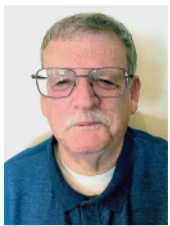


MT43 News

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Canton Church Upgrades

Vic Sample

The summer of 2022 was extremely busy for Canton Church Restoration, Inc. We had a full slate of summer events (6 in total) again this year. This year we welcomed Mark Piskolich for his first performance at the Canton Church. Mark is a Justice of the Peace in Lewis and Clark County, is married to our own Pam Bucy and is an incredible musician

In addition to Mark, we also welcomed back Jim Foster and Family/Friends, John Larsen and Family/Friends, Neal Lewing, The Ruby Valley Boys and Barb Wire. We also had a presentation prepared by historian Paul Putz about W.E. Tierney, Broadwater County Pioneer and Leader.

Amid all of the summer events, the Canton Church went through a major upgrade. The entire exterior of the Church was repainted and the cedar shake roof was replaced by a metal roof that will provide better protection for the building and will last much longer.

All of our events are free to the public but we do welcome donations. This year the people attending the events were very generous in their donations. Those donations allow us to have insurance on the building. That insurance allowed us to repair the roof after several damaging hail storms and to repaint the entire building as well.

Thanks to all that attended events and gave so generously!



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**THAT GUY KNOWS TOO MUCH ABOUT US!
WHATEVER HE TOLD YOU, WE DIDN'T DO IT!**

The sleuth we hired asked way too many questions! He promised he had a clue, but when we told him we didn't kidnap our own announcer, he decided to hold it ransom for an apology! I know, right? Our announcer's missing and we're offering a reward for his safe return PLUS we're awarding \$250 for the best street activity during the Ghost Stroll on Halloween. Applications online or at the store!

Have you missed some of the story? Read it all on our website!
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Fall Fest is Nearly Here!

Nancy Marks



Hooray! Townsend's annual Fall Fest celebration is just around the corner. Festivities start at 4:30 next Friday, September 30, and continue through the October 1-2 weekend. The impact on the local economy every year is not just a ripple, it is a wave.

Produced by the Rotary Club of Townsend, the event last year netted \$57,200, according to club president Jeff Langlinais. "Almost all the money goes into community projects, especially for the county's kids," he said. Townsend Rotary either funds or organizes eighteen youth programs, including scholarships. The money also pays for monthly Bingo at the hospital and the Senior Citizen Christmas holiday dinner and light tour.

The event, including the Sunday car show, draws an estimated 8,000 to 10,000 people. Local businesses and those in surrounding towns and cities, from Bozeman to Helena, and in between, benefit from sales of lodging, food, gas, and merchandise, says Laura Obert, who for years has supervised the Fall Fest vendors. "That money gets turned into updates and renovations by our businesses. It also helps our main street shops sustain their cash flow until the Christmas season. If we didn't have that influx of money and activity, it would be hard for those shops to keep going," she explained.

More than twenty years ago, business leaders concerned about the economic lull between tourist season and Christmas came to Rotary to float the idea of a fall event. Rotary agreed to take on the project. "It began with a cooler of beer, a dozen vendors and a tiny car show on one block of Pine Street. I was one of the vendors," Laura said. Fall Fest exploded into a full festival when Rotarian Chuck Harvey was the chair and the band, "The Clintons," from Helena was the Sunday headliner. "We learned to keep people at the event through Sunday by providing upscale bands. Featuring them made all the difference," she said. By then the car show had spilled over to Broadway Street. It now features upwards of 300 vintage and muscle cars.

Fall Fest would not go on if it weren't for sponsors, vendors and grants. Rotarians Patrick Plantenberg and Bill Kearns, as well as many others, donate time asking businesses and organizations for sponsorships. In 2021, there were 90 sponsorships. The sponsorships pay for the upfront costs of putting on the festival. This year Pat set a goal of \$60,000 in sponsorships.

About 130 vendors have signed up this year to take advantage of three days of front-row crowds somewhere between 8,000 and 10,000 people.

"We are able to consistently attract so many vendors and people due to our free admission to the event," Laura said.

**MONTANA HERITAGE CENTER
MAKING PROGRESS**

Rep. Julie Dooling

In 2019, Senate Bill 338, also

known as the Montana Museums Act, was passed (with some controversy in the House of Representatives) is best known for providing funding to build the new Montana Heritage Center, an endeavor 16 years in the making.

Senator Terry Gauthier was the primary bill sponsor, and I had the honor of carrying the bill in the House. Last Friday, Senator Gauthier and I along with Gilda Clancy from Senator Steve Daines office had the opportunity to take a "Hard Hat" tour of the new Heritage Center. While it is still in early stages of the build, much progress has been made. We were able to wander thru the new space, currently filled with shiny new steel studs, electrical wires, and HVAC ducting, which will add 66,000 square feet to the existing building. This new space will include a 15,000 square foot gallery, a larger Charles M Russell Gallery, a 300-person event center, café and larger Museum Store, are some of the highlights of this new space. Funding is provided from a 1% tax increase in the accommodations tax and millions in private donations.

What really got me excited about this bill, is that SB 338 also provided funding for an ongoing historic preservation grant program for improvements, repairs and renovations to historic sites and museums. This program will allow our local museums the opportunity to apply for grants for minor repairs but also larger infrastructure projects. These grants will ensure that our museums will continue to be an asset to communities across Montana, helping to support economic development and enhance tourism.

For more information, follow the updates online at: <https://montanamuseum.org/> or better yet, stop by the museum at 225 N Roberts across the street from the State Capitol.



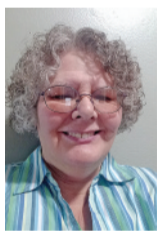
Court Beat 9-16-22

Dee Gannon

The criminal docket in Judge Kathy Seeley's courtroom on Friday, September 16 was as follows:

Nancy Wilson had an Omnibus signed.

Jimmy Jo Flannagan had his Change of Plea continued until September 30, in front of Judge Christopher Abbott.



**BROADWATER COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS**

515 Broadway, Townsend

Meetings are held at the Flynn Building (old Opportunity Bank) 416 Broadway.

THERE WILL NOT BE A MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 26, 2022. ALL COMMISSIONERS WILL BE AT A MACO CONFERENCE THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25TH. THE NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 3, 2022

Meetings may be viewed on the website at <https://www.broadwatercountymt.com/home/pages/board-videos>. Public comment is taken either in writing in advance of the meeting or in person at the meeting. Working meetings are held in various locations, please review the notice of the working meeting to determine the location. Working meetings are not recorded and as a result, are not available on the website. Agenda, documents, official meeting minutes and videos of past Commission meetings are available at <https://www.broadwatercountymt.com>.

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FUTURE MEETINGS

*Please note that these times and dates may change. For the most recently updated information, please visit our website at www.broadwatercountymt.com.

September 26- Fair Board

e-mail commissioners@co.broadwater.mt.us

Debi Randolph, 406-266-9270 and 406-980-2050
Darrel Folkvord, 406-266-9272 and 406-980-1213
Mike Delger, 406-266-9271 and 406-521-0834

**Athletes of the Week
Townsend Booster Club
Lacie Reed**

We would like to thank Billings Clinic for being a 2022-2023 Banner Booster member and supporting our Bulldogs! Here are the players of the week!

Volleyball:

Sophomore, Cassidy Flynn Against Three Forks: 4 kills, 2 blocks, 2 digs, helping her team to a 3-0 victory.

At the Huntley Tourney: accumulates 23 kills, 2 blocks and 5 digs helping her team to a 3rd place finish.

Football :

Sophomore, Deegan Mattson had six catches for 90 yards and two touchdowns along with nine tackles and one interception as the Bulldogs defeated Manhattan 39 to 0 last Friday.

Cross Country:

Senior, Will Lynde ran a season record of 19:55.

Sophomore, Kaelyn Sangray ran a season record of 23:37.



Sydney Forrey at Mountain West Classics Cross Country Meet

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Political candidates are allowed to submit one biographical article during an election year. Additional articles must be paid for or they will be considered only as space allows.

Any letter that calls into question another person's character will be held until the other party can respond to the allegations. Rebuttals must be submitted within one week of our request. If no rebuttal is received, the letter will not be printed.

Letter to the Editor:

Every 10 years, the United States performs a census across the nation. Thanks to Montana's growth in population, the 2020 Census data results confirmed, and Montana received a 2nd Congressional seat. Every 10 years the State of Montana redraws the political boundaries of legislative districts using the Census data and certain criteria (<https://mtredistricting.gov>):

- These legislative districts must be as equal in population as possible.
- The protection of minority voting rights is guaranteed.
- Each district shall consist of a compact territory
- Each district shall be contiguous.

The Montana Constitution requires an independent five-member commission – Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission (MDAC) - to draw districts for 150 legislators and submit maps for review and public comment. The Commissioners have drawn maps, are holding meetings and taking comments through the end of 2022. We are currently in Phase 4 (out of 5) of the process.

I have reviewed the 4 maps that have been submitted by the Commission. I prefer Map #1 as it keeps Broadwater County whole. The changes to the current House District 70 are mainly in the Lewis & Clark County portion of the District. Map #1 also keeps the community intact, which is one of the 5 goals as stated in the criteria adopted by the MDAC. Maps 2, 3, and 4 carve out portions of Broadwater County and combine it with Meagher or Gallatin County.

If you would like to learn more about the process, review the MDAC maps, the public submitted maps, submit a comment, or sign-up for Email updates, all of the information can be found on the MDAC website: <https://mtredistricting.gov/>

Rep. Julie Dooling



James Pitassy at Mountain West Classics Cross Country meet



Graymont's mission is contributing to a decarbonized world by providing essential lime and limestone solutions.

Graymont announces launch of community-focused Carbon Reduction Fund and invites applications for 2022 initiatives

We are proud to announce the launch of the Graymont Carbon Reduction Fund, an innovative, grass-roots initiative designed to support the development of carbon-reduction initiatives in the communities across the globe that we call home.

The fund's role is to support projects focused on:

- Protecting the environment by the responsible use of resources
- Reducing our carbon footprint through increased energy efficiency
- Developing and maintaining natural, biological 'carbon sinks' such as agricultural land, forests or peat bogs that act as a natural offset for carbon

If you have a project idea that relates to any of these topics, the GCRF is looking for you!

For additional information, please contact Steve Bugni at (406) 521-6003 or sbugni@graymont.com

Application deadline is September 30, 2022



TOWNSEND ROTARY FALL FEST

Sept 30, Oct 1 & 2

FREE ADMISSION!
Join us at Heritage Park in Townsend

Three Days of...

- Free Music -
- Beer & Brats -
- Art & Craft Vendors -
- Kiddie Activities -
- Sunday Car Show -

Fall Fest couldn't happen without the support of our Sponsors, volunteers and the community. Thank You!!!

Want to: Volunteer? Be a Sponsor? Enter the Car Show? Go to www.TownsendFallFest.com






Charlie's Wild Game Chili
Makes 2 quarts/8 cups

Our friend and rifle maker Charlie Sisk gave me this recipe to try. Mostly. Since Charlie always has bacon grease in the house, he just used bacon grease to fry the veggies and meat. I don't use bacon as often (yes I love it, it doesn't love me) so I just chopped up bacon and used that to start the chili. Charlie also loves spicy, so his original recipe called for a 'big dose of black pepper' and '½ a handful' of cilantro. That ½ handful was about 1 cup and, when chopped, yielded about ¼ cup. (FYI: that's a common ratio. One cup of unchopped leaves, whatever they are, yields ¼ cup finely chopped.) We've made Charlie's chili with every big game animal, including bear. But we do measure the black pepper.

Browning equals better flavor. I own three skillets that each have a 10" browning surface and, while my 5-quart Lodge Dutch oven's browning surface is only 1" smaller, it has straight, 5" high sides. Straight sides, especially 5" tall, trap moisture; moisture escapes from the meat as you brown, but can't escape the pot. Instead of caramelizing the meat, enriching and sweetening it, that moisture becomes ugly gray-brown bubbles that water down the flavor. Browning in a skillet and transferring to the Dutch oven works better.

A 10" skillet, a tablespoon of oil, medium heat and 6-8 ounces of meat--about 1 cup--will brown properly. (It always helps to wrap the meat in a couple of layers of paper towels, and give it a gentle squeeze.) When the oil is hot, add that cup of meat to the pan and spread it out. No steam? Make the next batch a little bigger. As soon as you get ugly gray liquid boiling up, back down the size of the batch. That's your batch size for that size pan.

Ingredients

½ pound bacon, in all, chopped
2 pounds ground venison
1 big red onion, chopped small
1 green bell (sweet) pepper, chopped small
1 bag (1¼ ounce) McCormick Taco seasoning mix (30% less salt)
2 cans original flavor Rotel (10 ounces each)
¼ cup finely chopped fresh cilantro
¼ cup chopped jalapeño peppers
1 teaspoon black pepper
8 ounces cream cheese, at room temperature

Cooking

1. Heat a large skillet over medium heat, and cook half the bacon. When the bacon starts getting brown, add the ground venison in batches, of about 6-8 ounces at a time, and cook it until no pink is left, about 4-5 minutes. Transfer to a Dutch oven (DO). Put the rest of the bacon in the pan and let it get nicely brown. Add the onion and sweet green pepper to the bacon and fry until the veggies are slightly browned, another 4-5 minutes.
2. Add all that to the Dutch oven, then add the McCormick Taco seasoning, Rotel, cilantro, jalapeño pepper and black pepper. Give the pot a good stir, then break up the cream cheese into 1-inch squares, and add to the chili. With a spatula, break up the cream cheese some more and stir it into the chili, until it all melts evenly into the sauce.
3. Serve hot, with corn muffins or corn chips and ice cold cerveza.

Eileen Clarke was game care and recipe columnist for Field & Stream and Successful Hunter magazines, and has written a dozen wild game cookbooks. This recipe is from The Wild Bowl: 100 soups, stews and chilies. To order: www.riflesandrecipes.com/406-521-0273. She lives in Townsend.

Eileen Clarke
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Between the Pages

Rachael Brug

The Many Daughters of Afong Moy by Jaime Ford

Even before this book was published I was hearing hype about it. I truly enjoyed Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet so I knew Montana author Jamie Ford's newest release, The Many Daughters of Afong Moy, would be a good read. I was NOT expecting how absolutely wonderful and transporting this novel would be!

Dorothy Moy, a poet, has led a life fraught with mental health issues and dissociative episodes. Her overbearing mother-in-law pushes and strains Dorothy's already struggling marriage, causing tension and distress, while her husband's egocentric attitude gives her little hope of any kind of resolution. When Dorothy's five-year-old daughter begins displaying signs of similar mental health issues, she decides to seek experimental treatment designed to ease inherited trauma and potentially give her answers about her condition. Treatment connects Dorothy to past generations of women in her maternal lineage who experience pain, love, and loss over and over again. More than that, she finds there is someone in each life, each timeline, who is searching for her. A stranger who has loved her through all of her genetic memories.

This story explores themes of epigenetics and inherited trauma, as well as those of motherhood, love, and karma. Each character is well thought out and beautifully written, and the different time periods add value to the story without being distracting. The Many Daughters of Afong Moy is easily one of the best books I've read in a while.

Leadership Changes at Two Townsend Churches

Eliza McLaughlin



As fall weather begins rolling into Broadwater County, two religious leaders have left to accept callings in the Colorado area. Daniel and Anna Viehland served the community of Townsend in similar, yet different, capacities for several years. Daniel Viehland took on his appointment as pastor at the United Methodist Church of Townsend in July 2018. He married Anna Viehland in 2019, the year she began serving Townsend's Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church. Anna Viehland has also served as a Chaplain Intern at Bozeman Health and as an associate pastor at St. Paul's United Methodist Church of Helena. Three years later, on June 18, 2022, Anna Viehland was officially ordained a pastor in the United Methodist Church. Following Anna's ordination, she and Daniel Viehland were appointed to churches in Colorado. They were welcomed by their new congregations in early September. With the Viehlands gone, both the Lutheran and Methodist churches had to seek replacements.

The Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church met on Sunday, Sept. 11 "to form a call committee to explore the availability of pastors for [the] church," according to spokesperson Laurie Nugent. Nugent said the process of finding a new pastor could take several months, however, Lutheran Lay Pastors will serve the congregation until a replacement is found. "We are continuing with our groups, Bible Studies, confirmation classes and our day's normal activities," Nugent told MT 43 News.

While the Lutheran church has just begun its search, the United Methodist Church of Townsend has appointed the Rev. Melelupe Moa to the church. Moa, a Honolulu native, has previously served in San Leandro, California as a director of children and youth ministries for the United Methodist Church and as a pastor in Price City, Utah. In September 2022, Moa received a calling to serve the Townsend and East Helena United Methodist churches.

Moa told MT 43 News that she is currently seeking musicians "willing to play and praise." "I love all kinds of praise and worship music," she said. "Townsend UMC is a great gathering space for anyone interested." During the week, Moa will spend her time praying, praising and studying as well as attending meetings and searching for ways to minister to others. "It's a process that I'm still learning and enjoy wholeheartedly," she said. Moa's previous time in the Bay Area has taught her to appreciate the "slow and steady pace" of rural Montana, adding that the people here are "very kind" and willing to have actual conversations rather than focusing on technology. "Now that I'm finally settled in at the pastor's parsonage, I look forward to getting out more and making meaningful relationships with people from both communities," Moa said.



County Commissioners Meeting, Nancy Marks

Omicron, LLC, a Bozeman fiber optic company, presented a resolution to Broadwater County Commissioners at a September 19 meeting to ask for a public hearing regarding issuance of taxable bonds to raise money for the fiber optic project. The company intends to start construction of the line from the Three Forks junction to Winston. Nathan Bilyeau, of Jackson, Murdo & Grant, a Helena law firm, explained the county would be a conduit issuer of bonds if the county commissioners, after a public hearing, would agree to allow the bonds to be sold. The county would not be liable whether the bonds passed, or if the bonds sold and the project failed. The bonds would be sold by an underwriter such as City Bank of Chicago. According to Bilyeau, the issuance of taxable bonds of \$60 million would enhance the project's ability to win \$17 million in AARPA funds. The company matches the \$17million grant.



Dean Nelson, general manager of Omicron, LLC explained that the \$20 million project would begin construction in 2025 if all funds are acquired. The project will run through the southern end of the county and 100 locations on the way to Winston along Hwy 287.

The commissioners passed a motion to allow the resolution to be presented at a public hearing after a three week notice in the paper.

The board accepted the Townsend Schools \$7,635,000 annual budget as approved by School District #1 board members. Superintendent Susie Hedalen explained their budget was up from last year by about \$335,000 because the schools have more students this year. She is having trouble hiring teachers for the additional classes. There are four kindergarten classes. If she cannot hire a teacher for the fourth class, she will use a paraprofessional to fill the position. The county funds Townsend Schools at 135.16 mills. Additional funds come from the State of Montana and from grant sources. Broadwater County Treasurer Melissa Franks officially signed the approved budget.

In other business, Community Planning Director Nichole Brown presented a discussion for a decision to allow for a boundary relocation for Susie and Ernie Carlson due to a utility location on their property on Hwy 284.

Toston rural resident Hal Plummer asked during public comment when the Commissioners received the Montana Dept. of Transportations scour report of the Toston Bridge. The report dated January 21, 2021, has no "date received by" stamped on the report by Broadwater County. He asked that the Toston Bridge question be put on the commissioners meeting agenda again. No date was set.

KIDS COUNT

Jill Flynn

A new school year is underway and fall will soon be giving way to winter. This time of year, our local students are in need of school supplies, gym clothes, warm coats and boots for the approaching cold weather. The Kids Count program, implemented 15 years ago by the Broadwater County Social Services Committee, can help provide these necessities to local students whose families may need a financial boost.

Over the past 15 years, the Kids Count program has served over 100 families and provided thousands of dollars of assistance to those in need. All Broadwater County students in grades K-12 are eligible if they need help to purchase items necessary for their success in school. K-6 students can receive up to \$75.00 each. Middle and high school students can apply for \$100 in aid. The process simply requires that parents obtain a Kids Count form from either of the school offices, fill out a statement of need, and return it to the school. Once the form is approved, families can take their children to try on clothes, pick out items, etc. Currently, the program works with Walmart in Helena. Once items are selected, they are left at the store to be paid for and brought back to Townsend by Kids Count volunteers.

While school supplies, coats and boots are commonly purchased items, the program has also helped purchase calculators, shoes for sports participation, and nice clothes for school or activities. The entire program is carried out by volunteers and funded by donations from the community and funds raised by the annual Chicken Poo Bingo event held by the Broadwater County Social Services Committee at the Townsend Fall Fest.

If you need assistance, pick up a form at the school. If you have questions, contact Jill Flynn at 406-441-3456. Finally, if you would like to support the program, buy some Chicken Poo Bingo tickets!

Finally, donations can also be sent to:
Box 342, Townsend, MT 59644.

"People say that what we're seeking is a meaning for life... I think that what we're seeking is an experience of being alive, so that we actually feel the rapture of being alive."

Joseph Campbell

"One of the advantages of being disorderly is that one is constantly making exciting discoveries."

"Organizing is what you do before you do something, so that when you do it, it is not all mixed up."

both quotes: A.A. Milne

Fall Fest Video Project at Townsend Middle School Karee Eichinger, Missy Racht

Townsend Middle School Townsend Fall Fest is an opportunity for the entire community to come together to celebrate. For the past several years, students at Townsend Middle School have been able to join in the celebration by creating short promotional videos showcasing the variety of bands, vendors, food, and activities found at the Fall Fest. These videos are then posted to the Townsend Fall Fest Facebook page and the top three videos are awarded small cash prizes, as well as bragging rights for the year.

This year, teachers Karee Eichinger and Missy Racht, have combined the 6th-grade Careers class and the 7th-grade Media Arts class for the purpose of creating these promotional videos. The students are using iMovie on iPads to produce their videos.

Students have been hard at work brainstorming creative ways to conceptualize their videos, which includes storyboarding, script writing, and costuming. Once each group finalized their video plan, students used their videography skills to film, narrate voiceovers, and download still photos. Finally, in post-production, students learned how to splice, trim, add text and music, develop transitions, and create visual effects to produce a final product.

In addition to technical abilities, students hone a variety of other skills during the course of this project, including, but not limited to, communication, teamwork, compromise, leadership, performance, and writing. Students have always enjoyed creating these videos, and many former students can still remember their videos from years past. We hope that you enjoy the work and creativity that this year's students bring to these promotional videos. Be sure to visit the Townsend Fall Fest Facebook page to check them out!




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First Lady Susan Gianforte visited Townsend Elementary Schools Tuesday to see her STEM (science, technology, engineering , math) Initiative in action. First grade teacher Shayna Gillespie reads the nursery story "The Three Pigs," , to her 20 students then coaxed them to "build a house that the big bad wolf could not blow down." Mrs. Gillespie walked them through definitions of architect and an architect's job. The first graders then worked together in pairs to draw a house, then build it. They had a certain amount of time to do the work. The completed works were then submitted to the blowdryer trial. Most houses withstood the damage.

Mrs Gianforte congratulated Townsend Schools for their integration into the STEM programs. She has worked at encouraging all Montana schools to use the program for which she fundraises to support them. Asked her opinion on the focus in education on STEM instead of teaching students to read and write, she said, "I am introducing my second initiative which will include the Dolly Parton Imagination libraries all over the state to get books to children ages 0-5. The program puts a book in a child's hands every month. So far 20 Montana counties carry the program.



photo credit Nancy Marks

"Here are maples, flashing.

And here are the dry oaks, holding on all winter to their dry leaves.

And here are the pines, that will never fail, until death, the instructions to be green.

And here are the willows, the first to pronounce a new year."

from The Trees, Mary Oliver

Alex Sakariassen

Education Regs Revised Per Public Comment

Reviewing its latest slate of regulatory revisions, Montana's Board of Public Ed wrestled once again with politically charged phrases. Over the past few months, the Montana Board of Public Education has busied itself with a seemingly endless stream of regulatory rewrites touching nearly every corner of the state's K-12 public education system. The latest action on that front came Thursday as board members advanced a revised set of standards for educator preparation programs proposed by Superintendent Elsie Arntzen.

Arntzen's recommended changes to those standards generated more than 60 public comments last month, and the board meticulously picked through each in an effort to refine and improve regulatory language that, once adopted, will remain in effect for the next decade. While many of those comments sought to correct essentially technical issues — for example, including the names of specific national associations or accrediting councils — the board's review also waded into territory that has become intensely politicized during the past two years. At several points in the revised regulations, Arntzen had proposed removing references to "social emotional learning," one of a growing list of academic phrases targeted by national conservative groups critical of the public education system. Board member Madalyn Quinlan responded to the first such deletion by noting that references to social emotional learning are "all over" the Office of Public Instruction's website, and are "commonly used terms" for professional educators. Tim Tharp, one of Republican Gov. Greg Gianforte's latest additions to the board, seconded Quinlan's response.

"For many, many years I have worn this bracelet that has a suicide prevention hotline number right on it, and my own brother died by suicide," Tharp said. "We all who have spent time in classrooms know that academics are never going to happen unless those social and emotional needs are met first."

Montana Federation of Public Employees President Amanda Curtis also strongly encouraged the board to reinsert the language during public comment, stating that while the words may have been politicized, "you all have the chance now to be the adults in the room in public education."

<https://montanafreepress.org/2022/09/16/montana-educator-preparation-regulations-revised/>



**BHS Class of 2023
STEAK FRY
BHS Homecoming**

\$25

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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Dear Families & Community Members,

Townsend School District is thrilled to invite you to our Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to celebrate our new elementary! The ceremony will take place at the front doors of the new elementary school, 210 N Pine, on September 27, 2022, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. At 5:00, there will be an opening ceremony, and at 6:00, there will be a dedication of the learning stairs in Cecilia Hazelton's name. You will be welcome to tour the new elementary school and visit with staff about the design. Phase two is still under construction and will be complete in November.

When phase two is finished, we will provide another opportunity for the community to see the project completion in its final stage! Phase two includes the playground and the connecting wing between the buildings that will provide additional office and learning spaces and will be complete in November. Building two additional classrooms with the remaining funds from the building project are under consideration and would be completed in the spring; this would be phase 3. We want to share this fabulous new learning space with the community and thank all of you for your support! The school year is off to a great start!

Sincerely,
Susie Hedalen, Superintendent of Townsend School District
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Ribbon Cutting CEREMONY

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5:00 pm - Opening Ceremony
6:00 pm - Cecelia Hazelton Learning Stair Dedication

Youth Ministry Newspaper At Trailhead Church

Did you know that there is a group of 35 or so 7th-12th grade students and 9 volunteer adult leaders that is gathering on Wednesday nights from 6:15 p.m.-8:00 p.m. to eat a free, delicious meal, play some fantastic games, sing some powerful worship songs, and learn about the names of God together?

This group, comprised of Trailhead and Townsend area youth, and otherwise known as the Trailhead Christian Fellowship Church Youth Ministry, gathered for the first meeting of the new school year at The Shop, located at 407 South Cherry Street (across from Holloway Park) right here in Townsend this past Wednesday, September 14. Students and adults lined the driveway with eager anticipation as pizza was served at 6:15 p.m.. After 45 minutes or so of eating, hanging out, and playing foosball, ping-pong, carpetball, air hockey, and cornhole, the group came together to sing some rousing worship songs and be reminded of how awesome our God truly is. Then a couple of the leaders shared some expectations, guidelines, and scheduling details for the group to keep in mind as the year goes on. That was followed by an excellent lesson introducing the names of God that will be studied over the semester and the reasons for studying those names. God's character is multi-faceted, like a diamond, and understanding His names help us understand what that means for our lives. Finally, students broke out into small groups according to age and gender so that they could get to know one another better and discuss what they learned with the adult leaders. Students were picked up by parents or made their way home on their own at 8:00 pm, excited about the fun they had, the friendships that were deepened, and the truth about God that was shared! The consensus was that they couldn't wait for the next meeting!

Meetings will normally take place from 6:15 p.m.--8:00 p.m. at The Shop each Wednesday throughout the school year. However, fun outings/events are also scheduled and sprinkled throughout the year. In fact, on Wednesday, October 5, the group will be spending the night (from 5:00—8:00 p.m.) at the Edgewater Corn Maze south of town. Any 7th through 12th grader is invited to attend this free fun event! Bring your friends!

The Trailhead Youth Ministry is open to ALL Townsend area youth in 7th-12th grade. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Kelley Gobbs at 406-461-4510, or the Trailhead Church at 406-266-4406.

Tech Talk

Vic Sample



Where did that Malware come from?

I have written several articles about different malware. A few weeks ago, I wrote about someone that had their "PC Frozen" and a message from Windows Defender that said they needed to call Microsoft Support and gave a telephone number. It warned them not to try to fix the problem themselves because it could do irreparable damage to their PC.

Of course, all of that was false. Malware called a "browser locker" had locked up the browser so that it just showed a false page and then they put up a window purporting to be Windows Defender giving them a Microsoft Support number (a fake number) to call to fix the problem.

After I cleared everything up, the person that had called me asked where the malware came from. He said he didn't go to any new website; he didn't download anything; he just did his normal stuff. I had no idea where the malware came from.

I get a Tech newsletter every weekday morning that has links to technical articles from several different sources. This morning one of the articles was about a security group that announced that "Threat Actors" have been posting fake news feed articles through browsers that offer you a news feed.

I use the Microsoft Edge browser. It has a news feed that has links to all sorts of articles both locally and nationally. The security group found that the malware guys have been putting out malware news feeds that have links that go to their sites. Once you go to their site they decide whether to pass you on to a valid site or to try to scam you.

If the malware guys scammed everybody that clicked on the news feed link they would quickly be discovered. If they pick and choose who to scam it is much harder to pinpoint them as scammers. They might just pick randomly or they might analyze your location (from your IP address) and determine if it is worth their while to try to scam you.

So, what can you do about it? If you don't really care about the news feeds just don't click on any of them. However, if you do like to get the news feeds and you do read the ones that look interesting, there really isn't anything you can do except to be aware. If you do end up getting messages telling you to call Microsoft Support (sometimes they claim to be Microsoft partners) do not call them!

If you are pretty comfortable with the technology you can bring up the Windows Task Manager and "end" the program that is causing you a problem. If you don't feel comfortable with that level of technology just shut down your pc and restart it.

If it was your browser giving you the fake messages be careful when you start it again. If it asks if you want

Broadwater Blooms

Angie Janacaro

Broadwater Blooms at 314 Broadway is a one-stop shop for any gift occasion or special event. Open Monday through Friday 10-6 and Saturday 10:00 a.m.--2:00 p.m., the shop offers beautiful, ready-made arrangements and can accommodate any special order with advanced notice. The shop's owner, Lisa Higgins, is a Townsend native who runs the shop with her mother.

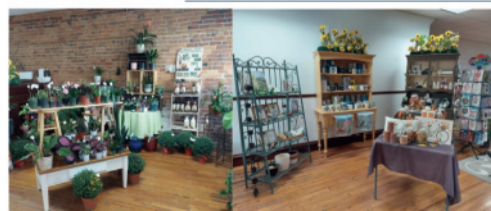
Lisa has now been in the floral business for six years. When asked if she always dreamed of owning a flower shop, Higgins confessed, "I didn't and I wasn't the person who went out and bought flowers either." But still, she and her mother enjoyed making silk floral arrangements and she had an aunt who owned a floral shop in Alabama, "My dad always, whenever a floral shop came up for sale, suggested I buy it and use my aunt as a resource in the business. And then when he passed away, owning a flower shop just seemed more meaningful." After Lisa bought the business, her aunt made the trip from Alabama to help get things started. Higgins also took classes in Bozeman on floral arrangement, received help and advice from neighboring shops and is connected through social media with a variety of florists who share ideas and advice.

In addition to fresh cut flowers, the shop offers boxes of Abdallah Chocolate, a lovely assortment of house plants, a variety of small gifts and balloon bouquets. In the summertime, many of the fresh flowers are sourced locally. Higgins buys from a conglomerate out of Helena which sources flowers from eleven different local gardens and Townsend's local gardener, Marci Bieber.

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Inside inspiration

Ellie West

One thing I learned from my Dad, is always to write a personal thank you note to those who gave you a gift or to someone who has done something kind or extraordinary for you. He taught me that a verbal thank you is never enough. That lesson has served me well.

On my last London trip I arrived about 5 hours before my crew briefing. After a short nap, I sat down in the crew lounge to write thank you notes to my First Class passengers. As I was writing my notes, another flight attendant stopped by and asked what I was doing. I told her I was writing notes to my first-class passengers, thanking them for their continued loyalty and business. She said, "may I see what you write?" I said, "sure, but they are all a little different as I feel it is important to personalize each one. Writing a simple note of thanks to my passengers adds value and shows a genuine appreciation for their loyalty."

Writing thank you notes has become a lost art. According to recent research, some 75 percent of Americans believe thank you notes are antiquated and obsolete. That is a staggering thought to me. How do we as a society revive the lost art of writing thank you's? I believe it starts in the home. You can teach young children to be grateful for a gift they have received by spending a few minutes with them writing a thank you. It is a skill we can teach at a very young age as they learn gratitude and appreciation for the gifts they receive.

Researchers have proved that writing thank you notes is a positive thing. A study by two University of Chicago business professors, published last year in Psychological Science, found that people routinely underestimate the positive impact of expressing gratitude. Feeling grateful for a gift should never be outdated. Appreciation and gratitude can be shown with a handwritten thank you note.

If somebody did something for you unexpectedly, or you attended a fabulous event, write a note of gratitude. You'll stand out. The recipient will be thrilled. Write a thank you note to mark a significant life event. Writing thank you notes can also be a savvy business tool. People who get thank you notes are pretty keen about people who send thank you notes. The recipient feels valued and appreciated. Most importantly, you will feel better about yourself. Showing your gratitude and appreciation brings a whole new perspective to your life.

"The power of the pen is not in the color of ink it spills, but the power of the word it spells" -Neha.

To connect with Ellie:
www.coachinghearttoheart.com



OUR WALK IN FAITH

Elkhorn Community Fellowship, 126 N Cedar St. Townsend. Services: Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Pastor Eric Crusch, 949-0183.

Faith Baptist Church, 5 Jack Farm Rd. Townsend. Services: Sunday, Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Service, 11:00 a.m. Evening Service, 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 7:00 p.m. Pastor Mike Wenzel, 266-4219.

Holy Cross Catholic Church, 101 S. Walnut St. Townsend. Mass: Wednesday, 9:00 a.m., Thursday, 9:00 a.m., Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Adoration: Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. Reconciliation: Saturday, 5:15-5:45 p.m. or by appt. Rel. Ed. classes: Pre-K-5th Grade, Wednesday, 5:00-6:30 p.m. Middle & High School grades, Wednesday, 6:15-8:30 p.m. Adult classes, Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Father Cody Williams, 266-4811 or office@holycrossmt.org.

Mountain Valley Church of the Christian and Missionary Alliance (CMA), 110 E Street Townsend. Services: Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Kids ministry during Sunday services. Life groups meet during the week. Pastor Eric Krueger, 465-5895. MountainValleyChurch.org. We stream our services on Facebook: Facebook.com/mountainValleyChurch406. (Was Alliance Bible Church.)

Radersburg Baptist Church, 7 Main St. Radersburg. Services: Sunday: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Worship, 11:00 a.m. Pastor Richard Summerlin, 410-0458.

Set Free Christian Fellowship, meets at the Bridge at 107 E street (PO Box 1163), Townsend. Services: Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. Set free recovery Sunday, 7:00 p.m. Bible study, Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Pastors Bill and Carol Bergstad, (406) 461-0135.

Seventh Day Adventist Church, 200 N. Cedar St. Townsend. Services: Saturday, 9:30 a.m., Bible study, 10:30 a.m. Pastor John Witcombe, 594-1710 or 431-2810.

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church ELCA Synod, 301 N. Cherry St. Townsend. Services: Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Women of the ELCA meet second Tuesday every month at 6:00 PM. Bible Studies meet weekly. Call Pastor Anna Viehland for more information, at (406) 272-2352.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 916 Broadway St. Townsend. Choir Practice, Sunday, 8:30 a.m. Services: Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Christian education, Sunday, 10:40 a.m. Youth activities Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Family History Center, Tuesday, 6:00-9:00 p.m. or by appt. (Director Rebecca Mitchell, 980-0270). Bishop Matt Graham, 266-4255.

Townsend United Methodist Church, 200 N. Cedar St. Townsend. Services: Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Pastor Daniel Viehland, 266-3390. TownsendUMC.org.

Trailhead Christian Fellowship, 20 Trailhead View Dr. Townsend (5 mi. north of Townsend). Sunday School and Christian Education, Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Services Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Middle School youth group, Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Pastor Mark Roelofs, 266-4406 or info@trailheadchristianchurch.com, www.TrailheadChristianChurch.com.

Please Note

The current contact for Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church is Ross Johnson, Council President. He can be reached at (406) 465-3791

Senior Center

This is the Senior Center Menu for the week of September 26--September 30	Wednesday Sept. 28 Carol's Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Garden Salad Whole Grain Bread Plump Peaches
Monday September 26 Beef Tacos Cheese & Sour Cream Lettuce and Tomato Mexican Corn and Beans Zesty Pineapple	Thursday Sept. 29 Sweet-n-Sour Pork Fried Brown Rice Green Beans Four Bean Salad Baked Apples
Tuesday Sept. 27 Baked Chicken Rice Pilaf Steamed Carrots Dinner Salad Blushing Pears Chocolate Mousse	Friday Sept. 30 French Toast Scrambled Eggs Link Sausage Diced Potatoes Key Largo

Community Calendar

September 24	October 1 - Fall Fest
HSVB vs Fairfield 1:00 p.m.	October 2 - Fall Fest
September 26	October 5 - Rodeo Clubannual election meeting
JVFB vs Jefferson 4:00 p.m.	City Hall 7:00 p.m.
JHFB vs Jefferson 6:00 p.m.	October 31 - Ghost Stroll
September 29	Chamber Ghost Stroll 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
School Picture Day	November 24 Thanksgiving Day
Townsend Farmer's Market 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	December 5 Christmas Stroll Chamber Christmas Stroll 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
September 30	
Q1 Midterm	
Fall Fest	
Senior Night!	
HSFB vs Whitehall 7:00 p.m.	

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This Week In History

by Linda Huth

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September 22

1938

"Canton Valley News"

Herman Moudree, Dorothy Gill, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Roope left Townsend early Sunday morning and motored to Missoula, Hamilton and over Skalkaho Pass to Anaconda, Butte, Three Forks and back to Townsend. The trip was a pleasant one without any difficulty until about thirteen miles the other side of Three Forks they came upon a very bad car accident. They assisted in extricating one man pinned under the car and others to a hospital.

"A Bridal Shower"

The home of Mrs. Roy Noble was a gay scene on Saturday afternoon when Mrs. Noble and Mrs. Chas. Matthews were co-hostesses at a miscellaneous shower, honoring Mrs. Fritz Weed, a recent bride. Many beautiful and useful gifts were presented, several of the non-breakable gifts were folded within a parasol while the bride was deeply interested in a game, the parasol was opened and showered over her head, greatly surprising her. Present were the two hostesses, Mrs. Fritz Weed, the honored guest, Mrs. Chas. Barker, Mrs. F.N. Weet, Sr. of Townsend, Mrs. Fred Henry, Mrs. Wallace Bruce, Mrs. Raymond Beatty, Mrs. Howard Doggett, Mrs. Elmer Kenney, Miss Barbara Magnus and Mrs. Gray Keen. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the afternoon.

"Local Artist Sells Painting"

A watercolor of Radersburg, painted by Mrs. Ingeborg Merritt of Townsend was purchased by the Art Division of the Montana Federation of Women's Clubs. The watercolor will be used by the club as a gift of award. This is a compliment to Mrs. Merritt's fine work and may be an incentive towards the sale of other paintings she has completed.

1949

"4-H Club News"

Miss Mardella Bieber of the Canton Homemakers Club and Wesley Diehl of the Busy Beavers of Winston attended 4-H Club Congress at Bozeman on September 12-15. They competed, with the winners from other counties, in judging contests and both delegates received red ribbons in their respective contests. Mardella judged

clothing and Wesley judges swine, which are the projects that they carried the past year.

The 1949 4-H theme is "Better Living for a Better World" and was a discussion or talk by a visitor who had returned from the various countries. Two Swiss "farm exchange" boys gave talks about Switzerland. A Swiss breakfast was served to all leaders.

On honor day all ribbons and awards were given and a banquet in the evening finished up the 4 day congress.

1955

"Winston Native Orchestra Leader in Big Ice Show"

The "Holiday on Ice" extravaganza which has been in Butte several times is acclaimed "out of this world" by the many Winston people who have gone to see it but even this term does not describe the thrill that Adam Stabler derives from the show. His son, Ben Stabler, who was born and spent his early childhood in our little town of Winston is in charge of the music for the show, which plays to audiences all over the United States. Ben does all of the arranging and the conducting, also plays the trumpet in one scene in the show.

Mr. Stabler spent the week "Holiday on Ice" was in Butte with his son. Mrs. Ben Stabler and three-year-old son, Jamey, were with Ben in Butte, but when the show moved on to Salt Lake City, Mrs. Stabler and Jamey came to Helena and Winston where they stayed with relatives. They frequently dropped in at the Filson home and were over-night guests Friday. Mr. Adam Stabler also spent the night Friday with the Filsons. Ben Stabler is a nephew of Mrs. Dan Filson. Mrs. Stabler is a professional entertainer and was booked for an appearance in Spokane this weekend. She sings and plays the accordion.

"Biggs House is Moved"

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Biggs is now resting on a new foundation and the owners are starting to improve the interior. The large house, formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wieferich and which was originally built in the Canton Valley, was purchased by Mr. Biggs when the Wieferiches were forced to sell because their ranch was to be inundated by the Canyon Ferry Reservoir. It was necessary to move the house immediately and Mr. Biggs had it transported to a field just north of town to remain until he could get his land in

readiness and foundation built.

He selected the lot where the old auditorium stood. There was a big job of clearing the lot after the auditorium was torn down. But now all that hard work is behind him and he is looking forward to renovating and remodeling to make a truly fine piece of property. The house was moved in and placed with the large bay window to the west leaving the front entrance to the south and off the street.

1966

"College Students report for Classes"

Among students reporting at various institutions of higher learning are many from the Townsend area. If we have missed anyone, we apologize and will appreciate a call so that those students may be listed.

Western Montana College, Dillon:
Marcia Lots, Jim Lots, Dan Wooley, Jim Wooley, Chuck Smith, Connie Sprout, Margaret Lau, Harry Buckingham, Steve Valentine, Linda Walker, Jim Nave and Judy Crum

Carol College, Helena:
Dana Stiner, Pat Ragen, Cathy Ouren, Mary Ouren, Mary Ann Hensley

Eastern Montana College, Billings:
Mike Ragen, Trudi Bucy, Steve Wogamon

Rocky Mountain College, Billings:
Rodney Davis and Larry Lundborg

University of Nebraska:
Dick Berberet

University of Minnesota:
Kay Delger

University of Utah Medical School:
Max Iverson

University of Montana, Missoula:
Gloria Fryhling, Bruce Whitehead, Nancy Marks, Ray Thompson, Sharon Rains, Gene Thompson, Keith Williams, Clark Whitehead, Ted Ulmer, Bob Lundborg, Skip Sherwood, Ted Flynn, Jerry Waling, Paula Plymale, Skip Truscott, Bob Thompson

Kinman Business College, Spokane:
Judy Hunsaker, Sharon Adams

Montana State University, Bozeman:
Marie Kirscher, Joel Flynn, Bonnie Bruce, Bonnie Plymale, Mike Valentine, Cinda Holland, Mike Plymale, Duane Arnett, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Quintero, Jane Berberet, Felicity Dagnall, Don Truscott, Bob Flynn

Butte Business College:
John Marks

Northern Montana College, Havre:
Dean Massa, Jex Hunsaker, Tom Williams, Steve Kirksey, Bob Miller

Yesteryear

The Townsend Hotel

When the Northern Pacific Rail Road established Townsend they realized that both the town and the railroad itself need to have a grand hotel. The NPRR offered land for a hotel at \$5.00 per lot provided a \$10,000 hotel (approximately \$290,000 today) would be built in five months. The hotel was built by Tierney and Company (W.E. Tierney, J.R. Marks, and D.J. McCarthy) then leased to Cliff Reynolds of Beaver Creek. The hotel was located where T.K.s Auto Repair is now - across Cedar street from the Opportunity Bank.

In February 1884, about 7 months after the deed was signed the "Reynolds Hotel" was built, furnished and opened. According to "The Trenchant" (a local newspaper) "The new hotel is completed and now running in good shape. Cliff Reynolds, the leasee has nearly all the rooms furnished and the traveling public can find comfortable quarters. The hotel would be a credit to any town considerably much larger".

Cliff Reynolds had originally settled in Beaver Creek (near what is now Winston) and ran the "Halfway House" hotel in Beaver Creek. He bought a ranch near Beaver Creek and tore down the house. While a new house was being built he leased and ran the "Reynolds Hotel". After the new ranch house was built Cliff Reynolds moved back to Beaver Creek.

J.R. Marks became the manager of the hotel and the name was changed to the "Townsend House". The red carpeted halls and rooms were elegant and the dining room was king among eating places. Tempting printed menus featured oysters on the half shell and veal cutlets with country gravy. Whiskey at the bar at 12.5 cents a drink and beer was ten cents a glass.

A wing was built on the east side of the hotel for drummers to set up their displays for merchants, the dealers in liquor sales and photographers to visit. The rows of shoes especially fascinated people in the 1890s.

Those who saw the kitchen remember the big wooden sinks lined with zinc. There were no faucets as all the water was pumped by hand and heated in a large barrel attached to the kitchen ranges by a coil.

Even though there was no electricity for lights or furnaces, the Townsend House was comfortable with a stove in every room and the kerosene lamps were kept filled and shining. In all the years of service there was never a major fire at the Townsend House.

The hotel was host to a number of notable people. Reportedly, guests of the hotel included Montana Governor Potts, Senator T.J. Walsh and "Copper Kings" W.A. Clark and F. Augustus Heinz. William A. Clark was once named the wealthiest individual in the United States by a national magazine.

J.R. Marks had managed the hotel for over 20 years when he died in 1908 of a heart attack in a room of the hotel reserved for his personal use. The hotel continued to operate until the location was sold to Carter Oil Company in 1957. It was torn down and replaced with a gas station owned by Lawrence Poe.

The information for this article came from the Broadwater Bygones (available at the museum) and from Linda Huth's presentation "A Walk Down Mainstreet".

Fall Fest Volunteers Needed Nancy Marks

Volunteers are the backbone of a successful Townsend Fall Fest, approaching September 30 this year. A core group of individuals comes year after year to cook brats, sell beer, clean up garbage, park cars and generally keep things on an even keel. Both Chairman Jeff Langlinais and Vendor Chairperson Laura Obert praised the leaders who work 16-hour days during the festival and also attend meetings to coordinate the year-long planning. "I think the hardest part of being part of the core group is because it is a job for life," Jeff said.

There is very little turnover in the core group. Some of the core group will retire this year. Jerry Rodacker will be handing over organizing the car show. Adam Six takes over more than his share of the necessary jobs. Pat Plantenberg never goes to the festival: he is always parking cars.

The major job is clean up on Sunday night. The core group begins at 5 pm, then starts again on Monday morning to clear Heritage Park. According to Parking guru Plantenberg, 40 and 60 volunteers would cover the work easily. Volunteers do two-hour shifts to sell brats, haul garbage, park cars and set up and take down signs. The work begins at 6:00 a.m. Friday and continues until 10:00 p.m. Sunday or early Monday morning.

Beer booth volunteers are easy to find. In 2021 they sold 78 kegs and 5,000 cans of beer. "We sold more beer than was sold at the Last Chance Stampede last year," Pat said.

Volunteers from the Townsend Fire Department have worked to help park handicapped individuals, give out programs and answer questions. City of Townsend workers pitch in to help close the streets and secure power at the park.

"So many folks either don't sign up until the last minute or just show up and ask what we need done. We appreciate that they do show up. But in that case, it is nerve-racking to not know whether someone will show up to sell brats, or if not, we in the core group must fill in. It's a difficult job," he explained.

The future of Fall Fest is in good hands, Jeff reflected. He is not concerned about whether the event will happen, but whether it can be streamlined so all the work is not on the shoulders of a few people. "We need people from the community to step up, to sign up and to show up to do the work. It's fun and worthwhile if we can work as a team," he said. Both Jeff and Laura strongly encourage volunteers to sign up as soon as possible to help. The signup website is www.townsendfallfest.com. Scroll down to sign up or call (406) 530-5251 for more information.

Fall Fest Volunteers have a wonderful time! Why not join in the fun!!!



Why Leaves Change Color and Fall Alison Kosto, MSU Broadwater Extension Agent

Fall is in the air! And with fall comes many changes, some welcomed and others not, often depending on your thoughts. One more enjoyable change is the changing of the leaves in the fall. However, not all trees change color in the fall. Some seem to simply dry up and fall off. What causes leaves to change color in the fall? For many years, scientists believe that the coloring of fall leaves was caused by waste products that accumulated in the tree throughout the growing season. However, we now know that is not true.

Trees respond to changes in the length of daylight in addition to temperature changes in the fall. At some point, the changes are great enough to signal the tree to stop the food-making process and initiate leaf senescence. As a result, chlorophyll, which makes the leaves green, starts to break down and the green color can often disappear. As the green color disappears, it reveals yellow or orange pigment that is usually hidden by the abundance of chlorophyll throughout the summer. Sometimes a mixture and varying amounts of chlorophyll with produce a less exciting brown color.

Another cause of brown or copper leaves can be an abundance of tannins, often seen in oaks and beech trees. Tannins make the leaf taste bitter and are considered a waste product of certain plant processes. Leaves store them up as a defense mechanism against disease or anything that may feed on the tree. This pigment is present throughout the year but is often hidden until chlorophyll fades.

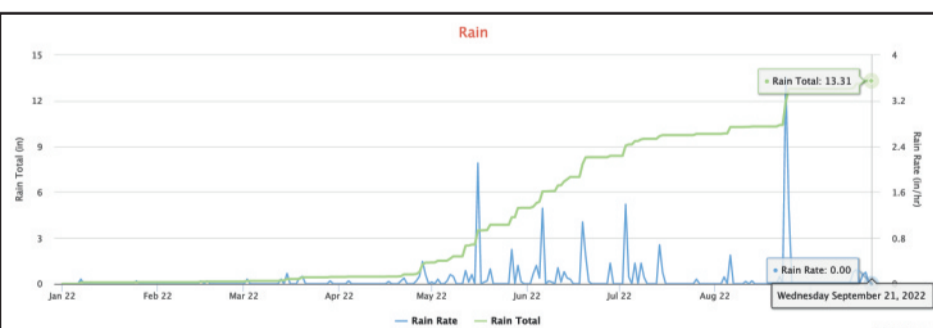
At the same time, chlorophyll stops or slows, and other chemical changes are happening during leaf senescence. These chemical changes produce red anthocyanin pigments. This produces the red and purple fall colors that you often see in maples, dogwoods and sumacs. Temperature, light and water supply also influence the intensity and duration of fall color. An early freezing spell can weaken fall color. A warm gradual fall will often intensify color.

Another process that happens during leaf senescence is the formation of a special layer of cells where the leaf stem is attached to the tree. Once this layer is complete, it severs the flow of materials between the leaf and tree and the leaf is ready to fall. When the leaf falls, the tree seals the location where the leaf was attached to prevent any diseases and insects from entering the tree. Left behind is a leaf scar which can often be visible for a few months to several years after a leaf falls. Even though most trees lose their leaves in the fall, there are a few exceptions, most notably oak trees. The dead brown leaves of oak trees and a few other species may stay on the tree until growth starts again in the spring.

Most evergreen trees do not lose their needles or scales. They remain green year around. However, they may experience seasonal needle drops. This is the process of trees shedding needles that are 2 to 4 or more years old. They start yellowing or browning beginning with the older inner needles and then fall. This is often most visible on pine trees and can cause some alarm. However, it is a natural process.

Trees really are amazing! They can take a lot of work but can also be a lot of fun. Sit back this fall and enjoy the beauty of it all! If you have any questions about tree care, you can reach the MSU Extension Office in Broadwater County at 406-266-9242 or allison.kosto@montana.edu.

WEATHER MAPS



Fri 9/23	Sat 9/24	Sun 9/25	Mon 9/26	Tue 9/27
Mostly Clear	Mostly Clear	Mostly Clear	Mostly Clear	Mostly Clear
69° 47° ◆ 0%	68° 44° ◆ 0%	71° 45° ◆ 0%	74° 46° ◆ 0%	77° 51° ◆ 0%
⇒ 13 27 mph	⇒ 7 21 mph	⇒ 7 13 mph	⇒ 6 13 mph	⇒ 7 16 mph

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SECTION 00100 INVITATION TO BID

Separate sealed bids for construction of the Broadwater County Fairgrounds Restrooms and Wastewater Improvements will be received by Broadwater County at 515 Broadway Street, Townsend, MT 59644 until 5:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, and then publicly opened and read aloud on September 7, 2022, at 10:15 a.m. local time at the regular Commissioners meeting.

The project would include an approximate 815 square foot expansion of the existing 4-H Building on the north side of the building. The addition includes new bathrooms, foyer, concrete foundation and pads, overhead door, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical improvements. The wastewater component of the project consists of installing a new collection system, septic tank, dosing tank, and drainfield.

Digital copies of the Bidding Documents are available at www.greatwesteng.com or www.questcdn.com for a fee of \$20.00. These documents may be downloaded by selecting this project from the "Current Projects Bidding" tab. The contract documents, consisting of half-size Drawings and Project Manual, may be examined or obtained at the office of Great West Engineering, located at 2501 Belt View Drive, Helena, MT 59601, phone 406-449-8627 in accordance with Article 2.1 of Instructions to Bidders. Required fee of \$50 per set, which is not refundable.

In addition, the Drawings and Project Manual may also be examined at the following locations: Butte Builders Exchange, Great Falls Builders Exchange, Bozeman Plan Exchange, Helena Copy Center.

There will be a Pre-Bid Conference at the Broadwater County Fairgrounds 4-H Building at 189 US Hwy 12 E, Townsend, MT at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday August 23, 2022. Interested Contractors are encouraged to attend.

Contractor and any of the Contractor's Subcontractors bidding or doing work on this project will be required to be registered with the Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI). Forms for registration are available from the Department of Labor and Industry, PO Box 8011, 1805 Prospect, Helena MT 59604-8011. Information on registration can be obtained by calling (406) 444-7734. All laborers and mechanics employed by Contractor or Subcontractors in performance of the construction work shall be paid wages at rates as required by Montana Prevailing Wages. The Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Each bid or proposal must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check, or Bid Bond payable to Broadwater County, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid. Successful Bidders shall furnish an approved Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Insurance, as required, shall be provided by the successful Bidder(s) and a certificate(s) of that insurance shall be provided.

This project is funded in part or in whole with grant/loan funding from American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (PUB.L. No. 117-2) allocated to the State of Montana by the U.S. Treasury Department.

Award of the project will be contingent upon receiving funding and award concurrence from Montana Governor Gianforte (HB 632) and DNRC. Bids may only be withdrawn as provided in Section 16.02 of the

Instructions to Bidders after the scheduled time for the public opening of bids.

The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals received, to waive informalities, to postpone the award of the contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days, and to accept the lowest responsive and responsible bid that is in the best interest of the Owner.

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Broadwater County Commission
515 Broadway Street
Townsend, MT 59644

END OF SECTION

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Request for Proposal Notice is hereby given that Broadwater County Commissioners are requesting proposals for the design, supply and construction of a pre-engineered metal building canopy located at the Broadwater County fairgrounds, 189 US Hwy 12E.

Design/install criteria: Meet all current IBC codes for this location:

Pre-Engineered Metal Building Canopy to cover 80' X 100'
25', +/- 6" bay spacing. No X Bracing in bays, must have clear pass through
16', +/- 6" open sidewall height 360 degrees
Low slope roof not to exceed 2.5"/12"
Metal roofing gauge no smaller than 26 ga pre-finished

All steel members to be fully primed ready for paint
All footings and foundations included in the design and construction proposal
Miscellaneous cleanup and disturbed area grading to be included in proposal
No doors required
No insulation required
No utilities to be installed

Ground work and foundation to be completed prior to building arrival. It shall be the responsibility of the successful proposer to obtain all licenses and permits, as required, to complete this project at no additional cost to the County. Completion date no later than July 1, 2023.

Award will be for a single General Contract which includes all work. Broadwater County Commissioners require the selected contractor to provide 100% performance and payment bonds and contractor must provide/meet all insurance requirements specific to Broadwater County requirements to include

builder's risk to include full cost of building replacement. Contractor must carry a minimum of \$1 million in general liability insurance. The Contractor's insurance coverage shall name Broadwater County as additional insured under Commercial General Liability, Automobile, and Excess or Umbrella policies.

Contractor shall comply with all Fair Labor Practices of the State of Montana. The Contractor and his/her subcontractors shall comply with the Montana Contractor's law and shall have a Certificate of Registration from the State of Montana, Department of Labor and Industry, Employment Relations Division.

Contractor must comply with all current "Montana Prevailing Wage" for Building Construction determinations to include providing certified payroll for each labor class anticipated in the completion of the project. All Montana Prevailing Wage Rates are available on the internet at erd.dli.mt.gov/labor-standards or by contacting the department at (406) 444-6543. Full text for rates and compliance can be found on the State of Montana Department of Labor website:

https://erd.dli.mt.gov/_docs/labor-standards/Prevailing-Wage/BC-Final-2022-Amended-Insulation-Worker.pdf, or by contacting the Department of Labor & Industry at (406) 444-6543

Advertisement dates: 8/19/22, 8/26/22, 9/2/22
Proposal due Date: September 6th, 2022 5:00 pm MST
Proposal Open Date: September 7th, 2022 10:15 am MST

This is a turn-key proposal request, all components of the design and install of a complete building package must be included in the proposal. Costs related to the preparation of a response to this solicitation are solely those of the proposer, and the County assumes no responsibility for any such costs incurred by the proposer.

Provide the following; Total Installed Price, Additional cost to provide and install drainage gutters on building, Start Date, Completion Date. Provide information on past experience with three references, proposed building design, and assurances on ability to meet contract terms and schedule. Each proposal must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check, or Bid Bond payable to Broadwater County, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid.

Proposals shall be in a sealed envelope clearly marked 4-H Metal Building Proposal. Submit four (4) bound hardcopies. Proposals shall be signed in ink with the name of the proposer typed below the signature. A proposer may be requested to present further evidence of his, her, or its experience and qualifications and the entity's financial ability to carry out the terms of the contract. Proposals will be evaluated based on the information submitted; therefore, the submitted information should be in sufficient detail to facilitate a comprehensive analysis. The proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. Pricing: 40%
2. Proposer's Past Experience (include 3 references): 20%
3. Proposed building design: 20%
4. Ability to meet contract terms and schedule: 20%

The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals received, to waive informalities, and to accept the proposal that is in the best interest of the Owner.

Proposal address:
Broadwater Co Commissioners
515 Broadway
Townsend MT 59644
(406) 266-9271

ANNOUNCEMENT

The City of Townsend will hold a public hearing on September 9, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. prior to the City Council Meeting.

The purpose of the hearing is to hear comments on the proposed FY23 Budget for the City of Townsend, all persons are encouraged to attend.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

The City of Townsend is now accepting applications and Resume for the position of City Clerk/Treasurer.

This is a Full Time Position which includes Employee Paid Medical, Dental, Vision and Life Insurance, Mandatory Enrollment into the Montana Public Employees Retirement System, Paid Vacation and Sick Leave and availability of Aflac and Nationwide 529 Deferred Compensation Plan.

Applications may be picked up at Townsend City Hall, 110 Broadway, Townsend Montana. Applications should be filled out in your own penmanship. Include a recent printed or typed Resume. Salary for this position is Depending on Experience (DOE)

Submit Application Package in a sealed envelope to Peter Simon, Townsend City Attorney, 303 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644 by 5:00 pm. September 16, 2022, this position may be held open until filled.

JOB DESCRIPTION

PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF POSITION: Under Administrative Direction, performs a variety of complex work; directs department procedures and processes. Work varies considerably within established legal standards and procedures.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

Must possess the ability to meet the public and communicate orally and in writing, hear and speak with clarity, and possess computer knowledge and skills.

Work is primarily performed in an office setting involving prolonged sitting, bending, stooping, lifting 35#s (greater with assistance), and walking.

Must be bondable and certified as a Notary Public; and
Must possess valid Montana Operator's license and

dependable transportation.

MAJOR AREAS OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND PERFORMANCE:

Serves as custodian of official City records and public documents, performs certification and recording for the City as required on legal documents and other records requiring such certification; seals and attests by signature to ordinances, resolutions, contracts, easements, deeds, bonds, or other documents; catalogs and files all city records.

Attends regular and special city council meetings; oversees or performs an accurate recording of the proceedings, preparation of the minutes, recording, indexing, and filing for the public record, and distributes information as requested.

Prepares and advertises meeting agendas, bids, legal notices of public hearings and special meetings, distributes materials, minutes, and records of meetings.

Files ordinances and resolutions of the City Council and oversees the codification of ordinances into the municipal code.

Work performed may include the preparation of Mayor's and Council Members' correspondence and other documents from copy, rough draft, or recording.

Position requires substantial contact with the public and fellow employees in which tact and diplomacy are necessary and often involving confidentiality.

Communicates official plans, policies, and procedures to staff and the public.

Manages and supervises Department operations to achieve goals within available resources; plans and organizes workloads and staff assignments; trains, motivates and evaluates assigned staff; reviews progress and directs changes as needed.

Gathers, interprets, and prepares data for a variety of studies, reports, and related information for decision-making purposes.

Administers the investment program, maintains required investment records, and prepares related reports as required, answers cash management and investment related questions.

Maintains records for bond payments, fiscal agent, and related redemption ledgers.

Prepares Claims for payment and issues warrants for approved claims.

Assures Department responsibilities are performed within budget; performs cost control activities to assure sound City-wide fiscal control by monitoring revenue and expenditures, prepares annual budget requests and assures the effective and efficient use of budgeted funds, personnel, materials, facilities, and time.

Balances bank statements monthly.

Performs other related duties as needed.

SUPERVISION - RESPONSIBILITY FOR WORK OF OTHERS: Responsible for the supervision of Department personnel.

EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

Graduation from high school or its equivalent; PLUS Three (3) years of progressive office experience, records information management, computer skills and accounting experience required (knowledgeable with GAAP, Generally Acceptable Accounting Procedures preferred).

Supervisory skills through course work or actual supervision of employees preferred.

Advanced Excel and Black Mountain Software experience desirable; and

Must possess a valid Montana Operator's license and dependable transportation.

EXAMPLES OF PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND EXPECTATIONS:

Possesses the ability to operate a personal computer including word processing, spread sheet software, central financial computer software, document scanner, 10 key calculators, phone, and copy machines.

Issues municipal licenses, including business, animal, various regulatory licenses in accordance with applicable city ordinances and other regulations.

Attends seminars and workshops related to City Clerk duties and responsibilities.

Responsible for materials and equipment requiring care.

May receive money from other departments and credits the correct account codes.

Prepares accurate and timely reports for State and Federal governments.

Communicates and works effectively with employees, Accountant, and Auditors; and

Performs all other duties as required.

Classifieds

Townsend School District Job Vacancies - September 20, 2022

-Assistant Clerk: Payroll, filing, and other administrative duties. 30-40 hours per week \$14.73-15.58 DOE.

Applicants will preferably have experience and extensive knowledge in multiple computer programs and be skilled in typing and editing. Full job description available at the district admin office.

-Kitchen Aide: Prep cook for fresh fruits and vegetables and assist in serving. \$10.05-\$10.29 with benefits DOE. 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

-Morning Cook: We need to fill this critical position to make warm nutritional meals for our students! \$11.28-\$11.58 with benefits DOE. 6:00a.m.- 2:00p.m.

-Custodian: Join the fabulous crew and help keep our school ingreat shape!

-Paraprofessionals: The Townsend School District needs elementary, middle, and high school paraprofessionals. Duties include instructional para and SPED para work, recess duty, and more.

-Activity bus drivers: Bus drivers with a passenger CDL to drive students to sports and activities this school year.

-Substitute Teachers and Staff

Please sign up for any positions you may be able to help us in this school year.

Toston Bridge Still Closed, Locals Frustrated
Nancy Marks

Toston people are growing impatient over the continued closure of their beloved century-old steel truss bridge across the Missouri River. Meanwhile, Broadwater County commissioners appear in no great hurry to get it reopened.

The first thing the commissioners want to know is who owns the bridge, the county or the state. As commission chair Darrel Folkvord said last week, "It is still unclear who actually owns the bridge. Until our acting county attorney has time to research the records, we cannot take any action toward opening the bridge, or repairing it."

Unless, or until, the old single-lane bridge is reopened, everybody will have to get along with the nearby spanking-new four-lane State Highway 287 bridge. But many local people think the heavy high-speed traffic there makes it dangerous to exit Toston or get back onto the highway.

Folkvord explained at the September 6 county commission meeting that debris from June high water was hanging up on the two concrete support piers, so the county road department contacted the Montana Department of Transportation about the bridge safety. About that time, three months ago, MDT closed the bridge. In a report issued a year ago, dated January 12, 2021, MDT recommended that the county repair river scouring that had taken place under one of the piers. It also called for the county to monitor conditions at the bridge during the high flow months of May and June and remove any debris from the piers. The report also said MDT inspections should be continued on a regular cycle of once every two years. It is unclear whether the report had anything to do with the closure.

Toston rural resident, Hal Plummer, spoke at the commission's September 6 meeting and public hearing about the bridge closure. He pointed out difficulties for people traveling daily to the Toston post office and the garbage dump from the west side of the river and for ranchers traveling back and forth.

"The alternative approach to Highway 287

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(We appreciate the community's patience as we make this big transition.)

from Toston is dangerous to enter when traffic is going 70 miles an hour, and the approach is not marked too well, coming from Townsend," he said.

Toston Bridge was listed on the National Register of Historic Places July 20, 2005, as a good example of the "Warren truss" riveted steel structure, durable and inexpensive to build.

Broadwater County commissioners awarded the construction contract to the Billings-based Security Bridge Company in July 1919. The bridge was completed in 1920, according to the National Register sign installed at the bridge.

The bridge became a close part of the community. Farmers and ranchers moved their haying and heavy equipment across it. Motorists traveling between Helena and Bozeman crossed it until the highway department built an overpass in 1955. The old bridge has been used by local traffic ever since. Little maintenance was done except for the replacement of the wood-plank decking. At some time, asphalt blacktop was applied to mend holes between planks.

In the years after the first overpass was built, Broadwater County commissioners contracted to sell the old bridge to Fergus County for \$17,000, according to Plummer. His father, James Plummer, filed a lawsuit to stop the sale. County Attorney Frank Hooks opposed it, but the injunction was granted by the judge, according to an article in The Townsend Star.

Folkvord speculated that repair of the bridge's deck and piers might qualify for grant money if a grant could be researched. "The state might designate the bridge as a pedestrian crossing," he said. A petition asking Broadwater County Commission to repair and maintain the bridge has been circulating, according to former County Commissioner Franklin Slifka. His ranch operation is one of those impacted by the closure. "Everybody here is in favor of fixing

Comedy Night at Canyon Ferry Brewing
Dee Gannon

Canyon Ferry Brewery is a funny place. At least once a month they have comedians to entertain while patrons enjoy one of the seven or eight beers on tap, brewed right on site. Non-drinkers can enjoy their brewed root beer (even a float).

Kaiser Leib, (formerly of Townsend, now in Helena) has booked about 40 comedy nights in the three years that Canyon Ferry Brewery has been open. Sunday night, September 18, the patrons upstairs got a big bang for their bucks (\$10). Kaiser Leib opened the show with a few observations; paving the way for Garrison Choitz, who provided ten minutes of laughs, warming us up for the headliner, Michael Glatzmaier.

Glatzmaier lives in Spokane, but travels all over. The name of his current tour is "I make stuff up" and he is right. This funny guy had the crowd in stitches just minutes after coming to the mic with his guitar. Four chords and fun, Glatzmaier played off of (and with) the audience. He laughed with the patrons about all of our faults and funnies. It was easy to relax and have fun while he strummed along to his self-deprecating stories. Time flew by too fast; soon it was time for him to step down. Beers were finished and we made it downstairs (glad for that handrail) safely.

Canyon Ferry Brewery's upstairs venue is small, with seating for about 30 if you're friendly. It's the perfect venue for comedy nights, family nights, birthday parties, whatever you're up to doing. Comedy nights are the last Saturday of the month; the next one is Saturday, September 24. Everyone is invited to come in and have a beer and a belly laugh.



Michael Glatzmaier at Canyon Ferry Brewing
photo Dee Gannon



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**Friday, September 30
12:30 - 1:30 pm
Ribbon Cutting at 1 pm
110 N. Oak, Townsend, MT**

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