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Meet the applicants

12 lawyers apply for 5th Judicial District judgeship

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The Honorable Judge Loren Tucker steps down from his office on Jan. 27, 2017, and one of 12 applicants will fill his shoes as the judge of the Fifth Judicial District serving Madison, Beaverhead and Jefferson counties.

In September, the Judicial Nomination Commission began accepting applications for the position – 12 applied before the Oct. 31, 2016, cut off.

Through the end of November, the public is invited to comment on the applicants. After public comment closes on Dec. 1, the Judicial Nomination Commission will forward either three or five nominees to the governor to choose from.

"The person appointed by the governor is subject to senate confirmation during the 2017 legislative session," according to a press release from the State Bar of Montana. "The position is subject to election in 2018. The successful candidate will serve for a six-year term."

The Judicial Nomination Commission is comprised of District Judge Richard Simonton of Glendive, Jan Bishop of Missoula, Karl Englund of Missoula, Elizabeth Halverson of Billings, Hal Harper of Helena, Lane Larson of Billings and Nancy Zadick of Great Falls, according to the release.

The following are the applicants:

- Luke Michael Berger, Helena, deputy county attorney, Lewis and Clark County
- Victor Nicholas Bunitsky Jr., Virginia City, city attorney
- Janice M. Casarotto, Butte, lawyer in private practice
- William A. Chambers, Helena, lawyer in private practice
- Matthew Lowery Erikson, Missoula, director of Legal Services, Collection Professionals Inc., and interim

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ELECTION RESULTS



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Election office clerks check in ballots from the Alder precinct on election night.

In only contested local race, Allhands elected to commission

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At precisely 8 p.m. on Nov. 8, Kathleen Mumme, Madison County Clerk and Recorder and Election Administrator, stepped out the doors of the county administrative building and proclaimed, "hear ye, hear ye, the polls have closed!"

And with that, election officials prepared for what was to come. By 8:13 p.m., ballots rolled through the door

from the Virginia City polling place, just down the road. By 8:39 p.m., Sheridan's ballots were wheeled through the door, closely followed by Alder's and Twin Bridges'.

Madison County voters showed up at the polls – early data from the Secretary of State's office shows a record turnout rate for the county with 79.48 percent of voters casting a ballot. That means 4,909 votes were cast in Madison County, which only has 6,176 registered voters.

The county's only contested race was for commission district one – Dan Allhands won the seat with 56 percent of the vote to current commissioner Dave Schulz's 43 percent. Five of Madison County's eight precincts voted in that race.

In Alder, 104 voted in favor of Allhands and 86 for Schulz. In the Ennis rural district, 209 voted for Allhands and 148 for Schulz. Sheridan voters

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Hunting season update

Compared to last year's record harvest, hunter success rate low; few violations



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"If the weather continues as is, we are not going to see the harvest we typically do at the end of the season," said Dean Waltee, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks biologist, discussing big game hunting season. "We'll just ride out the mild years and the harvest will come down, and every few years we'll get a good snow year and make up the harvest."

Waltee, who covers the Ruby Valley and surrounding areas, and his Madison Valley counterpart Julie Cunningham, do not set harvest quotas for elk and deer.

"With elk, we have an objective population range," Waltee explained.

For example, in the Gravelly "complex," which spans the southern half of Madison County, the hope is to have an elk population between 6,400 and 9,600, with an objective of 8,000.

"At the end of last (hunting) season we had 8,700 elk in that country," Waltee said. "Coming out of winter, we had about 2,400

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Mike Elliott pursues elk in the mountains.

calves on the ground, so we probably started this season with 11,100 elk, or somewhere around there."

Ideally, this hunting season would see 1,400 elk harvested from the Gravelly complex, so the population remains under 9,600.

Both Waltee's check station in Alder, and Cunningham's, which is in Cameron, have seen a decline in hunter participation.

Over the course of the third weekend of the season, Nov. 5 and 6, hunters checked 13 elk through the Cameron station, and 13 through the Alder station. In the third weekend of the 2015 season, the Cameron station saw 94 elk.

"Success rates seem low compared to last year's record setting third weekend harvest, but elk and white-tailed deer harvest was very comparable to 2009 through 2014," Cunningham reported. "The harvest success rate was on the low side of average, as would be expected given the warm and dry conditions."

Season extension?

"We are not looking at season extensions in this part of the world," Waltee reported.

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avored Allhands with 541 votes, while Schulz received 439. Three Twin Bridges votes went to Allhands and two to Schulz. And finally, in Virginia City, 104 voted in favor of Allhands and 76 were for Schulz.

In Madison County's other local offices, candidates ran unopposed. Jeff Welborn was elected to represent residents in Senate District 36, and Ray Shaw was re-elected to serve House District 71.

Mumme, who ran unopposed, was re-elected as clerk and recorder and election administrator, and Linda Hamilton will serve as Madison County's public administrator.

** Editor's note: For state and national results, including ballot initiatives, visit www.madisoniannews.com or the Secretary of State's results at www.mtelectionresults.gov.*



From L: Alison Elser and Connie Carter, election office clerks, check in ballots on election night. ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN

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- Jed Clayton Fitch, Dillon, Beaverhead County attorney
- Lori Ann Harshbarger, Whitehall, lawyer in private practice and city attorney for Twin Bridges
- Mathew James Johnson, Helena, lawyer in private practice and formerly Jefferson County attorney
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In Southwest Montana FWP instated two-week season extensions in 2004, 2005, 2007 and 2008, Waltee explained.

"The years were much like this," he said. "But the difference was that we were above objective (with the elk population) at the start of the hunting season, so the goal was getting the elk back to objective, which is hard to do in a mild year."

However, weather never materialized in three of the four extension years.

"What we learned is that if you don't get the weather to facilitate elk bunching up and becoming easier to find, they don't move to accessible locations," Waltee said. "We try to avoid an extension - it's time consuming, and sometimes it brings a gold rush mentality. It attracts a lot of hunters who are naïve to the area, which pushes a lot of people on the ground."

Despite the warm weather and lower success rate compared to last year, Waltee said hunter morale and attitude remains high.

"They realize it's just tough weather," he said. "Elk hunting in this country depends on snow. It's hard to find them

(without weather)."

Law enforcement

Madison County's primary game wardens, Ryan Picken and Shane Brozovich, both reported this general rifle season as being relatively quiet in relation to violations.

"It's in the 60s and November, so the elk haven't been pushed down to where people see them," Picken explained. People are doing a good job of following the law and asking for permission on private property. Or signing in when doing block management."

Brozovich, who covers primarily the Madison Valley, said the same - he reported very few trespass issues.

"The biggest thing (I've) dealt with is spikes," he said. "I am up to six spikes now; all of them were self reported."

Picken agreed, saying he has dealt with four illegal spike bull harvests where the hunter has turned himself or herself in.

"They were all long shots," Picken said. "It's tough to tell from 500 yards or 600 yards if it's a cow or if it has a little antler."

Brozovich said hunters sometimes get excited and fail

to identify their target. The citation is a \$135 ticket, and the elk is confiscated and donated to a food bank.

"That's their elk for the year, so they don't have a tag to shoot another," Brozovich said.

In addition, a few people hunting in Madison County have been cited for shooting from a roadway. During the 2015 session, the legislature clarified that if someone is convicted of the crime of shooting from a vehicle or roadway or harassing game animals with a vehicle, they lose hunting, fishing and trapping privileges for a minimum of two years.

"The fine itself isn't a big thing, but losing hunting, fishing and trapping privileges is," Brozovich said. "It's a significant violation."

Predators

Picken reported hearing of 15 to 19 wolves in a pack in the Upper Ruby. In fact, he and his wife were hunting and came upon a pack.

"The wolf population is thriving," he said. "Numerous hunting parties and guides have spotted them up the Ruby River. I see them on patrol."

Picken recommends hunt-

ers purchase wolf tags, because there is always a chance of taking a shot at one. In fact, this year, he harvested his first wolf.

Though wolves are starting to migrate out of the mountains to the benches and toward towns, Picken said they keep their distance from humans. On the other hand, some other predators pose more of a concern.

"I've been chasing a mountain lion (around Alder) since mid-October," he said. "First a highway patrolman was filling gas (in Alder) and the lion walked across the road. Then I heard about it sitting in front of the post office and peeking into the market."

Picken also received a report from a resident who lives behind the bar in town - he saw the mountain lion perched on his trailer.

"They are hard to track down," he said. "They're an elusive creature. I have instructions to remove it if it's spotted."

Cat sightings pose a threat, Picken said.

"They will go after domestic pets," he said. "On occasion, we will hear about altercations with humans."

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The Lady Mustangs took second at the state tournament, and proudly display their plaque.

Mustang volleyball fights all the way to title game, takes second place trophy



CAITLIN AVEY/THE MADISONIAN
Payton Fortner sets up the play.

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"SALT!" "PEPPER!" chanted the sea of green inside the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse where the Ennis Lady Mustangs fought their way into the championship game of the class C state volleyball tournament.

"It's a little bittersweet but we want to finish strong," said senior and team captain Brigit Croy before the Mustangs took on Belt in the championship.

Croy, whose high school volleyball career ended on Saturday, said the team was ready for a battle.

"We just want to play our game," she added, before sprinting off the court to celebrate with her teammates.

In a nail-biter match, the Lady Mustangs lost to the undefeated Belt Huskies and took home the second place title. The Huskies, who capped off a perfect season with the title match, knocked the Mustangs into the consolation bracket early in the tournament, but the hungry Ennis team made their way back, better than ever and looking for redemption.

The girls in green cruised past Custer/Hysham in their opening game of the state tournament, defeating the Rebels in three sets. Middle hitters Jourdain Klein and Danyel Martin made their presence known with 15 and 14 kills, respectively. The 6-foot-plus duo did their part defensively, blocking seven Rebel attempts.

The win against the Rebels pitted the Lady Mustangs against the top seeded Huskies for a late game on the first night of the tournament. The strong Husky team from the north is the only class C team to beat the Mustangs all season. The Mustangs' only other loss

happened early this season against class B Three Forks.

After a two point loss in the first set, the Mustangs were rattled and could not recover, losing the match in three sets.

Now in the consolation bracket, the Mustangs needed to play their absolute best in order to keep their hopes for a championship game alive.

In the first of three loser-out games, the Mustangs defeated Great Falls Central in four sets, thanks to Klein and Martin at the top of the net. Croy also contributed to the team's kills with nine, as well as three blocks and nine digs. Setters Peyton Fortner and Whitney McKittrick had 16 and 15 assists to help push the Mustangs to the next round.

Next up was a quick three set match against Circle. Fighting to move on, the Mustangs played their game and breezed past the Wildcats with 12 team kills and nine digs.

With one game standing between them and the championship, the Mustangs would have to play their toughest game yet against the Broadus Hawks – green versus green, and interestingly enough, a family affair.

While all three Mustang coaches have the unique, but not always uncommon, opportunity of coaching their daughters, assistant coach Tami Jenkins also had the chance to coach against her dad, Gordon Archer, head coach for the Lady Hawks.

"It was fun to play against my dad's team because we were both at state and that meant we had both had a successful season," Jenkins said. "It was difficult to know we had ended their state championship quest, but at the same time I was very excited for our girls.

The Hawks managed to take the Lady Mustangs to

four sets but were unable to finish off the match. Klein and Martin had 26 and 21 kills, respectively, to advance the Mustangs to the championship game. Croy added six kills to the team's 35 and dug up 11 Hawk attempts. Libero Anna Garcia, McKittrick and Klein each contributed one ace.

And just like that, the Lady Mustangs found themselves in the championship game against Belt, the team that made them work their way back in. Just 30 minutes after defeating the Hawks, the Lady Mustangs pushed all tiredness aside and forced the Huskies to five sets.

After a seven point loss in the first set, the Lady Mustangs pushed back hard to take the next two sets by eight and 12 points, respectively. The Huskies took control of the fourth set. The fifth and final set was point-to-point as both teams rallied for kills. In the end, the Belt Huskies proved why they are undefeated and topped off their season, taking the first place title with them.

Defeated in the game, the Lady Mustangs were not defeated in spirit.

"I am so proud of the girls," said head coach Betty Klein. "They battled back to make it into the championship game and played tough against a really good team. This group of young ladies worked so hard as a team which made all the difference in the end."

Ennis vs. Custer/Hysham: 25-6, 25-16, 25-11
Ennis vs. Belt: 23-25, 11-25, 21-25
Ennis vs. Great Falls Central: 25-23, 25-14, 22-25, 25-16
Ennis vs. Circle: 27-25, 25-16, 25-17
Ennis vs. Broadus: 25-20, 21-25, 25-14, 25-11
Ennis vs. Belt: 18-25, 25-17, 25-13, 16-25, 11-15



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The Mustang bench jumps in excitement.

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President-elect Trump, who rigged the system?

Dear Editor,

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LaVon D. Brillhart
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OBITUARIES

Kelly Ann Kivlin
August 22, 1962 – November 4, 2016



Kelly Ann Kivlin was born on Aug. 22, 1962, to Lois and Bob Kivlin in Baraboo, Wis. She was the youngest of five girls growing up in the Dells. She was preceded in death by both her mother and father. Kelly attended college in

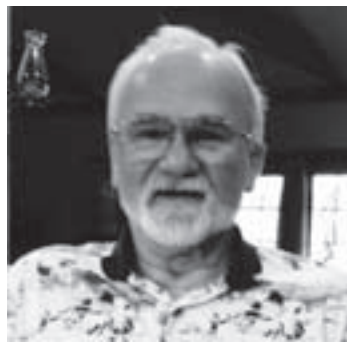
Madison, Wisc., and lived in Chicago, San Diego, Florida and Maine before fulfilling her childhood dream to live in Montana. She loved and cared for all people and found complete joy in caring for her many dogs and her beloved horses. She had an insatiable appetite for horseback riding in the mountains and exploring any and all lakes and streams with her beautiful horse Donald. Kelly also loved kayaking the Madison River and could often be seen paddling with her dog Elio proudly riding the bow. She managed the McAllister Inn restaurant and delighted guests with

her warm smile and glowing personality. Kelly was loved by all who were lucky enough to know her and always left a lasting impression with her optimism and outward joy of living each day to the fullest. She loved nature, horses, dogs and helping others. She was a fantastic teacher of life and unwavering in her beliefs of love, kindness and unselfishness. Always willing to help find a stray animal a way home or provide one if necessary. Her friends were the most important part of her day and we all will miss her magical smile and uplifting laughter. She often said, "be the person that you

want to be," and she led by example. She was taken from us way too soon, as we need more people like Kelly in this world. She is survived by her husband Keith Altimus and her sisters Cheryl, Jill and Jody, and nephew Alan.

A celebration of Kelly's life will be held on Nov. 20 at 2 p.m. at the Jumping Horse Barn. All that knew Kelly are cordially invited to attend. We ask memorials in Kelly's name be made to either the Heart of the Valley Animal Shelter in Bozeman, Black Hills Wild Horse Sanctuary and also Herding Dogs of Wyoming. RIP sweet Kelly, we miss you.

Robert "Bob" Bruce Collier
November 13, 1940 – November 12, 2016



Robert "Bob" Bruce Collier was born to Walter Robert Collier and Mildred Thomas on Nov. 13, 1940, in Oakland, Calif. The Lord called him home on Nov. 12, 2016, so he could have chocolate cake in heaven on his birthday.

Bob as a teenager was all about motorcycles and working on hotrods, thus getting well acquainted with the Oakland police.

He worked at General Motors in Oakland, then became a journeyman in body and framework.

Bob married his junior high sweetheart on March 17, 1962, and they had two children, Daniel Robert and Christine Lynn. In 1971, Bob and Carole packed up their children and belongings into a produce truck and moved to Ennis, settling temporarily at the Stalcup Ranch. Bob secured work at the talc mine and then bought a home and

settled in Jeffers to raise their kids.

Throughout the years Bob worked as a carpenter, mechanic and truck driver, finishing out his years of work being self employed. In his retirement, he enjoyed helping at D&D.

Throughout the years, Bob enjoyed fishing, four-wheeling, riding motorcycles and going to get wood. He and Carole felt secure having the largest, most tightly ricked wood pile in the Madison Valley. They loved being productive.

Bob loved to tell stories and make people laugh. He loved taking care of his bride

of 55 years and raising their kids and grandkids.

Bob is survived by his wife Carole; son Dan (Cheryl); daughter Christine (Mike); grandsons Daniel Scott (Brandi), Nicholas Robert (Katie), Nicholas Covey Couch and Tucker J. Couch; great grandson Ronan James; brothers Keith and Kevin Hanson; and cat Rambo Louie III.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Nov. 19 at 1 p.m. at the Madison Valley Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Ennis Fire Department or volunteer ambulance service.

Ann Storey
July 14, 1914 – November 9, 2016

Ann Storey, 102, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2016, in Bozeman. She was born on July 14, 1914, in Whitehall. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DISPATCH LOG

November 11 through November 12, 2016

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Wildlife Call on W Idaho St Virginia City
Wildlife Call on Sky View Dr Ennis
Trespass on Indian Creek Rd Sheridan
Accident in 100 Blk S Main St Sheridan
Citizen Assist in 500 Blk N Main St Twin Bridges
Missing Person at Indian Creek Trailhead Cameron
Accident at MT Hwy 41 MM 51 Silver Star

11/7
Standby To Assure Peace in 100 Blk Harrison St Harrison
Fire Call on Moores Creek Rd Ennis
Animal Complaint in 300 Blk Main St Ennis

Welfare Check in 100 Blk W Wallace St Virginia City

11/8
Wildlife Call in 100 Blk Pintail Ridge Rd Ennis
Welfare Check on Valley View Ct Ennis
Accident in 4900 Blk US Hwy 287 Ennis
Medical Aid on N Meadow Creek Rd McAllister
Fire Call Out of County
Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 51 Ennis
Accident in 3400 Blk MT Hwy 287 Sheridan

11/9
Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 31 Sheridan
Fire Call in 4000 Blk MT Hwy 287 Twin Bridges

Citizen Assist in 300 Blk Pony Rd Pony
Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 36 Sheridan
Accident in 100 Blk N Bridge St Twin Bridges
Arrest in 100 Blk W Main St Ennis

11/10
Suspicious Circumstances on Geyser St Ennis
Traffic Complaint on Mountain View Rd Ennis
Wildlife Call on Bear Creek Rd Cameron
Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 52 Ennis
Alarm in 300 Blk W 8th Ave Twin Bridges

11/11
Accident on Placer Loop

Virginia City
Wildlife Call on MT Hwy 287 MM 35 Sheridan
Burglary on W Main St Sheridan

11/12
Robbery in 100 Blk Sterling Rd Norris

Coroner Call in Ennis
Theft in 800 Blk Middle Rd Twin Bridges
Wildlife Call on Tendoy Way Ennis
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& MORE SPORTS:

CHARGING to the CHAMPIONSHIP

Ennis Mustangs defeat Wibaux, will play Charlo for the football title this weekend

ABIGAIL DENNIS
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The energy at Scully Field last Saturday was palpable when the beast from the east – the Wibaux Longhorns – came to Ennis to challenge the Mustangs.

“Our boys had to play as well as they could,” said head coach Chris Hess.

Though Wibaux put up a fight – the toughest the Ennis football team has seen so far this year – the Mustangs gained momentum early on and brought home a win, 46 – 6, which earned them a trip to the state championship on Nov. 19 in Charlo.

“(Wibaux) was very challenging,” Hess said. “The game was a lot closer than the score.”

Ennis kicked off to start the showdown, but quickly regained possession of the ball, as the Longhorns were unable to battle through the Mustang defense.

Ennis’ Jake Knack had the first carry, moving the ball down field and putting quarterback Tanner Wood in a good spot to keep the ball and sprint around the outside, then all the way to the end zone.

With 8:50 left in the first quarter, Ennis was up 6 – 0.

Wibaux returned fire, scoring their own touchdown, and it briefly seemed the game was going to be a back and forth battle. But with three seconds left in the first quarter, Knack found the end zone and the Mustangs took the lead and refused to give it back.

“The team played very well,” Hess said. “We were able to establish our running game and only allowed one score against a very good team.”

In the second quarter, Wood found receiver Gavin McKitrick, who scored a 56 yard touchdown. A few minutes later, Knack found himself back in the end zone, and the Mustangs entered the locker room with a 26 – 6 lead.

Ennis had the ball to start the second half, but turned it over on downs, an unusual situation for the Mustangs. However, the Longhorns were unable to get anywhere against the dominant Ennis defense, and the ball was back in Mustang hands.

Then, Wood threw an interception, which put Wibaux in great position to score. But a touchdown eluded the Longhorns, thanks to the Mustang defense. Wibaux made it to the 2 yard line, and eventually eked forward to the 1/2 yard

line, but got no further. Though they were within inches of the goal line, the Mustangs held them and took possession on downs.

“Our offensive and defensive lines were outstanding,” Hess said. “Ty Morgan had a monster game with 10 tackles – five for a loss.”

As the third quarter wound down, Knack ran for a 60 yard touchdown, and Wood connected with his twin brother, Corbin, for two points after, bringing the score to 34 – 6.

The defense made quick work of the Longhorns, and Ennis had the ball again at the start of the fourth quarter.

The next touchdown was courtesy of T. Wood, with the quarterback keeper, who ran 66 yards thanks to a well placed block from his brother. Another Knack touchdown finalized the scoreboard at 46 – 6, sending the Mustangs to Charlo and the championship game this Saturday, Nov. 19, in Charlo.

“Charlo has a lot of team speed and has been scoring a lot of points,” Hess said. “It will be a challenge containing them.”

Team spirits are positive, however.

“Everyone is very excited to be in this position,” Hess said. “This has been a goal all year. I know they will play as hard as they can to try and earn a championship.”



ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN
 Jake Knack takes the ball into the end zone. Knack scored four touchdowns during the game.

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- Chris Hess,
 Head football coach – Ennis



ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN
 Corbin Wood and Ty Morgan hug their coach, Chris Hess, after the game against Wibaux.



ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN
 Tanner Wood (1) scores the first touchdown of the game on Nov. 12. Wood, the quarterback, threw the ball for 90 yards, and rushed for 185.



ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN
 Gavin McKitrick lunges for the ball. McKitrick ended the game with 56 receiving yards and nine tackles.

MORE NEWS:

ENNIS SCHOOL

Board discusses potential future policies for fundraising, meal charges

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At the Ennis School Board meeting, Superintendent Casey Klasna brought up two Montana School Board Association policies the board may be interested in implementing – one involving crowdfunding, and the other meal payment.

“Do we want board or administration approval for fundraising or crowdfunding associated with the school?” Klasna asked.

Board chair Maria Lake asked Klasna to draft a potential policy – the board tentatively agreed it was a good idea for school-affiliated fundraisers to have an approval process.

Currently, staff members who want to fundraise must get approval, but the same does not apply to outside groups.

A meal charge policy is required by MTSBA, Klasna explained. Some students are eligible for free or reduced meals, but sometimes families that pay for school meals rack up bills and do not pay.

“I’m not sure if that ever happens here because I haven’t been here long enough,” Klasna said. “But what if we have a kid coming to school hungry? My philosophy is to feed them. It’s not their fault.”

Klasna said some families choose not to sign up for free or reduced meals, even if they are eligible, because of the perception.

“But it’s all confidential the way we handle it,” Klasna said. “Even the student doesn’t know.”

Clerk Ginger Martello said there is not a problem with families racking up meal bills in Ennis.

“We have to remind some people a lot of times, but our community is really good,” Martello said. “We end the school year with \$10 or \$15 (outstanding) but the parent usually comes in over the summer and pays it.”

In some schools, however, outstanding charges will be in the thousands by the end of the year.

The board recommended a few changes to the MTSBA policy, and asked Klasna to present a draft to the board next month.

“If it ends up being a problem, we can change the policy in the future,” trustee Kris Inman said.

Budget amendment

Due to the school’s increasing enrollment, the board decided to send a letter to the Montana Office of Public Instruction, detailing the need for a budget amendment proclamation.

“Then we advertise it and make a resolution,” Martello.

The school’s growing enrollment requires an increase in the general fund budget, Klasna explained. The board unanimously approved sending a letter to OPI to get the process in motion.

Sharing parking

Bernie Oglietti with Ennis Senior Center, Inc., approached the school about signing a memorandum of understanding to allow senior

center staff to park in the elementary parking lot, which is adjacent to the senior center.

“It would be for overflow parking during the day,” Klasna told the board. “His points made sense.”

Lake said it would be a good way to serve the community, but asked Klasna if he foresaw any issues.

Klasna said he wanted to make sure visitors to the senior center would not use the parking lot in the mornings and afternoons when kids are being picked up or dropped off.

“And we’ll have to communicate on early release days,” he added.

Trustee Julie Funston said it would be best to make it the senior center’s responsibility to know the schedule of when they can or cannot use the parking lot.

“These are the same folks who support our school,” trustee Chad Coffman said.

The board was all in favor of moving forward with the MOU pending the changes they mentioned.

Other business

- The council heard an update from

junior high student council representatives Rebekah Cook and Bronwyn Comer. Cook expressed a desire to hold a junior high dance every month, though the school has historically only held three per year.

“I thought it would work to compromise to six with (Hilton),” Cook said. “We decided there would be three chaperoned by staff and three with parent chaperones.”

Cook’s next planned dance will take place around Thanksgiving, and she hopes to incorporate a food drive to help out the community.

• Ennis’ Casey Donahue, who is in her second year as business/technology teacher and technology coordinator for the district,

was named the new teacher of the year by the Montana Business Education Association.

• Klasna is looking into working with area cattle producers to get local beef in the lunchroom, instead of what is currently imported.

“We have to be careful to be inclusive of everyone local who wants to participate,” cautioned Lake.

“I still need to figure out what is feasible for the district,” Klasna said. “Maybe start small and grow it.”

“But what if we have a kid coming to school hungry? My philosophy is to feed them.”

- Casey Klasna, Ennis School Superintendent

DISTRICT COURT ROUND UP

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McCourt sentenced to DoC

Jared Russell John McCourt appeared at the Madison County Courthouse before Judge Loren Tucker on Nov. 14 on charges he violated his suspended sentence.

McCourt was given a three year deferred sentence for criminal endangerment on May 19, 2014, and again appeared at the Madison County Courthouse on Sept. 15, 2014, when the state filed a petition to revoke his deferred sentence. That deferred sentence was revoked, and McCourt was

committed to the Department of Corrections for a term of five years with two suspended.

“The defendant was placed at the Montana State Prison on March 4, 2015. (McCourt’s) prison sentence discharged on Sept. 6, 2016,” according to court documents. Since he was released on probation on Sept.

7 of this year, the state claims he violated the terms of that probation by consuming alcohol and drugs, spending time with a minor and frequenting a library, though he was banned for frequenting places where children congregate.

McCourt pleaded true to the allegations.

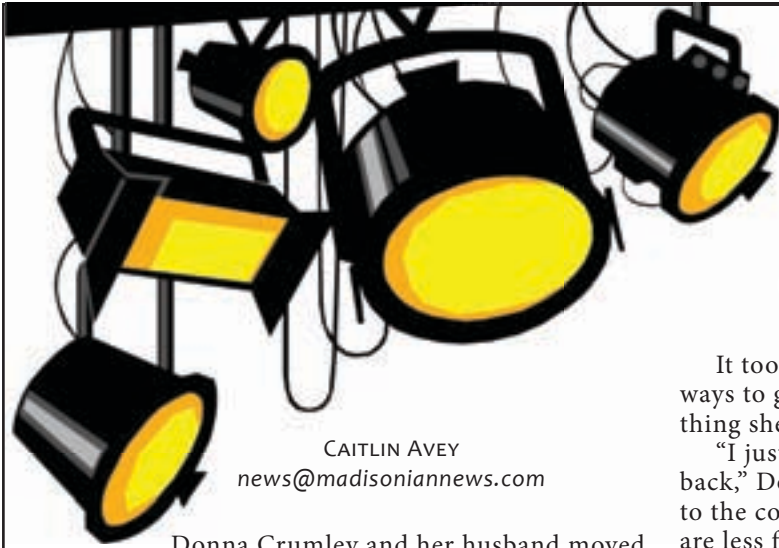
Judge Tucker sentenced him to the DoC for the remainder of his suspended sentence – two years, less 54 days, which he served after being picked up this fall. Before releasing McCourt, Judge Tucker asked him what was going on.

“I don’t think I was ready to be released from prison,” Mc-

Court answered. “I don’t think I was ready mentally.”

“I don’t think there is anybody in this courtroom who wants bad things for you,” Judge Tucker said. “You seem to keep doing the same things wrong.”

With that, McCourt was released back into custody.



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Donna Crumley and her husband moved back to the Madison Valley in 1980 after 12 years away.

“Ranching brought us back,” said Donna.

Donna Crumley: Giving back through food

It took no time at all for Donna to find ways to give back to the community, something she has made time for ever since.

“I just feel it’s very important to give back,” Donna said. “I feel good giving back to the community and those in need or who are less fortunate than I am.”

Donna made a big impact on the community through her work with the Madison Valley Caring and Sharing food bank and Meals on Wheels.

“It’s been a long time,” she said about her involvement with the food bank. “Over 20 years, maybe 25.”

Donna serves as the treasure and director of the food bank, where she orders food for the facility and keeps records.

“All the boards I serve on are important to the community and I like serving,” she said.

Donna also volunteers at the Ennis Senior Center. After 30 years of delivering meals through the Meals on Wheels program, she has handed off the torch, but still makes time to serve meals every Thursday at the senior center.

“I don’t always have the time but I make the time,” she said.

Donna and her husband have 11 grandkids and when they are not busy on the ranch or with the food bank, she said they enjoy following the grandkids’ activities.

“They’re all pretty active in sports and that keeps us busy,” she said. “It also keeps us young.”

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Buzz from the schools

Hello from Twin Bridges!

It is hard to believe that the first quarter is over, fall parent/teacher conferences have concluded and the holiday season is quickly upon us!

So many fabulous things have happened in the last 12 weeks; the class C eight-man football playoffs, a third place finish at the district 12C volleyball tournament and a great showing by both teams at the state cross country meet.

We had a full week of Missoula Children’s Theatre back in mid-October with a presentation of *Peter and Wendy* ... great participation by the elementary and junior high groups!

Twin Bridges Schools continues to implement the processes outlined by six traits of writing; monthly PLC meetings are focused on developing

and nurturing proficient writers. We expect more “early-out” days for professional development focusing on GoMath and six traits ... in fact, our next early out (12:30 p.m. dismissal time) will be Nov. 30!

We have nearly raised all the funds for our improvements at Carroll Field and expect construction to be done by August of 2017!

We had great support from parents and community members at the Twin Bridges School Library book fair ... this fair supports so much of our new purchases in fiction, non-fiction and equipment needed for the ever evolving library.

Here’s wishing you a fabulous start to winter and a safe and joyous holiday season.

Chad Johnson
Twin Bridges School Superintendent



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ENNIS TOWN: Council passes first reading of amended animal ordinance

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On Nov. 10, a handful of community members gathered at Ennis Town Hall for a public hearing about proposed changes to the town's animal ordinance.

"It's mostly clarification," said council person Lisa Roberts. "In the 'at large' section, we want to change it from 'dog' to 'animal.'"

Another change is to add the word "hog" to the list of livestock, and clarify chapter three of the current ordinance to include pot-bellied pigs.

The council first realized the ordinance needed clarification when questions about a pig in town were brought to the attention of the police department. Since the current ordinance does not include language about pigs, nothing could be enforced.

Following a short public comment period where one person asked if "at large animals" can include felines off leash, the council called to order their regular meeting.

A splash pad

Community member Nick Brundin approached the council with information about a potential splash pad.

Last month, Brundin presented the idea, and the council asked him to come back with a little more information.

Brundin clarified excavation, plumbing, concrete and maintenance costs.

As originally proposed, the splash pad would cost \$48,133, per Brundin's estimates.

"This is really good," said council person Brian Vincent. "I think we should do it."

Roberts said the council should approve the project before community fundraising begins, and the entire council gave Brundin a verbal consensus to move forward.

Electric vehicles

Kenton Irvine, who attended last month's council meeting, presented a draft electric mobile devices ordinance to the council.

Currently, the town does not have a specific ordinance about use of electric vehicles, like small scooters and skateboards.

"The language would need to be changed to work with our ordinances and state laws," said John Moore, Ennis police chief, upon examining Irvine's drafted ordinance. "It's a good start."

Moore agreed to look into a potential ordinance and meet with Irvine before the next council meeting.

County planning board

The Ennis council is moving forward with dissolving the town's planning board and sending a representative to the county's board. To do that, Sheridan and Twin Bridges councils, which are

already part of the county board, must agree.

Last week, the Twin Bridges Town Council moved to support Ennis' inclusion on the planning board. Last month, the Sheridan Town Council did the same.

"A formal resolution will be needed from all four entities - Ennis, Twin (Bridges), Sheridan and (Madison) County," explained county planning board director Charity Fechter. "Ennis will need to dissolve their planning board."

Animal ordinance

Before adjourning, the council moved to approve the first reading of the amended animal ordinance.

Before voting, council person Brandi Palmerton expressed concern about establishing what she called a "dangerous precedence," saying she was worried the council was amending the ordinance just because someone filed a complaint.

Town attorney James Greenbaum said the council is a legal body within its right to amend an ordinance to clean up ambiguities.

Sidewalk talk continues

Mayor Larry Pine brought up last month's council vote about the sidewalk project around the Y intersection. Pine wanted to address a concern he heard about a potential conflict of interest from two council members.

"(Palmerton) had questions of conflict of in-

terest," Pine said. "(Roberts) resigned as an officer of Madison Byways when she was appointed to the council."

Palmerton was also concerned when council person Blake Leavitt voted about the sidewalks since he works at the grocery store, but Pine pointed out he does not own the store.

"I do not think there is an issue," Pine said.

Pine also reported the private business owners along segment three agreed to get their sidewalk ADA compliant.

"I think we should honor our work and go back to (Montana Department of Transportation) and ask if they would consider taking out their sidewalk along there and tying into (the private sidewalk)," Pine said.

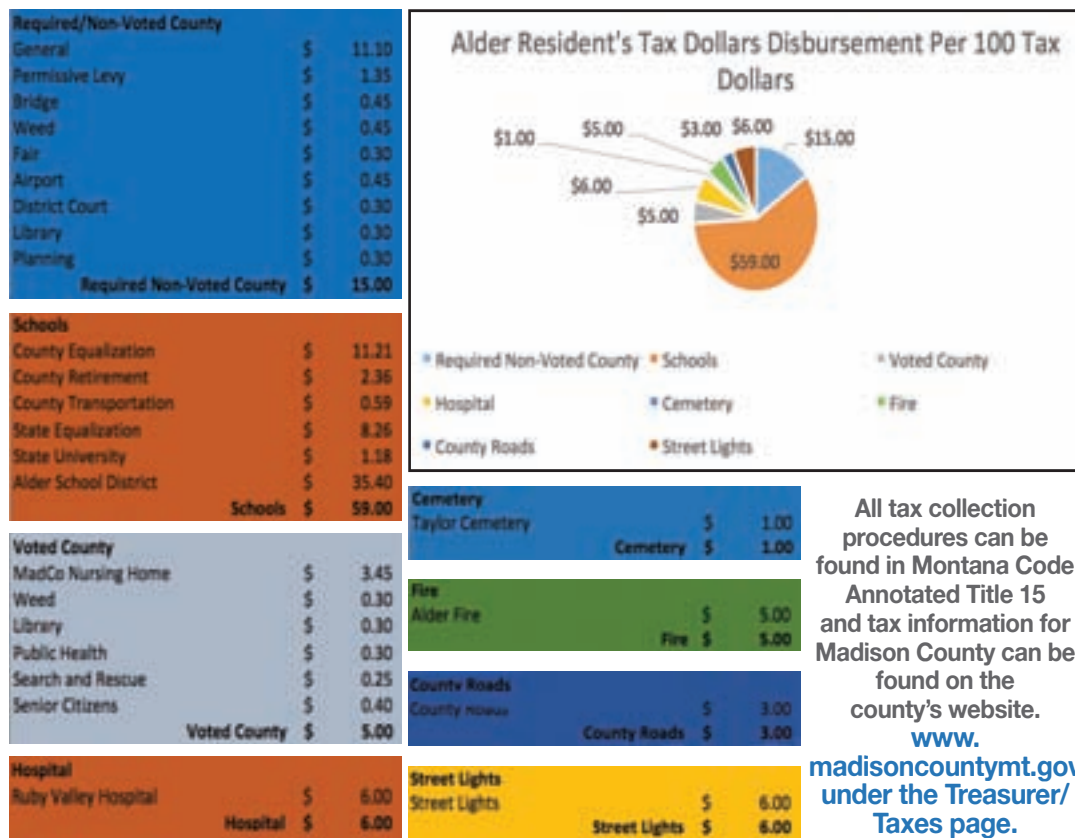
Roberts, Leavitt and council person John Bancroft expressed concern about putting pressure on MDT.

"Are we really going to risk them canceling all of segment three just because we want to poke the bear?" Roberts asked.

"The state was clear, if we try to change it, they will drop the contract," Bancroft added. "I can't see the sense of satisfying two people and disappointing 400 others. I don't want to see us lose this contract by us antagonizing the state."

Pine said it is not in his personality to "strong arm," and said he does not believe there is a risk of MDT pulling out of the project if he goes to speak with them.

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Quilts of Valor

On Veterans Day, Quilts of Valor were presented to multiple Ennis veterans. One presentation took place at Ennis Schools, and an additional quilt was presented to Tony Fischer at a store downtown.

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Dillon Elks Lodge #1554 hosts hoop shoot competition for area students

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Dillon Elks Lodge #1554

On Nov. 7, 2016, a total of 53 kids from Dillon, Ennis, Sheridan, Twin Bridges, Harrison and Lima, who all qualified from their school hoop shoot, competed in a hoop shoot competition sponsored by Dillon Elks Lodge #1554.

The winner from each division advances to the district hoop shoot in Anaconda on Jan. 7, 2016.

Girls 8-9
First: Marisa Snider (Ennis)
Second: Camrynn Love (Dillon)
Third: Adyson Creighton (Dillon)

Girls 10-11
First: Dana Lerum (Harrison)
Second: Emily Lavacona (Twin

Bridges)
Third: Leila Stennerson (Dillon)

Girls 12-13
First: Ainsley Shipman (Dillon)
Second: Duane Wiggins (Dillon)
Third: Rylee Klasna (Ennis)

Boys 8-9
First: Tristan Stout (Sheridan)
Second: Sam Davis (Dillon)
Third: Brummie Boggus (Ennis)

Boys 10-11
First: Kyler Engellant (Dillon)
Second: Landen Peterson (Dillon)
Third: Aaron DeFrance (Harrison)

Boys 12-13
First: Charlie Kruer (Sheridan)
Second: Conner Curnow (Dillon)
Third: Bo Kelly (Ennis)

Tristan Stout



Charlie Kruer



Honoring 4-Hers

SUBMITTED BY LORIE CAREY
Madison/Jefferson 4-H

On Nov. 13 at 1 p.m. at the Madison/Jefferson county extension office in Whitehall, 4-H students gathered for an achievement day. The awards program commended members for exceptional project records and overall recordkeeping skills, but also included awards in leadership, 4-H promotion, club participation, window displays, market animal carcass excellence, overall fair exhibitors and showmanship.

The 4-H ambassadors led the pledges in an icebreaker game. These young people participated in leadership workshops, volunteering to share their knowledge with younger members and participating in other community service projects. They are the future leaders of our communities.

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Overall record book winners Jenna Strozewski, Boulder, Erin Brush, Norris, Lane Buus, Ennis/Harrison, and Zeb Antonioli, Whitehall, pose for a photo.

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Brummie Boggus has been nominated for this week's Student of the Week for Ennis Elementary. Brummie, whose parents are Holli and Jamie Boggus, is a 3rd grader at Ennis Elementary. Brummie was nominated for being a conscientious student and exceptional classmate. He is kind and respectful to his peers and teachers, gets his work done, and has a positive personality. Brummie has also thrived outside of the school setting as well, qualifying in bareback for the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas this coming Dec. 1st - 3rd. Thanks for being a part of our school, Brummie, and good luck at the NFR!

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Thursday
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Friday
 Sunshine. High 38F. Winds light and variable.

Saturday
 Partly cloudy skies. High 43F. Winds SSW at 5 to 10 mph.

Sunday
 Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 47F. Winds SSW at 5 to 10 mph.

Monday
 Partly cloudy skies. High 50F. Winds SSW at 5 to 10 mph.

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Lynn Rowberry presents Ken Mumme with a quilt.



Sheridan Schools, quilt guild honor veterans

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On Wednesday, Nov. 9, members of the Patchwork Pals Quilt Guild and students from the Sheridan Schools honored veterans from around the Ruby Valley community with drawings, inspirational quotes and quilts.

Students served cinnamon rolls and coffee to all in attendance before standing before veterans to say thank you. Junior high and high school students read inspirational quotes from past presidents, generals, senators and writers, while kindergarten students presented veterans with pictures they colored. Fourth grade students asked veterans different questions about their time in the service.

"Bringing together different people is very much a healing power," said Sally Schendel, art teacher at the school. "And to know they are doing something outside of themselves for someone who appreciates it." Schendel has been in charge of the annual Veterans Day tea for the past five years.

"I think we needed that this week," she added. Schendel also said most of the students who presented during the tea volunteered for presentations, either in an effort to help better their public speaking skills, to honor their family members or to simply say thank you.

Kathy Flick is the president of the quilt guild, which gave out 10 quilts to veterans during the presentation. "We did this several years ago and it's just nice to be able to honor them," she said.

The quilt guild worked with the Quilts of Valor Foundation to produce the quilts. Veterans from both sides of Madison County have received quilts.

"The purpose of Quilts of Valor is to wrap each and every veteran in love and to say thank you," said Kathy Coontz, Southwest Montana state coordinator for the QOV Foundation.

Through QOVF, anyone can create a quilt. According to Coontz, the QOVF website has step-by-step instructions for those wishing to contribute a quilt. And anyone can request a quilt.

"Really, all we ask is that whoever you're requesting a quilt for be honorably discharged from the military," said Coontz.

Coontz also said the quilt is a one time award and is not a wounded warrior project, meaning quilts can be given to all veterans.

"It's designed to be presented to any veteran to show them how much they are loved and how thankful we are," she said.



CAITLIN AVEY/THE MADISONIAN
Sheridan kindergartners wait to present the veterans with their drawings.



CAITLIN AVEY/THE MADISONIAN
Jacob Mann interviews a veteran during the tea on Nov. 9.



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Jack Fenton was one of ten veterans to receive a quilt during the Nov. 9 tea.



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HEALTH & WELLNESS

Paying for college: How to make a plan

SUBMITTED BY STATEPOINT

When it comes to planning for college, it can be easy to thumb through glossy brochures while ignoring one important reality: cost.

“The conversation about paying for college can be an overwhelming one to initiate, but it shouldn’t be swept under the rug,” said John Rasmussen, head of Wells Fargo’s Personal Lending Group.

The average tuition and fees at private four-year colleges and universities increased by 11 percent (in 2015 dollars) over the five years from 2010-11 to 2015-16, according to the College Board. With this figure in mind, Rasmussen is offering tips to help families make a financial plan for college.

Get a ballpark figure

College costs can vary widely, depending on the institution. Will your student be attending a private or public college? Will you be paying in-state tuition? Will you be factoring in housing costs or commuting costs? “Having answers to these

questions can help you avoid sticker shock down the line,” said Rasmussen.

Check out a specific institution’s published college costs for an accurate number that takes into consideration different factors. Many schools offer a cost calculator on their site to help you do the math.

Outside funding

Explore every avenue for supplementing college costs. All families should start by completing the FAFSA, which is a free application for federal student aid, to determine your eligibility.

Next, investigate merit-based scholarships. From small grants to full rides, a scholarship of any size can reduce costs without the stress of payments or interest. A database of scholarships can be found online at tuitionfundingsources.com.

Private student loans can expand possibilities for many families, fully funding most college expenses.

Look ahead

Four years goes by more quickly than you think. Have a loan repayment plan in

place. While many responsible lenders defer repayment on loans until after school is over, and some even allow graduates to postpone payments for a number of reasons, being prepared is essential. Students should

spend time before graduation on a job search to help ensure they have income when loan payments start becoming due.

While students are in school, they should consider part-time work in order to

earmark earnings for loan repayment. Also, being mindful of spending and maintaining great credit will help students avoid significant credit card debt on top of student loan debt. **Get savvy**

College-bound families should make financial plans as soon as possible. From identifying and securing funding to amassing adequate savings, the sooner you get the discussion started, the better.



Fireproof your holiday feasts

Read these tips to have a safe, successful Thanksgiving this year

SUBMITTED BY ANNA O'DONNELL
AAA MountainWest

Food is a big part of holiday fun, but festivities can take your attention away from cooking and lead to fires. Cooking caused half of residential building fires in 2014, according to the United States Fire Administration.

More cooking fires occur on Thanksgiving than any

other day of the year. In fact, the National Fire Protection Association reports that three times as many home fires occur on that holiday compared with the average day, with Christmas Day and Christmas Eve not far behind.

“Holiday decorations and candles can also be fire hazards, but the cooktop is the most common origin

of cooking fires, and unattended cooking is the greatest contributing factor,” said Anna O’Donnell, spokesperson with AAA MountainWest.

Before you bake, broil, grill, sear or fry, remember these tips for fireproof feasts:

- Avoid an overcooked meal, or worse, by having someone on cooking duty at all times. If you have to leave,

turn off cooking equipment first.

- Plan television time, video chats, chores and other activities outside of meal preparation time to limit distractions.

- Everyone loves hanging out in the kitchen – which can lead to bumps, spills and other injuries, especially when kids are involved. To minimize ac-

cidents and divert traffic, put snacks, games and toys in another room.

- Grills should only be used outdoors.

- If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol, step away from cooking and designate a “driver” to take the lead.

- Keep dishtowels, oven mitts, paper products and other flammable materi-

als away from heat.

- Smother grease fires with a metal lid or baking soda. Never use water and make sure to turn off the heat first. If a fire starts in the oven, turn off the heat and keep the oven door closed.

- Have a fully functional fire extinguisher handy for emergencies. Call 911 for help if a fire occurs.

Top tips for holiday family road trips

SUBMITTED BY STATEPOINT

The holiday season is one of the busiest travel times of the year, which

means congested roads under potentially difficult driving conditions. To keep holiday road warriors comfortable and content on

their drives, Autotrader editors offer some of their top holiday travel tips.

- Tune up. Do a quick check on the essentials before you head out. Check the wear and pressure on your tires, and be sure your fluids (oil, coolant and wiper fluid) are topped off. For do-it-yourselfers, you can perform these quick and easy inspections on your own. For added peace

of mind, visit your local mechanic or dealership where you can have your car serviced by an accredited technician. Tending to potential issues proactively means you are more likely to avoid having to deal with them while you’re on the road.

- Avoid “are we there yet?” Technology features like built-in screens and DVD players can be saviors on the road, but if your car does not come equipped with these, consider bringing along a handheld device so kids can play games or watch videos. And if technology is not your thing, remember that magnetized board games and word games can work just as well. You can also encourage kids to stay occupied by having

them help you navigate and by playing DJ.

- Have patience. These days, your car’s navigation tools can offer realistic travel times, but be prepared for the unexpected. Inclement weather, traffic and bathroom requests can set you

back. Give yourself extra time to reach your destination.

- Have fun. Holiday road trips can be a great pastime for the whole family while creating wonderful memories. Enjoy the adventure of it.

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SUCH A LITTLE THING

How I became a writer

The following is in response to National I Love to Write Day, which was Nov. 15.

"I think that I shall never see/A poem so lovely as a tree." Half-asleep at the breakfast table, my father's voice startled me as he quoted the opening lines of Joyce Kilmer's poem, "The Tree." Suddenly fully awake, I wasn't sure what to expect next. So, as 7-year-old boys are wont to do, I stared intently at the man I held above all others. Pop took



Art Kehler

a drag on his cigarette, exhaled and continued. I had yet to hear a poem and was intrigued by its rhythmic meter. For the first time, I became aware of a hitherto unnoticed eye within my mind. With that newfound vision, I journeyed along gnarled roots kneading into coffee-colored sod and envisioned water being sipped from below.

As stanza followed stanza, within my head, I heard the singing of birds, and understood that inner vision need not be silent. Adrift in an imagination set free, I saw that grand old tree in all its glorious seasons. I savored the aroma of its waning autumn leaves and felt the winter ice fixed upon its limbs. Thus transfixed did I remain until, when finished with his recital, Father ruffled my hair, smiled and left the room.

An extended silence followed as I sat in the kitchen alone, trying to understand what had just happened. I somehow sensed my life had just been forever changed. It didn't take long to realize Pop had unlocked within me a waiting portal. Further, he had led me to understand that words were the

expedient of entry. Hence, I became an avid reader and afterward developed a zeal for writing.

Some 60 years later, that zeal remains. As well, I am still fascinated by trees; so much so that forests have become, to me, settings for linguistic alchemy. In short, the woods are where I go when the words won't come. It is there where, with their roots a serpentine grate beneath my feet, their stems a sheltering bulwark and their branches a canopy from a turbulent world, those reluctant words are summoned to presence.

Wandering within that scented cocoon opens the pores of my mind, cleansing it of thought. Life's turbid clouds slowly dissipate from that mysterious inner realm to which my articulate patriarch had awakened me. Then formerly elusive expressions, like particles of syllabic dust caught suspended in a stream of light, well upward and flow across my tongue unfettered; to alight upon an opened page where zeal is slaked – if only for a time.

It seemed such a little thing, reciting a poem to a child. Yet on that day my father did something else every parent needs do – he shared a part of his soul with his progeny. As a result, through a life rife with competing demands, I have remained true to his entrusted endowment. And regardless if ever my work achieves acclaim – write I will because I must! For, by virtue of the unabashed love of language so manifest in my father's voice on that distant dawn, I think that I shall never – not see.

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FEATURED WEED: THISTLES

We have all probably heard the expression, "The only good thistle is a dead thistle." This is likely because the most visible and abundant thistle species are those such as Canada thistle (*Cirsium arvense*) and bull thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*) which are considered invasive and often included on state and county noxious weed lists.

Some thistle species in Montana can be problematic, but most Montanans do not realize that we also have beneficial native thistles. These thistles are native to Montana and better off alive than dead due to their beautiful flowers and foliage and resources they provide for wildlife. Plus, why spend precious time and money controlling native thistles while there are plenty of exotic, invasive weeds out there to control?

Identifying exotic thistles and differentiating them from

natives before attempting to control them with herbicides or by other means is critical. Invasive exotic thistles can spread quickly and form dense stands with disturbance. They also have poor forage value and their sharp spines can limit recreational activities and injure livestock and pets.

Compared to exotic thistles, native thistles do not spread quickly when a source of disturbance is introduced, are rarely or never reported as invasive and are important for wildlife. For example, birds eat thistle seed, and some birds may time their nesting around thistle flowering, using plumes on thistle seeds to line their nests. Bees, wasps, flies and beetles feed on thistle pollen and become food sources for other wildlife. For some large ungulates such as elk, native thistles are a source of forage.

From a weed management perspective, differentiating among exotic thistles is important because a perennial (i.e., a plant that lives more than two years) thistle with rhizomes (i.e., horizontal underground stems) will require different control measures than annual (i.e., lives only one year) or biennial (i.e., a plant that lives only two years, producing leaves the first year and seeds/flowers the second) species that have taproots.

For example, species with taproots, such as bull thistle, may only live for a year or two, and simply cutting them with a hoe below the soil surface may kill them. In contrast, a patch of rhizomatous, perennial Canada thistle will require a long-term management plan to target its extensive root system.

Here are some key features used to identify thistles and a few tips to help determine a native or exotic thistle:

Bracts on flowering head. Bracts are tiny, leaf-like structures that form a cup around the base of flowers. They are an important diagnostic feature of thistles. We often refer to the size of individual bracts, height or width of bracts collectively, or structures that appear on bracts such as spines.

Structures along the stem. Some exotic thistles have spiny wings that extend along the entire length of the stem. Native thistles may have short sections of the stem that appear winged, but wings will not extend along the entire length.

Root system and growth habit. Canada thistle is an exotic rhizomatous thistle that is on the Montana noxious weed list. Rhizomatous species spread by underground shoots that develop some distance from the mother plant. No native thistles are rhizomatous, and they will generally not be found in extensive dense patches.

Habitat characteristics. In general, native thistles grow in less disturbed areas than exotics do. However, some native thistles can also colonize disturbed areas like roadsides. Habitat alone is not a satisfactory way to tell native from exotic thistles, but it can be a clue.

A new publication from Montana State University Extension is designed to help identify invasive exotic thistles and verify whether a thistle is native or exotic, thus helping to determine if control strategies are necessary. The publication, *Guide to exotic thistles of Montana and how to differentiate from native thistles (EB0221)*, includes a tutorial of how to use a simple dichotomous key and a brief description of the important anatomical features and terms that are needed to successfully identify the thistle. Photos of all 15 thistles found in Montana and brief descriptions of habitat are included.

Printed copies of the thistle publication are free and can be ordered from Montana State University Extension Publications at (406) 994-3273, or at <http://store.msuxextension.org/>.

The Headless Horseman of Warm Springs Creek: Part III

By Charlie Rossiter

Here we pick up where we left off with Jim Marshall's recollection about the headless body.

Jim continues his recollections, "I thought I was through with the whole ordeal but the next day I got a message from the sheriff that he wanted me to go back up and see if I could find the head! I got my good friend, Con Reider, to go with me and we set out. When we got to the cabin and after searching for well over an hour, we located the missing head on the hillside up above the barn, where it looked to have been placed on a small rock outcrop. Insects and other scavengers over the period of time since his death had cleaned all the flesh and meat off it, so that all that remained was the gruesome white bone skull."

According to Jim's recollections, "It appeared to be watching us with a grisly smile as we climbed the hill side to retrieve it. My thoughts were running wild every step we took up the slide rock. I had some strange notions about what had

really transpired out here. We rolled the morbid thing into a sack and put it on the roof of the cabin till the sheriff could get there later on. We left the head in the sack and Con and I returned to my cabin. The following morning, I got word that the sheriff wanted me, to go back up and bring the G** D*** thing down! It just so happened that a friend of mine from the Sweetwater came along and I recruited him to go with me. I said to my friend, 'I've got to go up and get a head and you're going to come along with me!' We'd been friends for a long time, so we could kid each other the way men do. He was quite a prankster, and told me, 'No, I'm in a hurry. I have a lot of things to do today so I guess you'll have to get along without me.' I said, 'Listen you SOB. You are coming along with me or that undertaker will have another carcass to take out of here!' He teased me but decided to go along with me as he could tell I was losing my sense of humor. He'd been in the Army, so another dead man didn't make

much difference to him. We rode back up to the cabin and retrieved the head, which I put into another sack and tied it on the back of my saddle. It was a bizarre trip out with that thing bouncing along on the back skirt of my saddle."

It was getting dark when they reached his brother's ranch, and Jim called the sheriff. The next morning, Jim discovered the macabre contents had been removed during the night from his saddlebag by his young nephew, who planned on pulling any gold teeth from the head with a pair of pliers. After seeing the contents in the bag he dropped the sack and quickly broke for the house scared silly. Word spread instantly about the physical remnants in the gunny sack and every kid in Sheridan heard about it. The inquest could not begin until they got all the components together, mostly to see if there were any bullet holes or stab marks. Upon reaching Sheridan, the head was taken to Olson's Funeral Home late in the afternoon, where it was reunited with the body. Ole

and the sheriff were trying to tie up loose ends with the creepy, pungent remains and the question of possible murder was still plausible. Upon the head's arrival, the autopsy took place. The body was so decomposed it was impossible to ascertain what had happened, so they concluded he must have died from natural causes. The sheriff later speculated that some animal, possibly a cat, had chewed the head off and carried it up on the rocks. Ole placed the body in a hermetically sealed coffin but the skull needed more work and he was tired after a long day. The head, which had been licked clean by wildlife and bugs, was put into a cardboard box and set on top of the casket. The box had held a Christmas present that Ole had held onto because of the colorful decorations on it. After a long and stressful day, Ole finally headed for home leaving the parlor's lights turned down low.

Find out what happens in next week's issue!

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Hell hath no fury like a bear market

by Jerry Welch

Pardon me if I take liberty to conjure up and coin a new phrase for the stock, bond, currency and commodity markets. The new saying or phrase I dreamed up is, "Hell hath no fury like a bear market." Since you read it here first, be sure you credit me the saying. Simply say, you know the guy that coined that phrase following the most hotly contested presidential election in the past 200 years?

But before I get into some particulars, allow me an additional bit of liberty and quote from last week's column, "Markets and uncertainty." The first paragraph reads as such: "Market wise, uncertainty is always bearish. Investors, traders and agricultural producers do not want surprises. They are uncomfortable with the unknown. Yet in recent weeks, uncertainty abounds. It is blanketing every market on the board. The entire Big Four, stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities, are facing uncertain times and as a result, markets are struggling to rally and hold gains. Values have been heading south."

After I wrote that column, stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities actually rallied with a fury the two days going into the presidential election day. The rally was so impressive many analysts thought the strength had the legs to run further. As it turned out, nothing could have been further from the

truth.

The strength quickly ran out of steam on election night as the votes were being tallied. But here is what unfolded in the middle of that night and over the following three trading days. And what unfolded was a massive decline in a number of markets that were being bid higher and higher until the bears regained control of values and brought about a collapse going into the weekend.

Gold: The yellow metal spiked up to a high on election night of \$1,336 ounce but three days later a Friday, values fell under \$1,219 an ounce. Those that bought the market on the high on Tuesday, had a loss of \$11,770 per futures contract by Friday.

Bonds: Treasury futures spiked up to a high on election night of 165 but three days later, a Friday, values fell to 155. Those that bought the market on the high on Tuesday had a loss of \$10,000 per futures contract by Friday.

Soybeans: Futures spiked up to a high on election night of \$10.17 1/2 a bushel but three days later, a Friday, values fell to \$9.69 1/2 a bushel. Those that bought the market on the high on Tuesday, would had a loss of \$2,400 per futures contract on Friday.

A host of other commodities followed a similar trading pattern but the worst of the

worst, the most bearish of markets are the ones mentioned above. And when the dust settled for the uncertain week, bond futures ended at a new, 11 month low. Gold ended at a new, six month low. Crude oil ended at a new four month low. And the CRB Index that is weighted toward grains and livestock ended at a level not seen in two months. A very ugly week it was.

But here is the rub. When bonds move lower, interest rates move higher and it is only bullish the United States dollar. In regards to the dollar, it spiked lower on election night, falling to a three month low of approximately 96.00. But three days later, a Friday, the 'ol greenback rose to a high of 99.13, a new nine month high. The dollar rallied more than \$3,000 per futures contract while most all other commodities as gauged by the CRB Index simply collapsed.

History shows that lower bond prices, lower crude oil prices, higher interest rates and a stronger dollar is a bearish scenario for most markets. And that is exactly how this week ended. Bearish for most markets. Not all, but most. And it was very bearish in some cases.

The entire Big Four was blanketed with uncertainty for weeks leading up to the presidential election. But not until the votes

were tallied did the uncertainty lead to bearish market action. Unfortunately for those bullish, the odds are great that rallies across the board with commodities, bonds and quite possibly stocks, shares, equities and the Dow Jones will encounter more stiff head winds such as those seen this week. Only time will tell.

In particular, U.S. farmers and ranchers need to grasp the idea that moving forward and in the absence of crop related problems or a sudden surge in demand either foreign or domestic, they should be sellers on rallies. There is no shortage of any sort of commodity and with the prospects of higher interest rates, a strong dollar and uncertain times likely to hang around for some time to come, do not pass up opportunities to be a hedger or seller.

At the very earliest, it will be the second half of 2017 before "things" improve. The chore for the marketplace now is clear. Grain and livestock prices must move lower to stimulate demand in order to draw down existing supplies. Or, to build a solid base from which to rally. Uncertain times have created bear markets and that is the hand all ag-producers have been dealt. And moving forward, keep in mind, "Hell hath no fury like a bear market."

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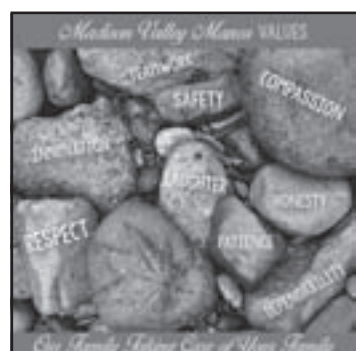
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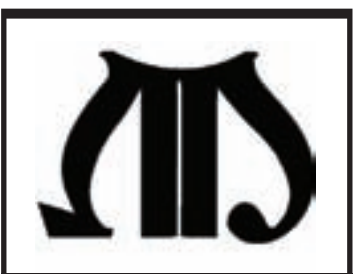
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Cause No. DP-29-2016-27

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

Claims must either be mailed to HARRIETT L. WARDEN, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at 805 S. Taft Street, Humboldt, IA 50548, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court.

Dated: October 11, 2016

/s/ HARRIETT L. WARDEN

Personal Representative

STATE OF IOWA

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/s/ HARRIETT L. WARDEN

Personal Representative

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/s/ Michelle Nielsen

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY

IN RE THE ESTATE OF:

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No. DP-29-2016-26

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Dated this 10th day of November, 2016.

/s/ Mary E. Gearde

Mary E. Gearde

Personal Representative

c/o Gray Law Office

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MADISON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Madison County Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday, November 28, 2016 at 6:15 pm in the Public Meeting Room of the Madison County Administrative Office Building, 103 W Wallace, Virginia City, Montana.

The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comment on the following:

South West Entry Subdivision to create 1 lot with 18 residential condominium units (3 buildings with 6 units each). Located North-west of Mountain Loop Road and west of Strawberry Ridge Subdivision in the NE 1/4 Section 24, Township 6 South, Range 2 East, PMM. The preliminary plat and supplemental information pertaining to this proposed subdivision is available for review at Madison County Planning Office, 103 W. Wallace, Virginia City, Madison Valley Library, 210 West Main Street, Ennis; Big Sky Fire Department, Station 1, 650 Rainbow Trout Run, Big Sky; 66 Mountain Loop Rd, Big Sky.

Golf Course Villas Phase 2 Subdivision will create 12 rental condominium units in 3 four-plexes on previously platted Lot 3 of Golf Course Villas (5.59 acres). Located south of the Yellowstone Mountain Club Golf Course off West Golf Course Road in the NE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 7 South, Range 2 East, PMM. The preliminary plat and supplemental information pertaining to the proposed subdivision is available for review at Madison County Planning Office, 205 N. Broadway, Virginia City; Madison Valley Public Library, 210 E. Main Street, Ennis; Yellowstone Mountain Club, Big Sky.

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Written comments should be received by 3:00 p.m. on November 28, 2016, and may be sent to the Madison County Planning Board by: Mail to P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, Montana, 59755; Fax to (406) 843-5229; or E-mail to drobison@madison.mt.gov. Oral or written comments may also be given at the public hearing.

Call (406) 843-5250 for more information.

John Fountain, President, Madison County Planning Board

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Idaho Street.

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MEALS FOR SENIORS, TWIN BRIDGES
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SENIOR MEALS, VIRGINIA CITY
Senior meals for Madison County Seniors 60 and over will be served at the Virginia City Cafe on **Tuesday & Thursdays** from 11 am to 3 pm for \$4.00.
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THURSDAY NOVEMBER 17: PORK ROAST, MASHERS, VEGGIES, BIRTHDAY CAKE
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 18: CHICKEN CORDON BLEU & RICE, DINNER ROLL, DESSERT
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WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 23: SALISBURY STEAK, MASHERS, VEGGIES, DESSERT
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TRIP OF THE MONTH

Cameron resident wins vacation to Ireland

SUBMITTED BY KAREN RICE
Montana State Women's
Golf Association

One of the primary purposes of the Montana State Women's Golf Association is to promote junior golf. This spring, MSGA funded a grant program that encouraged anyone that had an idea to promote junior golf to submit their proposal to the board for funding. The Ennis Schools, through Madison Meadows pro Patrick Stoltz, submitted a proposal and was awarded a \$1,000 grant that was used to purchase a program called SNAG (starting new at golf) that will be used in the kindergarten through eighth-grade to teach the skills necessary to learn this life time sport beginning next spring. The SNAG teaching system provides innovative equipment that is geared to make the learning process fun, yet is based on proven methods of learning the correct technique for swings and more, and can be used both

indoors and out. While the MSGA provided the initial funds for this year's grants, they also wanted to set up a permanent fund for junior golf and thus, they created the trip of the month raffle from which all proceeds will go to keeping the grant fund going.

The trip of the month raffle offers 300 ticket holders the chance to win 12 different individual trips as well as a second place prize of \$200 each month. Lynn Johnson of Cameron was the lucky winner of MSGA's trip of the month raffle for October. Johnson won a trip for two to Ireland complete with airfare and hotel accommodations. Ennis people were very generous in buying the raffle tickets, with several individuals purchasing multiple tickets, so the possibility of another local winner is very real.

Although not all of the tickets were sold for this year's drawing, MSGA will continue the trip of the month raffle next year with


the hopes that people will understand the importance of the funding that goes to support junior golf throughout the state of Montana. Several schools in the state received grant money but funds are available for any organization or course who has a solid idea for a program that will encourage our kids to learn the game.

The grant provided about one third of the funding needed to purchase the SNAG equipment for Ennis Schools and the remaining balance was covered by a donation from a private individual who chooses not to be recognized.

PHOTO COURTESY KAREN RICE
Karen Rice, past president of the Montana State Women's Golf Association, presents Lynne Johnson of Cameron her prize as the lucky winner of MSGA's trip of the month raffle for October. Johnson won a trip for two to Ireland complete with airfare and hotel accommodations.



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Twin Bridges missionary returns

SUBMITTED BY JOYANN BREAKALL
Twin Bridges

Heather Breakall, daughter of George and Joyann Breakall, returned home to Twin Bridges on Nov. 19, after leaving from the Sheridan Ward in May of 2015. She served as a missionary in the Farmington, N.M., Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for 18 months. Breakall graduated from Twin Bridges School in 2014 and attended college at Brigham Young University-Idaho, where she will return to school again in January 2017.

Breakall served in St. Michaels, Ariz., on the Navajo Reservation; Cortez, Colo., on the Ute Reservation; and completed serving in the heart of Farmington.

She loved the people and their kindness, and the great diversity of cultures she saw from the reservations to the city.

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JOYANN BREAKALL
Heather Breakall.



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Harrison Schools honor roll

SUBMITTED BY DOREEN YOUNG
Harrison School

High school A honor roll

Lane Buus *
Angela Cain
Doug Christensen
Kayley Christensen
Derik DeFrance *
Josie Hokanson
Vern Homner
Stephanie Strong
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Edwin Elpel
Kaelin Hodgson
Layne Homner
Nolan Ore
Justin Reed
Samantha Talley

Junior high A honor roll

Rosie Chater
Shylee Morrow

Junior high B honor roll

Aleena Bacon
Luke Cima
Jackson Nye
Martin Ore

High school B honor roll

Alexys Bacon
Jack Chater

Twin Bridges honor roll

SUBMITTED BY LINDA HOLDEN
Twin Bridges Schools

Seniors

Karly Amos
Cooper Christensen
Erika Corrigan
Ericka Delgado
Chace Guinnane
Cassidy Heaney
Maddy Baughn
Kaleb Bausch
Abigail Brannon
Shalynn Broks
Haley Fournier
Sierra Frandsen
Audrey George
Wesley Harshbarger
Mara Johnson
Laryssa Jones
Chase Kneeland
Skuela Mager
Mickey Patrilli
Brooke Schandelmeier
Brooke Smith
Garrett Wentzel
Cassie Williams

Ethan Kneeland
Daniel Kruer
Clancy Phillips
Jovenai Rosselott
Clay Wolfe
Joseph Peterson

Freshmen

Aaron Grabil
Ashleigh Guinnane
Lydia Harbor
Rob Dale
Avery George
Trystan Harmon
Jake Hughes
Kiki Kelly
Nate Konen
Brooke Mehlhoff
Kenna Millhouse
Bryce Nye
Dante Salerno
CJ Wayland
Cody Olsen

Eighth-grade

Shawn Head
Axton Anderson
Hailey Jo Feigert
Hadley Johnson
Charlie Kruer
Will Morris
Delilah Puckett
Hunter Sager
Kyie Salerno
Carl Shaw
Tate Smith
Bailey Stockett
Tabitha Orrin

Juniors

Megan Bausch
RaeAnne Bendon
Emily Dustin
Kaleb Garrison
Noah Harbor
Jennifer Hobbs
Lexie Jones
Eddie Kelly
Kyle Minert
Jenna Nelson
Kailee Oliverson
Abigail Olsen
Scott Vial
Roman Hendrickson
Beth Huttinga
Michaela Madden
Andrianna Pollorena
Ruth Redfield
Sierra Rinta
Savanna Stewart

Seventh-grade

Addy Baker
Jasmine Banks
Zane Carter
Chase Fitzpatrick
Pablo Babcock
Kara Dale
Kate Fisher
Christopher Fraser
Lilly Grabil
Morgan Hendrickson
Sam Konen
Hailey Pack
Tyler Pancost
Francesca Pollorena
Lexie Stockett
Ethan Wayland
Landen Wentzel
Riky Puckett
Taylor Smith

Sophomores

Riah Edsall
Cole Escott
Nora Humbert
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Ask the Expert forum appears the second Thursday of each month. If you have questions for these area professionals e-mail us at sales@madisoniannews.com.

HEALTH CARE

Q: What is the difference between a subdural and an epidural hematoma?

A: The most significant factor differentiating the two types of hematomas is how quickly an epidural hematoma will become life-threatening. It is the result of a traumatic brain injury, frequently accompanied by loss of consciousness and an undetected skull fracture. After regaining consciousness, the person seems perfectly fine for up to three hours. However, an epidural hematoma is caused by damage to an artery which pumping blood under pressure. With pressure, the blood collects relatively quickly, pushing on the brain. The symptoms are drowsiness, nausea and vomiting. If untreated, the patient will soon fall into a coma and die. The source of a subdural hematoma is a damaged vein. Veins are under less pressure than arteries and it takes longer for blood collection to create pressure on the brain. Symptoms of a subdural hematoma may not appear for weeks following the injury event. In most cases, resolution to both types of hematomas requires surgery.




Drew Chambers, PA-C
RUBY VALLEY CLINICS
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EYE CARE

Q: I used to get an eye exam every couple years or so. Now that I am diabetic, why is it so important to see my eye care professional annually?

A: Diabetic retinopathy is a general term for all disorders of the retina caused by diabetes. This affects blood vessels in the retina, and is the most common cause of vision impairment or vision loss among people with diabetes. Your retina can be badly damaged before you notice any changes in vision, and most people have no symptoms at all. Thankfully, huge strides have been made with treatments, and can prevent total blindness in most people. The sooner retinopathy is diagnosed the more likely treatment is successful, as the best results occur when sight is still normal. Several factors influence your risk for retinopathy including blood sugar levels, blood pressure, how long you have had diabetes and genetics. Because diabetic retinopathy, and its related eye conditions, often go unnoticed until vision loss occurs, people with diabetes should get a comprehensive dilated eye exam at least once a year.




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FITNESS

Q: What are some ways to slim down my tummy?

A: 1) Cardio: the most effective exercise to burn belly fat!
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4) Avocados: helps your body block fat storage around the belly.
5) No soda: try adding lemons or lime or flavoring to your water!
6) No alcohol: drinking raises cortisol levels.
7) Seafood: these are good belly fat busting foods.
8) Eat seeds: protect against inflammation.
9) Water: flushes out your system.
10) Sleep: at least seven hours a night is proven to help body lose weight and helps you feel less hungry during the day.




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PHYSICAL THERAPY

Q: How does the body heal after surgery or injury?

A: Healing after surgery or injury starts with scar tissue, swelling and pain. The body protects itself to prevent further injury. This process is debilitating in all aspects of life from dressing to walking. Scar tissue, the anchors or building blocks of the body are similar to i.e. hay/straw. The straw mixes with the swelling i.e. the glue. Together the repaired tissue slowly cures, repairs and heals. Together, scar tissue, swelling (i.e. glue) creates a repair of the tissue. Although too much scarring can cause problems. This is where early protected movement, ice aids in healing and reduces pain/swelling. Treating injury or surgical repair ie shoulder surgery with ice, heat, improves healing. Ennis Physical Therapy, Robert "Bob" Sahli PT ATC LAT has over 25 years of experience treating individuals with many types of injuries or postsurgical care. Ennis Physical Therapy "the OLDEST Healthcare Practice in the Madison Valley", the only experienced choice for all your therapy needs.




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BIRDING

Q: What can you tell me about birds and food storage for the winter?

A: Caching is the process of storing food away for a period of time before it is eventually consumed. Birds may store food for just a few days or weeks, or it may be cached for several months, particularly in winter. Birds do not hibernate or enter a period of inactivity in winter. During the winter months, food will be scarce and competition can be fierce for just a few morsels, and birds may depend on their stockpiled supplies. Birds such as Chickadees, Blue Jays, Nuthatches, Woodpeckers, Crows, and Ravens cache food which they can retrieve later. Stored food includes sunflower seeds, pine nuts, peanuts, and acorns. Many caching species have keen spatial memory and can remember precise locations using visual cues like distance and direction from landmarks such as rocks and vegetation. Some birds cache food piece by piece while others put more food in fewer places. The smaller songbirds cache for short-term whereas the bigger birds are more long-term cachers but either way our bird feeders help them prepare and survive the winter.



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MENTAL HEALTH

Q: What Is Bipolar Disorder?

A: Bipolar Disorder, formerly called manic depression, is a serious mood disorder that causes individuals to swing between extreme emotional highs (mania) and lows (depression). Bipolar Disorder profoundly affects one's energy levels, attitudes, behavior, and general ability to function. When an individual feels depressed, there may be feelings of hopelessness, sadness, or a loss of pleasure or interest in most activities that once were satisfying. Feelings of mania may provide a sense of being full of energy or euphoria. Can It Be Treated? Yes. By following a medical and psychotherapeutic treatment plan, Bipolar Disorder which is a long-term, disruptive condition, can be kept in check. In most cases, Bipolar Disorder can be controlled with medications and therapy, which is a good start to finding balance in your life. If you have concerns and would like to talk to someone, please call Lisa at (406) 670-4546.



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Veterans Day in Ennis

School celebrates Nov. 11 with a luncheon and presentation for community

PHOTOS COURTESY BRIAN HILTON
All Ennis students gathered in the high school gym on Nov. 11 for a Veterans Day celebration, where all area veterans were honored. Community members attended as well.



Thursday, November 24th

**You are invited to join us for a Free
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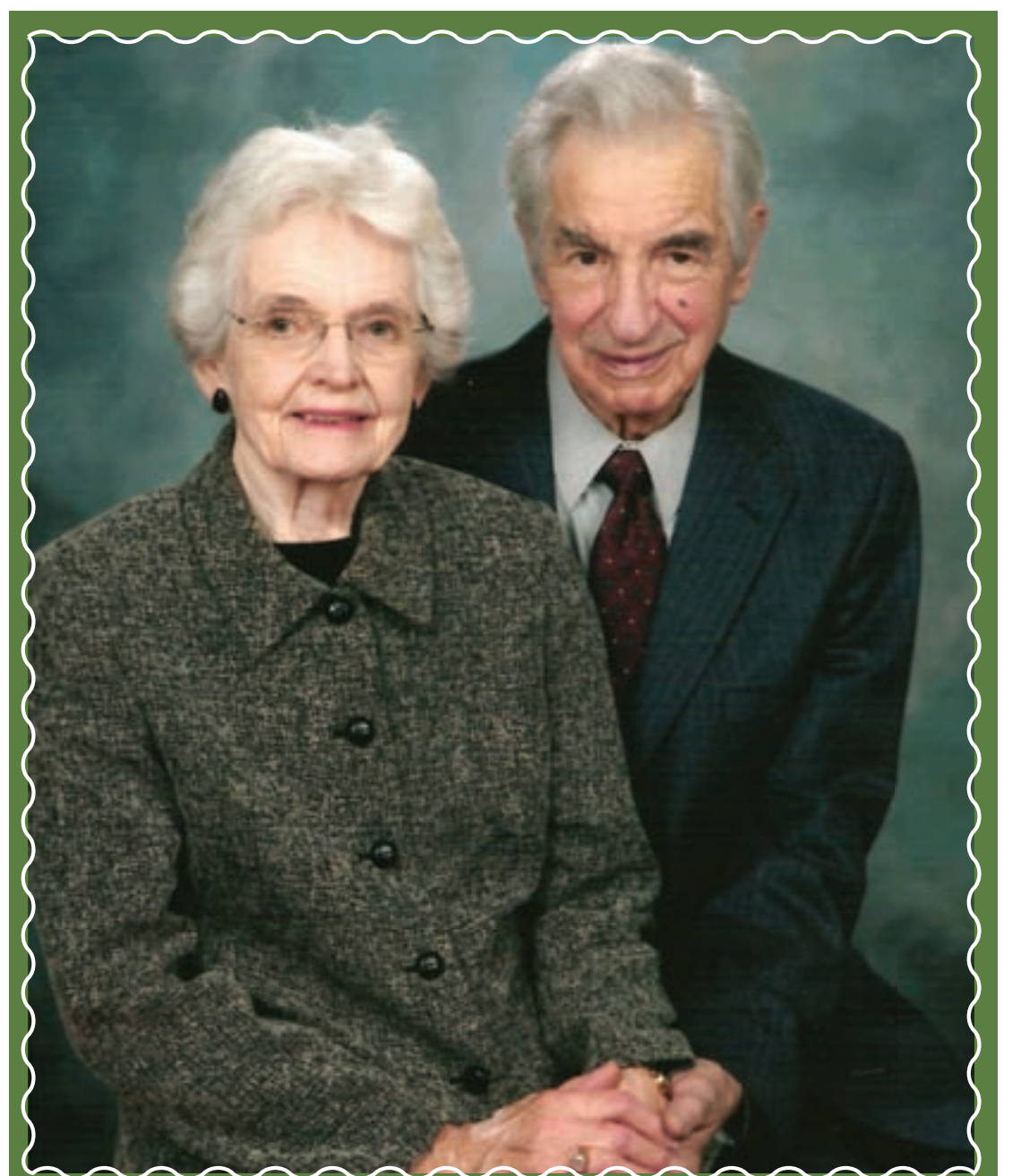
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Day in the early afternoon.



John and Virginia Kleis have lived part-time in Twin Bridges for 25 years. As they have enjoyed the local community and the surrounding area, Virginia is making a donation to the Twin Bridges Public Library in memory of her late husband, John. In recognition of the importance of access to electric media for rural communities, the funds will be used to purchase computers and related technology for use by library patrons. Virginia and the Kleis family wish to express their appreciation to the town of Twin Bridges for many years of friendships, hospitality, adventures, beauty, and good times shared.

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THURSDAY NOVEMBER 17

Films showings, Ennis

Film clips: Rodeo at old Womack Rodeo Grounds, Early Baseball game, others presented by the History Association at the First Madison Valley Bank at 4 p.m.

Mad Gals, Ennis
Mad Gals November meeting and lunch at Alley Bistro at 12:30 p.m.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 18

Concert, Twin Bridges

The music students of Twin Bridges High School present: TB Music House, a variety show showcasing the band, choir, and

applied music theory class at 7 p.m. in the multipurpose auditorium.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19

Bazaar, Pony Hollowtop Senior Citizens Community Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call Shirl Ganderberger for more information at 685-3421.

Fun Run, Ennis
Seventh annual Food Bank Fun Run at the Madison Square Athletic Club beginning at 10 a.m. Call Sunni at 570-4193 for more information.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20

Ruby Valley FFA auction, Sheridan

Come support FFA at the annual alumni auction! Lunch will be served starting at noon. The auction will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the Sheridan Elementary School.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 24

Thanksgiving dinner, Ennis

Dinner provided at the Madison Valley Baptist Church, 5050 Hwy. 287 N. from 1-4 p.m. Shut-ins delivery available. 682-4244.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 1

BAH, Ennis
Business After Hours at Fan Mountain Inn from 5-7 p.m.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 2

Christmas stroll, Ennis
Come experience Ennis during an old fashioned Christmas stroll from 3-8 p.m.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 4

Talk, Twin Bridges
Dr. Kristin Ruppel from Montana State University will present a talk at the Church of the Valley at 12 p.m. Potluck style luncheon so please bring a dish.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 6

Meeting, Ennis
Madison Meadows Golf Course board of directors meeting at the library at 6 p.m.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 8

Holiday concert, Twin Bridges
High School and Middle School holiday concert featuring band and choir students from Twin Bridges in

the auditorium at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 9

Christmas stroll, Twin Bridges
Enjoy the community Christmas stroll at the Madison County Fairgrounds with food, music and fun. Begins at 5 p.m.

Holiday craft festival, Twin Bridges
Check out the crafts in the Jeffers Building at the Madison County Fairgrounds before the Christmas stroll! Lots of vendors and door prizes! Begins at 1 p.m.

DECEMBER 9 - 10

Splendid Feast, Virginia City
Join the Elling House Arts and Humanities Center for their annual Splendid Feast Dec. 9 and 10 at 6:30 p.m. for food, live music and camaraderie. Call 8473-5454 for more information.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 15

Holiday concert, Twin Bridges
The Twin Bridges Elementary Students invite our community to our holiday concert in the auditorium at 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY JANUARY 21

Chautauqua, Virginia City
Chautauqua winter season begins at the Elling House on the third Saturday in Jan., Feb., March and April. Potluck dinner at 6:30, performances at 7:30. Call 843-5507 for more information.



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REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

Commissioner's Meeting, Virginia City
Madison Co. Commissioners meet every Monday, 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

WEDNESDAYS

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

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

TOPS, Ennis
Weekly weigh-ins are

at 9 a.m. Meetings at 9:30 a.m. MVMC in downstairs conference room. Jeanne, 682-3299

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

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

Yoga, Virginia City
Gentle yoga with Andrea Frederick at 6 p.m. at the library. Call to confirm.

THURSDAYS

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

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

Shape up, Ennis
Workout for seniors focusing on stretching and toning at the athletic club at 9 a.m.

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 fast-lane room, 5:30 p.m.. See the weekly ad on this page for performers.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

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FRIDAY DEC 23RD: STEVE INGRAM
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