Commission approves disaster funds for water line

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VIRGINIA CITY - Madison County approved the use of leftover disaster funds for the replacement of a broken water line between Twin Bridges and the county fair-

During its regular meeting on Jan. 9, the Madison County Commission voted unanimously to use as much as necessary of \$160,000 emergency funds, remaining from a grant received in 2011 following severe flooding. Madison County Commissioner Ron Nye said the county also will apply for an emergency Treasure State Endowment Program grant for replacement of the line.

The resolution approved last Tuesday declares, "restoration of the water line is essential to ensure the health, safety and welfare of users of the Madison County Fairgrounds both for drinking and fire suppression." The resolution continues, "the County has committed all available funding, taken all possible action to combat and alleviate the situation and local funding is not adequate to cope with the situation."

The two-inch, PVC water line serving the fairground area was installed in 1998, across the bottom of the Beaverhead River, using excavation and backfill.

Great West Engineering consultant Jeremiah Theys investigated the water line break and provided a memorandum to commissioners on Jan. 5, concluding the line was exposed and ruptured during high water flows in 2011and 2017. After examining water usage records, the firm determined the line broke

between May 22 and June 20 of last year.

"It is assumed that the flooding of 2011 likely caused scour and lateral downcutting of the river which exposed the water line crossing," the memo reads in part. "The high flows of 2017 had the carrying capacity to transport large river gravels which damaged the water

Theys reported the water line could not be "slip-line" repaired, due to its small size and the nature of the damage. The engineer recommended the county bore a new water line under the river, at sufficient depth to prevent future damage. "It should be noted that this line is the only water service to the fairgrounds, so it is critical that the line is replaced to resume operations on the property," the memo concludes.

Nye said the county likely would install an

eight-inch line to replace the broken two-inch line, to provide more water capacity for future development in the fairground area.

County working with town to adjust water

The water line break was discovered after the county received at least four water bills from Twin Bridges that included more than a million gallons of excess water use per month. Total water usage billed to the Madison County Fair Board between June and September last year was 9,490,700 gallons. Following the discovery of the high bills, the county alerted the town. Twin Bridges water workers completed a pressure test, which revealed the line break under the river. As a result of the excess water use, the

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Madison County Sheriff Roger Thompson outlined his goals for the department in the coming year. (PHOTO BY G. HAMILL)

Sheriff outlines goals for 2018

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VIRGINIA CITY - Madison County Sheriff Roger Thompson spoke with The Madisonian last week and discussed his major goals for the department in the coming year. In a Jan. 5 email, the sheriff summarized those goals.

· Complete the already planned, inservice training for the newer employees. Continue ongoing deputy specialty training.

· Work more focused on the traffic complaints we get in many of the towns and neighborhoods by expanding traffic enforcement and the radar sign program.

· Be able to have deputies spend more time in busy county recreation areas that have concerned the public during past busy seasons.

· Complete the planned sheriff's office radio repeater for the Beartrap area along Highway 84 going to Bozeman, to improve radio coverage for emergency responders in

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that area of the county.

· Complete the "Next Generation" 911 improvements to our communications center, so that callers can be pinpointed when they call from their cell phone and don't where they are. This is important for those out of area callers in an emergency.

· Implement "the Emergency Medical Dispatch" program in the communications center, which is becoming the standard throughout Montana and the nation.

 Continue to educate the public to sign up for the "Code Red" emergency notification system, that can notify you via cell, text, email, land-line, social media, etc., on area emergencies occurring.

"These are just a start of projects that we would like to work on for the next few years," Thompson wrote. "We will look forward to working with Madison County on future projects and challenges. All of us sincerely appreciate the support from the public we have received. There is more good to come."

TWIN BRIDGES **APPROVES** FINANCIAL ADVICE

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TWIN BRIDGES - A complicated financial situation led Twin Bridges Council to seek financial advice.

Great West Engineering president Dan McCauley and GWE grant administrator Craig. Erickson spoke to council on lan. 9 and offered to conduct a preliminary financial analysis for \$1,000. Council approved the expenditure and the firm will present its recommendations during a special meeting. on Feb. 20 at 5 p.m.

During discussion with the GWE experts, council discussed a number of problems, including setting appropriate water and sewer rates, how to pay its share of a sidewalk project, and how to fund a needed stormwater project.

"We can provide our knowledge and maybe start off with coming back to the council with options on what you can do to better raise money or use the money you have," said McCauley. "Examples might be maintenance districts, the flexibility they can bring, maybe some explanation on those -

what they are, what they mean, how you set them up. Make sure your water and sewer rates are where they should be - several things to make sure your financial house is in order, as well as other options to fund, in particular, the two projects you have on your plate.

The town recently received a bill for more than \$13,000 town's \$43,000 cost-share of a sidewalk improvement project. The town applied for and received a Transporta-

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Harrison/Willow Creek girls' basketball to play varsity in 2018-2019

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TWIN BRIDGES - After forfeiting their varsity 2017-2018 season, the Harrison/Willow Creek girls' basketball team will run a varsity schedule for the 2018-2019 season.

The decision comes after the school petitioned the Montana High School Association executive board, which reviewed and ruled on the petition during their annual meeting, Jan. 12-

Prior to the start of this season, the school decided to forfeit the girls' varsity season due to low numbers. After talking with players, coaches and the school's athletic director, Harrison School Superintendent Fred Hofman said a varsity season was "not in the cards."

According to MHSA rules, if

the school had decided to run a varsity team with the potential to forfeit more than one-quarter of their season, they would be allowed to have only a IV schedule next season. "When a team forfeits more than one-quarter of their varsity schedule, MHSA rule requires that the team play a non-varsity schedule the next year," said MHSA Executive Director Mark Beckman, "You can request the MHSA Executive Board waive this requirement if it is evident you might be able to field a varsity team in 2018-2019."

Beckman said there are typically four or five schools every year that end up running a sub-varsity schedule and have to petition the board. "If (schools) can demonstrate they can complete that schedule, so other schools have some sort of assuredness that they will be

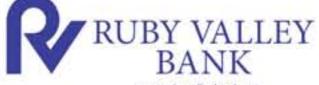
able to play them at a varsity level, then the board can look at what they have coming up and say, 'okay, this looks good."

Beckman added there have been very few cases where schools petitioned a varsity schedule and were unable to meet the requirements.

Petition

On Jan. 6, the Harrison School Board officially decided to petition the MHSA Executive Board, after hearing from the players and coaches. Aleena Bacon, a freshman this year who played with last year's team as an eighth-grader, said she would continue to play the game, no matter what, but the team would rather have a chance to play at the varsity level. Sister Alexys Bacon, the lone senior

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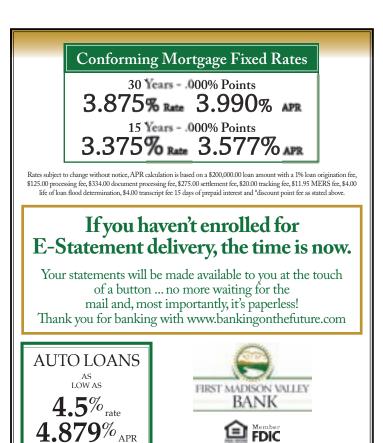


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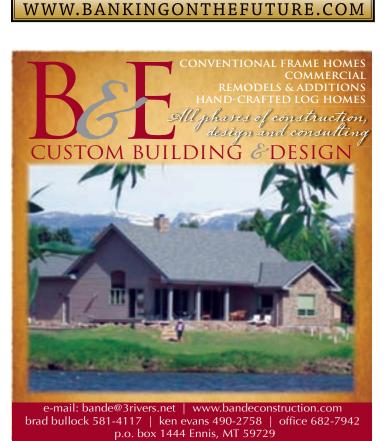
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ENJOYING the WEATHER

Three-year old Nayelli Jo Gornick Elser, of Twin Bridges, enjoyed the mild weather last Saturday to take a ride on her beautiful pink bike. Nayelli got the bike for Christmas in 2016, but her legs had to grow a bit to reach the pedals. Helping Nayelli navigate the streets of Twin Bridges were grand-dad Marvin Elser, left, and uncle Zach Elser. Nayelli is the daughter of KellyJo Elser. (PHOTO BY G. HAMILL)

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tion Alternatives Program grant of \$288,188 for sidewalk improvements, which requires the \$43,000 cost-share from the town. Town clerk/treasurer Kristi Millhouse told council she had to "shuffle some things around," but funds were available to pay the first \$13,000 installment. However, the remaining \$30,000 could create problems for the town's

"If you gave us a task order for \$1,000, that would go a long ways for us to work with Kristi and come back to a council meeting to kind of lay things out," said McCauley. "If we needed to do a lot more from there, we'd probably have to talk some more about that. But I think \$1,000 will probably get you quite a ways along, to where you guys could probably take off on it on your own."

"I think it would be money well-spent," said council member Joe Willauer.

"I would agree," said council member Annette McLean. "You said something very critical about getting our financial house in order. I don't think we operate from a solid base of understanding about what opportunities there are for the town to bring in more money. The town is so strapped right now and, given the income level across the town, it's difficult to see where we can raise more money to support these muchneeded programs."

Council member Matt Greemore asked the experts about the \$13,000 bill. "We received a bill from the Department of Transportation on this project on Sixth Avenue, yet we haven't even done the completed documentation; we haven't done engineering; we haven't done fiscal; we haven't done all this stuff and they're already demanding us to pay about \$15,000. How does that work?" asked Greemore.

"As part of the application, you agreed to your share," explained Erickson. "Your share is about \$13,140 or whatever. So, what they're asking you for now is your share. I believe that number is for engineering or a portion of it. I think what they would like is your share up front, and that's not your whole share. I think your whole share is \$43,000."

Council is considering asking the school district for a portion of the cost of the sidewalk/ drainage projects. Erickson said GWE would recommend what portion of costs the school district should bear. "The stuff

right around the school is probably theirs," said Erickson. "It's kind of yours, too, because it's a street. How we actually figure that number, I don't know if it's black and white, but it's probably a range that we can wiggle into something that we think is fair to each other."

Council unanimously approved a \$1,000 task order to GWE for the financial analysis. The experts recommended the town pay the first installment on the sidewalk project, but council deferred action on the payment until after it receives GWE's analysis. Council set a special meeting for Feb. 20 at 5 p.m. for Erickson to present his recommendations.

Mayor Tom Hyndman expects the \$1,000 payment to GWE to return dividends. "We hired them to help us to find different ways of getting funding to help the town," the mayor told The Madisonian last Thursday. "Our general fund only has so much money in it, and we've got so many projects going, they're going to try to help us. Whether we do a sidewalk district or road maintenance district or lighting district - there are different districts that we can raise a little bit more money. I guess that would come out of your taxes."

Hyndman said the experts ould also explore sources of grant money to help the town with its finances.

The need for stormwater drainage upgrades is complicating the town's sidewalk project and financial situation. Engineers told town officials the drainage work should be done before the sidewalk project is completed, otherwise, portions of the sidewalk and curbs would have to be dug up to fix the drainage. "We want to make sure we get all this in order," said Hyndman. "It looks like the storm drain needs to go in first."

Funding has not been obtained for the drainage upgrades, but the mayor expects ideas from GWE. One possibility is the use of matching funds, set aside by the town for a capital improvement grant that was not awarded. "For our capitol improvement, we had a matching fund and we were turned down on that," said Hyndman."We can see if we can put the money in this storm drain and see if there's any other money we can get to work with

Council discusses fairground water bill

Madison County Commissioner Ron Nye spoke to council about a \$5,300 water bill incurred by the county as a result

of a broken water line under the Beaverhead River that serves the county fairground.

"We were losing a million gallons of water for I don't know how many months," said Nye. "The fair budget has a pretty good size water bill. I don't know exactly how we're going to negotiate that, but the town, of course, has some expense and we realize that."

Nye informed council the county had approved the use of \$160,000 in leftover emergency grant funds for replacement of the line, and will pursue an emergency Treasure State Endowment Program grant for the work, as well. The commissioner said the county is replacing the broken two-inch water line with an eight-inch line, which will increase public water capacity in the fairground area, and facilitate construction of a proposed public water loop in the area.

"If we put the water line in, you could tie it in," said the commissioner. "That's a pretty good in-kind contribution if we can put the system across the river to the children's center, he said. "If you make the loop, that's something I think you'll be able to tie onto. So, I think you have several things you can consider if you're willing to

Councilmembers generally xpressed willingness to work with the county to adjust the bill or accept payment in-kind, but Millhouse urged caution.

McLean suggested council consider charging the county the normal rate it would have paid without the leak. "I'm very much in favor of working out something to make this an easier situation for the county to handle, with regard to the water," said McLean. "I think we just need to sit down together and figure out what it is."

"I'm going to say be very, very careful," said Millhouse. "We just had an account that had a big water leak, as well. Their bill is normally \$70, and it went clear over \$200 for three months. It's a smaller line, but they never came and asked for you guys to waive that money. There's another one too, where he paid for his leak for several months and never came and asked for a reduced bill. I'm not saying not to – I'm just saying be careful."

"The argument that I would make here is, it's working with the community area over there," replied McLean. "Everybody has the benefit of using that fairgrounds."

Nye explained the situation is unique because the water leak was not visible because it was underwater.

"It was on the bill, and they would have noticed the dollar amount on the bill," replied Millhouse. "It came down for July, August and September."

"That's something we have corrected," said Nye. "As I understand it, we're going to start getting the bills every month, rather than getting them every six months and paying an estimate."

"I mail a bill every month, said Millhouse. "Your paperwork manager, though, has chosen to pay it every six months. She had a card every month."

Councilmember David Banks supported an agreement with the county. "I agree that it's a special circumstance," he said. "There's not many that lines run under the river. It's a matter of sitting down and discussing it and trying to come to some kind of an agreement that everybody's happy with, rather than just saying no. We have to be careful, as Kristi has mentioned, but at the same point, I think this is one of those you'd never know it, you never would because it wouldn't show itself."

Hyndman said he would meet with the county commission during their Jan. 16 meeting to discuss the issue. "We can kind of get an idea where we're going," said the mayor.

"I'm not against visiting out it, at all," said Greemor

Sheriff reports no serious incidents

Sheriff Roger Thompson reported there were no serious law enforcement issues throughout the county for the past few weeks. "There were some minor things, some minor crashes, but nothing serious," he said. "It was pretty quiet over the holidays, so we're very happy it turned out that way. The sheriff reported two thefts under investigation; for one, suspects have been identified and will be charged.

In other business, council: • Received a report from Millhouse that the state had accepted the town's financial report and reported only minor

• Approved a lot adjustment for Stonebraker/Mountain Building Center.

• Approved a \$100 fine for a business owner without a valid business license.

• Heard a library report for

the previous month. The next regular council

meeting is scheduled for Feb 13 at 7 p.m. A special meeting will be held on Feb. 20 at 5 p.m. to receive Erickson's financial information. The public is welcome to attend both meetings.

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on the squad, forfeited her final season with hopes of bettering the program. "You lose a lot by not being able to play varsity it's been really hard for me," said Alexys, who lost opportunities for various sports honors throughout the season.

Assistant coach Martha Stoner told the school board on Jan. 6 the program would continue to suffer if the school decides not to push for a varsity season. "I think you're going to lose more girls if you don't push to go varsity."

Board chair Dusty Wagner said he felt the petition was

worth the risk, and he didn't see a reason not to petition for a varsity schedule. "We were never meant to come off the varsity schedule and you might be playing a JV season on paper, but that game we just watched didn't look like a JV game."

Harrison's Athletic Director Connie Young distributed a sheet with potential numbers for the upcoming seasons. Looking at the students coming into the program and likely to play, Young estimated nine players for the 2018-2019 season, including eighth-graders, and anywhere from 12-18 players in the future.

"MHSA wants to make sure schools are truly going to put forth the effort to have a varsity team – when you drop down to a JV schedule, it makes it a hardship for everyone you are supposed to play," Young said in support of a petition.

After hearing the good news, head coach Zach Dyk said the team was excited to move back into a varsity schedule, and running another JV season would have hindered the program. "I think that the decision allows us to keep growing our program," said Dyk. "Given another JV season wouldn't exactly inspire confidence in the program or locker room. I think going JV this year was necessary for the good of the program - we didn't want to, but losing the players and families who moved necessitated the move to go JV this season."

The Wildcats will attend the district tournament in February, despite their current JV status.. Entering the tournament as the lowest seed, the Wildcats will have the same opportunity as any varsity team to advance to the divisional and state tournaments. The district tournament is slated for Feb. 14-17 at the MAC in Butte.

ENNIS SCHOOL BOARD AWARDED FOR WORKPLACE SAFETY

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ENNIS - The Montana Schools Group Insurance Authority awarded the Ennis School Board the Gary Griffith Award for excellence in workplace safety.

"This year's award is provided to the Ennis Public Schools for their systematic, consistent and very effective workplace safety programs used in their school district," said Shawn Bubb, director of insurance services with MSGIA.

Bubb presented the award during the Jan. 10 school board meeting and said Ennis has been able to create a successful workplace culture in their school through their communication and emphasis on regular employee training, as well as their facility maintenance and upkeep.

Superintendent of Ennis Schools Casey Klasna said the award comes from everyone in the school doing their part, as well as the school board prioritizing facility upkeep.

"Together we have been able to do a consistent job that has produced some very positive results for our employees and overall school environment," he said.

Klasna accepted the award on behalf of the school and attributed their success to the support of the community, as well as the transportation and maintenance teams.

"Our transportation team keeps our fleet in peak working order and our maintenance team does an extraordinary job with the tough weather conditions we experience in Ennis, and taking care of themselves by working at a reasonable pace, using eye and ear protection when operating equipment, and being cautious and smart about heavy jobs," said Klasna.

Klasna said the award would not have been possible without the support of various business partners and trainings provided by MSGIA.



The Ennis School Board received the Gary Griffith Award for excellence in workplace safety during their Jan. 10 meeting. They were awarded for their systematic, consistent and effective workplace safety programs. (PHOTO COURTESY CASEY KLASNA)

Ennis council welcomes new member

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ENNIS - Cory Hardy assumed his Ennis council seat on Jan. 11 and was welcomed aboard by incoming Mayor Blake Leavitt and councilmembers. Town clerk Ginger Guinn administered the oath of office to Hardy, who spoke to council about his general priorities as councilmember.

"I'm happy to be a part of this," said Hardy. "Ever since I went to school in Sheridan, I've always loved this valley, coming over the hill to sporting events. It's a super-pristine and gorgeous place, just like the Ruby Valley - it's gorgeous, as well. I'm all about preservation of the beauty here. That's kind of my platform, if you will."

Leavitt discussed his initial goals as mayor, which include an agreement with the Lion's Club regarding the Lion's Club Park and negotiating with the sheriff to get tax mills allocated to the town for law enforcement.

"A couple things I'm work-

ing on right now is the Lion's Club agreement that we have," said Leavitt. "I'll be meeting with the board on Feb.7 and we can go over that a little bit and get things hammered down. I think the last time we had anything with them was 2010 or 2012.

"I want to get a meeting together with Roger Thompson, so we can go over our local agreement and see if we can get some of our mills back. I think we can get some back, where we're not stuck on the 17. We've got a pretty

good working relationship with them - but we'll see if we can start working it back. I think we ned to have some come back because John (Ennis Police Chief John Moore) does a lot of extra things for them and they work well together."

The new mayor expressed gratitude to town workers." All the town employees have been awesome in giving me information, because I'm just collecting right now," he said. "I've got about 10 pages worth of notes and I write every-

thing down."

Council approved parking ordinance changes, following a public hearing with no public comments. The new ordinance defines camping as: "To sleep within, whether permanent or temporary, a tent, shelter, mobile home, recreational vehicle, motor home or travel trailer." Another change makes the registered vehicle owner responsible for parking violations, when the operator cannot be determined. A truck parking section of the ordinance was eliminated because it no longer applies.

Council approved a minor lot adjustment in the vicinity of Madison Foods, which involved annexation of a small corner parcel in exchange for another small parcel. The adjustment will allow the private property owner to come into compliance with the fire code and cleans up the lot lines

lines.

Moore reported computers and software had been installed in two town ambulances to track ambulance runs, as required by the state. Moore said he located two refurbished computers with three-year warranties to meet state requirements. "Not only will they have the ability to submit reports electronically, as required by the state, they also have GPS software in there," said Moore.

Council reached consensus and authorized Moore to obtain quotes for two metal doors to upgrade security at the town hall building. Moore stressed the importance of the upgrade to protect police and court records.

Ennis Public Works Director Kelly Elser reported a telemetry system that reports reservoir levels and turns on pumps is experiencing malfunctions, and will need to be replaced this year. Elser called in a technician to repair the system, who informed him the system was obsolete. Elser told council he will pursue a new supervisory control and data acquisition system. The director roughly estimated the cost at \$100,000. "It's something we definitely want to do this summer," he said.

Councilmember Brain Vincent, who works in information technology, said a SCADA system likely could be obtained at a lower cost.

Councilmember Lisa Roberts reported she is working with the zoning commission on an updated zoning plan. Roberts plans to review a final draft with the zoning commission soon and present the draft to council, either during a work session later this month or at the February council meeting. Roberts said she would propose a date for a work session, after meeting with planners, to review the draft. "There's a lot of changes in making the document more user-friendly and taking some of the burden off," she said. "Updating some of the zoning - like Madison Foods is zoned medium residential - so there's some inconsistencies we need to fix."

The next regular Ennis council meeting is scheduled for Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. If a zoning work session is scheduled, the time and date will be reported as soon as it is available.



Ennis Town Clerk Ginger Guinn administers the oath of office to incoming councilmember Cory Hardy. Hardy said his top priority is preservation of the pristine nature of the Ennis area. (PHOTO BY G. HAMILL)

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a bill of about \$5,300 from the town.

Nye said he was unclear why the high bills were not discovered sooner. "The water line was in the river, so it was not detectable," he said. "The water meter should have been the indicator and what exactly happened there, I don't know."

Nye hopes the county and town can agree to adjust the bill or have the town accept payment in-kind. The commissioner said the county's investment in a water line to the fairground would further the town's goal to build a water and sewer system to serve the fairground area. "This water line going across the river is going to be part of that whole system that they can tie onto," said Nye. "So, it's a pretty significant in-kind contribution. They have their budget, just like we have our budget. If their budget can't stand the \$5,000 water bill that put the water

in the river - there was no benefit to anybody - we have to figure out a way to make the thing work. Maybe we can do some trade-offs or something. We both have projects to do and, by cooperating, we can get some things done"

Water and sewer service to the fair-ground area would provide several benefits to the town. "For years, they've tried to get the water and sewer across the river to the children's center property," said Nye. "The two tie in together. They call it a loop, and it keeps that water circulating and you don't get the bacteria build-up in there. That's part of the reason the county is involved - we need year-round water and sewer over at the fairground. It would make those buildings available for more functions in wintertime - that's all activities for a little town."

Nye believes public water and sewer service would encourage private developers, like the owner of the former children's center property, to develop residential properties.

"She's got several properties you could rent right now, because there's a shortage of rental property in the valley," he said. "It's in the city limits, but without water and sewer, she can't do that."

Twin Bridges Mayor Tom Hyndman was scheduled to discuss the water bill with commissioners during the commission meeting on Jan. 16.

In other business, the county commission:

• Heard an update from ThinkOne Architects on the courthouse elevator project. The architects are expected to present a proposal with a cost estimate by mid-February

with a cost estimate by mid-February.

• Heard an update from civil engineering firm Robert Peccia and Associates on progress toward a master plan and environmental assessment for an upgrade to the Ennis Big Sky Airport to Class C. The plan is expected to be completed in about six months. Class C airspace is designed to improve aviation safety by reducing the risk of midair collisions in the terminal area and enhance air traffic

management. A Class C airport must have an operational air traffic control tower and terminal radar approach controls. The study is 90 percent funded by the Federal Aviation Administration.

• Approved a number of hirings and board appointments, which will be reported next week to allow notification by the county to the employees and appointees.

• Approved a letter to the U.S. Forest Service, requesting payment of \$13,457 for culverts to be installed on Cliff Road and Wade Lake Road.

Discussed a resolution for a continuing mill levy for nursing homes, but took no action

• Discussed applying for a Montana Department of Transportation grant for a senior citizens' bus.

The next commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 23 at 9:30 a.m. Meeting agendas are available online at madisoncountymt.gov.



Volunteer at your local fire department

Dear Editor,

Fire season is probably the last thing on our minds with freezing temperatures and feet of snow surrounding us. However, it's important to remember warm weather will

return and fire season along with it. Last year, suppressing fires cost over \$400 million in Montana. Your help is needed. With Martin Luther King Jr. Day just this week, think about how you can make a difference in your com-

munity. Dr. King once said, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, "what are you doing for others?" Make a difference and help your community by volunteering at your local fire department. Check out Montana Volunteer Firefighters at https://mtvolunteer.org/ for more informa-

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Dear Editor,

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take risks I wouldn't dream of, and more white crosses per stretch than most roads in the state. One thing I rarely have to worry about much are the road conditions and ice at least in Madison County. I am continually impressed by the hard work of these folks. Thank you

Jaye Swoboda

Lengthen your life and improve your health

Dear Editor,

During 2017, as an educator/ tobacco prevention specialist with the Madison County Board of Health, I have promoted our Tobacco Prevention Coalition. I have learned so much about the effects of tobacco and how the tobacco industry still heavily markets their deadly product in Montana. The addictive properties are so powerful that many people fear trying to stop, or fail to stay stopped - even when that person really wants to stop. Years after quitting tobacco,

former tobacco users report they may still have the urge, desire and cravings to use tobacco. That is powerful.

With 2018 fast approaching, I want to alert tobacco users who may be considering ringing in the New Year with a "quit tobacco" resolution that our state offers an amazing service to Montanans in the MT Quit Line.

Why should anyone get help? The Montana Tobacco Quit Line can make a difference. Tobacco users are seven to 10 times more likely to successfully quit when

they use the quit line services, as opposed to trying to quit on their

The quit line service is anonymous. Those who enroll receive added free benefits for a limited time through January. Along with nicotine patches or other drug therapies, the Quit Line includes personalized guidance to help each caller develop a quit plan. They also get five calls with a quit coach who guides the individual through the quitting process. I think it is important to share this information because I know how

many people are looking for help and struggling with this addiction.

If you or someone you love has resolved to improve their health and lengthen their life by making 2018 tobacco-free, call Montana's Tobacco Quit Line today, toll-free, at 1-800-QUIT NOW (784-8669). Good luck and Happy New Year

> Phil Taylen Tobacco Prevention Specialist Madison/Beaverhead Counties Public Health Departments

OBITUARIES

Richard W. Lemon

August 29, 1938 - January 6, 2018



Richard W. "Dick" Lemon

passed at his home in Ennis, Mont., on January 6, 2018. Born Aug. 29, 1938, in Schenectady, N.Y., to Donald E. And Eleanor B. Ward Lemon. He graduated from Miami of Ohio University in 1961 with a major in geology. He worked as a geologist for the State of New York before moving to Illion, N.Y., where he worked for Remington later retired from Pima County Government in Tucson,

Ariz., as an environmental engineer. He moved to Ennis full time in 2000 and served as chairman of the Madison County Republican Committee. He had a passion for the outdoors, fishing, hunting and photography. He is preceded in death by his parents and brother, Robert Everett Lemon. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann Lemon; a Arms as a design engineer. He daughter, Carol Ann Lemon; son-in-law Phil Gaha; a son, Dale R. Lemon; daughter-in-

law Sandra R.Lemon; and two grandchildren, Eleanor Ava Lemon and Everett Asa Reid Lemon. Funeral services will be held on Feb. 5 at 1 p.m. at the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, gathering following in the fellowship room. In lieu of flowers, donations can me made to either the National Rifle Association or Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. Donations can be made at the time of the service.

Hugo Lee Hansen

March 3, 1948 - January 1, 2018



Hugo Lee Hansen passed away unexpectedly at St. Peter's Hospital on New Year's Day, 2018. Lee was the first of four children born to Hugo Walter and Mary Edna Hansen in Glasgow, Mont., on March 3, 1948. He attended St. Raphael School and graduated from Glasgow High in 1966. The family moved to Great Falls shortly after his

Later that summer, Lee was drafted into the U.S. Army and served one tour of duty in Viet Nam. The trauma of war on the psyche of a young adult had lifetime effects on Lee, but he was forever proud of serving his country.

high school graduation.

After he was discharged, Lee moved back to Glasgow and met his future wife, Kay Johnson. They were married in 1970 in Glasgow and then moved to Helena. During the marriage, Lee adopted Kay's daughter Janna. The marriage ended in divorce in 1976. In Feb. 1984, Lee married Diana Lindstrand. Lee always had an interest in cooking, particularly making pizza, and he opened Hugo's Pizza in Montana City in 1985. He joined forces with his wife Diana, and with Ray and Debbie

Thares, to move the business from the Montana City Grille across the interstate to Papa Ray's and Hugo's Pizza.

In 1995, Lee and Di moved to Sheridan, where they owned and operated The Sump Saloon and Ruby Hotel. Lee and Di were divorced in 2001. In the last 10 years, Lee's health began to deteriorate and he lived in the veteran's home in Miles City, and later was moved closer to home, living at Elkhorn Health Care in Clancy until his death. He was proud of his Native American heritage and was a member of the Little Shell Tribe of the Chippewa Indians. He had a wonderful sense of humor and an infectious laugh.

Lee was pre-deceased by his parents, and leaves behind his daughter Janna (Dan)

Kroll of Helena, three siblings: Gaynell (Dave) Bruck of Helena, John (Betty) Hansen of Wilsonville, Ore., and David Hansen of Great Falls, along with several nieces and nephews. He also leaves behind life-long friends Kevin and Lori Irish, and Rocky Christinson, as well as former wives Kay Johnson and Diana Lindstrand, for whom he always had great affection.

The body will be cremated and interment will take place in the spring, where his ashes will be buried with his father at the Hinsdale Cemetery. The family requests memorials be made to the Northeast Montana Veterans Memorial Park, P.O. Box 202, Glasgow, MT 59230, or a charity of one's choice. Memories and condolences may be posted at aswfuneralhome.com.

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BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

WILDCATS FALL SHORT TO FALCONS, MUSTANGS

CAITLIN AVEY news@madisoniannews.com

The Harrison/Willow Creek Wildcats hosted the Twin Bridges Falcons on Jan. 11 and lost by nine points, 48-57. Trailing by four points at the half, the Wildcat defense played well, but the Falcons' height advantage proved to be a decisive factor.

"As a team, we rebounded better than we did in the Ennis game and did much better from the charity stripe," said Wildcat head coach Nick Dyk. The coach said Layne Homner was the standout for the 'Cats and played his best game of the season. Homner fouled out with five minutes remaining and finished with 16 points, eight rebounds and two forced turnovers.

With two prominent Falcon players out for the Harrison game, Falcons coach Josh Keller said he was worried going in. "Harrison is a tough place to go in and play. It's a small gym and can get very noisy and I think both their boys' and girls' teams are well-coached."

The third quarter made all the difference for the Falcons, when they limited the Wildcats to eight points. "We came out from the half and Wolfe knocked down a three ... Kruer also hit some timely three pointers," said Keller. "(Wolfe) posed a tough matchup with his combination of length and speed, and he kept their offense clicking throughout the night," added Dyk.

Wolfe finished with a game high 28 points, six rebounds and one block. Kruer sank 18 points for the Falcons and three blocks.

Derik DeFrance finished with 14 for the Wildcats, also grabbing two steals and forcing three turnovers.

In their Jan. 8 matchup against the Ennis Mustangs, another nine points separated the Wildcats from victory. The Mustangs defeated the Wildcats in Harrison, 52-43.

Buus had the game high for the night as he pushed 20 points for the Wildcats. DeFrance finished with 16 and Layne Homner, Jakob Nye and Vern Homner each had two points. Cristian Contreras finished with one point.

Chris Funston played well from both the three-point line and within the paint, grabbing 18 points for the Mustangs. Tanner Wood was close behind with 16 points, Gus Dickinson with seven, and Kurt Funston and John Fortier each added four points. Clay Coffman

finished with three.

LADY WILDCATS FALL TO FALCONS, MUSTANGS

The Lady Wildcats JV had two tough games, taking on the Ennis Mustangs and the Twin Bridges Falcons. Hosting the Falcons on Jan. 11, the Wildcats lost 18-32. Wildcat head coach Zach Dyk said his team identified plays better and had faster rotations during their game against the Falcons. "In the second half, we started finding more opportunities to score and that helped our confidence," he said.

The Bacon sisters, Aleena and Alexys, led the charge for the Wildcats, each scoring seven points. Rosie Chater and Sophie Mitchell each contributed two points.

The Lady Falcons were led by freshman point guard Bailey Stockett, who fought her way to 13 points. Post players Avery George and Ashleigh Guinnane were big under the basket for eight and nine points, respectively, and Tabitha Orrin contributed the final two.

On Jan. 8, the Wildcats traveled to Ennis and suffered a 17-35 loss to the Lady Mustangs. Aleena Bacon and Chater were the only scorers for the Wildcats – Bacon finished with 13 points and Chater with four.

Lady Mustang Olivia
Lohrenz was on fire behind the
arc, sinking two three pointers
in the second half. Lohrenz led
the Mustangs with 12 points.
Avery Oliver posted eight
points, Alyssa West grabbed
seven, and Joree Hokanson and
Jenna Snider contributed five
and three points, respectively.

FALCONS TOPPLE LADY PROSPECTORS BY 41 POINTS

The Lady Falcons were unstoppable on Jan. 12 as they demolished the Lady Prospectors, 70-29. Four Falcon players had points in the double-digits; Kailee Oliverson, 23, Blu Keim, 16, Ashleigh Guinnane, 14, and RaeAnne Bendon, 11. Clancy Phillips and Michaela Madden contributed four and two points, respectively.

FALCON BOYS' TEAM SOAR ABOVE GRANITE

The boys from Twin Bridges also saw success over the Granite Prospectors with a 51-30 victory on Jan. 12. Clay Wolfe and Jake Hughs finished with 16 and 13 points, respectively for the Falcons.

PANTHERS SUFFER TO LONE PEAK, LIMA

The Sheridan Panthers hosted the Lone Peak Big Horns on Jan. 12, ultimately losing to the Big Horns, 39-70. Much of the Panther bench contributed to their final score. Ty Haag finished with 10 points, Zane Bowey, Moxon Lee, Isaac Bendon and Jason Chisholm each had six points, and Ben Larsen finished with five points.

On Jan. 13 the Panther's hosted the Lima Bears for a close match. They lost to the Bears 43-57. Bowey put down 13 points, Haag, 10, Larsen and Lee each finished with eight points and Bendon and Jack Gilman rounded out the books with two points.

LADY PANTHERS BATTLE BIG HORNS, BEARS

The Lady Panthers suffered a tough loss to the Big Horns, 20-61, on Jan. 12. Freshman Desaray Tipton led the team with seven points against the Big Horns and Madison Fabel, Zoe Lee and Destiny Fabel each added three points. Tia Hill finished with four points.

The Panthers came close to victory on Jan. 13, but fell by nine points to the Bears, 46-55. Tipton finished with 10 points, Lee with 11 and Hill with eight.

LADY MUSTANGS TOP TROJANS

The Lady Mustangs defeated the Lady Trojans, 40-26, on Jan 12. Josie Hokanson finished with 14 for the Mustangs, Jourdain Klein had nine points and Paige Anderson finished with five.

TROJANS DEFEAT MUSTANGS

The Ennis Mustangs fell to the Drummond Trojans, 31-56, on Jan. 12. Gus Dickinson led the court with 12 points and Tanner Wood added 10. Brothers Kurt and Chris Funston finished with five and four points, respectively.

All four Madison County teams are back in action this week on Jan. 18. The Wildcats host the Sheridan Panthers and the Twin Bridges Falcons will head to Ennis. Varsity games begin at 5:30 p.m.



Tanner Wood, 1, snags a quick jump shot for the Mustangs during their home game against the Wildcats. Wood picked up 10 points in the fourth quarter and finished with 16 points for the Mustangs. (C. AVEY PHOTO)



Wildcat Lane Buus, 23, finished with four points in the Jan. 11 home court battle against the Falcons. Buus also managed to pick up three assists and two defensive rebounds. (C. AVEY PHOTO)



Alyssa West, 32, reaches for the rebound during the Harrison/Willow Creek game. (C. AVEY PHOTO)



Vern Homner, 5, shoots over Mustang defender Gus Dickinson during the Jan. 9 duel. "Right now, it's just about wanting it, then we've just got to go out and play basketball," said Harrison head coach Nick Dyk after the Wildcats lost to the Mustangs, 43-52. (C. AVEY PHOTO)



Wildcat defender Alexys Bacon, 32, gets her hands on the ball over Twin Bridges' Nora Humbert on Jan. 11. (C. AVEY PHOTO)



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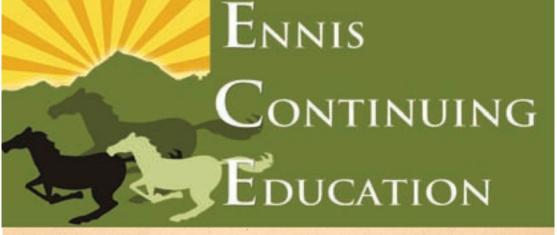
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Madison County DISPATCH January 7 - January 13, 2018

1/7/18

Traffic Complaint on Duck Ln Alder Wildlife Complaint in 200 Blk Jefferson St Sheridan

Welfare Check at Ennis Lake McAllister Theft Complaint in 400 Blk Madison Ave Ennis

Suspicious Circumstances on Middle Rd Sheridan

1/8/18

Accident on MT Hwy 287 MM 21 Alder Accident in 100 Blk Loomont Ln Whitehall Dog Complaint in 100 Blk Center St Harrison

Accident on MT Hwy 287 MM 7 Ennis Medical Aid on Gravelly Range Rd Ennis

1/9/18

Welfare Check on Cemetery Loop Rd Ennis Accident at Lewis Ln & Ruby River Dr Twin Bridges

Dog Complaint on Wisconsin Creek Rd Sheridan

Stolen Vehicle on Jeffers Rd W Ennis Theft Complaint in 200 Blk N Main St Twin Bridges

Welfare Check on Wisconsin Creek Rd Sheridan

Suspicious Circumstances on Bluff View Ln Ennis
Animal Complaint on Old

VC Hwy Ennis
Welfare Check on Two
Bumps Rd Ennis
Medical Aid in 200 Blk E 9th
Ave Twin Bridges

1/10/18

Accident on MT Hwy 41 MM 21 Twin Bridges Fire Call in 4900 Blk US Hwy 287 Ennis Trespass Complaint in 600 Blk Waterloo Rd Silver Star

1/11/18

Fire Call in 2200 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder Medical Aid in 100 Blk Madison St Sheridan Wildlife Complaint in 300 Blk 3rd Ave Twin Bridges

Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 61 Norris Accident on MT Hwy 87 MM 3 Cameron Accident at Maxs Ln & N Meadow Creek Rd McAllister

Welfare Check in 200 Blk W Armitage St Ennis

1/12/18

Wildlife Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 2 Ennis

Wildlife Complaint at Rangeview Rd & Killdeer Ct Ennis

Fire Call on MT Hwy 41 MM 24 Twin Bridges

Civil Service on Duncan District Rd Sheridan

1/13/18

Medical Aid in 100 Blk N Main St Sheridan Wildlife Complaint on MT Hwy 41 MM 47 Twin Bridges

The Madison County Sheriff's Office responded to 78 Calls for Service from Jan 7-13, 2018.

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Snowmobiler killed at Mt. Jefferson

SUBMITTED BY FREMONT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Fremont County Sheriff's Office recovered the body of Adam Wayne Andersen, who was killed by an avalanche Wednesday in the Mt. Jefferson area of Fremont County, Idaho, just across the state line from Madison

County.

Officials called off the search for Anderson Wednesday evening, due to darkness, extreme terrain and cold temperatures. The crews located Anderson's body early Thursday.

Anderson, from Idaho Falls, was snowmobiling with a group of friends around 5 p.m.

when the avalanche was triggered. Members of Anderson's party found his snowmobile but were unable to locate the snowmobiler.

Avalanche warnings have been issued for parts of Fremont County and Fremont County Sheriff Len Humphries said this tragic incident serves as a reminder for anyone going

into the back country to be prepared. "I would encourage everyone to use extreme caution and to carry things like beacons and avalanche bags and backpacks with shovels and probes," said Humphries. "This is just a really sad thing. This is an area for extreme recreationists. It's pretty tough country."

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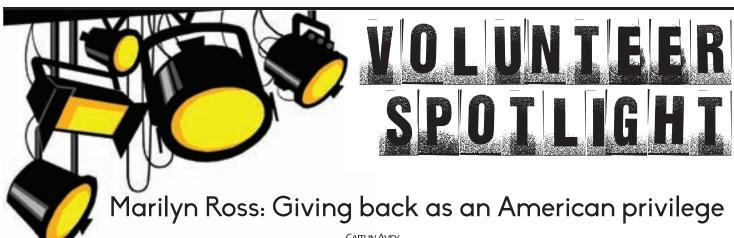
Local students make UMW dean's list

GEOFF HAMILL editor@madisoniannews.com

DILLON - The University of Montana Western named 622 students to the 2017 fall semester Dean's List. Among those honored are several Madison County residents.

To achieve this honor, students must be enrolled full-time or for 12 semester credits and carry a minimum 3.33 grade point average. An asterisk after a name indicates a student received Dean's List high honors and carried a 4.0 grade point average.

Aspen Tutsch, Alder; Kaylee Clemmons, Ennis; Lacey Keller, Ennis; Braydon McKitrick, Ennis; Ashton Russell, Sheridan; Jeffrey Stanek,* Sheridan; Bryan Todd,* Sheridan; Jessica Farrand,* Twin Bridges; Jason Ferris, Twin Bridges; Haley Fournier, Twin Bridges; Melissa Meek,* Twin Bridges; Samantha Nicholls, Twin Bridges; and Charali Wetherbee,* Twin Bridges.



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"I'm really committed to the principle that we're not put on this earth just to make ourselves stronger or more economically sound," said Marilyn Ross. "I believe we are put here to take care of each other."

Ross is well known throughout her Twin Bridges community and throughout the county, thanks to the many boards and organizations to which she contributes. Originally from eastern Montana, Ross and her husband found Twin Bridges and Madison County to be the perfect spot for retirement. "The people here have really embraced us and it's been a wonderful decision."

Ross has served on multiple boards throughout the county, including the Mental Health Advisory Board, the Aging Council, Friends of the Library and the county library board, just to name of few. Currently, she is chair of the Montana Heritage Commission, chair of Action Inc., and heavily involved with the Headwaters Economic Development Organization.



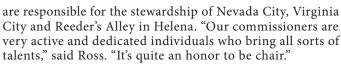
She first joined the MHC 12 years ago, after being appointed to the commission by then Gov. Brian Schweitzer. She has since been reappointed by current Gov. Steve Bullock. The MHC commissioners serve and oversee the activities of the commission and

City and Reeder's Alley in Helena. "Our commissioners are very active and dedicated individuals who bring all sorts of talents," said Ross. "It's quite an honor to be chair."

Ross is also the current chair of Action Inc., a sevencounty organization that administers community action programs including low-income housing, the Head Start program, Section 8 housing and various other programs for low-income families and youths. Ross has served with the organization for more than 20 years and as chairman for the

"Through all those years, I've seen this particular agency give so much in helping families and helping people to work themselves out of poverty and situations, that allows them to be part of the American experience," she said.

While she has strong beliefs in every organization she serves, Ross said giving back and volunteering is simply what it means to be American. "I think everybody should appreciate that we have the freedom and opportunity to make our local communities what we want them to be. Plus, for every little bit of effort that you put in to your community, it's returned to you 100 times



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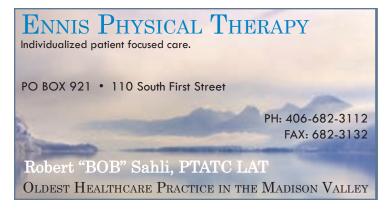
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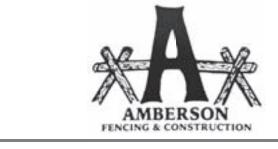
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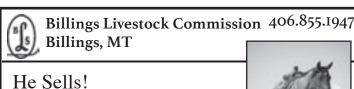
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Sunday



A slight chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 22.

Monday



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Well here it is a Mew Year and I still don't have a furever home. I'm so sad. Oh sure, I have my brother Sheridan and my sister Lucee and a bunch of friends to play with, but it isn't home. I'm a young man, not yet a year old and I sure would enjoy a loving home. Got

everything taken care of, well for this year, so that shouldn't be a problem. Maybe you lost the number for me. Here it is: 439-1405 and ask Misty about me, Linus. Thanks.

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Thursday, January 18, 2018

FIFTH ANNUAL POND HOCKEY



leven pond hockey teams from around the region converged on Virginia City this weekend for the fifth annual VICE Pond Hockey Tournament. The good-natured competition featured highly skilled players of all ages in exciting ice action. A sizable gathering of fans enjoyed the mild weather for the contests and cooked up chili over an open fire. The double-elimination tourney saw action from the Dangleberries, Trapperz, Pigeons, Whiskey Sticks, Hot Garbage, VC1, VC2, Mustache Rider Providers, Old Crush and Butte Yellys. In Sunday's final showdown, the Yellys shaved the Mustache Ride Providers to capture the first-place trophy, with the Pigeons flocking into third place. Appropriately, like the Stanley Cup tradition, the winning team retains ownership of the coveted trophy until they defend their prize the following year.























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CYCLING IN THE WINTER

SUBMITTED BY AARON DAVIS

As I ride along the snow covered dirt road, pedaling hard to keep my mountain bike at 15 mph, an oncoming truck passes me. I look up to wave to them as I always try to do just in time to see the drivers gawking expression. "Are you crazy?", it seems to say, "Riding a bike in 20 degree weather?" Well, yes, maybe I am, but after four winters, I am more than accustomed

to that look.

There is a paradigm of thought that tells us cycling is a summer sport. While it certainly is easier to ride in the summer, new cycling equipment and better apparel are causing an increase in this outside-the-box variation of the sport. Studded bike tires and wide tire fat bikes (think a mountain bike with dirt bike tires) better allow riding on snow and ice and have extended the season for the typi-

cal cyclist. Basically, if you can cross country ski at 20 degrees, you can ride a bike in it too.

Why ride in winter?

Regardless of the weather, one benefits greatly by riding a bike more. The exercise alone is an almost unimaginable reward. The very act of going from place to place by bike gets your heart pumping, blood flowing, and calories burning. As any runner, hiker or walker (not the zombie) will tell you, the same paths

take on a new visual essence with each passing season.

How do I get started?

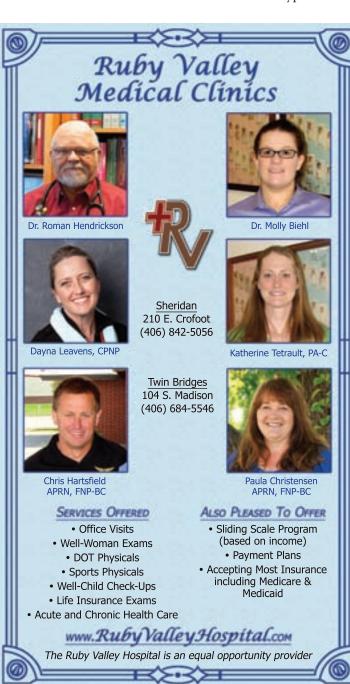
Three area bike clubs have webpages where you can make contact with area riders for advice: Gallatin Valley Bike Club of Bozeman, Highlands Cycling Club in Butte and Ruby Valley Cycling Club in Sheridan all have members who participate in winter riding. How do I keep warm?

Essentially, keep the ears, feet and hands warm and dress in layers. Carry a

small backpack with water, snacks, and extra clothing. This also provides storage for current clothing in case you have overdressed from the start. Keep in mind this rule of thumb: if you're not a little cold when you start, you will be too hot at the end.

Winter riding is not without hazards but with a little knowledge and preparation it will be an eye-opening and rewarding experience.





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New smokefree housing rules are another great reason to quit smoking this year

SUBMITTED BY PHILLIP TAYLEN Educator/Tobacco Prevention Specialist, Madison County Public Health Department

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property and causes cancer, heart disease and other health problems – even if you breathe it secondhand.

That's why all local housing authorities managed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, including those in Madison

County, are required to go smokefree this year. The deadline is July 30.

The rule prohibits the use of tobacco products such as cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes (hookahs) and more. It doesn't prevent people who smoke from living in these

apartments, but prohibits smoking within 25 feet of housing, including balconies, windows and doorways. No smoking is allowed in any indoor areas.

HUD implemented this rule knowing that it would save U.S. taxpayers' money and save lives.

Tobacco smoke stains walls and contaminates carpets. Cigarettes also leave burns on countertops and other fixtures. Any landlord knows the cost of turning around smoked-in units is expensive. Also, 78 percent of Montana renters want smokefree apartments.

Smokefree housing is good for everyone's health. There's no better way to keep your home smokefree than quitting smoking altogether.

The Montana Tobacco Quit Line offers free help quitting all commercial tobacco products, including cigarettes, little cigars, smokeless tobacco and electronic cigarettes. The Quit Line is staffed from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. seven days a week and offers a FREE personalized quit plan; FREE cessation coaching sessions; eight weeks of FREE nicotine replacement therapy (gum, patches or lozenges); Chantix at no cost for three months, and Bupropion at reduced cost (\$5 co-pay per month for three months).

For help quitting, call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669) or visit QuitNow-Montana.com.

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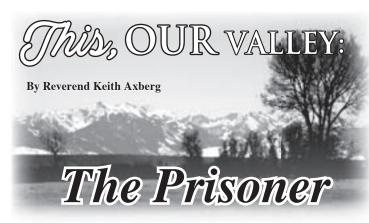
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"Nothing of me is original. I am the combined effort of everyone I've ever known." Chuck Palahniuk, Invisible Monsters

This is a horror story so terrible I hope it doesn't cause panic amongst the newspaper reading public. I say that because it is a true story, none of which is made up, fake, false, or anything like that. If you read it here, you can trust it is the genuine article in which there is no artifice or dissimulation. OK?

You've been warned.

I left the house to run some errands the other day and as I got a few blocks away I tapped my hip to discover (to my great horror) that I had left my cell phone at home on the table.

In other words, I had ventured forth into the void (sometimes called the "neighborhood") with no way to communicate, locate myself (via GPS), or find where I was actually going (via the maps app).

My pulse began to race (a condition with which I have very little experience), my skin began to crawl (although it was nice to feel like a newborn baby once again), and my breathing came in great gulps (like as if I was some poor cut-throat trout lying out on a sun-drenched gravel bar awaiting the agonizing rip of a fisherman's filet knife).

The blood drained away from the block that sits upon my shoulders and my vision began to blur. Was this the end? Is this how I would make my grand exit – a pile of goo holding onto a steering wheel, frozen in place, uttering those final words that no one would ever hear, "My pho ..." (voice trails off – a finis coronat

opus)? After a few seconds, though, the panic in extremis passed. As the rain splashed against the windshield and the wipers continued the rhythm of their swiping, I began to realize that the human race had made it through several millennia without access to cell phones. People had actually traveled across continents and over oceans with little more than a stick in their hands with which to fight off fierce wild beasts or snag a kippered snack for

supper.

I eased my grip upon the steering wheel, allowing blood to flow once again, crossing over my knuckles and back into the brain bucket from which it had originally been drained. The world righted itself and I

realized everything would be

I reflected on the matter and came to recognize that perhaps I had become too attached to my phone. Where it is supposed to be a tool which serves its owner, it had become the master – the "Lord" Vader – and I had become the student, the Woe-be-gone-Keith-Obie. I had become a prisoner, imprisoned (probably why it's called a "Cell" phone), but now I was free.

Freedom, of course, is just another word for nothing left to lose, so I continued on my journey, taking care of business (every day), taking care of business (every way), taking care of business (it's all mine) ... oh, sorry. I got carried away in (Bachman Turner) Overdrive ...

Anyway, it's funny how paralyzing fear can be. That momentary lapse into panic (while possibly exaggerated for effect) was very real, but ultimately groundless. The key to breaking that moment of angst was to do some real



Rev. Keith Axberg

Listening to the wipers, watching the splashing of the rain, smelling the soft vapors of the air freshener, and feeling

grounding.

the warm air blowing from the vents restored me to sanity (a major marvel, to be sure).

Whenever I find myself worried about things going on around me, the majority of which are outside my control – like the weather, politics, the rising and falling fortunes of my favorite sports teams, etc. – I find it helpful to put my five senses to work, finding concrete reality in the world around me (versus the noise and static coming from the warp and woof of my imagination).

We have embarked on a whole new year. We're several weeks into it and it has already lost some of that New Year smell. Still, touching base with those we love and staying grounded one step and one day at a time will work to make it a sane year. Also, don't text and drive – today's PSA.

What more could we ask for in this, our valley? Happy Trails!

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



EVERY DROP COUNTS

My time traveling out of the country has been only to impoverished communities. One of the most eye opening experiences was seeing people hauling water from a community well or a live water body. They sometimes carried water in big cans or plastic containers, sometimes on their heads, or loaded in their arms. Children hauling water cans often as big as they were. There were bicyclists hauling as many as 8 cans - they were walking the bike. In what appeared to be established villages, and even in larger cities like Entebbe, Uganda, people had to boil their municipal water for

Because most of us can get clean, safe, abundant water easily just by turning on a faucet, we take it for granted and use a tremendous amount of this precious resource. All water comes from a source – a river, a spring, the ground... and those sources are all interrelated. Every drop of water counts, especially when the conditions are dry, hot and little replenishment is on the horizon. As citizens, we can help create balance by paying attention, and reducing our water use wherever we can.

The first step in becoming more aware of our water usage is to keep track of how we use water every day. Project WET in Bozeman put together a publication for elementary students that listed the following equivalent of water use for common daily activities:

• Washing dishes by hand = 20

gallons

• Shower = 5 gal. per minute

• One clothes washing cycle = 50 gal.

• Water lawn for 10 min. = 75

gal.Wash car with hose running

= 180 gal.One dishwasher cycle = 12-15

• One toilet flush = 5-7 gal.

Bath = 30 gal.
Wash hands with water run-

ning = 3 gal.
• Brush teeth with water run-

ning = 6 gal.

• Leaking/running toilet = 50 gal. per day

Yikes! I had no idea how much water I was using – and I'm just one single person. So as I look at those water uses and think about the other things I use water for, I see the little ways I can use less:

• Pay attention to how I'm washing dishes

• Not hanging out singing in the shower until the hot water

• Make sure the washer is full when I run it

when I run it
• Don't water the lawn every

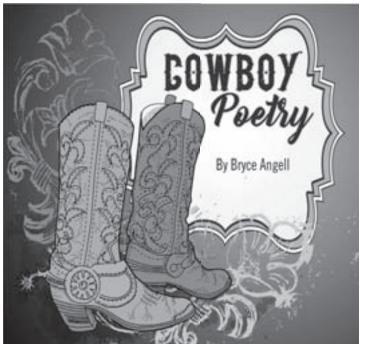
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If its yellow keep it mellow, if its brown flush it down Have a long soak in natural

hot springs instead of in a hot bath at my house • Turn the water off when

• Turn the water off when washing hands and brushing teeth

• Fix my leaky faucet and toilet Being water aware is the first step to being water wise. Join me in paying attention to how you use water every day and start to make the little changes. It all adds up, because every drop counts.



TWO OLD FRIENDS

I placed the saddle on his back, then pulled the cinch up tight. Old Cyruss turned and looked at me. He knew we'd be all right.

I'd seen that look a thousand times. We'd earned each other's trust. And at my age a gentle horse, for dang sure, is a must.

Old Cyruss ain't no young one. I'd say prob'ly twenty-two. In human years, we're 'bout the same. They say a rest is

I wonder if old Cyruss feels the stiffness from his age? The way my crooked fingers feel from rheumatism's rage. It seems like only yesterday, when old enough to work, the old men called me youngster. That drove me plumb

But now I look at Cyruss. He and I have both grown old. And no one calls me youngster. It's the wrinkles; I've been told

And Cyruss doesn't seem to have that spring left in his step. It's obvious the two of us have up and lost our pep. Some cowboys say, that when a horse has lost his usefulness, "Take him to the sale. It's not a sign of selfishness." I can't imagine any other fellow on my horse. The bond between a horse and rider shares a mighty force. Old Cyruss has been good to me and I've been good to him. The chance of selling Cyruss, well I'd say it's awfully slim. Most trainers tell you that a horse should never be a friend. I guess I broke that rule, 'Cuz he's my friend right to the

And soon enough we'll turn him out to pasture for a time. I'll feed and keep him company and hope that God is kind. And when I get so doggone old and need someone to care. Hope I'm treated kindly 'til I meet Cyrus over there.

Month Not Yet Over

by Jerry Welch

Here in the first week of 2018 there were interesting developments that need to be noted in regards to several markets. They need to be noted because of the old saw, "as January goes, so goes the rest of the year." Of course, the month is far from over and events of the first few weeks may be little more than a head fake for the rest of the month. Still, what unfolded in the first five days of this month are worth noting.

The market that garners the biggest headlines are stocks and the Dow and they rose every day in the first week of 2018. According to marketwatch.com, "The broadmarket benchmark has closed at a record on the first four trading days of the new year, the first time it has done so since 1964." Thus, stocks that

rose as much as 25 percent in 2017, are off to one of the best starts in history in 2018. But the month is not yet over.

In the first week of January, cattle prices rose to a multi-month high but dropped sharply on a Thursday and ended limit down on a Friday. A few days later, cattle prices fell to a new, four-month low. The market has gone from acting and looking well to being in trouble. But the month is not yet over.

Regarding the cattle market, fears are growing that individual cattle weights are rising unusually fast and, in the past when such a scenario surfaced, it led to much lower cattle prices. One well known and highly respected private firm argues that all cattle weights are now above year ago levels by seven pounds. The last time such a situation unfolded was in late April 2016, when the market was trading north of \$127. But in early October, prices slumped to \$95. The only positive I can offer for the cattle market is the month is not yet over.

Still, the old saying, "As January goes, so goes the rest of the year" is something I am keeping in mind and passing on to those that subscribe to my twice-a-day newsletter and brokerage clients. What I am passing on is this: all my work strongly suggests that cattle futures should slip to \$100 to \$105 by mid-year which is a long way down from here. What is being seen thus far in January hints loudly that the cattle market is headed lower yet

But the big news this month is the sharp decline

being seen with the U.S. debt markets and, in particular, bond futures. The month of January began with prices at approximately 153 but a few days ago the market slumped to nearly 149, a level not seen since early 2017. The prices of the widely followed two-year T-notes fell to a level not seen in 10 years. The weakness with the debt markets has caused a number of high profile analysts to forecast that the bull market with bonds that has been underway for 25 years is now over. Stick a fork in it they say. It is done!

From CNBC News regarding the bond market. "The bond bear market is finally upon us after more than 25 years, bond guru Bill Gross said Tuesday. The call was released in a tweet from the account of Janus Henderson

Group, Gross's investment firm, saying: "Bond bear market confirmed today. 25-year, long-term trend lines broken in five (year) and 10 (year) maturity Treasuries." I am not surprised by the

bold forecast of Bill Gross. In fact, in my column last week for this newspaper, in a piece entitled, "Bubble of Historic Proportions," I stated clearly. " In the New Year, I suggest probing the short side of the US debt markets, T-bonds and T-notes. As inflation rises, the debt markets should work lower while at the same time commodities either go up down. The big story in 2018 will be the loud - and I mean loud - popping of bond market that is a bubble of historic proportions."

Based on history, oftentimes, "As January goes, so

goes the rest of the year." The various ups and downs this January are well worth noting. But the big, big story this month is the sudden weakness being seen with bonds and the debt markets in general. If there are any signs whatsoever that inflation is stronger than anticipated, the Fed will hike rates more than anticipated. And if so, bonds are headed quite a bit lower in the New Year and most all other markets, stocks and commodities will likely follow suit. Make no mistake. If bonds

Make no mistake. If bonds are in the early stages of a bear market, the outlook for the entire Big Four: stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities will vastly different a year from now compared to today. But the month is not yet over and therefore, subject to change.

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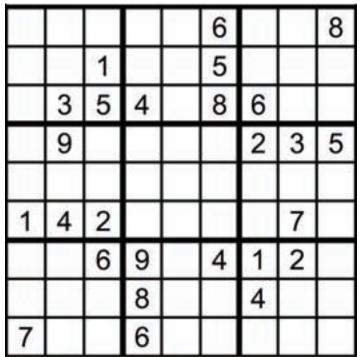
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FOR THE WEEK OF **JANUARY 18, 2018**

MADISON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD NOTICE

OF PUBLIC MEETING WILL CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING for the Moonlight Overall Development Plan on Monday, January 29, 2018 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 meeting is to receive comment on the proposed Moonlight Basin Overall Development Plan update. The proposed plan spans approximately 8,000 acres of platted subdivision and un-platted tracts of land located in the upper Jack Creek drainage on the northern flank of Lone Mountain in Section 34, Township 5 South, Range 2 East; Sections 1-4, 9-12, 13-16, 22-24 & 26, Township 6 South, Range 2 East; Sections 7 & 18, Township 6 South, Range 3 East PMM.

Written comments should be received by 3:00

p.m. on January 29, 2018, and may be sent to the Madison County Planning Board by: Mail to P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, Montana, 59755; Fax to (406) 843-5229; or E-mail to drobison@madison.mt.gov. Oral or written comments may also

be given at the public hearing.
The Overall Development Plan and supplemental information pertaining to this proposed subdivision is available for review at:

Madison County Planning Office, 103 W. Wallace, Virginia City;
Madison Valley Public Library, 210

E. Main Street, Ennis; Big Sky Fire Department, Station 1, 650 Rainbow Trout Run, Big Sky

Call (406) 843-5250 for more information. John Fountain, President, Madison County Planning Board (Pub. 11, 18, 2018) mcpb

MADISON COUNTY PLAN-NING BOARD NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Madison County Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday, January 29, 2018, 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 Acre Tract 85 Minor Subdivision to create 2 equal lots approximately 9,949.65 square feet each located on the corner of Mill Street and Montana Street in the town of Sheridan, Montana. Located in the North 1/2 of Section 26, T 4S, R5W, Sheridan Original Townsite Written comments should be received by 3:00 p.m. on January 30, 2018, 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 (Pub. 11, 18, 2018) mcpb

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF

MONTANA, COUNTY OF MADISON IN RE ESTATE OF: COSMO W. MOCCIA, Deceased.

Cause No. DP-29-2017-39 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Domiciliary Foreign Personal Representative of the abovenamed estate. All persons having claims against the decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be

forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to Richard Russell Moccia, the Personal Representative return receipt requested, in care of the law firm of Kasting, Kauffman& Mersen, P.C., 716 South 20* Ave., Suite 101, Bozeman, MT 59718, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court. Dated: January 2, 2018 KASTING,KAUFFMAN & MERSEN P.C.

/s/ Jane Mersen By JANE MERSEN Attorneys for Personal Representative (Pub. Jan. 11, 18, 25, 2018) kkm

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Minutes of the Madison County Board of Commissioners' meetings for the period beginning December 1, 2017, and ending on December 31, 2017, are now available for public review in the office of the Clerk and Recorder at the Madison County Administrative Office Building in Virginia City, MT. Individual requests for personal copies of these minutes, or any previous minutes. will be accepted by the Clerk and Recorder in her office. Approved minutes can also be viewed on the Madison County website at www.

 $madison countymt.gov \ . \ Signed \ this \ 12th \ day \ of$ January, 2018.

Kathleen Mumme Madison County Clerk and Recorder (Pub. Jan. 18, 2018) mccr

PUBLIC NOTICE: The Madison County Board of Commissioners approved payroll for payment in the amount of \$820,380.64 and claims for all funds in the amount of \$743,350.88 with a total of \$1,563,731.52 for the period beginning December 1, 2017, and ending on December 31, 2017. The full and complete claims and payroll lists are available for public review in the office of the Clerk and Recorder at the Madison County Administrative Office Building in Virginia City, MT. Individual requests for personal copies of these lists will be accepted by the Clerk and Recorder in her office and can also be viewed on the Madison County website at www.madisoncoun tymt.gov. Signed this 12th day of January, 2018

Madison County Clerk and Recorder (Pub. Jan. 18, 2018) mccr MNAXLP

CALL FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Ennis Town Commission passed Resolution 540-2017 on December 14, 2017 to call for bids from interested persons for the sale of a 1999 Ford Ambulance. Further details of the Ambulance are listed below. Said Ambulance is being sold "as is" without warranty of any kind. 1999 E350 Ford Econoline Super Duty Type III Ambulance

7.3 liter turbo diesel 4 Speed Automatic w/ Ferno Power Flex Cot

The minimum bid which the Town Commission will consider is \$5000.00 The bids should be directed to: Town of Ennis,

328 W. Main Street, Ennis, MT. 59729. The bids must be clearly marked "1999 Ambulance". The bids will be publicly opened February 1, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. Successful bidder will be required to make payment in full within ten (10) days by cash or cashier's check. For more information or to view the vehicle

contact at (406) 682-4287. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids, to waive any defect or informality in bids, to accept in whole or part such bid or bids as may be

deemed in the best interest of the purchaser.
Blake Leavitt, Mayor
(Pub. Jan. 18, 2018) mccr
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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST

Deed of Trust: Dated May 23, 2013 Grantors: Ennis Homestead, LLC

PO Box 554 Bellevue, ID 83313-0554 Ennis Homestead, LLC 206 N. 2nd Street Ennis, MT 59729 Ennis Homestead, LLC c/o Reg. Agent Ralph Lapham 206 North Second Street

Ennis, MT 59729 Ennis Homestead, LLC c/o Reg. Agent Ralph Lapham PO Box 462

Ennis, MT 59729 Original Trustee: First American Title Company PO Box 899

Ennis, MT 59729 Original Beneficiary: First Madison Valley

PO Box 307

Ennis, MT 59829 Successor Trustee: Charles E. Hansberry

HANSBERRY & JOURDONNAIS, PLLC 3111 S. Grant Street, Suite B. Missoula MT 59801

Recordation: Original recorded 06/03/2013 under Document No. 150909, records of the Clerk Recorder of Madison County, Virginia City, Montana.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that on the 19th day of April, 2018, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. at the front steps of the Madison County Court house, 110 West Wallace, Virginia City, Montana, CHARLES E. HANSBERRY, as Successor Trustee under the above-described instrument in order to satisfy the obligation set forth below has elected to and will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, lawful money of the United States of America, payable at the time of sale to the Successor Trustee, the interest of the above-named Trustee, Successor Trustee and Grantor, and all of its successors and assigns without warranty or covenant, express or implied, as to title or possession, in the following

described real property: Lots B-1 and B-2 of the Final Plat of the Lapham Minor Subdivision, located in the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 33, Township 5 South, Range 1 West, P.M.M. Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown and described on plat filed in Book 2 of Town Plats, page 262, records of Madison County, Montana.

The defaults for which this foreclosure is made are the failure of the above-named Grantor, and all of their successors and assigns, to pay as agreed upon demand as provided for in the Promissory Note dated May 23, 2013 and the

December 23, 2016, the principal balance of Six Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Nine Hundred Thirty-Four and 24/100 Dollars (\$636,934.24), plus accrued interest in the amount of Eighty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Eleven and 88/100 (\$82,711.88), plus default interest from January 30, 2017 to November 15, 2017 in the amount of Twenty Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen and 54/100 (\$25,215.54); together with interest which continues to accrue at the rate of Ten and 75/100 percent (10.75%) per annum.

The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as of November 15, 2017, is the principal balance of Six Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Nine Hundred Thirty-Four and 24/100 Dollars (\$636,934.24), plus accrued interest in the amount of Eighty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Eleven and 88/100 (\$82,711.88), plus default interest from January 30, 2017 to November 15, 2017 in the amount of Twenty Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen and 54/100 (\$25,215.54); together with interest which continues to accrue at the rate of Ten and 75/100 percent (10.75%) per annum; together with interest which continues to accrue at the rate of Ten and 75/100 percent (10.75%) per annum, plus all costs, fees, expenses, attorneys' and trustee's fees as provided by law DATED this 13th day of December, 2017.

/s/ Charles E. Hansberry Charles E. Hansberry, Successor Trustee Hansberry & Jourdonnais, PLLP 3111 Grant Street, Ste. B Missoula MT 59801 STATE OF MONTANA)

County of Missoula) This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 13th day of December, 2017, by Charles E. Hansberry, Successor Trustee. /s/ Renee Kjersrud Notary Public for the State of Montana (Pub. Jan. 18, 25, Feb 1, 2018) hj MNAXLP

NOTICE OF SALE OF OBSO-LETE PROPERTY

OF ENNIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS The trustees of Ennis School District 52 have adopted a resolution pursuant to MCA 20-6-604 to sell or otherwise dispose of the district's obsolete real property. Items for sale are 2015 Collins 4-wheel drive, handicap accessible, 24 passenger School Bus with approximately 5,000 miles (minimum bid \$60,000) and 2001 Ford Ranger 2-wheel drive truck with topper-70,256 miles (minimum bid \$3,000)

Sealed bids required by February 12th at 4:00

p.m.: Bids can delivered to the High School District Office at 223 Charles Ave. or mailed to Ennis Schools, c/o Sealed Bid (indicate truck or bus) Box 517, Ennis, Mt 59729. (Pub. Jan. 18, 25, 2018) es

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Montana Single Audit Act was established to help ensure that Montana local governments provide transparency and accountability to their taxpayers. The Act requires that all local governments complete & submit Audit reports to the Department of Administration. The following local government is over 180 days delinquent in filing its 2016 Audit report:

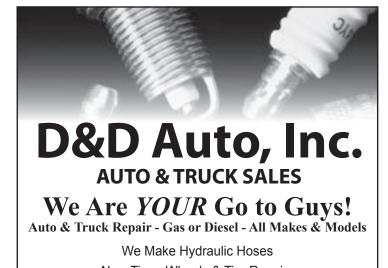
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Berger files to run for judge

SUBMITTED BY JUDGE LUKE BERGER

Fifth Judicial District Judge Luke Berger will run for election to retain his position. Berger filed the necessary paperwork with the Montana Secretary of States Office last week.

Berger was appointed by Gov. Steve Bullock in January 2017 and confirmed unanimously by the Montana Senate to fill the remaining two years of Judge Loren Tucker's term. He will stand for election on November

"It has been an honor to work in Beaverhead, Jefferson, and Madison counties this past year; the dedication of the staff, jurors, and attorneys is inspiring" Berger stated. "I look forward to working with all involved in the court system to continue to provide access to justice and be part of an efficient court system in our communities."

Judge Berger, a Dillon native, is a graduate of Beaverhead County High School, Carroll College, and the University of Montana School of Law. He and his wife Alexis Sandru, a Twin Bridges native, live in the heart of the district near Silver Star with their three young children.

Sheridan students of the month for December

SUBMITTED BY SHERIDAN SCHOOLS

Sheridan Schools is pleased to announce the Students of the Month for December. Faculty and staff chose the following students based based on citizenship, leadership and academic attitude: K-Eagen Cordingley; 1-Maelin Brown; 2-Hazalin Maddison; 3-Jace Allhands; 4-John Martens; 5-Tristan Stout; 6-Katie Hamilton; 7-Catherine Gronning; 8-Jenna Nate; 9-Ruby Rossiter; 10-Grace Larsen; 11-Ashton Sheffield; and 12-Stephen Hamilton.

ServeMontana nominations sought

SUBMITTED BY THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

HELENA - The Governor's Office of Community Service is accepting nominations for the eighth annual ServeMontana Awards. The ServeMontana Awards recognize and thank Montanans for their everyday contributions to their community and civic life through service and volunteerism.

"Montanans who serve others show the best of what our state has to offer - its

people," ServeMontana Executive Director Dan Ritter said. This honor recognizes their tireless efforts help make Montana a better place to live for everyone."

The public is encouraged to nominate individuals of all ages and backgrounds, organizations, and groups. All services must be performed in Montana or by Montanans, and applications are due by March 31, 2018. Nominees

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Fri., Jan 19 - Lasagna, beets, rolls, fruit & cookies

NOTICE FROM THE CENTER: BEGINNING JAN 8TH THE CENTER WILL BE OPEN AND SERVING MEALS AT NOON 5 DAYS A WEEK - MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY EACH WEEK.

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WEDNESDAY JANUARY 17

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Meeting, Ennis MVMC Auxiliary meeting at 10 a.m. in the conference room at the medical center.

THURSDAY JANUARY 18

Presentation, Ennis Madison Valley History Association presentation from Zoe Todd on Madison Valley veterans. 4 p.m. at the Madison Valley Senior Center.

SATURDAY JANUARY 20

Chautauqua, Virginia City

Chautauqua presentation at the Elling House Arts and Humanities Center beginning at 6:30 p.m.

with a potluck and performances starting at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 24

Meeting, Ennis Semi-monthly Lions Club meeting at 7 p.m. at the firehouse.

THURSDAY JANUARY 25

Mad Gals, Gallatin Gateway

Monthly luncheon and social beginning at noon at the Buffalo Jump Sports Bar, RSVP by Jan. 22 406-220-6714.

Meeting, Ennis Madison Valley Hospital District annual meeting in the MVMC lower conference room at 7

CAP Meeting, Ennis Community discussion regarding issues that

p.m. Open to the public.

affect Madison County, Montana, and our country, such as education, public lands, healthcare. Medicare, and Social Security. 5:30 p.m. at the library.

WEDNESDAY. JANUARY 31

Chamber Fiesta, Ennis Chamber member appreciation/drive fiesta at 5:30 p.m. Bring a dessert and friend to the Gravel Bar, food provided and cash bar.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 1

BAH, Ennis

Business After Hours hosted by the Madison Conservation District at 5 p.m.

Meeting, Twin Bridges WFVA Auxiliary meeting at 11 a.m. at the Wagon Wheel.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11

Valentine's dinner, Sheridan

Valentines Dinner in the upstairs of the Ruby Hotel in Sheridan with homemade Italian food provided by Jackson's Garden from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Dine in or take out. Gluten free available only with a reservation. Beer and wine available. Reservations are appreciated, 842-7956.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14

Meeting, Ennis School board meeting at 5 p.m. at the high school.

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REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

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

Bridge, Ennis

Every Monday at 11:30 at the First Madison Valley Bank, New players welcome.

Madison County Mental Health Local Advisory Council, Virginia City

Meeting the first Monday of each month from 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAYS

Shape up, Ennis

Warkout for seniors focusing on stretching and toning at the athletic club at 9:15 a.m.

Commissioner's Meeting, Virginia City

Madison Co. Commissioners meet every Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. Annex Bullding.

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

Reach to Recovery, Ennis

Peer cancer supportgroup hosted by Lisa Brubaker, second Tuesday of the month in the Moonlight Basin building at 6 p.m. 670-4546.

WEDNESDAYS

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

Baby Bistro, Ennis

First and third Wednesday of the month at the Madison Valley Public Library and 11 a.m.

Angelwings ministry, Sheridan Every Wednesday from 2:45-4 p.m. at the Bloomin' Ruby Cafe,

Support group, Ennis

Ennis family and friends support group for those struggling with addiction. 5 p.m. 100 Prairie Way, 599-3659.

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MV Women's Club FIRST THURS OF EA. MONTH

September through May at noon at the Madison Valley Baptist Church.

MV Manor Auxiliary Meeting, Ennis SECOND THURS OF EA. MONTH

1 p.m., Madison Valley Manor SunRoom

FRIDAYS

Story Time, Ennis

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

Live Music, Ennis

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

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