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Ennis town council looks to future

EMS service, Main Street Grant, park planning approved

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ENNIS – Plans for the future dominated the Ennis town commission's Thursday, November 8, meeting.

EMS service

Allen Rohrback, CEO of Madison Valley Medical Center, came to ask the town of Ennis – via the town commission – to join with the medical center and Ennis Ambulance Service in taking a hard look at the community's EMS needs and how to best fulfill them heading into the future.

Rohrback said the medical center and the ambulance service were seeking additional partners in an effort to examine the community's EMS needs and how to meet them. He told the commissioners that despite there being three basic types of emergency needs – a simple emergency, basic life support and advanced life support – emergency medical services are “complicated,” especially when the transfer of a patient is required and critical care is imperative.

Summing up current EMS services, Rohrback cited the ambulance service, The Ruby Valley Hospital in Sheridan, American Medical Response/ AMR Medical Transportation in Bozeman, and the use of helicopters and fixed wing aircraft to transport patients and provide emergency services.

He also noted that like in many other smaller communities the ambulance service revolves around volunteers. However, their numbers are dwindling, especially when factoring in the amount of medical training required to become an EMS provider. Then there is the high cost of providing EMS services. Even if the EMS provider earned \$1,000 per ambulance run, for example, and made 300 runs annually, this \$300,000 would probably not cover the cost of the medical equipment, personnel and other costs associated with providing EMS services, Rohrback said.

Some communities, he told the commission, create hospital districts, or fire districts, or apply a community mill levy to provide for EMS services.

What the medical center and the ambulance service were proposing, he said, was to study the community's EMS needs. Safetech Solutions, a consulting company, could survey the community's EMS needs and propose ways to meet these needs. Rohrback said he was talking to Aaron Reinert, MA, a partner with Safetech about what the company could offer, the scope of the project and the “deliverables.”

The overall cost for this would be \$30,000, Rohrback said.

Rohrback said that Safetech had done this for all of northern Wyoming for that state's Department of Health and cited other examples of the company's work.

The medical center had a proposal to begin the study but was a “couple of conversations away” from imple-

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VETERANS DAY, 2018 Service to nation recalled, honored

A reminder of the high cost of freedom

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MADISON COUNTY - Sunday, November 11, Veterans Day, was a day to honor veterans and think about the high cost of the freedoms American's enjoy.

Several events were held across the county.

In Ennis, veterans and their families were offered a free breakfast at the Madison Valley Baptist Church, north of Ennis along Highway 287, from 9– 10:30 a.m.

Following the hearty breakfast, camaraderie and remembrances at the church, rancher Brett Owens, of McAlister, an Air Force veteran, whose missions included in-flight refueling efforts on large aircraft, shared his thoughts on what Veterans Day was all about, recalling the millions of men and women who fought and died to maintain the American way of life. Owens said he was proud to have followed in the footsteps of these fine Americans and talked about the oath service personnel swear to abide by.

Madison Valley Baptist Church Pastor, Dr. Ray Teston, said the church thanked all the veterans for their service and that the church could be there because of this.

“You are the real heroes,” he said.

Following the breakfast, at 11 a.m., Trinity Episcopal Church in Jeffers and St. Paul's Episcopal in Virginia City rang their church bells to commemorate the signing of the



Jerry Bud Redfield had the honor of ringing the Twin Bridges bell on the 11th hour, of the 11th day, of the 11th month 100 years after World War I. (Submitted)

armistice that ended World War I, the “war to end all wars,” on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month – the root of Veterans Day.

The churches, by participating in this ceremony, sought to honor those who have gone before them to bring peace to the world.

The bell ringing ceremony was also conceived and designed in collaboration with the honor guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, to provide a solemn reminder of the sacrifice and service of veterans of World War I and all veterans.

Also at 11 a.m., the United Veterans of Twin Bridges honored the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day, the ending of WWI, by ringing the Church of the Valley bell 21 times. Jerry Bud Redfield had the honor of ringing the bell.



Above - U.S. Air Force veteran and rancher Brett Owens, of McAlister, shared his thoughts on what Veterans Day was all about, at the Madison Valley Baptist Church, Sunday morning. (J. TAYLOR)

Below - The United Veterans of Twin Bridges honored the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day by ringing the Church of the Valley bell 21 times on November 11 at 11 a.m. (SUBMITTED)



Following the bell ringing, veterans also gathered back at Madison Valley Baptist Church for an evening meal, at 6 p.m. Ham, green bean casserole and pies were on the menu, with potluck additions provided by guests.

All in all, it was a day to remember and reflect on the high costs of freedom.

Local shops, artists gearing up for Small Business Saturday

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MADISON COUNTY—It may be only mid-November, but thoughts are already turning toward Christmas as snow begins to fly and Thanksgiving travel plans are made. And with those plans comes the onset of holiday shopping.

While Black Friday has been a post-Thanksgiving staple for years, Small Business Saturday is a more recent creation, encouraging people

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The 4 Paws animal rescue, run by Misty Hammerbacker out of her own home, recently purchased the Clay's Calico building in Cardwell. (R. COLYER)

Animal shelter will expand with new building

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CARDWELL—Madison County's main animal shelter, based on Jefferson Island just outside Cardwell, will soon move into a new location thanks to the purchase of the building that has housed one of the town's best-known businesses.

Misty Hammerbacker has run 4 Paws Rescue out of her own home for the past several years. She keeps dogs and cats in her home,

yard and garage, as well as the occasional rabbit, bird and even llama when the situation demands.

Hammerbacker worked at Clay's Calico in Cardwell for over 15 years, a business known for its locally crafted clays, woodworks and gifts. When the building's owner told her of the intention to close and sell the space, Hammerbacker jumped at the opportunity to expand her rescue efforts, and the purchase became complete at the end of September.

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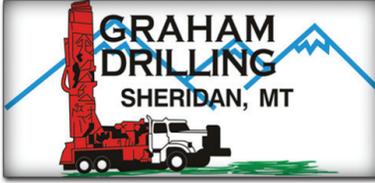
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Twin Bridges Veterans Day program ... Principal Tammie Demien welcomes the veterans as the High School choir under the direction music teacher, Miss Jacquelyn Ward, prepares to sing the National Anthem. (SUBMITTED)



Above - Trinity Episcopal Church in Jeffers and St. Paul's Episcopal in Virginia City rang their church bells to commemorate the signing of the armistice that ended World War I, the "war to end all wars," on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month - the root of Veterans Day. The churches, by participating in this ceremony, sought to honor those who have gone before them to bring peace to the world.

ENNIS continued from A1: Town commission looks at town's future

menting it without garnering additional partners, Rohrback said. He asked the town to consider partnering with the medical center and the ambulance service and offer any amount they might deem appropriate to take the next step forward with the study of EMS services.

"We're more interested in the partners than the money," Rohrback told the commission.

He also noted that he intended to approach the county and other entities about participating in the study as partners.

The commission had several questions about Rohrback's ideas.

Mayor Blake Leavitt wondered about including Ruby Valley Hospital in the study, and wondered if the study would encompass the county, not just Ennis. Rohrback said it would look at needs and how to fill them and this would include the larger picture.

Commissioner John Bancroft noted that the town's budget was already tight and wondered if there were ways to get additional funds. He said he wasn't against the project, but wanted to know how much the hospital was putting up to do the study. He also noted that with ambulance crew members coming from Cameron and other distant parts of the county that response times would be long - a concern when considering EMS service.

Rohrback talked about different ways to acquire funding, including a county mill levy, special tax districts. He also noted that for rural areas, response times often are long.

Commission chairman Brian Vincent called it a great idea and wondered if there was a dollar figure the commission could come up with. "But I'll leave that to someone else," he said.

Wrapping up discussion,

Commissioner Lisa Roberts suggested that the commission get behind the study, pledge its support and participate in doing it, but not immediately specify a dollar amount. She suggested that \$5,000 might be a good number to use to put the town "at the table" with the study as a partner.

Vincent said maybe it would be better to kick in \$2,500 initially, then if the county came in with \$5,000, the town could up it's ante another \$2,500. Vincent wondered if a letter of support would be enough to involve the town.

Rohrback said this would be enough to move forward.

The commissioners agreed to pledge their support for the project and participate in it, with a dollar amount to be set at a later date.

Main Street grant

Leavitt told the commission that this grant was coming up and that with the town's participation in this grant, it could build up the town's infrastructure, and push Ennis to the forefront.

"It sets up progress," he said of the grant, which would create an overall plan for the town that ties together previous town plans and priorities, including the 2011 town plan. After the Main Street grant was attained, this would also allow the town to pursue other grants and work its way up what Commissioner Roberts called a tiered system of grant-getting, where less match is required on each level of the tier.

To acquire the grant, the town would need to spend \$6,000, and the state would kick in a 5:1 match in the form of a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) of \$30,000 - \$40,000.

Roberts said the grant was "no gamble." She noted that other communities - she mentioned

Roundup, Red Lodge, Columbia Falls and Thompson Falls - who had followed this process were making strides towards improvements.

The plan, she said, would look at all of the public places in the community, not just the downtown.

Roberts said a community assessment would determine the scope of the work to be done, calling it a "springboard" for other development and work funded through grants. This would give the town a plan to move forward and get help with marketing itself, and improving all aspects Ennis.

Bancroft wondered what the Chamber of Commerce was going to kick into the effort.

Chamber Executive Director Halley Perry said the Chamber was supporting the Main Street grant, but no dollar amount had been set for this year. The Chamber was helping to write the grant, and said the Chamber and the town were "in the same boat."

Leavitt said there was \$10,000 in the budget to cover the cost of this.

On a motion by Roberts and Commissioner Cory Hardy, the commission approved the \$6,000 to put towards the grant.

Commissioner Brandi Palmerton voted against this effort.

Community park plan

Using \$5,000 - \$3,000 contributed (\$2,500 from Imerys Talc; \$500 from the grocery store's Christmas tree sales in 2017; and another anticipated \$500 from grocery store Christmas trees this year) - Leavitt and Roberts pitched a plan to look at the Comley Park, and find a way to use this space better.

Roberts said the existing park as a well pump house that

has two bathrooms, dated playground equipment and few other amenities. What Roberts said she'd like to see considered for the site are a splash pad, updated playground equipment and other upgrades to the park, a way to use this space better.

To the contributed money, the town would need to add \$1,500 to create the plans she said.

Bancroft wondered about parking. He said there wasn't enough room to park there, let alone put in more playground equipment. He also called the park intersection dangerous, saying it would have to be a walk-in park.

Vincent noted that the money could come from the planning fund, money already budgeted for such efforts.

Roberts and Hardy offered a motion to spend this amount for the park plans and the commission approved it unanimously.

In other business:

- Jack Finley and Jennifer Doney gave the town a check for \$200 from the Bahá'í Faith as a donation to the Arbor Day fund.
- Chief of Police John Moore reported that his new vehicle was working fine and that he liked it, but getting used to a new vehicle was not easy. "It's different," he said, "it's not the Crown Vic." The new vehicle came from the San Antonio or Dallas - Ft. Worth police department. These departments, Moore said, dispose of new leased vehicles after 70,000 miles of police use. The city bought one of these and Moore transferred all of the gear he could - radio, sirens, etc. - from the old car to the new one to reduce costs. He said the new car is in great shape and that the ambulance crew would be using the Ford Crown Victoria police car to help with their work.

SHELTER continued from A1: Cardwell shelter expands into new facility

"It's going to be really, really great," she says. "But there's a lot we have to do before then."

That includes transitioning the building from a retail space and clay firing studio into an animal shelter, which will begin with removing what Hammerbacker says is "about 50 years' worth of dust" from under well-loved kilns and the many shelves where unfinished clay works awaited their finishing touches.

"We have some volunteers who have helped us out a lot, and we've gotten all the new carpeting donated, plus a new washer and dryer," says Hammerbacker. "The Madison County commissioners help us too, another rea-

son I'm so happy to be a citizen of Madison County."

Hammerbacker has had people drive from as far away as Washington and Colorado to adopt animals from her. Once the Clay's Calico building gets prepped, it will be a huge increase in space and will allow 4 Paws to greatly increase its services.

There will be designated areas for dogs, cats and even birds, plus an area right at the front window where potential adopters can "window shop," looking at puppies or kittens awaiting a home. Hammerbacker plans to repurpose some of the business's old stacking tables—towers that

look like they could be particularly appealing to feline playmates.

"We have to get the yard fenced in, which will be more expensive than I realized," she says. "It's going to be a long process getting everything ready, but it'll be great when it's all done."

The new 4 Paws will also implement a program in place in other shelters around Montana and the nation.

The Ashley Perry Animal Shelter Reading Program originated in Alaska and has spread nationwide, offering young readers a chance to practice reading out loud to an unbiased,

non-judgmental audience: a shelter animal in need of some company. Once 4 Paws is established in its new digs, young students from around Madison County will be able to sign up to read to a dog or cat; Hammerbacker says the program is so popular, she's already had several calls to sign up at the new facility.

Hammerbacker doesn't yet have an expected opening date for the new space, but preparations will begin as soon as possible getting everything prepared for 4 Paws' bright future. And soon, once the dogs and cats have vacated, Hammerbacker's car will be allowed back in its garage.

SHOP continued from A1: Local merchants gearing up for Small Business Saturday

to forego larger box stores and turn toward supporting the local businesses in their own communities. First observed in 2010, Small Business Saturday has become a sizable driver for local economies in recent years.

Locally-owned businesses around Madison County will be open for Small Business Saturday this year, which will take place on November 24. In Ennis, businesses around town will be collaborating to participate in a Small Business Saturday event, supplying attendees with passport-style booklets to make sure they can visit all the businesses open for the day.

Many local shops, galleries and other businesses will offer

discounts or deals as incentives to keep holiday shoppers buying local. Ennis's Main Street event will include desserts at the Chamber of Commerce and extended hours at many businesses.

Chelsee Mahsman, manager at Right Angles on Ennis's Main Street, has been organizing the Small Business Saturday event for two years now. Last year, she says 14 businesses around town participated in the passport program, which encourages shoppers to visit as many of the participating stores as possible.

Mahsman surveyed the owners of the participating businesses after last year's event, and says that across the board,

the response was positive. Every single business said they'd noticed more shoppers that usual, including many visitors who had never come in before. That includes Mahsman's own business, Right Angles, and Plain Jane's next door.

"I think it just helps keep our community local," she says. "And I think the more we can do all together to keep people shopping around here rather than going to Bozeman or somewhere else, the better for the whole community."

Mahsman hopes to have between 15 and 20 businesses involved in this year's Small Business Saturday celebration. Shoppers can pick up their pass-

ports at Plain Jane's, and everyone who picks up stamps from 80 percent or more of the participating businesses will be entered to win prizes at the end of the day—the more stamps you get, the more chances you have to win.

Once shoppers are done, they can drop off their passports at the Ennis Senior Center and partake of a community dessert social from 4:30-6 p.m. Mahsman hopes that through community involvement and events like this one, Small Business Saturday will continue to grow, keeping Madison County's local businesses and economy vibrant and thriving.

Three Forks talc lockout over after 3 months

Imerys America locked out union workers in August

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THREE FORKS—After nearly three months locked out of work, 35 union members at the Three Forks Imerys talc milling plant returned to work on Monday, November 5.

The lockout began back in August, after members of the local Boilermakers Union refused three separate contract proposals from the company. The previous contract had expired on May 30, was extended to June 15 and then expired.

Workers took issue with many elements of the proposed contract replacements, including the potential removal of retirement benefits for some workers and changes to the company's overtime policy.

Over the course of the summer Imerys offered up three different contract agreements for union approval. After what the company called its "last, best and final" offer was rejected on August 2, the union members who worked at the plant were locked out, and in the ensuing weeks the company hired a number of temporary, non-union workers to maintain operations during the lockout.

A new contract was finally agreed upon on Tuesday, October 30, allowing employees to return to work the following Monday.

Montana Congressman Greg Gianforte and Senator Jon Tester both weighed in on the lockout the day employees returned to work.

"Hardworking Montanans were at the table ready to negotiate for 90 days, and today their good faith effort paid off," said Gianforte. "Imerys joined them at the table, and I'm happy to see these Montanans are going back to work with a deal."

Tester, who met multiple times with workers during the lockout, made a bolder statement against the company.

"Despite Imerys' selling their workers downstream, hard-working families in Three Forks, Butte and Bozeman remained strong and united during this unjust lockout," the senator said. "Today is welcome news for all working Montanans, but this lockout serves as a reminder that not all corporations reflect our Montana values."

In the wake of the lockout, Tester is sponsoring a new bill in Congress designed to eliminate certain tax breaks and deductions for companies that lock out employees during a dispute.

The PICKET Act, which stands for Prohibiting Incentives for Corporations that Kickout Employees Tax, would require corporations that lock out workers to pay an old corporate tax rate of 35 percent, rather than the new rate of 21 percent.

It would also prevent those companies from receiving certain tax credits for hiring replacement workers while their regular employees are locked out. The bill was introduced on October 3 and awaits a vote in Congress.

Shammel named FCS teacher of the year

SHERIDAN - The Montana Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Educators (MAFCSE) is pleased to announce that Roxanne Shammel, of Sheridan schools, has been named MAFCSE Teacher of the Year.

Mike Wetherbee, Sheridan School District Superintendent shared the highest of praise for Shammel in a letter supporting her nomination for the award. He spoke of her dedication and excellence in both math and FCS instruction for the past twenty years.

"Her service has been exemplary as she has driven the FCS curriculum at the highest level striving to achieve excellence at every level with our students. It has shown over the years with the lines of trophies and recognition plaques she has along the walls in her classroom. Because of her our students have excelled in FCCLA in so many areas."

"She has taken groups of students to nationals and other competitions every one of those years. This has come through many thousands of hours preparing, fundraising, and then riding busses and planes all over the nation. She has done this without a lot of outside influence and all in the name of service to students."

"She is and will always be first class in the eyes of our school as she has more than demonstrated through her actions and then in the performance of her students that this is the type of recognition she is worthy of."

In addition to the well-earned praise from her administration, Shammel is highly respected as a professional and as a person by her colleagues in MAFCSE. It is with great admiration and sincerity that they award her this honor.



Roxanne Shammel, MAFCSE Teacher of the Year, is flanked by Megan Vincent, Family and Consumer Science Education Specialist with OPI, and Kimberlie McCullough, 2018 MAFCSE president, as Shammel receives her award honoring years of dedication, energy and talent devoted to her students. (SUBMITTED)

Big Sky plans for future trail needs

Citizen input will be the key to success

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The primary purpose of this plan is to guide BSCO efforts to develop and maintain trails year-round as a valuable amenity.

BSCO envisions Big Sky as a world-class destination with a trail network that provides a variety of experiences in all seasons to all ages and abilities and user groups - serving and

connecting residents and visitors alike within the community and natural environment.

The BSCO Master Trails Plan is now available for a public comment before it is put forward to be adopted by both Madison and Gallatin Counties.

The public comment period is open until December 15, 2018.

Submit comments to Alta Planning at joegilpin@altaplanning.com.

Copies of the draft Big Sky Master Trails Plan can be found at the Madison County planning office in Virginia City, the Madison Valley Library in Ennis, Gallatin County planning office in Bozeman, Big Sky Water Sewer District office in Big Sky and the Big Sky Community Organization office in Big Sky.

An electronic copy can be

found online at: <https://altaplanning.egnyte.com/dl/woVJSF-5dq2>.

BSCO urges the community to take the time to review the plan and provide comment. Our communities' Master Trails Plan can only be as effective as we as a community make it by sharing our feedback, ideas and dreams for Big Sky regarding future trails, improvements and expansions.

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OPINION

Editor:

With the election results in, Madison County voters have spoken. Thanks are offered to the Twin Brides Rotary Club and The Madisonian for their sponsorship of the two candidate forums.

Candidates' campaigns were conducted in courteous and civil manners. Now that we know there will be a Republican majority at the Legislature, citizens should be fully aware of bills and decisions proposed and their representatives responses to them.

The last session was harmful to Montanans with extreme budget cuts. Infrastructure funding was not again funded. Jobs were lost. Medicaid was granted temporary funding. The majority party is already stating that they may not fund Medicaid again without restrictions, which could hurt or set back Medicaid participation of some 399 residents of Madison County, as well as our two hospitals. It is very easy, but more importantly, for voters to now follow the votes and records of the representatives they send to make law that will affect their lives. Follow your legislator and the sessions' work on line at mt.legislature.com, and let them hear from you.

Pat Bradley
Twin Bridges

Editor:

My sincere congratulations to Mr. Ray Shaw, representative, and now representative elect of House District 71.

We all three ran straight up campaigns that we each can be proud of. The citizenry of our district was fortunate that they did not have to endure a negative tone in our race that has unfortunately become so commonplace in politics; and they had a full spectrum to choose from to elect their next representative. I am rooting only for success for you as you earnestly endeavor to do your best in the capacity as our representative. My only other comment is – please stay true to the Constitution!

Secondly, my earnest thank-you to all those who physically endeavored or financially contributed on my campaign's behalf; and of course, to those who cast their vote for me. All of this took a little extra courage to support a candidate not of either of the two dominant parties.

Michael White (L)
Ennis

4 tips to self-enlightenment that can help America come back together post-election

By Piero Rivolta

In the minds of many citizens, politicians and pundits, America has never been more divided.

A Pew Research Center study showed an average gap of 36 percent between Democrats and Republicans on various political and values-related issues. That's 21 points higher than the first year the poll was conducted, 1994.

Novelist Piero Rivolta, also a successful businessman who emigrated from Italy to the United States, says it's important that we know how the world sees us and, further, how we see each other. Like the characters in his novels, Rivolta says Americans can aspire to a higher plane of consciousness and learn how to come closer together.

"The phenomenon of fundamental differences among people is indisputable – more manifest today than ever," says Rivolta, who's written nine books and operated businesses in car manufacturing and commercial building. "The world is going through a

dark period, and it unfortunately includes the United States. But this is the country that can be the light and make a renaissance happen.

"We must restore the primary qualities that we all share as human beings – intuition, compassion, love, moral sentiment, and a sense of fairness. We can with civility acknowledge our differences and find a common way to walk together respectfully. But that will start only after taking a deeper and more honest look at ourselves and having a real willingness to grow."

Here's how Rivolta proposes we open our minds and become more open and kinder to each other:

- Ask more of yourself to engage others. Rivolta thinks people with differences need to be more engaged in productive and informative conversation rather than shouting each other down. "We need to re-learn how to listen; that's the only way to reach higher as a people together," he says. "Part of true enlightenment is un-

derstanding where someone with opposite views is coming from. I also believe it's time to talk about freedom in terms of respecting the freedom of different kinds of thinking. Ask ourselves what we can contribute to that."

- Go back to understand your past – and yourself. "Before you can better understand others who are much different than you, you need to have a full understanding of yourself and where you came from, memories good and bad, and why you think like you do," Rivolta says. "Truly facing ourselves gives us a stronger grasp of our inner foundation, which can free us to be more empathetic and accepting."

- Embrace all opportunities to evolve. "The darkness of night, with the sky studded with stars, remains a concept unfathomable to us – infinity," Rivolta says. "It can also represent all that is possible. If our mind is not capable of evolving toward new visions, new realities, all this will be for us is a big ocean without shores, lacking any use for us. What a tragic

waste that would be."

- Expand your definitions of true love and respect. "Don't make the mistake of so many in today's society – of confusing love with an exchange of heightened sensations that are similar to what we experience with arts, sports, and sexual experimentation," Rivolta says. "Love encompasses so much more. It's jointly participating in an awareness of feelings, pleasant or sad, and with fellow human beings whom we've grown to love after bitter disagreements."

"Let's change and think in a more accepting and connected way," Rivolta says. "We have to start to consider that even with different ways of life and thinking, we can still live together."

Piero Rivolta (www.pierorivolta.com), an award-winning poet and author, grew up in Milan, Italy in a family of auto-makers. He has made a career of successful reinvention based on creativity and passion for enhanced living.

American energy is fueled by freedom, not bailouts

By Jeff Stier

A leaked memo circulating in the White House calls for electricity consumers to bail out struggling coal and nuclear plants by mandating that a portion of energy be purchased from certain failing suppliers.

This proposal doesn't make sense. Following through would undermine the market-driven forces that have boosted U.S. energy production, saved money for consumers, and helped the environment.

Since President Trump took office, the U.S. Department of Energy has supported an "all-of-the-above" approach to domestic energy production.

This is a smart strategy. It promotes economic growth by ensuring that demand is driven by consumers -- not political trends. The administration's expressed intention has been to resist the temptation to "discriminate against any of our fuels," as energy secretary Rick Perry has explained.

Or so we thought. There are two possible explanations.

Perhaps the administration is all-too-willing to misuse government power to enrich political allies. Trump has asked for a plan to subsidize coal and nuclear plants that have currently become economically uncompetitive.

Or maybe the administration's error is rooted in a basic misunderstanding of energy economics. Coal and nuclear, as much as they've been maligned, aren't in need of protection. Rather the very market-forces the Trump administration seeks to sacrifice here, are becoming endangered.

According to the Brattle Group, a research firm, the White House proposal would force electricity consumers to give coal and nuclear companies nearly \$17 billion annually.

To defend this plan, some

Trump officials cite national security. Rapid depletion of coal and nuclear is "impacting the resilience of our power grid," White House press secretary Sarah Sanders recently claimed.

But other Trump officials flatly reject such defenses. Indeed, an official responsible for overseeing the electric grid has said, "there is no immediate calamity or threat of the ongoing ability of the bulk power system to operate and serve needs."

Since Trump took office, at least 25 coal plants have shut down, edged out by cheaper and environmentally sound alternatives like natural gas. Such is the reality of a market-based economy. Eventually, uncompetitive companies -- and even uncompetitive industries -- go out of business.

The United States has plenty of resources available to ensure a secure power grid. There's no need to keep failing coal and nuclear plants on-line.

In the case of coal, there's an environmental cost as well. Overall U.S. carbon emissions have declined nearly 20 percent since 2005 thanks largely to the replacement of dirty coal-fired plants with clean-burning natural gas plants.

Coal, the most carbon-intensive form of power, is responsible for 67 percent of carbon emissions even though it accounts for only 32 percent of electrical generation. One study suggests that the added air pollution caused by a coal bailout would cause 353 to 815 premature deaths over two years.

Government favoritism would also raise consumer electricity bills. Over the past decade, as hundreds of coal plants shut down, electricity prices have fallen, thanks in large part to a revolution in shale gas and renewable energy.

A real "all-of-the-above"

energy strategy would lower prices for electricity by letting the market decide the most efficient way to generate it. Such an approach has served the country well since its founding.

America's diverse energy resources have evolved, innovated, and grown thanks to market

principles. Government interference that picks winners and losers would destroy it.

Jeff Stier is a Senior Fellow at the Taxpayers Protection Alliance. This piece originally ran in the *Detroit News*.

OBITUARIES

Ruth Bogue Sutton

November 5, 2018

Our mother, Ruth Sutton left us to join our father in heaven in the afternoon hours on November 5, 2018.

She was born in Alder, Montana on October 5, 1931 to Jim & Ivel Bogue. Ruth spent her childhood years in the Madison Valley. Ruth met the love of her life, Fred Sutton, when she was 18 while working at the Blue Anchor Restaurant in Twin Bridges and married shortly thereafter. Ruth was a loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother.

Ruth was a devoted mother to her three children Dan, Connie & Russ. Ruth and Fred moved several times throughout their lives, eventually settling down in Dillon for the past 42 years. Ruth worked at Clancy School, Barrett Hospital and at Western Montana College, where she eventually retired from 1993.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, husband Fred, daughter Connie McEachern and numerous brothers and sisters.

She is survived by her sister Doris (George) Brewster, sons Daniel (Linda) Sutton and Russell (RayAnn) Sutton and son in law Bob McEachern. Grandchildren Cory (Kendra) Sutton, Kurt (Tianna) McEachern, Karmen McEachern, Keon Sutton, Shane (Annie) Sutton, Dustin Sutton, Karson (Marc) Evans. Great



grandchildren Kayla, Cass, Kai, Dylan, Tyler, Parker, Luke, Joey, Kolter, Rain, Bradley, Logan, Joshua, Noah & Bodie.

The doctors and staff at Barrett Hospital were wonderful to her and she always appreciated the care they gave her. They will always be treasured by her family for the loving care they provided. Service will be at the Brundage Home on Monday, November 12th at 1pm. Interment will be held at the Point of Rocks Cemetery following the service. Celebration of Life gathering to be held at the Elks Lodge in Dillon.

There is a guestbook available online at www.brundagefuneralhome.com.

By the Numbers: AAA's 2018 Thanksgiving Travel Forecast

- **Road trip ready:** The vast majority of travelers - 48.5 million - will hit the road for Thanksgiving, nearly 5 percent over last year. Motorists can expect to pay the highest Thanksgiving gas prices in four years, with a statewide average of \$2.97 as of November 5, 40-cents more than a year ago.
- **Fuller skies:** Nearly 4.3 million travelers will take flight, representing the largest growth in holiday travel. Most travelers booked their flights for Thanksgiving between September 23 and October 25, paying an average ticket price of \$478 roundtrip.
- **Car rental costs fall:** Travelers can expect to save on car rentals this Thanksgiving holiday season. At \$63, the average daily rate is 10 percent less than last year.
- **Hotel prices mixed:** Travelers can also save on AAA Three Diamond hotels, with an average nightly rate of \$166, a decline of six percent compared to last year. Conversely, the average rate for AAA Two Diamond hotels has increased six percent with an average nightly cost of \$124.

Travelers to stuff the roads and skies this Thanksgiving

HELENA - AAA projects more than 54 million Americans will travel nationwide this Thanksgiving, a 4.8 percent increase over last year. The 2018 holiday weekend will see the highest Thanksgiving travel volume in more than a dozen years (since 2005).

"Consumers have a lot to be thankful for this holiday season: higher wages, more disposable income and rising levels of household wealth," said Michelle Donati, spokesperson for AAA Montana. "This is translating into more travelers kicking off the holiday season with a Thanksgiving getaway, building on a positive year for the travel industry."

"In most cases, the best days to travel will be on Thanksgiving Day, Friday or Saturday," Donati said. "Drivers should expect increased travel times on Sunday as most holiday travelers will be making their way home after the long weekend."

AAA also expects to rescue more than 600 Montana travelers at the roadside over the Thanksgiving travel period. Dead batteries, lockouts and flat tires will be the leading reasons AAA members will experience car trouble. AAA recommends motorists take their vehicle to a trusted repair facility to perform any needed maintenance before heading out. Oil changes, fluid level checks, battery tests and tire inspections go a long way toward reducing the chances of a breakdown.

The Thanksgiving holiday period is defined as Wednesday, November 21 to Sunday, November 25.

AAA's projections are based on economic forecasting and research by IHS Markit. The London-based business information provider teamed with AAA in 2009 to jointly analyze travel trends during major holidays. AAA has been reporting on holiday travel trends for more than two decades.

Gas prices drop: But look out this could soon change

HELENA- The state and national gas price averages have been dropping slowly over the last week, but lower prices aren't likely to be a long-term trend.

On the week, the national average shed 4.9 cents to land at \$2.793 per gallon. Prices in Montana have shed 2 cents to \$2.985.

"AAA expects that gas prices will likely increase ahead of the Nov. 4 Iran sanctions announcement and the mid-term elections," said Michelle Donati,

spokeswoman for AAA Montana. "How expensive gas prices will be depends on how the market reacts to these events."

Delaware/South Carolina and California hold the lowest and highest average price for the lower 48 states at \$2.488 and \$3.776 per gallon.

GasPrices.AAA.com provides comprehensive gas price data and insight to motorists and journalists. The Top Trends page allows visitors to sort data

in various ways, including the ability to query gas prices at the state metro level. Each state touts county gas price averages via a state heat map. Motorists can find current gas prices along their route with the free AAA Mobile app for iPhone, iPad, and Android. The app can also be used to map a route, find discounts, book a hotel, and access AAA roadside assistance.

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City	Today's price	Change from last month	Last year's price
Great Falls	\$2.907	-3.5	\$2.506
Billings	\$2.933	-2.2	\$2.551
Missoula	\$3.015	-2.5	\$2.574
Montana	\$2.985	-1.6	\$2.576
National	\$2.793	-8.4	\$2.482



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TB, Ennis 1st quarter honor rolls

ENNIS, TWIN BRIDGES – Ennis and Twin Bridges school districts have announced the names of students qualifying for the Honor Roll or attendance honors:

ENNIS

High school

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Cassie Rae Hilton, Rebecca Hodgson, Joree Lou Hokanson, Jarrett Daniel Jenkins, Jacob Stahr Johnson, Bowen Ford Kelley, Madilyn Ayreona Keyes, Jourdain Aaron Klein, Shelby Ann Klein, Jaxson Shane Kloote, Maida J. Knaption, Kyle Matthew LaClair, Samantha Ridgley Moore Lake, Culberson Landgaard,

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Shae Ryann Lovett, Henry Conrad Lukas, Eythan K. McGauley, Whitney Louise McKitrick, Elawynn Darby Morrison, Katelyn Nutt, Ryan Matthew O'Connell, Avery Jae Oliver, Tait Olson, Nathan Brand Ostler, Landri M. Paladichuk, Mattilynn Pines-Havens, Addison Lee Retherford, Izabella Lane Roberts, Riley Elaine Robinson, Kevin Todd Rockwood.

William Brian Rogers, Tyler Rolfe, Amanda Marie Russell, Zayne Jacob Sanborn, Nathan Andrew Schley, Tyler Greg Sciuchetti, Cordell Benjamin Severeid, Jenna Lee Kathleen Snider, Chance Lloyd Story, Ian Swanson, Trevor John Swanson, McKenzie Mane Taylor-Casey, Benjamin Eryk Trapp, Maksymilian Louis Trapp, Shallynne Dulaney Von Bergen, Juliana Rose Wesson, Alyssa Lynn West,

Junior High

Megan Louise Barsness, Tyler Scott Barsness, Andrew Cole Beardsley, Eli Timothy Beardsley, Josey Fern Blazer, Ruby Willow Blazer, Genesis

Elizabeth Boyles, Nolan Scott Brown, Clinton Dale Buyan, Sage Despres Canterbury, Delana Marie Clark, Wylie Thomas Connor, Logan Mariah Dickinson, Noni Catharine Dilschneider.

Sealey Jo Driskill, Salvatori Sterling Fanelli, Zachary William Foss, Kaycee Breanne Fredson, Wyatt Lee Fugal, Josie Noelle Gibbs, Gillian Octavia Gilbert, Zoe Elise Green, Kaylee Michael Helling, Robert William Inman, Tanner Elsie Inman, Jaylyn Brianna Jenkins, Nicholas Marshall Johnson, Caden Michael Keller, Rylee Klasna.

Justin Michael Kloote, Megan Renee Knack, Nicholas Burr Moore Lake, William Shepardson Lantow, Hannah Grace Leavitt, Marlyssa Ledgerwood, Jaclyn Claire Lukas, Jeremy Jason Mauch, Carmen Montana, Zane Bodhi Morrison, Traven Mulholland, Addison Jane Oliver, Elizabeth Catherine Ketchu Olson, Kaleb Robert Rice, Layne Barrett Severeid, Baylee Michelle Snyder, Grace May Stecker, Walker Lane Story, Hannah Rose Todd, Nicolette Ann Turck, Vance Jeffrey Wingard,

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• Seniors - Riah Edsall, Taryn Johnson, Brikayla Salerno, Makenna Adams*, Ayden Anderson*, Jace Caprara*, Cole Escott*, Nora Humbert*, Anna Kaiser*, Blu Keim*, Ethan Kneeland*, Daniel Krueer*, Clancy Phillip*, Jovenai Rosselott*, Steven Smathers

• Juniors - Mike Baughn, Avery George, Aaron Grabil, Brooke Mehlhoff, Rob Dale*, Ashleigh Guinnan*, Trystan Harmon*, Jake Hughes, Nate Konen*, Kenia Millhouse*, Bryce Nye*, Isaiah Redfield*, Dante Salerno*, CJ Wayland*, Kiki Kelly.

• Sophomores - Axton Anderson, Molly Humbert, Kady Anderson*, Hadley Johnson*, Matthew Kaiser*, Charlie Krueer*, Will Morris*, Delilah Puckett*, Hunter Sager*, Kyie Salerno*, Trista Sarles-Redfield*, Carl Shaw*, Tate Smith*, Bailey Stockett*

• Freshmen - Addie Baker, Chase Fitzpatrick, Landen Wentzel, Pablo Babcock*, Jasmine Banks*, Kara Dale*, Kate Fisher*, Christopher Fraser*, Lilly Gra-

bil*, Morgan Hendrickson*, Sam Konen*, Hailey Pack*, Tyler Pancost*, Francesca Pollorena*, Lexie Stockett*, Mhanon Sullivan*, Ethan Wayland*, Riky Puckett, Taylor Smith

• 8th Grade - Leah Carter, Millie Reynolds, Ellen Humbert*, Reid Johnson*, Callie Kaiser*, Connor Nye*, Zeke Redfield*, McKenzie Stack*, Wiley Stockett*, Ruby Waller*

• 7th Grade -Natasha Anderson, Ryan Baughn, Wyatt Frandson, Pat Poirier, Jaxon Rosselott, Turner Stockett, Allie Dale*, George Dawson*, Ayla Janzen*, Emma Konen*, Emily LaYacona*, Cecilia Madden, Ellianna Meek*, Amanda Millhouse*, Kyle Pancost*, Layne Smith*, Evan Smith

• 6th Grade - Kole Anderson, Janel Baker, Mila Dawson*, Cody Fuller, Ben Humbert*, Audery Kish, Lily Mooney, Kris Poirier*, Mary Reynolds, Ben Wayland*, August Witham.

• 5th Grade - Andrew Anderson, Brooke Anderson, Ethan Babcock, Mavrick Greemore,

Gabby Gruby, Maisy Hutchinson*, Kinsey Johnson*, Aidan Manger, Kristen Nelson, David Stack, Lilly Stockett*, Aurora Todd-Sporich (* Denotes high honor roll)

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• 6th grade - Mila Dawson.
• 5th grade, Andrew Frecker, Mavrick Greemore, Gabrielle Gruby, Kristen Nelson, David Stack, Lilly Stockett.

• 4th grade - Flint Janzen, Adrienne Meek, Lila Smith, Matthew Stensrud, Zane Williams, Jessica Yeager.

• 3rd grade - Abrianna Brannon, Brandt Nelson, Levi Stonebraker

• 2nd grade - Lilly Banks, McKayla Head, Ryder Reynolds, Dalin Smith, Tanner Stonebraker

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Speech & Drama takes first place...
Twin Bridges Speech and Drama team brought home the first place trophy in Drama from their meet in Conrad on Saturday, November 10. Some of the team members pictured here include Kate Fisher, Dante Salerno, Brooke Melhoff, Tannis Williams, Aaron Grabil, Lydia Harbor, Brikayla Salerno, and Trista Redfield. The team is coached by Mr. Nick Dawson. (GAIL BANKS)

USFS clarifies use of electric bikes

DILLON—The Beaverhead - Deerlodge National Forest would like to clarify where electric bike riders are allowed to ride.

The Forest Service Travel Management Rule defines motor vehicles as any vehicle that is self-propelled, with the exception of a vehicle that travels on rails or fits the vehicle criteria for "mobility use" for mobility impaired individuals. The Forest Service considers technologies that merge bicycles and motors (gas, batteries or electric powered) as motor vehicles. E-bikes, therefore, would be considered a motorized vehicle and not allowed on non-motorized trails.

Exploring the Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF 3.3 million acres is a favorite past time for many.

More than 55 percent of the forest is open to summer motorized use and 60 percent is open to winter motorized use. More than 5,600 miles of roads and 1,000 miles of trails are open to motorized recreation. E-bikes are welcome in these areas and travel routes. Here are a few guidelines for riding e-bikes on the Forest:

- Motorized travel off a designated road or trail is prohibited.
- Motorized travel on routes leading to identified dispersed campsites is allowed.
- Only routes shown as open on the visitors map are available for use.
- Gates/Barriers: vehicles including e-bikes, are not allowed to travel beyond gates or barriers.
- E-bike travel in Wilderness, Recommended Wilderness and Wilderness Study Areas is not allowed.
- Temporary and emergency closure orders may be implemented when road and trail conditions are considered unsafe (e.g., soft wet roads, washouts, fire).

Visitors are encouraged to ensure they carry or download maps to check where they are traveling.

Maps may be purchased for \$14 each from USFS offices in Dillon, Butte, Philipsburg, Wisdom, Wise River, Sheridan and Ennis. Or, they can be purchased online at: www.nationalforestmapstore.com.

Maps can also be downloaded for GPS enabled smartphones or tablets from the "Avenza" map app for \$4.99 each.

ServeMontana 2019 scholarship benefits high school students

HELENA - The Governor's Office of Community Service, Reach Higher Montana, and Montana Campus Compact say applications are now being accepted for the 2019 Youth Serve Montana Scholarship.

The \$1,000 scholarship is offered to 100 Montana students attending Montana Campus Compact member institutions who have

demonstrated commitment to volunteerism and community service by volunteering at least 100 hours during the last year.

The application form, guidelines, and FAQs can be found online at <http://serve.mt.gov/ServeMT/youth-serve-montana-scholarships>. Applications close January 31, 2019, and early submissions are highly encouraged.



The Governor's Office of Community Service expands and promotes national service and volunteerism in Montana and engages citizens in service and emergency preparedness. Montana Campus Compact Montana Campus Compact is Montana's largest higher education network and works to improve community life by educating students for civic and social responsibility.

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Madison County DISPATCH
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November 4 - Accident on MT Hwy 287, MM 7, Ennis; Vandalism/Criminal Mischief in 100 Blk Broadway St., Virginia City; Stolen Vehicle at Harrison Lake, Harrison.

November 5 - Wildlife Complaint in 100 Blk Giem Ln., Twin Bridges; Suspicious Circumstances on Sunrise Loop, Ennis; Wildlife complaint on Mill Gulch Rd., Sheridan; Welfare Check in Twin Bridges; Medical Aid in 200 Blk on W. 6th Ave., Twin Bridges; Vehicle Inspections in 500 Blk N. Main St., Twin Bridges; Accident on I-90 Eastbound, Out of County; Medical Aid in 200 Blk Upper Ruby Rd., Alder.

November 6 - Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 55, MM 1, Silver Star; Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287, MM 70, Norris; Accident on MT Hwy 287, MM 38, Twin Bridges; Suspicious Circumstances in 400 Blk Wray St., Twin Bridges; Accident on Jeffers Rd., MM 2, Ennis.

November 7 - Accident on US Hwy 287, MM 4, Cameron; Welfare Check in 100 Blk S. Main St., Twin Bridges; Animal Complaint in 100 Blk Main St., Harrison; Medical Aid on Metully Ln., Twin Bridges; Trespassing Complaint on Lockheed Rd., Ennis.

November 8 - Medical Aid on White Swan Lane, Twin Bridges; Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 84, MM 12, Norris; Wildlife Complaint on McHessor Creek Rd., Twin Bridges; Wildlife Complaint at Jessen Park, Twin Bridges; Accident on US Hwy 287, MM 49, Ennis; Trespassing Complaint on Airport Rd./Tolman Creek Rd., Ennis; Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 41 N., MM 55, Silver Star; Suspicious Circumstances in Sheridan Trailer Park, Sheridan; Accident on US Hwy 287, MM 41, Ennis; Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287, MM 79, Harrison; Medical Aid in 300 Blk W. 8th St., Twin Bridges.

November 9 - Accident on US Hwy 287, MM 70, Harrison; Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 287/Ramshorn Creek, Sheridan; Suspicious Circumstances in 200 Blk W. Hamilton St., Sheridan; Medical Aid on Patrick Lane, Sheridan; Wildlife Complaint on US Hwy 287, MM 70, Norris; Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287, MM 5, Ennis.

November 10 - Accident on Call Rd., MM 4, Ennis; Medical Aid in 6500 Blk US Hwy 287 N, Norris; Wildlife Complaint on Jack Creek Rd., Ennis; Accident on MT Hwy 287, MM 30, Sheridan; Suspicious Circumstances in 100 Blk S. Madison St., Twin Bridges; Animal Complaint on Indian Creek Rd., Sheridan; Accident in 100 Blk Johnson Rd., Pony; Vehicle Inspection in 100 Blk Tobe Rd., Ennis; Wildlife Complaint in Palisades Area, Cameron; DUI in 100 Blk S. Main St., Sheridan; Wildlife Complaint on MT Hwy 287, MM 40, Twin Bridges; Medical Aid in 4900 Blk US Hwy 287, Ennis.

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November 6 final election results

ENNIS - According to the Montana Secretary of State website tallies in the Tuesday, November 6 election are these:

- Statewide voter turnout - 497,373 people voted; 711,322 people are registered, a 69 percent turnout.

In Madison County, the voting went this way:

County voters marked a 75 percent turnout, with 4,995 votes cast, of 6,615 registered voters. Locally, all eight precincts have reported in.

U.S. Senator

- Matt Rosendale - Republican 58percent - 2,887 votes
- Jon Tester -Democrat 38 percent, 1,886 votes
- Rick Breckenridge - Libertarian, 3 percent , 170 votes

Total Votes - 4,943

U. S. House

- Greg Gianforte - Republican - 63percent -3,148 votes
- Kathleen Williams - Dem-

ocrat - 34percent - 1,663 votes

- Elinor Swanson, Libertarian, 3percent - 144 votes

Total Votes - 4,955

Supreme Court Clerk

- Bowen Greenwood - Republican, 64 percent , 3,039 votes
- Rex Renk - Democrat, 28, 28 percent , 1,335 votes
- Roger Roots - Libertarian , 7percent , 349 votes

Total Votes - 4,723

- Retain Judge Ingrid Gustafson of the state Supreme Court, 85 percent yes
- Retain Judge Luke Michael Berger of District No. 5, Dept No. 1 - 88 percent yes

State Rep. District 71

- Ray L. Shaw, Republican, 57 percent , 2,807 votes
- Jay A. Frederick, Democrat, 27 percent, 1,327 votes
- Michael White, Libertarian, 15 percent , 749 votes

Total Votes - 4,883

County commissioners

District No. 3

- Ron Nye, 63 percent 768 votes
- Randy Lowder, 37 percent, 445 votes

District No. 2

- Jim Hart , (running unopposed), 96 percent , 1,456 votes

Sheriff/coroner

- Phil Fortner - 54 percent, 2,679
- Roger Thompson - 37 percent, 1,602

Other county offices

- Clerk of the District Court - Karen Miller 4,180 votes
- Clerk and Recorder of Deeds - Kathleen Mumme, 99 percent, 4,226
- County Attorney - Chris Christensen, 98 percent, 4,013 votes
- County Treasurer/Superintendent of School - Shelly Burke, 99 percent 4,232 votes
- Justice of the Peace - A. Suzanne Nellen, 89 percent, 3,932 votes

Referendums

No. 128, the 6 mill levy for Montana University

- 58 percent yes, 2,799 votes
- 42 percent no, 2,014 votes

No. 129, prohibiting certain people from collecting ballots

- 63 percent, yes, 2, 959 votes
- 37 percent, no, 1,705 votes.

No. 185 - Tobacco taxes increased to fund health care programs

- No - 60 percent, 2,955 votes
- Yes - 40 percent, 1,958 votes

No. 186 - Deny a hardrock mine permit for perpetual treatment of water

- No - 66 percent, 3,220 votes
- Yes - 34 percent, 1,675 votes

For complete results, visit <http://mtelectionresults.gov/ResultsSW.aspx?type=CTYALL&cty=28&map=CTY>

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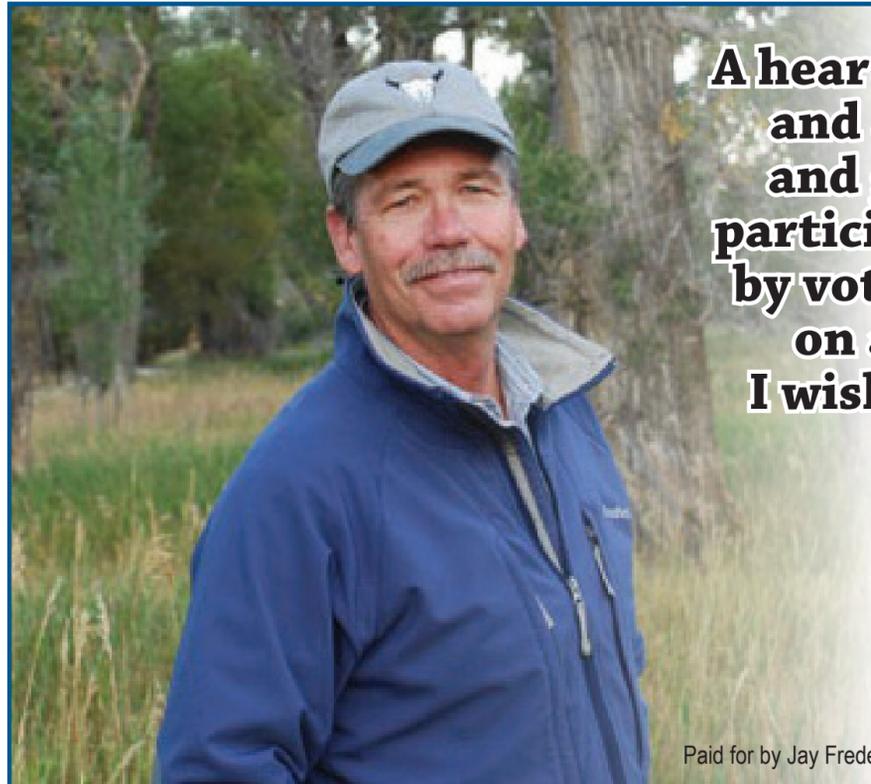
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A heartfelt thanks to all of my volunteers and supporters for their time, effort and generosity, and to everyone who participated in our wonderful democracy by voting. Congratulations to Ray Shaw on a successful and civil campaign. I wish him success and remain hopeful for Montana's future.



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Lt. Gov. Cooney leads trade delegation to Mexico

Montana - Mexico barley trade focus of trip

HELENA – Lt. Governor Mike Cooney last week lead a trade delegation to Mexico to visit with executives from several of Mexico's largest brewers about the quality of Montana barley and the importance of the Montana-Mexico trade relationship. The mission is sponsored by the Montana Wheat and Barley Committee (MWBC) in coordination with the United States Grain Council.

"Mexico is the United States' third largest trading partner and the largest importer of U.S. malt barley," said Lt. Governor Cooney. "The trade relationship has become increasingly significant for Montana barley growers and it's vitally important to our agriculture industry that we reaffirm and build these relationships."

In addition to meeting with executives from Heineken Mexico and Constellation Brands, Lt. Governor Cooney is kicking off the Cerveza Mexico Expo, an annual gathering of Mexican brewers, importers, exporters and input suppliers. The delegation will also meet with the Mexican Craft Brewers Association, which represents 120 independent breweries



from around the country.

Maltsters around the world covet the high quality of Montana's two row barley, most of which is grown for malt. In 2017, U.S. malt exports to Mexico were valued at \$242 million, accounting for about 84% of all U.S. malt exports. With Montana being one of the top barley-producing states in the U.S., Montana barley account-

ed for a significant share of those exports.

Montana Department of Agriculture Director Ben Thomas, MWBC Executive Vice President Collin Watters, and MWBC Director and Fort Benton-area farmer, Mike O'Hara, are joining Lt. Governor Cooney on the trade mission.

Cattlemen concerned about U.S.-Brazil trade deal

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Following Brazil's recent presidential election, news of a possible bilateral trade agreement between the United States and Brazil have begun to emerge. President Donald Trump and newly-elected President Jair Bolsonaro spoke on an October 29 phone call, with Trump soon after stating that he sees a U.S.-Brazil free trade agreement "happening."

The United States Cattlemen's Association (USCA) President Kenny Graner issued the following statement on this recent development:

"USCA is concerned with statements made by President Trump that detail a U.S. willingness to engage in bilateral trade talks with Brazil. The country is, historically, a bad actor when it comes to following through on trade commitments."

"In 2016 and 2017, USCA called on the U.S. Department of Agriculture to halt importation of Brazilian beef upon finding that the country

was attempting to ship tainted beef to the United States. A system of corruption was later exposed throughout the Brazilian production chain, as multiple meat inspectors were prosecuted for accepting bribes in exchange for allowing tainted meat through inspection checks."

"We encourage the Administration to reach out to its industry partners and other stakeholders if and when the conversation turns to establishing a U.S.-Brazil free trade agreement."



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Shan Hoover

Shan Hoover

Shan Hoover began volunteering with Senior Companions at the Sheridan Senior Center after she retired in 2006. In her time with the program, she's had nine clients.

Hoover is one of five senior companions in Sheridan, doing everything from grocery shopping to meal delivery and chauffeuring for local seniors who can no longer drive. She and her fellow volunteers make it possible for homebound citizens to have easier access to community and normalcy, something that can be a struggle when reconciling with the loss of their driving abilities. "There's a lot of heartache involved

sometimes," Hoover says. She's been a companion for more than one local senior until the end of their lives, creating bonds with them that make saying goodbye that much more difficult. "But there's also so much joy. You're a lifesaver for them, sometimes literally."

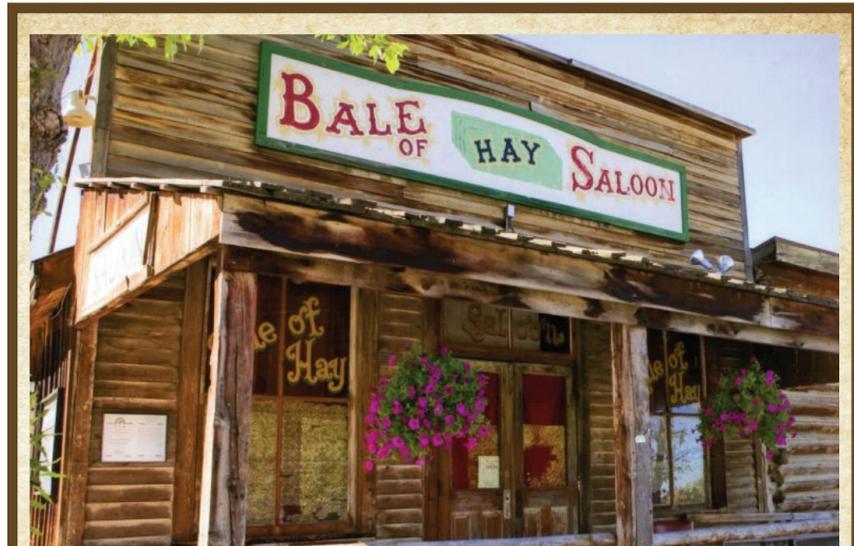
Hoover has taken late-night calls when a senior needed urgent medical attention, has driven them to the hospital and stayed with them until they could be discharged. She knows how important it is to have someone looking out for you.

"I just hope someone will be able to do that for me one day when I get there," she says. "It's such an important program."



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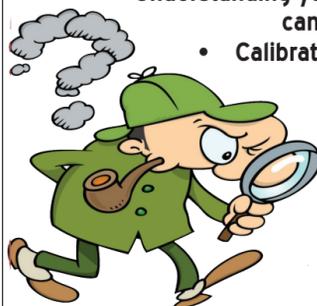
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Dillon Hoop Shoot results: Locals show their basketball skills

DILLON – On October 28, in the BW Lodge Gym, the Dillon Elks Lodge No. 1554 held a hoop shoot contest where 55 boys and girls ages 8-13, who qualified from their School Hoop Shoot in Dillon, Ennis, Sheridan, Twin Bridges, Harrison, Lima, and Jackson, Polaris and Wisdom participated.

The winner in each Division advances to the South District Elks Hoop Shoot Competition in Dillon, at Montana Western on

January 5, 2019. Results are as follows:

• Girls 8-9 Score - 1st- Kaitlyn Konen (Dillon) 8/25; 2nd- Cassie Keller (Dillon) 7/25; 3rd- (tie) Kahrn Vaudrin (Ennis) 4/25; 3rd- (tie) Hazeline Maddison (Sheridan) 4/25; • 3rd- (tie) Iyla Edwards (Ennis) 4/25

• Girls 10-11 Score - 1st- Charity Hildreth (Dillon) 17/25; 2nd- Camrynn Love (Dillon)

12/25; 3rd- Adyson Creighton (Dillon) 7/25

• Girls 12-13 Score - 1st- Dana Lerem (Harrison) 18/25; 2nd- Elizabeth Olsen (Ennis) 13/25; 3rd- Kylie Konen (Dillon) 11/25

• Boys 8-9 Score - 1st- Logan McDougal (Sheridan) 12/25; 2nd- Maddox Hooper (Dillon) 11/25; 3rd- Morgan Heiland (Jackson) 10/25

• Boys 10-11 Score - 1st- Peter Kelly (Ennis) 20/25; 2nd- Braxtyn Turney (Dillon) 14/25 ; 3rd- Tristan Stout (Sheridan) 13/25.

• Boys 12-13 Score - 1st- Kyler Engellant (Dillon) 21/25; 2nd- Aaron DeFrance (Harrison) 19/25; 3rd – (tie) Kyle Jones (Dillon) 15/25; 3rd – (tie) Scott Chagua (Dillon) 15/25



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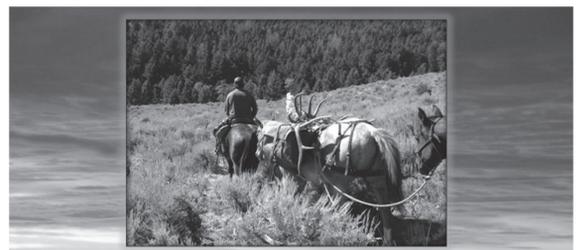
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Saturday

Partly cloudy. High 30, low 11. Winds NW 4 mph, 10 percent chance of precipitation.

Sunday

Sunny. High 37, low 19. Winds SSW 6 mph, 0 percent chance of precipitation.

Monday

Sunny. High 39, low 21, SSW 6 mph, 0 percent chance of precipitation.

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Taking the classroom outside

NRCS grant will help Ennis schools greenhouse and gardens

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ENNIS—By the time next spring rolls around, students at Ennis Schools will be well on their way to growing a bumper crop of produce, and will have gotten a much closer look at the pollinators that help facilitate that process.

The schools' new greenhouse was bought and installed near the vocational tech building by the Madison Farm to Fork program earlier this year. It currently protects little more than a patch of dandelion-infested grass, but thanks to a grant from Montana Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS), plans are well underway to fill the space with raised beds, warming lights and countless seeds, all for the benefit of local students.

Ennis Schools has already created an advisory committee of volunteers from Farm to Fork, Madison Conservation District and the community—most of whom are greenhouse gardeners themselves around the county—to help in planning for everything the greenhouse will need, from irrigation to seeds and everything in between. The grant, facilitated by MCD, will also turn one corner of the greenhouse into an observation hive of honey bees for students to watch over the changing seasons.

The pollinators will go about their business in the school's gardens on the other side of campus, but placing the hive in the greenhouse was an intentional decision, keeping the bees as far as possible from the school playground while offering easy access for the insects to get in and out of their hive, in a location where students can easily observe them.

NRCS has a designated pollinator program, seeking to slow the recent decline of bee populations nation- and worldwide via educational and ecological projects like this one. Pollinator Grants and Bee Hive Grant provide learning opportunities for students about pollinators and their role in the local ecosystem.

"We initially applied for the grant for the observation beehive without thinking as much about the greenhouse," says Farm to Fork's Janet Dochnahl. "It's just the latest in a series of steps we've been taking."

Farm to Fork's main mission is education, says Dochnahl—education about food, food systems and growing. They've collaborated with Ennis Schools on everything from the school lunch program and culinary arts classes to after-school programs. Outfitting the greenhouse and helping to facilitate the NRCS grant is the latest in a long line of projects they've been involved in.

Ennis culinary arts teacher Jamie Diehl says the expanded greenhouse and pollinator project will serve several purposes for students.

"In terms of the culinary arts piece, the initial thought behind the greenhouse was to grow as much produce as possible for the lunchroom, specifically the salad bar," she says. "I would like for my students to be able to experiment with different types of growing processes and foods as their interests fluctuate."

Eventually, Diehl says, the goal would be to have an expansive enough harvest during the summer to preserve some of the crops for future lunchroom use, like making tomato sauce that could be frozen and saved for the school year. Plus, Ennis will be able to expand its participation in Montana State University's Harvest of the Month program, which showcases the efforts of communities and schools around the state in home-growing healthy and local foods.

Schools that participate in Harvest of the Month focus on a different homegrown item each month, usually following the natural cycles of what grows during each season. They then harvest and serve those crops in some way at their school.

Diehl says Ennis has participated in the Harvest of the Month program since its inception several years ago, allowing elementary-age students (helped along by high schoolers) to experience what it's like growing their own food and—literally—tasting the fruits of their labors.

And the benefits of the new grant will reach far beyond the bounds of the school year. The greenhouse and gardens will also be heavily used by Ennis's GROWW program: Gardens, Resources, Outdoors, Wildlife and Watersheds.

GROWW offers programs for students like the Good Thymes Camp, weeklong summertime experiences for children in grades K-5 to get involved in outdoor activities learning where their food comes from and the unique environment they live in. The program also facilitates trips to Yellowstone for older students to dive into how geology, ecology and other branches of natural science came together to create such a unique ecosystem.

It will take some time to really get the project rolling, with preparations planned through at least February. But the NRCS grant means that students and community members will be able to come together through the entire process, laying the foundation to open an entirely new, hands-on learning opportunity for Ennis Schools.



The new Ennis Schools greenhouse, located near the vocational technology building, will get a jumpstart in funding equipment, seeds, lighting and other needs thanks to a new \$7,000 grant facilitated by the Madison Conservation District. (JANET DOCHNAHL)



The awareness color for multiple sclerosis is orange, so the participants in MS Run the US's cross-country relay refer to themselves as the "orange army." Madisonian reporter Reagan Colyer will run 165 miles across Utah and Colorado to raise funds and awareness for MS research. (PHOTO COURTESY OF REAGAN COLYER)

Running miles for MS

Becoming a part of something bigger

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ENNIS - As Madison County's community reporter, I don't write stories about myself very often. I love to listen, because if you listen long enough, everyone has a pretty spectacular story.

But when I recently shared the story of my involvement with the nonprofit MS Run the US with my coworkers here at the Madisonian, we agreed it was something that deserved as much increased awareness as we could garner for it. That's how I ended up writing a story about myself, which isn't something I often find in my job description.

I discovered MS Run the US the summer before I graduated from college. It's a nonprofit that raises money and awareness of multiple sclerosis and the impacts it has on the people who live with it, not to mention their family and friends.

It's no exaggeration to say MS Run the US has changed my life.

MS Run the US

The main mechanism by which MS Run the US pursues its mission is an annual cross-country relay, created by dividing the United States into segments and assigning each one to a runner, who traverses their assigned section in about a week. On foot. Runners from across the country take on a traverse between 150 and 180 miles and they run a marathon, every day, for a week.

My job that first summer wasn't running, but doing everything else besides. I spent the summer as a member of the road crew, helping runners with everything from breakfast, lunch and dinner to laundry, post-run ice baths and everything in between. I drove an RV from Iowa to New York City helping the runners do what they do best, all for a cause much bigger than themselves.

Ashley Schneider created the nonprofit for the benefit of her mother, Jill who had lived with MS since her diagnosis when Ashley was 14. In 2010, Ashley ran the entire nation by herself, crewed by one friend out of a sedan. She ran the 3,000 miles by herself, taking one day off a week, beginning in Santa Monica and ending in New York.

Her mother passed away just a few months before I joined the team. By then, MS Run the US had raised over \$1 million for MS research and accessibility projects nationwide that make the lives of those living with MS easier, from wheelchair accessible transportation to ramps and countless other projects.

My story

That summer as a road crew member showed me just how far an MS diagnosis reaches, how many lives it touches, just how challenging it can

be for not just an individual, but a family, a community.

The first time I learned what multiple sclerosis was, I was in seventh grade. Our science teacher was out of school one day, and I remember having a substitute. It wasn't anything too out of the ordinary, until her absence stretched from one day to a week, to two weeks, to a month.

When she came back to school, she was quieter than we remembered. When we learned what had happened, I'm sure we all went home and asked our parents what MS was. I know I did. She wasn't even forty years old, and my confusion can't have been anything compared to what she felt.

A neurological disorder that targets nerve cells in the spinal cord and brain, MS isn't experienced the same way by any two people who suffer from it. It interrupts the ways in which the nervous system communicates throughout the body and can manifest itself in countless ways: blindness, weakness, coordination problems and loss of mobility are only a few of its symptoms.

While treatment research is constantly ongoing, MS has no known cure. The only way to find one is to keep looking.

Round Two

When I worked on the MS Run the US road crew I was often asked, by runners or other crew members or just people we met: "Would you ever think about doing a segment?"

Never, I said. That's too far for me. I run 5ks mostly, sometimes a half marathon. It would be way too hard.

But the more I thought about it, the less "it's too hard," seemed like a valid excuse. It seems like nearly everyone has known someone affected by MS. I watched as all the water ran out of my argument, and one day I realized there was nothing standing in my way. I applied. I got accepted.

And that's why this story ended up in the Madisonian. A story about a reporter, by a reporter, jumping into something bigger than herself.

In May 2019, I'll be running from Vernal, Utah to Steamboat Springs, Colorado. 165 miles and two incredible western towns much like Ennis, or Bozeman, or Twin Bridges or Dillon.

I've been set a goal of fundraising \$10,000, something each and every MS Run the US runner does. It seems like a vast, huge, impossible number.

But if there's anything I know, it's that the community I've become a part of across the state of Montana—the running community, the local journalism community, the school and local business and restaurant and outdoor recreation communities—are the most incredible anywhere.

My segment of MS Run the US will run from May 15-20, 2019, but the fundraising effort has already begun. To learn more or to donate, you can find my page at www.msruntheus.org/campaigns/reagan-colyer-segment-6.

Or as always, when I'm not out chasing stories you can find me at The Madisonian office at 406-682-7755.

A community conversation on climate

ENNIS - If you don't like the weather, just wait 10 minutes. That is a familiar adage for Montanans.

Weather changes quickly in the Northern Rockies, and our climate is changing too.

Will there be more droughts? Will there be bigger forest fires? Will we have floods? How will these changes affect our activities? How will climate impact agriculture? What will happen to our fish and wildlife populations and corresponding outdoor recreation economy?

While we don't have a crystal ball for our future, we do

have good science to inform our planning and predict future conditions.

To prepare for, adapt and support our economy there are two ingredients that support decision-making, good information and local action. We are lucky to have both coming together for a special community conversation.

The Madison and Ruby Valleys are fortunate to have active stewardship organizations looking out for the fish, wildlife, water and open lands of our region. These local groups have come together to sponsor a com-

munity conversation on climate with Dr. Cathy Whitlock from Montana State University. On Wednesday, November 28, 5:30 p.m. at the Ennis Fire Hall Dr. Whitlock will be sharing research on climate impacts to our forests and watersheds.

Dr. Whitlock's research has informed state drought planning and resource planning across the region. This important conversation is open to ALL levels of understanding and will offer an opportunity to explore how local resources may be affected in coming years. While the 2018 fire season is past, it isn't too

early to think about the seasons ahead.

More information can be found at <https://gravellylandscapecollaborative.org/events-meetings/>

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MVMC Crash cart donation
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E-cigarette JUUL has hit Montana

State Health Dept. warns that JUUL, other e-cigs addicting new generation to nicotine

HELENA - State health officials are sending an urgent message about the dangers of JUUL, a type of e-cigarette, and especially its impact to Montana's youth.

Department of Public Health and Human Services Director Sheila Hogan said a 2018 study published in the Tobacco Control journal found that most JUUL users (63%) are unaware that the product contains nicotine.

She said one JUUL pod is equivalent to a pack of cigarettes, or 200 cigarette puffs.

"Youth use of nicotine in any form is unsafe because it harms brain development and increases the likelihood of addiction to other drugs in the future," Hogan said. "Because e-cigarettes contain nicotine, these products are highly addictive and are hooking a whole new generation to tobacco."

A 2017 meta-analysis found that youth and young adults who use e-cigarettes are four times more likely to smoke cigarettes in the future than youth and young adults who do not use e-cigarettes. JUUL is a type of e-cigarette, although teens tend to put it in a separate category and call using the product, "JUULing." JUUL hit the market in 2015 and has already amassed 73 percent of the e-cigarette market share.

JUUL e-cigarette sales increased by 641 percent in just one year, according to a research letter by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention published in JAMA. The letter states that, "many of the sales likely reflect products obtained directly or indirectly by youth."

JUULs appeal to youth because they come in sweet flavors like mango, fruit medley and crème brulee, look like a

USB flash drive and can be easily concealed.

In a survey conducted by the Montana Office of Public Instruction in April 2018, Montana high school principals from AA through class C reported JUUL use during school hours both inside and outside their school buildings.

The most common way youth obtain JUUL is through physical retail locations, according to a survey conducted in April 2018 by the Truth Initiative. Nearly three out of four youth said that they got their JUUL from a store or retail outlet.

In Montana, e-cigarettes are now the most commonly used tobacco product among youth. The most recent Montana Youth Risk Behavior Survey showed nearly a quarter of Montana high school students use e-cigarettes and almost half have tried them. E-cigarettes are devices that come in many shapes and sizes and heat a liquid into an aerosol that the user inhales. The liquid and aerosol contains nicotine, flavorings, ultrafine particles, heavy metals, and chemicals that have been known to cause cancer.

All JUUL pods (the e-liquid cartridges) contain nicot-

tine, and not just any nicotine. JUUL uses nicotine salts, rather than the freebase nicotine used in most other e-cigarettes and tobacco products. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, nicotine salts "...allow high levels of nicotine to be inhaled more easily and with less irritation."

Localities across the nation have taken action to prevent youth initiation of e-cigarette and other tobacco products by increasing the price, prohibiting the sale of flavored tobacco and requiring all tobacco products to be placed behind the counter in retail settings.

"Everyone can do their part to reduce youth initiation of tobacco in Montana," Hogan said.

Pediatric healthcare providers can help deter use by asking about e-cigarette and JUUL use during visits with patients. Educators can do their part by implementing and enforcing comprehensive tobacco-free school policies. Parents are encouraged to learn about the different types of e-cigarettes and talk to their kids about the risks associated with e-cigarette use.

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Healthy Thanksgiving tips for persons with diabetes

By Janet Howard-Ducsay RN - Certified Diabetes Educator from Ennis

ENNIS - As you prepare for your holiday festivities and meals there are tips that can help you maintain your goals for healthy weight and glucose controls. Whether you are a person with diabetes or preparing meals for persons with diabetes, incorporating these tips can make your holiday meals time a success all around.

Here are several food selections and tips that you can use as you are planning your upcoming events:

- Serving Tips:**
- When setting your table use 9-inch dinner plates to automatically reduce the amount of food on your plate.
 - Fill 1/2 of your plate with fresh vibrant vegetables, 1/4 with healthy vitamin rich high fiber carbohydrates, and 1/4 with

- healthy skinless protein.
- Use tablespoons as serving spoons instead of the larger versions.
 - Make stuffing, potato dishes, casserole dishes and deserts in muffin tins to control portion sizes.
 - Seltzer water with added fresh fruit is a perfect beverage to reduce alcohol excess during the holidays and avoid empty calories.

- Food Tips**
- Replace 1/2 of your stale bread with bite size fresh cauliflower in your stuffing to reduce the amount of carbohydrates in the dish.
 - Replace 1/2 of your mashed potatoes with riced cauliflower to reduce amount of carbohydrates in the dish.
 - Replace you white mashed potatoes with a Sweet potato mash to add a variety of healthy vitamins, minerals and fiber.
 - Use high fiber bread in stuff-

ing that slows digestion of carbohydrates.

- Start the meal with a butternut squash soup to fill you up as well as add excellent vitamins and minerals.
- Add diced granny smith apples and or black grapes as a high fiber natural sweetener to cranberry sauce instead of sugar
- Add Granny Smith apples to sweet potato casserole for natural sweetness and crunch.
- When creating vegetable dishes gravies and soups are not necessary when adding vibrant color and texture: Dried cranberries, pumpkin seeds, roasted Brussels sprouts, cubed roasted Butternut squash.
- Reduce any starchy vegetable dish by adding non-starchy crunchy vegetables to it.

- Activity Tips:**
- Extend your exercise time each day the week before Thanksgiving and add an extra walk in before your feast.
 - Pause during dinner to offer thanks, participate in family stories and conversations.
 - Take a walk or do other moving activities after dinner.
 - Be the first one to get up and clear the table and start helping with dishes.
 - Help with putting the chairs and tables away as you listen to the football games in the background.

Staying active and mindful in your preparation and choices can assure a healthy holiday meal-time.

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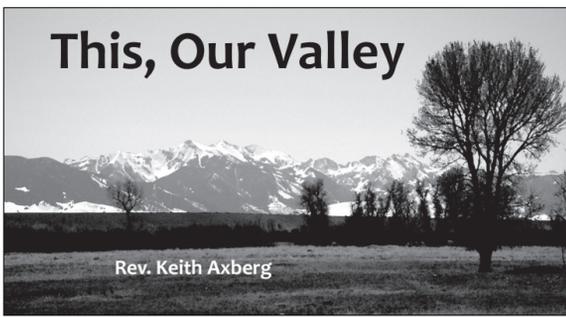
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"If you love a flower, don't pick it up. Because if you pick it up it dies and it ceases to be what you love. So if you love a flower, let it be. Love is not about possession. Love is about appreciation."

Source unknown

I grabbed a box of cereal for breakfast this morning and was amazed at just how strong and robust I had become. I thought it might have been caused by my daily vitamin pills finally beginning to kick in. Having

been taking them for at least five years, I thought, "It's about time!"

But as I took a gander more closely at the carton, I realized I hadn't suddenly developed the strength of an onscreen superhero, but the box itself no longer contained the volume of cold cereal it had in the past. The manufacturers had kept the box the same height and width I had been accustomed to buying, but it was no longer as thick. Front to back was only about two thirds of what it had previously been.

I hate "tricks" like that. In-

stead of raising the price of the product to reflect more accurately the cost of producing it, they kept the price the same and simply reduced the volume the shopper was buying. I hate that, and should have been more alert to their nefarious schemes.

As a creature of habit, I will continue to buy what I like. As a creature of habit, I will pay whatever it takes to put what I like on the table. But it does irritate me to know I eat smaller portions (by choice) and yet need to restock the shelves more often because of this sleight of eye perpetrated by the world purveyors of the finest grains, sugars, and fillers!

It reminds me of the days before I bought my coffee by whole bean. I would buy my ground coffee in three pound cans. But then the mountain grown happy pills were put into

slightly smaller cans with about twenty percent less coffee with a note plastered across the label: "New and Improved grinding process! The same great taste using less coffee!"

No it didn't. I still had to use the same number of scoops to make my coffee. Why not just put an ounce of coffee in a tea bag and instruct people to pop it into a pot of hot water? It'll surely color the water, but we all know it won't taste like coffee. If I can see through the beverage, it isn't coffee by any definition that would stand up in court!

No, somehow we have gotten away from being an honest people in this country. We struggle to be honest. It used to be that a person's word meant something (although I suspect that was more Hollywood-Western dreaming than reality), but

at least if one was caught in a lie, one would admit it or have some semblance of shame, but not anymore.

Anyone who watched any television over the past few months can affirm the number of outright lies that were perpetrated on the voting public. It got to a point I just couldn't watch a program with sound during the commercials. What a crock of hooey.

Fortunately the elections are over, so the 2020 commercials won't start up for another couple of months, so we can hopefully get back to enjoying sports and entertainment without the taint of politics. For that, I'll tune into the news when my stomach is up to it.

Meanwhile, the Good Book admonishes us to be honest with one another. Good Manners suggests the same thing. It

isn't just telling the truth that's important; it is a reflection of who we are. When we lie to one another, it becomes easier to begin lying to oneself, and with that we become lost; not in a going to perdition sort of way, but in terms of knowing who we are, where we are, and (most importantly) Who's we are. Every lie is a little death.

It's possible the world's producers of the world's food supply are afraid we'll stop buying their groceries if they're too honest. I understand fear. But really? I'm going to stop eating because the cost of fertilizer has gone up? That leaves a bad taste in my mouth, and in this, our valley. Harrumph!

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Managing the holidays on a tight budget

PHOENIX – No matter how strict or frugal, unexpected expenses can send many people into a financial tailspin. A Federal Reserve study reveals that 40 percent of adults would not be able to cover a \$400 setback – an alarming statistic given the high cost of common emergencies such as car trouble, home repairs and medical care.

"Ideally, you want to build an emergency fund in a liquid savings account to cover such expenses so your daily life isn't impacted much. However, we know that's not always possible throughout all life phases and challenges," said Mike Sullivan, a personal finance consultant with Take Charge America, a national nonprofit credit counseling and debt management counseling agency. "When you don't have cash on hand, you need to hunker down and get creative."

Sullivan offers seven tips for handling unexpected expenses:

- Assess the expense - Not all unexpected expenses are created equal. For example, repair-

ing the car that gets you to and from work ranks higher than paying for airfare and accommodations for your college roommate's bachelor party. If the expense is truly urgent, it's worth cutting other spending to come up with the funds.

- Join the "gig economy" - Earn fast cash by working for Lyft, Postmates or Uber Eats, among many other "gig" services, that can be completed on your own time using your own resources.

- Sell your stuff - Most of us have extra clothing, electronics, sports equipment, furniture and other gear that are no longer in use. Take time to photograph and list your items on Facebook, Craigslist, Ebay and OfferUp. Earning \$50 for a bicycle or \$75 for a coffee table will make a dent in your expenses – and create more room in your home.

- Be a miser - Do you spend money eating out, shopping or traveling? What about high-priced

cable, subscriptions and memberships? Cut back non-essential spending in favor of a frugal existence until you get past this financial hurdle.

- Pay medical debt over time - Medical costs are a major source of unexpected expenses. Fortunately, most healthcare organizations will work with you on a payment plan – and without charging interest. You just need to ask, and explain your financial situation.

- Tap your home equity - If you must borrow money in order to cover the expense, consider a home equity loan. This type of loan is better than tapping retirement accounts, running up credit cards or taking out a cash advance. Once the expense has been paid, pinch pennies to pay off the loan as soon as possible and limit any future financial impact.

- Consider credit counseling - If you've been hit with unexpected expenses or are struggling

with other debt, consider credit counseling from a nonprofit agency that can help you develop a workable budget and potentially negotiate debt and repayment terms with your creditors.

For more information about credit counseling and to receive a free debt review and financial assessment, visit cc.takechargeamerica.org.

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If you didn't have any appointments on a particular day, could you spend the entire day not knowing what time it is? As human beings most people live their lives as slaves to time, but we SHEs (Side-tracked Home Executives) are blessed by being able to move through our days pretty much oblivious to it. That's because we have no concern for time when we're enjoying our ability to get in the zone and stay there until we're jolted out.

We're sort of like the beasts of our world. For them life has no time. A bear doesn't wake up with the sun and call it morning and she doesn't think about all she has to do and wonder if she'll have time to do it before the sun goes down. She just lives each day.

Humans are the only ones that watch the clock from morning until night, reducing their lives to mathematical fragments. Time itself is an invention of ours. Yet few feel, as they run in the rat race, they have time for anything to be really fulfilling.

Science has been teaching us that be-

cause we are self-aware, time is the concept by which we can define and gauge ourselves. Yet time doesn't actually exist. It's only a concept we made up to keep on the same page with each other. Animals don't have to use this fake concept to be on the same page with other animals, as they manage that naturally. Ducks don't have flight schedules, but they do have flight plans directed by a mysterious source that is timeless.

But for many, life has gotten to the point where they are governed by this invented concept. Take the watch on your wrist, the clock on the wall, or the numbers on your cellphone; they're merely reporters of that made up concept.

Even by their own definitions, they are timeless. The clock itself is unmoving on the wall. The watch is unmoving, unless you move your arm around. The numbers on your cellphone are just numbers that have no destination. They are only set to measure the endless movement of the sun and our planet.

At work, most people are measured daily by how much time they put in, when the coffee break happens, how long they have for lunch; and finally the addictive clockwatching enables them to at last call it a day. Something is wrong with this. That role of time serves to limit us and make us anxious and worried.

On the other hand, we SHEs are more prone to focus our attention on the task we're on and we can get lost in it instead of considering how long it'll take. Measurement of time actually stunts people, if they are constantly trying to squeeze some feeling out of whatever minutes or hours they perceive as theirs. The workplace (which could also be your home if that's where you work) can be a place of creativity where fulfillment on many levels is possible. If the task itself is dull, like vacuuming or making beds, we can figure out ways to make it fun so we can get it done and move on to something we really love doing.

In our society, most people tend to

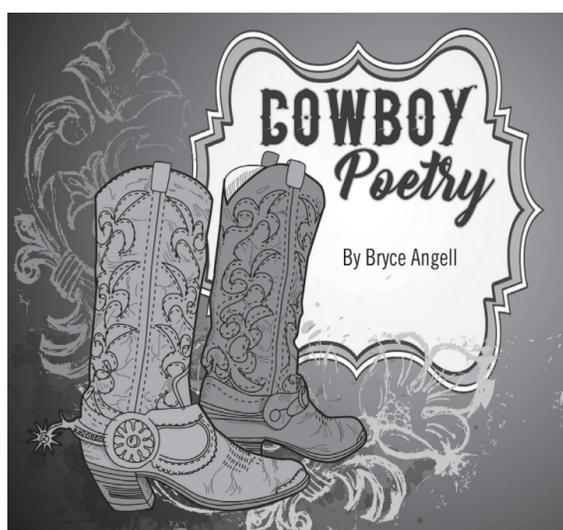
work according to the hours they put in, rather than the depth to which they experience pride or joy in what they're doing, or the degree to which they're having fun with the people in their workplace. It'd be good if our values included simple respect for work well done, engendering self-respect no matter what the job.

Be grateful you're a SHE. Losing track of something that isn't real, almost assures you of a very rich and interesting life. "Happiness is just a string of happy moments, but most people don't allow the happy moment because they're too busy trying to have a happy life." Abraham Hicks.

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Thanksgiving Marriage

The widow O'Bryan had her eye on Hank, but Hank was a bachelor confessed. His job at the Double Halo A Ranch, kept him busy, more than the rest.

The thought of marriage seemed like shackles, he couldn't imagine the thrill. But the widow O'Bryan only saw it one way. To her Hank fit the bill.

Now Thanksgiving Day was on its way so the widow devised a plan, to get old Hank

at her dinner table. Cuz from there he'd be her man.

She knew old Hank wouldn't pass a meal of turkey and pumpkin pie. So an invite was sent, with real intent, of snaring this hunk of a guy.

Now Hank was a man of punctual time, so early he did arrive. He knew too well the widow's scheme yet couldn't pass up that pie.

She offered him a festive drink, with Hank that left no ebb. He now was drinking on

his way to that certain widow's web.

The sly old widow poured drink after drink. She was one determined gal. Her scheme was working all too well. Hank would be more than her pal.

The turkey that he ate that day was luscious to the taste. But the Old Turkey booze caused him to lose and left him one big waste.

As Hank woke up and cleared his head the widow placed the band. The preach-

er snuck out through the door with a fifty in his hand.

So, the moral of the story is, on this Thanksgiving Day, if you're gonna have some turkey cheer, keep those preachers far away.

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- 17 Skewer
- 18 Massage
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- 21 Frog's cousin
- 24 Business abbr.
- 25 Rate of speed
- 28 Part of a Batman costume
- 30 Height of fashion?
- 33 "Born in the —"
- 34 Gem
- 35 "— Got a Secret"
- 36 Recipe meas.
- 37 Addict
- 38 From the start
- 39 America's uncle
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- 50 Leak out slowly
- 51 South American rodent
- 54 Ready for customers

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- 7 Above all others
- 8 Firebug's crime
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- 10 Advanced math
- 11 Adam's third son
- 16 Commotion
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- 29 Existed
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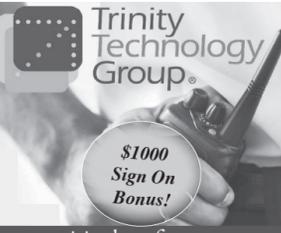


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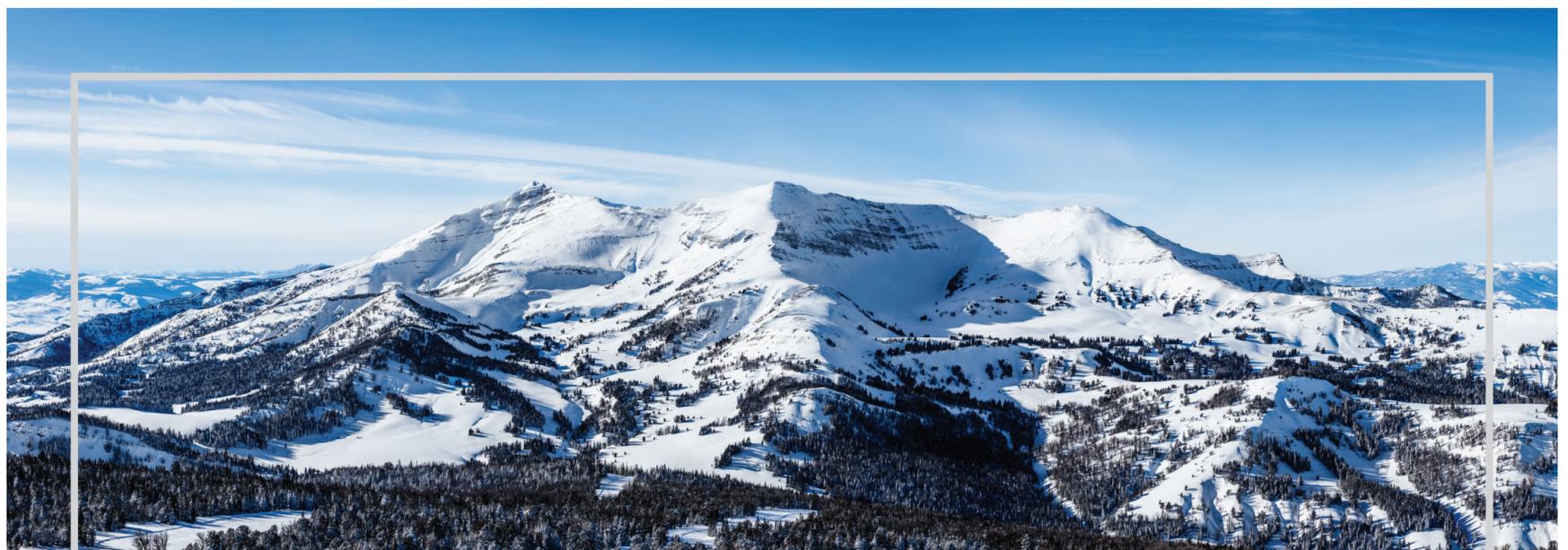
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PUBLIC NOTICES NOVEMBER 15, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KENNETH W. SHIRLEY, Deceased.

Probate No. DP 29-2018-28 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be mailed to JACQUELINE SHIRLEY, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, care of BRYAN LAW FIRM, P.C., at PO Box 1371, Bozeman, Montana 59711-1371, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court.

Dated this 5th day of October, 2018.

/s/ JACQUELINE SHIRLEY
Personal Representative
Pub. Nov. 1, 8, 15, 2018) BLF
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NOTICE TO RED ROCK RIVER WATER USERS

Carrie A. Peters and Roger D. Peters filed Motions to Amend Statements of Claim with the Montana Water Court seeking to correct: the point of diversion and means of diversion for claim 41A 40222-00; and the maximum acres irrigated and place of use for claims 41A 40234-00 and 41A 402041-00. The amendments have been posted on the Montana Water Court webpage at the following address: <https://courts.mt.gov/Courts/Water/Notices-and-Information/public-notice-and-information-on-active-basins> OBJECTION DATE: Any response or objections to the Motions to Amend must be filed with the Montana Water Court, P.O. Box 1389, Bozeman, MT 59711-1389, within 45 days of the date of the last publication of this notice, by December 30, 2018 in accordance with Section 85-2-233(6), MCA. A copy of any response or objection must be served on Carrie A. Peters and Roger D. Peters, 6000 MT Highway 324, Dillon, MT 59725. Please indicate "Claim 41A 40222-00, Case 41A-159," "Claim 41A 40234-00, Case 41A-291," and/or "Claim 41A 40241-00, Case 41A-292" on any response, objection, or other correspondence related to these Motions to Amend. Pub. Nov. 1, 8, 15, 2018) DYC
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ATTENTION TAXPAYERS

ATTENTION: There was a printer glitch with tax bills that have a zip-code of 59729-9_ _ _ . If you did not receive your county tax bill, please call or e-mail the Madison County Treasurer's Office. 406-843-4212/sburke@madisoncountymt.gov We do apologize for this inconvenience. Shelly Burke, Treasurer
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PUBLIC NOTICE CHANGE OF LOCATION

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF INTENT TO TRANSFER LOCATION OF AIR QUALITY PERMIT (PURSUANT TO SECTION 75-2-211, MCA AND ARM TITLE 17, CHAPTER 8, SUBCHAPTER 7, PERMIT, CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF AIR CONTAMINANT SOURCES). A.M. Welles will file on or about 11/09/2018 a notification of intent to transfer to Date location of an air quality permit with Air, Energy & Mining Division/Air Quality Bureau of the Montana Department of Environmental Quality. Applicant seeks approval of its transfer of location of Gravel Crusher. Montana Air Quality Permit # 3219 to Sec 16-T5S-R1W Madison County North of Ennis, MT The AQB must review the permit transfer within 30 days of receipt of a complete notice of intent. If AQB does not approve, conditionally approve or deny a permit transfer within 30 days after receipt of a complete notice of intent to transfer, the transfer is deemed approved. Any member of the public with questions or who wishes to review a copy of the permit and the analysis of it, or to submit comments on the change of location must contact the AQB at 1520 E 6th Ave, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901 or (406)444-3490. Any comments on the location transfer must be submitted to the AQB within 15 days after the date of this publication.
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INVITATION FOR BIDS * LEASE OF STATE LANDS

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Ag & Grazing Management Bureau P.O. Box 201601, Helena, Montana 59620-1601, through November 29, 2018, for 10-year grazing leases which will begin on March 1, 2019, on the following described lands in Madison County: Portions of T9S R4W Sections 4,9,10,15,16,17,22,26,27,28,34, & 35; portions of T10S R4W Sections 3,4,5,7,8,9,18,19,30, & 31; and portions of T10N R5W Sections 11,13,14,23,24, 25 & 26; containing a total of 12,169.31 acres. The acreage is divided into 7 individual leases which will be bid separately. The minimum

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HEADWATERS RC&D NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT

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CEDS are available digitally and in paper format by contacting Headwaters RC&D, Audrey Combo, Administrative Manager; 406.723.4349, 65 E. Broadway, Butte, MT. 59701 acombo@bldc.net. All responses to the draft document must be submitted to Headwaters by 4 p.m December 7th. Joseph J Willauer Headwaters RC&D, Executive Director
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Madison County Board of Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, November 20, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room of the Administrative Office Building in Virginia City, Montana, to receive public comment on a petition requesting to close a portion of Madison Street between the east side of Pattee Street to its junction with Jefferson Street in the Original Township of Pony. Copies of the petition are available for public review and comment at the Madison County Commissioners' Office. Comments on the proposal are welcome. Written public comments may be submitted or delivered to the Madison County Commissioners' Office, P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, MT 59755; faxed to (406) 843-5517; or emailed to madco@madisoncountymt.gov. Written comments must be received by close of the November 20, 2018, public hearing.
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to transfer to location of an air quality permit with Air, Energy & Mining Division/Air Quality Bureau of the Montana Department of Environmental Quality. Applicant seeks approval of its transfer of location of PORTABLE CRUSHING EQUIPMENT. Montana Air Quality Permit #3040-02 to SECTION 33 TOWNSHIP 06S, RANGE 04W MADISON 575 UPPER RUBY ROAD, SHERIDAN MT 59749. The AQB must review the permit transfer within 30 days of receipt of a complete notice of intent. If AQB does not approve, conditionally approve or deny a permit transfer within 30 days after receipt of a complete notice of intent to transfer, the transfer is deemed approved. Any member of the public with questions or who wishes to review a copy of the permit and the analysis of it, or to submit comments on the change of location must contact the AQB at 1520 E 6th Ave, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901 or (406)444-3490. Any comments on the location transfer must be submitted to the AQB within 15 days after the date of this publication.
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• Hannah Bradshaw	So.	Drummond
• Zoe Lee	Jr.	Sheridan



Gov. Bullock announces outdoor recreation summit

HELENA – Governor Steve Bullock today announced the Montana Office of Outdoor Recreation will host the Business of Outdoor Recreation Summit December 4 and 5, in Whitefish.

The Summit seeks to bring together leaders, community members, recreation and conservation groups from Montana and the Greater Crown of the Continent, including Alberta and British Columbia to provide a platform to discuss promoting and strengthening outdoor recreation and the economic activity it supports.

“Outdoor recreation, especially on our public lands, is central to Montana’s economy and Montanans’ way of life,” said Governor Bullock. “We’ll be bringing folks together from all across the state to identify opportunities to further invest in our outdoors in order to keep our economy thriving and keep Montana the best place to live, work, play and raise a family.” Governor Bullock created the

Montana Office of Outdoor Recreation to capitalize on and grow the outdoor recreation economy in Montana. Montana’s outdoor recreation economy generates over \$7.1 billion in annual consumer spending and employs over 71,000 people each year. The Summit panels, workshops and keynotes will cover:

Turning community vision into community planning; Balancing infrastructure growth with sustainable long-term management and funding; Project planning across multiple landowners and land managers.

Communicating outdoor recreation and conservation needs to local, state and federal elected officials; Funding long-term operations and maintenance.

Understanding the economic value of open spaces and outdoor recreation; Helping communities in transition create a vision and action plan for sustainable expansion of their tourism economy; In-



tegrating sustainable practices into business plans.

The Summit is made possible by our presenting sponsor REI Co-op and many other businesses and organizations who understand the importance and value of outdoor recreation in the region. Expect two days of engaging conversation, dynamic guest speakers, and effective work sessions.

“The Summit will unite our collective vision for conservation and outdoor recreation in the region,” said Alan Myers-Davis, Director of Development, Whitefish Legacy Partners. “Sharing strategies to develop, fund, and maintain on-the-ground projects is invaluable to our quality of life and economic resilience. Help shape the future of our public lands and

join the conversations December.”

“The impact of outdoor recreation on the economy and well-being of communities in Montana and the Greater Crown of the Continent, including British Columbia and Alberta, is undeniable. Not only is it consistently the top reason people choose to live and visit, but it has become a powerful tool in industry and employee recruitment and retention,” said Sheena Pate, Project Coordinator, Crown of the Continent Geotourism Council. “We’re bringing together diverse stakeholders to ensure the value of one of our leading economic drivers is understood, supported and planned for. Not just for the industry’s sake, but because we are all inherently tied to the health of the landscape.”

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Youth Group (7-12): 6-8pm

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Family Dinner 5:30 PM
Youth and Adult Bible Study/Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM

Pastor Greg Ledgerwood
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682-4197

Valley Assembly
Love Jesus • Love People • Reach the Valley
114 N. Main, Sheridan
842-5845
Pastor Duane B. Dasher
Sunday Service at 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Valley Kids - after school to 6:45 p.m.

Ruby Valley Food Pantry - Saturdays 10 a.m.-Noon

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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Eve 7 p.m.

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Reverend Susan DeBree
Office: (406) 842-5934
Home: (406) 842-7732

Church of the Valley
Twin Bridges
Worship & Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

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Sheridan
Worship 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

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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 15 - Chicken fried steak, mashers & veggies, dessert
• Friday, November 16 - Fish tacos, rice & fruit, dessert, pinochle at 12:45 p.m.
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• Friday, November 16 - Fish tacos, rice & fruit, dessert, pinochle at 12:45 p.m.
• Monday, November 19 - Turkey dip with gravy, sweet potato fries, dessert, mah-jongg at 1 p.m.
• Tuesday November 20 - Goulash & veggies, garlic bread, dessert, play pan at 1 p.m.
• Wednesday November 21 - Baked fish & rice pilaf, veggies, dessert, mah-jongg at 1 p.m.
• Thursday, November 22 - Closed - Thanksgiving

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

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

Virginia City Café
Senior meals for Madison County Seniors 60 and over will be served at the Virginia City Café on Tuesday & Thursdays from 11 am to 3 pm for \$4.00.
• Thursday, November 15 – Chicken pot-pie, dessert.
• Thursday, November 20 – Chicken strip basket with fries, dessert
• Tuesday, November 22 – Thanksgiving (closed)

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 16 - Loaded Hot Dogs and Hamburgers, oven fries, ice cream sundaes
• Monday, November 19 - Pork Chops, rice, stir-fry veggies, salad, fruit, apple dumpling
• Wednesday, November 21 - Spaghetti, Garlic bread, veggie, Caesar salad, dessert
• Thursday, November 22 - free Thanksgiving Dinner.

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Tuesdays ~ 5 p.m.

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Thursdays, 8 pm

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Bethany Hall, Sheridan
(behind Methodist Church)
Wednesdays ~ 8 p.m.

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SUN. - 10 a.m., No Smoking,
Virginia City Library
MON. - Open, 7:30 p.m., Basement of M.V. Presbyterian Church, No Smoking
WED. - 7:30 p.m., Trinity Church in Jeffers
FRI. - Open, 7:30 p.m., Basement of M.V. Presbyterian Church, No Smoking
682-3490, 682-7023 Ennis
843-5352 Virginia City



OUTPOSTEVENTS.NET

Go to outpostevents.net for a complete listing of events

**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.

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.

The Ruby Valley Giving Tree

The Ruby Valley Giving Tree provide fixings for Christmas dinner (sponsored by the Food Pantry in Sheridan), gifts for children, and basic items for needy seniors, and services for Virginia City, Alder, and Sheridan. Cutoff date for submitting names is December 3rd. There is also an account set up at Opportunity Bank in Sheridan where monetary donations may be made if desired to "The Ruby Valley Giving Tree". call Billie at 842-5044 for more information.

Mad Gals lunch/meeting
The Mad Gals will be meeting at McAlister Inn at 12 noon, lunch at 12:30. Bring a friend.

**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 Shirly Gandenberger at 685-3421 to reserve.

**Saturday
November 24**

Christmas Shopping Child Care, Ennis
Ennis Community Children's School is holding two childcare days, November 24 and December 8 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. so parents and grandparents can get their Christ-

mas shopping done. Snacks, lunch, dinner and fun provided! RSVP to save a spot at 682-7338.

Holiday Bazaar, Ennis
Annual Holiday Bazaar at Ennis Elementary School: arts, crafts, wreaths, food items, door prizes! Sponsored by Ennis Senior Center, beginning at 9 a.m. with Lunch from 11:30-1 with \$5 donation. Call 682-4422 for information.

**Tuesday
November 27**

Holiday Weaving Workshop, Ennis
Artists on Main will host a holiday weaving workshop, looms and material provided.

10 a.m., reserve your space by November 24. Call 640-1641 or email eliz@historicweaving.com.

**Wednesday
November 28**

The Power of Hearing Well, Bozeman

Benjamin Sure, social gerontologist, will speak on how hearing may have as much of an impact on dementia risk as diet and exercise. 4 p.m. at Dahl Funeral Chapel, 300 Highland Blvd., Bozeman. RSVP at 586-0074.

Gravelly Landscape Collaborative Meeting, Ennis

Attendees include Madison Valley Ranchlands, Ruby Watershed Council and Madison Watershed Council. Dr. Cathy Whitlock will speak on the impacts of climate change on forests and Montana's watersheds. 5:30 p.m. at Ennis Fire Station, 5037 US Hwy 287. Call 539-3006 for information.

**Saturday
December 1**

Madison County Democratic Committee Meeting, Virginia City

The County Democratic Central Committee will hold its post-election meeting at 10 a.m. at the Thompson-Hickman Library, where election results will be analyzed. Call 682-3151 for information.

**Thursday
December 6**

Business After Hours, Ennis

Fan Mountain Inn and 3 Rivers will host Business After Hours at 204 Main Street with light appetizers and great networking opportunities, beginning at 5 p.m.

**Friday
December 7**

Spirit of Christmas Stroll, Ennis

Experience Ennis with an old-fashioned Christmas Stroll! Photos with Santa, Christmas stories, roasted chestnuts, live music and more, 3-8 p.m. Call the Ennis Chamber at 682-4388 for information.

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.
For all ages and skill levels - Two Tables
At the Pony School
Info @ 685-3481

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

TOPS, Ennis
Weekly weigh-ins are at 9 a.m.
Meetings at 9:30 a.m.
MVMC in downstairs conference room. Jeanne, 682-3299

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

Baby Bistro, Ennis

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

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

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

THURSDAYS

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

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

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

FRIDAYS

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

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

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

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

Live Music - Norris
7 p.m.

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

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- FRIDAY, DEC 7TH: LEFT FOR DEAD
- FRIDAY, DEC 14TH: ROAD AGENTS
- FRIDAY, DEC 21ST: MIKE COMSTOCK

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Please call to verify for last minute changes 682-4023 | 115 Main St, Ennis
EnnisMovies.com | [Facebook.com/MadisonTheatreEnnis](https://www.facebook.com/MadisonTheatreEnnis)

Madison Conservation District Meeting

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