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FLOODING



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Emergency Alert
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Expect minor flooding of Moores Creek over the next two days. Please report flooding to Madison County Dispatch 843-5301

Runoff from the Virginia City hill on April 22. (PHOTO COURTESY DUSTIN TETRAULT)

Spring runoff making a splash in Madison County

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Rolling runoff from Virginia City hill on Sunday was captured on video by Madison County Emergency Management and Fire Warden Dustin Tetrault, who said more precipitation was to be expected over the following 24 hours, causing small stream flooding on both Moores Creek in Ennis and Daylight Creek in Virginia City.

"We were able to divert a bunch off Moores Creek down an irrigation ditch and it will stay open for a while to mitigate any higher flows," said Tetrault. "We did sandbag a couple spots and dug a small diversion in a spot but now homes have been affected. Daylight Creek in Virginia City has also been flowing high and has gone over Cover Street at Montana Highway 287 a couple times but has not affected any homes."

Tetrault said sandbags are available and if any homes are threatened to call Madison County Dispatch at 843-5301 for assistance.

'WE CAN DISAGREE WITHOUT BEING DISAGREEABLE'

Ennis zoning commission discusses draft ordinance

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An April 17 work session on the Ennis draft zoning ordinance drew close to 30 members of the public. Led by the zoning commission, made up of volunteers Kaye Suzuki and Mark Odegard and town commissioner Lisa Roberts, the intent of the work session was to discuss and work on the first two chapters of the draft ordinance.

The draft, which has been 18 months in the making, was first presented at the March 2018 council meeting and was met with much opposition and confusion from the public. The draft is an update to the current zoning code, subdivision regulations, transportation standards and annexation policy. The current regulations were created in 2002 and zoning codes have not seen an update since 1996.

The process for the draft came in 2015 after then Mayor Becky Vujovich approached the town's on-call engineer and planning firm, Great West Engineering, about updating the codes. "The town then applied for a Community Development Block Grant through the Department of Commerce, which they were awarded, and contracted with Great West to begin the process," said Jerry Grebenc, project engineer with GWE and technical advisor to the commission.

The zoning commission was later created as required by state statute and appointed by town council. Much like the March meeting, audience members during the April 17 meeting still questioned the reasoning for only three zoning commissioners. "This goes back to the issue early on in this project that the town commission had real difficulty getting participation on the planning board and essentially dissolved," stated

Grebenc, who emphasized the importance of participation from the public. "These are the only folks who stepped up to do it," said Blake Levitt, adding the town commission could appoint more members to the commission.

The intent of the work session was to focus on chapters one and two, but the crux of the evening was spent with folks still questioning the intent of the draft. "This is a true, raw draft," said Suzuki. "There is nothing in here that cannot be changed, and it is so important that people participate." The purpose of the commission now is to gather public comment and data for modifying the draft to meet the needs of the majority of the town. All three zoning commission members and Grebenc stressed the importance of participation and attendance and written public comment on the draft.

The goals of the ordinance are to provide a document that is easier to read and use for both the town and community, according to the commission. This is achieved by tailoring the needs of Ennis, preserving the integrity and appeal, remove real property versus zoning map inconsistencies and achieve year-round economic sustainability while maintaining the unique local character.

Red-line document

Several people stated a wish for a traditional red-line document to track changes made to the existing ordinance. "I know a lot of folks want to have what we traditionally called the red-line doc and the hard part is, which is just my perspective, things either have been changed or rearranged trying to take the new changes and make sense out of it an it's just very confusing," said

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FWP Commission rejects Madison River proposal

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The Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission rejected a proposed plan regulating recreation use on the Madison River during an April 19 meeting in Helena. The Madison River Recreation Plan, which was drafted by state fisheries officials, would have regulated commercial fishing use on the river. The commission voted 4-0 against the current proposal.

The plan would have capped the number of commercial outfitters at 213, the 2017 number of active permit holders, and limited trips per day; roughly 10 per day from June 16 through Sept. 30. Only five trips per day would be allowed Jan. 1 through June 15, and Oct. 1 through Dec. 31. According

to Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region Three Fisheries Manager Travis Horton, the proposed plan would have allowed for a possible 1.5 million commercial trips.

The regulations came as a response to overcrowding on the Madison River after Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks reported pressure on the river has seen a steady increase over the past 10 years, peaking at 179,000 angler days in 2017. A press release from FWP stated commercial outfitters had increased by 72 percent since 2008.

The Commission heard from several outfitters who opposed the plan, saying the proposal did nothing to regulate non-commercial anglers. Ennis outfitter John Way, who spoke in opposition of the proposal during the April 19 meeting, said he felt the Commission made

the right decision. "I believe the Madison needs a holistic recreation management plan and unfortunately, I don't think this was the right approach," he said.

Prior to the vote, Way said he felt the plan lacked definition and was not solving the problem in regard to overall use, basin wide.

The proposed plan would have closed different reaches of the river each day to commercial users, including totally banning commercial use in the lowest reach, Greycliff Fishing Access Site to the Jefferson River. "In the upper Madison, there are 37 miles of floatable water right now," said Way. "If you close one stretch a day to outfitters, you still have the same amount of use in less space. That's not managing use, that's putting more rats in

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Anglers on the Madison River. (C. AVEY PHOTO)

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Grebenc. Realtor Chris Murphy stated the commission would have less opposition if people knew what the changes were being made. "I'm trying to appreciate and sympathize with you," he said. "I think you should provide something to citizens of what changes are being made so we understand the entire process."

Old vs. new
 Pointing out a few differences between the two drafts, Grebenc said the biggest difference is

the language in the current code. "You traditionally don't see that language from the old town comprehensive plan," he said. "A typical plan provides just guidance, not a regulation. The 1996 language, frankly, needs to come out because it technically becomes regulatory."

Grebenc said another change between the documents is within the administrative provisions. The current regulations have administration provisions scattered throughout the entire document. "The draft takes all admin positions and puts them all into one

chapter, so they are all together and less confusing. The commission members also wanted to build some flexibility into the zoning districts, simply trying to achieve what they see as things needed to be fixed."

Both the commission and Grebenc stressed their desire for public input. "This is not a perfect document. The old one is not a perfect document," said Suzuki. "We are willing to change this document - this draft is just a foundation. We can disagree without being disagreeable - this is our town."

"The commission wants this document to reflect the

majority of the town," said Grebenc. "If the majority of people want something in there, they're going to make changes. I'm glad people are showing up and expressing concerns."

To view the current town ordinance, visit the town office or go to [HYPERLINK "http://www.ennismontana.org/"](http://www.ennismontana.org/) www.ennismontana.org and follow the link draft zoning ordinance information. From there, you can find Grebenc's PowerPoint, the updated draft, current draft and public comments. To submit comment, email gingerg@ennismontana.org.



Mark Odegard and Lisa Roberts are two of the three members on the draft zoning commission. Odegard and fellow town resident Kaye Suzuki were the only two people to volunteer for the commission. Roberts serves as an Ennis Town Commissioner and Great West Engineer Jerry Grebenc serves as an advisory to the commission. (C. AVEY PHOTOS)

Inset L: John Bancroft, town commissioner, was present at the meeting to voice his opposition of the current draft.

Inset R: John Heckler suggested the commission throw out the draft and start over. (C. AVEY PHOTO)

Current copy of the Ennis zoning regulations map. (MAP COURTESY ENNIS TOWN)

Town of Ennis Official Zoning Map

Parcel Boundary (Source: Montana Base Map Service Center/Department of Revenue)
 Town Limits Boundary (Source: Town of Ennis)

AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS
 Agricultural 640 (AG-640)
 Agricultural 160 (AG-160)
 Agricultural 80 (AG-80)

MAP LEGEND

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 Residential - Low Density (R-LD)
 Residential - Medium Density (R-MD)
 Residential - Town Density (R-TD)

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 Core Commercial - Residential (C-CR)

NONRESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS
 Highway Commercial (HC)
 Commercial/Industrial (C-I)
 Planned Industrial (P-I)

This shall certify that this is the Ennis, Montana Official Zoning Map referred to in Section 01.06 of Ordinance #131 of the Town of Ennis, Montana. This is a replacement for the original map and reflects amendments through September 8, 2011. The locations of boundaries on this map are based on cadastral data from the Montana Base Map Service Center and Montana Department of Revenue. For information on how to interpret zoning district boundaries, refer to Section 11-3-3 in the Town of Ennis Code.

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GLC hears South Tobacco Roots project update

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The Gravelly Landscape Collaborative met at the Alder Fire Station on April 23 and received a report from Bureau of Land Management officials on South Tobacco Root watershed projects.

Pat Fosse, assistant field manager with the Dillon BLM office, and four of her crew members who assessed the landscape in 2016, gave project updates regarding range, fire, timber and riparian areas in the South Tobacco Roots.

"We have 16 watersheds that we assess at the landscape level and have a 10-year adaptive plan," Fosse said. The Tobacco Roots were assessed in 2006 and again in 2016.

Kipper Blotkamp, assessment team leader, reported from a timber aspect and what projects had taken place on the landscape. Blotkamp noted insects were rampant in the Tobacco Roots and his team was able to salvage what they could from affected timber. More than 1,000 acres was commercially harvested, starting with areas with easiest access,

leaving some high priority stands with more difficult access. "Our focus is cutting and trying to increase the health and resilience of the trees through prescribed maintenance and thinning," he said.

Sean Claffey spoke about riparian treatments in the area, saying 15 miles of riparian areas saw complete treatment. Claffey said he has been working with the Ruby Valley Conservation District and Ruby Valley Watershed Council to help restore wet meadow habitat and maintenance. Aspen trees were most prominent in the riparian areas, according to Claffey, who said they had successful regeneration after the stream treatments and activities.

BLM fuels specialist Joe Sampson said his program treated 9,001 acres with 19 units. Sampson said he's currently burning about 4,000 acres a year with his program, which is good, but would like to be closer to 10,000 to see faster turnaround and regrowth. "We're doing good work it's just slow," he said.

Kelly Savage, BLM range specialist on the project,

quoted 33 allotments in the South Tobacco Roots, eight of which require grazing changes. "Only a few changes to lessen the impact on the riparian areas and meet with those standards," she said,

adding the BLM works hard to meet with producers and keep them active on the landscape.

GLC facilitator Jen Boyer asked the group for their thoughts on moving forward

with work in the Tobacco Roots, similar to what they've done in the Greenhorns. "Is this something we want to take a deeper dive into and talk goals and management?" The group determined an

interest in moving forward with the South Tobacco Root watershed and working with the United States Forest Service and BLM to share data and support to move forward.



Pat Fosse, assistant field manager for the Bureau of Land Management and her team presented their watershed assessment of the South Tobacco Roots during the April 23, Gravelly Landscape Collaborative meeting. (C. AVEY PHOTO)

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a tighter cage."

Way served on the Madison River Citizen Advisory Committee, which sent recommendations to FWP in 2014 regarding the river, but did not propose any regulations on commercial

use. The Madison River Foundation issued a press release after the April 19 vote, saying the Madison River Foundation Board of Directors was disappointed in the Commission's decision. The Foundation, whose mission is to preserve,

protect and enhance the Madison River, was in favor of the proposal and its limits on glass in the river, the proposed regulations on special recreation permit holders and regulations from the outlet of Quake Lake to Lyons Bridge and Ennis Bridge to Ennis Lake to

reduce conflict between walk/wade and float anglers.

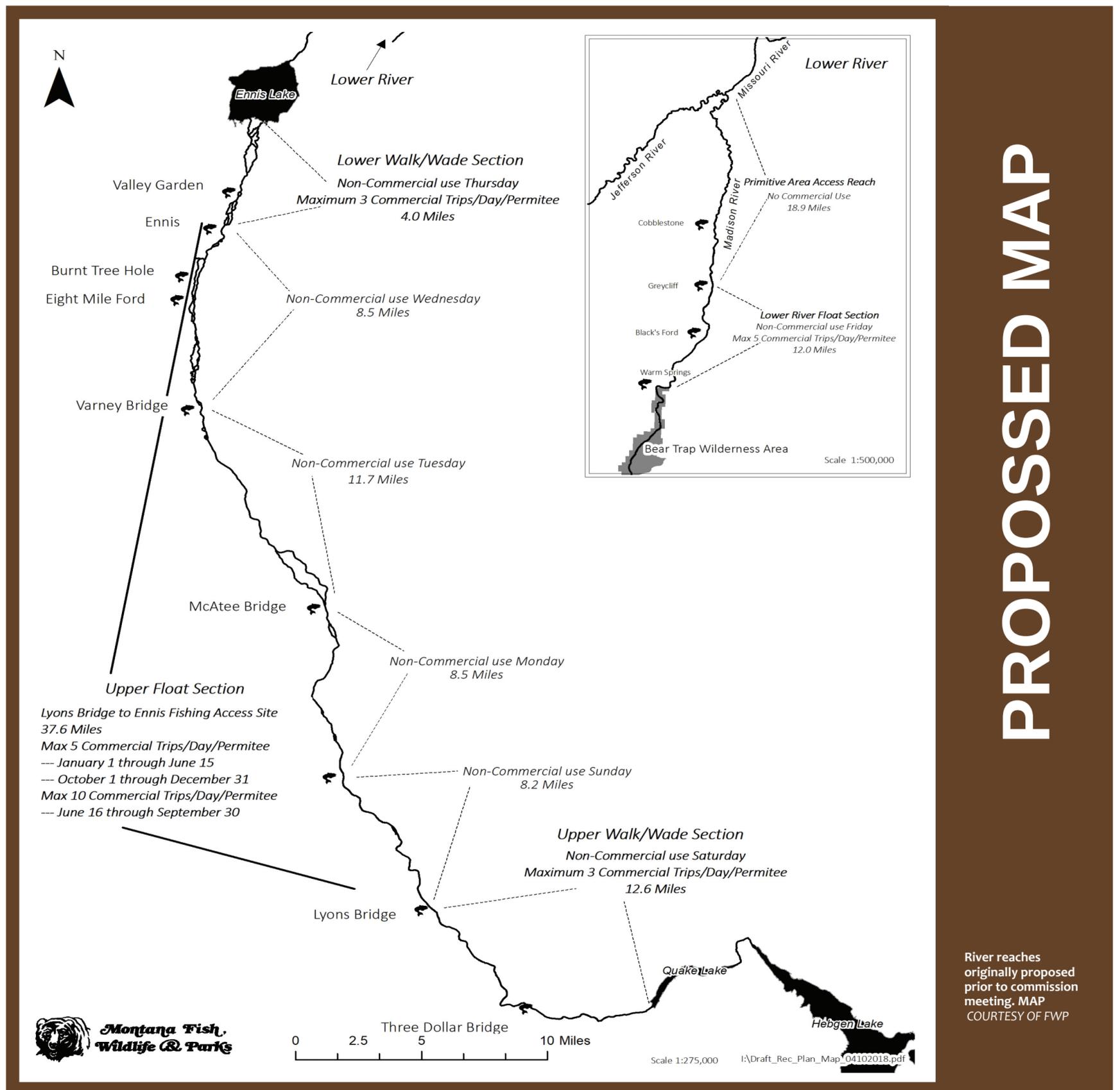
"Sending the plan to public comment would have allowed for input from all users, instead the commission decided to start the process over," said MRF Executive Director Lauren Wittorp in the release. "... FWP took the

right approach in producing a fair, well researched plan that included public input. The Commission and those who voiced opposition have put the Madison River fishery in jeopardy."

Horton stated prior to the decision the Madison River fish populations were

in good condition but fish behavior has changed. "There is a threshold where use could start affecting fish population, but we don't know where that threshold is," he stated.

Horton said FWP is still deciding how to move forward.



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OPINION

Madison River Foundation Board reacts to FWP Wildlife Commission decision

Dear Editor,

On April 20, the Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission voted against sending the Madison Recreation Plan to public comment. The board of directors of the Madison River Foundation thinks that was the wrong decision. Sending the plan to public comment would have allowed for input from all users, instead the commission decided to start the process over.

The Madison Recreation Plan as it was proposed

was a good step forward in preserving, protecting and enhancing the Madison River as it makes protecting the river resources a first priority. The board of directors of the Madison River Foundation was supportive of the proposed plan because:

- Removing glass from the river is good for the river both environmentally and safety.

- The fishing regulations have prohibited fishing from a boat or vessel from the outlet of Quake Lake to Lyons Bridge and from Ennis Bridge

to Ennis Lake since 1988 to reduce conflict between walk/wade anglers and float anglers. Enforcing this regulation will enhance wade fisherman's access to the river as the original regulation had intended.

- The proposed regulations on Special Recreation Permit holders are good for maintaining the quality of the river resources and the quality of the recreational experience for all.

FWP Region 3 Fisheries Manager, Travis Horton said

"there is a threshold where use could start affecting fish population, but we don't know where that threshold is", he is right and FWP took the right approach in producing a fair, well researched plan that included public input. The commission and those who voiced opposition have put the Madison River fishery in jeopardy.

Lauren Wittorp

OBITUARIES

Barbie Harman Durham May 24, 1960 - April 16, 2018



Barbie Harman Durham passed away April 16, 2018, surrounded by her loving family, after a tough fought 4-year battle with lung cancer. Barbie was born May 24, 1960 to Bobbi and Orin Harman in Arco, Idaho. She spent her young years in southern Idaho and graduated from Bonneville High School in 1978. Barbie moved to the

Madison Valley in 1988 when she married Todd Durham of Cameron.

Barbie enjoyed working and was an extremely active community member serving as County grant writer and on several boards including County Airport Board and Madison County Housing Board. She was appointed by both Governor Schweitzer and Governor Bullock to the Montana Heritage Commission which she served on for more than 10 years as an officer and member of the Executive Board. She represented Madison County for more than a decade on the Board of Directors of Human Resources District 12. She was involved in the creation of low-income senior housing as well as shelters

for the homeless. Barbie will be remembered in Virginia City for her work in securing the money for the new visitor center on the north entrance to town. She was very active with the Economic Development Councils and served as Executive Director of Headwaters Economic Development Agency, where she worked up until her final days. Barbie resided on many other boards and volunteered her time to countless community development projects. Barbie was also a devoted Mustang fan and spent many hours watching her son and daughter play sports. She will be missed by many who had so much respect for her kindness, compassion, and humanity. Barbie is survived by her

long-time partner, Todd Durham of Cameron, son Teelan Durham of Bozeman, daughter Tori (Cody) Pierson of Coeur d'Alene, brother Kelly (Tammy) Harman of Salt Lake City, brother Rob (Lieha) Harman of Florida, and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

Services will be held at the Hotel Finlen in Butte, Montana on Saturday, April 21st at 1 PM. Luncheon will follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Montana Heritage Commission or the Bear Creek School House. Montana Heritage Commission: PO Box 338, Virginia City, MT 59755

Bear Creek School House: 940 Bear Creek Loop Rd., Cameron, MT 59720

CLARIFICATION

Last week's news article on the April 12 Virginia City Council meeting stated the owners of a building on Wallace Street informed the Virginia City mayor of a June 2017 engineering report stating the building is "structurally unsafe." The June 2017 report states, "[e]xterior masonry walls are beginning to deteriorate and fail due to roof leaks," and identified several other issues with the building, but did not declare the building "structurally unsafe."

Scott Curry, the author of the report, was contacted and said the published report is the entirety of his statement on the building and he would add nothing more.

All errors in fact brought to our attention will be quickly and gladly corrected. We will appreciate having inaccuracies brought to our attention. (406) 682-7755

Tester Meets with Twin Bridges Telecom Reps



U.S. Senator Jon Tester met in his Washington D.C. office with Ty Cobb (Twin Bridges) with 3 Rivers Communications, Bobbie Stoken and Craig Eaton (Eureka) with InterBel, Don Bitz (Bozeman) and Theresa Terry (Havre) with Triangle Communications, Jason Hendricks (Wyoming) with Range Communications and Geoff Feiss (Helena) representing the Montana Telecommunications Association. The group discussed broadband deployment in rural Montana and implementing 5G technology. Tester said he will use his new role on the Commerce Committee to fight for high-speed internet access across Montana.

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Backgroundchecks.org announced their ranking of the top school districts in Montana for 2018 on April 17.

Ranking number one overall is Sunburst Schools, a modest-sized district comprising one K-6 elementary and one combined 7-12 high school located in Sunburst, MT. Despite the fact that the community in which it is based has a population of just 338 as of 2016, Sunburst High School was nevertheless recognized

as a bronze medal level school by U.S. News & World Report.

Second on the list is the Frenchtown School District, serving Frenchtown, MT, a community that--with its 1,825 inhabitants and four schools--is a bustling metropolis by Montana standards.

Placing third is Ennis Schools in Ennis, Montana. Despite its modest size, the district boasts thriving athletic and extracurricular programs.

Montana's top five list is rounded out by two more small, yet well-staffed and spirited school districts, Florence-Carlton School District 15-6 (#4), and Townsend School District #1 (#5).

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Fire Call in 100 Blk Mill St Sheridan
Animal Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 30 Cameron
Disturbance on Mill Creek Rd Sheridan

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Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 61 Norris
Traffic Complaint in 100 Blk Upper Ruby Rd Alder
Welfare Check on Rainbow Loop Rd McAllister

4/18/18
Suspicious Circumstances at MT Hwy 287 & W Armitage St Ennis
Traffic Complaint at US Hwy 287 & Rainbow Point Rd McAllister
Traffic Complaint on Main St Sheridan
Animal Complaint in 700 Blk Madison Ave Ennis

4/19/18
Welfare Check on Laurin Loop Alder
Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 3 Cameron
Traffic Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 65 Norris
Wildlife Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 1 Ennis

4/20/18
Wildlife Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 28 Laurin

Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 25 Laurin
Animal Complaint at US Hwy 287 & Varney Rd Cameron
Wildlife Complaint on Primrose Ln Silver Star
Traffic Complaint on Hugel St Ennis
Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 41 MM 27 Twin Bridges
Citizen Assist in 200 Blk S Main St Sheridan
Wildlife Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 50 Ennis
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SPRING SPORTS:

Track and field athletes compete in Belgrade, golfers take on Livingston

Caitlin Avey
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Students were back on course last week as they took to Livingston, Belgrade and Big Sky for meets. The Ennis Mustang golf team finally hit the greens and saw success, according to head coach Chris McCown. "There was no wind!" laughed McCown.

RESULTS

Boys

Jon Fortier: 108
Talon Fortner: 112

Girls

Landri Paladichuk: 92 *qualified for state
Logan Crowley: 118 *qualified for state
Kara Elliott: 126

Track and field athletes from Ennis, Harrison and Sheridan were in Belgrade for the Belgrade Invitational; Twin Bridges attended the SSHS Invitational in Big Sky.

RESULTS

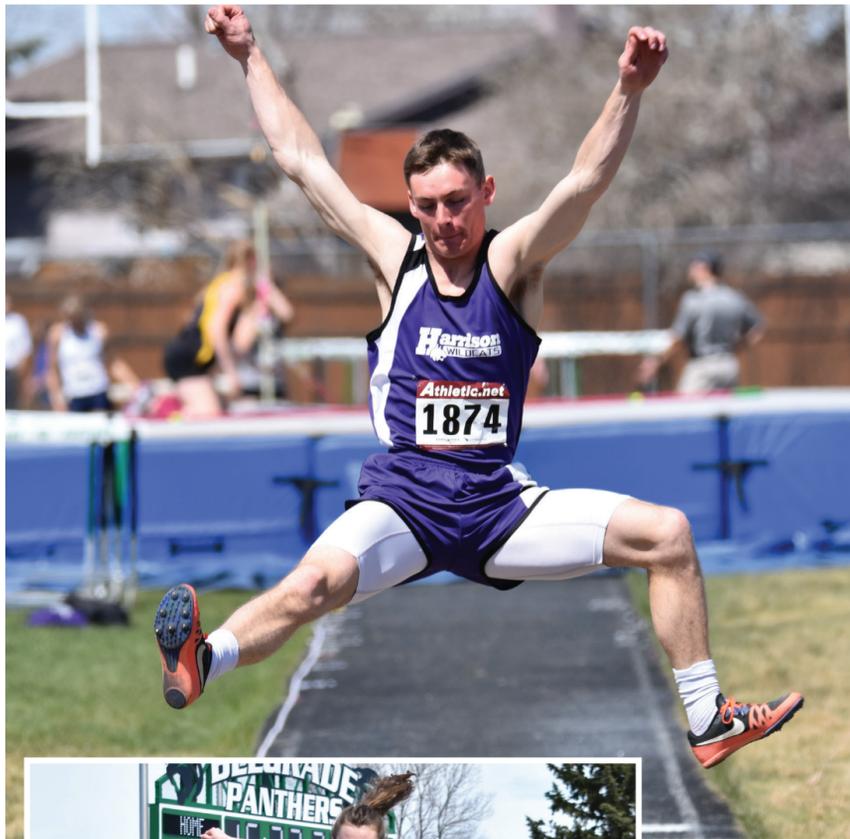
Harrison Boys

Lane Buus: Triple Jump 40' 4" (4th place) Long Jump 19' 10.5" (1st Place) 100m 12.05
Derik DeFrance: 300H 45.36 (9th place), Disc 124' 9" (6th place) 800m 2:11.37 (10th place)
Layne Homner: Discus 126' 4" (3rd Place), Shot 41' 4" (5th place)
Vern Homner: High Jump 5' 6" (first place JV) Javelin 106' 6" (9th place JV) Long Jump 18'
Luke Cima: High Jump 5' 4" (6th place JV), 100 m 12.55, Long Jump 17'
Jackson Nye: 1600 5:08 (14th place), Javelin 100' 4.5" Triple Jump 35' 2"
Zane Christensen: 1600 6:29 Javelin 53' 11" long Jump 11' 9"

Harrison Girls

Aleena Bacon: 100m 15.28, Shot Put: 27' .25", Javelin 81' 8"
Rosie Chater: Long Jump 13' 4"
Maddison Christiansen: 400m 1:17, Shot Put 19' 4"
Makenna Christiansen: 400m 1:18, javelin 55' 3"
Kayley Christensen: Shot Put 26' 2", Javelin: 59' 4", Disc: 58' 10"
4x100 relay: 1:01.09

*Only Harrison High School and the Ennis Mustang golf team submitted results by Tuesday's press time.



Above:
Lane Buus leaps for the sand at the Belgrade Invitational.

Left:
Rosie Chater hits the pit during a track meet in Belgrade last week

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TWIN BRIDGES SCHOOL Board hears Falcon Hall of Fame plan, meets the candidates

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The Twin Bridges School Board had a big agenda on April 17, as Superintendent Chad Johnson said over 50 people were in attendance. Johnson said a portion of the agenda was spent talking about teacher and staff negotiations, class schedules and the upcoming summer season projects.

A Falcon Hall of Fame is in the works after TBHS alumni Clyde Carroll and Ron Page approached the board with bylaws and criteria for a hall of fame – a project that’s been a year in the making. “It was a combination of myself and another Twin Bridges alumni that thought it would be nice to honor some of the students, coaches and teams from Twin Bridges that have done well,” said Carroll, a 1965 graduate of Twin Bridges High School.

The hall of fame would recognize up to three individuals - teams, players or coaches who have been out of the school for a minimum of seven years and who accomplished high honors during their athletic career, according to Carroll. A committee is being formed that will review nominations and criteria. Carroll

said a point system would be used to evaluate criteria based on achievements throughout high school careers. For example, someone who placed in several events at the district, divisional and state level would receive so many points, etc. Athletes who meet the criteria would be recognized at the fall homecoming football game. Carroll said the hall of fame would not become active until 2019.

“We want to make it very personal and a sense of pride for the individual or team,” said Carroll, adding a cap of three alumni would be nominated in the first three years of inception. After three years, Carroll said nominations would only occur once every three years.

As it stands, the hall of fame would be strictly for athletics, according to Carroll, who said many schools around the state have similar programs. “It’s a good source of community and school pride and a nice thing to establish,” he said. “We hope this will catch on with other Class C schools.”

Carroll participated in all sports during his high school career: basketball, football and track. Page was a member of the 1952 football team, the first Twin Bridges team to win a state championship.

Meet the candidate

The April 17 meeting included a meet-and-greet session with candidates who have filed for the three open school board seats. Johnson said rather than conducting a candidate forum, all candidates gave a quick introduction and biography before moving about the school to speak individually with folks. “For the most part, we got positive feedback on that approach,” said Johnson, adding the meet-and-greet offered a more personal approach than a regular candidate forum.

The Twin Bridges School Board has three seats open; two three-year terms and one two-year term. Patricia Nelson was elected via acclamation to the two-year position and Milton (McKee) Anderson, Mike Hughes, Steve Janzen (incumbent), Joan Phillips (incumbent) and Hannah Reynolds all filed for the three-year terms.

Twin Bridges will be holding their election through the county, meaning an all-mail ballot. Residents will receive ballots, which can then either be mailed to the Clerk and Recorder and Election Administrator’s office, or dropped off at the high school by 4 p.m. on election day.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

TWIN BRIDGES

BRODY DECKER



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hobbies including sleeping, playing, Mine Craft, and watching videos at home. Body is also an active 4-H member in the local “Shootin’ Shamrocks” club. He is currently raising chickens that he will be showing at the Madison County Fair in August. His future aspirations include becoming a blacksmith. Brody definitely embodies the Sheridan Elementary Universals—Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Successful, and BE A PANTHER! Keep up the great work Brody.

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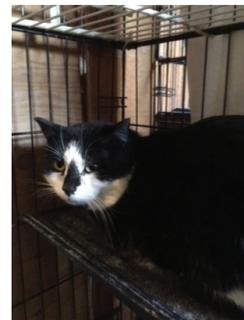
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Sunday



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PANORAMA



What happens in Vegas, doesn't always stay there



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Winter has been on the ground for seven months, with our first snowfall back in September. After the last dumping from Mother Nature the second week of April, I told myself if I ever meet a groundhog named Phil, who knows what might happen. I've never believed in the powers surrounding one Pennsylvania rodent but after this year, my views might have changed.

While there are many, many pros to winter, i.e., ski season, copious amounts of hot cocoa, not shaving your legs and so

to be a tightly-wound ball of stress. So much, in fact, that I was constantly sick, grumpy and probably very unbearable to be around. I needed a change and the weather didn't seem to forecast too much sunshine for me to up my vitamin D levels. According to Forbes magazine, your workplace benefits greatly from employees taking time off. Benefits include high productivity, stronger workplace morale, greater employee retention and some significant health benefits. Having just spent three days on vacation, I feel I'm knocking it out of the park. My stress level is

and to share in some quality mother/daughter time. We decided on Vegas because my mom had never been and took a day detour over to the Grand Canyon because myself, Anika and Julie had not been. I did the whole Vegas thing my senior year of college and told myself I never needed to go back. But for some reason, I thought a trip with mom sounded pretty entertaining. I wasn't wrong.

Prior to leaving the state, mom had already drummed up a new best friend, not before trying to pawn my single-self off on the young man. I've promised her grand-dogs so I don't know

My best friend and I escaped the Montana winter for some sunshine in Nevada and Arizona with our mothers. Studies show exposure to natural sunlight triggers your body's production of Vitamin D, a crucial ingredient for overall health.



The Vegas "Strip" on our first day in town. A balmy 65 degrees was a nice reprieve to the 34 degrees back in Montana, April 22.



forth, seven months of cold starts to weigh on you a bit. The cloudy weather, gray skies and sometimes bitter temperatures can take a toll on your mood and ultimately your health. Not only that, winter is the season full of big things for most of us around the county, state and nation. Our ranchers work tirelessly through the night to bring new stock into the world, dedicated fans and parents brave blizzards for the rivalry basketball game, tax season is on everyone's mind, flu season won't go away, and it's the start of a new year with many trying to turn their resolutions into success stories. The point is we're all busy – and the weather and stress often take a toll on our overall health and success during what might be the busiest time of the year.

This year, I found myself

down, I'm productive and most importantly, I'm happy.

Obviously, I'm not a doctor but I believe in the healing powers of time away, sunshine and togetherness with your loved ones. Here's a quick recount of my recent vacation to Las Vegas and the Grand Canyon with my best friend...and our mothers.

We all needed time off – I have been busy with the paper during a transition period, my best friend, Anika, is just completing her first year out of vet school, her mom, Julie, just wrapped up another tax season and my mother, Crystal, is preparing for her second retirement... this year. We all were looking forward to a reprieve from our daily lives

what more I can do.

Long story short, she and her new friend, Danny, get to talking and through a quick three degrees of separation find out they both know someone I went to high school with. Next thing I know, she's drinking a Bloody Mary and convincing the other young man next to her to go back to school and study nutrition. "I think he's going to take my advice and go back to school to study his passion," she tells us proudly as we wander lost through the airport.

Mom's first introduction to Sin City was a trip down the Strip with an exuberant Uber driver, also named Julie. She blasted a Bruno Mars song I'm positive the mothers had never heard, laughed at our dancing in the car and bonded with me over our love for Bravo's Real

Housewives shows. A pretty solid start.

We got to the hotel, got checked in and promptly found a gin and tonic to ease us into the Vegas lifestyle. The rest of the day was spent wandering, sometimes lost, through the various hotels and casinos, hopping the monorail and stopping for dinner at a knock-off Irish pub. We took in a show the first evening, but that is a story that probably should stay

town named Seligman, which sits along the historic Route 66, and Anika said was believed to be the basis for the Pixar movie "Cars." Having made all the Lightning McQueen puns I could, we made a quick stop for burgers and shakes at a longtime diner and were back on our way. We stayed in Williams, Ariz., which is about an hour from the park that night. We strolled the cute, Western style town, had dinner

warranted so many words and two, there is the golden rule of Vegas after all. Just know a great time was had by all, and we were all ready to go back home happy, rested and productive.

What I gathered from this trip is I sincerely never want to go back to Vegas, I needed some time off and a change of scenery, and some warm

And grand it was! We toured a brief part of the Grand Canyon National Park, including a stop at the Horace M. Albright Center where my mom lived and worked some 30 years ago.



in Vegas...for now.

The second day was much more enjoyable, I thought. We rented a car, which Anika mastered through Vegas traffic with the help of some impeccable coaching from myself and headed for Arizona. Out of the Vegas city lights and sounds, I found myself relaxing and enjoying listening to mom and Julie tell stories from the backseat. We stopped in a tiny

at a nice Bistro and stopped at a local watering hole to meet some of the locals.

The Grand Canyon was exactly as you'd expect – grand. It was a bittersweet trip as my mom lived and worked in the park some 30 years ago. She told us stories from her time there and was still able to tell where to access trails. We stopped by the Horace M. Albright Training Center and her old student housing and watching her reminisce was a sweet moment for me. Sometimes I forget that my parents are actual people and have lived a life full of excitement before me.

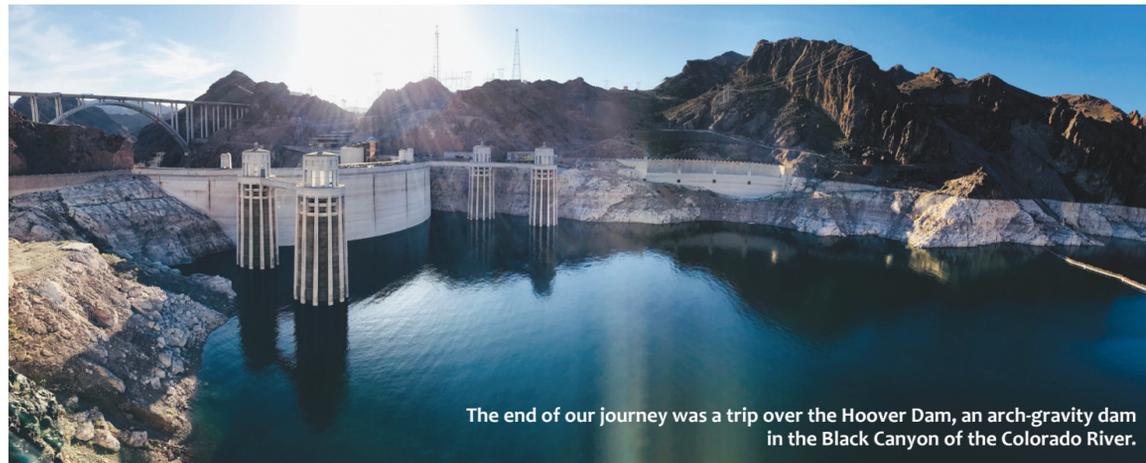
A few hours in the park and we were back on our way to Vegas to catch our flight the next morning. We stopped for quick trip over the Hoover Dam and wound up weaving through traffic back to the Strip. "Is that our turn? They just throw three more lanes at you!" exclaimed Anika, white-knuckling the steering wheel

I can't detail the entire trip for you, one because I'm only

weather really did my pale complexion wonders. But in all seriousness, the trip made me appreciate where I live, where I come from and the relationships I value most. Not only that, it made me realize it's important to take time for yourself and release yourself from daily stressors. For your sake and for those around you.



We got our kicks on Route 66. The small town of Seligman sent me right back in time of the historic highway.



The end of our journey was a trip over the Hoover Dam, an arch-gravity dam in the Black Canyon of the Colorado River.



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Tooth decay is one of the most common chronic diseases among children in the U.S., but it is also preventable. This finding by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (cdc.gov/oralhealth/basics) highlights just how important it

is to help kids take good care of their teeth.

"The sooner the better when it comes to helping children understand the importance of taking care of their permanent ('adult') teeth. As children grow, encourage them to take more responsibility for their oral hygiene, but continue

to supervise them until you're comfortable with their routines," says Dr. Michael Hahn, national dental director for Cigna.

Dr. Hahn recommends the following tips for a healthy mouth.

- **Attack plaque:** Let your child know that "plaque" leads to tooth decay -- it's like your tooth "getting sick." Plaque has bacteria and acids that can hurt a tooth's outer enamel and cause tiny holes that lead to cavities.

- **Brush for two minutes, twice a day.** Help your child understand what two minutes actually "feels" like by playing a favorite song for that length of time, or use a kitchen timer, smartphone alarm, hourglass of sand or stopwatch.

- **Floss:** Daily flossing is important too. Since flossing may be tricky for small hands, help them until about age 10.

- **Snack smart:** Healthy teeth rely on smarter snacks. Fruits and vegetables can help reduce plaque buildup. On the other hand, sugary and sticky foods can remain on teeth for hours, providing time for bacteria and acids to begin their damage. If your children drink soda, encourage the use of a straw so less of the liquid coats their teeth.

- **Visit the dentist:** Regular dental checkups are essential. These visits can detect problems when they are still small and are less complex to treat. Getting used to seeing the dentist in childhood will help keep this important practice going as an

adult.

- **Reward positive behavior:** Praise your child for doing a good job. You know your child best -- offer that "something special" as incentive, particularly when the dentist gives a great report.

"It's easier to teach a younger child good habits, than to break an older child of poor ones. Encourage your kids to take good care of their teeth. You'll put them on track for strong, healthy teeth that will last a lifetime," says Dr. Hahn.

For additional dental tips, visit cigna.com/dental-resources.

For detailed questions or concerns about a child's oral health, it is important to consult a dentist.



What to Know About Seasonal Allergies and Your Eyes

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Suffering from itchy, watery eyes? You may have ocular allergies or you could have another issue entirely, such as chronic dry eyes. Experts

say that getting the correct diagnosis is the only way to treat symptoms properly.

"Chronic dry eye often mimics the symptoms of seasonal allergies and must be

approached entirely differently," says Arian Fartash, VSP network optometrist. "Many over-the-counter allergy treatments can actually make dry eyes worse, so make an appointment with your eye doctor to determine the exact cause of your discomfort."

If your itchy and watery eyes are diagnosed as ocular allergies, Dr. Fartash recommends taking the following steps.

- Limit your exposure to pollen on high pollen count days.
- Wash your face after being outside to reduce the amount of pollen on the skin.
- Use cold compresses for some added relief.
- Don't rub your eyes, as this will increase your body's overreaction to the irritants.
- Remove contact lenses, which can attract allergens that accumulate throughout the day. Consider wearing your glasses or switching to daily disposable contacts during allergy season.
- Try over-the-counter eye drops. There are a number of allergy drops that are formulated to relieve itchiness, redness, and watery eyes. But consult your optometrist to find out which are the best recommended.
- Consider prescription medications. If the symptoms won't go away, you might need something stronger. Go see your eye doctor to discuss if a prescription medication is right for you. You can find a doctor local to you by consulting the VSP-network at vsp.com/find-eye-doctors.

Don't suffer this season. See your best and feel your best by getting your eye symptoms properly diagnosed and treated.



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It's often safer to be in chains than to be free – Franz Kafka

In the early stages of retirement, I'm beginning to think that freedom is an over-rated concept.

I was hoping that retirement would allow us more time to do what we enjoy, although why anyone would want to spend more time sitting around doing nothing is quite a mystery. It has given me

more time to count my pennies at the end of each month, but after about three and a half seconds I find myself wondering, what next?

It really isn't that bad, however. I am still an early riser, so I get to go online and discover whether or not the world has survived the night without my leadership or input. The good news is that it is still safely in God's hands, although there are enough greasy souls engaged in misbehavior that

it's no surprise that at times the good Lord's fingers seem to be losing their grip on things.

Still, the universe at any given time is just as it should be, so I can concentrate on taking care of my side of the street and leaving the running of the universe to the Boss.

One reason I can get on with my day is I know from the get-go that everything will be OK. How do I know that? Well, for one thing, I have a friend who lives in the down under and I sometimes chat with him when I get up. The other day it was about 6 a.m. locally here and just past midnight for him there. If the world ended today, he couldn't be there tomorrow, so all is well!

Much of our time, since retiring, has actually been devoted to working in and around the house to make it a home. The

low-maintenance yard has been anything but. That promise was a complete fabrication by the seller (AKA LIE), but it is what it is and, although it takes more to keep it up than what I was wanting or envisioning, it really is a pleasant space for leisure living (which is what I call it when I collapse face-down on the lawn after mowing).

It is now in the sort of shape and condition where, if we wanted to, we could take time off to get away. It seems we humans always expect paradise to be somewhere else, and never where we are. On the other hand, if you knew what sorts of things go through my mind on a regular basis, you would know why I would want to get away – and the disappointment of discovering, wherever I get to, that there I am! Drats!!!

Freedom is a challenge, that's for sure. It isn't the money

(although I wondered about that at first), but the sudden access to forty or fifty hours a week we never had before. The first thing I did to help compensate for the influx of time was learn to slow down. When I go grocery shopping, I may have a list with five items, but it takes me forever, because now I have time to read every label of every competing brand of the same thing I am wanting to buy (tough to read that small print, isn't it?).

I move so slowly that I picked up a small bunch of green bananas the other day and by the time I got to the checkout, they were yellow!

Retirement, though, is a lot like coming up from scuba diving. You need to come to the surface slowly so you don't get the bends. Ironically, I don't bend as well as I did before, so maybe I should get going a little faster!

Retirement is also a lot like riding a bicycle. When I got my first bike as a kid, I discovered that as scary as it might be to go fast, it was also exhilarating. More than that, though, is if you stop, you fall over! The same goes for retirement. Don't stop! And don't let your pants leg get caught in the bike chain.

Beyond that, there's not much to say. Keep moving. Use the wisdom you've accumulated over the decades. Be kind to one another. And remember, without links, a chain is useless, so stay connected, for it turns out that's where true freedom lies in this, our valley.

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COMMODITY INSITE: Jawboning At All Hours

BY JERRY WELCH

History shows the most treacherous environment for the commodity markets is when a Mother Nature brings forth crop problems such as hot and dry growing conditions. Or, an early frost, a harsh winter or a wet harvest. Such weather scenarios are equally hard on farmers and ranchers. The wild card for the ag-markets is and always has been Mother Nature and the power She wields over prices and production is breathtaking.

However, in recent months, jawboning out of the White House and China is causing as much confusion and volatility in the ag-markets as Mother Nature has ever done. The jawboning centers entirely on the Trump tariffs and Chinese retaliation. On any given day, a press release or comments from President Trump or Chinese President Xi

Jingpin spark sharp gains and losses within the commodity markets. In particular with U.S. grains and livestock.

It is bad enough to read or hear about the U.S vs China trade war when one is wide awake and privy to the news. But what actually takes place is this: when a press release from China comes out, America and yours truly are sleeping. When a press release from the U.S comes out, China is sleeping. Ag-traders and producers are either just waking up to the news or going to bed just as the news hits the wires. Thus, confusion and volatility in the ag-markets is on the same level as when Mother Nature is up to her shenanigans with the weather.

I have been fielding so many questions about today's market environment I cannot keep up

with all the inquiries. I am asked, "Where are the grain markets headed?" How high can cattle rally? What about hog prices? Do you have an opinion about gold and silver?" I am bombarded with such questions daily. How do I respond you ask, when jawboning sets the tone for trading on any given day?

I always recount a favorite tale that can be found in my new, one-of-a-kind book, *Haunted By Markets in the Introduction*. I wrote the following:

"Another lesson I learned all these years watching the numbers and markets dance across my computer screen is that more often than not, unexpected events can turn a bear into a bull in no time at all. Or, vice versa. Markets, bull or bear trends and "things" in general, can change overnight, and usually when one

is least expecting them to do so."

"In the early 1950's a young journalist asked incumbent British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan what he considered was most likely to push his government off course and into a new direction. He stated, "Events, dear boy, events." Over the years while watching the Big Four move this way and that when an unexpected event caused things to change, oh, how the markets would trip the light fantastic!"

And that is exactly where the ag-markets are today with all the jawboning going on regarding the US vs. China trade war. Prices for all ag-markets are swinging wildly because events such as a press releases rather than a fundamental. It is true, of course, that over the past few weeks, few headlines about the Trump Tariffs and Chinese retaliatory

measures are making the news. Lately, such news events have been scarce. But the trade war remains a hibernating problem and on any given day it will wake up and shake the markets.

Also in the *Introduction of, Haunted By Markets* I wrote this. "Michael Crichton, an American best-selling author, physician, producer, director, and screenwriter once said, "If you don't know history, then you don't know anything. You are a leaf that doesn't know it is part of a tree." Hopefully, this book will show a bit of history as I recorded it and you may end up learning something new. And have some fun along the way."

If you wish to know the history of the Big Four; stock, the bond, currency and commodity futures take a sneak preview of my new book at www.commodityinsite.com.

And remember if you purchase my book you automatically receive my twice a day newsletter, *Commodity Insite* for free for one month. To once again quote Michael Crichton, "If you don't know history, then you don't know anything. You are a leaf that doesn't know it is part of a tree."

Moving forward, supply-demand fundamentals will dictate where the ag-markets ultimately go. Between now and then, Mother Nature will have her say about where prices are headed as well. And thanks to the Trump tariffs and China going tit-for-tat, ag-producers and traders will have to endure jawboning at all hours of the day as well. What a confusing scenario grain and livestock producers are now facing daily!



NATURAL

Resource News

WHAT MAKES A HEALTHY TREE

BY PETER KOLB
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Whether it's forests or backyard trees, keeping them healthy is a priority for any landowner. For someone who grows trees for harvest, perception of tree health might be influenced by whether or not trees are growing at an acceptable rate per acre to produce a marketable product such as sawlogs. However, for someone who wants an ornamental backyard tree, perception of tree health might be more aligned with a pleasing appearance and provision of shade, privacy, flowers in the spring or fruit in the summer.

But what does the term "tree health" actually mean? Although each person's objective for growing a tree might be different, assessing whether a tree is healthy requires

examination of the same tree features.

Like any green plant, trees need carbon dioxide and oxygen from the air to conduct photosynthesis and respiration. Trees also need sunlight for energy to convert carbon dioxide into sugar, a warmer than freezing temperature, water, and nutrients. Of all these factors, a landowner can basically only influence how much light, water, and nutrients a tree can obtain. Capturing sunlight is the primary reason a tree grows tall and also helps determine the shape of its crown. Although some tree species can tolerate shade (such as maples, lindens and true firs) all prefer full sun and will grow crowns in the direction that maximizes access to light. When shaded by other trees, buildings or topography, trees will develop very one-sided or crooked crowns,

which reduces growth, and can predispose them to wind and snow damage. The healthiest tree is one that has at least 1/2 of its total height cloaked in leaves or needles, and is symmetrically-shaped like an umbrella, lollipop, or cone.

Deciduous or broadleaf trees tend to grow into an umbrella shape, which is why they are preferred as backyard shade trees. Common Montana broadleaf trees that include native and introduced species are ashes, maples, lindens, poplars, horse chestnuts, and flowering crabapples. Evergreen conifer species common in Montana include spruces, pines, junipers, and arborvitae. These trees produce a dense crown of needles which are held year-round, making them common planting choices for privacy, noise and wind screens. Conifers are also better able to conserve water and

survive on sites that suffer summer drought, which is why the majority of species in our native forests are conifers.

A tree's root system plays the critical role of acquiring nutrients and water, but this portion of the tree is not accessible to observe directly to assess health. The tree crown, alternatively, is fairly easy to view and reflects the overall condition of the tree. A well shaped crown is the first indicator of health and reflects that the tree is growing well.

The condition of the leaves and needles is the second indicator for tree health. Leaves and needles should be dark green in color, unless it is a species that has been specifically cultivated for purple or red leaves—of which most are in the maple, ash or crabapple family. "Thin" looking crowns can indicate poor leaf or needle retention, a condition often appearing in the top of the tree first (Figure 1). Drought stress often appears first at the tips of branches and the upper crown of the tree because they are the furthest from the water source at the roots. Prolonged drought often causes significant crown dieback.

Drought symptoms can be caused by a lack of water in the

soil, root dieback from improper planting or soil disturbance, or some disruption in the water flow from the roots to the leaves. Examining the stem of the afflicted tree for injuries should be part of the health diagnosis. Basal injuries from a lawnmower or string trimmer are commonly found at the base of trees exhibiting crown dieback (Figure 2). Another similar injury around the tree stem results from rope or cable tied and forgotten, which eventually inhibits stem growth and water transport. Stem-boring insects or diseases can also cause a thinning crown, though their damage can be more difficult to recognize and diagnose. Similarly, root diseases or injury can cause drought-like symptoms in the crown because the afflicted roots have a diminished ability to absorb and transport water. Root-related issues are often hypothetically diagnosed because of the absence of any other kind of injury to the stem or leaves. Treating root diseases is difficult because of limited diagnostic opportunities and the complexity of soil chemistry and structure.

Finally, chronic leaf or needle discoloration (Figure 3) is often caused by soil chemistry that does not allow for adequate nutrient

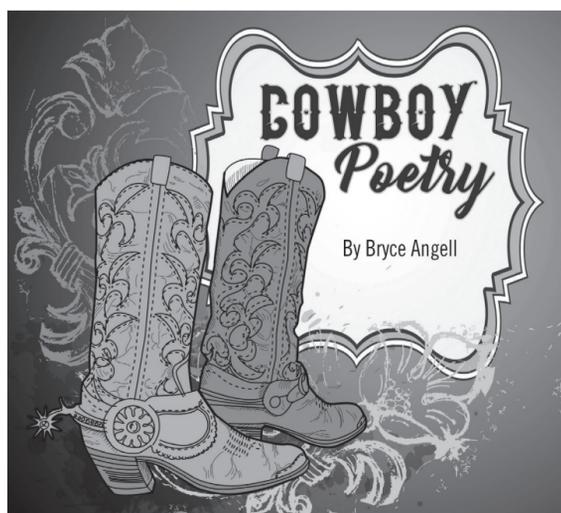
absorption by the root system. Alkaline soils are often the culprit, which is very difficult to remedy. If you consider a volume of soil the size of a phone book, the surface area of the soil particles is at least as large as the surface area of all the pages of the phone book. All or the majority of this surface area (phone book pages) would need to be altered to change the chemistry of the soil.

In conclusion, the crown of a tree, based on shape, growth rate, and leaf density/color, is a good indicator of tree health. Some conditions affecting tree health can be modified such as watering backyard trees or thinning an overly dense forest, whereas other conditions such as genetic predisposition are difficult to change. For new planting projects, the first step toward tree health is to make sure you have selected the right species for your climate, soil and desired site function. The second step is to make certain you get healthy seedlings (good color, not root-bound in the container, and a balanced shoot-to-root ratio). The third is to plant trees correctly; they should be dormant, have roots properly located into the soil, and not be planted too shallow or too deep.

Sammy's Rooster

When Sammy was just ten years old, his Dad gave him a chore, to gather up the chicken eggs. This job was grim, for sure. You see there was a rooster who was guard of every hen. He strutted round the chicken fence. For sure, this was his pen. Small Sammy met him at the gate with bucket in his hand. The rooster ready for a fight to guard his sacred land. Now Sammy was a gentle soul, he wouldn't hurt a flea. Would that rooster harm a little boy, so precious and so wee? While sitting down for supper, as most families did back then. The Father noticed Sammy's face was scratched while in that den. Well Father said to Son that night, "I see you turned and ran. Tomorrow is another day. Stand tall and be a man." Would Sammy heed his father's words? They'd stung with such a bite. No sleep would come to Sammy's bed throughout that lonely night.

The rooster crowed, then walked about. He strutted in the sand. Sammy marched up to the coop with baseball bat in hand. He looked into the rooster's eye. The devil looked right back. The boy could see his plight to be with fear he did not lack. It was dirt to dust such awful crust that filled up Sammy's eye. Each swing was sent with real intent. Those feathers they did fly. The cows were mooing, dogs were barking, chickens running free. The fight was done. Who really won, now clear for all to see. While sitting down for supper as most families did back then. The boy informed the hungry lot his name was just plain "Sam." For on that day, a boy turned man. What else was he to do. His catch was fair, now they would share that famous rooster stew.

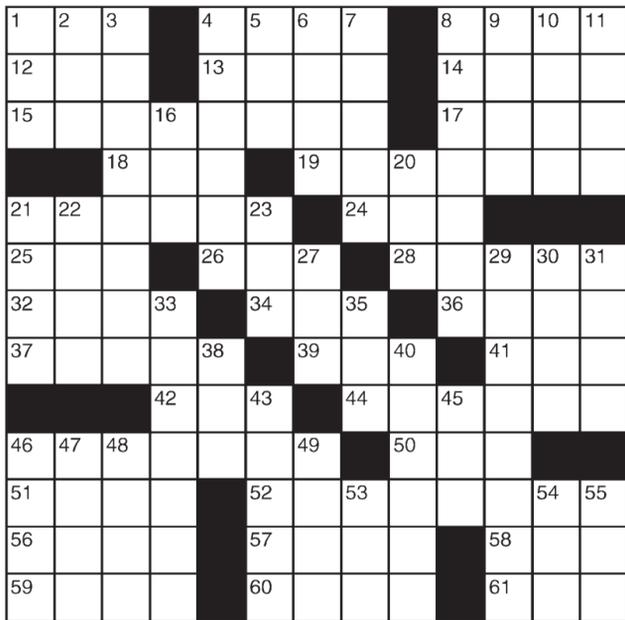


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- 17 Sans siblings
- 18 Feline
- 19 Snake or lizard
- 21 Untamed horse
- 24 Apiece
- 25 Second person
- 26 Wheel center
- 28 Basic assumption
- 32 Piquancy
- 34 Afternoon beverage
- 36 Water conduit
- 37 Come in
- 39 Sprite
- 41 Stitch
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- 21 Memory measure
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- 23 No longer stylish
- 27 Spelldown
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- 30 Duel tool
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- 35 Every last crumb
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- 45 Follow relentlessly
- 46 Slope transport
- 47 Jason's ship
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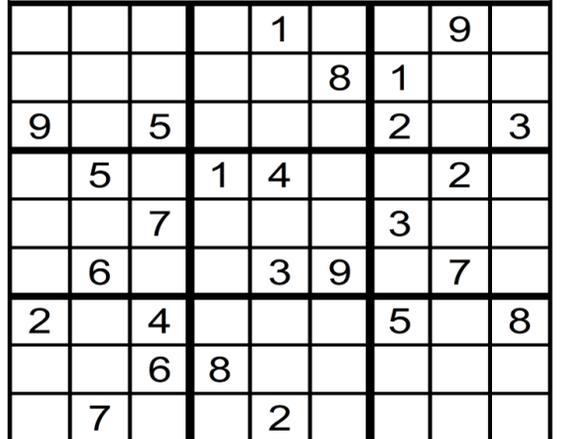
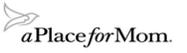
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Sheridan's school website at
<https://sheridan.k12.mt.us/>.
26-3-b

Madison Valley Manor is hiring!

Housekeeper/Laundry Aide -
Full-time/Part-time

Dietary Aide/Cook -
Full-time/Part-time
Activity Assistant - Full-time
This is a great opportunity to
work in a personal healthcare
setting.
• Excellent Pay
• Government retirement
Benefits including life and
health insurance.

If you are interested in a
rewarding career, Madison
Valley Manor is the place.

Please contact Jayne Forsythe at
682-7271 for more information
or

the online employment page at
www.madisoncountymt.gov

EOE 24-tfc-b

R.L. Winston Rod Co. in Twin
Bridges has openings for full
time production workers. Hours
are 6:00 am until 2:00 pm. We
offer competitive wage and
benefit package. Applications
are available at the Winston
Rod Plant. Inquiries to jbegin@winstonrods.com. Come help us
make the finest fly fishing rods in
the world.
23-5-b

Job Opportunities at Madison
Laundry and Cleaners!
We are in need of a **self-starting
person to work in the plant
doing laundry, pressing and
other related duties.** DAYS! No
nights or weekends.
We also need an route delivery
person. Stop in or call John at
682-4933 or 600-0575
27-tfc-b

Ennis Lumber Company is
searching for an individual to
work in the yard. Candidate
will be responsible for loading
customers, building loads for
deliveries, unloading trucks, and
some deliveries. Candidate must
be able to lift 100 lbs. Forklift ex-
perience preferred, but not ne-
cessary. We can train and certify
forklift driver. CDL license is
not required but preferred. Wage
dependent upon experience.
Please contact Kyle Marsh,
Ennis Lumber Company
406-682-3889
5080 U.S. Hwy 287 N.
Ennis, Mt. 59729
24-tfc-b

Hay Camp Ranch is looking for
summer time help to do yard work
May 1st – Sept 1st The job would
include weed whacking, painting,
staining and mowing etc. Apply
by email : Haycamp@haycamp.net or by phone 406-579-9708 -
406-209-5948
27-3-b

Volunteer for Madison Valley/
Ennis Community!
The Madison Valley History
Association is looking for
individuals interested in serving
the Madison Valley Community
as members of its governing
board. Duties will include
helping administer and govern
the Association. Incumbents
will meet once a month to
discuss Association business
and plan and arrange events,
which include the docenting of
the museum, monthly members'
program meetings, and general
operation and maintenance of the
Association property (including
the museum and its artifacts).
For further details please contact
Lee Robison, President of the
MVHA Board, (406) 682-3341
27-2-b

Paraprofessional Advertisement—

Sheridan School District No. 5
is seeking a reliable, energetic
person who loves to work with
kids to be a paraprofessional for
the upcoming 2018-2019 school
year. This position will have
many duties, including, but not
limited to library aide, classroom
paraprofessional, recess duty,
and testing assistance. Potential
candidates must have excellent
communication skills, be
flexible, be a cooperative team
player and be willing to learn
various computer-based skills.
Prior to employment, candidate
will have to successfully pass
a pre-employment background
check. This position may include
other duties as assigned based on
the District's needs. For further
information, contact Principal
Rod Stout at 842-5302 or go to
Sheridan's school website at
<https://sheridan.k12.mt.us/>.
26-3-b

Harrison Public School will be
hiring coaches for Varsity, JV
and JH teams for volleyball,
basketball and track for the
2018-19 school year. We are also
seeking a JH/HS Cross Country
Coach as well as a coach for
Speech & Drama. For more
information, please contact
Harrison AD, Connie Young at
685-3428. If you are interested
in any of these positions, please
submit a letter of interest to
Fred Hofman, Harrison School
Superintendent, PO Box 7,
Harrison, MT 59735.
26-2-b

Vacancy – Appointment of
Sheridan Council person
position starting May 14th, 2018
accordance with MCA 7-4-412.
If you are interested in serving
as a council person, please send a
letter of interest to
PO Box 78 Sheridan, MT 59749
stating your qualifications.
Letters must be received by May
4th, 2018 by 4:00 p.m. Interest-
ed parties must have resided within
the Town City limits for at least
90 days prior to applying.
The applicant will serve a vacant
position until the next general
election in November 2019.
26-2-b

Temporary/Seasonal 0.45- 0.9
FTE Registered Nurse, Per Diem
Madison Valley Medical
Center is currently accepting
applications for a Temporary/
Seasonal Registered Nurse.
The RN is expected to plan and
implement nursing processes
of assessment, evaluation, and
execute clinical skills in the
promotion of health. Graduate of
an accredited School of Nursing
and current Montana State
License as an RN. Visit www.mvmedcenter.org or <http://www.mvmedcenter.org> for a detailed
job description and information
on how to apply.
26-2-b

FOR RENT

**BARKER VILLAGE
APARTMENTS:**
1 bedroom unfurnished apart-
ments available in Ennis. A/C,
washer/dryer equipped, private
location. 1 year lease, \$650 per
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at 406-682-5737.
15-tfc

Two bedroom apartment in
Ennis. Fireplace, large kitchen,
wood floors. Includes water/
sewer. \$575/month.
Call 682-7552.
27-tfc-b

Bicentennial Apartments

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Housing 62 or older
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based on income, HUD
Subsidized util. paid.
Qualifications apply.
Market rent apartments
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Call: 406-683-2727
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BARKER VILLAGE APARTMENTS:

1 bedroom furnished apart-
ments available in Ennis. A/C,
washer/dryer equipped, private
location. 4 month lease, \$700
per month plus security depos-
it, utilities included, non-smok-
ing, no dogs. Call Erich Vogeli,
Manager at 406-682-5737.
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For Rent - Lone Elk Mall: Retail/
office unit, 2000 sq ft, \$700/
month plus utilities and mainte-
nance dues. 682-5653
47-tfc-b

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storage, storage units. Ennis,
581-9254
18-tfc-b

14' x 48' storage unit. 12' x 14'
doors. \$165 per month. Call Bob
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MADISON MANAGEMENT
Vacation and Long Term Rentals
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22-tfc

For Sale or Rent
Lone Elk Mall Unit 1E, 908+ SF
Newly remodeled into 4 rooms
with lobby
Currently Esthetician/Massage
therapy, can also be used for
office space.
Call 406 490 9464 for more
information
19-4-b

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Caring & Sharing
Hours:
Mon. Noon-2:00 p.m.
Sat. 9-11:00 a.m.
Wed. 5-7 p.m.
Lone Elk Mall, Unit 4.
Ennis. 682-7844
30-tfc-b

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100% Satisfaction Guarantee

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Chest of drawers, book case, old
sewing machine, small school
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Peggy Todd's estate and much,
much more!
Call 498-0676 for more
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STATEWIDE CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

FOR SALE
ANTIQUE WALNUT BED -
OVER 100 YEARS OLD
3 COUCHES, LEATHER
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20-3-f

For Sale: Collection of Larry
Zabel framed and unframed
prints and giclees. Can buy any
or all. Pick up in Butte, or we can
ship for fee. Leave message 406-
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45-tfc-f

**2013 Toyota Prius II
Winter Grey Metallic, 85,000
miles, one owner, very good
condition. Great gas mileage,
tons of space inside. This has
been an extremely reliable
car! 406-596-0661
\$11,500**

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150 gallons of home heating oil
w/tank.
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Ennis, 596-0025
23-free-tfc
Sailboat
Walking golf cart with clubs
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581-1552
24-2-f

3 piece desk set, desk hutch,
2 drawer file cabinet Only 3 yrs.
old. Asking \$600 OBO.
801-450-7380.
Cabinet for sale - TV. Black \$150.
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25-3-f

GARAGE SALE

Huge Indoor Moving Sale
Saturday April 28, 8-2 pm
206 Madison at T&E Storage
next to D&D Auto. Household,
camping, fishing, furniture,
pictures, name brand clothes,
misc.
26-1-p

Real Estate- Northwest Montana
- Company owned. Small and
large acre parcels. Private. Trees
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Northwest Community Health
Center (NWCHC) is looking
to add a full time Financial
Officer to manage and provide
oversight in all aspects of finance
operations. Full job posting at
<http://northwestchc.org/jobs/>.
To apply please submit resume
and/or public-sector applications
at <http://northwestchc.org/jobs/>.

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Help Wanted Musselshell
County is accepting applications
for a full time EMS provider /
admin staff position.
This full-time position involves
Scheduled work hours and
some variable call hours. Job
description
and application may be
Picked up at 704 First St East,
Roundup, MT 59072 or can be
Mailed Upon request.
Contact Ron Solberg @
(406) 323-3554 or rsolberg@Co.musselshell.mt.us.
Applications accepted until
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Contact Doug Stebleton, (310)
497-8000.

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**Madison County
Employment Opportunities**

Madison Valley Manor, Ennis

- Certified Nurse's Assistant/Aide-Full-time or Part-time;
- Dietary Aide/Cook-Part-time;
- Housekeeping/Laundry Aide Full-time-Permanent;
- Housekeeping/Laundry-Part-time-Temporary;
- RN & LPN Full-time or Part-time-Madison Valley Manor, Ennis and Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center, Sheridan;

Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center, Sheridan

- Business Office Assistant-Full-time 12 Month Temporary Position;
- Certified Nurse's Assistant/Aide-Full-time or Part-time;
- MDS (RN) Coordinator-Full-time; and

Madison County, Virginia City

- Communications Officer, Part-time;
- Court Compliance Officer, Part-time; and
- Human Resources Generalist.

Please visit Madison County's online employment page at www.madisoncountymt.gov for additional information or contact the
Human Resources Department at 406-843-4201
Madison County is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 26, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT,
MADISON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:
MARY LOU LIELKE,
Deceased.
Probate No. DP 29-2017-28
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased 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 be either mailed to KEVIN LIELKE, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, P.O. Box 281, Ennis, MT 59729, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court.
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Montana that the foregoing is true and correct.
Dated this 20th Day of FEBRUARY, 2018.
/s/ KEVIN LIELKE
Kevin Lielke
(Pub. April 12, 19, 26, 2018) kl
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT,
MADISON COUNTY
NANCY S. LEADBEATER,
Deceased.
Probate No. DP 29-2018-2
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TIMOTHY BEARDSLEY has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased 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 be either mailed to TIMOTHY BEARDSLEY, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, in care of John M. Kauffman, 716 South 20th Avenue, Suite 101, Bozeman, MT 59718 or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court.
Dated this 29th Day of March, 2018.
/s/ John M. Kauffman, counsel for Personal Representative of the Estate of Nancy Leadbeater
(Pub. April 19, 26, May 3, 2018) kkm
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ENNIS SCHOOL DISTRICT 52 - NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Clerk of Ennis School District No. 52, Madison County, State of Montana that the Annual School Election will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, by mail ballot. Ballots may be returned to the following locations, at the following times:
Location Prior to Election Day:
Clerk & Recorder, 103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755 and Hours: Monday - Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Ennis High School, 223 Charles Ave and Hours: Monday - Friday 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Location on Election Day:
Clerk & Recorder, 103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755 and Hours: 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Ennis High School, 223 Charles Ave and Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Electors will consider the following issues at the election:
• Mill levy proposition to finance the school's general fund. Shall the district be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the general fund in the amount of \$79,968.84 which is approximately .82 mills for the purpose of providing funds to support the General Fund for the proper maintenance and operation of the K-12 Program of the District for the 2018-2019 school year beginning July 1, 2018. Passage of this proposal will increase the taxes on a home with the market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$1.10 and on a home with the market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$2.21. The durational limit of the levy is permanent once approved by the voters, assuming the district levies the amount each year thereafter. However, lowering the over-BASE tax levies in any year will lower the amount of permissively over-BASE levies in subsequent years.
• The Trustee election is cancelled as the received nominating petitions and write-in intent declarations were equal to the number of positions to be elected, there is no other reason for the Trustee Election.
A qualified registered elector who will be absent from the district during the time the election is being conducted may: a) vote in person in the election administrator's office as soon as the ballots are available and until noon the day before the ballots are scheduled to be mailed; b) make a written request, signed by the applicant and addressed to the election administrator, that the ballot be mailed to an address other than the address that appears on the registration card. The district clerk/election administrator's office is located at:
103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755
If you miss this regular registration deadline (30 days prior to the election), you may still register for the election by showing up at the county election office up to and including on election day. Between noon and the close of business on the day before election day, you may complete and submit a voter registration card, but you will need to return to the district voting location on election day to pick up and vote a ballot. The county election office is located at:
103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755
A late registrant may obtain a ballot on election day at the following location:
103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755
District Clerk: Ginger Martello
DATED this 6th day of April, 2018
/s/ Ginger Martello
(Pub. April 19, 26, 2018) es
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE on August 14, 2018, at 11:00 AM at the Front Door to the Madison County Courthouse located at 100 West Wallace in Virginia City, MT 59755, the following described real property situated in Madison County, Montana:
A tract of land situated in the NW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 4 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of the Catholic Church lot in the town of Laurin, from which point the quarter section corner between Sections 32 and 33, bears N.62°15'E., 2339 feet; thence running N. 17°45' W. along the NE side of the Church lot 170 feet to the NW corner of school lot; thence N.72°E., 182.6 feet to the right of way line of the Northern Pacific Railway Company; thence S.15°15'E., 170 feet along said right of way; thence S.71°30' W., 174 feet to the place of beginning, as previously described in Book 207, page 369, records of Madison County, Montana.
Lark L. Gilmer-Smothermon, as Grantor(s), conveyed said real property to Stewart Title, as Trustee, by Deed of Trust dated on April 19, 2004, and recorded on April 28, 2004 as Book 506 Page 296 Document No. 98374.
The beneficial interest is currently held by U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-13. First American Title Company of Montana, Inc., is currently the Trustee.
The beneficiary has declared a default in the terms of said Deed of Trust by failing to make the monthly payments beginning August 1, 2017, and each month subsequent, which monthly installments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan.
The total amount due on this obligation as of March 15, 2018 is \$162,346.08 principal, interest totaling \$5,436.74 late charges in the amount of \$210.56, and other fees and expenses advanced of \$89.00, plus accruing interest, late charges, and other costs and fees that may be advanced.
The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of this sale include the Trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale and late charges, if any.
Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation.
The sale is a public sale and any person, including the beneficiary, excepting only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by

Hours: Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Electors will consider the following issues at the election:
• Mill Levy proposition to finance the school's special education costs. Shall the district be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the general fund in the amount of \$2,853.00 which is approximately 1.66 mills for the purpose of assistance in the payment of special education costs. Passage of this proposal will increase the taxes on a home with the market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$2.24 and on a home with the market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$4.48. The durational limit of the levy is permanent once approved by the voters, assuming the district levies the amount at least once in the next five years.
• The Trustee election is cancelled as received nominating petitions and write-in intent declarations were equal to the number of positions to be elected, there is no other reason for the Trustee Election.
A qualified registered elector who will be absent from the district during the time the election is being conducted may: a) vote in person in the election administrator's office as soon as the ballots are available and until noon the day before the ballots are scheduled to be mailed; b) make a written request, signed by the applicant and addressed to the election administrator, that the ballot be mailed to an address other than the address that appears on the registration card. The district clerk/election administrator's office is located at:
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103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755
A late registrant may obtain a ballot on election day at the following location:
103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755
District Clerk: Kathleen F. Wuelfing
DATED this 6th day of April, 2018
/s/ Kathleen F. Wuelfing
(Pub. April 19, 26, 2018) as
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Ennis School District #52, located at 223 S. Charles Street in Ennis, Montana, is accepting bids for "Contracted Cleaning/Custodial Services" for the 2018-2019 school year. Duties will include all summer cleaning duties and all custodial duties during the school year. Extracurricular and occasional weekend events will also be part of the duties. Contract will start July 1, 2018 and end June 30th, 2019.
Sealed Bids are due to the Ennis District Office on or before Friday May 11th at 4:00p.m. Bids can be delivered in person or mailed to and addressed:
Ennis School District #52
"Custodial Bid"
PO Box 517
Ennis, MT 59729
(Pub. April 19, 26, May 3, 2018) es
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
TWIN BRIDGES AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS TWIN BRIDGES, MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA
A.I.P. 3-30-0080-013-2018
Separate sealed bids will be received by Madison County, Montana until 1:00 p.m., local time, May 15, 2018. All bids will be received, publicly opened, and read aloud at the Madison County Commissioners Public Meeting Room, Madison County Administrative Offices Building, 103 West Wallace, Virginia City, Montana 59755-0278, for the Twin Bridges Airport Improvements Project to include the following:
• Crack seal, seal coat, and remark Runway 17-35 and turnarounds, Apron, and Taxiway/Taxilanes;
• Reapply coal tar sealant at aircraft tie-down locations;
• Construct Taxiway Widening;
• Construct Hangar Access Taxilane;
• Construct Apron Expansion;
• Construct a new Gravel Access Road;
• Construct / Install Farm Fencing; and
• Relocate Taxiway Lights.
This work is to include all tools, equipment, materials, and labor to complete this project. Madison County, Montana, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 USC §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders or offerors that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.
The requirements of 49 CFR part 26 apply to this contract. It is the policy of Madison County, Montana to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. The Owner encourages participation by all firms qualifying under this solicitation regardless of business size or ownership.
All contracts and subcontracts that result from this solicitation incorporate by reference the provisions of 29 CFR part 201, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), with the

same force and effect as if given in full text. The FLSA sets minimum wage, overtime pay, recordkeeping, and child labor standards for full and part-time workers.
The Contractor has full responsibility to monitor compliance to the referenced statute or regulation. The Contractor must address any claims or disputes that arise from this requirement directly with the U.S. Department of Labor - Wage and Hour Division.
This project is subject to the Federal provisions for Buy American Preference, Foreign Trade Restriction, Davis Bacon, Affirmative Action, Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, Certification of Offeror/ Bidder Regarding Debarment, and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace, which are incorporated by reference. Failure to comply with the terms of these contract provisions may be sufficient grounds to:
1.) Withhold progress payments or final payment, 2.) Terminate the contract, 3.) Seek suspension/debarment, or 4.) Any other action determined to be appropriate by the Sponsor or the FAA.
Bids will be received on a price basis as described in the Contract Documents. Bid security in the amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid, which shall be: (1) lawful money of the United States; or (2) a Cashier's Check, Certified Check, Bank Money Order or Bank Draft, in any case drawn and issued by a federally chartered or state chartered bank insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation; or (3) a bid bond, guaranty bond, or surety bond executed by a surety corporation authorized to do business in the State of Montana.
The bid security shall be made payable to the Owner and failure to enter into a formal contract will result in the Owner retaining the bid security. The successful bidder will be required to enter into a formal contract within ten (10) calendar days from the date the Notice of Award is received, to complete an insurance certification, to furnish a Performance Bond, and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond. The bonds will each be equal to 100 percent of the contract amount. The successful Bidder is required to comply with Montana's Contractor Registration Law in accordance with Title 39, Chapter 9, MCA. Contract Documents may be inspected at many plan exchanges, and at the office of the consulting engineer, Robert Peccia & Associates, (3147 Saddle Dr. / P.O. Box 5653, Helena, MT 59604). They may be reviewed, downloaded, and printed at no cost under the "CURRENT PROJECTS BIDDING" tab at www.rpa-hln.com.
All bids must be submitted in a Bidding Documents booklet, provided by the Engineer upon receipt of \$25.00 (non-refundable). Alternate forms or copies of the Bidding Documents booklet will not be acceptable. The Planholders List will include only the purchasers of Bidding Documents booklets. Hard copies of the Contract Documents (including a Bidding Documents booklet) printed by the Engineer are available upon receipt of \$300.00 (non-refundable) for each complete set.
A pre-bid conference will take place on May 9, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. at the Twin Bridges Airport. Potential Bidders are also encouraged to contact the Engineer (browser@rpa-hln.com or 406-447-5000) with questions. Faxed bids will not be accepted or considered. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to reject nonconforming, irregular, non-responsive, or conditional bids. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 75 days from the date of the opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of the bidder prior to award of the contract.
April 26, 2018
MADISON COUNTY
By /s/ Ronald E. Nye, Chairman
(Pub. April 26, May 3, 10, 2018) rba/mcc
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SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA
George P. Mainwaring, Ann E. Mainwaring, Ellen Rose Mainwaring Keaster, and Nick J. Keaster
Plaintiffs,
v.
David B. Mainwaring and all other persons, unknown, claiming or who might claim any right, title, estate, or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the Complaint, adverse to the Plaintiffs' ownership or any cloud upon the Plaintiffs' title thereto, whether such claim or possible claim be present or contingent,
Defendants.
CAUSE NO.: DV-18-54A
THE STATE OF MONTANA, to the above-named Defendant, David B. Mainwaring, and all other persons, unknown, claiming or who might claim any right, title, estate, or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the Complaint, adverse to the Plaintiffs' ownership or any cloud upon the Plaintiffs' title thereto, whether such claim or possible claim be present or contingent.
You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, which is filed in this office of the Clerk of Court, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, and to file your answer and serve a copy thereof upon the Plaintiffs' attorney within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
This action is brought for the purpose of quieting title to land situated in Madison County, Montana described as follows:
Lots 6, 7, and 8 in Block 23 of the Original Townsite of Pony, Montana, according to the plat thereof in the Office of Clerk and Recorder, Madison County, Montana.
WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Court, this 16 day of April, 2018.
Clerk of District Court
By: Carmin Hill
Deputy Clerk
(Pub. April 19, 26, May 3, 2018) tswk
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
TWIN BRIDGES AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS TWIN BRIDGES, MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA
A.I.P. 3-30-0080-013-2018
Separate sealed bids will be received by Madison County, Montana until 1:00 p.m., local time, May 15, 2018. All bids will be received, publicly opened, and read aloud at the Madison County Commissioners Public Meeting Room, Madison County Administrative Offices Building, 103 West Wallace, Virginia City, Montana 59755-0278, for the Twin Bridges Airport Improvements Project to include the following:
• Crack seal, seal coat, and remark Runway 17-35 and turnarounds, Apron, and Taxiway/Taxilanes;
• Reapply coal tar sealant at aircraft tie-down locations;
• Construct Taxiway Widening;
• Construct Hangar Access Taxilane;
• Construct Apron Expansion;
• Construct a new Gravel Access Road;
• Construct / Install Farm Fencing; and
• Relocate Taxiway Lights.
This work is to include all tools, equipment, materials, and labor to complete this project. Madison County, Montana, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 USC §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders or offerors that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.
The requirements of 49 CFR part 26 apply to this contract. It is the policy of Madison County, Montana to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. The Owner encourages participation by all firms qualifying under this solicitation regardless of business size or ownership.
All contracts and subcontracts that result from this solicitation incorporate by reference the provisions of 29 CFR part 201, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), with the

same force and effect as if given in full text. The FLSA sets minimum wage, overtime pay, recordkeeping, and child labor standards for full and part-time workers.
The Contractor has full responsibility to monitor compliance to the referenced statute or regulation. The Contractor must address any claims or disputes that arise from this requirement directly with the U.S. Department of Labor - Wage and Hour Division.
This project is subject to the Federal provisions for Buy American Preference, Foreign Trade Restriction, Davis Bacon, Affirmative Action, Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, Certification of Offeror/ Bidder Regarding Debarment, and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace, which are incorporated by reference. Failure to comply with the terms of these contract provisions may be sufficient grounds to:
1.) Withhold progress payments or final payment, 2.) Terminate the contract, 3.) Seek suspension/debarment, or 4.) Any other action determined to be appropriate by the Sponsor or the FAA.
Bids will be received on a price basis as described in the Contract Documents. Bid security in the amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid, which shall be: (1) lawful money of the United States; or (2) a Cashier's Check, Certified Check, Bank Money Order or Bank Draft, in any case drawn and issued by a federally chartered or state chartered bank insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation; or (3) a bid bond, guaranty bond, or surety bond executed by a surety corporation authorized to do business in the State of Montana.
The bid security shall be made payable to the Owner and failure to enter into a formal contract will result in the Owner retaining the bid security. The successful bidder will be required to enter into a formal contract within ten (10) calendar days from the date the Notice of Award is received, to complete an insurance certification, to furnish a Performance Bond, and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond. The bonds will each be equal to 100 percent of the contract amount. The successful Bidder is required to comply with Montana's Contractor Registration Law in accordance with Title 39, Chapter 9, MCA. Contract Documents may be inspected at many plan exchanges, and at the office of the consulting engineer, Robert Peccia & Associates, (3147 Saddle Dr. / P.O. Box 5653, Helena, MT 59604). They may be reviewed, downloaded, and printed at no cost under the "CURRENT PROJECTS BIDDING" tab at www.rpa-hln.com.
All bids must be submitted in a Bidding Documents booklet, provided by the Engineer upon receipt of \$25.00 (non-refundable). Alternate forms or copies of the Bidding Documents booklet will not be acceptable. The Planholders List will include only the purchasers of Bidding Documents booklets. Hard copies of the Contract Documents (including a Bidding Documents booklet) printed by the Engineer are available upon receipt of \$300.00 (non-refundable) for each complete set.
A pre-bid conference will take place on May 9, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. at the Twin Bridges Airport. Potential Bidders are also encouraged to contact the Engineer (browser@rpa-hln.com or 406-447-5000) with questions. Faxed bids will not be accepted or considered. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to reject nonconforming, irregular, non-responsive, or conditional bids. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 75 days from the date of the opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of the bidder prior to award of the contract.
April 26, 2018
MADISON COUNTY
By /s/ Ronald E. Nye, Chairman
(Pub. April 26, May 3, 10, 2018) rba/mcc
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ENGINEERING AND/OR GRANT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES
The Town of Ennis (Town) is soliciting proposals to hire a firm(s) or individual(s) to provide general engineering, planning and/or grant writing/administration services related to the Town's infrastructure. The Town will utilize the selected firm(s) or individual(s) for a period of up to five years for all planning, engineering and/or funding related activities associated with the Town's infrastructure including, but not limited to the wastewater collection and treatment facilities, water treatment and distribution, storm drainage, streets, parks, sidewalks, trails, and municipal buildings. Desired services may include the following: land use, capital improvements, and/or project development planning, surveying, preliminary engineering, final design, construction management, inspection work, grant writing and/or grant administration. The Town will negotiate agreement and payment terms with the selected offeror.
Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 requires recipients of CDBG funding, to the greatest extent feasible, extend to lower-income residents opportunities for training and employment that may arise from the project. Further, to the fullest extent feasible, the consultants and contractors selected to design and construct public facilities projects will utilize business owners located in or substantially owned by residents of Ennis and Madison County.
Please direct your questions and responses to Kelly Elser, Public Works Director, (406) 682-4287, 328 West Main Street, Ennis, MT 59729. All responses must be received by 4:00 p.m. Thursday, May 17, 2018. Please state "Engineering, Planning and/or Grant Writing/Administration Services Proposal" on the outside of the response package. Include eight copies of the proposals.
Town of Ennis
Mayor Blake Leavitt
(Pub. April 26, May 3, 2018) toe
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NOTICE OF CLOSE REGULAR VOTER REGISTRATION AND OPTION FOR LATE REGISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that regular registration for the Primary Election(s) to be held on June 5, 2018 will close at 5:00 p.m., May 7, 2018.
*NOTE: If you miss this regular registration deadline, you may still register for the election by showing up at the county election office up to and including on Election Day. Between noon and the close of business on the day before Election Day, you may complete and submit a voter registration card, but you will need to return to the local election office on Election Day to pick up and vote a ballot. All active and inactive electors of Madison County, are entitled to vote at said election. [**Inactive electors may reactivate by ap-

pearing at the polling place in order to vote, by requesting an absentee ballot in any election, OR by notifying the County Election Administrator in writing of the elector's current address in the county.]
Persons who wish to register and who are not presently registered may do so by requesting a form for registration by mail or by appearing at the county election office. If you have moved, please update your registration information by filling out a new voter registration card and submitting it to the county election office.
DATED this 20th day of April, 2018
Madison County
/s/ Kathleen D. Mumme,
Election Administrator
(Pub. April 26 and May 3, 2018) mccc
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SHERIDAN SCHOOL DISTRICT 5 - NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION - HIGH SCHOOL
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Clerk of Sheridan School District No. 5, Madison County, State of Montana that the Annual School Election will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018. THIS ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED BY MAIL ONLY. NO POLLING PLACE WILL BE AVAILABLE. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT BY MAIL, ballots may be returned to the following locations, at the following times:
Location: Sheridan Elementary School Office, 211 Madison Street, Sheridan, MT 59749
Hours: Monday-Thursday 8 am - 4 pm, and 8 am to 8 pm on Election Day
Electors will consider the following issues at the election:
• One (1) Trustee(s) to be elected for a three (3) year term.
• Mill Levy proposition to finance the school's High School Building Reserve Fund. A qualified registered elector who will be absent from the district during the time the election is being conducted may: a) vote in person in the election administrator's office as soon as the ballots are available and until noon the day before the ballots are scheduled to be mailed; b) make a written request, signed by the applicant and addressed to the election administrator, that the ballot be mailed to an address other than the address that appears on the registration card. The district clerk/election administrator's office is located at:
103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755
If you miss this regular registration deadline (30 days prior to the election), you may still register for the election by showing up at the county election office up to and including on election day. Between noon and the close of business on the day before election day, you may complete and submit a voter registration card, but you will need to return to the district voting location on election day to pick up and vote a ballot. The county election office is located at:
103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755
A late registrant may obtain a ballot on election day at the following location:
103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755
District Clerk: Rebecca E. Larsen
DATED this 20th day of April, 2018
/s/ Rebecca E. Larsen
(Pub. April 26, 2018) ss
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Madison Valley Manor News

SUBMITTED BY
MADISON VALLEY MANOR

The residents at Madison Valley Manor have been busy. Some of the residents enjoyed making crafts for the county fair. A special treat was Omelet Day with Tammie Clark and Melody Clark cooking up special orders. They have gone for some drives to look at the newborn animals. A trip to the Museum of the Rockies is planned for next week. The Tune Tangler's provided music for the Birthday Party. This month Lee S., Cecil K. and Don B. had birthdays. Pictured here are Cecil, his son, brother, and sister-in-law.



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Morning Service 11am
Afternoon Service 1:30pm
Tuesday Womens Bible Study 6pm
Wednesday Night Prayer Group 6pm

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CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Sheridan Ward - Visitors Welcome
Sacrament Meeting
Sundays, 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School
11:20 a.m.
R S & Priesthood
12:10 p.m.
Mutual (Youth Group)
Wed. 7:00p.m.
3560 | MT State Hwy 287
Sheridan 842-5860
Bishop Shaw 684-5255



MADISON COUNTY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY'S MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Services:
4:00 P.M. AT ST. JOSEPH'S IN SHERIDAN
Sunday Services:
8:00 A.M. AT NOTRE DAME IN TWIN BRIDGES
9:30 A.M. AT ST. MARY'S IN LAURIN
11:00 A.M. AT ST. PATRICK'S IN ENNIS

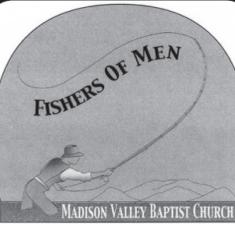
Please call the Rectory for the daily Mass schedule at 842-5588
Father John Crutchfield, Pastor

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Harrison, Montana

Adult Bible Study ~ 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Church Services ~ 10:30 a.m.
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Sunday School ~ 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ~ 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Nights:
(dinner provided)
Kids Club (K-6): 5:30-7:30pm
Youth Group (7-12): 6-8pm

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Wednesday Valley Kids - after school to 6:45 p.m.

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Our mission is to Love Jesus, Love People, and Reach the Valley.

Ruby Valley Baptist Church

Tony Shaw, Pastor 842-5602

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Eve 7 p.m.

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Ruby Valley United Methodist Parish
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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.

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

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Contact Julie Russell 842-5876

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AREA SENIOR MEALS

MEALS FOR SENIORS, TWIN BRIDGES

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, April 27th - BBQ Pork ribs, Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw, roll, Apple Slab Pie
Monday April 30 - Roast Beef, mashed potatoes, veggie, green salad, Peanut Butter Pie

Activities - Monday is Bingo after lunch with Gayle & Annette. Wednesday is games as requested

SENIOR MEALS, VIRGINIA CITY

Senior meals for Madison County Seniors 60 and over will be served at the Virginia City Cafe on Tuesday & Thursdays from 11 am to 3 pm for \$4.00.

Thurs. Apr 26th: Pot roast w/ carrots and potatoes, roll and dessert.

Tues. May 1: Porkie Sandwich w/ fries or soup and dessert.

RUBY VALLEY FOOD PANTRY, SHERIDAN

Open Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 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 over **Monday - Friday**. Seniors may choose to eat at the senior center, family style for \$3.50 or have their meal delivered for \$4.00. Delivered meals are within the city limits of Sheridan and should be called in by 10 a.m. Call Shirley Sand at 842-5966.

SENIOR CENTER MEALS, ENNIS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 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. Ennis Senior center, 315 W Main Street

APRIL 26 - MAY 3
THURSDAY APRIL 26
BAKED MANICOTTI SALAD & GARLIC BREAD DESSERT

FRIDAY APRIL 27
HAM SLIDERS
MACARONI SALAD & FRUIT DESSERT "PINOCHLE @ 12:45"

MONDAY APRIL 30
TURKEY ALA KING OVER BISCUIT SALAD
DESSERT "MAHJONG @ 1:00"

TUESDAY MAY 1
CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP
FRUIT SALAD & ROLL DESSERT

WEDNESDAY MAY 2
TACO SALAD
DESSERT "MAHJONG @ 1:00"

THURSDAY MAY 3
ORANGE CHICKEN & RICE
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CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
Ennis Branch
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10:00 a.m.
Sunday School
11:20 a.m.
R S & Priesthood
12:10 p.m.
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Family Dinner 5:30 PM
Youth and Adult Bible Study/Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM

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Elling House to present Me & Martha

SUBMITTED BY EHAHC

On Thursday, May 10th at 7 p.m., the Elling House Arts & Humanities Center will host "Me & Martha: Intimate Reflections of Dora DuFran about the Real Life of Calamity Jane", a portrayal by Mary Jane Bradbury. The name Calamity Jane brings to mind an iconic character of the American West. Accounts of Calamity-whose real name

was Martha Canary—are legion and she has achieved mythical status in the lore of the frontier. She lived and traveled throughout Wyoming, Montana, and the Dakotas from 1867 to 1903, during some of the West's wildest days. The voracious Victorian press sensationalized her activities, and as a flamboyant character in popular dime novels, Calamity

Jane's legend grew until the person behind the character all but disappeared.

Who better to give us insights about the real story than madam Dora DuFran, a Black Hills pioneer, entrepreneur and close friend of Calamity's? Ms. DuFran built a successful red light business during the rambunctious early days of the western frontier in Deadwood, South Dakota,

and has a unique perspective about how wild it really was. Ms. DuFran knows better than anyone the life of Martha Canary and Calamity Jane, two quite different women, one legendary, one all but forgotten.

Admission is by donation. Additional financial support is being provided by Humanities Montana and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Big weekend at the State FFA Convention

BY RUBY VALLEY FFA REPORTER ZOE LEE

On April 4-7, the Ruby Valley FFA Chapter sent 16 kids to compete at State Convention in Billings. They competed in 7 different competitions consisting of, Parliamentary Procedure, Farm Business Management (FBM), Livestock Evaluation, Sales, Mechanics, Agronomy, and Creed Speaking. A couple members also applied to receive their State Degree awards. Juan Du-Pond, a recent graduate from the chapter, ran for a State Office position. After 3 days of competition, the students got to see if all of their hard work paid off. The

parliamentary procedure team made it to the semi-final round: Destiny Fabel, Zane Bowey, Zoe Lee, Grace Larsen, Tyler Haag, and Cade McParland. Destiny and Zane were also awarded their state degree, the highest degree a state can bestow on its members. The FBM team won third place out of over 60 chapters: Destiny Fabel, Zane Bowey, Tyler Haag, and Stephen Hamilton. Finally, the mechanics team won first place and will be representing Montana at National Convention later this fall in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Ruby Valley FFA had a very successful year!

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The Ruby Valley FFA had a successful year. (PHOTO COURTESY RV FFA)

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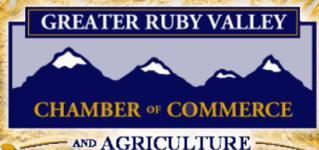
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VC wins film-friendly award

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HELENA – Lt. Governor Mike Cooney on Monday night joined attendees of the Governor’s Conference on Tourism and Recreation to congratulate finalists and winners of the 2018 Montana Tourism Awards.

The awards celebrate the outstanding work of the communities, businesses, organizations and people who strengthen Montana’s tourism industry and thereby contribute to maximizing its economic impact for Montana residents.

“Tourism is one of Montana’s leading industries, and although the landscape speaks for itself, much of the industry’s success is because of the men and women across the state who are working hard to develop tourism experiences, provide visitor services, and promote this special place,” said Lt. Gov. Cooney. “This is an opportunity to celebrate their work and their many successes.”

Nominations were open to the public, and judges comprising representatives from every region of the state chose the finalists and winners. To see the nominations for

the finalists, visit: <http://marketmt.com/Events/GovernorsConference/Program/MontanaTourismAwards/2018Finalists>
Marketing Campaign of the Year: Visit Billings -- “My Amazing Place”
Video Campaign Event of the Year: Red Ants Pants Music Festival
Heritage and Cultural Tourism Award: Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center
Film Friendly Community: Virginia City/Dillon for “The Ballad of Lefty Brown”
Community of the Year: Ovando
Tourism Ambassador: Edward DesRosier



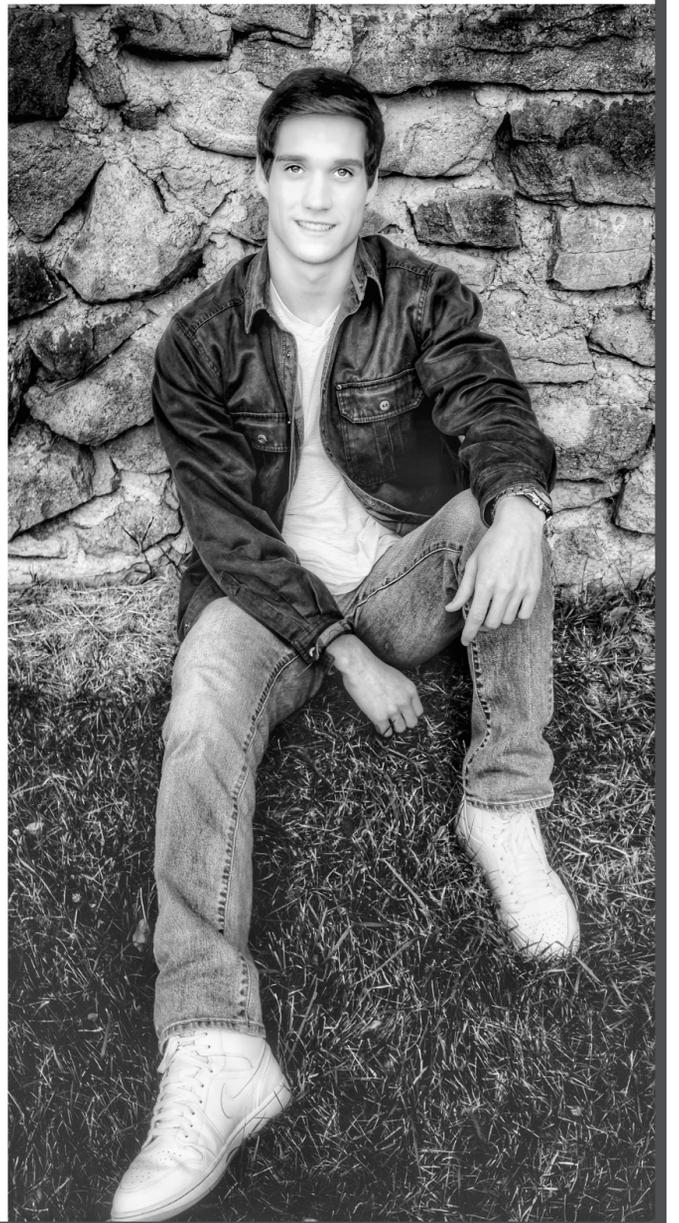
Virginia City was the winner of the 2018 Film-Friendly award at the Governor’s Tourism Conference in Big Sky, MT for the production of The “Ballad of Lefty Brown”. This movie was filmed in the Nevada City Museum (Montana Heritage Commission). This film is one of 34 major productions filmed in the Nevada City Museum and in Virginia City. (“Little Big Man” with Dustin Hoffman, “Lonesome Dove” with Tommy Lee Jones, “Missouri Breaks” with Marlin Brando and Jack Nicholson to name a few). “The Montana Heritage Commission would like to thank the many volunteers that helped with the production and the coordinated efforts of state and town resources to help continue economic drivers that Virginia and Nevada City continue to offer to the public.” said MHC Executive Director Elijah Allen. Pictured (L-R) are Becky DiGiovanna and Elijah Allen of the MHC, David Bacon of the Virginia City Town Council and Gay Rossow of the Virginia City Chamber of Commerce. Virginia and Nevada City’s economic footprint contribute to 74.4 Million and 1,186 jobs for Montana – Rocky Mountain Economic Development District. (PHOTO COURTESY ELIJAH ALLEN)

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WILL HAS BEEN SUPPORTED THROUGH THIS PROCESS BY HIS TEACHERS, COACHES, TEAMMATES AND THE COMMUNITY.

LAST WEEK HE RECEIVED PHONE CALLS FROM BOTH SENATOR DAINES AND TESTER ANNOUNCING THAT HE HAD BEEN OFFERED AN APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND WESTPOINT AND WILL NOW BE PART OF THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2022.

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APRIL 20-?

Book sale, Sheridan
Library book sale; great bargain and flea market. During regular library hours.

SATURDAY
APRIL 21

Reading, Virginia City
Reading with Montana Poet Laureate Lowell Jaeger at the Elling House Arts and

Humanities Center at 7 p.m.

Petropolis, Ennis
Aerial perspectives of Alberta tar sands. Documentary shot from helicopter by filmmaker Phillip Mettler, showing at the MVPL at 11 a.m.

THURSDAYS
APRIL 26

Mad Gals, Ennis
Monthly lunch and meeting at the Sportsman's in Ennis. Bring a friend. 12 p.m.

CAP, Ennis
Jay Frederick, Democratic candidate for MT. House Seat #71 will speak and answer questions about issues and to learn more about what's important to residents of our community at the library at 5:30 p.m.

SATURDAY
APRIL 28

Chautauqua, Virginia City
Chautauqua presentation at the Elling House Arts and Humanities Center beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a potluck and performances starting at 7:30 p.m.

Auction, Ennis
Ennis Lions Club annual auction at 9 a.m., preview before, at the Ennis rodeo grounds.

TUESDAY
MAY 1

Estate planning seminar, Sheridan
Free Estate Planning Seminar on Wills Trusts and Probate. Presenter; Marsha Goetting with MSU Extension Services. 12 p.m. at the Philanthropy Building in the Moraine Room.

Elling House Arts and Humanities Center at 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
MAY 9

Job fair, Ennis
Job seekers are invited to meet with a large range of employers at the Job Fair in Ennis at the Library from 5-7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
MAY 2

Discussion, Ennis
Changing times discussion as part of the Ennis Continuing Education classes at the high school at 6 p.m.

THURSDAY
MAY 3

BAH, Ennis
Business After Hours Hosted by Bozeman Job Service/Madison Valley Public Library the MVPL at 5 p.m.

Kindergarten Roundup, Alder

Join us at the Alder School for an exciting preview of kindergarten. Meet school staff, explore the classroom, and interact with current students. 2:30 p.m. at the Alder School.

SATURDAY
MAY 5

Expo, Twin Bridges
Buy Local Expo sponsored by the Ruby Valley Chamber of Commerce at the Madison County Fairgrounds. Call Bob at 842-7900 to be a vendor or for more information.

Banquet, Twin Bridges
The Vigilante Chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation invites you to our 22nd annual banquet at the Round Barn in Twin Bridges at 5 p.m.! Don't miss this opportunity to share an evening of food and fun benefiting elk, wildlife habitat and public access. For tickets, call (406) 580-1842 or email klvessey@gmail.com.

SUNDAY
MAY 6

Poetry reading, Virginia City
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The Ruby Valley Grief Support Group
Bethany Hall | Sheridan | 213 So. Main
10 am Each First Saturday

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

TUESDAYS

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

Ennis Arts Association, Ennis
Meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. ennisartsassociation.org

Children's Story & Craft Time for babies, Virginia City
Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Thompson Hickman Library.

Senior Fitness
9:15 at Madison Square Athletic Club.

Movie Night, Virginia City
Movie Night at the Thompson-Hickman Madison County Library
Every other Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m.

Open Table Tennis, Pony 7 - 9 p.m.
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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
TOPS, Ennis

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

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

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

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

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

Senior Fitness
9:15 at Madison Square Athletic Club.

FRIDAYS

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

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

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

Live Music - Norris
7 p.m.