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RED RIDING HOOD IS A BIG HIT

Amanda Hazlett

Missoula Children's Theater's (MCT) little red truck traveled to Townsend last week and cast 54 local students in kindergarten through high school in their production of Red Riding Hood. Over the river and through the woods to grandmother's house she went! Accompanied by her three best girlfriends, the hunky woodsman, a rambunctious group of raccoons and an adorable wolf gang led by Little Loveable Wolf (who just so happened to be the Big Bad Wolf's little brother). Red Riding Hood's family consisted of Mother Hood, Brother Hood, Sister Hood, Baby Hood and their cousin, Robin, who was visiting from England. They advised Red to stay on their trail, but she and her friends were persuaded to wander from the trail by some mysterious shadows in the woods. When the wolf gang locks grandma in the closet, a locksmith comes to save the day.



Ellie Ragen, Harper Hazlett and Ally Buchanan (Photo Credits- Nancy Marks)



Second from left- Paisley Diehl, Scarlett Augerii, Madison Vogl, Kandace McBride, Harper Hazlett, Lyla Dales, and Jackson Hine (Photo Credits- Nancy Marks)

Townsend's students did a fantastic job filling the roles, and learning the script, songs and choreography for this year's Missoula Children's Theater (MCT) production. An audition was held on Monday after school and there were two shows produced on the following Saturday, giving the cast only 5 days to learn and perform their play.

Bringing MCT to Townsend is a collaborative effort by several groups and individuals who recognize the importance of exposing the children of our community to the arts. Generous financial support was given by the Broadwater Community Theater, Broadwater Educational Foundation and the Broadwater Community Foundation. Lori Morris volunteered her time to be the accompanist for two shows and, as always, did a beautiful job. Thank you to everyone who made this residency week possible in Townsend including the host of the tour actors/directors. We are looking forward to next year's MCT week already!

Enjoy th' Top o' th' Mornin' wi' a harty helpin' o' Truffles!
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LEGISLATIVE RECAP WEEKS 7 THROUGH 9

Julie Dooling, House District 70 Representative

Weeks 7 thru 9 went from a fast pace to a fairly frenzied pace. We were facing a deadline to introduce General Bills on March 24, Friday Legislative Day 40 at the end of Week 8, so the days leading up to Day 40, we received a steady dump of last-minute bills to be introduced. As Committee Chair, we were obligated to schedule each bill assigned to our committee for a hearing. Some of the last few days we heard 8 to 10 bills each day.

In State Administration, the bills received a ½ hour hearing and had a 2-minute time limit for testimony, so that we could accommodate the



hearing and still have time to execute an action, as each bill had to be reported by Tuesday evening, where the bills either passed or were tabled. Week 9, the last full week of committee meetings and floor sessions of the ½ half of the 68th Legislative Session.

We heard nearly 200 bills on the House Floor between Wednesday and Thursday, starting at 8 am and leaving late evening on Wednesday and after 10:30 pm on Thursday. Friday morning we clocked in at 9 am and were done by 10 am with the 70+ bills on the 3rd Reading. We were then ready to start our Transmittal Break.

During the marathon, I kept a list of a few bills I thought might be of interest. Bills that are not likely to make the official leadership list or the front page of the papers, but are good bills, nonetheless.

HB 548 - Revise penalties for criminal trespass while collecting antlers/sheds/horns. I've heard from many people over the years about the increased traffic and trespassing of those searching for shed horns. The trespassers cut

fence, damage the ground/property and disrupt livestock in their quest for sheds. This bill puts a few more penalties and teeth into the current law.

HB 556 - Revise definitions related to daycare facilities and family daycare homes. This bill increases the number of allowable children per adult ratio if the daycare is private and not receiving assistance from the State. If you have children, you know how hard it is to find reliable childcare and this is a statewide issue.

HB 587 - Generally revise school finance laws related to property taxes. This bill is one of the many measures being proposed to assist in the property tax relief push.

HB 770 - Generally revise regulation of electronic and social media communications. The bill is based on a 2021 Texas law, to protect and shield citizens from Censorship by Social Media platforms.

I am spending a couple of days in Norfolk, VA visiting my son, who is in the Navy attending C School. I feel a bit bad leaving my husband behind to deal with the winter weather and the beginning of our calving season. I've enjoyed touring the area, seeing many historic sites, and being fully immersed in a community that supports its Military economy. The weather in Virginia Beach has been sunny and wonderful and it's been rejuvenating to spend some time with Tyler.

Thank you for allowing me to be your Representative.

Julie Dooling

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Planning Board March 14, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Meetings are held at the Flynn Building, 416 Broadway St. Agendas, Documents, Official Meeting Minutes and Videos of the Planning Board (Only the portion of the Working Meeting will NOT be live streamed) are available and at <https://www.broadwatercounty.mt.com>

Official agendas are posted in the Courthouse (1st floor bulletin board) and in the window of the Flynn Building.

Agenda

Working Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

1. Call Working Meeting to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Comment on Items Not Included on Agenda
4. Review & Amend the 2021 Broadwater County Subdivision Application Supplements
5. Review & Finalize Broadwater County Planning Board Bylaws
6. Next Meetings
 - a. Regular & working meeting on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in the Flynn Building.
7. Adjourn

Public comment period will be at the beginning of each meeting. Mail & Items for Discussion and/or signature may occur as time allows during the meeting. Issues and times are subject to change. *Presiding Member: Planning Board President or Jurisdictional Chair person. Presiding member presents the procedures to be used for the hearing and will entertain a motion for approval, conditional approval, or denial. A motion requires a quorum of the Planning Board and/or perspective Jurisdictional Area(s).

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TREES AND UTILITY LINE PLANNING & PLANTING (PART 3)

Patrick Plantenberg, Tree Board Chair

Note: This is the third in a series of articles to help prepare residents for any tree planting or pruning in their yards this coming year.

The Townsend Tree Board is proud to provide this series of articles on tree planting and pruning considerations. A demonstration site on the northwest corner of D Street and South Walnut Street here in Townsend is being used.



Locate service has marked this property indicating there is no Electric (red) or telecommunication lines (orange) in the area.

In last week's article, we learned:

- How to prepare trees for pruning or removal under utility lines safely
- Stay 10' away from powerlines and service lines
- Call NorthWestern Energy Company or Vigilante Electric Cooperative to clear the lines before pruning or removal or call a trained utility line clearance company
- You are responsible for the service line to your home; and
- Negotiate with the power company to get a problematic tree removed and get a voucher for a new tree to be planted in the right place.

Now, your trees are clear of the powerlines so how do you remove the problem trees? Before you do anything please call 811, or do a locate request online, to get all underground utilities located (Picture 1). You all have seen locate services painting the ground with various color paint or using flags to mark underground utilities (Picture 2).

As a quick refresh, the American Public Works Association color code for utility marking is:

- Red: electric power lines, cables, conduit, and lighting cables
- Orange: telecommunication, alarm or signal lines, cables or conduit
- Yellow: natural gas, oil, steam, petroleum or other flammable
- Green: sewers and drain lines
- Blue: potable drinking water (The locate

will not identify underground sprinkler systems!)

To get a utility locate, mark the locations where you plan to dig in white paint or use white flags and get the utility locate done. Once the locate is complete, make a map of your yard for future reference so you know where the utilities are in the future. Once the locate is completed there are a couple of removal options depending on underground utilities in the area:

- Trees can be simply cut off at the stump and the stump can be killed and be left in place
- The stumps can be dug out by hand or with a backhoe
- Stumps can be ground with a stump grinder

There are chemicals available to kill stumps in place. Precautions must be taken not to hurt neighboring trees that may have roots in the area as well as not using chemicals that will poison the soil in the area around the stump.

The stumps to be removed at the demonstration site are all less than eight inches in diameter including poplars, aspens, and a maple. The maple will not resprout as much as the poplars and aspens. We had planned to transplant the maple to a suitable location this spring as it was the only tree planted worth the effort. Over the winter, it was hit by a car sliding on icy roads and it was killed.

All the trees to be removed were planted in areas where no new trees will be planted. The maple stump can be cut at or below ground level with a reciprocating saw and can simply be killed in place with a stump-killing chemical. Same with the poplar stumps. The aspen stumps are more problematic. Sure, they can be killed in place, but many new shoots can be expected to sprout this spring from underground stems throughout the backyard. This will require cutting off the shoots and killing the sprout stumps with chemicals.

Consult with your lawn care service to identify the best solution to control stumps resprouting in your yard.

Digging out a large stump will create a large disturbance in your yard. Grinding stumps typically costs \$10 or more per inch of stump diameter and requires some replacement soil and reseed or sodding to replace your lawn.

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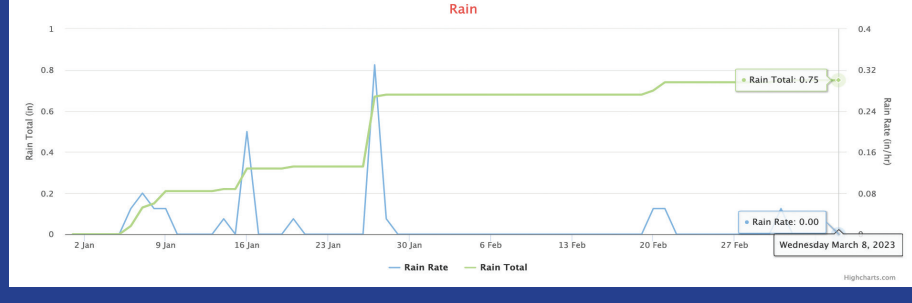
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BROADWATER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MAKES LASTING COMMUNITY IMPACT

Allison Kosto, MSU Broadwater County Extension Agent

Deeply embedded in rural communities are a wealth of local organizations and non-profits. These volunteer-run groups help create a vibrant thriving community. Their work crosses the threshold from youth organizations to community events to humanitarian efforts to delivering vital services and more. According to the Montana Nonprofit Association, Broadwater County is home to 35 registered nonprofits which generated over \$13 million in income in 2021. What an incredible value they bring to our community!

One of these nonprofit organizations that I have had the pleasure of working with is the Broadwater County Development Corporation (BCDC) where I have served on the Board of Directors since 2015. BCDC was established in 1980 and its mission is to attract, retain and expand businesses in Broadwater County and support infrastructure and beautification efforts. The focus of BCDC is economic and community development to create a friendly, small-town atmosphere that attracts businesses.

The past year has proven to be a busy one for BCDC with several large projects. Early in 2022, BCDC started the process of doing a community review. The last community review in Broadwater County was in 2004. Coordinated by the Montana Economic Developers Association and the University of Idaho along with a local planning team, the purpose of the community review was to identify local priority areas and develop action teams to address these needs. Last summer, every household in Broadwater County received a survey as part of the review process, and in October, a series of listening sessions were held. Data from the survey and input from listening sessions were combined to identify top-priority areas. The report from phase 1 is available at <https://www.communityreview.org/assessment/broadwater-county-mt>.

Additionally, BCDC just completed phase 2 of the community review. Three priority areas were selected: Housing & Planning, Emergency, Senior & Social Services and Internet, and Community, Recreation and Teen Center, and action teams were created to work on these areas. The teams met March 8-9 with outside resource people and involved public input to develop action plans.

Even though the community review was a big undertaking, it was not the only project of 2022. In January 2022, BCDC held an annual meeting, the first in many years. Storefront grants are a flagship program of BCDC and any local business in Broadwater County is eligible to apply to upgrade or improve their storefront. Since its inception, BCDC has given away \$40,000 in storefront grants and many thousands of dollars to other community causes. This past year, BCDC provided funds to help the startup of Family Promise in Broadwater County and to Big Sky, Big Leadership in Broadwater County. BCDC also held a local grant writing class for the community last fall, which had 14 participants.

This past year, BCDC has also been actively engaged in creating dialogue around housing and internet service. They hosted a meeting focused on housing and the homeless in March. In November, Tory Richtmyer with Mid-State Consultants was invited to a meeting to discuss issues around communication networks and how BCDC can help increase internet capacity in the county.

Furthermore, BCDC strengthens community communication efforts by providing the www.townsendmt.com website, distributing a quarterly Community Connections Newsletter and maintaining an email listserv for local events, activities and announcements.

The board currently consists of Craig Vietz, co-President, John Hahn, co-President and Treasurer, and directors, Tina Homann, Adam Six, Renee Bauer, Vic Sample, Brian Obert, Laura Obert and Allison Kosto. Additionally, any local business and individuals can become members of BCDC. Contact Craig at 406-241-0042 or John at 406-202-1050, to inquire about membership, the email list or about serving on the Board of Directors. There are currently six openings for board directors.

Even if it's not BCDC, I encourage you to find a community organization that fits your passions. There are many organizations in the community that are looking for volunteers. A list of community organizations is available on www.townsendmt.com. You CAN make a difference!



COMMISSIONERS PROACTIVE ABOUT INTERNET FUNDING FOR BROADWATER COUNTY

Broadwater County Commissioners

To help the residents of Broadwater County obtain both improved service and faster internet speeds, the Broadwater County Commission is considering the creation of a temporary advisory board for broadband internet. The board will address FCC (Federal Communications Commission) deadlines to appeal for broadband funding, advise the commission of grant and funding opportunities through various entities, and assist the commission in pursuing comprehensive broadband service throughout the county.

Broadwater County is massively underserved in both connectivity and internet speed. NACO (The National Association of Counties) says, "The lack of reliable internet is a major economic barrier and issue of socioeconomic equality." Additionally, NACO highlights the increasing gap in school and economic opportunities and development due to poor service and connectivity, causing rural communities to fall behind urban counterparts.

Due to imprecise FCC requirements and poor connectivity data collection, internet service providers (ISP) can report both where they are providing service and where they "speculate they could provide maximum service," according to the NACO report Understanding the True State of Connectivity in America. This means ISPs can include in reporting areas where they could offer service, even if no one is currently connected. This leads to exaggerated reporting and misrepresentation of service in places like Broadwater County. The result is inaccurate information and improper classification in these markets by the FCC and therefore a lack of funding to encourage ISPs to provide and improve service here.

With new FCC deadlines rapidly approaching, public participation in the FCC map challenge is crucial to Broadwater County's receipt of funding which will greatly impact service availability in our county. The temporary broadband board will play a key role in public engagement as well as help the commissioners research and attain funding from additional sources.

If approved, the 5-member advisory board will be chosen at the March 15 commission meeting. Public involvement is encouraged and anyone interested in a board position or wanting more information, please contact Commissioner Lindsey Richtmyer at lrlichtmyer@co.broadwater.mt.us or 406-266-9271.

THREE FORKS AREA AMBULANCE SERVICE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Barbara Mutter, BOD Acting Crew Chief

YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU!

Are you an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) or would you like to become one? Could you drive an ambulance to help community residents when they are suffering and need help? We need YOU to volunteer with the Three Forks Area Ambulance Service (TFAAS) on a schedule that works around your other obligations.

The problem: TFAAS serves an area of about 500 square miles - the City of Three Forks, Willow Creek Rural Fire District and Three Forks Rural Fire Districts. When a resident or visitor calls 911 desperately needing help, their fastest help is local. But if TFAAS is understaffed, the only help is from a private ambulance company that must drive here from Bozeman causing injured and panicked citizens to have to wait sometimes up to an hour.

Unlike Fire Departments, our Ambulance Service does not receive funding from property taxes. TFAAS is a nonprofit and is only funded when folks use its services. With more volunteers we could respond to more calls; funding would come to TFAAS instead of to the private ambulance service and our two ambulances could be fully staffed. Everyone, including your own family, would be safer and more confident that help would arrive fast when they need it most!

In addition to knowing you are making a difference in our area, TFAAS pays for your EMT license renewals, continuing education and CPR training. If you are seeking to become an EMT, we offer scholarship opportunities. Volunteers for TFAA also receive small monetary incentives.

With our growing population, the need for a local volunteer ambulance service is also increasing. TFAAS is a part of our community and provides standby service for local rodeos and other events.

We still need you even if you live outside of the Three Forks area! We currently have MSU medical students, and people who live in Whitehall and other surrounding areas that are volunteering their time on set schedules based on their availability. You do not need to live in Three Forks to help.

YOU can help strengthen and improve TFAAS. You can make our community safer and help folks in their time of need.

Please contact Barbara Mutter at TFAAS by emailing 3fkamb@gmail.com or by calling 406-209-3417 for more information as soon as possible.

Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas



Color Tech Note: Please color the chameleon green going in and purple coming out of the changing room.



St. Patty's Day

Friday March 17th

Fun for all ages starts at 6pm!

JOHNNY AND THE WINGNUTS

are playing and singing at

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SCAMMERS USING AMAZON PRIME SCAM

Victor Sample

This article was originally published by the US Sun:

Charlotte Edwards, Assistant Technology and Science Editor

The US Sun

An email scam has been revealed that affects users of all email services, including Gmail and Outlook.

The email may look convincing, but it is fake - and could see your bank account emptied if you fall for it.

Scammers have been caught using a shortened LinkedIn URLs trick, also known as Slinks (smart links).

The Slinks trick users into thinking they're going to a legitimate website when they're actually going to a fraudulent site.

A Slink can be legitimate when used correctly.

They create a clean LinkedIn URL that sends people who click on it to another site and are popular for senders who want to avoid messy-looking URLs.

LinkedIn provides this feature to certain customers.

Malware Bytes revealed that this Slinks trick is being used as part of an Amazon Prime membership scam to make malicious links look convincing.

If you search "Amazon" in your email account you may spot the scam popup.

Scammers make the email appear to have been sent from Prime

The subject states: "New Membership Statement: Renewal Prime Membership statement was ended - Your renewal scheduled on February 21, 2023."

It claims that there's been a problem with your card and that your Amazon membership benefits are now on hold.

It then threatens readers that they must take action within the next 24 hours.

Scammers often add time pressure into phishing emails so victims act without thinking.

The scam email then asks recipients to update their payment information.

This is where the "Slinks" come in so they can make links in the email look convincing.

If you hover over the URL link that you're being directed to it will appear just like a short standard link but it will mention LinkedIn.

Some people may think this is odd but, experts fear that a lot of people won't notice.

The link will then take victims to a fake Amazon page that's convincing enough to steal bank information once it's entered.



Townsend Area Community Calendar

Friday, March 10

- Alcoholics Anonymous @ Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - 12 p.m.
- Come One, Come All Fish Fry @ Holly Cross Parish Townsend - 5 p.m.
- Townsend Pinochle Club @ Broadwater County Senior Center - 1 p.m.

Monday, March 13

- Celebrate Recovery @ Mountain Valley Church Building - 6 p.m.
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Tuesday, March 14

- Missouri Valley Marketing Meeting @ The Mint - 8:30 a.m.
- Rotary Club Meeting @ The Mint - 6:30 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous @ Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - 5:30 p.m.
- Soup & Bingo @ Townsend American Legion - 6 p.m.
- Planning Board Meeting @ Flynn Building - 10 a.m.

Wednesday, March 15

- Broadwater County Commission Meeting @ Flynn Building - 10 a.m.
- Broadwater County Airport Board Meeting - 7 p.m.
- Townsend Pinochle Club @ Broadwater County Senior Center - 1 p.m.

Thursday, March 16

- Broadwater County Local Emergency Planning Committee @ Flynn Building - 1 p.m.
- Broadwater Education Foundation Trivia Night @ Townsend Fairgrounds - 5:30 p.m.
- AI-Anon @ Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - 7 p.m.

Friday, March 17

- St. Patrick's Day
- Alcoholics Anonymous @ Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - 12 p.m.
- Townsend Pinochle Club @ Broadwater County Senior Center - 1 p.m.

Contact eliza@mt43news.com to have your event listed.

THE BETSY SOFT OPEN

On Saturday, Feb 26, The Betsy had what they called a "soft opening". Pool balls were being racked, the Sports bar was open and a food truck was on hand.

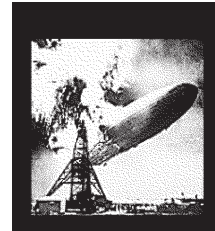
The manager, and co-owner of the building, Chase Ragen, says the investors plan to open on Friday and Saturday in the near future and the food truck will also be a part of the openings when available. A purchase of a meal from the food truck will get you a ticket for a free draft beer or well-drink in The Betsy.

The investor group plans to develop a strong family atmosphere in the new Betsy. Chase speaks fondly of the former Toke Pizza, Creamery, Jaspers, and Woods Family Grill establishments and their menu and atmosphere. "These places were a staple of my youth and I wish our kids in the town, along with the adults, will have a place, such as these, to attend after the ball games."

A goal of the group is to attract a restaurant operator willing to open the kitchen part of the facility. One pool table and some large-screen TVs are already installed and he expects pinball machines in place by this weekend's opening.

There will be a focus on making The Betsy a fun place for the whole family.

The group wants The Betsy to be a destination, where Townsend residents will want to hold their parties, meetings and family outings.



Moments in time

• On **March 24, 1882**, German scientist Robert Koch discovered the bacterium responsible for tuberculosis. Regarded today as the "father of modern bacteriology," Koch was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine in 1905.

• On **March 20, 1922**, Hubert Work gave an order that all American homes need to be equipped with an item that the majority of us undoubtedly take for granted today: a mailbox. Work was the country's U.S. Postmaster General, and failure to comply with the order carried a penalty of giving up one's mail delivery.

• On **March 21, 1928**, President Calvin Coolidge presented Charles Lindbergh with the Congressional Medal of Honor for "displaying heroic courage and skill as a navigator, at the risk of his life, by his nonstop flight in his airplane, the Spirit of St. Louis, from New York City to Paris, France, 20-21 May 1927, by which Capt. Lindbergh not only achieved the greatest individual triumph of any American citizen but demonstrated that travel across the ocean by aircraft was possible."

• On **March 23, 1973**, Yoko Ono was granted permanent residence in the United States. However, the good news did not extend to her husband, former Beatle John Lennon. He was issued a 60-day notice to leave the country.

• On **March 22, 1978**, Karl Wallenda, founder of the Flying Wallendas, fell from a tightrope 10 stories to his death during a promotional appearance for the Pan American Circus. The 73-year-old acrobat was crossing between the two towers of the Condado Plaza Hotel in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

• On **March 25, 1995**, Howard G. (Ward) Cunningham, an American computer programmer and pioneer in both design patterns and extreme programming, introduced the wiki, or "user-editable website." Today, Wikipedia is the world's most well-known and widely used wiki.

• On **March 26, 2019**, former First Lady Michelle Obama's memoir, "Becoming," surpassed 10 million copies in sales just four months after its publication. It had already become America's best-selling book in 2018 after a mere 15 days.

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1. **Ant-Man and the Wasp: Quantumania** (PG-13) Paul Rudd, Evangeline Lilly
2. **Cocaine Bear** (R) Keri Russell, Alden Ehrenreich
3. **Jesus Revolution** (PG-13) Kelsey Grammer, Kimberly Williams-Paisley
4. **Avatar: The Way of Water** (PG-13) Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana
5. **Puss in Boots: The Last Wish** (PG) Antonio Banderas, Salma Hayek
6. **Magic Mike's Last Dance** (R) Salma Hayek, Channing Tatum
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8. **Knock at the Cabin** (R) Dave Bautista, Jonathan Groff
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Americanisms



"Luck is a dividend of sweat.
The more you sweat, the luckier you get."
— Ray Kroc

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TOWNSEND SCHOOLS STRATEGIC PLANNING

Susie Hedalen, Townsend Schools Superintendent

Strategic Planning Meeting Agenda Monday, March 20, 2023; 6:00 PM – Community Room 210 North Pine Street, Townsend, MT 59644

Community Scheduling Model Listening Session

Over the last several weeks, three teams of various stakeholders, including Teachers, Staff, Administration, Board members, and Community members, have been researching the potential impact different scheduling models may have on our school, if implemented.

All community members and other stakeholders are welcome to attend. The focus of the meeting is to discuss various scheduling and instructional options that will help Townsend Schools meet the success criteria outlined within the four goal areas we've defined and developed within our strategic plan process.

Scheduling Models to be Discussed: Proficiency-Based Instruction, Block Scheduling, 4-Day School Week, Online or Blended Learning and more.

Strategic Planning Goal Areas:

Goal 1: Quality Education, Goal 2: Community Partnerships, Goal 3: Favorable Learning Environments, Goal 4: Staff Teamwork and Excellence

Susie Hedalen Townsend School District Superintendent 406.441.3454



Sponsor of Townsend School Page

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA (FFA) UPDATE

Mikayla Kraft, School Correspondent



FFA Members as Servers during ag appreciation dinner

A large thank you to every member in Broadwater County for participating, in some shape or form, in the Silent Auction and the Ag Appreciation dinner. February was a great success for the Broadwater FFA chapter and March is going to hold our largest competition of the year, the State FFA Convention. Preparation is high on the list for Broadwater FFA and we are excited to represent our county at the state level.

The Ag Appreciation Dinner was held on February 25th. We have not had our full-scale silent auction since before the rise of Covid-19 and this year we burst out of the gate to, yet again, co-host with the Broadwater Conservation District to provide an event fully focused on celebrating agriculture and how it impacts our lives. Gayle Watson prepared an astonishingly delicious dish of prime rib for those who attended. There was an Ag Economist that we were honored to have participated in. He gave a great speech about inflation and the effect this has on farmers. The Lieutenant Governor spoke about an advocate we have in the Montana Legislature and Steve Daines sent us a video to address the importance of agriculture. Overall, there were around 250 people who attended and we held our best silent auction to date. The money gained from the silent auction enables students to travel and invest in additional learning about agriculture and life skills. We couldn't advocate our skills and agriculture without this help. Thank you Broadwater County for providing us with unwavering support each year.

The Ag Appreciation Dinner was the big finale of National FFA Week. Many students in the high school participated in the activities we provided and their love for agriculture was accentuated. It was amazing to see how many people came together for a simple game or competition to celebrate the hold agriculture has on all of our lives.

As the month of March kicks off, we have students in creed speaking, star green hand, floriculture, livestock evaluation, meat evaluation, veterinary science, and agricultural sales. This is the most competition that Broadwater FFA has qualified for at one time and we are thrilled to be competing at the state level in so many competitions. Preparation is in full motion and the state competition is coming up quickly! The State Level Career Development Event (CDE) and Leadership Development Event (LDE) competitions will be held in Great Falls from the 21st-25th. We are so grateful for everyone who donated to the silent auction and/or bought an item. Your donation will prove to be exceedingly beneficial to each and every FFA member putting their skills to the test and we are extremely grateful for it!

The largest seasons events have come to pass, however, more are still to come! Stay in tune to keep in touch and know what is going on. Thank you all for your continuous support!

BROADWATER COMMUNITY THEATER SCHOLARSHIPS

Nancy Marks

Broadwater Community Theater scholarship winner and friends speak at Open House



Urijah Duede and Zach Mathew (Photo Credit- Nancy Marks)

Urijah Duede, winner of the 2022 Grand Street Theatre scholarship to a summer camp, spoke on Saturday to a small group about his experiences attending the camp and how much fun he had. He has encouraged his friend, Zach Mathew, to apply for this year's scholarship. The Townsend Elementary seventh graders were both enthusiastic about being in this year's children's play coming up this summer. The coming play is sponsored by Broadwater Community Theater (BCT) Board.

The Open House program also featured a history of the Ryland KM Foote Memorial Trust. Formed in 1996, the nonprofit has given workshops and granted scholarships in art, theater, music and foreign language for Broadwater County students ages Kindergarten through 8th grade. It also sponsored the Starlite School Talent Show throughout the years. In 2018, the Broadwater Community Theater was organized which has produced several plays and workshops. It is underwritten by the nonprofit. Members of the BCT board are LaRinda Spencer, Tina Homann, Carla Amundson, Pat Plantenberg, Jim Domino and Nancy Marks. Birdi Kribs has recently joined the board as has Anne Hall.

Pat Plantenberg spoke of the upcoming schedule of performances which will include a performance by Rocky Mountain Movement, a dance troupe taught by Lenna Parr and Ashley Franz. Other events in the mix may include a dance band event and the Christmas Dinner Theater.

The public is invited to become a member of the theater or join as a sponsor. The sponsorship campaign will remain open until April 1.

For more information, please contact Membership Chairman Birdi Kribs at her store, the Bird's Nest, or call 406-266-1335.

Upcoming School Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					3	4
5	6 ◆ SPRING SPORTS PARENT MEETING - 6 P.M. ◆ OLD BALDY PROGRAMS - 5:30/6 P.M.	7 ◆ OLD BALDY PROGRAMS - 7 P.M. ◆ BOOSTER CLUB MEETING - 7 P.M.	8 ◆ OLD BALDY PROGRAMS - 5:30 / 7 P.M. ◆ OLD BALDY PICKLEBALL - 7 P.M. ◆ M.S. SCIENCE FAIR	9	10	11
12	13 ◆ OLD BALDY PROGRAMS - 6 P.M.	14 ◆ JH ACADEMIC OLYMPICS ◆ SCHOOL BOARD MEETING - 6 P.M. ◆ OLD BALDY PROGRAMS - 7 P.M.	15 ◆ HS ACADEMIC OLYMPICS ◆ OLD BALDY PICKLEBALL - 7 P.M. ◆ OLD BALDY PROGRAMS - 5:30 / 7 P.M.	16 ◆ STATE FCCLA @ BOZEMAN	17 ◆ STATE FCCLA @ BOZEMAN ◆ SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR	18 ◆ SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

INSIDE INSPIRATION

Forgiveness

Ellie West, Certified NLP Coach/Practitioner Of Hypnosis and Timeline Therapy

Why is it sometimes so hard to say, “I’m sorry, please forgive me, or I forgive you”? Perhaps it has something to do with false pride, self-worth, insecurities, or deep pain. Self-worth is often based on possessions and titles, and false pride is based on comparing ourselves to others. Insecure people are fragile and do their best to protect themselves from hurt. Deep pain holds you in a place of despair.

This topic is challenging to write about because I have often struggled with forgiveness. I ask myself how to forgive those who have offended and hurt me. I know I need to forgive to bring healing to areas in my life that will free me to soar higher and be authentically me. Living in hurt cripples us and keeps us from being honest with ourselves. We may harbor resentment and even hatred if we hold on to unforgiveness.

Our minds remember everything we experience, but we can only remember those memories with a vital emotional component. When a significant event occurs, we can recall the event, where we were, and even the day and hour. For example, if I ask how many of you remember where you were during 911, most of you will be able to remember every detail of that event.

We also have the capacity to remember weddings, the birth of a child, graduations, and promotions because they are so positive. But unlike other events that create a more negative emotion, like a death of a loved one, divorce, accidents, loss of a job, or emotional, physical, or sexual abuse, we remember because of the strong emotional attachment. Our emotions can be triggered by a word, action, or even a tiny event.

The act that hurt or offended you might always be with you. But working on forgiveness can ease the act’s grip on you. It may help free you from the control of the person who hurt you.

Choosing to forgive someone that has hurt you, lied to you, or made broken promises to you is a choice we make every day. Sometimes our wounds are so deep that it takes time, and we may have to forgive repeatedly. It is a process that can be painful, and some days, it can be hard to get through your day...but that doesn’t make it any easier.

I was listening to a podcast the other day, and what struck me was the comment this person made. She said, “There are times when we think we have forgiven, but we have just disconnected”. Ooh, that one spoke to me loud and clear. I had to play that again and hear the words disconnected. Do we think we have forgiven but disconnected ourselves from the person who hurt us?

Is disconnecting from another person easier than offering or receiving forgiveness?

You could be in a relationship where you have been deeply wounded, and you play the scenario over and over in your mind, and you know you need to forgive but can’t forget. At this intersection, you may disconnect from the person physically and emotionally. But true healing cannot come from disconnecting. Your healing comes from forgiveness. Offering forgiveness to the other person not only frees you but also frees the other person.

When we offer forgiveness to someone we may have offended or hurt, it brings a feeling of compassion and empathy toward the person and an even better understanding of the act.

Would you like to be forgiven if you have made a mistake? I know I would. I have waited too long to forgive some people in my life who have hurt me, and there are a couple I need to forgive who are no longer living.

Forgiveness brings a type of peace that allows you to take care of yourself and helps you take action to become you authentically. Forgiveness doesn’t mean excusing or forgetting the pain you have experienced. And it certainly doesn’t mean making up with the person who hurt you.

When we forgive, we have better relationships, improved health, less stress and anxiety, fewer negative thoughts, and fewer symptoms of depression. If you hold on to grudges, and unforgiveness, you will bring anger and bitterness into other relationships, your home environment, and your workplace.

We can’t force someone to forgive as we all move on our timelines. Forgiveness is a process, but we can still choose and commit to treating others with respect, compassion, kindness, and empathy. I am still processing the act of forgiveness.

“When a deep injury is done to us, we never heal until we forgive” ~Nelson Mandela

To connect with Ellie FB/IG @coachelliewest

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 318 Broadway St (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 Carol Bergstad, (406) 461-2181.

Seventh Day Adventist Church, 200 N. Cedar St. Townsend. Services: Saturday, 9:30 a.m., Bible study, 10:30 a.m. 431-2810 or (406) 241-0042

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 Ross Johnson, Council President, for more information, at (406) 465-3791.

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 Mele Moea, 266-3390 Townsend-UMC.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. 7th–12th grade youth group, Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 p.m. meeting at 407 S. Cherry St., Townsend. Pastor Mark Roelofs.

SENIOR CENTER

SENIOR CENTER MENU MARCH 13 - MARCH 17

Gravy
Golden Corn
Garden Salad
Whole Grain Bread
Plump Peaches

Monday, March 13

Beef Stroganoff
Egg Noodles
German Vegetables
Carrot Raisin Salad
Mixed Fruit

Thursday, March 16

Chicken and Rice
Casserole
Green Peas
Purple Beets
Mandarin Oranges

Tuesday, March 14

BBQ Pork Ribs
Corn Bread
Baked Beans
Crisp Coleslaw
Applesauce

Friday, March 17

Corned Beef & Cabbage
Lucky Potatoes
Carrot Coins
Blarney Stone Rolls
Green Peas Dessert

Wednesday, March 15

Carol’s Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes with

Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

- Believe it or not, cows can be potty trained — and, it is said, with less trouble than toddlers. It’s called MooLoo training, and involves not a toilet, but a special pen with artificial grass. But why bother? The practice helps the environment by reducing air and water pollution and even planet warming.

- The J.W. Westcott II is a boat that delivers mail to ships at sea. Operating out of Detroit, it’s the only floating ZIP code in America.

- In 1931, German engineer Richter Raketennrad built a bike with 12 rockets mounted to its back wheel and reached a speed of 90 kph before his invention exploded and threw him off. While that was, sadly, the end of the rocket bike, Raketennrad himself suffered only a few scrapes.

- Kintsugi is the Japanese art of putting broken pottery pieces back together with gold.

- For over a year in the mid-2000s, members of the group Untergunther broke into the French Pantheon to repair a clock that had been broken for four decades. They later received court time for the effort but were somewhat vindicated when member Jean-Baptiste Viot, a clock restorer, was hired to repair it in 2018 after further neglect.

- Researchers have found that approximately 97% of people are keeping a secret at any given time, with the average person keeping around 13.

- In 2008, a former high school star athlete escaped a crime scene by using Craigslist to hire a dozen identically dressed (and unwitting) civilians to stand at the exact place and time of the arrival of the armored car that he planned to rob.

Thought for the Day: “Challenges are gifts that force us to search for a new center of gravity. Don’t fight them. Just find a new way to stand.” — *Oprah Winfrey*

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TINY 11

Victor Sample

If you are a Windows user you will have to upgrade to Windows 11 (or a future version of Windows) at some time. Software always continues to advance with new features (some needed, some not clearly needed). Over time, older software becomes incompatible. Users of Microsoft's Internet Explorer were finding websites that wouldn't allow the user access because they used features not supported in Internet Explorer. I was using an old version of Windows Vista and found myself unable to use software and unable to upgrade software because I let everything get out of date.

However, Windows 11 has some strict requirements (your PC must have a TPM 2.0 chip (Trusted Platform Module) and you must use the "Secure Boot" process to start your PC. Newer PCs (those bought in the last 5 years or so) have the TPM chip and use "Secure Boot". But many of the older PCs cannot run Windows 11.

Well, an alternative to Windows 11 has been announced called "Tiny 11". Tiny 11 is a version of Windows 11 developed by NetDev. This alternative operating system is NOT from Microsoft but was created from an early version of Windows 11. The developer stripped out a lot of the Windows bloat, stripped out a lot of security implementations and removed the requirements for the TPM chip and for the "Secure Boot". Tiny 11 also requires less disk space and requires less memory.

For users of Windows 10 (or earlier versions) who don't want to be left behind but have PCs that won't support Windows 11, Tiny 11 might be an interesting alternative.

Tiny 11 is NOT a pirated version of Windows. In order to install Tiny 11 you must have a valid, licensed version of Windows. Tiny 11 has many of the useful accessories that have been available in Windows for years - Notepad, Calculator and Paint.

The developer of Tiny 11 says "everything you need for a comfortable computing experience without the bloat and clutter of a standard Windows installation."

However, some standard Windows 11 programs - like Microsoft's Edge browser - are not included.

What are the downsides to Tiny 11? Well, there are quite a few.

- The installation is an ISO install which is different than a standard Windows installation and not everyone will know how to do an ISO install.
- There is no indication that the developer is doing anything malicious; but, you would be installing unknown software. It's at least possible it will contain spyware, adware or malware.
- Tiny 11 is a stripped-down version of Windows 11 and probably will run any valid Windows programs - but there is a chance that some software that supports Windows 11 will not run on Tiny 11
- Microsoft will be providing fixes to problems and new features to Windows 11. It is not clear how many updates containing fixes and new features will be coming for Tiny 11.
- Security: Tiny 11 stripped out many of the security implementations in Windows 11 (for instance, the ones that have hardware requirements). You may or may not think of Windows as being secure; Tiny 11 will be even less secure.
- Since it is a stripped-down version of Windows 11 and does require a valid Windows license, you probably could switch back to the Microsoft version of Windows 10; but, that is not absolutely clear and you might have to do a "clean install"; i.e., lose all data and programs on the pc.

In summary, Tiny 11 is an interesting alternative to Windows 11 - especially for Windows users that are prohibited from upgrading to Windows 11 due to hardware requirements. I own three older laptops that cannot upgrade to Windows 11. I will probably try putting Tiny 11 on one of them. I will keep you updated when I actually install Tiny 11 on one of the older laptops.

CORRECTION: AG APPRECIATION DINNER

In the MT43 News article regarding the Ag Appreciation Dinner (Volume 1, Issue 34) we mistakenly referred to the Conservation District Chairman as Dillon Diehl rather than correctly identifying him as Dallas Diehl.

We sincerely apologize for the error.

Three Forks Community Calendar

- **Friday, March 10**
 - State Basketball @ Great Falls
- **Saturday, March 11**
 - State Basketball @ Great Falls
- **Tuesday, March 14**
 - Three Forks City Council Meeting - 6 p.m.
 - Mahjongg @ Three Forks Community Library - 1 p.m.
 - Dungeons & Dragons Club @ Three Forks Community Library - 4 p.m.
- **Wednesday, March 15**
 - Library Board of Trustees Meeting - 6:15 p.m.
- **Thursday, March 16**
 - Story Time @ Three Forks Community Library - 10 a.m.
- **Friday, March 17**
 - Saint Patrick's Day Celebrations
- **Saturday, March 18**
 - Run to the Pub Half Marathon @ Bozeman Main Street - 9:30 a.m.
 - Run to the Pub 10K @ Bozeman Main Street - 9:45 a.m.

Contact eliza@mt43news.com to have your event listed.

Broadwater County Weed Board

515 Broadway, Townsend

Meeting Agenda

Wednesday March 8th 6 pm

Meetings are held at the Flynn Building

416 Broadway

Agendas, Documents, Official Meeting Minutes and Live and recorded Videos of Weed Board meetings are available at <https://www.broadwatercountymt.com>. Broadwater County is no longer using YouTube to live stream meetings. Official agendas are posted at Broadwater County Courthouse 1st floor and in the window of the Flynn Building.

1. Call to order
2. Public Comment (of non-agenda items)
3. Approval of August minutes
4. Budget Report
5. Ongoing Business
 - a. Commission Update
 - b. Grants and Mou's
 - c. Spray Update
 - d. Vehicle and Equipment Update
 - e. Subdivision Management plans
 - i. Rolling Glen Ranches Estates Discussion and Decision
6. New Business
 - a. Cost Share Discussion
 - b. County Grant Areas Discussion
7. Weed Board Round Table
8. Next Meeting
 - a. April 12th 7pm
9. Adjournment
10. Announcements

LETTERS TO THE & EDITOR



AF Suicide Prevention Walk

Dear Editor,

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Tri-County Out of Darkness Walk will take place on Saturday, April 29th at the East Helena High School; at noon that day a resources fair, activities and check-in will begin. Following check-in, there will be opening ceremonies and the walk at 1:30 pm.

Trinity Wilson, with Broadwater High School Student Council as a whole, and I, Melinda Holom Broadwater Peer Recovery Coach, will be walking to draw attention to the importance of suicide prevention.

We invite other students and community members from Broadwater County to join us in this important cause. Let's do our part to help BREAK THE STIGMA.

Last year alone, over 550 campus walks took place all across the U.S. Our movement is GROWING.

Like many, we walk because suicide has affected us personally. We each have lost a loved one or friend to suicide. We walk to help us heal and also help BREAK THE STIGMA. It's okay to talk about this, about suicide.

Since then, we have dedicated our time to educating others about suicide prevention and mental health. Our goal is to spread awareness of what is currently the 10th leading cause of death; with Montana being in the top 5. We want others to know they are not alone.

Please help us to ensure that mental health is looked upon in equal importance as physical health, and continue to bring hope to those affected by suicide.

Please consider joining us on this walk. Get a team to register online at: afsp.org/Tri-County. There is no cost to walk but, participants are encouraged to help raise funds and awareness so that programs about suicide prevention can continue.

Sincerely,

Broadwater High School Student Council Members



MARCH 3, 2023

Dee Gannon, MT43 News Correspondent

The criminal docket in Judge Michael Menahan's courtroom on Friday, March 3 is as follows:

Celia Kolar had an Initial Appearance and Arraignment; pleading Not Guilty to felony criminal endangerment and misdemeanor DUI. The Omnibus is due on April 14; Pre-Trial is set for May 12; with the Jury Trial scheduled for June 6.

Ronald Krusemark had an Initial Appearance and Arraignment; pleading Not Guilty to felony criminal endangerment, felony theft, felony criminal mischief, felony attempted to escape, misdemeanor assault, and misdemeanor criminal mischief. The Omnibus is due on April 28; Pre-Trial is set for July 28; with the Jury Trial scheduled for August 28.

Justice Of The Peace Report - March 10

Kelsi Anderson, Justice Court Clerk

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FORFEITURES
MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FAILURE TO WEAR SEAT BELTS

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MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FINES
Jamie Schlenker - Bozeman - Driving while privilege to do so is suspended or revoked, pleaded guilty, \$185.00 fines and fees.

Shannon Taylor - Great Falls - Driving without a valid driver's license, pleaded guilty, \$135.00 fines and fees; operating without liability insurance in effect-2nd offense, pleaded guilty, \$375.00 fines and fees, license plates and vehicle registration to the vehicle operated at the time of the offense are suspended until proof of compliance provided to MVD.

Hunter McFerrin - East Helena - fail to carry proof or exhibit/insurance in vehicle - owner or operator - 3rd or subsequent offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to ten days in jail, with all suspended for a period of six months, \$535.00 fines and fees, license plates and vehicle registration to the vehicle operated at the time of the offense are suspended until proof of compliance provided to MVD.

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

BROADWATER COUNTY FINES
Kathleen Brandis - Bozeman - restricted speeding, pleaded guilty, deferred imposition of sentence for a period of one year, enroll and complete Driving school, \$70.00 fine.

Zeth Wallace - Townsend - Disorderly Conduct, pleaded guilty, \$185.00 fines and fees.

BROADWATER COUNTY FORFEITURES
COUNTY CRIMINAL
DEPT. OF LIVESTOCK
MOTOR CARRIER SERVICES
INITIAL APPEARANCE FOR DISTRICT COURT
INITIAL APPEARANCE - OTHER JURISDICTION 6th

top ten

Most Independent U.S. States 2022

1. Utah
2. Colorado
3. Massachusetts
4. Virginia
5. Nebraska
6. Florida
7. Idaho
8. Wisconsin
9. Washington
10. Delaware

Source: WalletHub

BROADWATER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MARCH 3

Eliza McLaughlin, MT43 News Correspondent

Twelve storage buildings proposed at Silos

The Broadwater County Commissioners hosted a discussion on two applications proposing the construction of twelve storage buildings on Silos Road during their March 3 meeting.

The proposed storage facilities were submitted in two separate applications: the Lakeview Mini-Storage Building for Lease or Rent and Silos #6 Lot 71 Storage Units.

The storage facilities are not associated with each other and have separate owners.

The Lakeview Mini-Storage Building for Lease or Rent proposal includes 139 units on a 3.7-acre lot. The six buildings will vary in size from 5,400 to 8,280 square feet.

Commissioner Darrell Folkvord raised concerns that the lot could produce extra water run-off that would impact surrounding homes. Nichole Brown, Broadwater County Community Development and Planning Director, pointed out that the application included run-off mitigation plans such as drainage ditches.

Commission Chair Debi Randolph also questioned whether the storage facility would feature a locked gate and how emergency responders would access the site in case of fire or medical emergencies. The application, according to Brown, does not include a locked gate; however, she planned to seek information from the applicant.

Silos #6 Lot 71 Storage Units — later to be known as Kingdom Storage — will have 176 storage units, if approved by commissioners.

Buildings at this facility will range in size from 6,400 to 7,299 square feet. There will also be an outdoor parking area on site.

Applicant and landowner for Kingdom Storage, Jeremy Scott, told commissioners that this facility would feature a locked gate; however, a “knox box” — an electronic keypad — would allow emergency responders to use a designated code to access the storage units.

With the potential addition of 315 storage units on Silos Road, both Folkvord and Randolph expressed unease about the need for additional road maintenance. The new units, using an assumed number of trips per user according to Folkvord, would add approximately 492 trips down Silos Road per month. This equates to 5,904 trips a year.

Randolph added that Silos Road already receives significant use during the summer months.

Both storage unit applications will be reconsidered at the commissioners’ March 15 meeting.

Further delays for the Minor Subdivision

The County Commissioners also considered the application for Quiet Lot 8 Subsequent Minor Subdivision and were informed that two lots would share a drive as access to their properties.

During a discussion on the application, Deputy County Attorney Jania Hatfield advised the commissioners to ensure the landowners received an easement agreement for the use of a shared driveway — which is permitted. Hatfield added that this could be added to the conditions of the application and approved at the meeting; however, she also pointed out that the county needed to review the “new information” statute and determine whether it applied to this case.

If the information was found to be “new”, the application would need to go through another round of public hearings.

Bernadette Swenson of Schaubert Surveying commented that she and the applicant only included this information as a way to “alleviate” the commissioners’ previous concerns regarding shared driveway maintenance, adding that they didn’t see it as new information.

Brown told commissioners that due to scheduling, public hearings for the application wouldn’t take place until later towards the end of April.

“I hate to slow this down,” Randolph said, going on to explain that easements are an important detail to have ironed out.

Folkvord motioned to return the application to the planning board, which Commissioner Lindsey Richtmyer seconded. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote.

Broadwater County’s internet — not broad enough

Broadwater County Commissioners approved the formation of a committee to research the development of broadband internet in the county, during their March 3 meeting.

“This will definitely be a working committee,” Randolph said. “This will not be ‘sit around and complain about how bad our internet is’ because we could all do that. We really need some people to do research, dig in, we just haven’t had the time.”

Those interested in serving on the committee should submit letters of interest to the commissioners. Terms are expected to be two years long, according to Hatfield, and the committee will follow all of the county’s meeting laws.

Justice of the Peace Report - March 3, 2023

Kelsi Anderson, Justice Court Clerk

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FORFEITURES			
Kristi Craven	Helena	day speed	\$20.00
Tyler Martin	Belgrade	day speed	\$20.00
Cole Young	Bozeman	day speed	\$20.00
Sierra Wardlow	Bozeman	interstate day speed	\$40.00
Carley Thompson	Great Falls	day speed	\$20.00
Roy Steiner	Helena	day speed	\$20.00
Joshua Schultz	Great Falls	expired registration	\$85.00
Collin Stone	Three Forks	day speed	\$20.00
James Nutt	Rockland, Me	day speed	\$20.00
Jose Moreno	Belgrade	day speed	\$20.00
Layton Lockwood	Great Falls	night speed	\$20.00
Sean Kirby	Billings	day speed	\$20.00
Max Jensen	Helena	day speed	\$70.00
Donald Jones	Manhattan	day speed	\$20.00
Ross Izard	Castle Rock, Co	day speed	\$70.00
Charla Hook	Great Falls	day speed	\$20.00
Marisa Graybill	Helena	day speed	\$20.00
Duran Caferro	Helena	day speed	\$70.00
Sally Carlton	Great Falls	day speed	\$20.00
Logan Bouma	Bozeman	day speed	\$20.00
Ashley Bryson	Helena	day speed	\$20.00

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FAILURE TO WEAR SEAT BELTS

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MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FINES
Joshua Plymale -Townsend - unlawful possession of marijuana, products, or paraphernalia in a motor vehicle on the highway, pleaded guilty, \$100.00 fine; Operate vehicle with THC concentration of 5ng/ml or greater-1st offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail with all suspended, on conditions, \$685.00 fines and fees, enroll and complete ACT program.

Raymond Knuppel 3rd – Belgrade – operating a non-commercial vehicle with an alcohol concentration of 0.08% BAC or greater - 2nd offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to one year in jail with all but five days suspended, on conditions, \$1285.00 fines and fees, enroll and complete ACT program followed by monthly monitoring for one year.

James Hegar – Three Forks – Driving under the influence of alcohol and or drugs-1st offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail with all suspended, on conditions, \$685.00 fines and fees, enroll and complete ACT program.

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

BROADWATER COUNTY FINES
Jonathan Shepherd – Townsend – Partner or family member assault, causing bodily injury to the partner or family member, pleaded guilty, sentenced to one year in jail with all but one day suspended, on conditions, \$1085.00 fines and fees, enroll and complete Batterer’s Education program.
Jesse Gruel – Helena – Driving without a valid driver’s license, pleaded guilty, \$135.00 fines and fees.

BROADWATER COUNTY FORFEITURES			
Jennifer Burgett	Bozeman	day speed	\$20.00
Lauren Schaefer	Lewistown	restricted speed	\$55.00
Christian Meny	Helena	night speed	\$20.00
Debra Mummert	Helena	night speed	\$20.00
Darrel Labonte	Three Forks	night speed	\$20.00
Brody Hodson	Clinton, Mo	night speed	\$20.00
David hedges-Hiller	Three Forks	night speed	\$70.00
Andrea Green	Billings	night speed	\$20.00
Grace Fischer	Helena	night speed	\$20.00
James Foscue	Great Falls	night speed	\$20.00
Brice Bishop	Bozeman	night speed	\$20.00
Cody Blanton	Helena	day speed	\$20.00
Christina Van Sprang	East Helena	night speed	\$20.00
Jason Newmack	Great Falls	night speed	\$20.00

COUNTY CRIMINAL DEPT. OF LIVESTOCK MOTOR CARRIER SERVICES INITIAL APPEARANCE FOR DISTRICT COURT INITIAL APPEARANCE - OTHER JURISDICTION

KAY INGALLS

FINALLY HAVING A RETIREMENT PARTY

Samara Lynde

Kay Ingalls is finally having a retirement party at the library this Thursday at 6:00 pm.

Please join us if you can.

-Samara



1. Name the group that released “Sugar Baby Love.”
2. What is the song “Abraham, Martin and John” about?
3. Which singer-songwriter released “If You Could Read My Mind”?
4. Which Simon & Garfunkel song figured heavily in the film “The Graduate”?
5. Name the song that contains these lyrics: “Totally unprepared are you to face a world of men, Timid and shy and scared are you of things beyond your ken.”

Answers

1. The Rubettes, in 1974. Over the years, the members have been involved in various legal disputes over the ownership of the group’s name. It wasn’t resolved until 2022.
2. The song, recorded by Dion in 1968, is about the assassinations of Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr., John F. Kennedy and Robert F. Kennedy.
3. Gordon Lightfoot, in 1970. Lightfoot sued the songwriter of “The Greatest Love of All” for lifting 24 bars of the melody. He canceled the suit (because he’s a nice guy), but ended up with a public apology.
4. “Mrs. Robinson,” in 1967. It was originally titled “Mrs. Roosevelt.”
5. “Sixteen Going on Seventeen,” from “The Sound of Music.” The musical (1959) and film (1965) of the same name tell the story of the von Trapp family fleeing the Nazis in Austria.



1. FOOD & DRINK: Which U.S. city is known for its square pizzas with crunchy corners?
2. TELEVISION: Which character became a fugitive in the final season of “The Office”?
3. GEOGRAPHY: Which of the Great Lakes lies entirely within the United States?
4. LITERATURE: Which famous novelist wrote his last book in crayon due to poor eyesight?
5. GAMES: What are the two most valuable letters in Scrabble?
6. MOVIES: Which movie series features a character named Ellen Ripley?
7. LANGUAGE: What is a “schwa”?
8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which nation is credited for being the top beer-drinking country in the world?
9. ANATOMY: What is a common name for the axilla?
10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What do you call an ant’s home?

Answers

1. Detroit.
2. Creed Bratton.
3. Lake Michigan.
4. James Joyce.
5. Q and Z (10 points each).
6. “Alien.”
7. Unstressed vowel represented by an upside-down “e.”
8. Czech Republic.
9. Armpit.
10. A nest or formicary.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

BY LINDA HUTH

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“WHAT HAPPENED THIS WEEK IN HISTORY”

Submitted by Linda Huth; Sponsored by: The Broadwater County Historical Society and The “Cotter Foundation”

March 9

1939

“Eddie D’Arcy Gets Basketball Honors for Past Season”

Yesterday afternoon the lettermen of the past basketball season at Broadwater high school met for the purpose of choosing an honorary captain for the year. This honor fell to Eddie D’Arcy, senior. Eddie has been the sparkplug of the team all year, being an expert floorman and passer as well as a high scorer.

Those who won monograms for this year on the court are: Captain Eddie D’Arcy and Bill Ridgeway, seniors; Bill Weed, Willis Smith, Bob Moudree, Bud Clark and Howard Shearer, juniors; and Fred Plymale, sophomore. Maurice Guffey, Ross Bigler and Jerry Williams were awarded a manager’s letter for their fine work in this department.

At the beginning of the basketball season the coach offered a prize to the player who made the most assists. By this is meant passing the ball to a teammate, who was thus able to score. In addition to winning the captaincy, Eddie D’Arcy likewise won this coveted prize. A sterling silver basketball trophy is to be awarded Captain D’Arcy for winning this honor.

In making a resume for the past season for the Bulldogs, it suffices to say that they were an “in and out” team. They won nine games and lost 12, most of their losses being by close scores. At times the green, inexperienced team showed real flashes of championship basketball, but they were not consistent. Broadwater scored 563 points to their opponents’ 578, or an average of 26.8 pints per game as against 27.5 for their opponents. This clearly shows that the Bulldogs were constant threats to their opponents. It is likewise pleasing

to note that six of the eight lettermen have one or two more years of competition, which should assure Broadwater a good team next year.

Besides the returning lettermen, Broadwater will have the following promising material for 1939-40: Junior McLane, Ben Sautter, Bill Duede, Jerry Williams, Dennis Gray, Maurice Guffey and Jack O’Hearn Freshmen; George Gabisch, Kenneth Shearer, Bill Franklin, Walter Riley. Bob Houck, Sophomores; and Robbie Mongrain, Junior.

1950

“Townsend Shorts”

Mickey Anders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anders, who was eight years old March 1, was honor guest at a birthday surprise party given at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Anders. Games were enjoyed and refreshments were served from the table centered with a merry-go-round birthday cake with eight lighted candles surrounded by circus favors and place cards. Guests were Vicky Borg, Wayne Shearer, David and Judy Olsen, Allan Lundborg, Eddie and Richard Etwiler.

Mrs. Chas. Mahoney and daughter, Charlene, spent Saturday in Helena visiting Mrs. Mahoney’s daughter Mr. and Mrs. Charles West and family and attending a birthday party for Kerry Sue West.

1961

“Winston News”

Pat Fischer of Townsend was a house guest for the weekend of Judy Hogen.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Davies left Thursday for a visit in San Diego with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Parsons. Allan and his grandmother, Mrs. Fred Davies, are holding down the ranch while they are gone.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Baum and Dannie and Mr. and Mrs. Ned George spent Saturday with the Filsons.

Mrs. Doris Stipe and small son of Moise are visiting her mother Mrs. Lulu Hagbom.

Joe Clark’s nephew, Albert Clark, is giving Joe a hand with the ranch work these days.

1967

“Crow Creek News”

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bieber and family of Columbia Falls were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bieber and family.

David Williams, Grandie Hunsaker and Brad Dundas enjoyed camping Friday and Saturday at Moose Creek. They went with Scouts from Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Lewis were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Lewis and Doris.

Miss Sharon Kolberg enjoyed visiting her new nephew and her sister, Mrs. Duane Anderson, in Bozeman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dundas, Terrie, Patricia and Robbie visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dundas and family and Mrs. Patty Conkright and Jim in Three Forks.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Webb and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Valentine.

1978

“Fashion Fiesta is Saturday”

A special viewing treat is in store for all; the Fashion Fiesta is coming this Saturday at the Holy Cross Youth Center. A traditional Vera Cruz regional wedding costume, which won second place at the annual Costume Ball of the Fashion Designer Institute of Los Angeles, will be modeled here by Marilyn Buckley. Made by Bertha Rivers, the snowy white skirt features a ruffled taffeta underskirt with chiffon overskirt, accented with approximately 75 yards of white lace. A mantilla-type shawl and brocade and lace black apron embroidered with roses complete the costume. Roses worn in the hair and fastening the shawl, and a black lace fan are the only accessories.

Modeling will be Sharon Lienemann, Sue Toney, Joyce Lane, Judy Slifka, Jane Damuth, Betty Dinsdale, Linda Rhyneer, Jeanne Kieckbusch, Debbie Obert, Helen Obert, Vicki Welch, Barbara Shaffer, Linda Campbell, Susan Hooks, Grace Berberet, Denise Moudree, Dawn Doane, Grant Obert, Keith Kirscher, Jim Holland, Jan Nelson, Denise Marks, Joanne Slifka, Debbie Buckley, Rhonda Levengood, Colleen and Kati DeVaney, Ellen McGonigal, Melony Robbing, Jerry Olsen.

Buffet salad luncheon will begin promptly at 1 p.m., with the show commencing shortly thereafter.

YESTERYEAR



in the 1970s). They moved to Townsend and built a large two-story home that was recently demolished to create the new Billings Clinic parking lot to the north of the Clinic.

MINORITIES IN TOWNSEND

Victor Sample

Before gold was discovered at Grass Hopper Creek (Bannack), Montana was largely populated by the indigenous Native American tribes. The Flathead, Shoshone, Blackfoot and Crow Indians were all known to live and hunt in what is now Broadwater County.

By the time Townsend was founded, the area was predominantly white and has remained that way. However, there were minorities in early Townsend – mostly African American and Chinese.

Among the very first men to “set foot” on the area, staked out to become Townsend, was Everett Smith a blacksmith. He built a log structure on the corner of Broadway and N. Oak (where the Ambulance building was located). Everett did not stay long and was seen pulling his anvil and blacksmithing tools on a sled heading towards White Sulphur Springs.

The Christian and Richardson families were also early residents of Townsend. The Richardson family lived in a small shack along the alley behind the Townsend Mercantile (where J Rock jewelry and Helping Hands for Kids are now). They had 2 children--Lulu and Horace. Lulu married George Christian who was very well respected in the Canton area. They lived in a small house on the old Canton Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Weedon lived at the old Duck Creek ranger station and planted a fine orchard there (author’s note: my family used to pick apples at the orchard up Duck Creek

It is very hard for me to write about Nigger Scott. The term is extremely offensive, but history cannot be changed by whitewashing it. Nigger Scott was another African American who was well regarded in Townsend and was trusted and hired by many in Townsend.

John Ogelsby owned a ranch on lower Deep Creek and was known to be an excellent cook. He ran a restaurant called the City Restaurant. The City Restaurant was in a small building attached to the McCormick Stables (about where the City Hall is now located).



Slave girl, Laura Sidney, spent almost all of her life in Townsend.
Mrs. Laura Sidney

Mrs. Laura Sidney was a well known woman in Townsend. Mrs. Sidney was a former slave that came to Bedford in the early 1870’s and

lived in Townsend most of her life. She died in 1940 at the age of 90.

Of course, there was a small community of Chinese immigrants that ran laundries and had fine gardens that helped feed the residents of Townsend. Many also remember the opium dens of the Chinese community.

Jim Lee had a two-apartment building where he ran a laundry and did all of the Townsend House’s laundry work, as well as a variety of individuals. Lee had often had other Chinamen that showed up out of nowhere and departing unnoticed. One of Lee’s apartments also functioned as an opium den.

Luck Lee and Ming Toy lived and worked in a building located somewhere behind the Commercial Hotel along the Pierce ditch. They were familiar figures in Townsend and it was a novelty to visit their laundries and watch them work using wooden tubs.

A gardener named Seeco and two other Chinamen lived in a very rough shack located in Ragen’s field (roughly behind the house at 4th street and Harrison. He was a familiar sight in the 1890’s carrying a rattan basket on his shoulder and selling vegetables throughout town. It seems he was not well liked by the Chinese community; in 1907 the Townsend Star had a small squib when he died stating “The county cared for him – his Chinamen friends wouldn’t have anything to do with him after he got sick.”

Two Chinese immigrants got into a quarrel and Sam Wah killed Lee Lou. On July 7, 1886 the Townsend Tranchant had an article that said “Sam Wah shot and killed Lee Lou. Sam slipped out of town but was overtaken up Deep Creek by Deputy Sheriff F. McCormick. A coroner’s jury decided the murder was justified and let him go.”

All of the information for this article came from the “Broadwater Bygones”, available at the Broadwater County Museum, and from Linda Huth’s presentation “A Walkdown Mainstreet”. Visit the Museum and talk with curator Linda Huth to learn more about the minorities in Townsend and Broadwater County.

Community Bulletin



Come One Come All



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starting at 5p and
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515 Broadway, Townsend
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Current and previously recorded meetings, official agenda, and minutes may be viewed on the website at <https://www.broadwatercountymt.com>.

Per Montana Code Annotated (MCA) 2-3-202, agenda must include an item allowing public comment on any public matter that is not on the agenda of the meeting and that is within the jurisdiction of the agency conducting the meeting. Public comments and items not on the agenda will be taken either in writing in advance of the meeting or in person at the beginning of the meeting. Mail and items for discussion and/or signature may occur as time allows during the meeting. Issues and times are subject to change. Working meetings will be posted on the agenda and will not be recorded.

OFFICIAL agendas are posted in the Courthouse (1st floor bulletin board), on our website at www.broadwatercountymt.com, in the window of the Flynn Building at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting, and in the Helena Independent Record (IR).

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

- 10:00 AM Discussion, Nichole Brown, Community Development & Planning Director, Broadwater County Community Review Action Team Conference Update
- 10:05 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community & Development Director, Louis Centa - Request to amend covenants for Lake Vista Lot 2 Subsequent Minor Subdivision
- 10:10 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development & Planning Director, Broadwater County Recreation Plan
- 10:20 AM Discussion/Decision, Jania Hatfield, Deputy County Attorney, Regarding Settlement Agreement in Broadwater County v. Peters et al.
- 10:25 AM Discussion/Decision, Nick Rauser, Broadwater County Sheriff, Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement between the County of Broadwater and the USDA, Forest Service Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest
- 10:35 AM Discussion/Decision, Jessica Erickson, awarding contractor bid for Fairgrounds (Graymont Grant)
- 10:40 AM Discussion/Decision, Lindsey Richtmyer, Broadwater County Commissioner, Broadband Board members selected.

Items for Discussion / Action / Review / Signature - Consent Agenda

- ✓ Certificate of Survey review
- ✓ Management - on-going advisory board appointments
- ✓ Claims/Payroll/minutes
- ✓ County Audit / Budget
- ✓ Mail - ongoing grants
- ✓ Correspondence - support letters

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Future Meetings being held at the Flynn Building (416 Broadway)

- City/County Rec Board Meeting on March 20th at 6:00pm
- Trust Board Meeting on March 21st at 11:30 am
- LEPC Meeting on March 23rd at 1:00pm
- Fair Board Meeting on March 23 at 7:00pm

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| ACROSS | 1 Imperfection | 7 1970 Simon & Garfunkel hit | 14 "— Lot" (Stephen King novel) | 20 Geronimo's tribe | 21 Scenting compound | 22 Push forward | 23 Footballer from a major Kansas city? | 25 Dwell (in) | 26 Corp. VIPs | 27 Pimples | 28 "The — of the Ancient Mariner" | 30 Fashion designer Tahari | 31 Actor Brynner | 32 Strong urge | 33 Footballer ejected from a nightclub? | 36 She helped Theseus | 39 Imparted fizz to | 41 Critical | 42 Not on a footballer's right? | 44 For the most part | 46 Aristocrat's home | 47 Formerly | 48 Liberal — | 50 Mai — (rum drinks) | 52 Salvador the surrealist | 54 Hard hitter, biblically | 60 Ship shelters | 64 Footballer with a rod and reel? | 67 PC-sent greeting | 68 Hearing things | 70 Fast shark | 71 Bamboozles | 72 Footballer working as a sound technician? | 75 Matching pullover and cardigan | 77 Old Chrysler | 78 Think meditatively | 79 "Uh, pardon me..." | 80 Like Goodwill goods | 82 Apple variety | 85 Humiliated | 90 Expand, as a house | 95 Footballer on a plane trip? | 97 Thin pancake | 98 Envious composer in "Amadeus" | 101 Iterate | 102 Visit a footballer? | 104 Labor | 106 Young fellow | 107 Flush (with) | 108 Sony Bravia or Sharp Aquos | 109 Pool hall item | 110 Piece of office furniture | 112 Plaything for Fido or Fluffy | 114 Declaration when a footballer arrives? | 119 Angry speech | 120 One casting a ballot | 121 Urge on | 122 Makes a sly verbal attack | 123 Ecstasy | 124 Feds, e.g. | 7 Common infant illness | 8 Girl played by Lily Tomlin | 9 Bamboozles | 10 Anger | 11 Quick escape | 12 Stuck going nowhere | 13 When typical workdays start | 14 Self-indulgent binge | 15 Have existence | 16 Experience a huge failure | 17 Remove hair from, as one's legs | 18 Like doctors' practices | 19 In an aerodynamic way | 24 Early Mexican | 29 '80s Golden Arches burger | 31 Bulldogs' school | 32 Scared (of) | 33 Kennel club classifications | 34 Rowing need | 35 TiVo device | 37 — minimum | 38 Connect-the-points puzzle | 40 Abbr. limiting a list | 43 Canon — Rebel | 45 Exec. helper | 48 Make — out of (rebut) | 49 Skating place | 51 "It's finally clear" | 53 Whoof cry | 55 Relatives of xylophones | 56 Clickable screen image | 57 Some ring wins, for short | 58 Sommer of "A Shot in the Dark" | 59 Take it easy | 60 A helmet protects it | 61 Take — from (do as suggested by) | 62 Units of absorbed energy | 63 Vigor, in music scores | 64 "Oedipus complex" coiner | 65 Egyptian goddess of fertility | 66 Black-clad teen, maybe | 69 High point | 73 Blowout win | 74 Enshrouded | 76 Mink's cousin | 79 "Mein Gott!" | 81 "Such a pity!" | 83 Erstwhile space station | 84 Troublemaker | 86 Rear, at sea | 87 Marine animal's pelt | 88 Title girl of old comics | 89 Like green or purple hair | 90 Doesn't reject | 91 Embedded, as a nail | 92 "Taking Woodstock" star — Martin | 93 Source of flowing water | 94 Tennis divider | 95 Shark feature | 96 Tot's wheels | 99 Pollen bearer | 100 Lowest parking garage tier, perhaps | 103 "Absolutely!" | 105 Earthy hue, to a Brit | 109 Post-Q string | 110 Fender flaw | 111 Latin "Lo!" | 113 Lyrical verse | 115 Sales staffer | 116 Outer: Prefix | 117 Rio carmaker | 118 Hi — image |
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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All Fun & Games

Super Crossword

Answers

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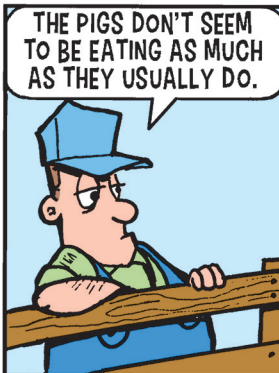
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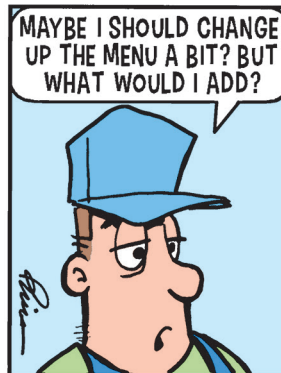
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Amber Waves

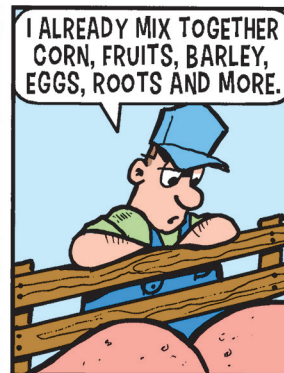
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THE PIGS DON'T SEEM
TO BE EATING AS MUCH
AS THEY USUALLY DO.



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UP THE MENU A BIT? BUT
WHAT WOULD I ADD?



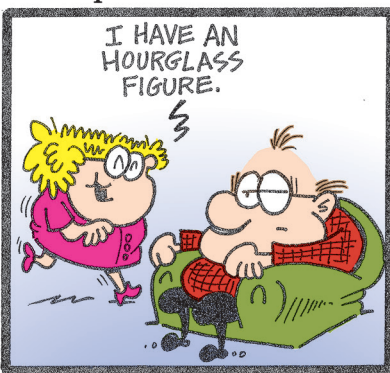
I ALREADY MIX TOGETHER
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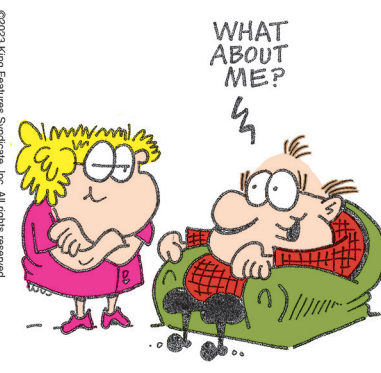
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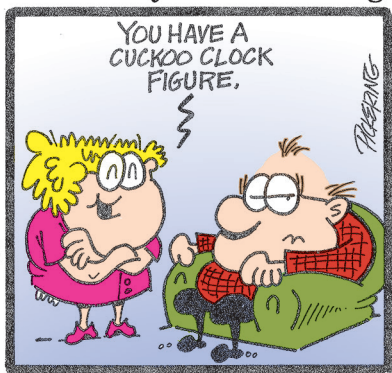
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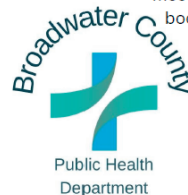
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Townsend Rotary and Broadwater County Public Health Dept is getting ready for the annual Bike rodeo! There will be a meeting on March 24th, 2023 at 5:30pm at the Flynn Building (416 Broadway, Townsend, MT. 59644). Anyone and everyone is welcome! Of course, we are looking for as many volunteers as possible and sponsors! We also are looking for donations to help get bikes for children, as drawings. At this meeting we will discuss more about the time, location, date, booths/events. Please call the Health Dept at (406)-266-5209 with any questions or concerns. Thank you!



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YOUR BOOTS ON THE HILL - HALF-TIME REPORT

Rachel Cone and Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation

This week over 200 bills were heard on Monday and Tuesday before the Chambers headed to the floor to wrap up before today's transmittal deadline. From week one of the session to today, we've worked on 52 bills and here are where some of the major bills stand at the transmittal break:

For many Sessions in a row, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF) has reported on our opposition to several "placarding" bills. Promoted as "Country of Origin Labeling" bills, the legislation would force retailers to post signs indicating where the beef and pork on their shelves were "born, raised, and processed." It is important to note that many grocery stores, meat shops and other retailers currently market Montana-grown beef on their shelves, often at a premium which is something MFBF supports and has advocated for. HB 350 Generally revise country of origin labeling sponsored by Frank Smith (D) HD 31 would require retail establishments to "make an effort" to determine where beef and pork were born, raised and processed. Since MFBF supports enhancing profitability and marketing options for our farmer and rancher members, and because COOL cannot be implemented by a state, we opposed the bill, it was tabled in the House Agriculture Committee on February 2nd.

Those who attended the AFBF Convention witnessed history being made when American Farm Bureau Federation President Zippy Duvall signed a historic Right to Repair Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) with John Deere. The MOU commits both parties to at least a semi-annual review, holding both sides accountable and agreements with other original equipment manufacturers (OEM) are in the works. Even with this positive movement, two Right to Repair bills were introduced this Session, HB 475 Generally revise laws related to agricultural equipment repair sponsored by Tom France (D) HD 94 and SB 347 Revise right to repair laws relating to



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agriculture sponsored by Willis Curdy (D) SD 49. MFBF opposed both bills, because our members favor a private market agreement to get us to our goals and the requirements made in these bills go beyond what our members are demanding. Both bills were tabled by their respective agriculture committees on February 28th before the transmittal deadline.

This Session, MFBF has supported two bills regarding the management of grizzly bears, SB 85 Requires the management of delisted grizzly bears at sustainable levels sponsored by Mike Lang (R) SD 17 and SB 295 Revising laws to accommodate grizzly bear delisting sponsored by Bruce Gillespie (R) SD 9. SB 85, updates Montana law to reflect the proactive way Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks is currently managing the species to the extent they are allowed management, given federal oversight. SB 295 amends state law to illustrate the way Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks will manage the species after delisting. Both bills passed the Senate and have been transmitted to the House. Also, in early February the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service accepted Montana's petition to delist the grizzly bear population and will now bring a comprehensive status review of the grizzly bear. In combination with the two Senate bills, Montana is truly one or two steps closer to grizzly bear delisting.

A consistent topic for MFBF this session is water. MFBF participated in the Montana Comprehensive Water Review took place between the 2021

Legislative Session and the 2023 Legislative Session. Through this process two bills, HB 114: Revise timelines for water right permit and change process sponsored by Sue Vinton (R) HD 56 and SB 72: Revise judicial administration of water rights sponsored by Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10 were created and both were supported by MFBF. HB 114 provides more timely and efficient water right permit and change application processes adding sideboards that ensure water users can get through their change or permit in a more streamlined manner. SB 72 creates a one-stop shop to administer water now that final decrees are being issued and protects local knowledge and control by relying on four water division judges who specialize in water law. Both HB 114 and SB 72 have passed their respective chambers and have been transmitted to the other. A recent water bill, HB 642 Revise exempt wells laws sponsored by Casey Knudsen (R) HD 33, was brought and MFBF opposed this bill on the grounds that it gets rid of the "combined appropriation" language and would put Senior Water rights at risk. The combined appropriation guidelines ensure that exempt wells are not able to be "stacked" or consolidated at a level to impact other water users. This bill was heard in the House Natural Resources Committee and was amended to include a fee so it will be eligible for a later transmittal date. MFBF has put together an action alert and we encourage all members to write to House Natural Resources Committee members and the entire House and urge a no vote on HB 642.

MFU Applauds USDA Announcement on Product of USA Labeling

Alice Miller, MFU Press Relations Specialist

A new proposed rule that will close loopholes that allow meat from imported animals to be labeled as "Product of the USA" met with applause from National Farmers Union (NFU) members and leaders Monday.

Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack for the first time announced the proposed rule during NFU's 121st Anniversary Convention, to a standing ovation from convention attendees.

"Once again President Biden has demonstrated the leadership and the strength to stand up for the family farmer and force the cooperate monopolies to play fairly and honestly by properly labeling our beef and pork so that consumers will now have confidence in knowing meat with the 'Product of USA' label will be a product that was born, raised and processed in the USA," Montana Farmers Union President Walter Schweitzer said.

"I appreciate Secretary Vilsack speaking to our delegation and sharing his ideas on reforming our farm policy," Schweitzer said.

"American consumers expect that when they buy a meat product at the grocery store, the claims they see on the label mean what they say," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack in a news release. "These proposed changes are intended to provide consumers with accurate information to make informed purchasing decisions. Our action today affirms USDA's commitment to ensuring accurate and truthful product labeling."

"For too long, American family farmers and ranchers have been competing in a market where imported products were fraudulently labeled as a product of the United States. Thank you, Secretary Vilsack and the USDA, for bringing more fairness to farmers and ranchers across the country," NFU President Rob Larew said.

As part of NFU's Fairness for Farmers campaign, the grassroots organization is aggressively advocating for truth in labeling. Previous definitions and implementation of the voluntary label were misleading and ran counter to consumer demand for clear and accurate country of origin information.

Both Larew and Schweitzer said it is a welcome development in the fight for truth in labeling and a solid step toward mandatory country-of-origin labeling, which will make the market more competitive for family ranchers.

"I really do think that Farmers Union's Fairness for Farmers advocacy is having an impact and this is a beginning – it's not the end. We really need to have mandatory country of origin labeling," Schweitzer said.

"American consumers need to know where their beef comes from to protect their families," he added.



March Kindness Campaign

Lisa Higgins, Broadwater Blooms

Broadwater Blooms March Kindness Campaign is a month-long campaign that spreads kindness by inspiring the public to send flowers to create joy and happiness in someone's life, especially those who may need to be uplifted. We offer \$15 bouquets with four spring blooms and free delivery inside city limits.

Kindness is contagious! Over the past 3 years, there have been many surprised faces, many uplifts from flower power, and many pay it forwards. Bouquets come to recipients as a complete surprise because there is no special occasion. Sometimes they are anonymous, which drives people crazy; but we will not tell who it is from even if you beg us. :) Friends try to guess and do a pay-it-forward and it might not even be to the person that sent it. It can get quite hilarious. There are some very sneaky people out there.

Broadwater Blooms began this campaign in March of 2020. This was just before Covid ramped up. It was a huge success that year in particular because of all the people being shut in. We delivered over 100 bouquets. In 2021 we far exceeded our 100 bouquets and again it came at a needed time.

Things have settled down somewhat, but this has now become a tradition. Throughout the year customers ask us if we are still going to do the March Kindness \$15 bouquets. We can't say no, even with gas prices higher it is a way we can give back to our community and show appreciation to our customers.

Every year we have been able to send bouquets to Silver Springs Assisted Living, Serenity Point, and Billings Clinic nursing home residents because of our wonderful community sponsoring the bouquets. This can be done for a specific recipient, or for a member of the group in general. We have delivered to the Sheriff's department, dentist's office, many teachers, and whole neighborhoods. There are so many to whom we would like to send flowers, and it is a great way to say that you appreciate and care about someone!

We need nominations! Anyone can nominate a deserving person. And remember, we have to have the address and phone number of the person being nominated. It is so great to nominate those you appreciate, but if we don't have complete information it is very hard to get the bouquet to them so do a little detective work and get us those details, please.

Call 406-266-3558 or stop by the shop to order or pick one up.

***Watch our Facebook page www.facebook.com/BroadwaterBlooms/ as we will post how many bouquets we are needing for group deliveries and how many have gone out. Thank you in advance for participating!



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