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Chilly weather can't deter Halloween festivities



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Ghosts, ghouls and a princess or two took over Madison County last week

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MADISON COUNTY - Halloween afternoon brought chilly temperatures and even a few snow showers to Madison County, but it wasn't enough to dampen the spirits of trick-or-treaters, who came out in full force. Ennis, Virginia City, Harrison, Sheridan, Three Forks and Twin Bridges all

found themselves besieged by bedecked spooks taking part in a wide variety of Halloween activities.

Businesses opened to trick-or-treaters down main streets all over the county, and community events took the festivities inside and out of the damp, chilly weather. There were even a few dressed up canines who took part in the holiday, and some said they even spotted Sasquatch himself wandering the streets of Ennis.

We asked our readers to send us their best Halloween photos, and they didn't disappoint! Thank you to everyone who shared their costumes with us, we had our work cut out selecting our favorites.

HALLOWEEN ctd. on A2



Ennis senior Whitney McKittrick goes up for a kill during the Mustangs' match against Plains at the district championship volleyball tournament on Friday, November 2. (R. COLYER PHOTOS)

Ennis clinches state championship V-ball berth

Hard-fought division championship knocks out Twin Bridges

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MANHATTAN—The Twin Bridges Falcons and the Ennis Mustangs continued their post-season play at the divisional volleyball tournament hosted by Manhattan Christian November 1-3. The tournament began on Thursday and was the final step in qualifying for the state championship tournament this weekend.

On the first day of competition, Twin Bridges defeated Plains in an easy three sets of 25-18, 25-16 and 25-15, improving their overall season record to 12-5. Riah Edsall and Anna Kaiser continued to display the stellar numbers they've shown all season, with Edsall logging 12 kills and three blocks and Kaiser adding four digs, eight assists and five aces. Taryn Johnson added another eight assists to help the Falcons move to their second-round game against host Manhattan, who had defeated Clark Fork earlier in the day.

The Falcons fell to Manhattan in a grueling five sets of 30-28, 26-24, 19-25, 20-25 and 15-11. Ashleigh Guinnane had a stellar 10 kills, while Kaiser had eight digs and 10 assists, Edsall had five blocks and Johnson had 10 aces and 10 assists. Twin Bridges then fell into the secondary bracket for their matches on the second day of competition.

Ennis drew opponent Charlo in the first round on Thursday afternoon and maintained their undefeated record, though they lost in the third set and pushed into a fourth. Scores were close: 25-23, 25-22, 20-25 and 25-22, and both teams racked up impressive statistics sheets.

Ennis's Jourdain Klein had 23 of the Mustangs' 48 kills, while Whitney McKittrick led Ennis in both digs and assists, with 12 and 25 respectively. Jourdain and Shelby Klein added eight blocks each, and Joree Hokanson and Riley Robinson each contributed two aces.

The Mustangs moved into a second-round match against Gardiner, who had defeated Seeley Swan earlier in the day, and like district rival Twin Bridges pushed their opponents into extra sets. After scores of 25-19, 18-25, 25-15, 18-25 and 15-10, the Mustangs suffered their first loss of the 2018 season, notching 37 team kills compared to Gardiner's 50. Klein was responsible for 21 of those kills as well as seven blocks, McKittrick had eight digs and 20 assists and Alyssa West had five aces.

On Friday, both Ennis and Twin Bridges moved into the secondary bracket, each with a chance to still make the championship match. Ennis was first to play, dropping the Plains Trotters in three sets of 25-19, 25-15 and 25-18. Jourdain Klein had 18 kills and eight blocks while McKittrick had five aces and 18 assists. Robinson added six digs as the Mustangs sought to claw their way back into championship contention.

Just after Ennis beat Plains, Twin Bridges fell to Charlo in a challenging four sets of 25-16, 23-25, 27-25 and 25-14. Edsall ended her season by racking up 15 kills and eight blocks, leading the Falcons on both fronts. Charlo moved on to play Ennis later that afternoon, falling to the Mustangs in three sets of 25-17, 25-15 and 25-20.

After Manhattan defeated Gardiner, the Mustangs had a rematch of the second-round match that landed them in the secondary bracket, and came back with a vengeance. Klein locked in 26 kills and nine blocks, while McKittrick added eight digs, four aces and 30 assists, leaving Gardiner to settle for third place in sets of 25-22, 25-13, 21-25 and 25-16.

On Saturday evening, November 3, Ennis and host team Manhattan Chris-

V-BALL continued on A2



Ennis School Superintendent Casey Klasna. (SUBMITTED)

Klasna wins MASS award

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ENNIS—Ennis Schools superintendent Casey Klasna received one of two awards given by the Montana Association of School Superintendents last week, along with Superior School District superintendent Scott Kinney.

Kinney and Klasna were awarded the American Association of School Administrators' (AASA) Conference Incentive Award. The award allows superintendents who have never had the opportunity to attend the AASA National Conference on Education to do so, facilitated by the AASA.

"They open it up to all superintendents around the state to go to the national conference," says Klasna. "You apply with your resume and a letter of interest explaining how you've supported the MASS group over the years."

One of the criteria to apply for the award is that the applicant can never have attended the national conference before. Klasna has not, so he applied for the award back in August.

"I've been a member of AASA for nine years," says Klasna. "I was lucky this year to get selected."

At the conference, which will be held in February of 2019 in Los An-

KLASNA ctd. on A3

VIRGINIA CITY Solar panels denied, town hall to move?

Potential new historic grant, prep for winter also on the agenda

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VIRGINIA CITY—The Virginia City town council held its monthly meeting on Thursday, November 1, resolving an issue that has been on at least three council agendas this year.

Solar Panels

Rick Salmons applied for a variance to the town ordinance that prohibits solar panels earlier this summer but did so after around 500 square feet of panels had already been installed on the roof of his garage, visible from at least three streets in Virginia City. Several of Salmons's neighbors attended Thursday's meeting to express both support and opposition of the installation.



Montana Heritage Commission Executive Director Elijah Allen said construction on the new Information Center at the east end of town should be finished by December 1, with gas flowing from the pumps by about Christmas. (R. COLYER)

State and local election results

ENNIS - Since the final edition of The Madisonian is put together on Mondays, and state and local elections were held on Tuesday, November 6, election results were not available at press time. Unofficial elec-

tion results will be available on The Madisonian's Facebook site, and on our website as soon as we get them. Also, full election coverage will be available in the November 15 edition of the paper.

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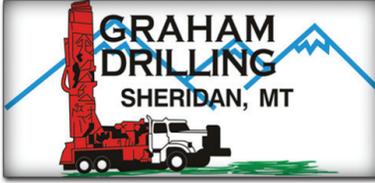
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V-BALL continued from A1: Ennis gets crack at state title, Twin Bridges drops tough match



Above - The Ennis Mustangs celebrate a block by senior Whitney McKittrick (11) during their match against Plains on Friday, November 2.

Left - Ennis's Jourdain Klein jumps for a block against Plains on Friday, November 2. Klein led the Mustangs with 18 kills and eight blocks during that match, and the Mustangs finished second overall in the district tournament.

tian faced off twice in a row to determine who would be district champions. The Mustangs carried their momentum strong through the first match, dropping Manhattan in sets of 25-21, 25-16, 14-25 and 25-14. But the host Eagles came back strong in the final, winner-take-all match of the tournament, edging Ennis to claim the overall title.

But because of the nature of Montana's state qualification rules, the Mustangs will live to fight another day, having added two losses to their otherwise perfect season. Both Ennis and Manhattan Christian will move forward to the state championship tournament, held at Montana State University in Bozeman this weekend. Ennis will look to defend its title from 2017 and keep the strong momentum they've had all season long.

VIRGINIA CITY continued from A1: Solar panels, moving town hall discussed

"The sign on the way out of town says, 'Virginia City: resisting change since 1863,'" said one neighbor, Victor Bunitsky. "I believe in that. We have rules and we have to abide by those."

Elijah Allen, also a neighbor of Salmonsens offered another perspective.

"I think there could be a compromise," he said. "I'm okay with viewing it from my house, but we do want to keep the integrity of Virginia City."

The council discussed several alternative locations for the panels, including Salmonsens building the roof of his garage out in such a way as to make the panels less visible; putting the panels on a hillside near his house or installing them in a location outside the town's historic district as the beginning of a community "solar farm."

"We're not anti-solar; we're pro Virginia City," said Bunitsky.

"The bottom line is, we're here to decide on an ordinance variation," said councilwoman Erin Leonard. "Everyone here believes in solar energy, but that's not what we're here to discuss."

The board then voted unanimously to deny the variance application, meaning that the solar panels at the residence must be

removed before December 1.

Town Hall

Members of the Virginia City Elks Lodge attended Thursday's meeting to offer their comments on the proposed option to move the Virginia City town hall offices into the Elks building farther down Wallace Street.

The proposal was made by historic preservation officer Jim Jarvis in an effort to offer additional stakeholders in the maintenance and preservation of the historic Elks building. But it was noted on Thursday that if the Elks allowed the town offices to move in without the express approval from the state Department of Justice, they would be at risk of losing both their gambling and liquor licenses, which are used for a variety of events hosted in the building.

There was also the question of whether the Elks offered enough space for the offices. The planned move to the old fire department building offers significantly more space than the offices currently occupied by the town hall, which are near the current Virginia City Fire Department.

"The driver behind this transfer of location has always been to free up space for the Fire De-

partment," noted mayor Justin Gatewood. "I don't necessarily think the marriage between the Elks and the town government is a great marriage."

The board decided to continue moving forward with the renovations to the old fire hall for their offices, although it was noted that brainstorming would continue as to how to best support the Elks in their maintenance of the historic building.

Other business at the Virginia City council's November meeting included:

- A Montana Heritage Commission update from executive director Elijah Allen. Allen said the updating of the walking paths from gravel to railroad tracks in Discovery Park was complete and noted that the Heritage Commission would be working on a project to add more seasonal housing before next summer's tourist season. He also said construction on the new information center at the east end of town should be finished by December 1, and that hopefully gasoline would be flowing to pumps at the center by Christmas.

- Allen also said that he has received nine applications from parties interested in taking over as concessionaires for the historic Bale of Hay Saloon. The Heri-

itage Commission has earmarked \$10,000 to upgrade the facility, potentially allowing it to operate year-round. Five percent of the revenue at the saloon will go toward supporting the Virginia City Fire Department.

- Public works director Bob Erdall said that the grading of roads and cleaning of culverts for wintertime was nearly finished, and that Virginia City's skating rink is up, largely due to the help of local volunteers. Erdall also said that the 3 Rivers fiber-optic project in Virginia City should be up and running by next spring.

- Historic preservation officer Jarvis proposed to the council a potential grant opportunity for the preservation of some of the town's historic buildings. The Save America's Treasures program provides federal funding to maintain historic sites, and while the funding is competitive, Jarvis noted that Stonewall Hall on Wallace Street would be an apt candidate.

- Gatewood announced the dates for some of Virginia City's annual winter events, including Winter Fest, which will be held on January 5 and 6 and the annual hockey tournament, which will take place January 11-13.



Business awards

Montana State University hosted its annual Jake Jabs College of Business and Entrepreneurship Business Day Awards on Friday, October 26 and honored businesses from around Montana, including A.M. Welles, Inc. in Norris. Ennis Chamber Executive Director Halley Perry presented the award, which went to A.M. Welles for the Family Business of the Year Large Category (more than 75 employees). A.M. Welles was nominated for the award and applied to the application process through the Jake Jabs School of Business. Other winners included: Very Small - Eaton Turner Jewelry, Helena; Small - Collection Bureau Services, Inc., Missoula; Medium - Montana Ale Works, Bozeman; Old/Multi-Generation - Hayden Truck Repair, Belgrade; New - Tongue River Winery, Miles City.

MSU/MTN poll finds dichotomies characterize Montanans' political preferences

BOZEMAN – A new poll of Montana voters conducted jointly by Montana State University (MSU) political scientists and the Montana Television Network (MTN) finds that Montanans' political preferences straddle party lines, with President Donald Trump, a Republican, and Montana Gov. Steve Bullock, a Democrat, receiving high levels of support from the state's registered voters.



David Parker

A total of 54.5 percent of Montanans either strongly approve or approve of the job Trump is doing, while 54.2 percent strongly approve or approve of the job Bullock is doing in Helena.

Conversely, 43.7 percent of Montanans disapprove or strongly disapprove of the job Trump is doing, among the highest disapproval ratings among elected officials. That points to several dichotomies in Montanans' political preferences, according to the poll's lead analyst.

David Parker, MSU associate professor of political science who led a team of four MSU political scientists that conducted the poll, said polarization characterized the responses to the poll's questions about the state and national political climate.

For instance, while Trump's approval rating in Montana is above the national average (42.8 percent), his disapproval rating is also high at 43.9 percent. Parker said such stark divides in poll responses reflect strong loyalty to party affiliation, which puts a great deal of importance on the large number of independent voters in Montana. A key example is that 60 percent of independents believe Tester is doing a good job.

"That could translate in good news for Tester come Election Day," Parker said.

The section of the poll about Montanans' political opinions and preferences was part of a questionnaire about the upcoming Nov. 6 election.

The poll included questions about the U.S. Senate and U.S. House elections, three ballot initiatives, and questions about the performance of major elected officials in the state, the direction that the state and the country are going, and opinions about the 2017 tax act, the 2010 Affordable Care Act, illegal immigration and importance of protection of federal lands in the state.

In addition to Trump and Bullock, Montana voters also gave a strong approval rating to Sen. Steve Daines, a Republican.

A total of 53.2 percent of voters who strongly approved or approved of the job he is doing in Washington. Daines also had the lowest disapproval rating of 32.7 percent.

Tester had 48.9 percent of voters who said they approve or strongly approve of his work. However, Tester also had 46.3 percent of voters who disapprove of his work.

Greg Gianforte, who is running for re-election as the state's lone U.S. representative, had the lowest approval rating of major elected officials: 48.1 percent. Another 41.5 percent disapprove of the job he is doing.

Parker said political affiliation also figured dramatically in whether voters approved of where the country was heading: Eighty-three percent of GOP voters believe the country is headed in the right direction, while 85.7 percent of Democratic voters feel the country is headed in the wrong direction. About 41 percent of independent voters think the country is heading in the right direction, while 47.6 percent think it is headed in

the wrong direction.

Parker said not only do those results reflect polarization but also the question is a good sign of how voters feel about the general tenor of the country headed into the election. That could also be another sign that Tester may be well-positioned, he added.

"Dissatisfaction tends to be a strong motivational factor to showing up to vote," Parker said.

Republicans and Democrats are in general agreement about the state of the state of Montana. About 50 percent of GOP voters said the state is moving in the right direction while 55.2 percent of Democrats feel it is moving in the right direction.

While more of the total number of respondents support the 2017 tax break (45.8 percent) than disapprove (34.7 percent), approval was generally split down party lines with 79.4 percent of Republicans approving it and 80.7 percent of Democrats disapproving it. Slightly more independents (40.7 percent) disapproved of the tax break than approved (34.6 percent).

Opinions about the 2010 health care reform law was similarly split down party lines, with 70.8 percent of Democrats in favor of it and 78.2 percent of Republicans opposing it. Slightly more independents opposed it (40.1 percent) than favored it (35.3 percent), but 22.6 percent of independents said they neither favored nor opposed the Affordable Care Act.

About 68 percent of Montanans said they believe illegal immigration is a serious problem in the U.S. The question drew a strong response from Republicans: 78.9 percent said they strongly agree it is a serious problem while just 9.6 percent of Democrats strongly agreed. However, 40.7 percent of independents strongly agreed that illegal immigration is a serious problem. "This affirms (Matt) Rosendale's strategy in his run against Tester," Parker said. "(Rosendale) has tried to make this a key issue in his campaign."

On the flip side, one of the most unified responses in the questionnaire was the importance of protecting federal lands in Montana. Eighty-nine percent of all voters strongly agreed or agreed that it is important to protect federal lands, including more than 90 percent of independents.

"In 2014 Matt Rosendale said he wanted to transfer federal lands to the state, which is why Tester is talking about this issue in this election," Parker said.

Conducting the poll

David Parker, MSU associate professor of political science conducted the poll with fellow MSU political scientists Eric D. Raile, Sara Guenther and Elizabeth Shanahan. They mailed 10,400 questionnaires to registered Montana voters in mid-September. About 20 percent of those who received the questionnaire — 2,057 respondents — sent it back by Oct. 6, which is considered a very good response rate, Parker said. He added that the MSU political scientists opted for a mail-in poll because the response rate is historically better than polls conducted by phone.

For more information about the survey results, go to <http://helpslab.montana.edu/>.

Ennis Chamber joins Statewide Program

Main Street program helps develop Montana's rural communities

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ENNIS—After a long application process, the Ennis Chamber of Commerce and town of Ennis have joined Montana's Main Street Program, a collaboration of communities spearheaded by the Community Development Division, Montana Office of Tourism and state Department of Commerce.

The Main Street Program was created in 2005 under Governor Brian Schweitzer. It comprises over two dozen communities across Montana with a particular focus on smaller rural communities like many in Madison County.

Ennis commissioner Lisa Roberts says the first thoughts of joining the program began circulating back in 2011 after a state Department of Commerce report that gave an overview of local economic trends.

"It's all about how to have sustainable economic vitality by maintaining your unique character and through historic preservation," says Roberts. "A lot of times, it's the right community at the right time, and we felt that it was."

The program is a collaboration between the town of Ennis and the Chamber of Commerce. Halley Perry, director of the Ennis chamber, says Main Streets Montana helps communities develop while still maintaining their unique character and sense of place.

"In Ennis, we want to keep the western feel because it's what people enjoy," says Perry. "But we also want to be able to bring in innovative businesses. We want it to be easier for visitors to see all that we have available here."

Communities involved in the Main Street Program begin at a lower "tier," Perry says. In that initial stage, they are required to match the funding they receive from the program, which can come in the form of grants or technical assistance to develop economy, preserve historical elements of a town or revitalize downtown areas to breathe new life into them.

The longer communities are involved in the program and the more they develop a strategic plan for where they want to go, the softer those matches become. That means the percentage of funds the town has to match will decrease over time.

Roberts says the strategic plan is important because it helps towns withstand turnover in government officials over time.

"If we can have a roadmap, it doesn't matter who's driving," says Roberts. "We have a direction. The Department of Commerce really want to see a grassroots movement that comes from community involvement."

Developing that strategic plan is one of the biggest projects Ennis will work on, but the process works in steps. Perry says the partnership will begin with smaller projects, like revamping and streamlining the Chamber of Commerce website, and moving up to larger projects as public support and grant funding increases.

"What's great about the program is it opens up funding opportunities and also technical assistance, because going through some of those processes that can be challenging," says Roberts. "We don't have full time planners or economic development people, so they've got professionals to help us out."

As the ball gets rolling, the main goal of involvement in the program will be to preserve the character and feel that draws so many visitors to the Madison Valley, while also making them more aware of the activities, amenities and options the area has to offer. Now that Ennis has become a part of Main Streets Montana, the next step will be beginning to write and apply for grants to make those goals a reality.

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geles, Klasna and Kinney will take in two days of speakers on everything from federal legislation on education to best practices that they can bring back to their schools. The award they've received means the association will pay their conference registration and round-trip airfare to California.

It will be a professional development op-

portunity and a chance to meet educators from around the nation. Klasna says he's looking forward to meeting experienced superintendents and picking their brains.

"I'm brand new to it, so I'm not quite sure what to expect, but I hear it's awesome," he says. "It's going to be a great opportunity to network; I'm very excited."

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OPINION

Editor:

Recently, President Trump callously supported Representative Gianforte's body slamming the reporter the night before the special election last year. That was an assault on the First Amendment. Support of an assault by anyone, let alone a reporter, should never be

uttered by a President who swore an oath to defend the Constitution. Maybe in an era of alternative facts by Trump supporters they've deleted it.

This is not the President's first attack on the press, not will it be the last for a person who has no love for the rule of law. If Representative Gi-

anforte had a D after his name instead of an R, you could just hear the wail from Washington, D.C.

Representative Gianforte has disqualified himself by the assault and his lying the police during the investigation of the incident. This is no way for our representative to act. The leadership of the party should

have ousted him immediately.

Please vote for Kathleen Williams to represent Montana in the U.S. House of Representatives to restore some dignity to the office.

Ian Root, Ennis

Americans fund most of the world's drug research

By Charles Boustany

President Trump recently released an ambitious, 44-page plan to drive down prescription drug prices. The blueprint relies, in part, on negotiating and enforcing trade deals to prevent other countries from free-loading off of American researchers.

That's a smart strategy. Right now, most of our trading partners impose government price controls on drugs. Ensuring that these nations pay fair market value for medicines would spur additional research spending by U.S. drugmakers. Ultimately, this process would lead to more new drugs, forcing manufacturers to compete for market share by continually lowering their prices.

The end result? Cheaper, more advanced drugs and more choices for American patients.

The U.S. is a pharmaceutical powerhouse. Our research companies invest about one-fifth of their revenues into research and development, more than any other industry does. Between 2001 and 2010, they produced 57 percent of the world's new chemical entities.

Developing a new drug is expensive. On average, it costs \$2.6 billion and takes a decade of hard work.

The burden of paying for this research and development falls disproportionately on Americans. According to a 2018 report by the Council of Economic Advisers, the

U.S. market funds nearly half of the world's medical research and development.

Many countries, especially ones with single-payer health care systems in which the government purchases medicines, arbitrarily set prices instead of relying on competitive market-based prices.

These price controls prevent adequate funding for research and development. A U.S. Commerce Department report found that if price-controlled nations instead paid competitive market prices, global research and development spending would increase by up to \$8 billion annually, leading to the development of four additional drugs each

year.

A recent economic analysis from Precision Health Economics shows that eliminating price controls would lead to the creation of eight to 13 new drugs annually by 2030.

If U.S. companies earned more revenue from foreign nations, then the companies could spend more on R&D. This would result in new treatments and inject more competition into the U.S. drug market, leading to lower prices for patients.

Charles Boustany is a retired physician and former congressman from Louisiana.

OBITUARIES

Thomas Wesley Hughes
October 24, 2018

HAMILTON - Thomas Wesley Hughes, passed away October 24, 2018 at the age of 95. He was born March 12, 1923 in McAllister to Emily Mackel Hughes and Thomas S Hughes. He joined the family siblings Edwin, Lewis, Marge and Bob. They all lived, worked and grew up on the family ranch in McAllister.

After graduating from High School in Ennis he was drafted into the Army. He was sent to the front lines in France and Germany. In November he was wounded in the knees by a .50 caliber machine gun bullet. He was shipped back to the US on the Queen Mary. After surgery and recovery in Washington he was awarded two Purple Heart medals and returned to the family ranch at McAllister.

He had been attracted to a red-headed neighbor girl named Darlene Harris before he left for the army. When he got back home she was grown up and they were married September 16, 1948. They took over the family ranch from his parents. It was tough on the ranch and Darlene and Tom worked side-by-side raising cattle, sheep, pigs, chickens and always having horses.

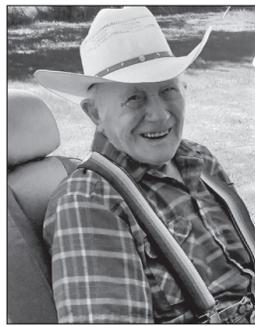
He was the first to have Angus cattle in the Madison. He was also an avid hunter and kept meat on the table with the big game he got.

In 1951 Paula was born and Terry in 1953. Both daughters started the ranch life at an early age, irrigating, feeding cows and haying with Dad and riding horses. Tom and Darlene continued working on the ranch until 1968 when they sold the Madison Ranch and moved to the Bitterroot up Sleeping Child. He ran cows in the Sleeping Child/Rye Creek area for a few years.

Ranch life was taking its toll on him from the injury to his knees so he sold the cows and decided to take a small engine class at the Vo Tech school.

He worked for a couple of shops before purchasing the McCullough Chain Saw Shop. He repaired anything that had a small engine in it. Four wheelers and snowmobiles came out about that time and he became an avid rider. Standing on cement for hours started taking a toll on the knees again so he sold the shop and got his real estate license and sold real estate for several years.

Darlene then retired from the courthouse and they traveled the West and to Alaska and Africa. A



lifelong dream was to do an elephant hunt in Africa. He didn't get to do that but was able to do a Blesbok hunt there. Plus he got to meet relatives in Africa.

The couple became snowbirds and spent many a winter in Arizona with good friends and relatives. When driving south became too difficult, they sold the place and moved to Zimmerman Lane.

He enjoyed many family get-togethers in Hamilton. Kids, grandkids, great grandkids all visited.

Even as he got older he liked to tinker and fix things. One of the last things he could do at 95 was mowing the lawn and feed the birds. He had a scooter he drove out to feed the birds and get on the lawn mower. He was an avid reader and loved Zane Grey, Ivan Doig, John Grisham, Louis Lamour and many other authors. He lived a comfortable life till the end with Darlene and family.

He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Darlene; daughters Paula Plettenberg and Terry Reed (Cliff); grandsons Wes Plettenberg (Regina), Russ Reed (Melissa), Clifford Reed; great grandchildren Kody Plettenberg, Zane and Zach Wilson, Katelynn Reed (Jon Bounds), Ashlee Reed, Keegen and Brady Reed and Levi and Jayden Vogan; great-great grandsons Emmett and Jax Bounds; numerous nieces and nephews and caregivers LaDonna and Abby; and Bubba, his faithful little dog. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers and sister. He was the last of his generation in the family. We'll sure miss him.

Burial and a Memorial service will be later next summer at the Grantsdale Cemetery when out-of-state relatives can attend. Condolences may be left for the family at www.dalyleachchapel.com

Memorials can be made to the Bitterroot Humane Shelter or charity of choice.

Jane Ellen Jeffers Rybus
October 21, 2018

Jane Ellen Jeffers Rybus passed away peacefully two days after her 94th birthday, in North Bend, Washington. She was born in Ennis, Montana to Winifred Chowning Jeffers and Fay Burton Jeffers, both descendants of Madison Valley pioneers.

Jane attended school in Ennis, graduating from Ennis High School in 1942, where she played in the band and participated in track. She also enjoyed skiing on slopes near Jack Creek.

She attended the University of Montana during World War II. In 1946 Jane was the first woman elected student body president at UM. In September 2014 the university recognized that achievement by inviting her to ride in the homecoming parade with her granddaughter, also a UM graduate.

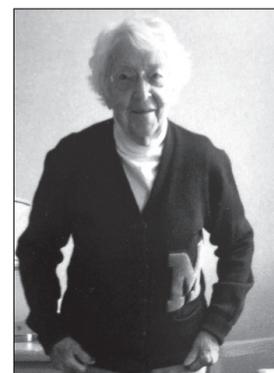
Echoing her future feminism, during a June, 2007 oral history interview, she said, "during the time when I was in college all the men were gone, we women were finally able to take on men's jobs, jobs that had always been for men. Women were empowered during those years, then after the war when the men came home we lost it."

Jane graduated with a degree in English in 1946 and hoped to go east and become a writer or editor. Instead, she did what many women did after World War II, she married a returning serviceman. Her husband, Henry E. Rybus, an educator and North Dakotan had served in the Navy during the war. The couple settled in Washington State and raised three children.

After her children reached school age, Jane returned to university in Seattle and earned teaching credentials. She taught high school English for eleven years during the 1960's in Bellevue, Washington.

In 1985 she and her husband divorced. She said she never liked the weather in western Washington, and returned to Ennis to care for her elderly mother. She remained there after her mother's death, living in the Jeffers family home on Main Street for the next thirty years. Jane flourished in Ennis. In an interview with the *Madisonian* in 2014 when she was about to turn 90 she said, "Ennis was a good place to grow up in and it's a good place now. Every season here is nice and fun in some way. The summer is beautiful. In the winter we get just enough snow."

Jane was extremely proud of her deep roots in Madison County. Her father, Fay, was the son of Myron D. Jeffers and Florence Switzer. He was, the eventual founder of Jeffers and a rancher who after the Civil War drove cattle to the Madison Valley from Texas. Her mother Winifred, was the granddaughter of William Ennis and Katherine Shriver. He was the town's founder, who initially was



a shipper of goods to the mines in Virginia City.

Jane was a caring, compassionate person, deeply involved in the Episcopal Church and in her community. She made many cherished lifelong friends, some from the Tri Delt sorority at the University of Montana and many others in the Madison Valley. She loved to play bridge, watch birds, and was a lifelong learner with a deep interest in the world about her. She was admired for her strength, knowledge, independence, and spirit.

Jane was a voracious reader. She was deeply interested in western history, especially Native Americans, the Lewis and Clark Expedition and Madison Valley history, where she served on the history association. She was also a world traveler. She visited Europe and Mexico, as well as Russia while it was still Communist. She traveled to Guatemala to visit a university friend who lived there. In her mid-seventies she traveled to Japan where her son's family lived.

Realizing at 91 that she could no longer live on her own in Ennis, Jane moved to North Bend, Washington, where for three years she was lovingly looked after by her daughter, Mary. Jane's family also recognizes Snoqualmie Valley Elder Care in North Bend, and especially Luiza, Dora, and Lucy for the tender care they provided Jane during her final months.

She is survived by her three children: Tom, Mary, and Jim. They, along with three granddaughters, Emily, Sarah, and Greeta, and seven great grandchildren, survive her. She is also survived by her older brother, Jeff C. Jeffers and his wife, Jeanne.

Jane loved others and was loved in turn. Two memorials will be held for her. One will be in Bellevue, Washington on November 30th. Another, in Ennis at a date to be determined in 2019. Her remains will be interred then at the cemetery in Jeffers.

Persons wishing to recognize Jane's memory may contribute to: Trinity Episcopal Church, 93 Jeffers Rd. Ennis MT 59729 OR Madison Valley History Association, PO Box 474 Ennis, MT 59729 OR a charity of choice.

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Feds' fur export approvals violated Endangered Species Act

Lynx suit prohibits export of 'incidental takes'

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MISSOULA — On Friday, October 23, a federal court in Montana ruled the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) failed to adequately protect "imperiled" lynx from the impacts of trapping in violation of the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

"We are pleased FWS must now take a hard look at imposing conditions that truly protect lynx from trapping, which may include common sense approaches like trap check intervals and trap size limits," said Sarah McMillan, "conservation" director for WildEarth Guardians. "FWS's primary responsibility is to conserve imperiled species like lynx, not facilitate cruel trapping."

According to Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP), in early 2000, FWS listed the Canada lynx as "threatened" under the federal Endangered Species Act.

The listing covers 16 states, including Montana. As a federally threatened species, taking a lynx by trapping or shooting is prohibited.

Although the lynx is now listed as a federally threatened species, winter snow track surveys show there are good numbers of lynx in Montana.

"Montana supports the healthiest lynx population in the lower 48 states," said Brian Giddings, FWP's furbearer coordinator. "Despite the fact that Montana's lynx population is well distributed and at good numbers, the lynx was listed based on its status throughout the northern portion of the U.S., not on a state-by-state basis."

"We applaud the Court's message to FWS that it must take a more active role in preventing Canada lynx from being

killed by trappers," said Pete Frost with the Western Environmental Law Center. "Trappers are not qualified to take the lead on assessing injury to a threatened species like lynx."

The U.S. is a party to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna (CITES), the international treaty known for clamping down on the ivory trade.

Under CITES, the Service regulates the export of pelts and other animal parts from bobcats and other furbearers from the U.S. through a permit and tagging system in conjunction with states, tribes and individual trappers.

These pelts and animal parts are used in places including Russia and China for products such as fur coats, which can require 50 bobcat pelts each, claims WildEarth Guardians.

North American Fur Auctions list the standard size of a lynx pelt as being 31 - 39 inches long, depending on the size of the lynx. Unless a fur coat is being made for an extremely large person, or only parts of pelts are being used, WildEarth Guardians claim of 50 pelts is exaggerated.

FWS's export program facilitates international trade in bobcat pelts, "creating more incentive for trapping and harming" lynx and other native wildlife, according to WildEarth Guardians.

FWS approved export of bobcat pelts from 14 states and three tribal areas. In 2014 alone, FWS issued CITES export tags authorizing the export of nearly 60,000 bobcat pelts from the U.S.

Lynx are sometimes caught in traps set for bobcat in multiple states including Montana, Idaho and Maine.

When FWS finds that an activity it is authorizing may result in the "incidental take" of members of an ESA-listed species, the Service issues an Incidental Take Statement (ITS) which must specify the impact, reasonable measures to minimize the



A Canadian lynx (KEITH WILLIAMS)

impact, and how to implement those measures. If activities that result in a take comply with the terms of the ITS, that take is not a violation of the ESA.

The court agreed with WildEarth Guardians that FWS's ITS is fatally ambiguous, including that several fail-safes designed to trigger agency action are unclear and inadequate. The court also found the Service failed to adequately define "injury" in the ITS calling it "both overly broad and underinclusive."

The court also held that FWS's attempt to replace meaningful endangered species guidance with a brochure for trappers about minimizing take of lynx was not a "reasonable and prudent" measure as required by the ESA. The court remanded the ITS to the Service.

Canada lynx are listed as threatened and protected by the ESA wherever they occur in the contiguous U.S.

All take of lynx is therefore prohibited, including take in traps set for bobcats.

FWS consulted with its own program regarding the impact of its issuance of CITES export tags on imperiled lynx initially in 2001 and then again in 2012, resulting in a Biological Opinion which includes the ITS declared invalid in this lawsuit.

According to FWP, for Montana to be included under a spe-

cial ITS rule, educational and regulatory provisions had to be met to minimize any incidental take of a lynx.

FWP recommended that bobcat and lion hunters immediately retrieve their trained hounds and leave the site of an accidentally treed lynx. FWP says shooting a lynx is a violation of the ESA, and will remain illegal under any special rule regarding the incidental taking of lynx.

"All bobcat and lion hunters absolutely must identify their target before they shoot," Giddings stressed.

WildEarth Guardians has been characterized as a non-profit grassroots "environmental" organization, best known for its decades-long legal actions against FWS. The group operates primarily in the Rocky Mountain region, and claims some 67,000 members. Their legal teams and "conservation" work is supported by membership donations, private foundations, and government grants and contracts. The group is decidedly against trapping in all forms, to the point of urging an end to trapping, which can be a valuable wildlife management tool. WildEarth Guardians 2014 annual budget was about \$4.1 million, of which 31 percent came from 57 private foundations and 30 percent from individual donations.

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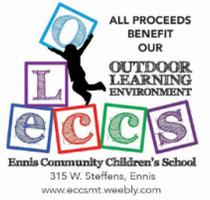
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Commission seeks comment on Fishing Access Sites

HELENA - The Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission is taking public comment on a proposed Fishing Access Site biennial rule for 2019 and 2020. No changes are being proposed in the new rule.

The FAS rule pertains to non-commercial use of fishing access sites, organized groups and competitive events on the Blackfoot

and Madison rivers, and commercial use of the Alberton Gorge.

Public comment on the rules will be taken through Nov. 26. The commission will take final action on the rule at their December meeting.

To review the proposed rule and to make comments, visit http://fwp.mt.gov/news/publicNotices/rules/pn_0267.html.

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None of us can completely control all the things that happen to us. Yet, when it comes to achieving your long-term financial goals, including a comfortable retirement, you do have a great deal of power - as long as you follow a clear, well-defined financial strategy. And one way to help build and maintain such a strategy is by consolidating your financial accounts.

Over the course of their lives, many people pick up a variety of financial accounts from multiple sources. They might have a few IRAs from different providers, a couple of old 401(k) plans from past employers, an insurance policy (or two) purchased many years ago, and a scattershot of stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit and other investments.

If this picture describes your situation, you may want to think about consolidating. For one thing, having a variety of accounts can run up a lot of fees. Furthermore, you'll have lots of paperwork to keep track of all your accounts, including several different tax statements. Plus, just by having so many accounts, you risk forgetting about some of them - and if you don't think you'd ever forget about your own money, consider this: Well over \$40 billion in unclaimed cash and property, including 401(k)s, pensions and IRAs, is awaiting return to the rightful owners, according to the National Association of Unclaimed Property Administrators.

But beyond reducing your possible fees, paperwork and potential for lost assets, consolidating your accounts with one provider can give you a centralized, unifying investment strategy, one that can help you in the following ways:

- **Diversification** - If you own several different financial accounts, including IRAs, 401(k)s and online accounts, you might have many similar investments within them. You might even own a cash-value insurance policy containing investments that closely track the ones you have in the other accounts. This type of duplication can be harmful, because if a market downturn primarily affects one

type of asset, and your portfolio is dominated by that asset or similar ones, you could take a big hit. But if you have all your investments in the same place, a financial professional can review your holdings and recommend appropriate ways to diversify your investment dollars. (Be aware, though, that while diversification can reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio, it can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.)

- **Staying on track** - With all your accounts in one place, you'll find it easier to keep the big picture in mind and make the moves necessary to help you progress toward your financial goals. Two main actions include buying or selling investments and adjusting your portfolio to make it more aggressive or conservative, depending on your situation.

- **Avoiding mistakes** - If you own several separate accounts, you could see a loss in one or more of them and overreact by selling investments that could still be valuable to you. But with a consolidated investment platform, you can see more clearly that the impact of a loss may be small, relative to the rest of your holdings.

As we've seen, consolidating your investment accounts with a single provider can have several advantages. So think carefully about bringing everything together - you may find that there's strength in unity.

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Character Counts Week was celebrated in the Sheridan Schools. Every day students wore a different color shirt representing the six character traits: Respect, Responsibility, Trustworthiness, Caring, Fairness, and Citizenship. (LAURIE BARTOLETTI)

Class-action lawsuit seeks to stop Lincoln County sheriff from unlawfully jailing people at ICE's request

HELENA, Montana –The Lincoln County Sheriff is illegally imprisoning a Montana resident at the request of U.S. Immigration Officials, according to a lawsuit filed yesterday with the Lincoln County District Court by the ACLU of Montana, the ACLU, and the Border Crossing Law Firm.

According to the complaint, Agustin Ramon, a dual citizen

of France and Mexico, has been wrongfully jailed for more than two months in the Lincoln County Jail at the request of federal immigration officials. The groups are suing Roby Bowe, Lincoln County Sheriff, for violating Montana law by honoring an ICE detainer to hold Ramon. Ramon's lawsuit claims that his detainer violates his rights under the Montana Constitution and is also illegal under Montana law.

An ICE detainer is a written request that a local jail or other law enforcement agency detain an individual for an additional 48 hours after their release date. This extra time in jail allows immigration officials to decide whether to take the individual into federal custody to begin the process of removing them from the U.S.

There is no legal requirement that local officers must cooperate with an ICE detainer request. In fact, cases in the last few years show that local jurisdictions face a significant risk of litigation and financial liability when they honor such requests.

"Sheriff Bowe is depriving Mr. Ramon of his liberty without any legal authority," said ACLU of Montana Legal Director Alex Rate. "Sheriff Bowe's actions are not only illegal, they also risk undermining the trust between local law enforcement and the community. That makes everyone less safe. We urge Sheriff Bowe to release Mr. Ramon immediately. Our constitution demands nothing less."

Ramon was booked in the Lincoln County Jail on August 3, 2018, after being accused of a criminal offense. The court set his bond for \$25,000. But when Ramon tried to pay his bond to secure his release from jail pending trial, he was informed that because of an ICE detainer, the jail could not release him.

"Montana law is clear," said Shahid Haque, attorney with the Border Crossing Law Firm. "When an immigrant posts bond, they must be released from custody, just like anyone else. Sheriff Bowe must comply with state law."

The class-action lawsuit seeks to end the use of ICE detainers for all current and future prisoners in the Lincoln County Jail who are the subject of such detainers. It also seeks compensation for Ramon's false imprisonment.

The practice of using ICE detainers is not limited to Lincoln County. Other law enforcement agencies in Montana have also held people for ICE when they are suspected of being immigrants.

"Our goal with this lawsuit is two-fold: to bring justice to Mr. Ramon and others unlawfully detained in Lincoln County, and to end the use of detainers throughout the state of Montana," said Rate. "Counties throughout the state should be on notice. We won't stop until that's a reality."

While the Trump Administration continues to push for draconian anti-immigrant policies and practices, including the use of ICE detainers by local law enforcement agencies, the Major Cities Chiefs' Association, the Presidential Task Force on 21st Century Policing, and law enforcement leaders from across the country have all adopted positions opposing local entanglement with immigration enforcement on the ground that it harms public safety.

In 2017, the ACLU of Montana was one of a dozen Montana organizations that took a stand against ICE detainers.



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CWD samples from Regions 4, 5 return as suspect

HELENA — Two deer -- a whitetail buck harvested in southern Liberty County and a mule deer doe harvested within the CWD positive area in Carbon County -- were recently found to be suspect for chronic wasting disease.

The lab at Colorado State University is running a confirmation test, with results expected next week.

The suspect deer in Liberty County was harvested in hunting district 400, but outside both the current CWD-positive area and the 2018 priority surveillance area, which includes the northern half of Liberty County.

As a result, the CWD-positive area has been expanded to include all of Liberty County and FWP is now including all of HD 400 in the 2018 CWD surveillance effort.

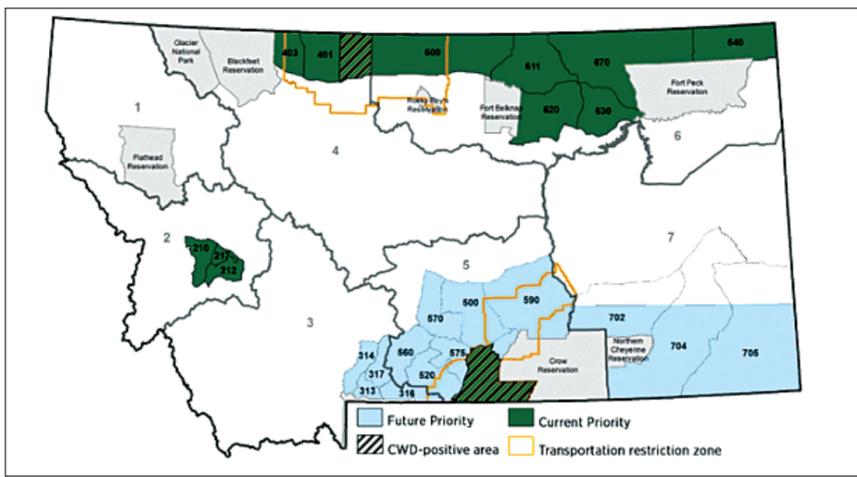
The suspect deer in HD 575 was harvested northeast of Joliet in a current CWD-positive area, which encompasses Carbon County, east of U.S. Highway 212 and the Roberts-Cooney Road.

FWP has notified the hunters who submitted the suspect samples. Though the samples are considered suspect at this point, it is very rare that a suspect sample isn't ultimately found positive. Therefore, FWP is moving forward as if both deer will ultimately be determined positive for CWD.

"Though this is disappointing news, it's not a surprise," said Gary Bertellotti, FWP's Region 4 supervisor. "By expanding our surveillance efforts to include all of hunting district 400, we're really emphasizing the need to get animals sampled from this area and the rest of our surveillance area."

What hunters need to know

With FWP establishing all of Liberty County as a CWD positive area, hunters who harvest deer, elk or moose within the county must adhere to the established Transport Restriction Zone (TRZ) rules, which means hunters cannot move brain or spinal column tissue outside of the TRZ. Hunters harvesting a deer within the expanded Liberty County positive area are also encouraged to have their animals tested prior to consuming the



meat. The TRZ for the Liberty County CWD positive area is all of Liberty, Hill and Toole Counties.

Hunters also need to be aware that by expanding the priority surveillance efforts to include all of HD 400, FWP is relying on collecting more samples from the area to determine CWD prevalence among the deer population and potential distribution of the disease. This information is critical for FWP in developing a plan for managing the disease.

HD 400 and neighboring HD 401 are unique in that they both have three-week deer seasons as opposed to the standard five-week season typical in the state.

FWP would like hunters who harvest deer, elk or moose within the priority surveillance area, which includes the Hi-Line from the Blackfoot Reservation to the North Dakota border and HDs 210, 212 and 217 in western Montana, to submit the animals for CWD testing. This can be done by visiting surveillance area check stations, which are open on weekends, or by contacting or visiting the FWP regional office in Great Falls at 406-454-5840, Glasgow at 406-228-3700, Havre at 406-265-6177, Missoula at 406-542-5500, or Billings at 406-247-2940 during the week.

Check station locations that will sample for CWD: Scobey

(first half of season); Glasgow (second half of season); Hwy. 223 at the Teton River (Nov. 3, 7 and 11); Malta; Hunters can also bring animals into the Havre and Glasgow offices during the week; Laurel; Chester; Shelby; Great Falls office during the week; South of Hall; South of Phillipsburg

Background

CWD is a progressive, fatal disease affecting the central nervous system of mule deer, white-tailed deer, elk and moose. It is part of a group of diseases called transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSEs). TSEs are caused by infectious, mis-folded prion proteins, which cause normal prion proteins throughout a healthy animal's body to mis-fold, resulting in organ damage and eventual death.

CWD is a slow-moving disease. However, left unmanaged, it could result in long-term population declines within affected herds. All the states and provinces that border Montana, other than Idaho and British Columbia, have found CWD in their wild deer, elk and moose. The closest positive to Montana was in Wyoming, about 8 miles south of the Montana border and less than 50 miles southeast of where Montana's suspect deer was harvested.

Though there is no evidence CWD is transmissible to humans,

it is recommended to never ingest meat from animals that appear to be sick or are known to be CWD positive. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends hunters who have harvested a deer, elk, or moose from a known CWD-infected area have the animal tested prior to consuming it. If hunters harvest an animal that appears to be sick, the best thing to do is contact FWP and have the animal inspected.

Some simple precautions should be taken when field dressing deer, elk or moose:

- Wear rubber gloves and eye protection when field dressing.
- Minimize the handling of brain and spinal tissues.
- Wash hands and instruments thoroughly after field dressing is completed.
- Avoid consuming brain, spinal cord, eyes, spleen, tonsils and lymph nodes of harvested animals. (Normal field dressing coupled with boning out of a carcass will essentially remove all of these parts.)

CWD was discovered in Montana in 2017. FWP is carrying out surveillance and management of the disease according to the agency's CWD management plan.

For more information, including maps, detailed information on the disease and to look at test results, go online to fwp.mt.gov/CWD.

Veteran's Day activities

ENNIS - Jim Masson, American Legion Post 65 Service Officer shared the following message from Veterans of Foreign Wars commander O.J. Palmer regarding Veteran's Day activities:

• Lunch - Friday November 9, free lunch at Ennis Elementary School, 11 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

• Breakfast - Sunday, November 11, free breakfast at Madison Baptist Church, 9- 10:30 a.m.

• Dinner - Sunday, November 11, free dinner at Madison Baptist Church, 6 p.m. (Baked honey ham and green bean casserole-- please bring a side dish.) We had 70 veterans at dinner last year.

All veterans and family are welcome.

• Bells Of Peace: A World War I Remembrance - Bells will ring across the country at 11 a.m. Sunday, November 11, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I.

Locally, Trinity Episcopal in Jeffers and St. Paul's Episcopal in Virginia City will participate in this memorial. Coordinated by the United States World War I Centennial Commission, the ringing of bells across the country will commemorate the end of World War I, 100 years ago. By participating in this memorial, Trinity and St. Paul's honor those who have gone before us, who sought, through their dedication, to bring peace to the world.

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Ennis Lions celebrate Halloween

ENNIS- Halloween brings out the spooks, the goblins, the witches and especially the LIONS in Ennis.

The Lions hosted their annual Halloween Carnival at the Ennis School Gymnasium, attended by various non-profit and school organizations with booths, carnival style games and prizes. Games included ring toss, basketball, toilet paper hoops, Angry Birds, Fishing, Spook House, a Cake Walk and many more. 100 percent of the profits from the carnival benefit the groups who have the booths.

Organizations represented this year were Madison Wranglers 4-H, Cameron Longhorns 4-H, World Strides, Close-Up, Madison Valley Hospi-

tal Foundation, Ennis Chamber of Commerce and TOPS. Our generous community support generated over \$2,600 for the various organizations.

Halloween also brought another annual tradition right next door in the Ennis Lunch Room: the Ennis Lions Fall Bingo tournament. Ennis businesses donated prizes for each of the 20 bingo games that were played. Nearly 200 people were playing bingo at any given time throughout the evening. It is an event the Lions and the community look forward to each year because it is so much fun. Bingo is one of the biggest fundraisers for Ennis Lions' service projects. For more information visit: www.e-club-house.org/site/ennisMT



Above - Scenes from the Ennis Lions Club Halloween Carnival, where 100 percent of the proceeds went to non-profits who had booths at the event.

Left - Lions Club fall bingo brought nearly 200 people out. The event is a fundraiser for the Lions Club.

Madison County DISPATCH
October 28 - November 3, 2018.

October 28 - DUI on US Hwy 287, MM 38, Cameron; Accident on MT Hwy 41, MM 56, Silver Star; Wildlife Complaint on MT Hwy 287, MM 5; Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 359 & US Hwy 287 Harrison; Wildlife Complaint on Bear Creek Loop; Accident on US Hwy 287, MM 47, Ennis; Citizen Assist on Depot Rd., Ennis.

October 31 - Accident on US Hwy 287, MM 18, Cameron.

October 29 - Medical Aid in 400 Blk Mill St Sheridan; Theft Complaint in 5000 Blk US Hwy 287 N Ennis; Animal Complaint on Nye Rd & Davis Ln Twin Bridges; Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287, MM 40, Cameron; Suspicious Circumstances on Indian Creek Trailhead Cameron; Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 41 & Utley Ln Twin Bridges; Abandoned Vehicle on Upper Ruby Rd Alder.

November 1 - Medical Aid on US Hwy 287, MM 10, Cameron; Accident on MT Hwy 287, MM 16, Nevada City; Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 359, MM 13; Wildlife Complaint in 300 Blk Boundary St Sheridan.

October 30 - Medical Aid in 500 Blk S Main St Twin Bridges; Suspicious Circumstances on Fly Fisher Ln Alder; Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 & MT Hwy 87 Cameron; Suspicious Circumstances on Bluff View Ln. Ennis; Accident in 100 Blk E. Grizzly St .Ennis; Missing Person in Gravelly Range, Cameron.

November 2 - Medical Aid on Gravelly Range Road Ennis; Fire Complaint on Middle Rd & Silver Spring Rd. Sheridan; Suspicious Circumstances on Judy Ln. Alder; Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 & MT Hwy. 87, Cameron.

November 3 - Suspicious Circumstances in 200 Blk N. Second St., Ennis; Trespass Complaint on Harrison Dump Rd., Harrison; Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287, MM 54, McAllister; Wildlife Complaint on Main St & Flick Ln Sheridan; Citizen Assist in Cameron; Citizen Assist on Judy Ln., Alder.

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HEALTH CARE

Q: Last year, the American Heart Association lowered the limit for normal blood pressure from 140/90 to 130/80 and now, nearly half the country has high blood pressure. Should I take this seriously?

A: There is still discussion and some controversy about the new guidelines. If you are under 50 and your systolic blood pressure is over 130, you should consult with your healthcare provider and take steps to lower it. For older people, aggressive treatment of high blood pressure can introduce the risk of dizziness, fainting and falling which could be just as dangerous as high blood pressure! As we learn more about the aging process, I expect that modifications will be made to the guidelines to incorporate age levels. One size does not fit all! Best to see your healthcare provider, measure your blood pressure and, if it's elevated, discuss safe remedies based on your age.



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BIRDING

Q: What are some good food storage tips for birds this winter?

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



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Q: What are some factors that affect muscle growth?

A: To build muscle you must first "tear it down" or cause microtrauma to the muscle. This occurs during the positive phase of strength training: the time in which your muscles are contracted. In this case, size of the weight does matter. If you use too light of weight, the microtrauma will not occur and the muscle will not get bigger. Another factor is the time the muscle spends "tensed up". In order to reap the rewards of bigger muscles, you should workout at 70-80% of your maximum strength. In other words, push yourself, but not to the max. You often feel the burn when weight lifting as its an anaerobic exercise (can't produce oxygen as fast as it's needed in the muscles). The body then relies on getting energy from glucose, and we feel the buildup of lactic acid that is in the muscles. The "burn out" phase lets us know our bodies are tired...so we stop for recovery. The recovery phase of weightlifting is as important as the breakdown phase!

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PHYSICAL THERAPY

Q: What is groin pain?

A: The groin, inner thigh consists of muscles, nerves, blood vessels that attached to the pelvis, spine, inner upper leg bone and inner knee. It's purpose is movement/working together with other muscles in the body. The main purpose of the muscle is stability and movement. The body needs this muscle for walking and turning. An athlete uses this muscle to kick a ball and turning while a construction worker uses it to lift and turn.



Groin pain results from as simply as a pulled or tight muscle. It can be a symptom of hip arthritis. It may be a referred pain from the low back or hip. The discomfort could be manifested by a problem with a blood vessel in your leg. The groin has muscles, tendons, and layers of muscle coverings that directly and indirectly affect the body.

Inner thigh pain/groin pain is a problem that requires a thorough evaluation from your healthcare provider. Tests are needed to proceed with the proper treatment. The cause may be as simple as sprain/strain or a complex problem leading diagnostic tests like an (Xray, CAT SCAN or MRI)

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EYE CARE

Q: What is the difference between an ophthalmologist and an optometrist?

A: Ophthalmologists and optometrists differ in their levels of training and services. An ophthalmologist is a medical doctor who has completed college and at least eight years of additional medical training, and are licensed to practice medicine and surgery. They can diagnose and treat all eye diseases, perform eye surgery and prescribe eyeglasses and contact lenses. Many ophthalmologists are also involved in scientific research on the causes and cures for eye diseases and vision disorders. Optometrists are healthcare professionals who provide primary vision care ranging from sight testing and correction to the diagnosis, treatment, and management of vision changes. An optometrist is not a medical doctor. They receive a doctor of optometry (OD) degree after completing four years of optometry school, preceded by three years or more years of college. They are licensed to practice optometry, which primarily involves performing eye exams and vision tests, prescribing and dispensing corrective lenses, detecting certain eye abnormalities, and prescribing medications for certain eye diseases/infections.



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MENTAL HEALTH

Q: How would I recognize the signs of trauma?

A: The American Psychological Association (APA) defines trauma as "the emotional response someone has to an extremely negative event" that may cause a long term effect on an individual's emotional and mental stability. Some negative events may include: observing an act of violence such as in war or a drive by shooting, natural disasters such as volcanos or hurricanes, domestic violence, sexual assault, the death of a close friend or loved one. Witnessing an incident from a distance, such as 9/11, can cause people to experience trauma; however, most often, trauma occurs from being present at a trauma-producing event. Some signs of trauma include: disorientation, easily startled, shock, withdrawal from people or obligations, irritability, racing heartbeat, difficulty concentrating, guilt, insomnia and/or fatigue. When in a traumatic situation, there is no right or wrong way to respond; everyone reacts differently. When unusual events occur, your responses are typical reactions to the event.



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Q: Is nasal irrigation effective for treating chronic or recurrent sinus symptoms?

A: Yes, according to a study published in the Canadian Medical Association Journal. Participants who used nasal irrigation to treat recurrent or chronic sinusitis saw more symptom improvement over a six-month period than those who didn't use the technique. Nasal irrigation also reduced headaches and decreased study participants use of over-the-counter medications. The study also found nasal irrigation works better than steam inhalation, which reduced headaches but had no other significant effect on outcomes. Nasal rinse devices are usually considered safe and effective products when used and cleaned properly. It is important to use only distilled or previously boiled and cooled tap water. Untreated tap water is not safe because it can contain bacteria that could cause infections when put in your nose. The water must be mixed with salt to create a saline solution which is then poured out of the spout of a tea-pot like device (neti pot), delivered through a syringe, or squeezed out of a squeeze bottle into the nostrils. Sinus rinsing can remove dust, pollen, and other debris, as well as loosen thick mucus. It can also relieve nasal symptoms of sinus infections and colds. Ask your pharmacist or doctor for information. 1. CMAJ, September 20, 2016, 188(13)



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Sheridan 6th graders receive images from space

By Rod Stout,
Sheridan Elementary

SHERIDAN - From Saturday to Monday, Oct 27-29, the International Space Station transmitted Slow Scan TV images to Sheridan Elementary School, commemorating NASA's 60 years in space and the NASA Space Communication and Navigation (SCaN) program.

The event was sponsored by NASA, the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program and the Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT). Students of Sheridan Elementary School's 6th grade class received these signals containing images on Monday, October 29, with the help of Rahn Abbott (W7DOA) and Dan Birdsill (K9BRD), both Amateur Radio Operators.

The Space Station takes about 90 minutes to complete one orbit around the earth. Each time the Space Station orbits overhead, it is visible for approximately 10 minutes.



Each image takes two minutes to transmit. In two passes, the students received 4 complete pictures. They were also presented an award from the ARISS slow scan television program commemorating their communication with the International Space Station.

The students used a Software Defined Radio (SDR) connected to a laptop computer to receive the images. The SDR was then connected to a directional antenna

that tracked the Space Station across the sky by hand.

This was a great learning experience for the students. They learned about the space station, how it orbits and how long it takes to completely go around the earth. The students also learned about digital radio transmissions and what it takes to receive satellite images from space.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Julio Shields, second from right, is the President of the Friends of the Library in Virginia City and has volunteered with the library for nearly 20 years. He recently installed the retaining wall in the library's new playground, along with a team from High Country Irrigation & Landscaping. (Photo courtesy of Thompson-Hickman Library)

Ken "Julio" Shields

Over his 18 years living in Virginia City, Julio Shields has become practically a permanent fixture at the Thompson-Hickman Library. He's been president of the Friends of the Library organization for two years but has been involved in its programs and projects since the day he moved to town.

"It's truly a cornerstone of the town," Shields says of the library. "It's utilized frequently, and not just in the summer—all year long. It's really cool."

The latest project Shields has volunteered with is the library's new playground space,

which has been in the works for more than six months. He, along with local business High Country Irrigation & Landscaping and other Virginia City volunteers, just laid hundreds of bricks for one wall of the playground, and Shields hopes to have the equipment unpacked and set up before the winter snow really flies.

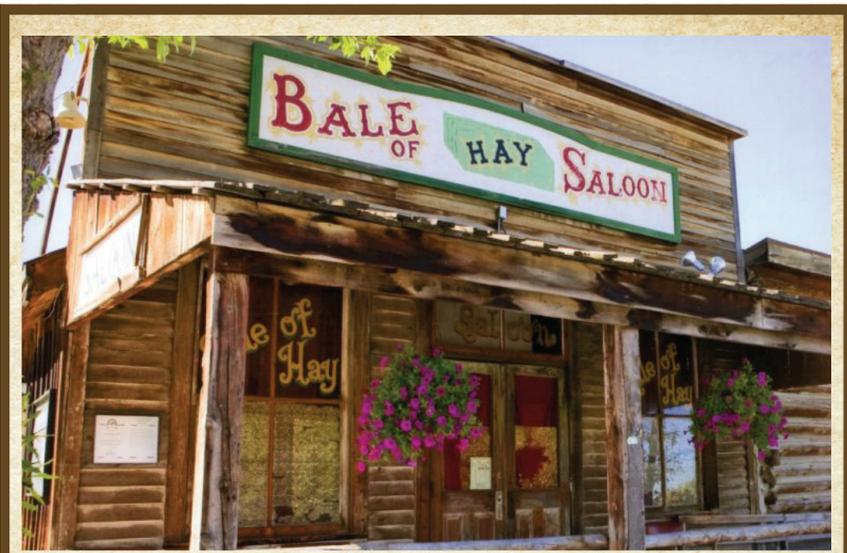
There's always more to do for the library, and by extension, the greater community, he says. He's not picky about the ways he gives back; he just wants to keep Thompson-Hickman the institution it's become in its first century of existence.

"There's always another project," he says. "But the only way that you can lead anybody is by example. You have to get up and do something."



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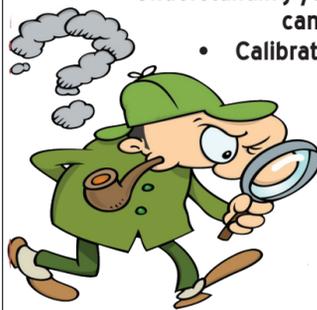
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Opportunity to comment on MT mountain lion management techniques

HELENA - Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) wants public review and comment on its mountain lion management strategy.

FWP is committed to maintaining sustainable lion populations in all suitable habitats of our state, says a news release about this.

"During the last 25 years," the release continues, "FWP has made significant investments in field research that helps inform our lion manage-

ment. With this and research done in other states and provinces, we propose to use the latest science and state-of-the-art methods and tools to monitor Montana's lion populations.

"Because we know lion populations function in big landscapes, our approach includes defining four Lion Ecoregions in Montana, large landscapes of similar habitat within which populations perform similarly.

"FWP will periodically develop

estimates of mountain lion numbers within the northwest, west-central and southwest ecoregions using a genetically based field sampling method known as Spatial Capture-Recapture, or SCR."

"This is a relatively new but well-proven method for estimating populations," the release notes. "Using these population estimates plus our understanding of lion ecology and lion harvest data, managers will employ a sophisticated statistical model known as an Integrated Population Model, or IPM, that integrates all the information to predict the effects of lion harvest on populations. Over time, this monitoring program will reduce uncertainty about the effects of lion harvest and improve FWP's ability to meet management objectives."

"The draft strategy does not lay out any population objectives or harvest recommendations, but only speaks to guidelines as to how FWP will manage and monitor lions."

• To make a comment - For further clarification or additional materials, you may call the Wildlife Division office at 406-444-2612 or email at fwpwd@mt.gov.

Comments will be accepted: online by using any of the link below; in writing sent to the address above; and by email to fwpwd@mt.gov.

All proposed items will be accepting public comments until Friday, January 11, 2019 at 5 p.m. with final adoption at the February 2019 Commission Meeting. licComments/2018/mtnLionMgmtStrategy.html.



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Matt Clover, his Percherons, Salt and Pepper, his dog Cinch, and long-time supporter Loren Tucker (SUBMITTED)

Virginia City stagecoach team wins world titles

Matt Clover's Percherons are the first team to ever win back-to-back titles

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VIRGINIA CITY—Visitors to Virginia City in the summertime see Salt and Pepper nearly every day. They're the picturesque pair of Percheron draft horses driven by Matt Clover, taking visitors on stagecoach tours of the historic district.

What those visitors likely don't know is that they're riding behind a pair of world champion horses—two-time world champions, in fact.

Clover, who has owned and driven Salt and Pepper for more than a decade, got the horses when they were three years old. He's taken them to the World Percheron Congress (WPC) twice now.

The WPC is held every four years, shifting locations each time. This year's competition was held in Des Moines, Iowa and drew teams from around the nation, as well as over a dozen different countries, says Clover. Japan, France, Germany, Austria and Colombia were all among the represented nations. In all, over 60 teams of Percherons competed.

"Some events are timed, and others are just judged," says Clover. "It's all about how well the horses are matched, how well you communicate with your horses and how well they communicate with each other."

Judges watch the competing teams compete in different classes of competitions. There are walking and trotting classes, in which Clover drives the pair from a cart, plus plowing classes, obstacle courses and pulls, in which the team has to drag different amounts of weight.

At the end of competition, scores across the board are combined to determine the overall winner.

"We never won any particular events to win the overall, but we competed second, third or fourth in seven different events," says Clover. With those scores, they racked up enough points to outscore the rest of the competing teams.

It's the second time Salt, Pepper and Clover have won the overall title. They missed the 2014 WPC competition in Massachusetts, but back in 2010 they took home the gold as well, making them the first team in WPC history to repeat as world champions. Clover also has numerous other titles at the national level.

"There's very little specific preparation, but really, every day is preparation," Clover says. "I use them all summer on the stagecoach and in parades, and I compete with them throughout the summer as well, to keep them sharp. Everything you do has to be very precise."

Clover also thinks the fact that the horses have lived, competed and worked together for so long makes a difference. Salt and Pepper are now 14 and 15 years old and have been a team for twelve years.

"If you work with someone long enough, you know what they're thinking almost before they do," says Clover. "I think there is an advantage to having them together for so long. They know each other."

Clover says local support has been instrumental in allowing the team to pursue their world championship aspirations. District Judge Loren Tucker has been a longtime supporter and even traveled to Des Moines with Clover and the team. Three Forks company Steer In Trailers donated a trailer to assist with their travels, so they wouldn't have to stay in a hotel for the 10-day trip.

"It wouldn't have been possible without all the support they've given," says Clover. "They really made it happen."

Clover and his team will spend the winter in Big Sky, where they'll pull winter sleighs at Lone Mountain Ranch. Then they'll return to Virginia City and the summer stagecoach season, training and preparing all the while for the next WPC, which will be in 2022 in Manitoba Canada.



Salt and Pepper won overall in the World Percheron Congress competitions in 2010 and 2018. Clover has owned the horses since they were three year-olds, and has driven them as a team for 12 years. (SUBMITTED)

Local mental health seeks to 'rein in' underage drinking

MADISON COUNTY - Have you seen the new advertising benches in Ennis and Twin Bridges? One is located at the Alley Bistro/Fish Bowl in Ennis; the other is at the Madison County Fairgrounds in Twin Bridges.

These advertising benches represent a joint effort by the Madison County Mental Health Local Advisory Council (MHLAC) and the Be The Change 406 Coalition.

"The goal of the benches is to increase awareness of substance use disorders and to promote positive cultural change, Kim Martinell,

Coalition Coordinator explained. "Substance misuse among youth negatively affects their developing brains and can have lifelong effects. We all want our children to grow into healthy, happy adults."

Martinell thanked Ke'lah Savage-Willauer, MHLAC Chairperson, for the project idea and funding.

Two more benches are available to locate elsewhere in the County, based on community interest. Please contact Savage-Willauer at 925-9441 for further information.



Big Hole Watershed welcomes Restoration Specialist

Ben LaPorte adopted newly-created position

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BEAVERHEAD COUNTY—Earlier this year the Big Hole Watershed Committee (BHWC) created a new position designed to oversee restoration efforts within the river's reach.

Ben LaPorte, a Colorado native with experience in weed management, riparian restoration, trail construction and wildlife habitat improvement, stepped up to do not just that, but also to get his hands dirty on the ground, in the nitty-gritty of improving an area impacted by Montana's long mining history.

LaPorte assumed his post in late August and almost immediately jumped into a seven-week project in Joiner Gulch near the Continental Divide addressing the extreme erosion that has affected the area, which is encompassed in the same federal superfund site that includes Butte's Berkeley Pitt.

"Sulfur dioxide killed off a lot of broadleaf plants, and different combination metals like lead, cadmium, copper and zinc appear out of every single one of those drainages," says LaPorte of the project. "We get pulses of rain hitting these bare slopes, and it just hasn't healed itself."

While LaPorte has been on the project for nearly two months, it has been ongoing for over two years, says Pedro Marques, BHWC's restoration programs manager. It was part of a settlement with Arco Mining Company, and when the land manager wasn't satisfied with the proposed remediation plan, BHWC became a player.

"We've got just over \$1 million dollars to put restoration on the ground in the next two years, so this is one of the large restoration contracts that we're managing right now," says Marques. "There's endless work to be done up there."

The BHWC has three major focuses in southwestern Montana:

- Fish and water projects include watershed restoration and draught management.

- Wildlife projects include conflict resolution, habitat conservation and the preservation of endangered and threatened species.

- Social projects include emergency planning and working with communities to address ecological issues.

While the Joiner Gulch project falls into all three of those categories, LaPorte's involvement for the past couple months has been focused on the on-the-ground ecological work.

The goal is improving what Marques calls "sediment catchment," which means reducing the amount of erosion the area sees due to both the chemical and mechanical aspects of logging and mining projects long since passed. The metallic deposits have been so bad in places that streams would pick up such large concentrations they turned white, LaPorte says.

"The land is drier because of diversions used for logging," he says. "The water would spill out over these flumes and onto bare hills, which created huge gully networks. It's a really wet area with tons of snow, but it leaves the landscape much faster than it should."

So, LaPorte and his team have been working to slow down the water that runs over hillsides and down gullies. That includes plugging some of the gullies to keep water from running off so quickly, facilitating the growth of grasses



Ben LaPorte, the Big Hole Watershed Committee's new restoration specialist. (Image courtesy of BHWC)

and water-loving plants like aspen and willows and managing the weeds that grow there.

When running water moves more slowly, larger sediments carried in that water fall out and remain on the hillside. So, in addition to helping purify the water that runs off the Continental Divide, the BHWC's projects are also helping to reduce erosion, both important elements of rehabilitating the landscape.

"What we see is conifers and pine trees crowding out those lighter species," says LaPorte. "We're trying to reset the ecological clock by holding the water back and keeping it on the landscape."

Moving forward, the BHWC team will continue to monitor the success of the restoration measure's it has already taken in the Joiner Drainage. But there are also many other projects in need of attention. One such area in which the BHWC is invested is the Mount Haggin Wildlife Management area, which encompasses over 56,000 miles in Deer Lodge and Silver Bow counties.

The area was originally part of the Big Hole Forest reserve and was used extensively by mining companies through the 1980s before being purchased by the Nature Conservancy and placed in the control of Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

"Most of it is glorious and in wonderful shape," says LaPorte. "But the upper area is pretty nuked from intense logging and smelter emissions."

There are about 5,000 acres in the Mount Haggin uplands that are classified as "injured." Over time, BHWC, in concert with the state's Natural Resource Damage Program (NRDP), fertilized and reseeded nearly 50 acres as a test plot to evaluate the effectiveness of different restoration techniques. It's something LaPorte calls an adaptive restoration approach.

"With the NRDP we have a lot more flexibility," he says. "We don't have to just come in, do one thing and see how it works." It allows for more a multifaceted, evaluating what works best in regard to healing those injured acres. The extent of the damage in some areas is disheartening, but progress is being made.

"We're done with the glaring, large bare areas, but we'll have substantial work up there," LaPorte says. "It's job stability to have endless cleanup, but ecologically it's not what you want."

The BHWC hopes that, with the addition of LaPorte as restoration specialist, the future may lean toward less of a need for their projects. But in the meantime, they'll continue what they've started.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Gene mutation points to new way to fight diabetes, obesity, heart disease

WASHINGTON D.C. — Researchers say they have discovered a gene mutation that slows the metabolism of sugar in the gut, giving people who have the mutation a distinct advantage over those who do not. Those with the mutation have a lower risk of diabetes, obesity, heart failure, and even death. The researchers say their finding could provide the basis for drug therapies that could mimic the workings of this gene mutation, offering a potential benefit for the millions of people who suffer with diabetes, heart disease, and obesity.

The study, which is largely supported by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), part of the National Institutes of Health, appears in the *Journal of the American College of Cardiology* (link is external).

"We're excited about this study because it helps clarify the link between what we eat, what we absorb, and our risk for disease," said Scott D. Solomon, M.D., a professor of medicine at Harvard Medical

School and a senior physician at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, who led the research. He explained that the study is the first to fully evaluate the link between mutations in the gene mainly responsible for absorbing glucose in the gut — SGLT-1, or sodium glucose co-transporter-1 — and cardiometabolic disease.

People who have the natural gene mutation appear to have an advantage when it comes to diet, Solomon noted. Those who eat a high-carbohydrate diet and have this mutation will absorb less glucose than those without the mutation. A high-carbohydrate diet includes such foods as pasta, breads, cookies, and sugar-sweetened beverages.

In the study, the researchers analyzed the relationship between SGLT-1 mutations and cardiometabolic disease using genetic data obtained from 8,478 participants in the Atherosclerosis Risk In Communities (ARIC) study. The study was a 25-year-long observational

trial of atherosclerosis and cardiovascular risk factors in the U.S.

The researchers found that about 6 percent of the subjects carried a mutation in SGLT-1 that causes limited impairment of glucose absorption. Individuals with this mutation had a lower incidence of type 2 diabetes, were less obese, had a lower incidence of heart failure, and had a lower mortality rate when compared to those without the mutation, even after adjusting for dietary intake (including total calories, sodium, and sugars).

Based on these findings, the scientists suggest that selectively blocking the SGLT-1 receptor could provide a way to slow down glucose uptake to prevent or treat cardiometabolic disease and its consequences. They caution that development of such targeted drugs could take years and that clinical trials are still needed to determine if the drugs reduce the incidence of diabetes and heart failure and improve lifespan.



Halloween Fun at the Madison Valley Manor
Costumes, candy, ghost and goblin cookies, games, and children were all a big part of the festivities at the Madison Valley Manor on Halloween. Staff, family and friends joined in the task of getting all of the residents in their favorite character costume on this fun day. There were tigers, penguins, candy corn, cowboys and more! Games were played and drawings for many good prizes were held. Everyone enjoyed a green witches brew complete with black spider ice cubes! Pictured is our precious Madison Valley Manor family consisting of residents and staff.

Overcome By Life's Challenges?

Declutter your emotional closet in 3 easy steps

The way you face your challenges — both large and small — can either lead you to true happiness or block you from ever attaining it.

"It is sometimes difficult to surmount life's challenges with a hidden build-up of emotional baggage in our way," says Sheri

D. Engler, author of *The Pearls of Wisdom: A Fairy Tale Guide to Life's Magic Secrets for All Ages* (www.thepearlsofwisdom-book.com).

Engler, who has a background in psychology, counseling and research, says "We take time to go through our clothes closets and toss out what is outdated or no longer fits—but do we do that with our emotions? Clearing out your emotional closet will likely improve all aspects of your life."

In her work as an intuitive/life-coach, Engler says she sees encouraging success with her simple 3-step technique, which she designed to bring change through mere mindfulness and common sense. She says, "It's a matter of being conscious of the critical difference between who you've been and who you are now. Without the extra baggage of outdated beliefs, you can move more easily through the open door of who you want to be, who you were meant to be. This technique is easy. It's like shampooing your psyche—wash, rinse, repeat."

The 3 steps are as follows:

1. The Self Quiz - Write down on separate slips of paper the emotional issues you'd like to overcome, particularly targeting experiences you feel have damaged you. Note when it first began and the undesirable conditions that developed as a result. Lay out all the slips on a table with a wastebasket nearby. Read

one issue at a time, and then ask yourself these questions: "Does this past experience have anything to do with the person I am now? Does it truly still bother me? Is it possible I overcame this long ago, or do I need to keep carrying it with me? Am I okay right now and going forward?"

Chances are strong that you will answer: "I'm not that person anymore. I've already gotten over that, and I see now that it's not worth holding onto." At this point, you joyfully wad up that outdated version of yourself, shoot it into the wastebasket and go to the next paper and repeat the process until the table is clear. It's then that you realize that you need to update your emotional operating system at least as often as you update your phone's! It's a simple matter of mindfulness. By asking yourself the right questions, you can proactively change the course of your life through the, sometimes eye-opening, answers you get. This brings us to the next step.

2. Create Your F.A.T.E. — Engler says, "In order to effect true change in your life, I suggest using the quantum law of attraction. In *The Pearls of Wisdom*, the angel's note says, 'When spirit joins with heart, mind, and body—as One and of One—only then shall you truly see that ALL things are a possibility.' It's easiest to remember this magical secret by using the acronym 'F.A.T.E.' To manifest whatever you desire in your life, the simple key is to align your Feelings, Actions, and Thoughts to create your desired Experience. To put it even simpler, if you can pretend to the extent that every part of you believes that your wish has already happened, then the quantum field of manifestation will match that state and make it so. Ultimately, the universe cannot decide things for you, it can only give you more of what you already believe to be true. So, choose your feelings, thoughts, and actions consciously—and by law of the Universe—it will appear like Magic!"

Moving on, after you have become conscious of your current feelings and decluttered your emotional closet; and after you've become mindful of what you truly want in your life and understand how to "create your fate", you are then ready for your final step.

3. Forgiveness and Gratitude — Forgive yourself and others for all harm and damage and never look back. Engler says, "When you look back, you re-engage your past self and abandon your freshly de-cluttered present self... To anchor your positive life changes, you must try to stay in gratitude by focusing upon that which is good about yourself, about others, and about your life overall. Like attracts like. Whatever you project is what the Universe will assume you have chosen for yourself, and it will give you more of the same. So stay mindful of who you are and the choices you make, and you'll give both the Universe and yourself something to smile about!"

About Sheri D. Engler - Sheri D. Engler is the author/illustrator, an experienced mentor, medium, and metaphysicist with a background in psychology.



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COLUMNS



Agriculture: Why do we love high cost production models?

By Billy Whitehurst

For the industry to remain profitable input costs must be reduced.

This statement was shared by a cattleman at a conference I attended years ago. The source? A cattleman's journal from the late 1800's.

Reducing input costs is necessary in any business that manufactures or raises a product that is at the mercy of a commodity market. 10 years ago in the cow/calf business the cost to carry a cow for one year averaged roughly \$440 per mother cow. Today it's around \$800 per cow.

What changed? Equipment and pickup trucks have certainly gone up in price, as has our desire for luxury features in these items. I don't believe that we should ever sacrifice safety or efficiency in these items and I also believe that if you are spending a lot of time with your equipment and tools that you should use the tools that will keep you productive and allow you to get your job done without going home at the end of the day feeling like you have been strapped to a saddle bronc.

In the long run, safe and comfortable equipment will save money and definitely help you be in a better mood when you are done for the day.

Taking equipment aside (as a cow enterprise requires very little equipment in and of itself, more on that next time), one of the reasons that our expenses have sky rocketed is that we have become so focused on production, pounds of calf weaned, per

cow. This has rarely proven to be a profitable goal to chase. If ALL things are equal (cost to carry the cow) then of course a larger calf is more profitable. The reality is we should be looking at maximizing PROFIT per cow, or profit per acre, depending on your unit of measurement instead of PRODUCTION per cow. Sure we can feed, implant, supplement, inject, and breed our way to a very large calf, but when we look at the actual return on that investment, it has to make sense.

To have a nutrition consultant say this may come as a surprise, but the first thing we need look at is not to throw more nutrition and other supplemental inputs at our cattle. Before looking at adding expenses, first look at ways to decrease them without having negative side effects:

Are you creating a production model that is heavily reliant on high inputs of feed, equipment, and labor? These are the three largest expenses on most cow operations. If you can alter cow size and time of calving to reduce feed needs, a huge hurdle will be crossed. Do the math, a herd of 100 cows weighing 100 pounds that wean a 550 lb calf is a total of 55,000 lbs at \$1.70 per lb makes for \$93,500. In order to run larger cows stocking rate has to be reduced. 77 cows weighing 1400 lbs that wean a 700 lb calf gives a total pounds weaned of 53,900 at \$1.55 per lb equals \$83,545. So for the same amount of feed with smaller framed cows we can wean more total pounds that sell for a higher price and increase income by almost \$10,000. In

addition, truthfully analyze equipment needs and eliminate, consolidate, and upgrade where it makes sense. In doing so you reduce time and resources spent in maintenance. If you make the first two changes you will already have reduced your labor input greatly, but also look at your daily habits and ask yourself if you are creating work just to keep busy. Are we doing it this way just because we always have? I think most of us are guilty of this at one time or another. I've even had people tell me they don't have a labor cost because they do everything themselves and don't hire help. If you think your time is worth nothing have I got a deal for you. Come work for me and I'll pay you minimum wage. Won't take that deal? Then your time is worth something, start acting like it.

Are you using high maintenance genetics? When it comes to the actual cattle end of the production system we can greatly control input costs with the genetics we choose. Often high weaning weights are a result of a high milk production in the mother cow. Unfortunately, the environment may not have the feed resources needed for the cow to produce high amounts of milk and continue to re-breed. We may choose big frame genetics that have the same high intake requirements as a high milk producer to the same effects. Some cattle require higher levels of supplementation for various reasons and all these animals need to be culled from the herd. Any cow that can't maintain and produce with a minimal amount of added inputs for any rea-

son should be culled. Cows that require "baby sitting" during calving need to go away as well. With all of the calving ease bulls we have available, why are we still calving like we are going to have to pull every calf? Every time we expend time, labor, or monetary assets above the necessary, we take a step backwards.

Are you getting the most out of your supplement and vaccine program? Take stock of all supplements and vaccines you use and ensure that each of them is not used in excess to the point that unthrifty cattle are unwittingly kept in the herd. Cattle that need extra don't belong in your herd. Using the same supplements year-round may be convenient but using different supplements for different times of the year and your production cycle can save up to 15% from your supplement bill.

At the end of the day more profit trumps the bragging rights for more pounds, more tons, or more bushels every time. Next time we'll look at enterprise budgets, properly allocating costs to the different enterprises on the ranch and how many enterprises the typical cow outfit sustains.

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Young@Heart SHE Don'ts for Thanksgiving

SHEs (Sidetracked Home Executives) have to be very cautious when any big holiday comes around and Thanksgiving is no exception. The excitement accompanied by our amazing creative abilities can send us to places that make scripts for movies. If you don't want to slip over the holiday edge this year, the following DON'Ts will help you think twice before you make any festive moves.

1. Don't tell your family you'll cook the whole dinner. BOPs (Born Organized People) plan their menus and give out food assignments to friends and family who'll be attending the feast. SHEs tend to want to take on the whole meal singlehandedly and most suffer HBO (Holiday Blow Out) and there's still Christmas

just around the corner.

2. Don't decorate beyond your ability to un-decorate. Think 'What goes up must come down.' The color scheme for Thanksgiving usually consists of oranges, yellows and browns and each of those colors clashes with the red and green of Christmas.

3. Don't forget about getting the kids involved with the feast. Our tendency is to want them out of our hair, but the more involved they are the better they'll be prepared for holiday events when they grow up.

4. Don't go within 100 yards of a craft or fabric store until after Thanksgiving. Those stores will be half-pricing all the turkeys, pilgrims and cornucopias

as well as the fabric representing the Thanksgiving Day theme. You'll be tempted to think you'll have time to pull off a beautiful table cloth and matching napkins, or maybe even costumes for a reenactment of the first Thanksgiving. You won't have time!

5. Don't get stuck with all the leftovers. Plan ahead and go to a Dollar Store and purchase food containers for each guest. You know you can put on weight from easy access to leftovers and most of us already have a "winter cushion."

6. Don't carve the turkey at the dining room table in an attempt to recreate the scene from the Norman Rockwell painting. You can actually roast the turkey

the day before and get it carved in the kitchen where it makes a big mess on your counters not on the tablecloth.

7. Don't worry about serving your turkey while it's hot! It can even be cold as long as the potatoes, gravy and stuffing are piping hot.

8. Don't leave table conversation up to the adults. Get the kids to write ideas for conversations, put them in a hat and let the adults draw a topic. It's a lot of fun and you'll be surprised how much the children will chip in with their thoughts.

9. Don't forget to enjoy this holiday for what it is. We are thankful not only for being able to live in this amazing country,

but we are thankful for life itself. What a blessing this gift of life is to each of us and how blessed we are to have such an abundance of food, friends and family.

10. Don't clean up by yourself. Be a good delegator and get the men to help if they don't volunteer. When you're organized you can put aside tasks for them while there are time outs in whatever game they're watching.

Thanksgiving should be fun. You have the power as the woman in the family to set the tone for that fun. If you're all stressed and disorganized, it won't be able to set that festive tone. Take care of yourself first, delegate and enjoy! Happy Thanksgiving!



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COMMODITY INSITE: Voice from the tomb

BY JERRY WELCH

To grasp how bearish October was for the stock market consider just a few of the headlines posted this week: From Barron's, "What to expect from the stock market after a brutal October." From Market Watch.com, "The Godfather" of chart analysis says damage done to the stock market is 'much, much worse' than anyone is talking about." From CNBC News, "The Nasdaq dropped 9.2 percent in October, its worst month since November 2008."

The boys and girls on Wall Street whimpered all week, "Woe is us!"

However, commodities per se did far worse than stocks and for September as well as October.

For instance, in September, gold prices hit a year and a half-year low while, coffee and soybeans dropped to a 10-year low. Sugar hit a six-year low. Cotton prices slumped to an eight-month low and orange juice a one-year low. That was in September!

Along came October with wheat prices falling to a nine-month low, crude oil slipped to a five-month low and the CRB Index, that is to the commodity markets as the Dow Jones is to the stock markets fell to a new, two-month low.

September and October were stone cold bearish. Commodities did far worse than stocks.

But October is gone and with two months left in this year, the battle lines are drawn between the bulls and the bears about the direction stocks and commodities are headed from now into January. As always, only time will tell.

My lean is the stock market will go nowhere for the next 10 years.

But Goldman Sachs, is convinced the Dow will rise sharply into the end of this year while Morgan Stanley believes it is headed lower to much lower as a new bear market is unfolding. Here too, only time will tell.

The big news this week and it began on November 1, was the sharp decline seen in value of the U.S. dollar.

Earlier in the week the 'ol greenback hit a new 16-month high, falling short of the 97.00 level but closed sharply lower. The decline that day was the largest setback in a year.

Why is that the "big news" this week?

It's the big news because history shows a near perfect inverse relationship between the dollar and commodities. When one goes up, the other goes down. Thus, the sharp break in the value of the 'ol greenback hints loudly that sooner than later, com-

modity values in general will improve from current levels.

In fact, when the dollar did a nose-dive, gold prices rose nearly \$20 an ounce and silver prices jumped a whopping 48 cents an ounce. It was the largest one-day rally for both metal markets in a year. History shows the first commodity markets to benefit from a bout of inflation are precious metals.

If the dollar has topped out and headed lower and commodities per se about to catch a tail wind, the market I would concentrate on in the weeks ahead is Kansas City wheat. Wheat prices tend to be very sensitive to the dollar and global supplies are the smallest since 2007 when KC futures rose to nearly \$14 a bushel.

I am not suggesting KC wheat is headed as high as \$14, but the market is just now a bit over \$5 a bushel and fell to a 10-month low a few days ago around the \$4.84 level.

By any measure, wheat looks cheap to me and if the dollar continues to falter, it will look cheap to a host of foreign importers as well.

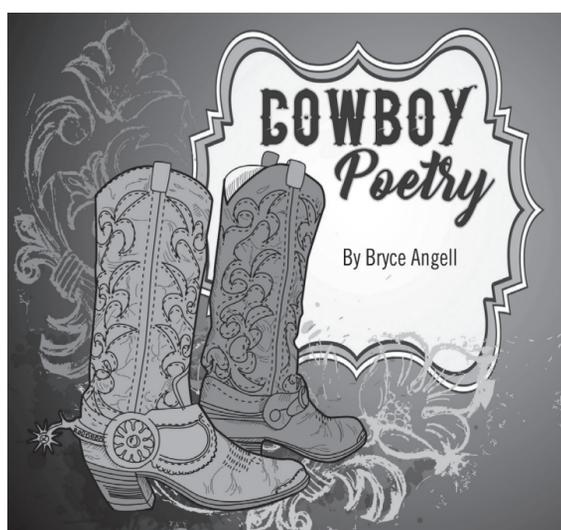
An interesting bit of history about wheat comes from Midwest Market Solutions by Brian Hoops called, "The Voice From The Tomb."

"Years ago, there was an extremely wealthy wheat speculator," Hoops writes. "After his wife died, he raised his three children by himself and dedicated his life to them. However, his children were lazy and they thought they would inherit all the money. He believed his children were wasteful and grew to believe they took him for granted. When he died, he left nothing to the children; all his money went to charity. All he left them in his will were dates of when to buy and when to sell wheat. He further explained in his will that if the children would only follow the six buy/sell signals, they would have the fortune they always thought they were going to have."

According to Hoops, the next buy signal based on "The Voice From The Tomb" arrives on November 28, for March wheat futures.

My lean is that of a bull for KC wheat. With global stocks the smallest since 2007, the odds appear high that prices are headed higher from here.

In my view, the best (and only) source of history for the futures markets is found at www.commodityinite.com. Check it out. And note the special offer.



Our veterans

I've listened to my father talk 'bout days of World War II. And how he proudly served with pride. He wore the Navy Blue.

He waited danged near thirty years to speak about the war. Some visions still unspeakable of sights he'd seen on shore.

But, he shows respect and proves it when he stands up for the flag. He says he stands for men who came back just a lone dog tag.

He said he can't forget when

they were sailing back to shore. The sailors saw the Golden Gate, knew they were home for sure.

Old Glory was then lowered. Sailors walked down off the ship. He watched the roughest sea men covering up a quivering lip.

Last year my wife and I flew back to Washington DC. We viewed the War Memorials. A sight for all to see.

Each structure is a tribute to the ones who served and

died. The Vietnam Memorial is where we stood and cried.

I wonder how my father feels when athletes take a knee. Especially when he risked his life, so they'd have liberty.

I heard an older veteran say, "It darned near makes me gag when a spoiled and overpaid athlete can disrespect our flag!"

My grandson asked me how I feel when athletes take a knee. I said, "It's disrespectful and for that I disagree."

Tonight, when kneeling at my bed, I'll thank the Lord up there for those who served our country fending off the evil snare.

And when I pull the covers down, jump in and hit the sack, I know we'll all be safe cuz sure enough they had our back.

So, to every veteran, young and old, we'd like to say to you. "We country boys respect you. It's a thank you overdue."

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- 17 Yuletide beverages
- 18 Biden, Cheney, et al.
- 19 Pooch
- 21 Bewildered
- 24 Two-wheeler
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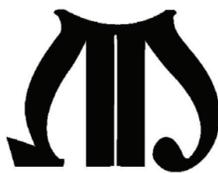
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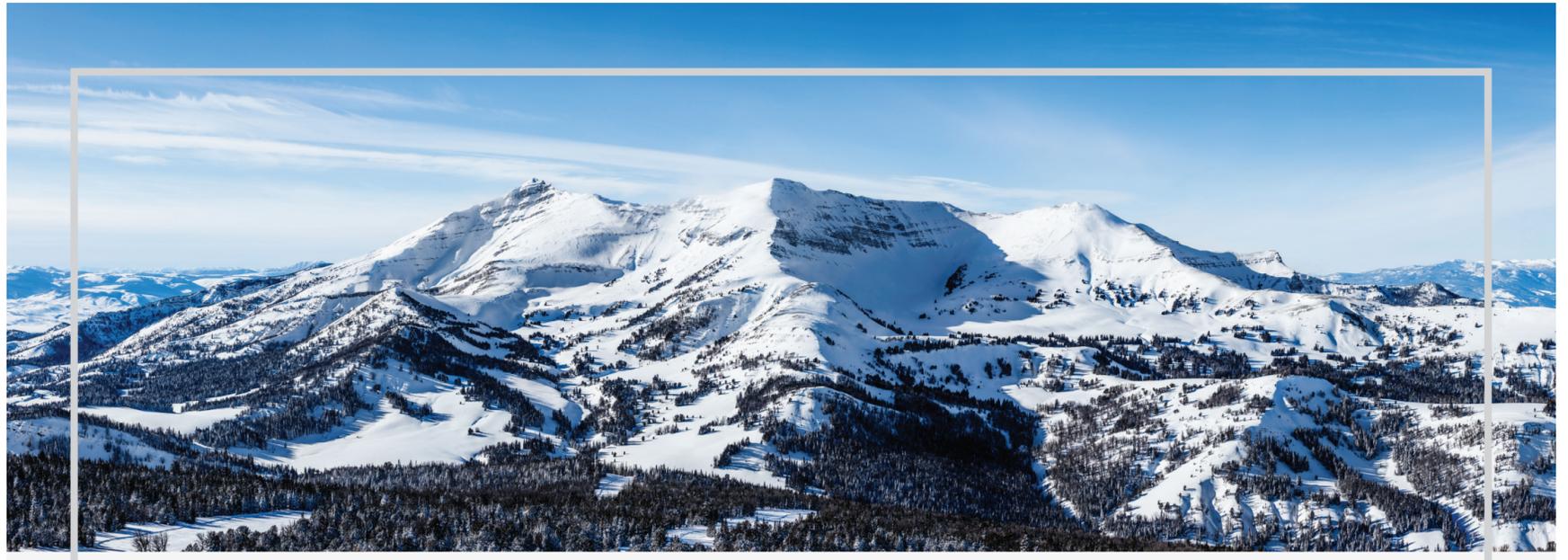


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 Dated this 5th day of October, 2018.
 /S/ JACQUELINE SHIRLEY
 Personal Representative
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dial 877-526-1243, at the prompt enter code 46309676#. Tuesday afternoon, November 13, 2018 at 12:30 p.m. One Informal public meeting(s) will be held by Julie Nordlund, Water Master, at the Gallatin County Commissioners Room, 311 West Main, Room 306, Bozeman, MT 59715. Tuesday evening, November 20, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
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NOTICE TO RED ROCK RIVER WATER USERS
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NOTICE FOR PUBLIC HEARING
 NOTICE FOR PUBLIC HEARING On Monday, November 5, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. the Madison County Commission will conduct a public hearing at the Twin Bridges Town Hall located at 104 East 6th Avenue in Twin Bridges, Montana. Representatives of Great West Engineering will be present at the public hearing to discuss a Draft Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and Draft Environmental Assessment prepared for the Madison County Commission to explore alternatives for the expansion of water and wastewater services to the west of the Beaverhead River in Twin Bridges. The engineers will explain the proposed project, including the purpose and proposed area of the project, activities, budget, possible sources of funding, and any costs that may result for local citizens because of the project. All interested persons will be given the opportunity to ask questions and express opinions regarding the proposed project and any environmental impacts. Comments may be given orally at the hearing or submitted in writing before the end of the hearing on Monday, November 5, 2018. Written comments may also be sent to the Madison County Commission, Attention Ron Nye at P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, MT 59755, but must be received by 2:00 p.m. on November 5. Copies of the Draft PER and Draft Environmental Assessment are available for review at the Madison County Administrative Office Building at 103 West Wallace, Virginia City, MT and the Twin Bridges Town Hall. 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 November 1, 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 to make your request known. Madison County Commissioners Ronald E. Nye, Chair James P. Hart, Member Dan W. Allhands, Member Pub. October 25, Nov. 11, 2018) MCC
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PUBLIC NOTICE
 MONTANA WATER COURT GALLATIN RIVER (BASIN 41H) *****
 ***** NOTICE OF ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY DECREE AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY ALL WATER USERS NEED TO READ THIS NOTICE THIS NOTICE COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 85-2-232(3), MCA The Preliminary Decree contains 6,267 abstracts of existing water right claims filed in the Gallatin River (Basin 41H). NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY The Decree is available for review and Water Court forms are available at these locations: Montana Water Court, 1123 Research Drive, Bozeman, MT. Montana DNRC, Water Rights Adjudication Office, 910 Helena Ave, Helena, MT. Montana DNRC, Water Resources Regional Office(s): 2273 Boot Hill Court, Suite 110, Bozeman, MT. On the internet at <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/water/adjudication>. Scroll down to Basin 41H Preliminary Decree and click on Gallatin River. Click on the 41H Preliminary Decree information that interests you. OBJECTIONS ALL OBJECTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE WATER COURT ON OR BEFORE APRIL 9, 2019. Objections must be filed on the forms provided by the Water Court and mailed to the Montana Water Court, PO Box 1389, Bozeman, MT 59771-1389. The Water Judge may grant a request for an extension of the time for filing objections. A request for an extension must be received by the Water Court on or before April 9, 2019. Use the Water Court's form. If an extension is granted, it will apply to everyone. Any extension will be posted at the offices listed in the Notice and will be advertised once in this newspaper. RIGHT TO APPEAL If you do not participate in Water Court proceedings, your right to appeal an adverse decision is limited by Section 85-2-235, MCA. MEETINGS WITH THE WATER COURT One Informal public meeting will be held by Julie Nordlund, Water Master, via telephone conference call,



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- For example, 72.8 percent of Montanans support a public official "who supports increased funding for K-12 public education."
- 75.7 percent of Montanans support a public official "who supports improvement and innovation in public education."
- Montanans believe that local communities are best suited to shape our education system, with 63.7 percent of those surveyed expressing support for school boards

and local voters determining how public schools operate. Montanans also overwhelmingly trust educators (including teachers, elected trustees and administrators) the most to do what is best academically for students.

The Great Work of Montana's Public Schools publication provides visual interpretations of the polling data and outlines the vision and priorities of the K-12 Vision Group.

The K-12 Vision Group was first formed by the partners of MT-PEC in 2011 with a charge of developing a comprehensive vision for the future success of public education in Montana and establishing a clear road map to achieve that vision. The group is comprised of teachers, elected trustees, superintendents, principals, and school business officials nominated by their peers from across the state.

The survey can be found at <http://mt-pec.org/greatwork/great-vi?CLK=98f511bb-bfa2-4a68-951b-a059f59d7599>.

\$1.1 million restored to education

HELENA—State Superintendent Elsie Arntzen announced earlier this year that K-12 education in Montana will have \$1.1 million in funding restored after more positive state budget outlooks.

Through proportionate grants, Arntzen is replacing \$510,000 which was cut from high school career and technical education programs. She is also awarding \$217,547 to Montana's special education cooperatives which serve our most rural students. The remaining \$413,814 will be used to provide targeted support services to local schools.

"These budget projections allow Montana to invest precious dollars back into programs which directly serve students," Arntzen said.

Montana native returns home to join Internal Medicine team

After earning her Doctor of Medicine from the University of Washington School of Medicine, and completing residency at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Dr. Meghan Combs is delighted to be returning to Montana. The Fromberg native is passionate about preventative medicine and rural population healthcare delivery. Dr. Combs is accepting new patients in our Dillon clinic. Please join us in giving her a warm welcome!

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Resolution Specialist - Position responsible for researching Medicaid and commercial insurance policies, billing rules and payment guidelines to obtain claim resolution. Must have HS Diploma or equivalent and ability to type and work with 10 key. Requisition number: 16544

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Refund Specialist I - Research and process refunds in a timely manner following established department procedures in accordance with State and Federal laws. Must have HS Diploma or equivalent and ability to type and work with 10 key. Requisition number: 16546

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Student of the Week

Ennis Schools student of the week is **TAIT OLSON**. Tait is always in a good mood and willing learn and work hard every day. He is very detail oriented and strives to do things right. He is not afraid to ask questions and dive head first into anything that we cover or discuss. He is responsible and determined. In so many ways he just does things the right way.

Tait is a polite, considerate, and kind young man. As a student, he is serious about learning and is diligent with all of his assignments. Tait's great attitude about learning is an asset to our student body, and he sets a positive example through his effort and hard work.

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DISTRICT COURT ROUNDUP

The Madison County District Court had three hearings scheduled for Monday, November 5, one of which was vacated to a later date.

- Dale Davis is charged with a fourth offense of driving under the influence, a felony. He is charged with an accompanying misdemeanor charge of driving with a suspended or revoked license.

- Tristen Horn is charged with two felony charges of sexual abuse of children. In September, Horn allegedly filmed two minors—a 15-year-old and a 17-year-old—having sexual intercourse and then distributed that video via social media. Horn is also charged with surreptitious visual observation or recording, a misdemeanor, for allegedly hiding in a closet to watch and/or record the encounter between the two minors. Two misdemeanor obscenity charges are also

before the court, alleging that Horn knowingly delivered obscene sexual content to at least one underage person, including the 17-year-old in the video.

- A hearing for Boyd van Fleet was vacated until January. Van Fleet is charged with three felony counts of theft for allegedly stealing a horse, a hot tub and a refrigerator from a Madison County ranch, as well as some livestock records and business records from the same ranch. Two other felony charges are also presented, including illegal branding for allegedly rebranding the stolen horse and removal of livestock from Montana without inspection for allegedly transporting the horse to Wyoming. The sixth charge against Van Fleet is a misdemeanor for allegedly stealing a firearm. Van Fleet pleaded not guilty to all charges in August of 2017 and his trial has been delayed several times.

NorthWestern Energy, others honored for local stream restoration work

BUTTE—NorthWestern Energy, Granger Ranches, Longhorn Ranch and River Design Group have been honored for the restoration work on the O'Dell Spring Creek near Ennis, Montana.

The Society for Ecological Restoration's Northwest Chapter named the O'Dell Creek work as its Restoration Project of the Year for 2018. The award recognized "the important wildlife habitat gains in permanently protecting and restoring a historical floodplain and restoring and reconnecting important wetland habitats."

Along with NorthWestern Energy and the other award recipients, a variety of state, federal agencies and nongovernmental organizations have participated in the O'Dell Spring Creek project. These partnerships and NorthWestern's commitment to envi-



Above - Re-introduction of swans to O'Dell Creek, near Ennis.

ronmental stewardship have resulted in multiple long-term benefits to the environment.

Since 2004, about 12.5 miles of spring creek and more than 700 acres of wet-

lands have been restored on O'Dell Creek, which is a tributary to the Madison River. The restoration work has improved wildlife habitat, particularly that of birds. Researchers found 29 species of birds in the creek area prior to restoration work. That number of species increased to 103 due to the efforts of the project partners. The Society noted specific improvements to trumpeter swan populations in the O'Dell Spring

Creek project area. Nearly \$2.5 million has been spent on the restoration work to date. About \$2.1 million in funding has come from NorthWestern's Missouri-Madison Project 2188 Protection, Mitigation and Enhancement program. The program was established as part of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission licensing process for hydroelectric facilities on the Missouri-Madison river system.

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MASS AT ST. PATRICK'S IN ENNIS AT 11AM ON SUNDAYS.
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AREA SENIOR MEALS

Ennis Senior Center
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.
• Thursday, November 8 - Pork & potato stew, salad & croissant, dessert, red hat ladies.
• Friday, November 9 - BBQ meatball skewers, roasted potatoes & 3-bean salad, dessert, pinocchio at 12:45 p.m.
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• Friday, November 9 - BBQ meatball skewers, roasted potatoes & 3bean salad, dessert, pinocchio at 12:45 p.m.
• Monday, November 12 - BLT Cobb salad, roll, dessert, mah-jongg at 1 p.m.
• Tuesday November 13 - Ham & cheese chowder, salad & cornbread, dessert, play pan at 1 p.m.
• Wednesday November 14 - Chicken & stuffing, veggies & roll, dessert, mah-jongg at 1 p.m.
• Thursday, November 15 - Chicken fried steak, mashers & veggies

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 Cafe on Tuesday & Thursdays from 11 am to 3 pm for \$4.00.
• Thursday, November 8 - Lasagna with salad, garlic toast, dessert
• Tuesday, November 13 - Hamburger stroganoff, veggies, roll, dessert
• Thursday, November 15 - Chicken pot-pie, 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, November 9 - BBQ Pork Ribs, roasted root veggies, salad, chocolate cake
• Monday, November 12 - Ham and scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, fruit, cherry cheesecake
• Wednesday, November 14 - Chicken Pot Pie, salad, dessert.

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843-5352 Virginia City



OUTPOSTEVENTS.NET

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Thursday November 8
Ennis Book Club Meeting, Ennis
The Ennis Book Club will meet at Madison Valley Public Library to discuss "Sulfur Springs," by William Kent Krueger. Meeting at 1 p.m., presentation by Judy Frei.

the Virginia City Elks Lodge at 6 p.m. at 114 Wallace Street. Tickets must be bought in advance: adults \$35, kids age 5-12 \$10. Call 406-600-2599 for information.

Saturday November 10
Customer Appreciation Night, Ennis
Gallery 287 will be open late for customer appreciation night! Appetizers, door prizes

and to meet some local artists and view their work. 5-8 p.m. at Gallery 287.

Baroque Music Montana, Virginia City
Baroque Music Montana performs works by celebrated composers as well as pieces rarely or not heard since the 18th century. This concert at the Elling House Arts & Humanities Center will feature Carrie Krause on baroque violin and John Lenti on the oboe. Concert at 7 p.m., admission by donation.

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Sunday November 11
Community Veterans' Day Breakfast, Ennis
Free breakfast in honor of our veterans! All veterans and community members invited to Madison Valley Baptist Church from 9 - 10:30 a.m. Call 406-682-4244 for information.

Veterans' Day Potluck Dinner, Ennis
Join us for a potluck dinner to honor our veterans at Madison Valley Baptist Church! Ham and green bean casserole provided; bring a dish to share. Starts at 6 p.m., call 406-682-4244 for information.

Brown Bag Lunch at noon at the archives, then an evening lecture at 7 p.m.

School Board Meeting, Ennis
5 p.m. in classroom 3, Ennis High School

Monday November 12
Veterans Day Tea, Sheridan
Students and staff of Sheridan Elementary will host a Veterans Day tea to show our appreciation for those who serve our country. 9 a.m. at in the Sheridan Elementary School lunchroom.

Thursday November 15
Ron Bechtold Lecture, Ennis
Madison Valley History Association presents Ron Bechtold, grandson of Hezekiah Stibbs Templeton speaking about his grandfather, who arrived in Virginia City in 1864. Program at 4 p.m. at the Ennis Senior Center.

American Legion Meeting, Ennis
The Ennis American Legion will host its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at its office on the corner of First and Steffens Streets.

Warren Miller Ski Film, Ennis
A Friends of the Library fundraiser. Volkswagen presents Warren Miller's "Face of Winter," at 6:30 p.m. at the Madison Theatre. Tickets available at Madison Valley Public Library or at the door.

Wednesday November 14
Brown Bag Lunch with C.O. Smithers, Butte
The Butte-Silver Bow Archives is hosting two presentations with photographs from the C. Owen Smithers Photograph Collection. Bob Chamberlin and Dan Peters will showcase images from the collection that illustrate Butte's role as the host of the cross-state rivalry of the Bobcats and the Grizzlies.

Saturday November 17
Hollowtop Senior Citizens' Community Bazaar, Pony
Community Bazaar at Pony Senior Citizens Hall 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. with a soup luncheon from 11:30 - 1 for \$5. Crafters, space is limited! Call Shirl Gandenberger at 685-3421 to reserve.

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, 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.
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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.

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Tuesday, November 13
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Sat 11/10 Dave Provost
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