between the mid-south and the San Juaquin Valley of California. Bill was the oldest of four children and his sister Carnell Landsbury survives him. Bill joined the U.S. Navy in 1955 and married Betty Lou Stearns in 1956 ... and then

the fun began! Bill and Betty had five children: Dennis Eugene, Mary Marcell (Marcie), Dorene Faye (Dori), Diane Camille (Camie) and William Clyde (Billy).

Following the Navy, Bill had a career in China Lake, Calif., as an electronic technician for the Department of Defense. Bill retired in 1988. Bill was a volunteer firefighter in Inyokern, Calif., from 1968-1988, served in the military and active reserves

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from 1955-1979 and worked in various anechoic chambers (Google it!) for the 29 years of his civil service career. He was also an active member, deacon, elder, joy bus driver, song-leader and occasional preacher of the Ridgecrest, Calif., Church of Christ. (He and Betty later joined the Three Forks Church of Christ and most recently enjoyed the Rocky Mountain Baptist Church).

Bill loved the outdoors and even before retiring he knew he wanted his last chapter of life to be in Ennis. He was an avid hunter, fisherman, backpacker and small aircraft pilot. He shared this passion for the outdoors with his family (with varying degrees of success). Each vacation was spent in the mountains with every child her/his own homemade backpack, custom sleeping bag and even the ceremonial gun given between ages 10 and 12.

Bill was a deeply respected gentleman who served his church and his community. But the love of his life was his family. Bill and

Betty spent years with their grandchildren during summers in Montana. He taught his grandsons James and Ben how to make homemade bunk beds using only handwhittled dowels. At other times grandchildren helped him make canoes (and everyone survived the many trips on the river). Other grandchildren Mindy, Katharene, Chris, Julie, Robert, Gavin, Elliott, Dayna, Nathan and Grant all spent a lot of time in Montana over the years making memories to last a lifetime.

Bill and Betty also have 11 great-grandchildren spread around the globe and extended nieces and nephews, cousins, brothers and sisters and dear friends who have enjoyed time in Montana.

There will be a celebration of life in Tacoma, Wash., in August and also in Ennis on Sunday, Sept. 18 at the Rocky Mountain Baptist Church. Church services start at 11 a.m. and following the morning service there will be a potluck in honor of Bill. Please join us!

Robert Syphert 2016

Robert Syphert, age 76, of Twin Bridges died July 24, 2016, at his home. Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date. K&L Mortuaries and Crematory of Twin Bridges is assisting with arrangements.

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6 MORE NEWS:



Crews return to fire camp after a day on the Blue Lake Fire

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A long stretch of headlights toured down MT Highway 287, turning into the Ennis Rodeo Grounds. Engine after engine lined the open field as firefighters unloaded their packs after a 14 hour day on the Blue Lake Fire.

Just after 8:30 p.m., Jeff Barnes and his engine, number 661, landed in fire camp, a place the Ennis native has been calling home since the Blue Lake Fire started July 21. The lightning caused fire is burning 1 and 1/2 miles south of Axolotl Lakes and was one of the first big fires for the state. As of Tuesday, July 26 there were 216 people helping to tame the blaze.

Barnes, an assistant engine foreman on the Madison Ranger District of the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, had been up since 5:30 a.m. and had just returned to camp, ready for dinner, a hot shower and bed.

"It's a little stressful," said Barnes, referring to the Blue Lake Fire. "More so than others because I know the area and the people so you have a little more invested."

Barnes spent 13 years as a volunteer firefighter in Ennis and always enjoyed being outdoors.

always enjoyed being outdoors.

"I like being out in the woods, so I guess it was a pretty natural segway for me," he said about his transition to working for the

Forest Service. "I hope to stick with it and keep moving up."

The Blue Lake Fire is only a six or seven on Barnes' scale,

meaning it is not the craziest blaze he has ever seen.

"I was on a fire in New Mexico that was a grass fire that got out of control," he said. "We were going from house to house to make sure everyone was out."

A day and night at camp

A typical day in fire camp is anything but glamorous. Crews wake up at 5:30 a.m. for breakfast before gathering at 6 a.m. for their daily briefing. There are mobile showers and a first aide tent on site, and a designated sleeping area, where firefighters have lined up their tents for their stay.

"At the morning briefing we get our assignments and then head out for the day," said Barnes.

Crews usually take a brown bag lunch with them, as they likely will not return until dinner.

"Their lunches have to have a certain caloric value," said acting public information officer Kary Maddox.

Most of the meals have been outsourced strictly because of

quantity of prep and demand it takes to provide for the crews.

"We try to keep it as local as we can for as long as we can, but after a certain point it becomes more of a stress on the community," Maddox said.

Maddox came over from Idaho as the acting PIO and is in charge of providing information to the public.

"It's been a really long and tiresome couple of days," she said as she walked around the camp. Though the Madison Valley is picturesque, sleeping on the ground after a 14 to 16 hour day does not always seem so great.

Camp camaraderie and community support

Barnes and his fellow crewmembers spend hours in the field creating fire perimeters and battling embers, smoke and terrain as they protect and preserve Madison County's public lands from one of Mother Nature's most dangerous offenses. It is a tough job and takes a certain type of person, but it' i definitely something that does not go unnoticed by those impacted.

"The community has been so great and really supportive," Barnes said.

Whether it is purchasing a case of water or dropping off baked goods or even just offering a simple thank you, folks in the valley and throughout Madison County have made sure Barnes and his fellow crewmembers feel appreciated.

"It's been educational, I think, for the community too," said Barnes. "Fires like this can happen in your back yard."

The world of firefighting is small, and while you are not likely to know everyone working the same fire, you are sure to meet new lifelong friends.

"Fire's a very small community and it's neat to see friends on fires and meet new people in the camp," Barnes said.

* Editor's note: For an update on the Blue Lake Fire operations,





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The Chief Mountain Hot
Shots out of Browning
walk single file into
camp for dinner.

FAR LEFT
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A rainbow glosses
over fire camp Tuesday
night.

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Ennis native Jeff Barnes
is an assistant engine
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True appreciation

Hi readers,

Last week, I was at one of Ennis' local watering holes and noticed something that warmed my heart. The establishment has a big whiteboard where folks can "buy a buddy a beer." The board was completely full. Names of various community members were interspersed on the list, but a lot of the money on the board was for any firefighter working the Blue Lake Fire to enjoy a cold one.

The Madison Valley's own volunteer fire department was the first on scene at the grass fire near Axolotl Lake. As the fire grew and entered the timber on Bureau of Land Management and private lands, a call for assistance came across the scanner and within hours, hundreds of firefighters flooded the

I want to emphasize the importance of saying "thank you." The men and women who worked tirelessly to contain the Blue Lake Fire are more than deserving of thanks.

Two weekends ago, when the fire was reaching it's peak, the involved agencies hosted a public information meeting so affected community members could learn about current operations and hear plans for the future. During the information session, a common thread kept

popping up.

Whoever was speaking – a county commissioner, Forest Service representative or someone else – would ask if anyone in the public had questions. Without a doubt, the question was always, "What can we do to help?"

One member of the public offered the use of irrigation ponds for the helicopters to fill their buckets. Another asked if they could donate cases of water. A third asked about making sandwiches.

Though the agency officials politely told everyone they were in good shape, it was apparent they were touched by the offer. If you truly want to give back, consider if you have the capacity to volunteer. Madison County's quick response units, ambulances and fire departments are always in need of help. If you aren't an EMT or if you don't feel like you're up to the task of firefighting, I have a feeling our organizations could still find ways to put you to work.

So, yes, please thank a first responder. But also consider taking it a step further. Our community is supported on the backs of volunteers, and the void they fill is not getting any smaller.

Abigail



& EVEN MORE NEWS:



Blue Lake Fire update

Fire 45 percent contained, 629 acres burned as of Aug. 1

ABIGAIL DENNIS editor@madisoniannews.com

The Blue Lake Fire, which is burning 10 miles southwest of Ennis was 629 acres on Aug. 1 at 10 a.m., according to Dale Olson, Madison District Ranger with the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest.

"Until the weather changes and we get significant moisture, we're going to be in monitoring mode," Olson said. The lightning-caused fire was reported at 2:45 p.m. on July 21. It is burning on privately owned and Bureau of Land Management land 1 1/2 miles south of Axolotl Lake.

Currently, Olson said around 60 personnel are assigned to the fire. Within the fire perimeter, Olson said there are around 30 acres of unburned fuel under the tree canopy, which is torching occasionally, sending new plumes of smoke into the air.

"There's heat in there," Olson said. "There's going to be periodic smoke."

Olson emphasized that observing smoke from the fire does not necessarily mean it is "blowing up."

"Having it start into another fire is not out of the realm of possibility, if it was hot and really windy and it jumped into an area with a lot of fuel," Olson said. "(On July 30) there was a little spotting into the grass, but it was easily handled."

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A plume of smoke from the Blue Lake Fire, pictured from Cameron on July 24.

Closures on Southwest Montana rivers

SUBMITTED BY ANDREA JONES Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Consistent high water temperatures and low stream flows have prompted Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks to close two sections of the Big Hole River and the entire Jefferson River to all fishing. FWP is also implementing hoot owl restrictions on the Yellowstone River and reinstituting hoot owl restrictions on the Lower Beaverhead River as well as a section of the Big Hole River.

Specifically, the following sections of rivers are closed to all fishing effectively immediately:

· Big Hole River from Saginaw Bridge on Skinner Meadows Road to the confluence of the North Fork Big Hole River and Big Hole River

Big Hole River from Notch Bottom FAS to confluence with the Beaverhead River

 \cdot $\,$ The entire length of the Jefferson River

The following sections of rivers will be closed to fishing daily from 2 p.m. to midnight until

• Beaverhead River from Anderson Lane to the confluence with the Big Hole River

Yellowstone River from Carter's Bridge

FAS to the confluence with the Clarks Fork of the Yellowstone east of Laurel

Regional Fisheries Manager Travis Horton warns water levels are so critically low that restrictions may remain in place for weeks or even longer.

"What has us so concerned right now is the lack of water," Horton said. "It's all about water when it comes to sustaining healthy fish populations. Even if the temperatures drop for a while, we still need to wait for flows to improve before adding back the stress of angling."

Other hoot owl restrictions around the region which remain in place include:

· Big Hole River: Maiden Rock FAS to Notch Bottom FAS

East Gallatin River: Spring Hill Road
 Bridge to the confluence with the Gallatin River
 Gallatin River: Confluence with the

Madison River at Three Forks to Sheds Bridge

near Four Corners

Madison River: Ennis Dam to the mouth

Ruby River: Duncan District Road to the confluence with the Beaverhead River

Additional restrictions are possible on other stretches of these or other Southwest Montana rivers in the coming weeks.

FIRE RESTRICTIONS

FWP places ban on all fishing access sites in Madison County

SUBMITTED BY ANDREA JONES Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Due to the high level of fire danger, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks' properties in Madison County are under stage one fire restrictions effective Monday, Aug. 1. The restrictions apply specifically to FWP fishing access sites, wildlife management areas and state parks.

In those areas mentioned above, the following acts are prohibited until further notice:

1. Building maintaining, attending or using a fire or

campfire. (Note exemptions below)

2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

Exemptions:

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

2. Persons using a device fueled solely by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels that can be turned on and off.

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

posted notice.
4. Any federal, state or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an

official duty.

5. All land within a city boundary is exempted.

Individuals may be fined up to \$5,000 or imprisoned up to six months for violating the noted fire restrictions.

PET SUCCESS

Rudy the bounding marshmallow

CAITLIN AVEY news@madisoniannews.com

When Jaime Roberts first saw Rudy's adoption photo in the newspaper, she knew she wanted him.

"I called and couldn't meet with them right away because I was getting ready to head to Arizona," she said. "When I got back I saw that he was still in the paper and I thought 'this little dog has been there long enough."

When Roberts picked up her new fourlegged companion, it was love at first meeting.

"He just jumped in the car right away and came home with us," Roberts said.

Rudy is a 4-year-old black lab and bernese mountain dog mix that Roberts said is always

full of joy and happiness.

"He's just a joy to watch – he's like a big, bounding marshmallow," she said. "He's the sweetest dog and very loving and funny."

Rudy takes great care and concern when it comes to Roberts' newly born granddaughter and acts as her protector.

"He must have been around kids sometime before because he will not leave her side when she's here," Roberts said. "He lays right by her side and is very protective but very gentle – everywhere she goes, he's right there with her."

When he is not on babysitting duty, Rudy enjoys the carefree life similar to most dogs – going for walks and rides in the truck, and most definitely chasing antelope that come onto the property.

As far as adopting Rudy, Roberts could not be happier and has high praise for the adoption route.

"(The animals) know they are getting home

and they are so appreciative," Roberts said.

She suggests to future adoptees not to be afraid and to be patient with newly adopted animals.

"Rudy must have been neglected because he was a little shy at first," Roberts said. "Don't expect perfection right away – just be patient and don't be afraid to (adopt)."

* 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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Larry Zabel art at MVMC

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SUBMITTED BY ALI TERRELL Madison Valley Medical Center

The Zabel Family Trust has designated Madison Valley Medical Center to hang until 2019, 31 framed prints done by Larry Zabel. They were recently hung in the patient rooms and the hospital corridor for patient enjoyment by art coordinator, Donna Evans.

Zabel had a long and prolific career as a western artist who specializes in paintings of today's Montana ranch life, Native Americans of the Northern Rockies and historical events of the old west. He was widely known for his generosity. He gave of his time, his art and always his welcome presence. He created paintings for the fund raising functions of many charitable groups including MVMC, the Madison Valley Ranchlands Group and the Naval Weapons Center Museum. The legacy he leaves behind will remain as a record of the beauty, joy and goodness of a region and a way of life that most people will never experience firsthand. It was his hope and mission to preserve and share the great joy of the western experience no matter where he found it.

Dottie Fossel, chairman of the board of trustees, recalls how Zabel and his daughter Becca, then MVMC foundation director, hung his large painting that is enjoyed as people enter the lobby, entitled, Fly Fishing the Madison.

John Bishop, CEO said, "So many community organizations have benefited from Zabel's generosity for many years. He even painted while he was a patient in our medical center."



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THE GATHERING

SUBMITTED BY DOUG MARTIN
Twin Bridges Veterans

On June 25 in Twin Bridges an annual event occurred, the gathering. Important individuals came from all over the Ruby Valley to help bring joy to our local young people. The Women For Veterans Auxiliary arrived with a potluck meal, which they prepared under the new covered area also known as the 'hen house.' There were many important topics discussed – cluck cluck – under the covered area – cluck cluck. All the ladies strutted around with pride at the beautiful meal they provided for all the little chicks.

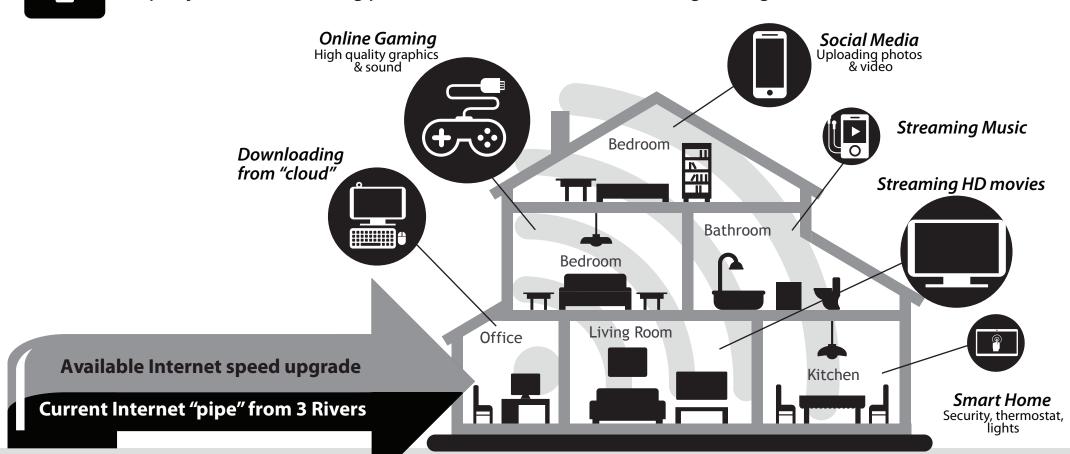
Also, our local veterans 'Stain' Redfield and 'Slug' Martin prepared a manly meal of hamburgers and hotdogs. This took super human feats of ingenuity due to all the food safety and over all preparedness needed. They looked more like snowmen in June or biohazard soldiers than veterans at a barbecue. The gathering turned out to be another successful community event because of all these brave and patriotic individuals and the leadership of 'Germ' Redfield. All kidding aside, it was a great day.





What Does Your Home Internet Use Look Like?

You're in your home office trying to catch up on work and your Internet connection seems a little slow. What's going on in the rest of the house may surprise you—and is probably the reason why that file you're downloading from the "cloud" seems to be taking so long. Let's take a look:



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Buzz from the schools

This is the introduction of a new column, "Buzz from the schools." In each edition of the paper, the superintendent from one of Madison County's schools – Alder, Ennis, Harrison, Sheridan and Twin Bridges – will keep us up-to-date on school activities. Casey Klasna from Ennis is starting us off!

Hello, Madison County!

I'd like to take the time to introduce myself. My name is Casey Klasna and I am the new superintendent in Ennis. My wife and I, along with our three daughters, are excited to be part of Madison County and the Ennis School District. We are native of Montana and I was born and raised north of Lambert on a farm/ranch operation. Recently, we moved from the Terry community where we made our home the last 11 years.

With any public position, it is important and critical that there be transparency so that the stakeholders are informed of the happenings of a school. I also have a link on the Ennis Schools website called "Scoop from the Supt." that will keep stakeholders informed. My goal is to keep everyone informed and be accessible.

My position started July 5 and it has been a smooth transition. Our school is gearing up for a successful and exciting school year. The facilities are looking good and the summer staff has been working hard.

One very exciting addition we will have at Ennis Schools is a

major shift in technology. It is an exciting time for our students, staff and families. As we know, society relies on technology. Technology is entwined in basically every part of our lives. With the 21st century society, it is important to keep up on technology and to train staff and students to effectively use it.

It was decided that the school go to a one to one device for our high school students. iPads that were at the high school will now be added to the elementary building for their use. The tech committee decided that the best device for our high school students would be the WinBook as it can have Microsoft Office installed on it. Of

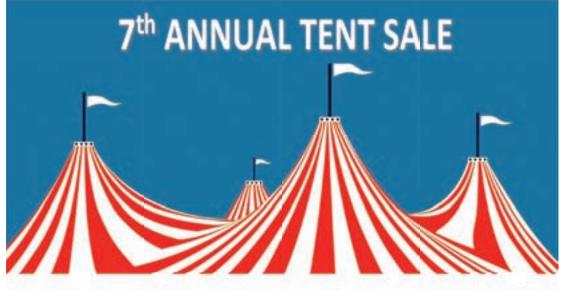
course, these devices are for educational purposes and the school has specific procedures and policies that students and parents will need to know and agree to prior to a device being issued.

The goal is for students and staff to use the technology in a digital classroom setting. Of course, Ennis Schools will be progressive



in training staff and students throughout the year to maximize the

Casey Klasna Ennis School Superintendent



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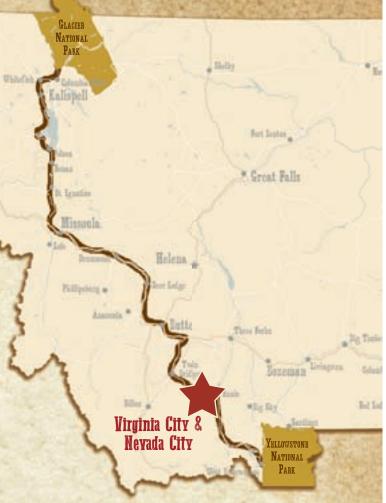
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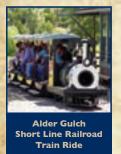


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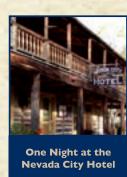


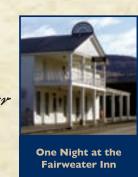
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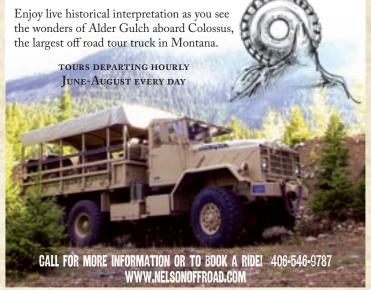
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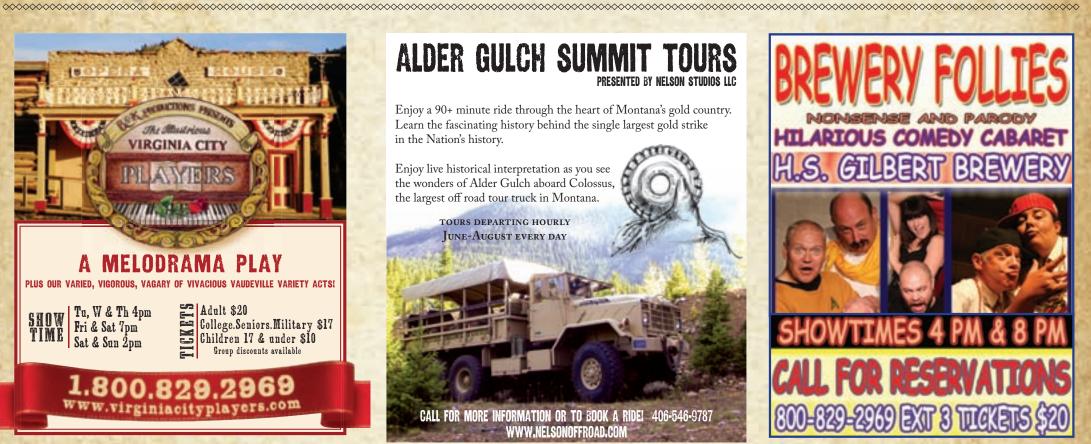
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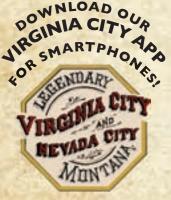


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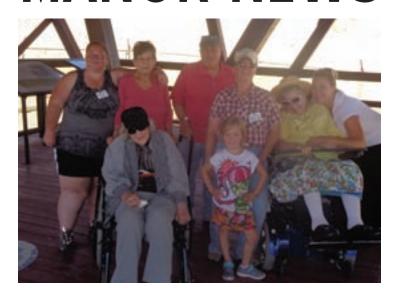






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SUBMITTED BY MELODY CLARK Madison Valley Manor

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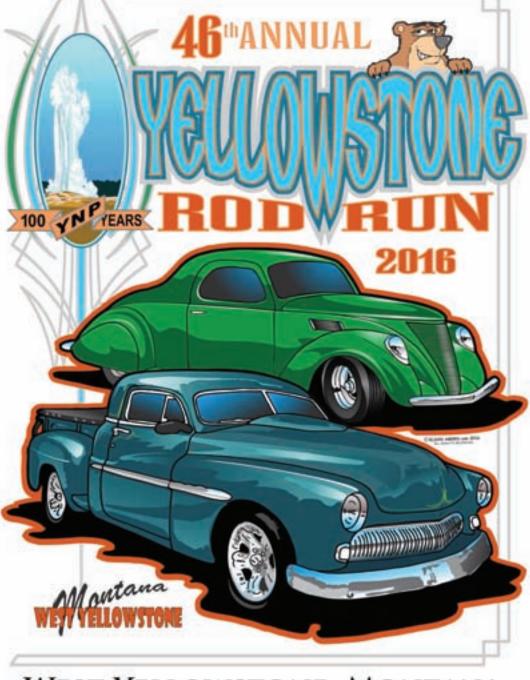
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MM 20 Alder Suspicious Circumstances at MT Hwy 287 MM 21

Suspicious Circumstances in 4900 Blk US Hwy 287 Ennis Animal Complaint in 4900 Blk US Hwy 287 Ennis

Accident at MT Hwy 84 MM 8 Norris

Burglary in 300 Blk N Ennis Lake Rd McAllister

Welfare Check in 2200 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder

Suspicious Circumstances in 100 Blk S Main St Sheridan Medical Aid in 4700 Blk US Hwy 287 Ennis

Animal Complaint in 200 Blk Mill Creek Rd

Animal Complaint in 400 Blk Shining Mountains Loop

Suspicious Circumstances in 400 Blk W Hugel St Ennis Animal Complaint on Alder Gulch Rd Virginia City

Suspicious Circumstances in 800 Blk Mirza Way Ennis Suspicious Circumstances in 200 Blk E Wallace St Virginia City

Suspicious Circumstances in 200 Blk W 6th Ave Twin

Wildlife Call in 300 Blk Jeffers Rd Ennis

Medical Aid in 600 Blk Madison Ave Ennis Animal Complaint in 600 Blk Nicole Way Ēnnis

Traffic Complaint in 100 Blk Madison St Sheridan Suspicious Circumstances

in 100 Blk N Main St Sheridan Criminal Mischief in 100 Blk E Main St Ennis

Citizen Assist in 300 Blk N George St Twin Bridges Traffic Complaint at MT

Hwy 41 MM 35 Twin Bridges Drug Violation in 100 Blk N Main St Sheridan Traffic Complaint in 200 Blk

E Wallace St Virginia City Drug Violation on N Ennis Lake Rd McAllister

7/20

Fire Call on Neely Ln N

Animal Complaint at US Hwy 287 MM 59 McAllister Medical Aid on Patrick Ln

Accident in 100 Blk W Wallace St Virginia City

Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 38 Cameron Medical Aid in 200 Blk E Armitage St Ennis

Suspicious Circumstances in 4400 Blk MT Hwy 41 Twin Bridges

Animal Complaint at Comley Way & Beaverhead St Ennis Wildlife Call on N Ennis Lake Rd McAllister

Medical Aid on Tobacco Root Dr Ennis Alarm in 5000 Blk US Hwy

287 Ennis Diesel Spill in 100 Blk W Main St Ennis

Animal Complaint on Front St Alder

Medical Aid in 100 Blk N Main St Twin Bridges Medical Aid in 100 Blk

Washington St Sheridan Theft in 200 Blk N Main St Twin Bridges

Threats in 100 Blk N Main

Privacy in Communications on Wisconsin Creek Rd Sheridan

Wildlife Call on MT Hwy 287 MM 28 Sheridan

Suspicious Circumstances on Fairgrounds Loop Rd Twin

Disturbance in 400 Blk W **Hugel St Ennis**

Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 30 Sheridan Accident on MT Hwy 84 MM 9 Norris

Public Safety MT Hwy 287 MM 6 Ennis

Threats in 100 Blk Antler Trail Ennis

Fire Call on Bear Gulch Rd Twin Bridges Suspicious Circumstances in 100 Blk Golf Course Dr

Accident on MT Hwy 84 MM 10 Norris

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Fire Call in 100 Blk E Douglas St Virginia City Weapons Violation in 100 Blk W Main St Ennis

Domestic Disturbance in

100 Blk Sheep Creek Rd Ennis The Madison County Sheriff's Office responded to 97 calls for service from July 17 – July 23, 2016.

Fire call on Norwegian Creek Rd Harrison

Traffic Complaint at Warm Springs Boat Launch Norris Citizen Assist in 100 Blk Ennis Lake Rd Ennis Coroner Call in Twin

Bridges

Citizen Assist on Tendoy Way Ennis

Civil Standby in 200 Blk S Boulder Rd Cardwell **Public Safety Complaint** on MT Hwy 41 MM 16 Twin

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Middle Rd Twin Bridges Alarm on Jordan Ln McAl-

Fire call in Twin Bridges

Citizen Assist on Bayers Ln Twin Bridges

Accident at Armitage St & Comley St Ennis Animal Complaint in 100

Blk N Bridge St Twin Bridges Public Safety Complaint on US Hwy 287 by Lyons Bridge Cameron

Fire call North of Ennis Rodeo Grounds Ennis

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Creek Rd Sheridan Fireworks Complaint on Hardy Circle Ennis Medical Aid at W Ennis St

& MT Hwy 287 Ennis Medical Aid in 700 Blk Madison Ave Ennis

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MM 49 Twin Bridges

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& Boiler Springs Rd Ennis Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 41 MM 14 Twin Bridges Accident outside of Twin

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A trip back in time to Sterling, Midasville

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As I stood, one recent Saturday morning, at the confluence of Warm Spring Creek and Pony Creek with the ruined buildings of a lost past around me - low rambling, hewn log ruins and the one massive but crumbling stone shell of a structure - and I wondered why anyone would ever leave this place. It was quiet and peaceful here in this little coulee about 4 miles west of present day Norris. And to the west, framed by the canyon walls of

PHOTO COURTESY LEE ROBISON Tim Jackson describes Midasville.

Hot Spring Creek rises the symmetrical Ward Peak. I could imagine that people who put these buildings here and lived here did so for the therapeutic value of the view. This place seemed perfect for a mid-nineteenth century retreat from the hustle-bustle of the Madison Valley mining camps. But, as I well knew, my imagination

I happened to be in this peaceful little valley, with about 50 other Madison Valley residents on a field trip with the Madison Valley History Association, to learn more about the story of how these building came to be here and how they fell into ruin. Our guide was Tim Jackson, great grandson of Peter V. Jackson, who in the 1860s was the bookkeeper for the Midas Mining Company that built and administered these buildings. We also heard from Larry Love, who provided additional details from "The Mechanics of Optimism," a history by Godfrey J. Stafford.

The ruined buildings we stood among are all that is left of a community, which included the nearby vanished town of Sterling. For a few years in the late 1860s and early 70s, the two towns of this community were home to people intent on one

thing: gold and the finding, extraction, and processing of it.

The buildings we saw were part of a company town called Midasville, built by H.A. Ward, superintendent of operations for the the Midas Mining Company. (Could there be a more optimistic name than "Midasville," for a place where rock would be turned into gold?) The town was built as a self-contained company town (with the quarters, store, stable, shops, etc.) because Mr. Ward wanted to keep his employees handy for work at the new mill and away from nearby Sterling and its sa-

loons. Mr. Ward apparently believed hangovers were not conducive to efficient and productive work.

According to Jackson, no women were allowed in Ward's Midasville camp. And when one of the workers returned from visiting "the states" with a new wife, a home was built for them across the creek, because a mining camp was no place for a

The village of Sterling, with its own nearby mills, was about a quarter mile down Hot Spring Creek to the east of Midasville. It developed to support the prospectors and miners who were working outcrops of quartz laden gold in the hills. The growth of the town was encouraged by the operations of mining companies that were planning mills to compete with the Midas Mining Company mill. These included the Clark and Upson Mining Company and the New York Mining and Discovery Company. According Stafford's book, Sterling businesses in 1867 included "two boardinghouses, two hotels,

four mercantiles, five saloons, two butcher shops and three livery or feed stables." Today, there is little sign to suggest a town existed there, except the stone ruins of Clark and Upson mill building.

The villages of Sterling and Midasville in 1866 and 1867 had a population of about 500, according to Godfrey. But all this did not last very long. Most of the residents had not come to Hot Spring Creek for the view. They came because there were jobs in the mines and mills and because mine workers needed services and goods. Unfortunately, as Godfrey points out in his history, there was a miscalculation of the value of gold ores of the region. Samples,

like most initial samples everywhere, were taken from rock in the top few feet of promising lodes. Assays regularly indicated great potential. To exploit this potential, mining companies began building infrastructure, including dams, roads, ditches, mills,

mines. Sterling and Midasville boomed. However, once the mills began to process ore, it became obvious that the surface samples did not tell the whole story. The ratio of gold to rock in ore from deeper

in the mines thinned out and sometimes disappeared.

According to Jackson, the Midasville Mill operated just three months; the Sterling mills barely operated at all. Godfrey writes that nearby mills on Canadian Creek and at Red Bluff also failed. By the mid-1870s, most of the miners had moved to the more productive mining areas. Helen Reel Jackson, in her story on Sterling and Midasville in Pioneer Trails and Trials, reports "In 1875 a five-stamp mill was moved to Pony and another mill was moved to the Rising Sun Mine on Norwegian." Some gold seekers remained in the area, working surface ores, crushing rock with small transient mills and using placer methods to extract gold.

According to family legend, Jackson's great grandfather bought this gold from the miners. He would save up his treasures until he had a sack full, a poke. Then, he would make an overnight ride to East Helena to bank it, traveling the 82 miles in one night. Jackson must have been some rider - and that must have been some horse. When Tim told the story he seemed skeptical but assured us it is engraved in family lore.

Although most of Sterling vanished by the mid 1870s, Midasville continued to be home for a few people. When Ward closed down operations of the Midas Mining Company, he handed the keys to Peter V. Jackson, who stayed on and lived in and used the buildings left by the Midas Mining Company. Unfortunately, with the disappearance of Sterling, the local residents lost their post office and stage stop. To get mail and stage freight, people had to travel by horseback or wagon to Red Bluff, about 10 miles away (Norris did not yet exist).

This was quite a ride to get the mail or catch a stagecoach. To ensure that a stage made the trek from Red Bluff to someplace nearer where he lived in Midasville, P. Jackson became postmaster and moved the Sterling Post Office to his home. As a result, the name of the town of Sterling, which vanished by 1880, is still on maps, while the name of Midasville is forgotten.

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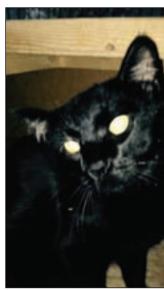
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Monday



Mostly sunny. High 81, low 46. 20 percent chance of precipitation.

Quote of the Week:

"I am always ready to learn although I do not always like being taught."

> Winston **Ehurchill**

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Thursday, August 4, 2016

LEADING THE WAY

PHOTO COURTESY HEIDI OSGOOD-METCALF Bill Jackson leading the herd to summer pasture.



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Bill Jackson has only been to three parades in his lifetime. Now, at 91, the parade novice will be leading the charge through Pony during the 150th anniversary parade during Pony Days on Aug. 6.

"They just asked me, I guess," Jackson said about his rise to parade grand marshal.

Though he does not know which of his 60 horses he will ride, Jackson said he will do whatever he is told.

"I've got a nice mare that I'll probably ride – I'll just do whatever they tell me!" he laughed. "My grandson wants to ride in the parade with me too so that's nice."

Life on the ranch

Jackson and his dog, Mike, live on a ranch just outside of Harrison – officially known as the Pleasant View Ranch LLC, but better known as the Jackson Morgan Horse Ranch.

"(The ranch) got its name because of its pleasant view," Jackson said, pointing toward Hollowtop Mountain. "My grandmother named it."

Jackson is a third generation rancher. His grandparents homesteaded the area in 1870, and the ranch has been operational ever since.

"I was born here," Jackson said. "Right on this ranch."

He lived and worked on the ranch up until he left for college at Montana State University where he earned a degree in animal science. "I took some time off during the war to come home and help around the ranch," Jackson said. "I had the option to go to war or to provide food for my country."

After five years harvesting for the war, Jackson returned to MSU to finish his degree before making his way back to his first love – the ranch.

"I just love the whole thing," he said. "Horses, cattle, irrigating, tractor work – anything."

Ranching and agriculture are Jackson's life long love and something he continues to do to this day.

"I've never wanted to do anything different," he said. "Agriculture is the basis of Montana."

Jackson will turn 92 this October and is still very active on the ranch. From trailing cows this past July to working on projects in the shop, he likes to keep himself busy.

"I still ride and do chores and office work," he said, with Mike right by his side. "I'm just enjoying whatever I can still do."

Pony Days

The whole family will be in the town for the big celebration on Aug. 6 and for Jackson's debut as grand marshal. Mike, however, will have to be "locked up in the pickup."

"He's still a pup and he'll probably get into trouble," Jackson said as he rubbed Mike's spotted black and white belly.

Pony Days is celebrated every three years and is put on by the Pony Homecoming Club, a group dedicated to keeping the history

of the tiny mining town alive.

"It just worked out that this year's Pony Days happened on the 150th anniversary," said Nancy Nellis, an active member of the club. "We always try to pick someone (for the grand marshal) from the area, and though I don't know Bill personally, I know he's been around for a long time."

Aside from the parade, attendees are treated to a mason's breakfast, raffles, afternoon barbeque, kids activities and historical tour of the Pony museum.

"It's been stressful trying to get everything together," said Nellis, "But we're really looking forward to it and I think it's going to be a lot of fun.

Leading the way

"I'm not sure what to expect," Jackson laughed. "I've never really been to many parades so I'll just do what they tell me."

Although he is unsure of what the responsibility holds, it is Jackson's humble and easy-going nature that makes him a perfect grand marshal.

"It's an honor to be selected and I'm sure I'll learn something," Jackson said. "You always learn something from new experiences."

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The herd heads through Pony on their
way to summer pasture.



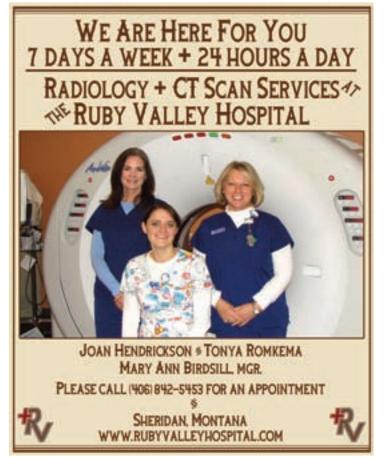


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5 tips to make caring for babies, toddlers easier

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Caring for a baby or toddler is not easy, but today's millennial parents have more options to help make the job

1. Embrace mealtime messes.

Parents are encouraged to embrace the mess at mealtime when little ones are trying new foods. It can inspire a child's creativity and develop

their sensory skills, fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination.

2. Get high-tech with car seat safety.

When installed correctly, car seats save lives, yet four out of five times seats are not installed properly and there is not an easy way to check and monitor the seat over time until now. There is a new car seat that installs itself by auto-

matically leveling and tensioning. It then continuously monitors its status during use to ensure it is always installed correctly and sends alerts to your phone if anything needs to be adjusted.

3. Kick some rash.

Eighty-two percent of millennial parents wish they had more tricks up their sleeve to prevent diaper rash, according to a recent survey.

Find a product that is free from parabens, preservatives, phthalates and talc.

4. Carry to connect.

According to experts, there are many benefits in carrying your baby, from emotional development, to advances in learning, social abilities and IQ. Look for smart carrier designs that make multi-tasking while holding your baby

Energizing breakfasts for weekday mornings

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Greens for breakfast might sound unconventional, but starting the day with vegetables is a fantastic way to check off some of the daily requirements for vitamins and minerals, plus get the energy needed to stay full and focused all morning.

If your family is not exactly keen on greens, these simple breakfast items can ease everyone into a healthier morning routine.

Satisfying smoothie bowls

Smoothie bowls are sweet and satisfying - and meant to be eaten with a spoon. Thicker than a typical smoothie, these delicious bowls are a mix of fresh and frozen produce, blended with your choice of superfoods and toppings. Include leafy greens such as kale or spinach and seeds like chia or hemp for a power-packed breakfast. Add avocado for a silky texture, then top with fresh berries, nuts or seeds.

Pumped up pancakes

Use a high-powered blender to whip up pancakes with a secret ingredient - zucchini. Mix chopped zucchini right into the batter and your family will not even notice that their favorite breakfast treat has an extra boost of antioxidants and vitamin C. For a less intense green color, peel the zucchini before blending into the batter.

Make ahead savory muffins

Muffins can be sweet or savory and are easy to take on the go. Create tasty, satiating breakfast muffins with a crust made of blended cauliflower, spinach, eggs and spices. Mold the crust into the bottom of muffin tins, top with an egg and bits of cooked bacon or ham and bake for a make ahead breakfast item.

Silky green smoothies

Smoothies are a great grab-and-go breakfast item that can be customized to each family member's tastes. A handful of fresh greens can increase the nutritional value of nearly any smoothie recipe.

Use the natural sweetness of fruit as a camouflage for vegetables. Pineapples, oranges and grapes are particularly good ingredients to marry with vegetables. Apples can offset greens with a slight bite. Experiment to figure out your favorite combinations, increasing the amount of greens as your family becomes more accustomed to them.

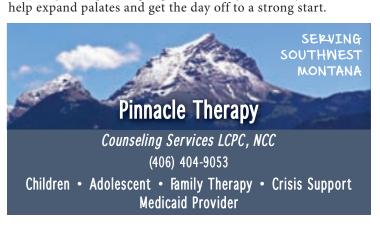
To get started, try this recipe for a basic green smoothie: *Ingredients:*

- 1/2 banana, peeled
- 1 1/2 cups green grapes
- One medium orange, about 5 1/2 ounces, whole, peeled but with pith intact



- 1 inch thick slice pineapple with core, peeled
- 1 1/2 cups packed fresh spinach
- 1/8 teaspoon grated lime zest or thin slice of lime with
- peel, about 1 inch diameter • 2 tablespoons agave nectar
 - 1 cup ice cubes
 - Directions:
- Place ingredients into blender in the order listed and secure lid. Turn machine on and slowly increase speed.
- Blend for 30 seconds, or until desired consistency is reached.

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HEARTWORM TESTING

What every dog owner needs to know so man's best friend is healthy and happy

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Your dog is your best friend and you take good care of him, making sure he gets quality food and exercise, immunizations and heartworm medication. Why, then, does your veterinarian also insist on a yearly heartworm test?

Chances are, your veterinarian is following the advice of the American Heartworm Society, whose mission it is to lead the veterinary profession and the public in the understanding of heartworm disease.

"The AHS recommends

annual testing for all dogs," explained veterinary parasitologist and AHS board member Dr. Patricia Payne. "Heartworm is a devastating disease. It is preventable and can be treated in dogs, but early detection is essential."

Unprotected dogs are at risk

Along with testing, the AHS recommends year-round administration of heartworm preventives. Unfortunately, said Dr. Payne, far too many dogs do not receive this measure of care.

Almost two-thirds of dogs in the United States that are

seen by veterinarians are given no preventives at all, according to studies conducted by heartworm medication manufacturers.

Among those on prevention medication, far too many are only given medication in spring, summer and fall, when the mosquitoes that transmit heartworm larvae are active. Because weather is unpredictable and hardy mosquitoes can survive indoors as well as outdoors in protected areas, so-called "seasonal" usage creates ample opportunity for animals to unintentionally become infected.

Mistakes can happen

Another factor is human and animal - error.

"Pet owners who give heartworm medications yearround and on time are to be commended," said Dr. Payne. "Even so, it is still possible for heartworm infection to occur."

The following are three scenarios that make heartworm testing a necessity for all dogs:

• Even the most diligent owner can forget a dose now and then. "If you have medication left when your

veterinarian reminds you that it's time to purchase more preventive, it's a pretty clear sign that you missed a dose or two," said Dr. Payne.

• Not all pills are swallowed, and not all topical medications are properly applied. If is not absorbed completely – a pet may be less protected than you think.

• Heartworm resistance is rare but real. "Owners can rest assured that heartworm medications are highly effective, but a few cases of heartworm strains that are resistant to common preventives have been documented," explained Dr. Payne, adding that the issue is being studied by the AHS.

Test annually

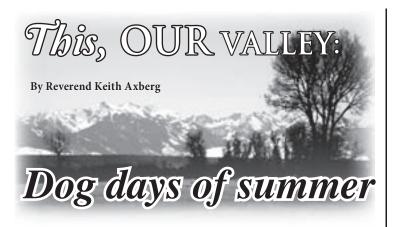
The good news for owners is that heartworm testing is simple and inexpensive.

"Your veterinarian can easily conduct this simple blood test during a dog's annual or semiannual wellness visit," assured Dr. Payne. "If your dog tests positive, treatment can begin. With a negative test result, an owner has the peace of mind of knowing that his or her pet has been protected for another year."



COLUMNS





If one cannot be sustained by smaller loyalties then will one be capable of solidarity with the whole of humanity? – Timothy Radcliffe, OP

We have reached the dog days of summer. I know, because the dog across the street has become more vocal.

I used to think the dog days of summer were named after the cranky



Rev. Keith Axberg

attitude dogs get when the weather is hot and sultry, but the fact is they are so named because of

a star – Sirius. Sirius is the nose of the dog in the constellation Canis Major, and in late July or early August it rises just before the sun, so the Greeks referred to this time of year as the dog days of sum-

Interesting, eh? But still, I think there is some truth to the crankiness of dog theory I've been hounded with all these years. The weather is hot; the sun rises and wakes me up earlier than I want to really get up; the house is hot and stuffy when I want to trundle off to bed, so falling to sleep is a trifle more difficult. My temper isn't quite as calm, cool and collected as it normally is the rest of the year, so the egg shells upon which the world must walk are more readily found

And as it turns out, I'm not the only one who feels that way.

underfoot.

The other day my wife and I had to run into Butte to take care of some business. We dropped off some parts to a copier drum kit I couldn't figure how to put together, and left them to be installed by the friendly photocopier guru located across from the courthouse. While he did his incantations and wand-work, Barb and I went down to a local coffee house for some tasty tea and scones.

When we got back to the shop a bit later, Steve (the repairman) admitted the reason I hadn't been able to figure out how to make the parts fit was they had sent me the wrong parts to begin with. Ach du lieber! But hey, stuff happens, and so that didn't bother me at all. I'd been wanting to take in the sights and sounds of beauti-

ful downtown (or is it uptown?) Butte for some time anyway.

What got my goat, though, was Barb started spinning around the shop like a whirling dervish and complaining something was biting her. For the life of me, I couldn't imagine what it might be, but I got her to stop her twirling for a moment and as I pulled back the collar on her shirt, out popped a yellow-jacket about the size of your basic, run-of-the-mill, AH-64 Apache Attack helicopter (fully armed).

Now, I must admit my identification of the varmint in question may not be completely accurate as I smacked it down with an astonishingly quick lightning slap of my hand, simultaneously pulverizing it underfoot with every ounce of my being.

Never the less, I knew it wasn't a honeybee, for it had stung Barb several times and hadn't lost its stinger. Furthermore, it is the sworn duty of honeybees to protect a hive's honey; attacking my honey would have been an unthinkable act of treachery for an Apis Apini.

Anyway, I cannot imagine why a yellow-jacket, wasp or hornet would have attacked the love my life unless it was due to a crankiness induced by the dog days of summer.

We thanked Steve for his efforts, and he promised to order the correct part and get it to me as quickly as possible. "Copy that," I said, and we got back into the car and drove around Butte for a few minutes to see if the stings would produce an allergic reaction requiring medical attention. It didn't, so we returned home, leaving Butte and the Vespula's corpse in our rearview mirror.

I have come to realize there is no such thing as a boring day in Montana, unless it is a stinger doing the boring. Every day brings something new and unusual to see, hear, do or experience. Sometimes those experiences are painful, but they are mostly opportunities to experience life in its fullness.

God is good in this, our sometimes cranky valley – even in the dog days of summer – and for that, I am "Siriusly" thankful.

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Resource News

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DAME'S ROCKET (HESPERIS MATRONALIS)

History: Dame's rocket, also known as sweet rocket, mother-of-the-evening, or dame's violet, is a showy, short-lived perennial forb native to Eurasia. It was introduced to North America in 1600 as an ornamental and continues to be mistaken as a wildflower. Since its introduction, dame's rocket has been reported in all but eight states and Hawaii. Dame's rocket is not a noxious weed in Montana. However, it is a noxious

weed in Colorado, Wisconsin, Illinois, Tennessee, New Hampshire, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Identification: Dame's rocket forms rosettes during its first year of growth. The rosette stays green throughout winter with leaves up to 6 inches long. During the following spring, a 2 – 4 inch tall erect flower stem emerges from the rosette. Stem leaves are 2 – 6 inches long, alternate, lance-shaped and have

serrated edges and pointed ends. The length and width of leaves decrease as one moves up the stem. Dame's rocket flowers from mid-May through June. As a member of the Brassicaceae family, flowers have four petals arranged in a cross pattern. Flowers range in color from purple to pink to white and are very aromatic. As summer progresses, seedpods (siliques) develop that are 2 - 5 inches long and have faint hairs. Seedpods contain many dark brown seeds, and pods open in late summer to early fall. Dame's rocket is often mistaken for phlox, however phlox species have five petals and opposite leaves.

Habitat: Dame's rocket thrives in habitats that are moderately sunny, slightly wet to slightly dry and have loamy soils. However, it will grow in full sun given adequate water. Preferred conditions are often present in lowland forests, damp meadows, open woods, forest edges, thickets, shaded areas under fence rows and ditches.

Spread: Dame's rocket reproduces by seed. Each plant can produce hundreds of seedpods and each seedpod contains hundreds of seeds. Seeds remain viable for many years, increasing the probability that they will germinate during preferred conditions. Inclusion of this plant in "wildflower" seed mixes is thought to have contributed

to its proliferation across North America.

Impacts: Dame's rocket does not have any natural predators or diseases in North America. Consequently, given its preferred conditions, it can out-compete native species, form dense monocultures and decrease diversity. Furthermore, dame's rocket is an alternative host to multiple viruses that are harmful to cruciferous plants such as cauliflower, cabbage and broccoli. On a positive note, leaves and seeds of this plant are edible. In particular, young leaves are rich in vitamin C and can be eaten raw in salads. Its seed oil is used in perfumes.

Management: From a prevention standpoint, do not use "wildflower" seed mixes that contain this plant and avoid intentionally spreading seeds from existing infestations. Hand-pulling, burning or spraying with herbicides are all viable management strategies for dame's rocket. Hand-pulling is most effective on small patches during spring or early summer. After hand-pulling, dispose of or burn the flowers/seedpods to prevent seed dispersal. A foliar application of glyphosate or triclopyr can be used to treat large patches of dame's rocket. Herbicide application should be done during early spring or late fall to minimize harm to other vegetation.

Miner's Union Day: Sheridan, 1905, Pt. II

By Charlie Rossiter

Here, we pick up where we left off last week.

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Sheridan boasted they had the first electricity in the county (Main Street was illuminated by four large, pole mounted, electric arc lights) and many of the businesses on Main Street and a number of dwellings in the down town area were also wired for electricity. The power came from a hydroelectric plant located 3 miles east of town in Brandon and powered by Mill Creek.

Montana winters are long and dreary affairs that seem to go on forever, so the town fathers needed something to counter the doldrums of long sunless winter days. Mining was one of the lifelines of the community, so they decided to use Miner's Union Day as the bridge needed to transition from winter to spring. Baseball in those days was big, almost to the point of obsession, and Sheridan had a championship team. They played larger cities such as Belgrade, Butte and Anaconda, as well as the surrounding communities.

Sheridan's fans looked at the games as more of a religion than a sport and would travel great distances over the

terrible dirt roads to catch the entertainment. With the advent of the celebration, the club was looking for a contest to be its season opener and contacted other towns. Almost all the teams had not had a chance to fully practice this early in the season and turned down the invitation. Virginia City was the exception - they eagerly accepted a game with the Sheridan team. The two team managers met and agreed that on the 13 day of June in 1905, a baseball game would be played between the Sheridan ball team (called the Invincibles) and the Virginia City team (the Reds) at the Sheridan Field at 3 p.m. This was to be the coup-de-grace to the day's festivities.

Sheridan started preparing for the celebration weeks prior to the date, planning contests and games for adults and children alike. All the area newspapers advertised the hoopla and participants and spectators were expected from all around Southwest Montana. There was to be hand steel drilling matches; both single jack and double jack, one and two man sawing contests, horse shoe tournaments along with nonsanctioned horse races and teamster's pulling events, all

set up just below Main Street in a natural amphitheater as part of the gala. The local merchants and area groups would sell concessions of food and libations to what was hoped to be an overflow crowd as everything seemed to be in order as the party day neared. The day before the gala, there were no vacancies in the two hotels and many of the locals rented rooms out to the surplus guests.

A more perfect setting could not have been ordered for the celebration of the Miner's Union Day party. The sun was shining down on Sheridan, making the day almost muggy after the previous night's rain. Sheridan had never looked more radiant than it did that morning. With handsome homes and well-kept lawns, there was never a more vibrant shade of green than at this present time. The streets of the hamlet had the appearance of a gala day and the businesses on Main Street were all displaying colorful streamers and flags as the town readied for its pinnacle celebration. The morning of the party, a lavish parade, by Sheridan's standards anyway, began on Mill Street and circled around on Main Street, ending where it began at the recently built

bank building. A color guard of area veterans, mostly members of the Grand Army of the Republic post No. 5, and post No. 6 of Virginia City, opened the procession by presenting the stars and stripes, (45 stars on old glory that year) followed by other veterans proudly marching at the head of the procession. Many Civil War and Spanish American War vets marched the entire route with patriotic pride. The Sheridan Silver Cornet Band, traveling on a lavishly decorated buckboard coach, followed the vets in the procession. The band had been organized in 1898 under the leadership of Professor Benjamin H. Jennings, a professional musician who'd relocated to Sheridan from Butte. where he'd been instrumental with several other famous bands. Their carriage was decorated with patriotic, red, white and blue buntings and all 14 of the band members were wearing their formal, midnight blue uniforms and Jonny Reb hats. There was a carnival atmosphere in town that day, with a legion of folks cheering and whistling, and the fire bell on the Main Street tower tolling loudly.

Check back next week, there's a lot more of this story to come.

MONTANA NICHT SKIES By Richard Stouffer

The biggest highlight of the Montana night sky in August is the Perseid Meteor shower, the best meteor shower of the year. August includes planetary highlights as well, namely two planetary conjunctions and the chance to see all five naked eye planets in the evening sky.

As the month begins, Venus, Mercury and Jupiter are lined up in the western sky. Venus, just escaping from the solar glare, may be found low in the western sky, where it sets a mere 45 minutes after sunset. To its upper left is the innermost planet Mercury, which sets about an hour after the sun. Further to the upper left of Mercury is the giant planet Jupiter, which sets about two hours after sunset. By midmonth, Mercury becomes lost in the solar glare. On the other hand, Venus and Jupiter make a spectacularly close conjunction on Aug. 27 when these two brightest of the planets appear about a tenth of a degree apart low in the western sky. By that time, both Venus and Jupiter set almost an hour after the sun.

Easier to see is the planetary conjunction between Mars and Saturn plus a con-

junction between Mars and the bright star Antares, the brightest star in the constellation Scorpius. As August begins, Mars is located in the southern sky as darkness falls just to the right of the constellation Scorpius and doesn't set until almost 1 a.m. Located above Scorpius is the ringed planet Saturn, which sets at almost 2 a.m. at the beginning of the month. During August, Mars races across Scorpius as its speeds away from Earth. The spectacular conjunctions between Mars and Antares and Mars and Saturn occur on Aug. 23 and 24 when Mars passes between Saturn and Antares and approaches to less than two degrees from Antares and about four degrees from Saturn. By the end of August, Mars is speeding away from both Saturn and Antares with Mars setting about 11:45 p.m. and Saturn setting about 10 minutes later.

For those who have been waiting patiently for an exceptional meteor shower, the real highlight of the Montana night sky in August is the Perseid Meteor shower, the year's best meteor shower. On top of that, 2016 will be a great year for observing the Perseids with no interference from the moon during the prime viewing hours, which occur on Aug. 12 about 1:15 a.m. when the moon sets until the sky brightens toward dawn. During that time, an observer may see upwards of 60 Perseids per hour during the shower's peak. For some lucky observers who are observing from a very dark site and who happen to be looking up when the shower is at its strongest, they may get to see 100 or more meteors per hour. To observe the meteor shower,

just go to the darkest site you can find, get out your easy chair or blanket, look straight up in the sky facing generally northeast and enjoy! You will be looking at left over dust from Comet Swift-Tuttle, a comet that won't return to the neighborhood of Earth until 2122.

As for the moon, the moon passes near Jupiter on Aug. 5 and appears above Mars and just to the right of Saturn on Aug. 11. The moon appears to the left of Saturn the next evening and is full on Aug. 18. The moon appears very close to Aldebaran, the brightest star in the constellation Taurus, in the pre-dawn hours of Aug. 25.

* Richard Stouffer is a life long amateur astronomer and former member of Delaware Astronomical Society and National Capital Astronomers.

COMICS & PUZZLES



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

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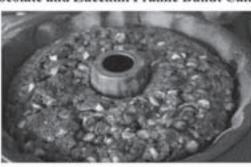


Sharing Hometown Recipes, Cooking Tips and Coupons

By Janet Tharpe

Super Moist Chocolate and Zucchini Praline Bundt Cake

"I craved chocolate and made this!



Zucchini is abundant these days. Are you wondering what to make besides noodles or bread? Try Sandra B.'s Chocolate and Zucchini Praline Bundt Cake. It has quite a different flavor combo, but one that totally works! This will be a treat for your friends and family who get to taste it.

See step-by-step photos of Sandra's recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: www.justapinch.com/zucchinibundt

You'll also find a meal planner, coupons and chances to win! Enjoy and remember, use "just a pinch"...

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Chocolate & Zucchini Praline Bundt Cake

What You Need

- 2 1/2 c all-purpose flour 1 tsp baking soda 1/2 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp cinnamon

Sandra B.

Chicago, IL

- 1/2 c butter
- 1/4 c oil 1 1/4 c sugar
- 2 large eggs, beaten 4 tbsp cocoa powder
- 1/2 c buttermilk
- 1 tsp vanilla extract 2 c zucchini, grated 1 large apple, peeled,

cored and chopped

Breadcrumbs, to coat pan TOPPING

1 c almonds or walnuts, chopped 1/2 c brown sugar

Directions

- Preheat oven to 325. Cream butter, oil, and sugar.
- Beat in eggs and set aside.
- · Sift dry ingredients and add alternately with buttermilk to creamed mixture.
- Add zucchini and vanilla. Slowly mix in apple.
- · Grease a bundt cake pan and sprinkle with breadcrumbs.
- · Pour cake batter into prepared
- · Mix topping ingredients and

spread evenly on the cake batter. Bake for 55 minutes. 1 c chocolate chips

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Submitted by: Sandra B., Chicago, IL (pop. 2.7M)



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2016-17 TWIN BRIDGES SCHOOLS VACANCIES Twin Bridges Public Schools is currently seeking qualified applicants for the following position for the upcoming 2016-17 school year:

- Head HS GBB Coach
- Asst HS GBB Coach
- Asst JH VB Coach F/W Cheer Advisor
- SDD Advisor Substitutes in the

Classroom, Kitchen, Maintenance and Bus Driving!

Please call the District office at 684-5656 for further information and to request a district application. All prepared materials must be sent to the attention of the Superintendent at:

Twin Bridges Public Schools PO Box 419 Twin Bridges, MT 59754

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

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

Historic Preservation Officer for the Town of Virginia City. Dynamic, professional, part-time position (20 hours/week), working on behalf of the community and the Virginia City National Historic Landmark. Qualified candidate must have education or experience in any of the following areas; historic preservation, history, architecture, community planning and/or zoning regulations. Please contact the Town Office at 406-843-5321 for employment application and position description. Position open, until filled. Equal opportunity employer. 39-tfc-b

McAllister Inn- Looking for daytime line cook and dishwasher. Year round employment. Please call 579-0744 39-tfc-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.

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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-Thursday, 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

Silvertip Lodge. Housekeeper needed, part time - fill in as needed. Call 599-8754

38-tfc-b

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

FULL-TIME LEAD CUSTO-

DIAN POSITION ENNIS SCHOOL DISTRICT The Ennis School is looking for an individual to work in our custodial department. The position will require the ability to help supervise and train custodial staff, the knowledge or willingness to learn to work with various pieces of equipment, such as, floor machines, buffers, scrubbers,

etc. Hourly rate will start at no less than \$12.75 per hour, D.O.E. Benefits and retirement are available. Work hours from 1 pm. to 9 pm. and may vary depending on need. Deadline: Until Filled. For further information and a district application call Casey Klasna at 682-4258. 39-3-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.

Route Bus Driver Ennis School School bus route driver needed for the 2016-2017 school year. Must have, or be qualified to obtain, a commercial driver's license. All bus drivers are subject to pre-employment drug testing and must be part of our random testing program as required by DOT. The routes will be 3 ½ hours per day with starting salary at \$14.00. Job sharing is also a possibility. For further information, call Superintendent, Casey Klasna at 682-4258. 39-3-b

Madison Valley Medical Center is now hiring for the position of Nurse Aide/Clerk-Primary responsibilities are patient care with telephone and registration duties (32-40 hrs. per week). Patient care experience preferred. Applicants must be available to work shifts from both, 7am to 3pm and 3pm to 11pm. Interested applicants please submit resume and completed application found at www.mvmedcenter. org<http://www.mvmedcenter. org> to careers@mvmvedcetner.org 39-tfc-b

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.

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Sheridan School District No. 5 is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2016-17 school year: Route Bus Driver, Part-Time Custodian, Head Cheerleading Coach, Head Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach, and Accompanist. Information and employment applications can be obtained on the Sheridan Schools Website www.sheridan. k12.mt.us. If you are interested in applying for this position, you may also contact Rebecca E. Larsen, District Clerk, Sheridan Schools, PO Box 586, Sheridan, MT 59749, or call (406) 842-5302.

GARAGE SALE

SALE, SALE, SALE! Grandma's Overflow. Ennis – new and used 1 block south Town Pump. Hours: Tues. - Sat., 10-4Yard art, furniture, kitchen and gifts and decorator items, mirrors, pictures, jewelry, wind chimes, air hockey game, power tools, air compressor, C.D. vinyl records. Info: 489-0676

Garage sale, Pony. Saturday, August 6. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Uptown, right at bank. 1 block to Pony Cache storage. Same day as Pony Homecoming. Parade a.m., BBQ p.m.

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Year round rental. Retired professional couple. Local references. 631-766-1853.

BID WANTED

Friends of the Thompson-Hickman Madison County Library will be accepting bids to provide 90 meals for the 2nd Annual Dinner and Cabaret on Aug. 28,

2016 at the Virginia City Elks Lodge. Please bid per plate. Dinner to consist of 2 types of meat entree, at least one vegetable, salad and dessert. Dinner is to be served promptly at 6:30 pm. Bid also includes providing busing service of the tables to clear them for show at 8:00pm. Dinner to be served at the same time, not as courses, can be buffet style with portion control. Beverages are not required. No plastic meal

dinnerware or utensils. Aug. 12 is the deadline for submissions. Email your bid to

vclibry@3rivers.net or mail to 217 Idaho St. Virginia City,MT 59755 Questions call 843-5346 or 660-1453

MISSING

Attention: The Blaine Spring Creek Bridge date plaque is missing. The plans for the new bridge called for that plaque to be mounted on the new bridge for future generations to enjoy. Whomever might have taken or possess that plaque for safekeeping, would please return it, no questions asked, it would be the right thing to do for the historical appreciation of the old bridge. Thank you kindly. Reward offered.

Please drop off at The Madisonian.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE THE FOLLOWING LEGALLY DESCRIBED TRUST PROPERTY TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Successor Trustee will, on November 11, 2016 at the hour of 02:00 PM, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the interest in the following described real property which the Grantor has or had power to convey at the time of execution by him of the said Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the Grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Deed of Trust, to satisfy the obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including reasonable charges by the Successor Trustee, at the following place:

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

John A. "Joe" Solseng, a member of the Montana state bar, of Robinson Tait, P.S. is the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust in which Vince Schettler, a married man and Michael A. Chernine, a married man and Randy Black, a married man, as Grantor, conveyed said real property to SECURITY TITLE COMPANY as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR GREEN-POINT MORTGAGE FUNDING, INC, its successors and assigns , Beneficiary of the security instrument, said Deed of Trust which is dated August 8, 2006 and was recorded on September 7, 2006 as Instrument No. 115604, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Madison County, Montana

The Deed of Trust encumbers real property ("Property") located at 28 North Lewis and Clark Trail, Whitehall, MT 59759 and being

more fully described as follows: TRACT 26 OF JEFFERSON RIVER RANCHES SUBDIVISION PLAT, IN MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER, MADI-SON COUNTY, MONTANA. (PLAT REFER-ENCE IN BOOK 4 OF PLATS, PAGE 375)

The beneficial interest under said Deed of Trust and the obligations secured thereby are presently held by U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee, RAAC Series 2007-SP2.

The Beneficiary has declared the Grantor in default of the terms of the Deed of Trust and the Promissory Note ("Note") secured by said Deed of Trust due to Grantor's failure to timely pay all monthly installments of principal, interest and if applicable, escrow reserves for taxes and/or insurance as required by the Note and Deed of Trust. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantors' failure to pay when due the following sums: monthly payments of \$40,754.06 beginning September 1, 2009 through July 21, 2016; plus interest due of \$243,732.64; plus escrow payment of \$23,000 text be useful to the sum of the \$37,194.20; together with title expense, costs, trustee's fees and attorney's fees incurred herein by reason of said default; any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described real prop-

erty and its interest therein; and prepayment

penalties/premiums, if applicable. By reason of said default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said trust deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to wit: \$425,753.84 with interest thereon at the rate of 8.75000 percent per annum beginning September 1, 2009; plus late charges of \$2,428.58; plus escrow advance of \$34,905.07; plus property inspection fees incurred and projected of \$209.25; plus title search of \$1,729.00; plus foreclosure expense of \$416.00; plus other costs incurred and projected of \$5,457.00; together with title expense, costs, trustee's fees and attorney's fees incurred herein by reason of said default; any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described property and its interest therein; and prepayment penalties/premiums, if applicable.

Due to the defaults stated above, the Beneficiary has elected and has directed the Trustee to sell the above-described property to satisfy the obligation

Notice is further given that any person named has the right, at any time prior to the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by making payment to the Beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Deed of Trust, together with Successor Trustee's and attorney's fees. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Successor Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: June 29, 2016

/s/ John A. "Joe" Solseng John A. "Joe" Solseng, a member of the Montana state bar, Attorney of Robinson Tait, P.S., MSB #11800 (Pub. July 21, 28, Aug 4 2016) rt MNAXLP

NOTICE TO UPPER MISSOURI DIVISION RED ROCK RIVER **BASIN WATER USERS**

Big Sheep Creek Ranch filed a Senate Bill 355 Exempt Claim with the Montana Water Court. Claim 41A 30103484 is for a direct from source stock right, with a claimed priorBig Sheep Creek in the W2SE of Section 22 E2SW of Section 22, and NE of Section 27, T14S, R10W, Beaverhead County.
RESPONSE OR OBJECTION FILING

Any response or objection to decreeing exempt claim 41A 30103484, as filed by Big Sheep Creek Ranch, must be filed with the Montana Water court, PO Box 1389, Bozeman MT 59771-1389. A copy of the response or objection must be served on:

Big Sheep Creek Ranch c/o A. Suzanne Nellen, Attorney at Law, PLLC 1800 W. Koch, Ste. 5 Bozeman, MT 59715

Any objection must be filed within 45 days of the last publication of this notice. Therefore, the filing deadline is Monday, October 3, 2016. (Aug 4, 11, 18 2016) sn MNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE

DEADLINE

Twin Bridges - Urban
Gilman Construction, along with area subcontractors, will be completing improvements to Main Street in Twin Bridges under contract with the Montana Department of Transportation. The work will consist of a chip seal and new pavement markings. Traffic lanes will remain open during the work, but there may be short delays and no parking will be allowed on Main Street while the work is undeway.

The chip seal work is expected tot ake 2 days and be completed during the week of August

1st. We request that drivers remain alert in these work zones and obey signs and flag persons Please contact one of the following with any

auestions Gilman Construction-Prime Contractor

723-8234 Mountain West-Traffic Control 782-1422

MT Dept. of Transportation-Project Manager 494-9651 (Aug 4, 11, 2016) gc MNAXLP

NOTICE OF FINAL BUDGET MEETING

On the second Tuesday in August (August 9, 2016), at 7:00 p.m. the Sheridan School District No. 5 Board of Trustees will meet in the Charles B. Murray Media Technology Center for the purpose of considering and adopting the final budget of the district. The trustees' meeting may be continued from day-to-day until adoption of the final budget. Any tax-payer may appear at the meeting and be heard for or against any part of the budget. The regular August meeting will also be conducted at that time.

For further information please contact: Rebecca E. Larsen, District Clerk, PO Box 586, Sheridan, MT 59749 (406-842-5302). (Aug 4, 11, 2016) ss MNAXLP

NOTICE OF FINAL BUDGET

MEETING On Monday, August 8, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. the Ennis School District 52 Board of Trustees will meet in the Ennis High School Room #3 for the purpose of considering and adopting the final budget of the district.

The regular August meeting will also be conducted at that time. The trustees' budget meeting may be continued from day-to- day until adoption of the final budget no later than August 25th. Any taxpayer may appear at the meeting and be heard for or against any part of the budget.
For further information please contact: Casey

Klasna, Superintendent, P.O. Box 517, Ennis MT 59729 (406-682-4258). (Aug 4, 2016) es MNAXLP

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The Town of Twin Bridges has completed their preliminary budget for Fiscal year 2016-2017. Approval of the preliminary budget will be on August 9th at 7:00 pm at Town Hall (104 E 6th, Twin Bridge, MT) during the regular council meeting. If anyone would like to review the budget they can stop in at the office or call 684-5243. Any taxpayer or resident may appear and be heard at the meeting. (July 28, Aug 4, 2016) totb MNAXLP

AUDIT PUBLICATION STATE-

An audit of the affairs of Sheridan Public Schools has been conducted by Strom & As-

sociates. PC. The audit covered the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. Section 2-7-521, MCA, requires that this publication concerning the audit report include a statement that the audit report is on file in its entirety and open to public inspection at Sheridan Public Schools and that the Sheridan Public Schools will send a copy of the audit report to any interested person upon

Sincerely Rebecca E. Larsen District Clerk (July 28, Aug 4, 2016) ss MNAXLP

request.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL DIS-TRICT RESOLUTION TO SELL OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF DISTRICT REAL OR PERSON-AL PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given by the trustees of Twin Bridges Public Schools, School District No. 7 of Madison County, state of Montana that pursuant to 20-6-604 (MCA) a resolution adopted at a meeting of the board of trustees of the school district held on the 19th day of July, 2016 states the following:

WHEREAS, the trustees of School District 7, Twin Bridges, Madison County, Montana, have made a determination that real or personal property of the district has become abandoned, obsolete, undesirable or unsuitable for the district's needs for the schools; THEREFORE, the trustees have determined that these items shall be sold or otherwise disposed by the district in accordance with section 20-6-604, MCA, and proceeds from this sale shall be placed in the district flex fund; and

WHEREAS, this resolution may not become effective for fourteen (14) days after the notice required in subsection (3) of 20-6-604, MCA, is made. The trustees shall provide notice of the resolution as required by law.

A taxpaver may appeal the resolution of the trustees, at any time prior to the effective date of the resolution, to the district court by filing a verified petition with the clerk of the court and serving a copy of the petition upon the

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Twin Bridges School District 7, Madison County, Montana, authorizes the sale of said property by sealed bid submitted to Twin Bridges Schools District Clerk no later than August 18, 2016 by 4:00 p.m. and approved at the August, 2016 Regu-lar Board Meeting. Dated and posted this 19th day of July, 2016. ** 2005 Chevy Malibu (approximately 200,000 miles)

miles) (July 28, Aug 4, 2016) tbs

Wall Creek Game Range August 10, 2016 10:00 am at Wall Creek Headquarters

Fred King, retired FWP Game Range Manager and Mark Petroni, retired Madison District FS Ranger will discuss the relationship of public and private lands, the interface and value of livestock, and wildlife on the landscape followed by a tour of photo points and historical aspects of the game range.

The event will last about 3 hours.

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If extreme delays or other issues occur, please contact the Commissioners' office at 406-843-4277 or NorthWestern Energy Representative, Dan Crismore at 406-596-0901.







TICKET INFORMATION Please call or email Shanna Phone: 406-600-7085 Email: ghostsofthemadison@gmail.com

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AROUND THE COUNTY

Celebrate Ben Tone

SUBMITTED BY ANIKA M. HANISCH Spiritus Creative, LLC

Ben Tone's family will host a gathering of loved ones and fans at noon on Friday, Aug. 12 at the Virginia City Opera House to celebrate the life of this beloved actor, director, theatre instructor and family man. Tone is well-known in our region for co-founding the Virginia City Players in 1949 and helping to cultivate a small local community of 1960s artists that is credited with establishing Bozeman's flourishing art scene today. He passed away April 13, 2016, a few days shy of his 95th birthday. Memorial program will start at noon; light appetizers to follow. To be notified about details, please email BenToneCelebration@ gmail.com.

Featured quilter Terry Engel

SUBMITTED BY MARTHA NORTHWAY Piece Makers of the Madison

The eighth bi-annual quilt show, Quilt Me A River, by the Piece Makers of the Madison quilt guild will have many highlights, one of them will be our featured quilter, Terry Engel.

Engel was raised in a sewing home, and her mother made all her school clothes as Terry only wanted home made things because they were personal, unique and one of kind. As time progressed, she learned to sew on the Singer treadle machine, and progressed to making her own clothes through high school.

Engel got into quilting through an adult education class at Ennis Schools. Although this first quilt was never completed, it fired up her imagination and she has not slowed down since learning the art. She has made many quilts through the years for donation and family, founding the Hugs and Cuddles program, which provides quilts for the Madison Valley Medical Center for pediatric emergency comfort. As quilting techniques have changed over the years, Engel remains on the cutting edge of new techniques and products.

See Engel's work on Friday, Aug. 13 and Saturday, Aug. 14, 2016, at the quilt show at the Ennis cafeteria.

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SUBMITTED BY BRIAN HURLBUT Big Sky Arts Council

The sixth annual Big Sky Classical Music Festival is slated for Aug. 12 - 14, 2016, in beautiful Big Sky. The festival features three nights of world-class music – with two of the nights offering free admission. The first night of the festival features one of the world's most renowned classical guitarists, Ana Vidovic, performing an intimate concert at the Warren Miller Performing Arts Center. Saturday features a free outdoor concert in Town Center Park with M5 Mexican Brass, coming in direct from Mexico City for the festival. On Sunday, the Big Sky Festival Orchestra will perform a free concert outdoors in Town Center Park. Please visit www.bigskyarts.org for more information.

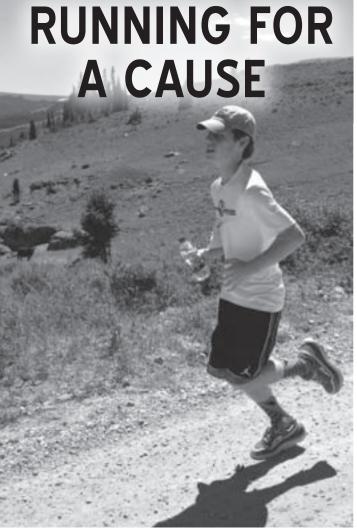


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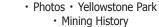
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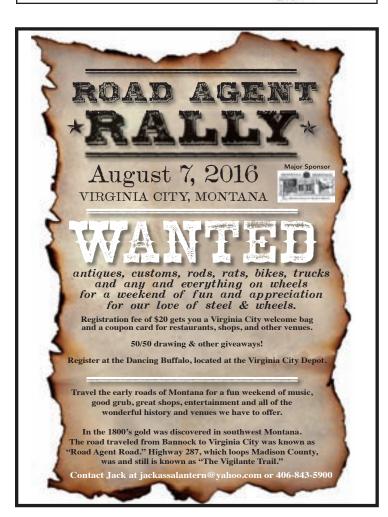
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A week away, fair officials are ready for the big event

CAITLIN AVEY news@madisonainnews.com

It is the event of the summer. The one that merges two valleys and two counties together for a week of showmanship, rodeo and fun. It' i the Madison County Fair.

Over the past few months, *The Madisonian* has run a series of stories following various Madison County youth on their road to the fair. While their final prep is nearly done, Madison County Fair organizers wrapping up final touches and already preparing for next year's fair.

History of the fair

The Madison County fair and the fair grounds extend clear back to the late 1880s, when past Madison County residents used the grounds to congregate for social gatherings. In 1889, Madison County held its first fair. After a few name changes, come 1901, the event would come to be known in its present time as the Madison County Fair.

The earliest fairs were solely based around showing stock with the exception of some impressive produce. Now, the Madison County Fair has grown to include animals for show and sale, shooting sports such as air rifle and archery, woodworking projects, craft and sewing works and even baked goods.

Final grounds prep

Dana Escott, Madison County Fairgrounds manager and her team have been busy all year long, preparing the grounds for not only the fair but for events all year round. With weddings and flotillas and other events, Escott and the crew work around it all to stay ahead and ready for the fair.

"We're right on schedule getting ready for fair," Escott said. "Lots of events happen in the buildings before fair gets here, but I'm confident my crew will do an awesome job with the last minute set up."

Whether it is preparing the arena for the horse show or the rodeo or even the lawnmower tractor pull – a new event at this year's fair – the grounds crew is all hands on deck. All the pens are set and ready to go in the animal barns, and tables and chairs are ready for all the crafts and open indoor projects.

Organizing the fair

"We try to work with the fair board and get

info gathered ahead of time ...
it's lots of planning ... really
from January until fair time, we
spend a huge amount of time
on fair issues," said Madison/
Jefferson County Montana State
University Extension Agent
Billy Whitehurst.

Whitehurst started contracting judges for the fair last August, as well as streamlining awards and ribbons and ordering buckles.

"There's a lot more behind the scenes work that goes on than a lot of people think," he

Ag education and 4H program assistant Katherine Smith started fair data entry months ago, and has now been through all the sign ups, weighing the animals and assigning everyone a stall, pen or display area. All that is left is weighing the animals once again as they make their way to the rounds.

Aside for coordinating awards, judges and weigh-ins, Whitehurst and his team have been responsible for making sure participants met their quality assurance training, which trains them on proper animal health and vaccination protocols – they also guarantee everyone submitted a medical release form.

The Madison County Fair sees over 360 participants each year, which means a lot of work for Whitehurst and Smith.

Getting ahead

Once this year's fair ends on Sunday, Aug. 14, it is back to step one: getting ready for the next one.

But for now, everyone involved in preparing for the fair is just ready and excited for a fun-filled week.

"We have so many fun events happening at the fair," said Escott.

From pack horse and police dog demonstrations, to magic shows, to the petting zoo, to the youth rodeo and beyond, this year's Madison County Fair is bound to be a good time.



Congratulations to all 4H & FFA Members. You're the cream of the crop!

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FAIR RULES:

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According to fairgrounds manager Dana Escott, parking is in the main parking lot by the front entrance to the

"All campers need to be parked in order – no circles – in the campground to allow for more," Escott said. "And per the fire chief."

All horse trailers must be parked in the arena infield and in order. During the fair, there will be no

through traffic around the grounds you must park in the parking lot and walk from there. In addition, bicycles, ATVs, UTVs and other vehicles of that nature are not allowed on the grounds during the fair.



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

4H Horse Show - 8 am

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

Madison County Youth Rodeo: 10 am

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

Madison County Barrel Racing: 6:30 pm (Contact Candy Wilcox 406-599-5609 for more info)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

Madison Co. Fair Opening Ceremony by the Veterans: 9 am (By the office)

Madison County Ranch Rodeo 6pm

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

NRA Rodeo Slack: 8 am

Madison Co. Sheriff's Department Police Dog Demonstrations 2 pm

Montana Mini Buckers and bulls 6 pm

Jacobs Livestock Rodeo Performance 7 pm

Benny Reynolds Wild Cow Milking 9 pm **Double Vision Magic Shows (strolling;** show at 5 pm-Jeffers)

Cirque Adventure-The McCandless Family Circus Show times: 12 pm; 3 pm; 7pm

Bounce Off The Wallz Entertainment (by the River)

Fool's Gold Band 9 pm (Beer Garden Stage)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

Jacobs Livestock Team Roping: 9 am

Horseshoe Tournament: 8 am

Double Vision Magic Shows (strolling; show at 5 pm-Jeffers)

Cirque Adventure-The McCandless Family Circus Show times: 12 pm; 3 pm; 7pm

All Girl's Stock Saddle Bronc Riding 7 pm (Sponsored by IMOC Building Supplies \$1,000 added money to winner)

Montana Mini Buckers and bulls 6 pm

Jacobs Livestock Rodeo Performance 7 pm

Benny Reynolds Wild Cow Milking 9 pm

Bounce Off The Wallz Entertainment (by the River)

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

Parade on Main Street: 10:30 am

Cowboy Church: 12 pm Jeffers Building (fairgrounds)



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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.

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

Paddle board classes, **Ennis**

Tuesday & Thursday at Ennis Lake at 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Tennis, Ennis 9 a.m. țil 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 af 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. Meet's 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 Aŭgust.

MV Manor Auxilary Meeting, Ennis SECOND THURS OF EA. **MONTH**

1 p.m., Madison Valley Manor SunRoom

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 perform-

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

Live Music - Norris 7 p.m.

SUNDAYS

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WEDNESDAY **AUGUST 3**

Speaker, Twin Bridges Jody Sandru will present a program about the U.S. Supreme Court after having attended training and workshops earlier this summer at the Wagon Wheel cafe at noon.

THURSDAY AUGUST 4

BAH, Ennis Business After Hours will be hosted by Berkshire Hathaway Home Services from 5 to 7pm.

FRIDAY AUGUST 5

Show, Virginia City Trunk show of custom mixed metal with jeweler Cheryl DeGroot at the Dancing Buffalo Gallery at 6 p.m.

SATURDAY **AUGUST 6**

Karaoke, Virginia City Karaoke and toga party at the Bale of Hay beginning at 9 p.m.

Pony Days, Pony Celebrate the 150th year of Pony with breakfast, a parade and much more. The fun begins at 9 a.m. and runs all day.

Tent sale, Ennis True Value Annual Tent Sale and Regressive Dutch Auction begins at 8 a.m.

BBQ and concert, Sheridan Ruby Valley Healthcare



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SUNDAY **AUGUST 7** Beer fest, Virginia City Bale Beer Fest under the big tent at the Bale of Hay Saloon beginning at

> Rally, Virginia City Travel the early roads of Montana during the Road Agent Rally beginning at 10 a.m. Call Jack at 843-5933 for more information.

noon.

MONDAY AUGUST 8

Meeting, Ennis School board budget and regular meeting at 5 p.m.

TUESDAY AUGUST 9

Program, Ennis The Ennis Arts Association will hold a program at the Madison Valley Public Library featuring Ken Hall at 10:30 a.m.



School Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 9 7 p.m.

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