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## Getting Spooky...

Where-to-go for frights as Halloween approaches

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MADISON COUNTY—Halloween quickly approaches, and horror buffs around Montana are preparing to get their fright on. We put our research minds to work finding the best places to look for spooks both genuine and manufactured.

Around 45 percent of Americans believe in ghosts, according to a Huffington Post poll. Are you one of them?

Before the snow sets in, it's time for a ghost-hunting adventure; we can't guarantee whether tricks or treats will be what you find, but you're guaranteed to encounter a scare or two.

### Virginia City/Nevada City

You can't talk about ghost hunting without mentioning Madison County's very own ghost towns! Virginia and Nevada City are built on the stories of the fortune-hunters who lived (and died) there, and rumor has it some of those residents never fully left.

The Nevada City Hotel is reported to be frequented by the apparition of a road agent who was hanged nearby, according to Haunted Places, an online database of purported hauntings across the country. Visitors have reported "hearing footsteps in the hallways and seeing a shadowy figure standing behind their reflection in mirrors."

Most frequently, the apparition seems to



The Sedman House, Nevada City (E.L. MALVANEY)

be an older cowboy figure who never speaks, but appears in hotel rooms and even sitting at the bar in Virginia City. Back when the hotel operated, guests also complained of a weeping woman, always in the same room, only to be told there was no guest in the room in question.

At one end of Nevada City sits the old Sedman House, one of the many historic buildings that populate the ghost town. Ellen Baumler, interpretive historian for the Montana Historical Society, wrote an account of

alleged hauntings that occurred there.

"Employees sometimes find the bedding rumbled in the Sedman House, and a tourist once commented that the little girl in Victorian dress was a nice touch," Baumler writes. "But there was no little girl." At the time, living history productions weren't even done at the Sedman house.

One more event Baumler recounts in her book Spirit Tailings: Ghost Tales of Virginia

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## A closer look at the Labor Day economic report

Report shows how Montana's economy is growing

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HELENA – Every Labor Day, the state's Department of Labor & Industry (DLI) produces a report on the performance of Montana's economy during the past year, a barometer of the state economy. The report, the Labor Day Report (LDR), is worth a closer look because it says quite a bit about where the state's economy is heading and what's driving it. With those goals in mind, here is a closer look:

"Montanans can look forward to future economic growth and prosperity," says DLI Commissioner Galen Hollenbaugh, in this year's report. "With a strong, diversified, and constantly changing economy, Montana entrepreneurs and workers remain nimble enough to turn obstacles into opportunities and face future challenges. Continued partnerships between businesses and workforce training organizations will ensure that Montana's economic future continues to be bright."

Hollenbaugh justifies these statements by noting that Montana's economy experienced growth over the last year, adding jobs and wealth for both businesses and workers: Real wages increased, DLI notes, with some 4,600 jobs created. Also Montana reported the fourth fastest wage growth among states during the last decade. In 2017-18, average wages increased by 3.2 percent to \$42,045, and all regions of the state experienced wage gains. Wages topped the rate of inflation by 1.3 percent, according to Hollenbaugh. This allowed Montana families to achieve a higher standard of living with their earnings.

### THE GOOD NEWS

#### Growing wages

Even when impacted by national inflation, Montana workers continue to find a better standard of living than in previous years due to real wage growth.

Tighter labor markets have resulted in fast wage growth for Montana families.

Average wages posted strong gains in the last year, increasing by 3.2 percent to more than \$42,045.

With inflation increasing by 2.1 percent, real wages have grown by 1.1 percent. Real wage growth suggests that Montana workers have been able to afford more goods and services with their wages, increasing their standard of living. Montana has posted strong real wage growth for most of the last decade, with the fourth fastest wage growth among states from 2007-2017.

The average wage has increased by \$9,800 since 2007.

#### Rising income levels

In addition to wage growth, Montanans have also benefited from growth in income from other sources:

People earn income in a variety of ways – wages from a payroll job, profits from business ownership, or rents and royalties from property ownership. Nonwage income also includes government transfers (like Social Security).

Montanans tend to earn a larger portion of their income from non-

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## Commissioners lift burn ban, prepare for national earthquake drills

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VIRGINIA CITY—At their weekly meeting on Tuesday, October 2, the Madison County commissioners voted to lift the countywide burn ban now that the 2018 fire season is winding down.

The Monument and Wigwam fires are now both out after burning for over a month, while the Bacon Rind Fire near and inside Yellowstone National Park continues to burn over 5,000 acres, leading to continued closure of some trails both in the park and in Custer-Gallatin National Forest.

But Madison County is now free of active burns, so emergency management staff Dustin Tetrault and Joe Brummel recommended lifting the burn ban the county put in place on August 7. However, the lifting of the burn ban does not mean that debris-burning permits are back in effect. That will take place later, likely by mid-October, said Tetrault, once the county sees a little more precipitation and evidence of cooler weather through the coming weeks.

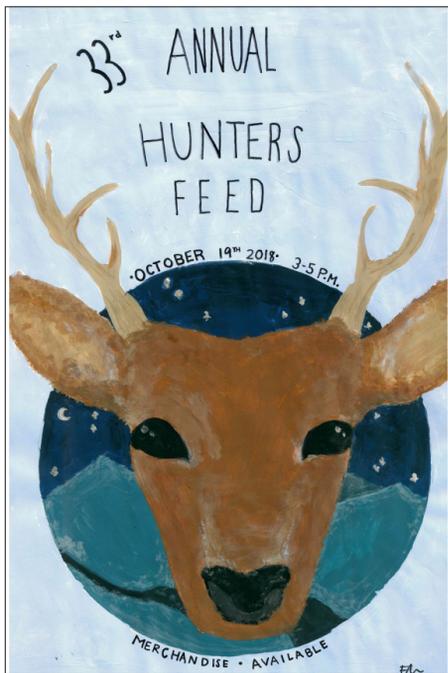
The emergency management department also put through its final billing for the Monument and Wigwam Fires. The two blazes ended up costing around \$40,000 in county money, including road crews and reimbursement for the emergency team's work and vehicles.

Another agenda item was the approval of an application for a Community Planning Assistance for Wildfire (CPAW) grant. Tetrault said that Madison County has applied for similar grants in years past but hasn't received them.

If this round of applications is successful, the CPAW team would act in a contractor position at no cost to the county and would put together a plan specific to the Big Sky emergency management team to plan for future wildfires in that area.

Tetrault said wildfire management is difficult in Big Sky because four entities come together, each with its own plan: Madison and Gallatin counties, as well as the Beaverhead-Deerlodge and Custer-Gallatin National Forests. CPAW assists counties with everything from land use and mapping to establishing subdivision regulations for wildfire preparedness.

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## Ennis takes a new route with Hunters' Feed art

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ENNIS - The Ennis Chamber of Commerce stepped outside its usual routine to advertise the upcoming Hunters' Feed, which annually draws hundreds of guests and countless types of chili to downtown Ennis.

Student artists from Ennis High School designed a series of five posters for the 2018 event, which will take place on Friday, October 19 from 3-5 p.m. in downtown Ennis.

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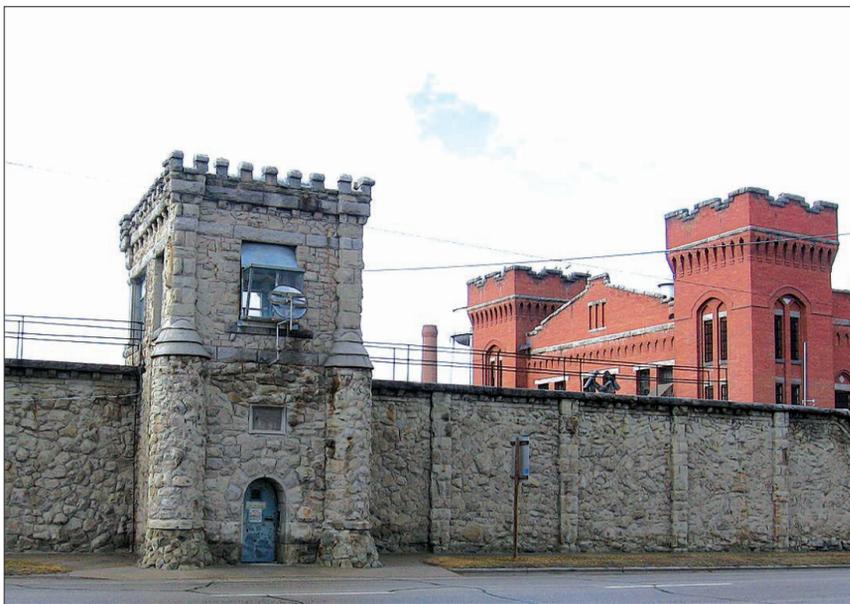
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City, Butte, and Helena involves a film crew who shot a scene of Henry Ibsen's Enemy of the People in the hotel's bar. On a frigid winter day, the hotel was barely much warmer inside, and all the crew was packed into the saloon.

"The guest rooms and corridors upstairs and down were all locked," writes Baumler, "when suddenly there were footsteps in the room above." Several crew members went up to the room directly above the bar and opened it.

"It, too, was dark, cold, and no one was inside," Baumler writes. "The floor kept creaking, slowly and deliberately, during the entire time the crew and actors were in the hotel."

Outside of its normal tourist season, Nevada City is closed. However, the Montana Heritage Commission offers ghost tours around Halloween time, which explore the area and some of its more permanent residents.



Entrance to the Old Montana State Prison.

**Big Sky**

Big Sky may soon be the Halloween destination of Montana, and there's something for the scaredy-cats and thrill-seekers alike, even if there may be more artificial hauntings than gold-rush spirits like in Virginia and Nevada cities.

This year's Halloween festivities include bands and outdoor mazes, performances and pumpkin-carving contests and even glow-in-the-dark dodgeball and a DJ. For those partial to more screams, there will be a horror movie festival and plenty of creepier offerings. And you don't have to be a vampire to participate in a blood drive and give back while you celebrate the Halloween holiday.

**Three Forks**

A little to the north you'll find Three Forks' iconic Sacajawea hotel. John Q. Adams (an agent for the Milwaukee railroad, not the U.S. president), built the hotel in 1910, and many guests think it's possible he never left. Adams has been sensed in hallways and guest rooms, and a ghostly maid has been seen, particularly on the third floor.

The maid is said to materialize and come through a third-floor wall, where Bozeman Magazine writes there used to be a linen closet. The maid walks out of the wall and returns, over and over again.

"There is the old owner and a small girl who likes to follow me on the third floor," wrote a vis-

itor to the online database who identified themselves as a housekeeper at the Sacajawea. They reported slamming doors, pens or notepads being thrown across the room and televisions turning on by themselves.

**Deer Lodge**

The first prisoner in the Montana State Penitentiary was incarcerated on July 2, 1871, and the state prison operated for over a hundred years until the late 1970s, when it shifted into its new, larger building, also in Deer Lodge. But the old prison remains right on Deer Lodge's main street and is one of the most eerie places in the state. And for good reason.

Visitors can take guided or self-guided tours of the prison

all year round and can even sign up for special "lockdown" events to be incarcerated overnight and experience what life was like in the old pen. But things get extra spooky around Halloween, when the prison holds its legendary haunted house. These may be less-ethereal apparitions, so keep your wits about you.

The haunted house is only held the weekend directly before Halloween, and if you want to make things extra terrifying, go late at night: this year's haunted house will run Friday-Sunday, October 26-28, from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday and 7 p.m. to midnight on Sunday. Admission is \$10, but depending on who else is haunting the old prison, you may get some extra bang for your buck.

FEED continued from A1: Chamber of Commerce puts new spin on posters

Many students competed to have their art chosen for the feed, but only five could be chosen. Artists had free rein as to how they wanted to draw attention to the event, and the top five each put a unique spin on the subject matter.

"I really wanted to create something fun, and different from everyone else," said sophomore Katelin Klamann, one of the contest finalists. "Most

people who hunt go out and have fun while doing so, and the same happens when people gather as a community at the Hunters' Feed. I wanted to switch the roles for people to be able to see it from the animal's point of view." Klamann's poster features a hunter tied up next to his tent in the woods, while a fortunate deer and moose clink a cold one in celebration.

Along with Klamann, round-

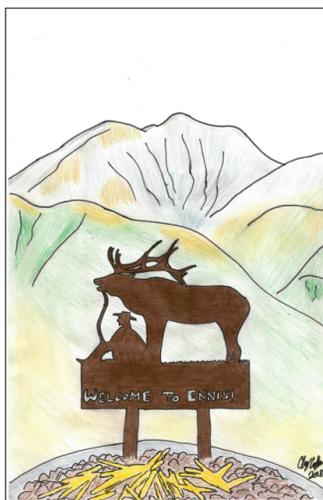
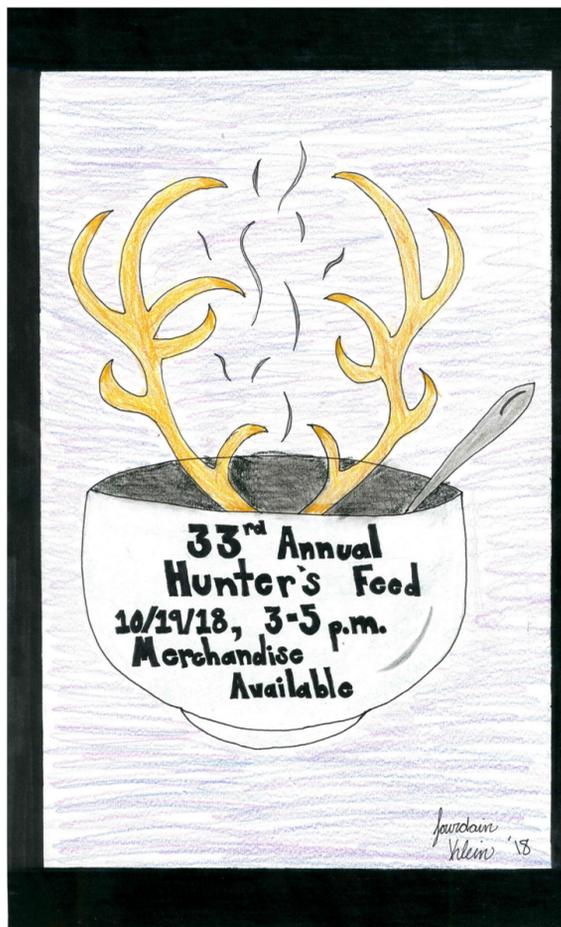
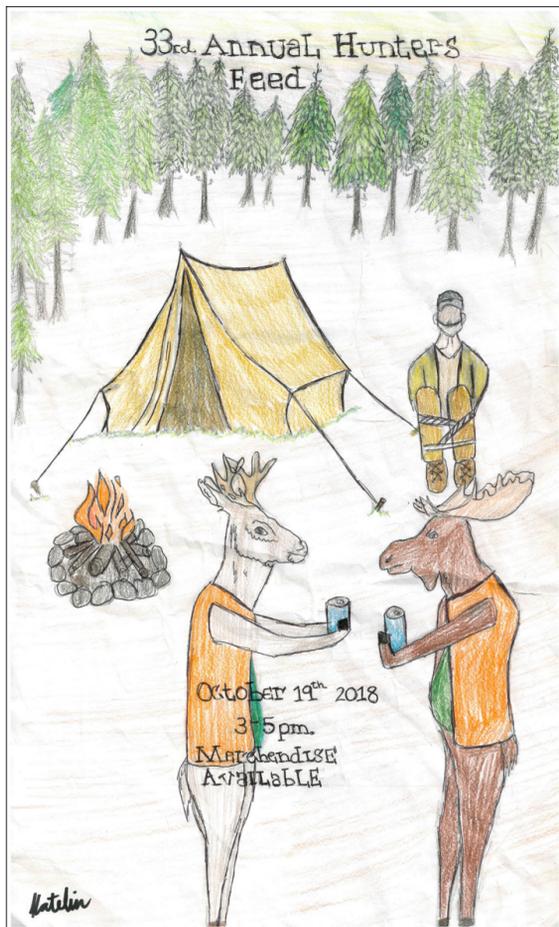
ing out the top five posters were creations by freshman Ellawynn Morrison, junior Keanen Schroeder and seniors Jourdain Klein and Clay Coffman.

Ennis art teacher Melissa Unger said the event was a great way to get students involved in an event that's already a source of community for people throughout the Madison Valley.

"I would like to say thank you to the Ennis Chamber of Com-

merce for offering such a wonderful opportunity to the young artists in our community," says Unger. "This is a fantastic way to allow them to share their talents and be a visual part of an Ennis tradition."

The top five posters are on display around Ennis, everywhere from Plain Jane's, to Madison Foods to the Chamber itself, and will remain on display until the Hunters' Feed.



Above and left - Other posters created by students at Ennis High School for the Hunter's Feed, October 19, from 3 - 5 p.m.

**- Correction -**  
There were two errors in the cover story on carnivores and livestock in the September 27 edition of The Madisonian:  
• At their lowest, the grizzly bear population in the lower 48 was closer to 600, not 1,400.  
• We reported that wolves remained listed under the Endangered Species Act in the state of Wyoming. Wolves were delisted in Wyoming in April of 2017.

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# Farm Credit says Northwest region ag markets looking up

SPOKANE, Wash. — Northwest Farm Credit Services (FCS), a leading agricultural lending cooperative, released its quarterly Market Snapshot report looking at the state of major agricultural commodities in the region. Northwest FCS industry teams working throughout Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington monitor conditions and report outlooks for commodities financed by the co-op. FCS' 12-month outlook for the agricultural commodities most common in the Northwest are summarized below.

• **Cattle** - Producers should see slightly profitable returns throughout the beef industry as domestic and export demand continues to soften the impacts of growing beef supplies. However, record cattle on feed inventory is expected to pressure feeder cattle prices and feeder margins lower.

• **Wheat** - Wheat producers should expect slightly profitable returns with above-average wheat production. Conversely, global supply is projected to decrease, favoring wheat prices. USDA's projections suggest the 2018-19 season-average farm price for all-wheat will be between \$4.70 and \$5.50 per bushel. Trade uncertainties and the elevated dollar continue to constrain U.S. export

competitiveness in the market.

• **Hay** - Alfalfa and timothy producers will likely be profitable. Fundamental supply conditions favor alfalfa hay prices and producer profitability across the West. However, uncertainty regarding trade looms. Resolution of trade disputes would benefit the hay industry as increasing milk price could support hay prices.

• **Nursery/Greenhouse** - The nursery/greenhouse industry should be profitable. Strong economic factors continue to boost consumer confidence and their willingness to pay more for plants. Sales and prices have increased. However, the industry continues to struggle with labor and is looking behind every bush for solutions.

• **Fisheries** - Fisheries should anticipate profitable margins this year. Prices for pollock, cod, halibut and sablefish remain favorable. The Bristol Bay sockeye salmon catch was the second largest in history and total ex-vessel values for all salmon species hit a record high. Chinese tariffs are causing headaches even though the effects on profits are limited for Alaskan fisheries so far.

• **Forest Products** - Timberland owners should expect very profitable returns and sawmill operators

should look for profitable margins. Log and lumber prices have hit record highs this year. Recently, lumber prices softened due to lackluster housing starts in June and July and log prices cooled off after inventory build ups.

• **Dairy** - Dairy profitability appears to be slightly unprofitable despite slight improvements in milk prices over the period. Normalization of trade with China and the USMCA agreement with Canada and Mexico could provide stability in the markets.

• **Onions** - Onion producers may see break-even returns. Favorable weather conditions allowed harvest to begin at least one week earlier than normal in many areas. Prices remain subdued for yellow onions due to lower-quality onions from California in the supply chain. Red and white onions remain profitable.

• **Potatoes** - Northwest FCS' 12-month outlook suggests grower returns will remain slightly profitable for uncontracted potatoes and profitable for contracted potatoes. Fresh market (uncontracted) potatoes may slip toward break even during harvest. However, uncontracted prices will likely improve for the remainder of the marketing season depending on crop quality and packout.

• **Sugar Beets** - Sugar beet growers should see profitable returns in 2018. Northwest sugar beet producers should benefit from lower ending stocks and sound sugar content.

• **Apples** - Apple growers should look ahead to slightly profitable returns. Growers indicate the crop will be below the Aug. 1 estimate of 131 million boxes as many varieties are picking lighter than anticipated. Good quality and shorter supplies should result in high packouts and good returns to growers. Tariffs are a headwind. Even as tensions have cooled with the proposed trade agreement with Mexico and Canada, tariffs remain on the table for Washington's third-largest export market, India.

• **Cherries** - Northwest cherry growers should anticipate break-even to slightly profitable margins, depending on harvest timing. After last year's record crop, the smaller supplies were welcomed by growers. Good quality and strong consumer demand resulted in optimism for strong returns. However, tariffs complicated export markets and sales desks delayed finalizing pricing. As returns to growers are being finalized, many are below expectations.



FFA competitors from Belgrade and Cascade evaluate cattle during the Ruby Valley Invitational in Sheridan on Tuesday, September 25. Students had to rank the animals from 1-4 and also give the reasons behind their rankings.

## COMMISSIONERS continued from A1:

County safety coordinator Bob Bates made his monthly report to the commissioners, which included a preview of a statewide event to take place on at 10:18 a.m. on October 18: the Great Montana ShakeOut.

The event is one of hundreds that occur across the country, all at the same time on the same day. Nearly 50 million people nationwide participate in ShakeOut procedures, which include earthquake drills like "drop, cover and hold" and evacuation drills.

In county buildings, the ShakeOut message will be broadcast over the PA system, said Bates. In the past, offices open to the public have even been asked to practice escorting visitors out of the building and to rally points around the area. Commissioner Dan Allhands noted the importance of the exercise, especially since many newer employees don't know where those rally points are.

Across the state, over 100,000 people will participate in the Great Montana ShakeOut on October 18 in schools, offices, hotels, community centers and other locations.

## REPORT continued from A1: Labor Day Report reveals Montana's growing economy, Southwest region among fastest growing areas

wage sources than most Americans, with 23.4 percent of personal income coming from dividends, interest, and rents compared to less than 20 percent nationally. Montana ranks third in the nation for the highest share of personal income coming from dividends, interest, and rents.

### Entrepreneurship

During the last year, more than 2,940 new businesses were created by Montana entrepreneurs. These new businesses have great importance to the state economy because nearly 15,000 Montanans work in businesses less than 2 years old and roughly 45,000 Montana workers are employed by businesses that have been created in the last five years.

Montana entrepreneurs are among the most successful in the nation at starting and developing new businesses: Nationwide, new businesses have about an 80 percent chance of staying in business for at least one year, a 70 percent chance of staying in business for two years, or a 63 percent chance of staying in business for three years.

While the one-year survival rate for new businesses in Montana is similar to the U.S. rate (79.8 percent compared with 78.6 percent), Montana entrepreneurs are more successful in the five-year and ten-year timeframes. The likelihood of keeping a business running for five years is 56.2 percent in Montana, compared with 48.6 percent in the U.S. The ten-year survival rate is 39.6 percent compared with the U.S. rate of 33.5 percent.

A large share of personal income from proprietor's income, dividends and rents is another indication of Montana's high level of entrepreneurialism: 9.8 percent of personal income comes from proprietor income, ranking Montana the 11th highest among states. Also, Montana has the highest rate of business ownership among households, with 21 percent of state households re-

porting income from a business or a farm.

### GDP growth

Montana's real Gross Domestic Product growth during the 2007 - 2017 timeframe outpaced the nation, adding 1.3 percent per year (roughly \$513 million) compared to 1.2 percent in the U.S. Montana's total GDP in 2017 was \$48 billion in nominal terms; real GDP was \$41.8 billion in 2009 dollars.

Much of the growth during the last 10 years has been in healthcare and real estate. During the last five years, manufacturing also experienced strong growth: Montana was the fastest growing state for manufacturing GDP in 2016. This slipped in 2017, declining 5 percent, but still added more than \$100 million in GDP during the last five years. Montana's manufacturing sector had the third fastest growth among states during the last five years.

### Southwest region growth

Much of Montana's recent economic growth is happening in the more populated areas of the state, the LDR says, especially in the industries of healthcare, construction, professional services and finance and real estate. These industries had strong gains from 2016 - 2017, resulting in strong job growth in western Montana, where these industries are concentrated.

The Southwest region in particular posted payroll job gains of 2,100 for 1.6 percent growth; the Northwest region added 2,250 payroll jobs in 2017 for 1.7 percent growth. By contrast, the Eastern region posted strong growth exiting the recession, but has since lost nearly 600 jobs over the last year, down 1.9 percent. The central region had little change in payroll employment.

The Southwest has been the fastest-growing region since 2007. Currently, the Southwest is 14 percent higher than its 2007 employment level or 20 percent higher than their

recessionary low.

The manufacturing sector in the Southwest has grown steadily, adding 230 jobs in the last year and 1,130 over the last ten years. Construction added 2,500 jobs for annual average growth over 6 percent. Healthcare added 440 jobs in 2017. Yet the largest payroll job gain in the Southwest was tourism, with the leisure activities adding 3,400 jobs in the last five years.

### Diversity

Diversity in industries remains one of Montana's greatest assets, the LDR says, allowing the state to withstand changes in the economy. While the mining and agricultural industries have lagged, other industries are doing well. For example, the healthcare industry grew by \$251 million in personal income in the last year, contributing over \$4.4 billion total to the economy and more than offsetting the losses in mining, utilities, and agriculture. All other industries also posted gains, with construction growing more than \$102 million in personal income from 2016-2017. Financial activities also experienced growth in the last year that exceeded 4 percent.

### Labor

Montana has been facing a tight labor market for some time, with unemployment rates at 4.3 percent or lower since the beginning of 2015. Strong wage growth and slower employment growth suggest that Montana's labor markets are tightening, that workers are in high demand. Increased labor force participation among older workers and among those under 35 has prevented further tightening of the labor market for the last two years.

However, with steady growth in employment and Baby Boom generation retirements continuing - some 100,000 workers are expected to retire in the next 10 years, almost a fifth of the state's current labor force - Montana's labor market is expected to tighten in 2018 and beyond.

Labor growth in the next five years will be sustained by people aged 25 - 44. The labor force in the next five years is also expected to expand by roughly 3,200 workers per year, while employment is projected to grow by 4,200 jobs per year, pushing unemployment rates even lower.

After 2022, the labor force should expand more quickly - the Baby Boomers will be mostly retired. From 2022 - 2027, the labor force is projected to grow by about 4,000 workers annually. Because this labor force growth is higher than the expected job growth of 3,500 per year, labor constraints should ease.

### NOT SO HOT NEWS

#### Low wages

Despite the growth in wages, Montana wages remain lower than in many other states. At \$40,045, Montana's wage ranks 48th in the nation. "Montana is catching up to the national average," LDR claims.

Part of the low wage rank is because Montana has a high share of part-time jobs, 32.9 hours per week per job, among the lowest in the nation.

### Montana Establishments, Employment, and Average Wages by Size of Business

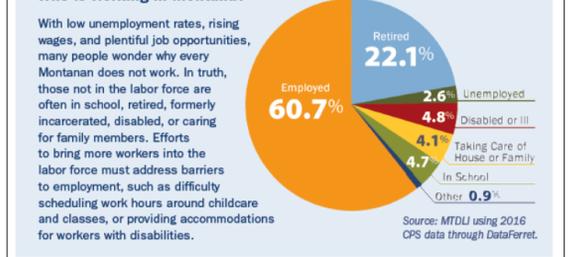


This low number of hours worked is not because Montana has fewer full-time jobs - 48 percent of working age adults in Montana work full-time jobs - LDR says, it's because Montana has more people working part-time jobs instead of not working. Nationally, 25 percent of the working age population did not work, compared to only 20 percent in Montana. This high share of part-time jobs pulls down Montana's average annual wage per job. When comparing hourly wages, Montana's rank improves to 37th in the nation, averaging \$23.10 per hour for private payroll jobs.

### Figure 5: Unemployment Rates since 1980



### Who is Working in Montana?



### Figure 1: Personal Income Growth by Quarter



## Montana economic highlights

- From 2015 to 2016, Montana's mean household income increased by 4.8 percent, ranking 12th fastest growth in the nation. During the last ten years, Montana's per capita income has grown rapidly - the 10th fastest increase among states.
- Montana's personal income growth over the past ten years was the 11th fastest among states.
- Montana has the highest household rate of business ownership in the nation. 21 percent of Montana households report income from a business or a farm.
- In the last year, over 2,940 new establishments were formed by Montana entrepreneurs.
- Roughly 45,000 Montana workers are employed by businesses that have been created in the last five years.
- Strong wage growth with slower employment growth suggests that Montana's labor markets are tightening. Greater workforce training efforts are underway to ensure workers are being trained for in-demand jobs and are developing skills needed by employers. The Montana Department of Labor & Industry has helped expand the worker supply and increase the quality of the Montana workforce by providing career and training services to over 50,000 Montanans in the last year through programs like Registered Apprenticeship and HELP-Link.
- Overall, Montana added 4,600 jobs in 2017 for an employment growth rate of 1 percent. Current job growth is slower than average, which is expected during periods of tight labor markets.
- Real GDP growth over the 2007 to 2017 timeframe outpaced the nation, adding an average of roughly 1.3 percent (or \$513 million) per year to real GDP. Montana's total nominal GDP in 2017 was \$48 billion.
- Montana's manufacturing sector had the third fastest GDP growth among states over the last five years.

2016, the 8th highest in the nation.

Homebuyers are also facing rapid increases in housing, both from inflation and rising interest rates. As inflation builds, the Federal Reserve must increase interest rates to keep it under control. This drives up the loan interest rates. First-time buyers especially have more trouble affording a home: Montana median home value in 2016 was \$217,200, the 19th highest among states, but still a level allowing many to afford a home. But some regions have much higher prices. The median value of an owner-occupied home in Flathead County is \$247,800, while Gallatin County's median home value is \$347,900. If Gallatin County's median home value was compared to other states, it would be the 5th highest in the nation, between Massachusetts and New Jersey.

Rising home prices may benefit homeowners, but high costs for first-time homebuyers make it difficult for some communities to recruit and retain younger and low-wage workers.

### Labor

Workers are in short supply. Businesses are addressing this shortage through public-private partnerships to recruit young people into work-based learning programs. DLI helps with Registered Apprenticeship, HELP-Link, and other workforce programs. Montana employers and policy makers are also pursuing several methods to increase the availability and quality of labor.

One solution is increasing immigration. Montana already has about 6,300 people becoming residents annually, a figure higher than most neighboring states thanks to high employment rates, high quality of life, and access to natural amenities. This is the 15th fastest population growth in the last five years among states. However, this is not enough to meet all worker needs.

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# OPINION

Editor:

Sen. Tester opposes Kavanaugh, Sen. Daines should do the same.

Last Friday, a group of Montanans of disparate ages and religious affiliations and I went to the Billings office of Senator Steve Daines and made a statement urging him to vote not to confirm Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh.

We and many other Montanans are deeply disturbed by the allegations of sexual assault that have been made against Kavanaugh.

At the Senator's office, we shared our stories of survival, and how our lives and the lives of people we cared about had been affected by sexual assault.

I would like to thank Senator Jon Tester for his opposition to Kavanaugh's nomination, and for standing up for survivors and the men, women, children and Montana families affected by sexual assault.

Regardless of partisan politics, Kavanaugh has amply demonstrated that he lacks both the moral character and the impartiality required to serve on the Supreme Court.

We applaud Senator Tester's decision to oppose his nomination, and urge Senator Daines to do the same.

Adriane Hanson

Editor:

It's that time of the year again, election time.

Time to vote in new representatives if the old ones are not doing the job they promised to do, but also time to make sure that those doing a good job get voted back into office again.

This brings us to County Commissioner Ron Nye. He ran on taking care of the roads in his district and we believe he has kept that promise.

As far as we can tell he is doing a great job on everything else as well. He is always available and responsive when we have called him too.

In our opinion, if it's not broken, don't fix it.

Please vote to keep Ron in office another term.

Scott & Dawn Hagedorn

Editor:

At a recent candidate forum in Twin Bridges, local candidates were asked how they would raise revenues and how they would cut expenses. One candidate stood up and said, "People. Cut people!"

That response did NOT come from Jay Frederick.

Jay Frederick cares about people. In his run up to the election for state House Of Representatives he and his volunteers have knocked on over 1,200 doors in District 71 to listen to the people.

Frederick reported that health care is our primary concern, with concern over wages running close behind.

Frederick says that 396 families in Madison County depend on Medicaid. Voting yes on I-185 will keep them covered. Otherwise the rug will be pulled out from under them. This initiative will be paid for by tobacco sales tax. We all know that smokers are unhealthy and they are one of the causes for our high health insurance premiums. We are bombarded these days by so many TV advertisements against I-185. The Montana Standard reported that tobacco companies have invested more than \$3 million in our state to defeat I-185. Tobacco companies don't want to see taxes rise on their unhealthy product.

Concerning wages, Frederick pointed out that people on the current minimum wage have to work 71 hours a week just to pay for housing in Madison County. He says while tourism accounts for \$7 billion dollars a year in the state of Montana, mining accounts for only \$2.7 billion in comparison. We don't want to discount miners' security, but mining companies can pay our miners a fair wage and still keep the water clean in order to continue bringing tourists to our state.

Jay Frederick brings the facts to the table along with thoughtful solutions to Montana's issues. I recommend voting for this man, Jay Frederick, to be state representative for District 71.

Mary Christopher

Editor,

Fire season 2018 was fairly busy for the Madison Ranger District with nine fires totaling 10,700 acres. We understand the impact this much fire (and smoke) has on the residents, visitors and businesses of this county and wanted to express our thanks and gratitude for the amazing response and support this district received (and it is not our intention to leave anybody out....as August and most of September was basically a blur, if we did our sincerest apologies and please call or stop by the office and we will remedy that!)

Any operation will fail quite quickly if people can't get fed. Thanks to Shovel and Spoon in Sheridan and Madison Foods in Ennis we did not have this problem! They provided all three meals per day for at least a two week timeframe starting with the Virginia Creek fire. One evening early in the Wigwam fire the caterer was going to be a day late and the Long Branch with a dozen or more volunteers served up a prime rib dinner that is still the talk of some on the fire crew.

Feeding people and much more is involved with supporting fires. Ennis Lumber and True Value were outstanding to work with obtaining materials for a wide variety of projects, everything from plywood and 2x4's for information boards to supplies to build a fire camp. Ennis Pharmacy provided boxes of personal care items like foot powder and blister treatments. Ennis RV Park adjusted their schedule and made their shower facilities available for the fire crews. Klassen Septic provided porta-johns and kept them serviced for at least a month. Bennie Clark is the custodian for the district office and increased her visits from twice a week to five times a week. Remax and many others donated so many power bars, cookies, crackers and chips there were stacks of boxes in the halls. As the fires were winding down the food remaining was able to be donated to the local food bank and senior centers in Ennis, Sheridan and Twin Bridges.

The Wigwam fire required evacuations for residents in the Haypress Lakes area and thanks to Joe Brummell with Madison County DES the Red Cross was activated. They were able to set up

an evacuation center at the Ennis Grade school in no time at all. As August was coming to a close and school was getting ready to start back up, the Ennis Assembly of God stepped up and opened their doors if anybody needed (they also served up a great meal to support folks at the district office and provided tables and chairs for various needs).

Every fire needs a home. The Ennis Rodeo Association and Chief Croy opened up the Rodeo grounds (Town of Ennis graciously offered adjoining property) to host the Incident Management Team for the Wigwam and Monument fires. These grounds also served as a refuge for any of the evacuees who had pets and/or stock. Heart of the Valley out of Bozeman assisted in this effort with pet food, kennels etc as well. The Ennis-Big Sky Airport welcomed and hosted four helicopters at the height of the Wigwam fire, providing a place for pilots to get adequate rest and hangars to get helicopters out of at least one hail storm! All the hotels in town adjusted bookings and were very accommodating with fire personnel that never know when they will be checking in or out of rooms.

Many of our fires impacted various ranchers/permittees. It seemed like every day for at least a week there was constant communication regarding the location of the fire and the resulting impact to their cattle. In spite of being tired with high stress levels, and the information they were receiving meant moving their cattle miles, every conversation was professional and courteous with ranch owners, managers and riders. Thank you for that!

Operationally the response to the Wigwam fire was fantastic. Madison Valley Rural FD had been assisting us with Virginia Creek and they rolled right over when Wigwam started. Dustin Tetrault, Madison County DES Coordinator, picked up the phone and started making phone calls, and the large amount of work Dustin has put in the last three years showed. We had engines from Montana DNRC, Harrison, Twin Bridges, Sheridan, and Virginia City at 0500 the next day. By the middle of that day there were also engines from departments in neighboring coun-

ties including Dillon, Gallatin Gateway, Boulder, Central Valley, Big Sky, Gallatin Ranch, West Yellowstone, Red Lodge and Park County. Madison County Sheriff's provided numerous deputies as well as enforce closures. Lynda Holt and all her dispatchers at Madison County Dispatch did an amazing job of fielding countless 911 calls on active fire days. Ennis Ambulance assisted with a couple minor illness incidents on the Wigwam fire. Roy Hill and the Madison County Roads crew had equipment mobilized in short order and were ready to assist anywhere needed. Numerous property owners volunteered water sources for both engines and helicopters for multiple fires this summer. Simply amazing and thank you.

MVRFD Chief Shawn Christensen was outstanding. He was available any time, day or night, and his department staffed numerous pieces of equipment for weeks. This is not something that is easy to do with a volunteer department. Stations 1 and 3 were used for numerous in-briefings, staging areas, cafeterias and public meetings. Throughout this fire season Chief Christensen and all the folks on MVRFD were so helpful and pleasant to work with in spite of such a large impact on their department. Thank you so much.

Last, but certainly not least, THANK YOU to the people of Madison County collectively. This county is not accustomed to seeing large fire columns one at a time, let alone two or three like we had a couple days this summer. We held three public meetings and all of them were well attended with people looking for information and wanting to know how they could help. All of the interactions between the public and the Information Officers was the same. Fires can be trying, and we do not underestimate nor dismiss the impacts they have-but making it through a busy season having formed new relationships and strengthened existing ones speaks volumes about the people in this county and this special place we all call home.

The Madison Ranger District, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest

# OBITUARIES

**Donald Lee Bodda**

October 4, 2018

Captain Donald Lee Bodda died peacefully in Dillon, Montana on October 4, 2018 at the age of 74 with family by his side.

Captain Donald Bodda is survived by his wife, Gayle Bodda; children, Carol Bodda and Neif Bodda; Grandchildren Bobby Canfield, Donny Canfield, Bowan Bodda, Joshua Bodda, Caitlyn Bodda and Talen Bodda and 7 great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his mother and father, Cliff and Melissa Bodda and his son, Frederik Bodda.

Donald was born on October 23, 1943 in Toledo, WA to Cliff and Melissa Bodda. As a young child he moved to Alaska and Donald remembers his father giving him a shot gun, a small boat and 2 cans of Dennison soup and told him if you are going to make it, you are going to be tough. This is when Donald's love for the outdoors began. He was an avid hunter, trapper and fisherman, always with ties to Alaska. Donald and his family left Alaska in 1974 to live on a small farm in Chehalis, Washington until they sold the farm in 1999 to move to Sheridan, Montana.

Donald served in the US Navy, which eventually let him to his career as a Captain in the Merchant Marines, where he had extensive



held in the spring in Dillon, Montana.

There is a guestbook available online at [www.brundagefuneral-home.com](http://www.brundagefuneral-home.com)

**Wesley Glenn Elser**

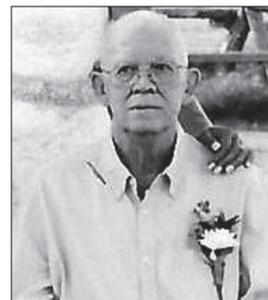
October 3, 2018

Wesley Glenn Elser passed away at his residence in Brandon, Montana on October 3, 2018. He was born to Lydia and Glenn Elser on November 11, 1929, in Brandon, Montana where he attended elementary school. He graduated from Sheridan High School in 1948. On June 4, 1950, he married his wife of 68 years Peggy Kendall. During their life together, they had four children, Vickie, Dalee, Neal and Marvin.

For 48 years, he enjoyed his profession of carpentry and construction which he learned from his father. He was able to pass his knowledge of construction and carpentry onto his son Neal as they worked side by side for 18 years.

During his lifetime, he enjoyed hunting, camping, fishing, and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife, by three of his children Vickie Schwartz, Dalee Elser, and Marvin Elser, his daughter-in-law Alison



Elser, his grandchildren Charise Harrington (Kyle), Bradley Elser (Jennifer), Chad Elser, Brent Elser (Tyler Smith), Krystal Gunn (Ben), Amanda Schwartz, Kelly Jo Elser, Zach Elser; his great-grandchildren Chase, Riley, Carson and Nayelle and his sister-in-law Virginia Nelson.

He was preceded in death by his son Neal, his parents and his five sisters.

Services will be October 11, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. from the Christ Episcopal Church in Sheridan.

The family thanks Dr. Hendrickson, Carol Braach, and Frontier Hospice in Butte.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Christ Church window restoration or the Sheridan Public Library.

Private burial service will be held at a later date.



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# Domestic Violence Awareness Month

DILLON – October marks Domestic Violence Awareness month and there are several things happening here in Dillon to remember those whose lives have been impacted by intimate partner violence.

Throughout the month the Community Support Center (CSC) will encourage businesses and other folks to take part in the “Light the Window” campaign by displaying a purple light as a symbol of support toward ending domestic violence and creating safer communities for families throughout our great state.

CSC will also be hosting the Silent Witness Silhouettes, displayed around town from Oct. 9th – 16th. These wooden silhouettes each feature a plaque with a story of a life lost to domestic violence.

And finally, on Thursday Oct. 11th, CSC will host a Candlelight Vigil at 6:30 p.m. in Depot Park.

If you or someone close to you has been impacted by domestic violence, please consider taking part in any of these events and let’s stand together in solidarity against violence in families.



## Cattlemen don't like new NAFTA

WASHINGTON – Late Sunday night, Sept. 30, President Donald J. Trump announced that the United States, Canada and Mexico had agreed on an updated North American Free Trade Agreement, re-branding the deal as the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement, or USMCA.

Despite ongoing efforts by the United States Cattlemen's Association (USCA), the new trade agreement does not include a viable pathway forward for country-of-origin labeling on U.S. beef products.

“During two separate meetings with U.S. Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross earlier this year on behalf of USCA, I stressed the importance of including a WTO-compliant labeling program for U.S. beef products,” said USCA President Kenny Graner. “In August, USCA sent a letter to President Trump outlining exactly how a modernized NAFTA could reinstate COOL and prevent U.S. agriculture jobs from being outsourced to other countries that can produce beef at a lower cost due to less stringent environmental and workplace regulations.

“In June, nearly 30 producers met with the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative to explain why U.S. cattle producers desire the ability to differentiate their domestic product

from imported product in the marketplace.

“In 2017, I testified at the International Trade Commission in favor of closing the loophole that allows processors to bring product into the U.S. from Canada or Mexico, have that product undergo a “significant transformation”, and then claim the “Made in the U.S.A” label.

“In June of that same year, producers from nearly every corner of the country met with the White House’s Special Assistant to the President for International Trade, Investment, and Development. USCA made clear its desire to see country-of-origin labeling incorporated into any revisions of NAFTA and restated its willingness to work with the Administration to make that happen.

“In short, we are disappointed that the Administration turned its backs on U.S. cattle producers and ignored the opportunity to reestablish a viable country-of-origin labeling program for U.S. beef products. Our founding members fought for the original implementation of mandatory country-of-origin labeling (COOL) for U.S. beef products in 2002 and we will continue to seek out avenues for its return.”



The Rotary Club of Twin Bridges sponsored a candidate forum at the Twin Bridges Senior and Community Center last week. Answering questions from the sponsors and the community were candidates for House District 71 Representative Jay Frederick, Ray Shaw, and Michael White. Candidates for County Commissioner Ron Nye and Randy Lowder also spoke. (ANN & JOHN WHITE PHOTOS)

# Take action to prevent the flu

## Flu cases identified in four Montana counties

HELENA - The Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) and local public health officials are encouraging all Montanans six months of age and older to take action and get vaccinated now against influenza (flu) in order to decrease their risk of becoming ill.

In Montana, the flu season usually peaks in February and lasts through May; however, influenza outbreaks can be unpredictable. It is best to get vaccinated before the influenza virus starts circulating in your community. Officials say the vaccine is now readily available and being vaccinated before the end of October is recommended.

While early, Montana has already identified cases of influenza in several counties, including: Big Horn, Gallatin, Lewis and Clark, and Missoula.

The influenza vaccine is the best form of protection against the flu and provides protection throughout the entire season, even when vaccinated in the early fall. The composition of the flu vaccine is reviewed and updated

yearly to better match circulating viruses. It is important to remember that the influenza vaccine takes about two weeks to provide protection against the flu.

“Everyone is at risk for complications of the flu,” said DPHHS Director Sheila Hogan. “Getting vaccinated now will help not only you, but those around you.”

Influenza vaccination can reduce flu illnesses, doctor visits, missed work or school, as well as prevent flu-related hospitalizations and deaths. Last flu season, DPHHS recorded over 10,000 cases, 979 hospitalizations, and 79 deaths related to influenza. Of those hospitalized, half had not received an influenza vaccine.

In addition to getting the flu vaccine, everyday preventive actions like staying away from sick people, stay home from work or school if you are sick, covering your cough, and washing your hands with soap and water can reduce the spread of germs. Influenza vaccine is available at doctor offices, county or tribal health departments, and many pharmacies.

“Talk to your healthcare professional if you have questions about vaccines and what flu vaccine is right for you,” Hogan said.

More information can be found at the DPHHS website: [www.flu.mt.gov](http://www.flu.mt.gov)

## USDA offers loans for underserved and beginning farmers and ranchers

BOZEMAN – U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Montana Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director Mike Foster reminds producers that FSA offers specially targeted farm ownership and farm operating loans to underserved applicants as well as beginning farmers and ranchers.

“Each year, a portion of FSA’s loan funds are set aside to lend to targeted underserved and beginning farmers and ranchers,” Foster said.

In fiscal year 2018 to date, Montana obligated more than \$39.4 million in loans.

For farm loan program purposes,

underserved groups are women, African Americans, American Indians and Alaskan Natives, Hispanics and Asians and Pacific Islanders.

In order to qualify as a beginning farmer, the individual or entity must meet the eligibility requirements outlined for direct or guaran-

teed loans.

For more information on FSA’s farm loan programs and underserved and beginning farmer guidelines, please contact your local FSA office. To find your local FSA office, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.



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[Editorial, Billings Gazette, 8/16/18]



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[MTN News, 8/16/18]

# Ask the Expert

Local businesses have the information you need to make a variety of decisions. Best of all, they are here and available to meet your needs. In our "Ask the Experts" section, we went to these local experts for information on topics important to you.

Ask the Expert forum appears the second Thursday of each month. If you have questions for these area professionals e-mail us at [info@madisoniannews.com](mailto:info@madisoniannews.com).

## HEALTH CARE

**Q:** Does my family really need to get flu shots?

**A:** In short, YES! The 2017-18 flu season killed 80,000 people, including 180 children. The Ruby Valley Medical Center recommends that EVERYONE over 6 months get vaccinated by the end of October. Melissa Brummell with Madison County Public Health is organizing the county's vaccination program. She says that the quadrivalent vaccine, which contains four strains of the virus, is being provided to everyone between ages 6 months to 64 years. A more potent dose of the trivalent vaccine (three strains) is given to seniors over age 65. Even if you think you can muscle through a case of the flu, you risk infecting everyone you contact, particularly infants and the elderly. For the needle-phobic between 2 years and 49 years old, the live virus nasal spray is an option. Call Melissa and her staff at 843-4295 to learn where to get vaccinated. We also have information at [www.RVMC.org](http://www.RVMC.org).



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## BIRDING

**Q:** How do birds use their senses?

**A:** Discover the fascinating ways birds survive through sight, sound, taste, touch and smell.

**Sight:** The term "eagle-eyed" for sharp vision is no accident. Nearly all birds see at least two or three times as much detail as humans, making them able to spot food-or approaching predators-that much farther away. Most birds have excellent color vision too. Another advantage birds have is seeing ultraviolet light. Night birds, like owls, see very well in dim light, but their perception of colors may not be as good.

**Hearing:** They're not visible, but birds do have ears on the sides of their heads. The openings are located below and behind the eyes, hidden by feathers.

**Touch:** Birds use their sense of touch in a variety of ways, including feeding and flying. They have highly sensitive touch receptors in areas such as their feet, bills and tongues.

**Smell:** Birds have far fewer taste buds than humans do, so their sense of taste may not be as well developed. People used to believe that birds had very little sense of smell, but advanced research is changing that idea. For example, turkey vultures find carrion by smell.

In addition to their five senses, birds have one other amazing ability-they sense the Earth's magnetic field. This ability to judge north and south is clearly helpful as they navigate the sky, especially during migration. (article extracted from Birds and Blooms, OCT/NOV 2018).



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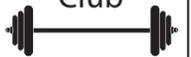
## FITNESS

**Q:** How Can I Build Muscle?

**A:** Here are some foundation principles when trying to build muscle.

1. Eat 5 meals per day which include: 3 grams of protein per 2.2 lbs (body weight), 5 grams carbs per 2.2 lbs (body weight), 1 g fat per 2.2 lbs (body weight).
2. Resistance train with weights (not light) at least 4x per week. Start with large muscle groups.
3. Use pre or post workout nutrition (protein powder or protein shakes).
4. Multi vitamins, D3 and fish oil help build and maintain muscle. These principles are basics to build muscle, not maintain nor build lean muscle.

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## PHYSICAL THERAPY

**Q:** Why does my neck hurt sitting at the computer?

**A:** Neck pain with sitting usually is poor posture. Poor posture is head forward, shoulders rolled forward, tips of shoulder blades pointing forward with a rounded upper back. Sitting in this position causes muscle tightness throughout the neck, shoulders and upper back. Eventually, this position causes aching, headaches, or numbness into arms and hands. Correcting posture can help neck discomfort. For example: lying on your back squeezing your shoulders back, tucking your chin and taking a deep breath relaxes and aligns your neck and shoulders. Alignment/posture, muscular tightness and strength can affect neck pain.

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## EYE CARE

**Q:** Pink eye is going around school. Should I be concerned?

**A:** Pink eye (conjunctivitis) is a common eye problem that is easily treated and can often be avoided. Usually a viral infection, but can also be caused by other factors such as bacteria, allergies, exposure to chemicals, wind, and sun. Characterized by redness and swelling, itching, tearing, and discharge. It is highly contagious and spreads very easily. Anyone can get pink eye, but schoolchildren, college students, teachers and daycare workers are particularly at risk because they work closely with others. It is passed on by contact only and is not airborne. Poor hand-washing is the main cause of the virus spreading. Sharing objects such as washcloths or bath towels can also spread pink-eye. Always cover your mouth when sneezing/coughing. You may also consider a flu vaccine to prevent illness and, thus, self-infection of the eyes, as self-infection can happen during a cold or even a few days after recovery. Be sure to check with your eye care specialist to ensure proper diagnosis and treatment.



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## INSURANCE

**Q:** What are some ways to protect myself as an employer?

**A:** If you read the last issue of this paper you may have read about a lawsuit being filed against an employer by some of its former employees. This happens more commonly than one may think. But what can you as a business owner do? Ever heard of an EPLI policy? To help pay for the defense cost associated with some of these possible claims business owners should be purchasing Employment Practices Liability Insurance (EPLI). A type of liability insurance covering wrongful acts arising from the employment process. The most frequent types of claims covered under such policies include: wrongful termination, discrimination, sexual harassment, and retaliation. Do you have this coverage in place? If you have employees you should.



**Amanda Smethurst, Agent**

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## MENTAL HEALTH

**Q:** What is Social Anxiety?

**A:** Social Anxiety feels like the stress of situations, such as walking into a group of people who are mostly strangers, making a speech, or speaking with people you don't know, is too difficult to handle. These situations may cause you to avoid contact socially because of discomfort you feel. It may seem like a small thing to make eye contact with or talk to people you don't know, and yet it can be quite difficult if you experience social anxiety. Social anxiety goes beyond shyness and people may experience it in different ways. For example, you may carry on a conversation with one person; however, attending a party may cause you to clam up and be unable to speak. You may experience symptoms of rapid heart rate, shortness of breath, lightheadedness, or low self-esteem. You may even avoid most social settings which can affect relationships, possibly causing depression and negative thoughts about yourself. There is help if you reach out.



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## REAL ESTATE

**Don't Have A CLUE?** If you haven't heard of a CLUE Report, it has nothing to do with board game searching for a murderer. It a report showing the insurance claims on your home for the past 5-7 years.

This database is used by insurance companies to evaluate risks and determine rates. C.L.U.E stands for Comprehensive Loss Underwriting Exchange. Rates can be increased not only due to legitimate claims but data entry errors also.

For that reason, similar to verifying the accuracy of your credit report, it is important to check out the CLUE Report on your home. The reports are free and there is a process for correcting mistakes. I have found some sites charge a fee but shop around.

An interesting and sometimes costly surprise occurs during the home buying process. The claim experience of the prior seller could impact the price of the premium of the new buyer. Montana Association of Real Estate forms now have a contingency in them for your ability to get insurance at a rate you are comfortable with so even after you have signed a purchase agreement you can obtain a quote so you are not locked into a premium that you can't afford once you close.



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**Q:** Should older people in good health start taking aspirin to prevent heart attacks, strokes, dementia and

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# Community Briefs

## Free Winter Clothes

ENNIS - Winter is coming, and the Madison Valley Medical Center rehab department would like to help out by hosting a Winter Clothes Drive to benefit our community and help defray costs for families in our area. Emphasis is on kids clothing. However, we will accept clothes for all ages and all ages of recipients are welcome.

Does your child need a coat, hat, gloves or boots? We are looking for donations now.

Donations accepted the first four weeks in October. Please bring in clean and gently-used winter apparel. You may drop them off at the front desk of the hospital or at the rehab clinic in the lower level. We will be accepting coats, hats, boots and gloves or mittens.

Those in need of winter clothing can help themselves on Monday, October 29, from 4-6 p.m. at the Madison Valley Medical Center Physical Therapy Clinic at 305 N. Main St. in Ennis. This is on a first come, first serve basis. You may choose one of each type of apparel (coat, hat, pair of gloves, pair of boots, etc.) per individual.

For more information call the Rehab Clinic at MVMC, 406-682-6605.

## Firefighter fundraiser

ENNIS - The Madison Valley Rural Fire District is holding their 4th annual fundraiser raffle, offering a Montana Rifle Company, Extreme 3 in 6.5 Creedmoor. The drawing will be held Oct. 19 at 5:30 p.m. For tickets or more information, contact a volunteer firefighter.

## Burning to Begin

ENNIS — Fire officials from the Madison Ranger District will soon begin prescribed fire activity which may result in intermittent visible smoke beginning October 4, 2018 and continuing through the end of November.

Firefighters will be burning in the Standard Creek and West Fork areas of the Gravelly Mountains Range and in the South Meadow Creek area of the Tobacco Root Mountains.

Fire crews will burn under prescribed conditions and monitor these burns after ignition to ensure they stay within prescribed boundaries.

Travelers and residents along Highway 287 between Cameron, Cliff and Wade Lake and the South Meadow Creek area may see smoke from these burns, however little impact from the smoke is expected. For more information regarding these prescribed burns, contact the Madison Ranger District at (406) 682-4253.

## MT Wilderness Assn. Presentation

BOZEMAN - As part of the Montana Wilderness Association's Madison-Gallatin Chapter's continuing series of "Wilderness and..." presentations, Louise Johns, documentary photographer and a National Geographic Young Explorer based in Montana, will talk about her work photographing the wild Gallatin mountain range. The talk is free, open to the public, and will start at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16 in the large classroom at Hope Lutheran Church, 2152 West Graf Street, Bozeman, Montana.

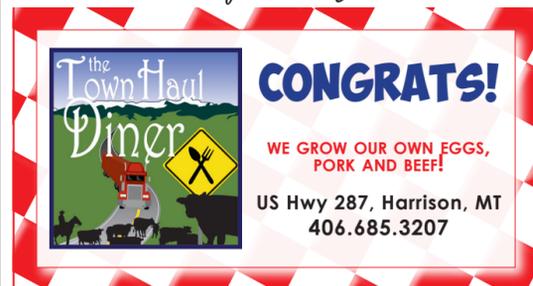
For more information, contact David Steinmuller at 406-219-2315 or dsteinmul@msn.com.

# Student of the Week

**K**eigun Baker is Harrison's student of the week. Keigan, a senior at Harrison, is a home school student who attends Harrison High School part time. He is incredibly polite and respectful of others and he is willing to do whatever he is asked to do.

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# Madison County DISPATCH

September 30 - October 6, 2018.

September 30 - DUI Arrest at MT Hwy 287, MM 25, Laurin; Wildlife Complaint at US Hwy 287/Norwegian Creek Rd., Harrison; Wildlife Complaint at US Hwy 287/Hot Springs Loop, Ennis; Traffic Complaint at US Hwy 287, MM 45, Ennis; Medical Aid in 100 Blk Tobe Rd., Ennis.

October 1 - Accident at MT Hwy 287, MM 42, Twin Bridges; Accident at US Hwy 287, MM 48, Ennis; Citizen Assist in 100 Blk Madison St., Sheridan; Abandoned Vehicle in 100 Blk Barton Gulch Rd., Alder; Welfare Check in Jeffers Area, Ennis; Suspicious Circumstances on Spike Ln., Ennis; Disturbance on Wisconsin Creek Rd., Sheridan; Wildlife Complaint at MT Hwy 287, MM 35, Sheridan; Wildlife Complaint at US Hwy 287, MM 57, McAllister; Welfare Check on Wisconsin Creek Rd., Sheridan.

October 2 - Welfare Check in 100 Blk Judy Ln., Alder; Welfare Check in 100 Blk Boulder Lakes Rd., Twin Bridges; Animal Complaint at North St./Boot Hill, Virginia City; Animal Complaint at MT Hwy 287, MM 4, Ennis; Animal Complaint at MT Hwy 287, MM 13, Virginia City; Suspicious Circumstances on Garnet Ln., Twin Bridges; Traffic Complaint at US Hwy 287, MM 55, Cameron; Animal Complaint at MT Hwy 287, MM 12, Virginia City; Animal Complaint at Varney Rd/Trail Creek, Ennis; Animal Complaint on Old VC Hwy., Ennis; Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 84, Norris; Medical Aid on Hoffert Ln., Sheridan.

October 3 - Citizen Assist in 100 Blk W Main St., Ennis; Welfare Check on Toledo Rd., Mine Rd., Sheridan; Citizen Assist in 300 Blk Madison St., Harrison; Traffic Complaint at US Hwy 287, MM 41, Cameron;

Animal Complaint at MT Hwy 287, MM 13, Virginia City; Traffic Complaint at Flick Ln./N. Main St., Sheridan.

October 4 - Animal Complaint on Wisconsin Creek Rd., Sheridan; Animal Complaint in Hardy Lane Area, Ennis; Animal Complaint in 300 Blk Water St., Sheridan; Animal Complaint at MT Hwy 287, MM 10, Ennis; Medical Aid in 200 Blk Boundary St., Sheridan; Medical Aid on Wisconsin Creek Rd., Sheridan; Fire Call in 4700 Blk US Hwy 287, Ennis; Animal Complaint at US Hwy 287, MM 25, Cameron; Animal Complaint in 4700 Blk US Hwy 287, Ennis; Suspicious Circumstances in 300 Blk Wisconsin Creek Rd., Sheridan; Accident at US Hwy 287, MM 2, Cameron.

October 5 - Animal Complaint on W. Belanca Ln., Ennis; Welfare Check in 2300 Blk MT Hwy 287, Alder; Welfare Check in 200 Blk Madison St., Sheridan; Welfare Check in 3400 Blk MT Hwy 287, Sheridan; Wildlife Complaint at US Hwy 287, MM 31, Cameron.

October 6 - Animal Complaint in 200 Blk Ruby St., Sheridan; Suspicious Circumstances on Tuke Ln., Sheridan; Animal Complaint at MT Hwy 287, MM 38, Sheridan; Vandalism/Criminal Mischief on West Fork Madison Rd., Cameron; Fire Call on Recycle Way, Ennis; Fire Call in 100 Blk N. Main St., Sheridan; Traffic Complaint at I-15, MM 89, Glen; Medical Aid in 100 Blk Main St., Harrison; Accident at MT Hwy 287, MM 29, Sheridan; Animal Complaint US Hwy 287, MM 23, Cameron; Animal Complaint in 200 Blk E. Crofoot St., Sheridan; Traffic Complaint at US Hwy 287, MM 72, Norris.

The Madison County Sheriff's Office responded to 97 Calls for Service from Sept 30- Oct. 6.

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# UM releases results of 2018 Public Lands Survey

**Montanans show growing support for public lands and the policies that support them**

MISSOULA – Recent results from a University of Montana survey of likely Montana voters found growing support for public lands across the state and for policies that protect and expand them, including the Land and Water Conservation Fund, new wilderness designations and a new National Monument designation near Glacier National Park.

That's according to the third biannual Public Lands Survey commissioned by UM's Crown of the Continent and Greater Yellowstone Initiative, which surveyed 500 registered Montana voters. The goal, Program Director Rick Graetz said, is a better understanding of where Montanans align on current issues and policies that impact the state's public lands and the people who use them.

"Regardless of the policy we tested, Montanans are more often on the side of enhancing public lands, not removing protections," said Graetz, who also teaches in UM's Department of Geography. "This support seems to be intensifying and is driven by our frequent use of public lands and the positive economic benefits associated with them."

The poll was conducted by Republican pollster Lori Weigel of Public Opinion Strategies and Democratic pollster Dave Metz of Fairbank, Maslin, Maulin, Metz & Associates. The pollsters say findings are similar to past surveys, but new data shows growing support for specific policies that protect public lands.

For instance, Montanans are more likely to support new wilderness destinations than they were when the question was first asked in 2014. Support for federal wilderness jumped to 57 percent this year, climbing to 65 percent when Montanans learn that 3 percent of the state's lands currently are protected as wilderness.

Montanans also are more likely to reject current legislative policy that proposes to eliminate protections for 29 Wilderness Study Areas across the state, with the majority of respondents (54 percent) indicating they want to keep the areas the way they are. Only 11 percent of voters surveyed said that they believe that the existing protections should be eliminated.

"Compared to our survey four years ago, we see even stronger support for maintaining or adding to wilderness in Montana," Weigel said. "The majority of Montanans either want to keep things the way they are or designate new lands as wilderness. They also definitely feel the process should be informed by local communities and stakeholders."

Voters also are more likely to support the Land and Water Conservation Fund than they were four years ago. Seventy-six percent of Montanans support the Land and Water Conservation Fund, which is four points higher than in 2014.

New public lands issues surveyed this year include the Antiquities Act and its potential use in the state. Montana voters also overwhelmingly support the president's authority to declare a National Monument. Support for this authority is bipartisan but is strongest among the state's GOP voting block.

Seventy-six percent of voters also support a recommendation by the Trump administration to declare the Badger-Two Medicine region near Glacier National Park a National Monument. When asked to prioritize management considerations for a potential National Monument, Montanans are more likely to



Gallatin National Forest, the view above the Cabin Creek Cabin in the Hebgen Lake area is one of the public land place Montanans want to steward. (USFS)

say a monument should protect existing recreation, conserve fish and wildlife habit and provide opportunities for community input.

The survey also asked Montana voters to weigh in on the following issues regarding public lands in the state:

- 73 percent support the Blackfoot Clearwater Stewardship project, which strengthens protections for 80,000 acres of land in western Montana, while opening new areas for motorized recreation and timber harvest.

- 72 percent of Montanans would support a proposal to feature less-visited public lands in the state's tourism promotion efforts.

- 82 percent of Montanans say public lands help the economy. The economic impact of public lands is far more likely to be realized today than it was four years ago.

- 87 percent of Montanans say conservation issues are important considerations in their voting de-

isions. Graetz said his program doesn't take positions, but he hopes the results enable more discussion as public lands debates about wilderness protections, conservation funding and National Monuments unfold in the Crown of the Continent and Greater Yellowstone Ecosystems.

"We are in the midst of several policy discussions right now about the long-term protection of various public lands, and I think it's good to understand how voters are reacting," he said. "I would encourage all of Montana's elected officials to take these results to heart."

A summary of the results and the full survey is available online at <https://crown-yellowstone.umd.edu/voter-surveys/2018/>.

The 2018 Public Lands Survey was conducted by telephone from April 12-17, 2018 with a margin of error of +/- 4.38 percent.

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



### Donna Evans

Donna Evans has lived in the Madison Valley for nearly 25 years; for 20 of those, she's been volunteering for the Ennis Ambulance Service, where she now serves as captain.

Evans was prompted to join the ambulance service—staffed entirely by volunteers and funded solely through private fundraising efforts—when a young friend died years ago. Watching the suffering such tragedies caused made her want to help in whatever way she could.

Ennis Ambulance is different from big city operations in the fact that it's so personal, Evans says. Responders get paged in their own homes when a call comes in, and often they recognize the address that pops up on their screen. They frequently recog-

nize faces they've seen around town, and sometimes they're responding to their own neighbors.

"I think it's harder for us in some aspects," she says. "But I think that's what a community the size of Ennis is great. People actually care, and you're not entirely unknown. Sometimes the paycheck takes the heart out of the whole operation."

Evans, a Montana native, wants to keep the heart in Ennis's ambulance service. She says she's been recognized years later by people involved in the accidents and emergencies she's responded to. Over the years, she's left weddings, funerals, school plays and countless other events to get to the scene of an emergency. But, she says, she's not a hero. She's just doing what her community needs.

"It's about real people," she says. "You just step out as quickly as you can and get on the road. I just love people and I want to help them."



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All applicants must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative Grade Point Average on their previous coursework to apply.

Applicant or applicant's parent(s)/guardian must be actively doing business with RMS.

Further information and application can be found on the RMS website at [www.rmsi.coop](http://www.rmsi.coop) or at any RMS location/store.

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# Community Briefs

## Sheridan's September Students Of The Month

SHERIDAN - Sheridan schools announced their Students of the Month.

Students are chosen by faculty and staff members based on the following criteria: Citizenship, Leadership and Academic Attitude.

For September, the students of the month are:

- K — Harper Willauer
- 1 — Samarah Anson
- 2 — Carson Hansen
- 3 — Brody Decker
- 4 — Aurora Miller
- 5 — James Reedy
- 6 — Presley Young
- 7 — Gunnar Decker
- 8 — Clairaa Haag
- 9 — Kole Hill
- 10 — Mackenzie Fabel

- 11 — Zoe Lee
- 12 — Tyler Haag

## Junior Carpenter Pumpkin Carving Contest

BOZEMAN - Kenyon Noble's 20th Annual Pumpkin Carving Contest is just around the corner.

The event will take place at all Kenyon Noble locations (Bozeman, Beldgrade, Livingston) Saturday, October 20, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Bring your family & friends to spend a fun-filled afternoon carving pumpkins with us. Costumes are encouraged, but are not required. You get to pick the pumpkin of your choice, carve

your little hearts out and try to win some super cool prizes and you could be sporting a grin as bright as any jack-o'-lantern.

Prize categories are broken into 3 age groups: 0-5, 6-9 & 10-12.

At 1 p.m. our judges will pick the top 3 winning pumpkins from each age group. Announcement of each prize will come soon after. Winners will need to be present to win - so if you have some time after your done carving grab some complimentary snacks & hydration - oh & don't forget to pick up your free goodie bag full of some awesome Halloween swag. Our Kenyon Noble staff will be holding their own Halloween costume contest where you get to vote for the winner, so make sure you vote for your favorite get-up! You don't want to miss this event!



## Understanding Risk Tolerance Is Essential For Investment Success

To succeed as an investor, you might think you need to know about the economy, interest rates and the fundamentals of companies in which you'd like to invest. And all these things are indeed important. But it's most essential to know yourself. Specifically, you need to know how much risk you are willing to tolerate to achieve your goals.

Of course, you've lived with yourself your entire life, so you probably have a pretty good idea of your likes and dislikes and what makes you comfortable or uncomfortable. But investing can be a different story.

Initially, you may believe you have a high tolerance for risk, but if the financial markets drop sharply, and you see that you've sustained some sizable losses (at least on paper - you haven't really "lost" anything until you sell investments for less than what you paid for them), how will you feel? If you find yourself constantly fretting over these losses, perhaps even losing sleep over them, you might realize your risk tolerance is not as high as you thought. In this case, you may need to scale back the part of your portfolio devoted to growth in favor of a more balanced approach.

On the other hand, if you believe yourself to have a low risk tolerance, and you start off investing in a conservative manner, you may indeed minimize short-term losses - but you also might find yourself frustrated over the slow growth of your portfolio. So you may decide that being highly risk-averse carries its own risk - the risk of not making enough progress to achieve your long-term financial goals. To reduce this risk, you may need to tilt your portfolio

somewhat toward more growth opportunities.

In short, you may have to invest for a while before you truly understand your response to risk. But even then, don't get too locked in to one approach - because your risk tolerance may evolve over time.

When you are first starting out in your career, and for many years after, you are probably investing primarily to accumulate assets for retirement. Consequently, you may need to include a relatively high proportion of growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks, in your portfolio. While stock prices will always fluctuate, you will have many years, perhaps decades, to overcome short-term losses, so you can possibly afford to take on a greater risk level in exchange for the potentially higher returns offered by stocks and stock-based investments.

However, things can change once you reach retirement. At this stage of your life, your overall investment focus may shift from accumulation to income. This means you will need to start selling some investments to boost your cash flow - and you won't want to sell when prices are down. (Remember the first rule of investing: "Buy low and sell high.") To help avoid these "fire sales," you may want to adjust your investment mix by adding more income-producing vehicles and reducing your holdings in growth-oriented ones. By doing so, you will be lowering your overall risk level. Keep in mind, though, that even in retirement, you will need some exposure to growth investments to help you stay ahead of inflation.

Become familiar with your own risk tolerance - it can play a big role in your investment decisions.

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## COMMUNITY FLU CLINICS

### HARRISON:

Harrison School: Wednesday, October 10th, 8:00am - 10:30am

### ENNIS:

Ennis High School: Monday October 15th, 3:00pm - 6:00pm

### ALDER:

Alder School: Tuesday October 16th 9:30am - 11:00am

### SHERIDAN:

Sheridan Elementary: Monday, November 5th, 3:00pm - 6:00pm

### TWIN BRIDGES:

Twin Bridges School: Wednesday, November 7th, 3:00pm - 6:00pm

## State reaches \$148 million settlement with Uber over data breach

HELENA – Montana Attorney General Tim Fox announced that he, along with 49 other states and the District of Columbia, has reached an agreement with California-based ride-sharing company Uber Technologies, Inc. (Uber) to address the company's one year delay in reporting a data breach to its affected drivers.

Uber learned in November 2016 that hackers had gained access to some personal information Uber maintains about its drivers, including drivers' license information for nearly 600,000 drivers nationwide. Uber tracked down the hackers and obtained assurances they deleted the information. However, even though some of that information, namely drivers' license numbers for Uber drivers, triggered Montana law requiring them to notify affected Montana residents, Uber failed to report the breach in a timely manner, waiting until November 2017 to report it.

"Montana law requires prompt reporting of data breaches to my office and to individuals whose private information is compromised," Fox said. "In this case, although only 86 Montana Uber drivers were impacted, the company's failure to report the breach for one full year prevented the State from ensuring the drivers had considered protecting themselves from possible identity theft in a timely manner."

As part of the nationwide settlement, Uber agreed to pay \$148 million to the states. Montana will receive \$575,344. In addition, Uber has agreed to strengthen its corporate governance and data security practices to help

prevent a similar occurrence in the future.

The settlement between the State of Montana and Uber requires the company to:

- Comply with Montana's data breach and consumer protection law regarding protecting Montana residents' personal information and notifying them in the event of a data breach concerning their personal information;
- Take precautions to protect any user data it stores on third-party platforms outside of Uber;
- Use strong password policies for its employees to gain access to the Uber network;
- Develop and implement a strong data security policy for all data Uber collects about its users, including assessing potential risks to the security of the data and implementing any additional security measures beyond what it is already doing to protect that data;
- Hire an outside qualified party to assess Uber's data security efforts on a regular basis and draft a report with any recommended security improvements. Uber will implement any such security improvement recommendations; and
- Develop and implement a corporate integrity program to ensure Uber employees can bring ethics concerns they have about any other Uber employees to the company, and that it will be heard.

## Gov. Bullock announces \$490,000 in grants for Montana film production

HELENA, – Gov. Steve Bullock recently announced \$490,000 in grant awards for productions filming in Montana, including a \$300,000 grant responsible for bringing the Ed Harris-backed feature film "The Ploughman" to Fort Benton and Great Falls.

Grants have been awarded through the Big Sky Film Grant

program administered by the state's Film Office at the Department of Commerce. There are three categories: feature film and TV, development, and resident filmmaker.

Some of the projects receiving a grant included:

- "The Black Cowboy" (Documentary) received a \$20,000 grant and will feature locations around

Montana, focusing on the untold story of black American contributions to western and Montana heritage.

"Feast Montana" received a \$10,000 grant and will feature locations around Montana.

- "MeatEater" received a \$40,000 grant.
- "CM Russell and the Ameri-

can West" (documentary) received a \$12,000 grant and will feature locations around central Montana.

"Zombies in Zootown" (Narrative) received \$3,000 and will feature Missoula. This student-run production follows a group of home schoolers caught in a zombie apocalypse who must use their wits to survive.

## Recent data breaches reinforce need for cyber-security awareness, response

HELENA – Two recent data breaches, one at a Bozeman-based company and another at Facebook, highlight the importance of knowing how to minimize the risk of cyber threats and how to respond if your personal data may have been compromised.

On Friday, October 5, Facebook notified the Montana Department of Justice's Office of Consumer Protection that approximately 50 million user accounts were impacted by a data breach. Facebook did not indicate if any user information was accessed or if any Montana-based accounts were impacted.

The Office of Consumer Protection recommends the following best practices for consumers who use social media:

- Change your password regularly, and always use a strong password.
- When available, use two-factor authentication for login.
- Refrain from using any automatic sign-in functions/features of social media accounts and applications.
- Monitor your privacy settings and adjust as needed.
- Remove birth dates, addresses, and phone numbers from your account information.
- Carefully consider the information you post, recognizing that in the event of a data breach, it could end up in the hands of people intent upon stealing your identity or conducting other malicious activities.

Recently, Montana's Office of Consumer Protection also learned that Legacy Properties, a Bozeman-based property management company, experienced a data breach affecting between 900 and 1,020 Montanans. After the breach, the hackers posted the affected consumers' personal information on several publicly accessible websites. The hackers then emailed many of these consumers, demanding a ransom payment to remove their information from the websites.

Montana law requires timely reporting of data breaches to the Attorney General's Office and to individuals whose private information is compromised. "It's important for businesses to establish procedures for data breach prevention and recovery, and for consumers to be vigilant about protecting their personal information," Attorney General Tim Fox said. "Additionally, I encourage Montanans to contact local law enforcement or our Office of Consumer Protection if they are ever asked to pay a ransom in relation to a data breach."

Scammers who obtain the personal information of others may try to open new accounts or extort money from their victims. According to Montana's Office of Consumer Protection, there are several options for Montanans to monitor their credit and keep their identities safe, including:

- Don't pay a ransom. Paying a ransom is an ineffective way of handling the exposure of your personal information. It's best to focus on pro-actively securing your identity.
- Consider a free security freeze. A security freeze allows you to "lock up" your credit information so no one can access it without your permission. A freeze prevents a thief from taking out a new mortgage, applying for a credit card, or getting financing with your identity. When you "freeze" your credit, it stays frozen for as long as you'd like – until you can comfortably "thaw" it once again.
- Place a fraud alert on your credit. Fraud alerts are a special message you can place on your credit report. The alert tells credit issuers there may be fraudulent activity on an account. Fraud alerts last for 90 days; although they won't stop a scammer from being issued new credit, they can slow them down.
- Request a free credit report annually. Reviewing your credit report is a great way to check for unauthorized activity. Visit [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or call 1-877-322-8228 to request your free annual report.
- Credit monitoring services offer additional protection. Credit monitoring services track changes in your behavior and send you notifications about your credit score and potential fraud. These services typically cost between \$10 - \$30 per month.

For more information, call the Office of Consumer Protection at 406-444-4500 or 1-800-481-6896. Email [contactocp@mt.gov](mailto:contactocp@mt.gov) or visit <https://dojmt.gov/consumer/affected-data-breach/> for instructions on how to protect your personal information from being used for fraudulent purposes.

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**Saturday**  
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**Sunday**  
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# PANORAMA



## Montana Cowboy Hall of Fame inductees

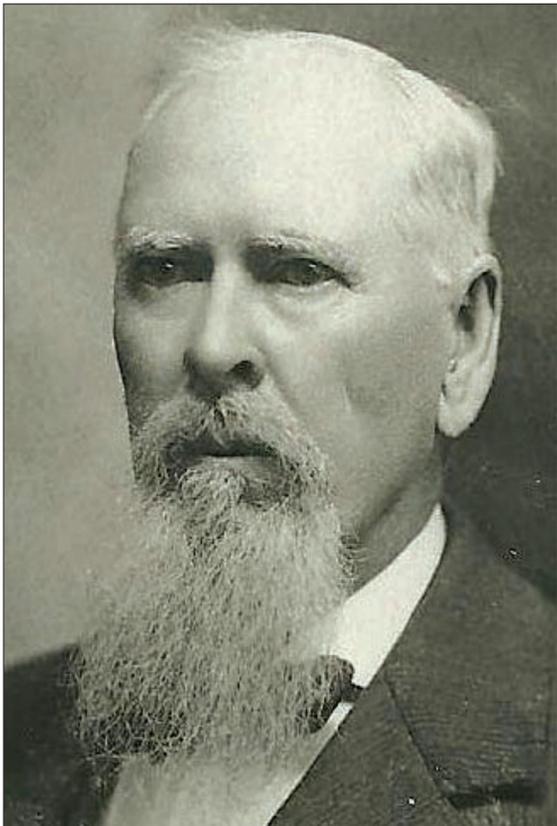
### Two 2018 inductees have Madison County roots

WOLF POINT - The Montana Cowboy Hall of Fame & Western Heritage Center (MCHF & WHC) recently announced the eleventh class of inductions into the Montana Cowboy Hall of Fame.

The inductees were chosen from a field of candidates nominated by the general public. Inductees are honored for their notable contributions to the history and culture of Montana. The Hall of Fame exists to honor those who have made an impact in their part of the state and represent Montana's authentic heritage for future generations.

From District 12 – Madison, Deer Lodge, Beaverhead, Silver Bow, Granite and Powell counties – two cowboys with some local roots were chosen.

Here are their stories:



John Raphael Quigley, Sr.

#### John Raphael Quigley, Sr.

Quigley is the Hall of Fame legacy award winner.

The Quigley family, originally from Ireland, farmed for a few years in the state of Virginia. John was born April 17, 1834 near Harper's Ferry, Logan County, Virginia. When John was 11 years old the family moved to Wisconsin. He attended college and taught school for many years. He also served as a deputy sheriff. However, he was curious about the outlandish stories he had heard about finding gold in the West.

The day before his 30th birthday, Quigley left overland by way of the Platte River Trail, encumbered by three wagons filled with implements and merchandise.

He arrived in Virginia City, Montana Territory on July 20, 1864. He secured a store location and the much-needed merchandise sold quickly. Realizing the success of this first store, Quigley moved to other mining camps, setting up stores in Diamond City, Blackfoot City/Opher and Helmsville.

Quigley put down roots in Montana and it was time for him to take a bride. He returned to Wisconsin where he met Catharine M. Seeley. They married in May, 1870, and resided for forty-four years at home in Blackfoot City, where they raised five children. Their legacy lives on with seven generations of Quigley's still residing in the area.

Quigley's interest in the growth of Deer Lodge County and Montana Territory motivated him to join the Democratic Party. He quickly rose in leadership and was selected to deliver the winning nominating speech for Mr. Joseph K. Toole, delegate to congress from Montana Territory, who later became the first elected governor of Montana.

Another important lifelong friendship developed through pol-

itics and business ventures with Mr. Peter Ronan, Indian Agent.

Known for his generosity and Irish spirit, Quigley never turned away anyone whether it was a miner needing a grubstake, or a Chinese laborer in need of legal representation. Routinely, Native American tribes passed through, making camp near the edge of town. Quigley befriended them and gave them supplies when needed. When rumors of an uprising spread through the valley, the tribal chief sent word that, "None of the Ronan or Quigley families would ever be harmed by them."

Although a prominent businessman, Quigley had an interest in agriculture and purchased land in the surrounding area. One son, John, ranched while he continued to operate his mercantile store. He worked daily until his seventy-third year, then semi-retired until his death.

Quigley died October 12, 1913 in Deer Lodge, Montana. St. Joseph's Catholic Church was filled to overflowing with mourners, many traveling long distances to pay their respect to the Quigley family. Pall bearers included political leaders as well as local friends. Rev. Fr. Landy said the traditional Requiem Mass. A large procession followed the coffin decorated with floral wreaths to Hillcrest Cemetery, Deer Lodge, Montana, where John Raphael Quigley Sr. was laid to rest.

"John R. Quigley was a loving husband, a splendid father, the best of neighbors, and a staunch friend. He leaves behind the best of all heritages – a good name." Silver State Post, Obituary October 12, 1913

#### Earl Ben Stucky

Stucky received the Hall of Fame's living award.

Earl Ben Stucky was born in Gallatin County Bozeman, Montana on November 2, 1934 to parents Ben and Marie (Papke) Stucky. He has two older sisters and a younger brother. Their family owned a farm on the Gallatin River about a mile and a half west of Gateway.

The young Stucky family worked hard to make ends meet ranging from running cows, raising registered sheep and selling rams to producing hogs and one year even growing out 2000 range turkeys. Ben was a fine horseman and passed on his knowledge to his son, Earl, who, in turn, broke and trained horses, both saddle and draft, for area ranchers and dude strings. He worked steadily alongside his dad, developing skills and passions that would serve him well for the rest of his life. Growing up, Earl was a member of the local 4-H club and in fact so was his future wife Glenna Krueger. The young couple married on November 24, 1954.

For the next 12 years Earl and Glenna took over running the farm and raising kids while establishing a registered Angus cattle business with bulls purchased from a local breeder.

What started out with 28 cows, grew to 150 head. It was always a challenge to find pasture so some of the cattle were run on shares. Some of that pasture was found on the Flying D Ranch, approximate 25-miles square, setting between the Gallatin and Madison Rivers.

In 1967 there was a change in management at the Flying D then owned by the Irvine Company. Jeff Dorsey was named manager and was looking for a new cow boss. Earl had pastured cows on the Flying D and put up hay on the home ranch of the Flying D for three years, earning himself a good reputation.

When he was hired as Cow Boss, he and his family moved to the Madison. Earl had a full-time crew of six or seven steady cowboys, but at different times of the year there might be 12-15 riders working.

The ranch ran about 4,000 cows plus the yearlings, took in lease cattle and summered cattle for a number of different local ranches. More than 1,000 head of horses wintered at the Flying D and every spring there was a three or four day round up of the herd.

Most were Yellowstone National Park horses, but there were also dude ranch horses and other various ranch horses in the bunch as well. It was always Earl's intention to run the ranch as an old-time cow outfit therefore no trucks or horse trailers were needed to haul cattle or horses around.

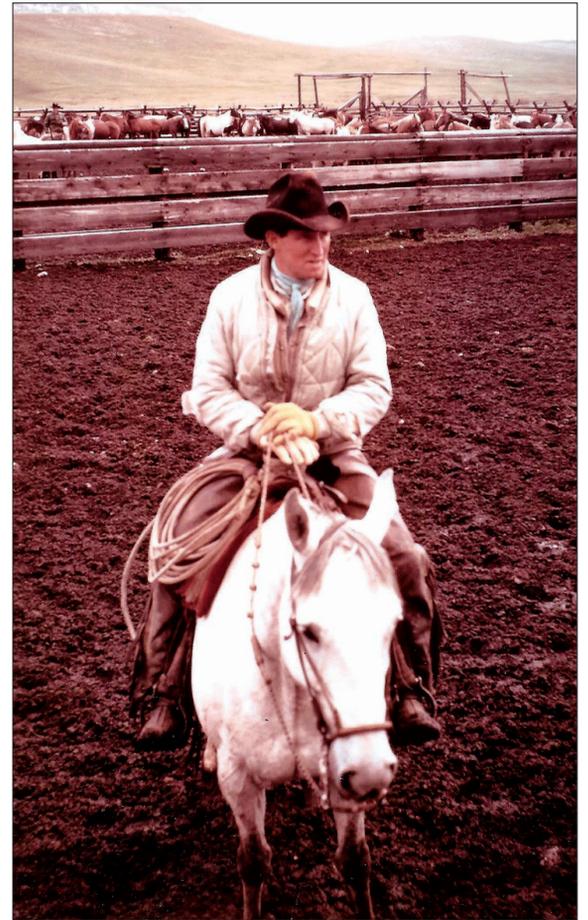
They trailed their cavy, because at times, they would ride as far as 15 or 20 miles before getting to the job at hand. The bulk of them were circle horses, but there were also those which were used for sorting or moving cattle.

This afforded Earl ample opportunities to ride different horses and make true "ranch horses" out of them.

One of Earl's favorite was Pauper, a gray gelding bought for the ranch from Ronnie Hymus for \$150. Earl and the crew were trailing cows down the highway in the Gallatin Canyon when a loaded semi pulled up and stopped to let the cows trail through but couldn't get underway again. Earl had gone back to get around a couple of bulls and commented, "You don't suppose I could give you a pull with this horse?"

The trucker laughed! With an experienced and loving cowboy who knew when to let the rope slip just a bit to help him, Pauper scratched and pulled that 50,000-pound truck down the highway far enough for the trucker to be on his way.

No one believed the story until Roland Moore, a cowboy at the time, said "Yes, I watched from a quarter mile away and wondered



Earl Ben Stucky

- what was going on!"

The cowboys worked hard and rode hard, but they also had time to have a little fun.

Earl tells of different times riding back and forth to Cow Camp and coming across a bear, coyote or a cow elk and roping them just for fun! Summer Sundays were often spent at team-ropings, rodeos, or some 4-H function. Earl planted seeds of horse sense in each of his kids and there were always cow-dogs ... still are.

Earl and Glenna had been looking at different ranches as so much of his time was away from her and the children, plus they still had their own cattle to care for. Weekends were too short to get everything done and the family was growing up without him.

Tommy Lane had the Keiley Ranch in Avon leased and the cows for sale that Jeff Dorsey and Earl took a look at. The Stucky's leased the Keiley Place and moved to Avon, Montana in April of 1976.

There were many new adventures awaiting, particularly in finding all those different bog holes in the hay meadows. The 10,000-acre ranch was rich with grass, water and beauty, but there were miles of fence to fix, corrals to build, and vacant buildings to repair.

Earl brought new practices to the Avon Valley, one of them being the use of a "dead man" when branding. An inner tube with a rope and honda on one end tethered to a stake. The calf would be roped and drug to the fire, and a wrestler would slip the loop on the calves' front feet to be held securely, but safely to be worked. This was a method shown to him by Tom Dorrance one time at Cow Camp.

Summer hay was put up using a Beaver Slide and stacked loose. Winter feeding was done with teams, using a 4-horse hitch to pull hydra-forks to feed out wild timothy hay in the deep snow.

In 1991, Earl and Glenna purchased the Keiley Ranch and continued to build their cow numbers by adding outside grass.

An aspiration Earl always had was to say he ran a 1,000 head of cows - a goal which he has now met. The ranch was honored to be featured in the French documentary Wild Lives that centered on the theme of generational ranching. The Stucky's were also showcased in the film Last American Cowboy produced by BASE productions and the Montana Film Office. Earl has served his community and industry as board member of the Montana Stockgrowers; Rocky Mountain Stockgrowers; Draft Horse Hall of Fame and Nevada Creek Water Users. Earl Stucky is a true cowboy, in every sense of the word, who proudly oversees the well-being of his family, his animals, and the land he's been entrusted to.

## MSU research on vulnerability of mountain systems to climate change featured in 'Science'

By Denise Hoepfner, MSU News Service

BOZEMAN – A Montana State University study of the history of Yellowstone National Park's vegetation was recently highlighted by the editors of a prestigious journal dedicated to the advancement of science.

Science Magazine chose the MSU-led study, which was originally published in June in the Journal of Biogeography, to be featured in its Aug. 31 edition as an "Editors' Choice," a section that highlights notable research published in other journals.

The article explained how MSU paleoecologists used fossil pollen in lake sediments in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem to assess how the vegetation composition and distribution of a mountain system has varied as the climate changed



Cathy Whitlock, professor in the Department of Earth Sciences and a fellow of the Institute on Ecosystems at Montana State University, is co-author of a paper recently featured in Science Magazine about the vulnerability of mountain ecosystems to climate change. (MSU/ADRIAN SANCHEZ-GONZALEZ)

over the past 15,000 years.

"I am especially excited about this study because it uses

new statistical approaches to examine long-term changes in vegetation and fire," said Cathy Whitlock, professor in the Department of Earth Sciences in MSU's College of Letters and Science and also a co-author of the study.

The work is important, Whitlock said, because it provides a baseline for understanding the current vulnerability of Greater Yellowstone's ecosystems and how they might respond to projected climate change.

"The paleoecological record suggests that more fires and drought will alter both high- and low-elevation forests in the future," she said.

Former MSU postdoctoral researcher Virginia Iglesias led the study, "Past vegetation dynamics in the Yellowstone region highlight the vulnerability of mountain systems to climate

change," which also included MSU doctoral graduate and co-author Teresa Krause. Iglesias is now a research scientist at the University of Colorado. Krause is a faculty member at Augsburg University.

Using pollen and charcoal records across the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem – most of which are the work of Whitlock and her students over the past 40 years – the researchers compared the ecological dynamics over both time and elevation, something that scientists haven't been able to do before, Whitlock said.

"The analysis of the broader geographic patterns is something new," she said. "Our results show that forests at all elevations responded to past climate variations, and the most abrupt and widespread change occurred at the end of the last ice age in response to a warm-

ing of 4 to 6degrees Celsius."

The researchers were also surprised to see the dramatic shifts that have taken place in low-elevation forests composed of Douglas fir, limber pine and juniper.

"Our study shows that these dry forests have moved upslope and downslope continuously over the last 8,000 years as a result of variations in precipitation and fire," Whitlock said.

Jordy Hendriks, head of MSU's Department of Earth Sciences, said he is excited that Science featured the study that came from decades of research by Whitlock and her past and current students and collaborators.

"This study not only highlights the vulnerability of mountain ecosystems to climate change, it provides important data for future studies and conservation efforts," Hen-

driks said.

"I think this is an important study, one that advances our understanding of present ecological changes in Greater Yellowstone by placing them in the context of changes that have occurred over the last 15,000 years," said Whitlock who last year was named as a member of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences in recognition of her work. "It was a great honor to have it recognized in the recent issue of Science."

To view the study, go to: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/jbi.13364>

To read the Science article, go to: <http://science.sciencemag.org/content/361/6405/twil>.

# HEALTH & WELLNESS

## Madison Valley Medical Center receives Cardiac Recognition Award

ENNIS - Madison Valley Medical Center was recognized with the Cardiac Recognition Award at the Montana Hospital Association's annual meeting in Billings on September 20.

The Cardiac Recognition Award is sponsored by the Cardiovascular Health Program within the state's health department.

The Recognition Award singles out Critical Access Hospitals who demonstrate that they have the infrastructure and commitment to provide high quality care for patients with acute coronary syndrome, which includes heart attack.

Receiving the Cardiac Recognition confirms Madison Valley Medical Center meets high standards related to the utilization of evidence-based cardiac order-sets and protocols, provides laboratory services 24/7, has a well thought out transfer protocol and has administrative commitment to treating heart attack patients.

This is the eighth year that the Cardiac Recognition Award was presented.

Madison Valley Medical Center is one of 17 Critical Ac-



cess Hospitals to qualify for the award. Requirements for the recognition include tracking and reporting key cardiac outcomes, using outcomes data to initiate quality improvement activities and coordinating regular health-care provider cardiac trainings.

Heart disease is a leading cause of death in both the Montana and the United States. Last year, over 3,000 Montanans died from the impact of heart disease. Symptom recognition and timely, high quality treatment are important factors in reducing death from heart attack.

Know the signs and symptoms of heart attack:

- Discomfort in the chest that does not go away after a short period of time
- Discomfort in the arm, shoulder, jaw or upper back
- Shortness of breath with or without chest discomfort
- Breaking out into a cold sweat, unexplained nausea, dizziness, palpitations or fatigue

Know what to do if you or someone you know experience heart attack symptoms:

- Call 9-1-1 immediately
- For more information about heart disease, please visit: [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org)

## Air travel and diabetes

### Getting prepared for holiday travels

By Janet Howard-Ducsay RN  
Certified Diabetes Educator

ENNIS - Fall and holiday visits and travel are fast approaching. When a person with diabetes travels, there are additional recommendations and planning that are necessary to make the trip seamless in regards to their diabetes management. The American Diabetes Association and the TSA work closely together to identify areas of concern and inform the TSA of changes in equipment and management needs.

Planning is the key to trouble-free travel at the airport. TSA states explicitly that diabetes-related supplies, equipment, and medication, including liquids, are allowed through the checkpoint once they have been properly screened by X-ray or hand inspection. Approved items that are appropriately labeled include: Insulin and insulin-loaded dispensing products (vials or pen vials), Unused syringes when accompanied by insulin, All blood glucose testing supplies including lancets, Insulin pump and insulin pump supplies when accompanied by insulin, Glucagon emergency kit, Continuous blood glucose monitors, Urine ketone test strips, Epi-Pens, Used syringes when transported in sharps disposal container, Liquids (water, juice, or liquid nutrition) or gels over 3.4 ounces, and Oral medications properly labeled in original bottles.

If a passenger uses an insulin pump they can be screened without disconnecting from the pump. However, it is important for the passenger to inform the TSA agent about the pump before

the screening process begins. Insulin pump users can be screened using imaging technology, metal detector, or a thorough a requested pat down. I recommend a note from your physician stating that you are a person with diabetes and that you are currently wearing an insulin pump and or continuous glucose monitor that should not be removed at any time since it is necessary for disease management.

Here are helpful hints to make a checklist in your upcoming travels:

- See your health care provider and ask for current copies of your prescriptions and a letter explaining your diabetes, other medicines, supplies needed, and any allergies.

- Purchase or make an identification bracelet, necklace or cards that identify that you have diabetes. It should have the translated language of the places you are visiting if you happen to be traveling abroad. This can be easily done on your smartphone or a Google Translate search on the computer.

- Create a chart for time zone changes. To make medication taking easier remember you lose time heading east, making a shorter day and gain time heading west making a longer day. If you take insulin the amount may vary and the times may be gradually changed.

- If you are traveling internationally start looking up the local foods and check the labels for the carbohydrate counts. [www.myfitnesspal.com](http://www.myfitnesspal.com) is a website is an excellent resource for planning ahead to have your go to foods that will offer the right amount of carbohydrates in your meal planning from the areas you are visiting.

- Make copies of your insurance cards and claim forms. Be familiar with your insurance coverage before you leave for your trip. Remember Medicare does not usually cover medical expenses outside of the United States. Purchas-

ing travel insurance with an evacuation plan or cancelation clause may be a consideration.

- Travel with twice the amount of medications and supplies that you would normally need in case there is damage, theft, breakage and/or separation from your luggage.

- If traveling to other countries consider contacting the American Consulate or American Express for a list of English-speaking health care providers.

- Plan on placing all diabetic supplies in your carry-on luggage. All supplies such as syringes, pens, needles and lancets must have the pre-printed pharmacy labels on them. The glucose meters should show the manufacturers name. The letter from your doctor should be kept with the supplies.

- Keep your medications and emergency snacks and glucose gel or tablets with you at your seat area. Do not put things in your overhead compartment where they may not be accessible for periods of time while in flight.

- Since meals are not served with regularity on planes, plan to carry enough food to cover the entire flight time with considerations for delays or schedule changes. Stay well hydrated during flights. Glucose tablets or gel for possible low blood sugar should be kept in your pocket or purse at all times.

Additionally, TSA recently launched TSA Cares, a new helpline number designed to assist travelers with disabilities and medical conditions. Travelers may call TSA Cares toll free at 1-855-787-2227 72 hours prior to traveling with questions about screening policies, procedures and what to expect at the security checkpoint. Careful planning before your upcoming trips can assist in assuring that you have the best time possible on your upcoming vacations.

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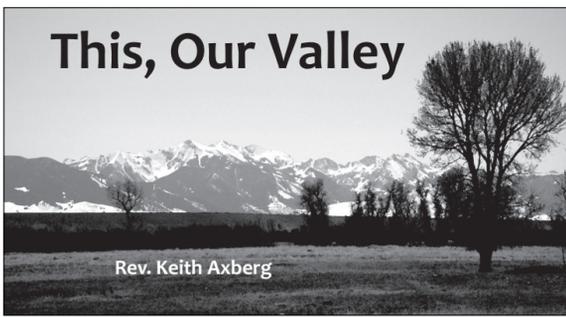
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## This, Our Valley



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Hugh Black

I came home from church the other day and was quite happy. The music was glorious; the message in the sermon was thought-provoking and timely; the fellowship was delightful; the air was brisk, clean, and fresh; the day was sunny. All was right with the world.

Then I pulled into the driveway and noticed something under the tongue of our travel trailer that seemed out of place, so I parked the car and went to check it out. Sitting under the trailer were a couple of cables, plastic lids, and a nylon strap that appeared to have been cut with a knife. I tilted my head for a moment, deep in thought, as I began to puzzle out for myself the meaning of what I was seeing. And then it hit me: someone

## Does happiness happen by happenstance?

had stolen the batteries off of the trailer!

Amazingly, I did not blow a gasket. Oh sure, I spent a moment or two thinking about how I might set up a force field around the RV that would vaporize any miscreant who might dare to come within ten feet of our precious little tenement on wheels, but that idea dissipated quickly as the wisdom of my years came rushing to the fore, reminding me that I would most likely be the one vaporized (as I doubt I'd remember to turn off the zapper if I needed to get something out of the trailer at any given moment).

So I muscled my way past my disappointment with humanity in general (and our local thieves in particular) and cleaned up the debris, phoned in a police report to the local constabulary, and began to research places to buy replacement batteries. I also spent some time in prayer and meditation (which I find soothing and comforting) and pondered the possibility (however remote) that the thief was a homeless soul in need of the power my batteries would provide, or an addict in need of some quick cash for a quick fix. While I don't endorse theft for either of those situations, I find them forgivable.

I've learned, you see, that one of the keys to happiness is creating the capacity to forgive.

One of the petitions we offer up in our daily prayers in the faith tradition many of us practice is a request for God to “forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.” For many, “vengeance is sweet,” but I find it gives me indigestion.

Our faith tradition has also taught us that “‘Vengeance is mine,’ saith the Lord.” I can't help but wonder if I don't feel like an irritating pebble in God's shoe when I try to stand in them,

so I really do try to let God be God, stay out of her shoes, and just settle for being me as best I can. That seems to work out best for the both of us.

So I made some calls, shared my tale of woe on social media (because there's no use being miserable alone), and found replacement batteries at a local shop that only cost me about a quarter of what I thought it would; so that was the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow (caused by the sunlight refracting off my tears, of course).

I bought the batteries, kept them safely in the garage, and wondered how I would secure them in such a way as to avoid them being stolen again. I went down to the local hardware store, explained my situation, and – voila – the clerk and I found a sensible and affordable solution: adjustable cable locks that allow me to cinch down the cable over the batteries in their boxes. The cables are strong, resistant even to bolt cutters, and easy to install.

I have since also taken the precaution of moving the trailer up off the street (which I never cared for as a place to park it anyway) and into a space alongside our driveway, so it is about as secure as it can be.

That's all we can do, and that should be enough in which to secure life, liberty, and happy trails in this, our valley.

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## Four ways family businesses can thrive through multiple generations

While public corporations attract more media attention, family businesses also make a major impact on the U.S. and world economies.

Family firms comprise more than half of all U.S. companies and generate at least 50 percent of the nation's gross domestic product, according to the Harvard Business School. And two-thirds of businesses around the world are family-owned, The Family Firm Institute reports.

The flip side: About 70 percent of family-owned businesses in the U.S. and worldwide fail, or are sold, before the second generation can assume ownership. And only 10-15 percent make it to generation three.

“Family business that do survive are the ones willing to keep an eye on new horizons,” says Raméz Baassiri, author of *Interrupted Entrepreneurship: Embracing Change in the Family Business* (www.ramezbaassiri.com).

Baassiri, who helps run a multi-generational, multi-national family business, says being

open to change and innovation is one key to keeping a business relevant and successful throughout generations.

“Just because a business model or product has worked in the past doesn't mean it will continue to do so,” Baassiri says. “Stagnancy or struggle provide an opportunity to negotiate a different path. Family businesses need to confront market realities and consider disruptive new things in order to move forward.”

Baassiri provides four ways family businesses can survive and grow from generation to generation:

- Cultivate entrepreneurs. A big challenge for family businesses is making sure everyone from different generations is heard. “Sometimes the creativity and innovation of the newest generation is all that stands between success and failure,” Baassiri says.
- Build on your core. Baassiri says the core elements of running a family business –

how to evaluate a balance sheet, review a mar-

keting plan, and initiate an advertising process – should be grasped by multiple family members in order to build a solid structure. “You need to have that core knowledge that can be carried from one family business and generation to another,” Baassiri says. “And re-educating yourself and others is an invaluable quality to growing the family business.”

- Embrace and engineer change. Change in the demand for products or services is inevitable to most any family business. “There are no limits to reinventing yourself or your family business,” Baassiri says. “Our family embraced change by investing in and developing our businesses. For example, we moved from land cultivation to engineering over multiple generations.”

- Carry strong values forward. Good values sustain family businesses, Baassiri says, because they can be constant and recognizable to customers, no matter the amount of change in the marketplace. “You can't live try-

ing to fill the footsteps of those who went before you,” Baassiri says. “All you can do is live the values your parents taught and what the business was founded upon, teach them and continue them while seeking to move ahead.”

“When a family business grows,” Baassiri says, “it is because the family members aren't looking at it as a cow to milk, but as a whole farm that they can work together.”

*About Raméz Baassiri*

Raméz Baassiri, author of *Interrupted Entrepreneurship: Embracing Change in the Family Business* (www.ramezbaassiri.com), is a board member of a multinational, multi-generational family business. Raméz is a firm believer in education through storytelling—a concept that can, and does, change the world for the better.

## COMMODITY INSITE: Forces that end a bull stock market

BY JERRY WELCH

When it was announced today (October 5) by the Labor Department that the September jobs pegged the U.S. unemployment rate at its lowest level since 1969, nearly 50 years ago, stocks and bonds did a nosedive.

Bond prices fell to their lowest levels in four years with mortgage rates hitting a new, seven-year high.

It was a rough week for stocks and bonds and the bulls as investors and traders are coming to grips with the fact that higher rates are coming and the era of cheap money is over.

At one point this week, the NASDAQ, the darling of Wall Street, fell sharply to a level not seen since the first days of August. But the most damage done to the Dow Jones was to slip to a three-week low.

However, here is some food for thought: In the early August, the Dow was trading around the 25,300 level compared to where it closed today around 26,300. In other words, the NASDAQ, the upside leader in the world of equities and the darling of Wall Street, is hinting loudly the Dow is 1,000 points overvalued... at the least.

By any measure, this week was flat-out bearish stocks and bonds.

But investors looking to make a play with cannabis (also known as marijuana) rushed to buy the stock of India Globalization Capital Inc., or IGC.

In early August, stock of IGC was trading around 50 cents a share; but this week, rose to well over \$14 a share. While stocks and bonds are now suffering due to higher interest rates, shares and stock of IGC rallied 1,000 percent in three months.

Moving forward and regardless of cannabis stocks, history shows clearly that there are three forces that can turn a bull stock market into a bear. They are: a war, a recession, or, higher interest rates.

But, as I stated in my column from last week, “When are interest rates, too high and become a problem for stocks?” There is no simple or clear answer to that question.

In my “It's About Time” column from last week, I had the following thoughts about the stock market:

“The day after it was announced that con-

sumer confidence hit an 18 year high, CBS News published an article with this headline. “Executives are selling off their company's stock at a record pace.” CBS stated, “Corporate insiders are dumping stock in their companies at a rate not seen in 10 years. With September not yet over, stock sales by company executives reached \$5.7 billion, according to data from TrimTabs Investment Research -- the highest September in a decade. August's \$10.3 billion in insider sales also reached a 10-year record.”

“History shows that when, “insiders,” a.k.a, “smart money” are selling stocks it is a sign that those in the know want out of the market. They fear that stock values are as high as they will go for the time being and want to cash out while the getting is good.”

There is no doubt in my mind that the heavy selling with stocks and bonds this week was by “insiders” and “smart money”.

They have been on the sell side of the ledger for weeks and in some cases months. And based on the September employment rate that estimates the unemployment rate in the US at

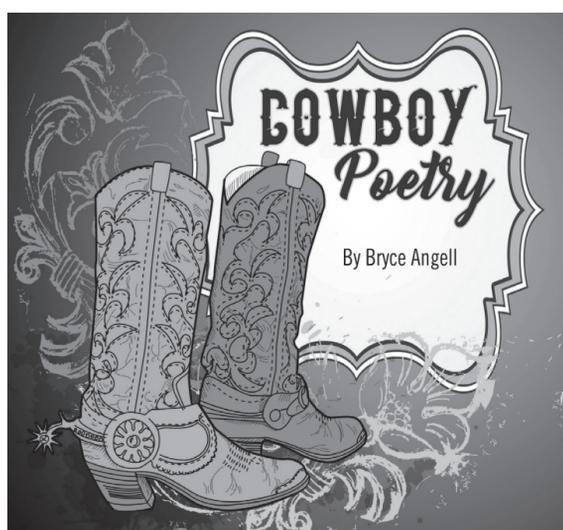
a 49 year low, “insiders” and “smart money” investors will continue to cash out of all paper markets while the getting is still good.

From Market Watch with a headline of “A \$20 trillion bond index is on track for its second-worst year in history.” “The Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond index, linked to trillions of dollars of fixed-income, is on track to post its second-worst showing in history.”

“The index is one of the most widely used barometers for bond-fund managers, and is associated with more than \$20 trillion of assets.

Its poor performance underscores how fixed-income markets have struggled amid a strengthening U.S. economic backdrop, which has prompted the Federal Reserve to continue to raise rates and consequently driven bond prices lower and yields to multiyear highs.”

History shows there are three forces that can morph the stock market from a bull to a bear. A war. A recession. Or, higher interest rates. If you doubt that for one moment, check it out by going to [www.commodityinsite.com](http://www.commodityinsite.com).



## Jasper, the lop-eared mule

I checked the outside temperature. 'Twas 12 degrees below. The stove inside my canvas tent was burning a bright red glow.

I opened up the tent flap, filled my lungs and gave a yell. I swear old Jasper looked at me and said, “It's cold as @#%&!”

Jasper and my saddlehorse were munching on the hay. Last night I threw enough feed out to last them most the day.

I closed the flap and tossed a chunk of Doug Fir in the fire.

Then I tied the stove door shut with a piece of baling wire.

Now, Jasper was an old pack mule. He'd packed my gear for years. But I should have named him Ugly. Let me tell you 'bout his ears.

When Jasper was a yearling, my horse kicked him in the head. He laid there in the corral and I was sure that he was dead.

But then to everyone's surprise, that mule got on his feet. He tried to take a step or two.

His walk was plumb offbeat.

I noticed that one ear of his was lying almost flat. Well, Jasper got his wits back, but his ear stayed just like that.

I tried a bunch of different ways to keep that ear up straight. I even tied a hat on, but it seemed to agitate.

So all this time, old Jasper's ears have never been the same. It's been a conversation piece. Some folks think it's a shame.

I'd say most mules are ugly, but old Jasper takes the cake.

A friend of mine says, “Jasper looks like nature's worst mistake!”

I've always made a point to give that mule some extra care. I guess I feel responsible he's had this cross to bear.

But Jasper doesn't seem to mind that no one wants to gush. When someone calls him ugly, I have never seen him blush.

# COMICS & PUZZLES

## King Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1 Light touch
- 4 Ducks' home
- 8 Creche trio
- 12 Swelled head
- 13 Acknowledge
- 14 Touch
- 15 Its capital is Gaborone
- 17 Give a darn
- 18 Massive weight
- 19 Mistake in print
- 21 Bouquet component
- 24 Online help page
- 25 CD- —
- 26 Badly lit
- 28 Ancient African kingdom
- 32 Help surreptitiously
- 34 "— Town"
- 36 Billions of years
- 37 Now
- 39 Off-tattooed word
- 41 Placekicker's pride
- 42 Dylan or Dole
- 44 Potassium source
- 46 Set free
- 50 Can material
- 51 Off base
- 52 Form of food poisoning

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- 56 Arp's style
- 57 Storyteller
- 58 Long sandwich
- 59 Watchful one
- 60 Hamburg's river
- 61 Afternoon affair
- 6 Zilch
- 7 Happy, for one
- 8 Rhesus monkey
- 9 Blind as —
- 10 Mentor
- 11 Thing
- 16 Boar's mate
- 20 Skedaddled
- 21 "Animal House" group
- 22 See 23-Down
- 23 With 22-Down, John Wayne movie
- 27 Silent
- 29 Gregor Mendel, e.g.
- 30 Part of the loop
- 31 Cruising
- 33 Arranged in rows and columns
- 35 Plagiarize
- 38 — Kippur
- 40 Ripe
- 43 Sacred text
- 45 Zero
- 46 Put together
- 47 Vacationing
- 48 Protuberance
- 49 Labor
- 53 Bill
- 54 Seek damages
- 55 Biz deg.

**DOWN**

- 1 Newcomer to society
- 2 Past
- 3 Reached the nadir, with "out"
- 4 Hocked
- 5 Eggs

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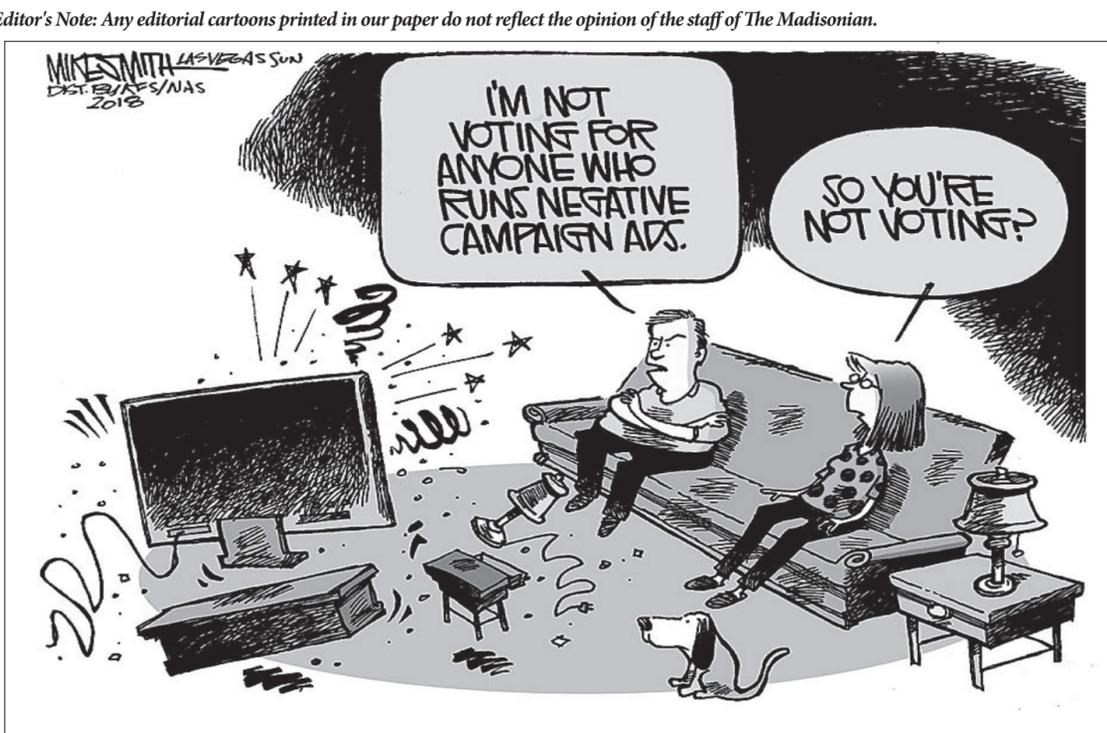
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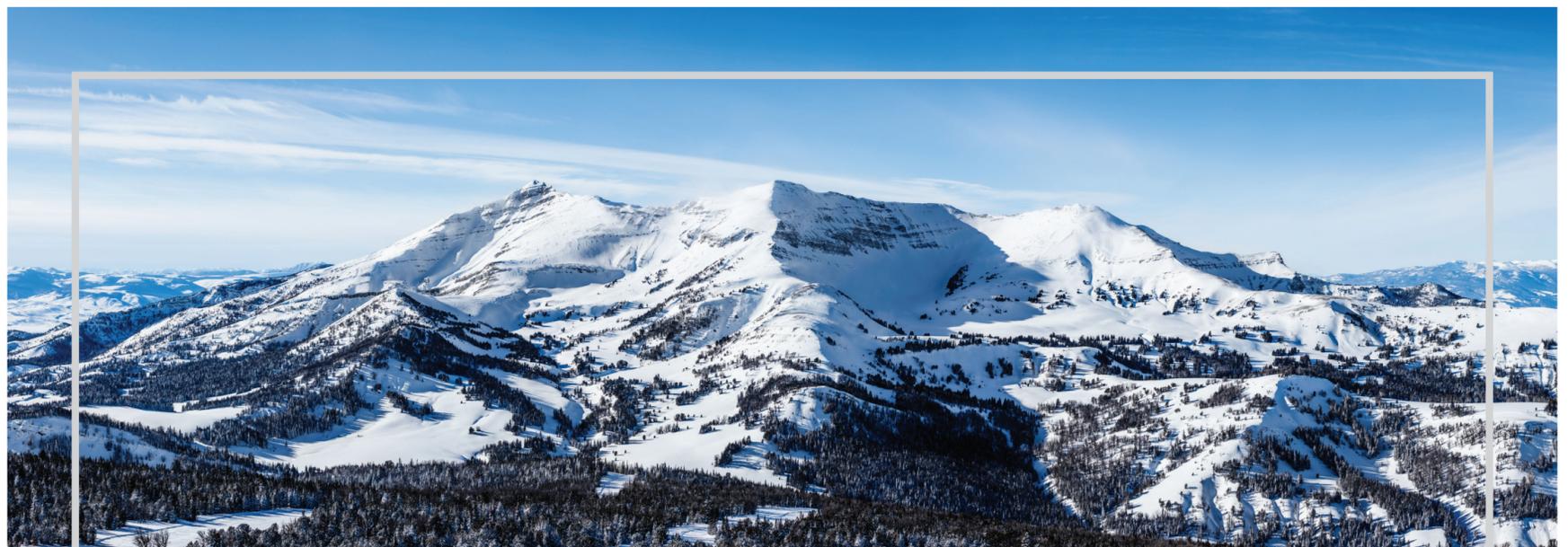
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# PUBLIC NOTICES OCTOBER 11, 2018

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT BYRON WHITE, a/k/a ROBERT B. WHITE, deceased. NO. DP-29-2018-23 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN 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 months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to David James White, Personal Representative, return receipt requested, c/o Cusick, Mattick & Refling, P.C., P.O. Box 1288, Bozeman, Montana 59711-1288, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. I declare under penalty of perjury and under the laws of the state of Montana that the foregoing is true and correct. DATED this 24th day of September, 2018. /s/ David James White  
David James White,  
Personal Representative  
(Published September 27, October 4, 12, 2018) cmr  
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**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**  
MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT MADISON COUNTY  
MORGAN MANLEY AND DAVID SANDERS, Plaintiffs  
v.  
THE ESTATE OF KARLA LAWHEAD  
and all other persons, known or unknown, claiming or who might claim any right, title, estate, or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the Complaint below which is adverse to the Plaintiff's ownership or a cloud upon Plaintiff's title thereto, whether such claim or possible claim be present or contingent.  
CAUSE NO. DV-29-2018-46  
THE STATE OF MONTANA TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS UNKNOWN, GREETING:  
You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action which is filed in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, a copy of which is included in said file, and to serve a copy thereof upon the Plaintiffs' att orn eys within twenty-one (21) days after completion of service of Summons by Publication; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.  
This action is brought for the purpose of quieting title to lands situated in Madison County, Monta na, more particularly described as follows:  
A Tract of land located in the South 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 2, Township 6 South, Range 1 West, P.M.M., as described in Book 7 or Survey Page 826, records of Madison County, Montana ("Property").  
Witness my hand and the seal of said Court this 17th day of September, 2018.  
/s/ Karen J. Miller  
Clerk of Court  
by: /s/ Carmin Hill  
Pub. Sep. 27, Oct. 4, 11, 2018) dml  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION OF A RESORT AREA**  
On September 5, 2018, YC Holdings, LLC, filed an application with the Department for the determination of a resort area at The Yellowstone Club. The legal description of the proposed resort area plat is as follows: Sections 6, 7, 8, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, Township 7 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana; SE1/4 and SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 34, Township 6 South, Range 2 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana; SE1/4 of Section 10, Township 7 South Range 2 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana; That portion of Yellowstone Mountain Club Subdivision, Phase 3A, in Madison County, Montana, according to the official plat thereof on file of record in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder, Madison County, Montana (Plat reference in Book 4 of Plats, Page 517, records of Madison County, Montana) located within Sections 35 and 36, Township 6 South, Range 2 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana; That portion of Yellowstone Mountain Club Subdivision, Phase 3A, in Madison County, Montana, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder, Madison County, Montana (Plat reference in Book 4 of Plats, Page 517, records of Madison County, Montana) located within Sections 31 and 32, Township 6 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana; That portion of Yellowstone Mountain Club Subdivision, Phases 1 and 2, in Madison County, Montana, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder, Madison County, Montana (Plat reference in Book 4 of Plats, Page 408, records of Madison County, Montana) located in Section 5, Township 7 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana; and Sections 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 23 and 24 Township 7 South, Range 2 East, Madison County, Montana. A public hearing is scheduled to commence at 9:00 a.m. Mountain Time, on Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at Buck's T-4 Lodge, 46625 Gallatin Road, Big Sky, Montana. Any person wishing to submit facts or evidence must notify the Hearing Examiner on or before October 22, 2018. Any person may present written or oral statements at the hearing in opposition to or support of the plat. However, the Hearings Examiner is not required to recognize any facts or evidence in those statements, unless notice was given. Michele R. Crepeau has been appointed Hearings Examiner. All correspondence and motions in the above-referenced matter should be directed to the Office of Dispute Resolution, P.O. Box 5805, Helena, MT, 59604-5805. Dated: September 27, 2018 By: Jamie Williams \_\_\_\_\_ Licensing and Compliance Specialist  
(Pub. September 27, Oct 4, 11, 2018) dor  
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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
ENNIS BIG SKY AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS ENNIS, MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA A.I.P. 3-30-0090-020-2018 - REBID  
Separate sealed bids will be received by Madison County, Montana until 1:30 p.m., local time, October 23, 2018. All bids will be received, publicly opened, and read aloud at the Madison County Commissioners Public Meeting Room, Madison County Administrative Offices Building, 103 West Wallace, Virginia City, Montana 59755-0278, for the Ennis Big Sky Airport Improvements Project to include the following: - Base Bid: Construct 80' x 50' wood framed, steel sided, heated, and insulated garage (3-bays) - Additive Alternate #1: Expand building by 20' width to total of 100' x 50' wood framed, steel sided, heated, and insulated garage (4-bays) This work is to include all tools, equipment, materials, and labor to complete this project. Madison County, Montana, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 USC §§ 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders or offerors that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award. The requirements of 49 CFR part 26 apply to this contract. It is the policy

of Madison County, Montana to practice non-discrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. The Owner encourages participation by all firms qualifying under this solicitation regardless of business size or ownership. All contracts and subcontracts that result from this solicitation incorporate by reference the provisions of 29 CFR part 201, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), with the same force and effect as if given in full text. The FLSA sets minimum wage, overtime pay, recordkeeping, and child labor standards for full and part-time workers. The Contractor has full responsibility to monitor compliance to the referenced statute or regulation. The Contractor must address any claims or disputes that arise from this requirement directly with the U.S. Department of Labor - Wage and Hour Division. This project is subject to the Federal provisions for Buy American Preference, Foreign Trade Restriction, Davis Bacon, Affirmative Action, Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, Certification of Offeror/Bidder Regarding Debarment, and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace, which are incorporated by reference. Failure to comply with the terms of these contract provisions may be sufficient grounds to: 1.) Withhold progress payments or final payment, 2.) Terminate the contract, 3.) Seek suspension/debarment, or 4.) Any other action determined to be appropriate by the Sponsor or the FAA. Bids will be received on a price basis as described in the Contract Documents. Bid security in the amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid, which shall be: (1) lawful money of the United States; or (2) a Cashier's Check, Certified Check, Bank Money Order or Bank Draft, in any case drawn and issued by a federally chartered or state chartered bank insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation; or (3) a bid bond, guaranty bond, or surety bond executed by a surety corporation authorized to do business in the State of Montana. The bid security shall be made payable to the Owner and failure to enter into a formal contract will result in the Owner retaining the bid security. The successful bidder will be required to enter into a formal contract within ten (10) calendar days from the date the Notice of Award is received, to complete an insurance certification, to furnish a Performance Bond, and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond. The bonds will each be equal to 100 percent of the contract amount. The successful Bidder is required to comply with Montana's Contractor Registration Law in accordance with Title 39, Chapter 9, MCA. Contract Documents may be inspected- at many plan exchanges, and at the office of the consulting engineer, Robert Peccia & Associates, (3147 Saddle Dr. / P.O. Box 5653, Helena, MT 59604). They may be reviewed, downloaded, and printed at no cost under the "CURRENT PROJECTS BIDDING" tab at www.rpa-hln.com. All bids must be submitted in a Bidding Documents booklet, provided by the Engineer upon receipt of \$25.00 (non-refundable). Alternate forms or copies of the Bidding Documents booklet will not be acceptable. The Planholders List will include only the purchasers of Bidding Documents booklets. Hard copies of the Contract Documents (including a Bidding Documents booklet) printed by the Engineer are available upon receipt of \$250.00 (non-refundable) for each complete set. No pre-bid conference will be held for this project; however, potential bidders are encouraged to visit the site and to contact the Engineer (browser@rpa-hln.com or 406-447-5000) with questions. Faxed bids will not be accepted or considered. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to reject nonconforming, irregular, non-responsive, or conditional bids. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 45 days from the date of the opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of the bidder prior to award of the contract. October 3, 2018 MADISON COUNTY By /s/ Ronald E. Nye, Chairman (Pub. October 4, 11, 18, 2018) mcc  
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**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,  
vs.  
\* HOSAIN RAHMAN, an individual; and ALICIA ENGSTROM, an individual, Defendants, \* TO BE SOLD AT Sheriff's Sale on the 24th day of October, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. on the front steps of the Madison County Courthouse, 100 W. Wallace Street, Virginia City, Madison County, Montana, the following described property: Ranch 6 of Certificate of Survey No. 2184, recorded in Book 7 of Surveys, page 2184, records of Madison County, Montana, located in Section 20, Township 7 South, Range 3 East, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, according to the official survey thereof on file and of record in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder, Madison County, Montana. Parcel ID Number: 28003904 The property is located in Madison County at Ranch 6 at Yellowstone Club, Big Sky, Montana, 59716. Together with all rights, easements, appurtenances, royalties, mineral rights, oil and gas rights, all water and riparian rights, ditches, and water stock and all existing and future improvements, structures, fixtures, and replacements that may now, or at any time in the future, be part of the real estate described above. Dated this 1st day of October, 2018. /s/ PHIL FORTNER, UNDERSHERIFF OF MADISON COUNTY  
(Pub. October 4, 11, 18, 2018) mcs  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Notice of Application for Air Quality Permit** (pursuant to Section 75-2-211, MCA, and ARM Title 17, Chapter 8, Subchapter 6, Open Burning), Madison County Solid Waste Program  
Will file on or about October 15, 2018 an application for a conditional air quality open burning permit from the Permitting and Compliance Division of the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (Department). Applicant(s) seeks approval of its/their application to open burn clean wood waste and tree branches, At Madison County Class III Landfills; Ennis S1/2, SW1/4, S36 T5S, R1W; Twin Bridges NW1/4, SW1/4, S26, T3S, R6W  
Any member of the public with questions or who wishes to receive notice of the Department's determination, and the location where a copy of the application and the Department's analysis of it can be reviewed, or to submit comments on the application, must contact the Department at 1520 East Sixth Ave., P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901, phone (406) 444-3490. Any comments on the application must be submitted to the Department within 20 days after publication of this notice or filing of the application, whichever is later. The Department's decision to approve or deny an application for a conditional open burning permit may be reviewed by the Board of Environmental Review (Board) according to the following procedure:  
When the Department approves or denies the application for a conditional open burning permit under this section, a person who is jointly or severally adversely affected by the Department's decision may request, within 15 days after the Department renders its decision, upon affidavit setting forth the grounds therefor, a hearing before the Board. A hearing shall be held under the provisions of the Montana Administrative Procedures

Act. The Department's decision on the application is not final unless 15 days have elapsed and there is no request for a hearing under this section. The filing of a request for a hearing postpones the effective date of the Department's decision until the conclusion of the hearing and issuance of a final decision by the Board.  
(Pub. October 11, 2018) mcc  
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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS EMERGENCY ENGINEERING & GRANT/LOAN ADMINISTRATION SERVICES**

The Town of Sheridan is requesting qualifications from firms for focused emergency engineering and grant/loan administration services for the Town's Emergency Water Supply Project. This solicitation is focused on providing required engineering oversight of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development (RD) Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant (ECWAG) and associated Loan, and installation of a new water supply well.  
The Town is interested in overseeing the work described in the 2018 ECWAG Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and, as appropriate, the USDA RD construction Grant and Loan. The services and requirements to be provided will include:  
- Provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work (well and transmission line) conforms with the approved plans and specifications and furnish progress reports and such other information as may be required by the USDA RD and/or State;  
- Provide Town with Grant and Loan Administration support;  
- Provide Town personnel with technical support for any issues during construction;  
- Provide water supply water well driller procurement services to meet USDA RD solicitation requirements; and,  
- Oversee well logging of the proposed production well and aquifer testing to meet Montana Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) requirements.  
Specific services to be provided include, but are not limited to:  
- prepare the water supply well construction bid package in conformance with applicable agency requirements and supervise the bid advertising, tabulation, and award process, including preparation of the advertisements for bid solicitation, conduction of the bid opening, and issuance of the notice to proceed;  
- review and approve all contractor requests for payment related to the well and submit approved requests to the Town;  
- provide reproducible as-constructed drawings of the water supply well to the Town upon completion;  
- conduct final inspection, testing and start up services for the well;  
- submit certified "as-constructed" drawings to USDA/RD and reviewing agencies;  
- prepare an operation and maintenance manual and plan of operation;  
- review contractor's labor standard requirements in accordance with applicable state and federal regulations;  
- assist in grant and loan administration; and,  
- assist in project administration as required by the Town and USDA RD.  
The Town may, at its option, utilize the selected engineer for additional focused design and construction management services as required, specific to this water supply project and addressing the need for emergency water.  
The Statement of Qualification cannot exceed 8 pages (not including cover page, table of contents, and resumes). The Town requests a short, simple, and high quality presentation using 12 point or larger font, single or double spaced lines, and no additional information beyond what is requested. Responses should include:  
1. The firm's legal name, address, and telephone number;  
2. The principal(s) of the firm and their experience and qualifications;  
3. The experience and qualifications of the staff to be assigned to the project;  
4. A description of the firm's prior experience, including any similar projects (in particular those funded by USDA RD or other funding agencies), size of community, location, total construction cost, and name of local official knowledgeable with the firm's performance; and,  
5. A description of the firm's current work activities, how these would be coordinated with the project, and the firm's anticipated availability during the term of the project.  
Respondents will be evaluated according to the following criteria:  
1. Qualifications of professional personnel to be assigned to the project including reference checks (up to 3 references maximum). (20%)  
2. Related company and staff experience on this project and/or similar projects. (20%)  
3. Capability to meet time and project budget requirements (10%)  
4. Present and projected workloads (10%)  
5. Location (10%)  
6. Recent and current work for the Town of Sheridan. (10%)  
7. Familiarity with the project and 2018 ECWAG PER and approved MDEQ well design (20%). Offeror should have an intimate knowledge of the 2018 project Emergency Preliminary Engineering Report (PER), Environmental Report (ER), and approved MDEQ well design.  
The selection of the successful firm will be based on an evaluation of the written responses from the firm and an interview, if the Town deems the latter is needed. The award will be made to the most qualified firm whose proposal is deemed most advantageous to the Town, all factors considered. Unsuccessful offerors will be notified as soon as possible.  
The Town utilizes a "qualifications based" selection process to select the most qualified firm and negotiate a contract with the firm determined to be the most qualified at a price which is determined to be fair and reasonable. Costs will not be discussed until the top ranked respondent has been selected for contract negotiations.  
The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any and all qualification statements, or parts of statements; waive technicalities; and to make its decision on the basis of merit, appropriateness, and any other factor. Unless all statements are rejected or the solicitation is cancelled, a contract will be awarded to the firm whose qualifications meet the requirements and criteria set forth in this Request for Qualifications.  
Interested individuals or firms should contact the Town Clerk/Treasurer, (Telephone 406-842-5431, 103 East Hamilton, or PO Box 78, Sheridan, MT, 59749) for additional information concerning the proposal and responses to any questions that respondents may have concerning the project.  
Five copies of the proposal should be received no later than noon on October 24, 2018. Please state "Town of Sheridan Emergency Engineering Services Proposal" on the outside of the response package. This solicitation is being offered in accordance with Federal and Montana statutes governing procurement of professional services.  
(Pub. October 11, 18, 2018) tos  
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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE on January 8, 2019, at 11:00 AM, at the Front Door to the Madison County Courthouse located at 100 West Wallace in Virginia City, MT 59755, the following described real property situated in Madison County, Montana:  
Parcel C of Certificate of Survey Book 7 of Surveys on file and of record in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana.  
A tract of land located in the SE 1/4 Section 32, T.5S., R.4W., P.M.M., Madison County, Montana being all of a tract as shown on C.O.S. BK. 7, PG 775-A and a portion of Parcel B and Tract 1 of C.O.S. BK. 7 PG. 1679, described as follows:  
Commencing at the center of 1/4 corner of said Section 32, thence S. 07°41'30"E., 472.72 ft to the true point of beginning of Parcel C; thence N. 67°33'04"E., 148.62 ft; thence S. 17°18'13"E., 323.96 ft; thence S. 14°50'24", 211.27 ft; thence S. 53°52'29"W., 64.34 ft, thence N. 72°00'22"W., 246.78 ft.; thence N. 00°09'22"W., 418.47 ft to the point of beginning containing 2.47 acres of land. A.P.N. 9002600  
More accurately described as:  
A tract of land located in the SE1/4 of Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 4 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown and described as "Parcel C" on Certificate of Survey filed in Book 7 of Surveys, page 1696-BA, records of Madison County, Montana.  
David Frank Claypool and Sherry M. Claypool, as Grantors, conveyed said real property to First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to MeLife Home Loans, a Division of MeLife Bank, N.A., as Beneficiary, by Deed of Trust dated November 21, 2011, and recorded on December 6, 2011 as Document No. 143429.  
The beneficial interest is currently held by Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company, First American Title Company of Montana, Inc., is currently the Trustee.  
The beneficiary has declared a default in the terms of said Deed of Trust due to vacating the property.  
The total amount due on this obligation as of July 26, 2018 is \$237,345.00 principal, interest totaling \$100,734.81, mortgage insurance premiums of \$32,578.19, and other fees and expenses advanced of \$13,041.45, plus accruing interest, late charges, and other costs and fees that may be advanced. The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of this sale include the trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation.  
The sale is a public sale and any person, including the beneficiary, excepting only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by Trustee's Deed without any representation or warranty, including warranty of Title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The sale pur-

chaser shall be entitled to possession of the property on the 10th day following the sale. The grantor, successor in interest to the grantor or any other person having an interest in the property, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, may pay to the beneficiary or the successor in interest to the beneficiary the entire amount then due under the deed of trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually incurred and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and thereby cure the default.  
The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 15 days for any reason, and in the event of a bankruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by the trustee for up to 120 days by public proclamation at least every 30 days.  
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
Dated: August 14, 2018.  
/s/ Kaitlin Ann Gotch  
Assistant Secretary,  
First American Title Company of Montana, Inc.  
Successor Trustee  
Title Financial Specialty Services  
PO Box 339  
Blackfoot ID 83221  
STATE OF Idaho  
ss.  
County of Bingham  
On this 14 day of August, 2018, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Kaitlin Ann Gotch, known to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company of Montana, Inc., Successor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same.  
/s/ Rae Albert  
Notary Public  
Bingham County, Idaho  
Commission expires: 9-6-2022  
Champion Mortgage LLC vs David Frank Claypool Sherry M. Claypool 103432-1  
(Pub. October 11, 18, 25, 2018) mk  
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**(MADISON COUNTY COMMUNITY NEEDS & PRIORITIES PUBLIC HEARING**  
The Madison County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 24, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room in the Madison County Administrative Office Building located at 103 West Wallace Street, Virginia City, MT. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain public comments regarding the community development needs and priorities of Madison County for economic development, housing, and community revitalization, and public facilities, and particularly as those needs affect low and moderate-income persons. Madison County is considering submitting applications to the Montana Department of Commerce for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and the Commissioners would like to obtain public comment on the needs of the County. The Commissioners will explain the purpose of the CDBG Program and describe the variety of activities eligible for funding. At the public hearing, everyone will be given the opportunity to express their opinions regarding the County's needs and the type of projects that should be considered by the Commissioners. Comments may be given orally at the hearing or submitted in writing by the end of the public hearing. Anyone that would like more information or would like to submit suggestions should contact the Madison County Commissioners at (406) 843-4277. The CDBG Community and Public

Facilities Application Guidelines for the 2018 program year are not yet available. However, a copy of the 2017 application guidelines is available for review during regular office hours at the Madison County Commission Office located at 103 West Wallace, Virginia City, MT. Additional information about Montana's CDBG Program is also available at <http://comdev.mt.gov/Programs/CDBG/Facilities/Applying>. Madison County will make reasonable accommodation for any known disability that may interfere with a person's ability to participate in this public hearing. Persons needing an accommodation must notify the Madison County Commissioners at (406) 843-4277 no later than October 19, 2018, to allow adequate time to make needed arrangements. You may also write to the Madison County Commissioners at P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, MT 59755-0278 or via email at [madco@madisoncountymt.gov](mailto:madco@madisoncountymt.gov) to make your request known. Madison County Commissioners Ronald E. Nye, Chair James P. Hart, Member Dan W. Allhands, Member Pub. October 11, 18, 2018) mcc  
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**MADISON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Madison County Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday, October 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 proposed ranch operations infrastructure locations and uses on common areas within the Sun West Ranch Subdivision Planned Unit Development, located on the west side of the Madison River in Sections 17, 20, 28, 29, 32 and 32, T10S, R1E, PM. Written comments should be received by 3:00 p.m. on October 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 [planning@madisoncountymt.gov](mailto:planning@madisoncountymt.gov). Oral or written comments may also be given at the public hearing. The proposal and supplemental information pertaining to this proposed subdivision are available for review at: • Madison County Planning Office, 103 W. Wallace, Virginia City; and • Madison Valley Library, 210 West Main Street, Ennis Call (406) 843-5250 for more information. John Fountain, President, Madison County Planning Board, Pub. October 11, 18, 2018) mcpb  
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**NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE**

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
MADISON COUNTY  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:  
CARLETON WILLIAM HARWOOD, Petitioner.  
Cause No. DV-29-2018-72  
HON. LUKE BERGER  
This is notice that Petitioner, Carleton William Harwood, has asked the District Court for a change of his name, Carleton William Harwood, to William Carleton Dellar. The hearing will be on Monday, November 5, 2018, at 1:15 p.m. The hearing will be at the Madison County Courthouse in Virginia City, Montana. DATED this 2 day of October, 2018.  
POORE, ROTH & ROBINSON, P.C.  
By  
/s/ Katie Green  
Attorneys for the Petitioner  
1341 Harrison Avenue  
Butte, Montana 59701  
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Pack your layers, water, lunches, good shoes, cameras, and rock picks and meet at the High School Parking lot at 9 am on Saturday! Prospecting Mining Trip Ennis to Sappington, gold placers in Canyon to LaHood, mining claims Whitehall, Twin Bridges to Ennis. During this prospecting field trip you will look to find ores, locate crystals, and samples of rocks, minerals, and rock formations.

**"Capital Fights" The Struggles of Selecting Montana's Capital** Thursday, October 18th | 6-7:30pm | Gary Forney | Virginia City Meeting Hall | \$20  
Many of Montana's cities were hungry for the honor—and the economic benefits—of being selected as the capital site. And the stories of the battles to obtain, or retain, this honor is one of the most colorful chapters in Montana history. Join us as we travel back to explore how cases of rampant ballot irregularities, wholesale vote buying, a mysterious fire, and a hearing before the United States Supreme Court influenced the location of our state's capital. The focus of this class will be upon the four elections—and the factors and people which influenced those elections—that determined the location of the capital of Montana.

Questions and discussion will be encouraged.  
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**Needle Felt Animal Workshop** Saturday, October 20th | 9am-5pm | Gail Barndt & Jenn Doney | HS Art Room | \$52  
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**Jelly Roll Rug** Saturday, November 3rd | 9am-4pm | Kathy Olkowski & Lexie Brundin | HS Rm#6 | \$20  
Join us for the jelly roll rug class that is sweeping the nation. Make a 30" by 44" rug. Grab the pattern by Roma Quilts ([https://www.etsy.com/listing/563692743/jelly-roll-rug-pattern-pdf?ref=pr\\_shop](https://www.etsy.com/listing/563692743/jelly-roll-rug-pattern-pdf?ref=pr_shop)), a jelly roll and some batting strips and come make a custom rug. As this is an all day workshop, please pack a lunch!

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## Group offers \$20K to help USDA with grizzly, wolf livestock damages

MISSOULA — Montana Sportsmen for Fish & Wildlife (MTSFW) has announced a \$20,000 donation to the USDA Wildlife Services to help the agency with their efforts to reduce wolf and grizzly bear damage to livestock.

JR Srand, MTSFW President said, "We are pleased to assist Wildlife Services by augmenting their fiscal resources as they struggle with the additional operational demands from more grizzly bear conflicts. This funding to Wildlife Services is also consistent with the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committees' goals to reduce livestock depredation."

MTSFW recognizes the importance of helping Montana landowners and livestock producers who are burdened with significant depredation events, they should not have to accept losses, especially since there is no Montana grizzly hunting season in sight.

"This contribution from MTSFW is important as the agency's workload has rapidly increased due to expanding grizzly bear distribution, resulting in escalated conflicts with livestock" said John E. Steuber, Montana State Director Wildlife Services.

Kevin Halverson, President of the Montana Wool Growers Association, "notes that coyote and other predator control work performed by Wildlife Services as part of its core mission is decreasing to the increased demands being placed on Wildlife Services by the exploding numbers of grizzly bears and wolves on Montana's landscape."

Montana Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife is a Montana based sportsmen and sportswomen organization that has steadfastly advocated de-listing of wolves and grizzly bears.

MTSFW supports science-based regulated hunting of grizzlies to help manage numbers and distribution and minimize conflicts with hunters and livestock.

For more information on the organization go to [www.mt-sfw.org](http://www.mt-sfw.org)

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- Personal pitch - Each candidate who participates will be offered a 1.5 minute opportunity to state why you are running for office, elaborate on your platform, to make your pitch, etc. prior to taking questions submitted from the audience.
- Question & Answer session - Following this, questions submitted in writing from the audience will be asked of a specific candidates or candidates for office by the moderator. The candidate/s will have a 2 minute window to respond to this question.

Light refreshments will be served.

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John Taylor, Editor will moderate.

SPORTS



**F-ball, V-ball tourney...**  
On Saturday, September 8, the Sheridan Junior High Volleyball and Football jamboree which was held. Ten schools brought volleyball teams including Harrison, Twin Bridges and Sheridan brought teams to the event, and five schools brought football teams, the only local team was Sheridan's Panthers. Above, Sheridan's Junior High football team warms up before a game. Right, Twin Bridges Lady Falcons serves as part of the volleyball tournament. (SUBMITTED)

Ennis tops Sheridan in midweek match

ENNIS - The Ennis Mustangs volleyball team defeated the Sheridan Panthers in three sets on Tuesday, October 2, with scores of 25-10, 25-15 and 25-12. Ennis seniors Whitney McKittrick and Jourdain Klein continued their dominance on the court. McKittrick had seven aces Tuesday night, along with eight kills, 11 assists and one block. Klein added six aces, nine kills and another block. Riley Robinson had nine assists and one block, Shelby Klein added another lock, and Alyssa West had two of the team's three digs. On Sheridan's side, Amanda Grow scored three of the Panthers' six aces, Grace Hill added three digs, Ruby Rossiter had seven kills, Micara Devereaux had six assists and Desaray Tipton had the team's single block. The Mustangs rode that success to a three-set vic-

tory against Granite in Philipsburg on Saturday, October 6 in 25-11, 25-20 and 25-7. Jourdain Klein racked up some impressive statistics, counting four aces, 15 kills, and four blocks. McKittrick made excellent contributions as well, with three aces, 15 assists and seven digs. Some unfamiliar names made themselves known as well: Joree Hokanson added three aces and three digs, while Riley Robinson added seven kills, five assists and three digs and Avery Oliver contributed two blocks. The Mustangs' next match will be Thursday, October 11 in Ennis against Three Forks. They will play an away match in Twin Bridges the following day, Friday, October 12. Sheridan will play two away matches on October 11 and 12, the first in Harrison and the second in Lima.

Lady Panthers V-ball falls to Drummond

SHERIDAN - According to April Wuelfing, Sheridan had a "tough game last night against Drummond at home who took all three sets."

Drummond topped Sheridan 25/14, 25/15 and 25/16. "We are competing with Drummond for fourth place in our district," Wuelfing continued, "and gave them too many points in all three sets. Not our best game, but we now know the specific things we need to focus on moving closer to Districts." Sheridan stats:  
• Aces - 5  
• Kills - 14; Ruby Rossiter, 4  
• Digs - 5

• Assists - 13; Madison Van Houten, 6  
• Drummond's stats:  
• Aces, 15 - Sara Kielley, 6; Sydney Phillips, 9 Hannah Bradshaw, 8  
• Digs 35 - Rylee Hilms, 9; Hannah Bradshaw, 8; Saras Kielley, 7  
• Assists, 14 - Sara Kielley, 10; Rylee Hilms, 4  
• Blocks - Sydney Phillips, 4; Donna Seekel, 1

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**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS**  
Sheridan Ward - Visitors Welcome  
Sacrament Meeting Sundays, 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 11:20 a.m.  
R S & Priesthood 12:10 p.m.  
Mutual (Youth Group) Weds. 7:00p.m.  
3560 | MT State Hwy 287 Sheridan 842-5860  
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**MADISON COUNTY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY'S MASS SCHEDULE**  
MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S IN SHERIDAN AT 4PM ON SATURDAYS.  
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315 W Main Street; Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Reservations 682-4422 To help us plan, please call at least 24 hours in advance for meal delivery or if you plan to dine in.  
• Friday October 12 - Cod fries & slaw, dessert, pinochle at 12:45 p.m.  
• Thursday October 11 - Chicken enchilada, rice & fruit, dessert, Red Hat Ladies.  
• Friday October 12 - Cod fries & slaw, dessert, pinochle at 12:45 p.m. "  
• Monday October 15 - Chicken pot pie, salad, dessert, mahjong at 1 p.m.  
• Tuesday October 16 - Pulled pork sandwich, slaw, dessert, play pan at 1 p.m.  
• Wednesday, October 17 - Tuna noodle casserole, salad & roll, dessert mahjong at 1 p.m.  
• Thursday, October 18 - Orange chicken, rice & veggies, dessert

**Ruby Valley Food Pantry, Sheridan**  
Open Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 12 noon. Located at 114 N. Main St., in Valley Assembly (formerly New Beginnings). Serving the Ruby Valley from Silver Star to Virginia City. Contact Doug 842-5587 or Jim 842-5573 for more information.

**Meals on Wheels, Sheridan**  
The Sheridan Senior Center offers meals for seniors 60 years and older, Monday - Friday. Seniors may choose to eat at the Senior Center, family style for \$3.50, or have their meals delivered for \$4. Delivered meals are within the city limits of Sheridan and should be called in by 10 a.m. Contact Shirley Sand at 842-5966.

**Virginia City Café**  
Senior meals for Madison County Seniors 60 and over will be served at the Virginia City Café on Tuesday & Thursdays from 11 am to 3 pm for \$4.00.  
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• Tuesday, October 16 - Grilled ham and cheese, soup, dessert  
• Thursday, October 18 - Shepard's pie, roll, dessert.

**Twin Bridges Senior Center**  
The Twin Bridges Senior and Community Center provides meals for seniors every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at noon at the Twin Bridges Senior and Community Center. Meals are for seniors 60 years and up (spouses and caregivers are invited). Donations for meals are appreciated.  
• Friday, Oct 12 Chicken Stir-fry, veggies, Jell-O fruit salad, dessert  
• Monday, Oct 15 Spaghetti, veggie, salad, breadsticks, dessert  
• Wednesday, Oct 17 Hungarian chicken, noodles, veggie salad, fruit bowl, orange dessert

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Pastor Ken Stensrud  
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• Sunday School 10:15 am  
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Ennis, Montana 406-682-4910

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**Saturday October 13**  
Prospecting Geology Field Trip, Ennis - Meet at the Ennis High School parking lot for a prospecting field trip to Sappington, LaHood, Whitehall, Twin Bridges and back to Ennis. We'll look for ores, crystals, rocks and minerals. Cost is \$20; bring layers, lunches and cameras. Leaving Ennis at 9 a.m.

Madison County Democrats Meeting, Virginia City - The monthly meeting of the Madison County Democratic Central Committee will be held at the Thompson-Hickman Library at 10 a.m. For more information call Ian Root at 682-3151.

Fall Bazaar Craft Show, Twin Bridges - Free entry to the 5th annual Fall Bazaar with games and prizes, 24 hand-crafted vendors and home-based consultants. Door prizes and a coffee station. 11 a.m. at the Madison County Fairgrounds.

Bethel Methodist Luncheon and Bazaar, Sheridan - The Bethel Methodist Women will host their annual luncheon and bazaar fundraiser with homemade bread, chili and soups, plus homemade pie! Bazaar items and baked goods will be available for sale, and Grassroots Uganda will be there with jewelry and gift

items. 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at 211 S. Main Street.

2018 Time Capsule Burial, Virginia City - Do Not Open Until 2118! The Thompson-Hickman Library will be burying its 2018 time capsule at 2 p.m. Some of the contents of the 1918 time capsule will be included with the contents of the new one, which will be buried directly beneath the 1918 cornerstone on the museum side of the library at 220 Wallace Street. Call the library at (406) 843-5346 for information.

**Thursday October 18**  
Bear Safety Presentation, Ennis - Join us for a free, informative

presentation on bear safety with information for hunters and other outdoor recreationists. Attendees will be entered to win one of 15 free cans of bear spray. Training at 5:30 p.m. at Madison Valley Public Library followed by an inert bear spray practice session.

"Capital Fights," Virginia City - A class focusing on the four elections—and the factors and people which influenced those elections—that determined the capital of Montana. Questions and discussion encouraged. Cost is \$20. 6-7:30 p.m. at the Virginia City Meeting hall, 316 W. Idaho Street.

**Friday October 19**  
33rd Annual Hunters Feed, Ennis - Chefs of all abilities offer up their best and most creative wild game dishes for all to vote upon right on Ennis's Main Street. T-shirts available for purchase for the 50/50 to help this free event. Register to participate by October 18. 3 p.m. on Main Street.

**Saturday October 27**  
Felting Workshop with BJ Radell, Virginia City - Create the snowperson of your wildest imagination or the Frosty we all know! The Elling House Arts & Humanities Center invites you to a day of felting fun with artist BJ Radell. She has shown and sold her work at the New York State Sheep and Wool Show and other juried and non-juried shows around New York. Limited to 10 people, cost \$35 plus \$8 for materials. Call 843-5454 for information.

*We will be closed*  
**OCT 15 - OCT 24**  
We Will Reopen on Thursday, October 25th for Our Winter Season  
**Dinner**  
Thursday-Saturday 5pm to 9pm  
**Brunch**  
Sunday 9am to 2pm  
Mahalo Nui Loa for Another Great Summer Season!  
View Our Weekly Dinner Menu on our website. Reservations Highly Recommended.  
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## REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

### MONDAYS

**Madison County Mental Health Local Advisory Council, Virginia City**  
Meeting the first Monday of each month from 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

### TUESDAYS

**Commissioner's Meeting, Virginia City**  
Madison Co. Commissioners meet every Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. Annex Building.

**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

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

### WEDNESDAYS

**Tennis, Ennis**  
9 a.m. til 1p.m., come play tennis at the Madison Meadows Golf Course. All levels welcome.

**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.

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

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

### THURSDAYS

**MV Women's Club FIRST THURS OF EA. MONTH**  
September through May at noon at the Madison Valley Baptist Church.

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

**SUP Land/Water Fitness Class, Ennis,**  
Paddle & Pilates on stand-up paddleboards on Ennis Lake. 75-minute classes every Thursday at 7 a.m. Call or text Christine at 406-600-6379 to reserve your spot.

### FRIDAYS

**Tennis, Ennis**  
9 a.m. til 1p.m., come play tennis at the Madison Meadows Golf Course. All levels welcome.

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

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

### FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

**Live Music - Norris**  
7 p.m.

**Farmers' Market, Twin Bridges**  
9 a.m. every.

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Weekend Special Pick Up between 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
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**NOW PLAYING:**  
THE HOUSE WITH A CLOCK IN ITS WALLS PG  
Let's Go to the Movies this Weekend!  
Friday 7:15 • Saturday 7:15 pm • Matinee Sunday 4:00 pm  
COMING SOON:  
A Simple Favor (R), Small Foot (PG)  
Please call to verify for last minute changes 682-4023 | 115 Main St, Ennis  
EnnisMovies.com | Facebook.com/MadisonTheatreEnnis

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312 E MAIN STREET, ENNIS 406-682-4117  
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LIVE MUSIC EVERY FRIDAY 5:30 - 7:30 PM  
COME JOIN THE FUN, LISTEN TO SOME GREAT MUSIC AND ENJOY SPIRITS WITH A WESTERN FLAVOR!!  
FRIDAY, OCT 12TH: LEFT FOR DEAD  
FRIDAY, OCT 19TH: 5TH ANNUAL CRITTER CALLING CONTEST & 33RD ANNUAL HUNTERS FEED  
COME SHOW OFF YOUR BEST ANIMAL CALLS AND WIN SOME AMAZING PRIZES FRIDAY NIGHT STARTING AT 5:30 PM AT WILLIE'S DISTILLERY  
FRIDAY, OCT 26TH: RUBY VALLEY BOYS & BARB WIRE  
FRIDAY, NOV 2ND: STEVE ROSE  
ASK ABOUT OUR WEEKLY BOTTLING PARTIES

**Madison Conservation District Meeting**  
Held the 3rd Monday of every month. 1 pm.  
(except December)  
Call 682-7289 for time & location

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Fun for all ages.  
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bzmsaddleoutlet@gwstoffice.net  
Cid Klebenow, Manager  
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FALL/WINTER HOURS: TH, FRI, MON: 4PM-10PM | SAT & SUN: 10AM-10PM  
CLOSED TUES & WED  
50 MILE GRILL  
MUSIC THIS WEEK  
Fri 10/12 Aran Buzzas Homegrown Montana Folky Tonk  
Sat 10/13 Christy Hays Desert Country  
Sun 10/14 Nathan North Looper Extraordinaire  
hwy 287 & route 84 - 15 miles north of ennis  
norrishotspings.com  
406.685.3303