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TOWN HALL ATTENDEES RANK FUTURE COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Nancy Marks

A group of twenty residents who attended a town hall meeting Wednesday at the Methodist Church ranked forming a Community Land Trust, a seniors' aging-in-place project and looking into building a multigenerational Community Center as most important to the community.

These ideas were among many projects presented by Broadwater County's Community Action Team which presented months-long plans of projects for upgrading and enhancing the community's lack of housing and social service activities. Housing and planning, emergency services, senior and social services, community childcare, broadband improvement and a community recreation center were among the topics presented.

Montana Economic Development Association (MEDA) which performed the first review for Broadwater County in 2004 organized this session as well.



On the left City Council member Vickie Rauser and retired Clerk and Recorder Ann Rauser (Photo credit - Nancy Marks)

Community Development Specialist, Marci Miller, of the University of Idaho Extension Service, Moscow, Idaho, opened the town hall meeting by reviewing work that had been covered earlier in the day by various groups. Miller explained the process used by the working groups to expand on their basic ideas about community planning while eliminating ideas they thought were not viable. "Many good ideas come up in these groups, but just can't be implemented for various reasons such as lack of infrastructure or no long-term sustainability," she said.

CITIZENS CHOOSE THREE PLANS

Leader Samantha Ferrat explained how a Community Land Trust would promote affordable housing. The nonprofit trust would permanently own multiple tracts of land. Housing built on the land would be privately owned and could be sold at a profit when ownership changed. Sale of the homes would be limited to purchase by low and middle-income families. This housing would qualify for USDA Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grants and loans.

Working group member, Vickie Rauser, explained housing develop-

ment by the community must be proactive, not be left for the government to accomplish. JB Howick expressed enthusiasm over the idea of building tiny houses and more homes on less land to help seniors and workforce people find places to live economically in this community.

John Hahn led a second group that looked at ideas to enhance community life in Broadwater County. He explained the idea of a community Multiple-Use Facility with an indoor pool for use by seniors, as a teen center, and as a large meeting place. As an example, he said Poplar, Montana built a \$23 million facility which has been very successful.

Hahn also explained a plan for nonmotorized vehicle and pedestrian trail development around Broadwater County including a cantilevered bridge attached to the river bridge to connect the present pedestrian trail from town to the Silos area. An asphalt trail from town to the Fairgrounds on Hwy 12 would be included in this plan.

Montana Business Assistance Connection (MBA) specialist, Katherine Anderson, presented ideas for enhancing social services. The group project for childcare solutions included recruiting high school students to babysit after school. The group also pursued aging-in-place solutions for senior citizens desiring to spend their last days at home. This would include working with present mental health organizations, the local health department, emergency assistance departments and the hospital and clinics in town. She also talked about upgrading broadband services in Broadwater County.

STEERING COMMITTEE COMES NEXT

Phase 2, according to Miller, is to elect a steering Committee and identify a coach to keep the process going. She explained there are multiple resources for accessing grant monies, and for gaining support from government and business interests. She thanked Broadwater Community Development Corporation members Craig Vietz, John Hahn and Vickie Rauser, the Montana State University Extension Agent Allison Kosto, and Katherine Anderson of MBAC for their help in organizing the community development assessment.

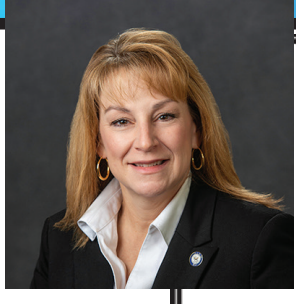
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Julie Dooling,
MT House District 70 Representative,
will be hosting a Town Hall meeting
Sunday, March 19th
at the American Legion Post 42
from 4:00pm to 6:00pm
to discuss the 1st half of the session.

Cookies and coffee will be served.

Serves 2

Robert P's Quick Sau- téed Turkey Breast

Eileen Clarke
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I love spring turkey season. But you never know what your call is going to attract and, while I'm always hoping for a young, tender turkey, I do not pass up the big gobblers. If you have a tender bird at hand, you're set. But if you called in a long beard, or just like your wild meat more tender and mild, you'll need one more step before firing up the skillet.

One popular choice is a bottled dressing marinade. That's easy, but might conflict with the flavors you add to the skillet later. So, let's use something neutral. One of my favorites is a brine: 1 tablespoon salt and 1 tablespoon brown sugar in 1-2 cups of cold water. (1 cup of water is sufficient for this recipe, but if you double it, use 2 cups.) My other favorite is quite non-traditional: pureed honeydew melon. It sounds odd, but an acidic element is what you need to tenderize meat, and melons have some acid. (Not as much as the vinegar in a salad dressing, but enough.)

Honeydew melons also have a slightly sweet, bright taste--and marinating infuses the wild bird with that brighter, sweet flavor. There were several things that really surprised me when I was doing the research for my wild game cookbook, "Tenderize the Wild", and the power of honeydew was one of them. (And don't even think about substituting cantaloupe. There's a reason its nickname is 'musk' melon.)

It takes about 24 hours for a marinade or brine to penetrate ¼ inch of meat. Since you'll want every mouthful tender for this quick-cooking dish, cut the turkey meat into bite-sized pieces first, then combine the meat and brine/marinade in a sealed container and place it in the fridge for 24 to 48 hours. Marinade or brine, you'll cut the time it needs to work, dramatically.

Ready? Pour off the marinade/brine then wrap the meat in paper towels and dry thoroughly. If you don't have fresh marjoram, chives and parsley, use some other fresh herbs: the fresh herbs are important to the flavor as is the butter. No substituting margarine for this dish, please. And no dried parsley either!

Ingredients

- 1 pound boned turkey breast, in bite-sized pieces
- 1/2 teaspoon salt*
- 1/4 teaspoon white pepper
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh marjoram
- 1 tablespoon chopped chives
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
- *When using a brine, add the salt at the table, if needed.

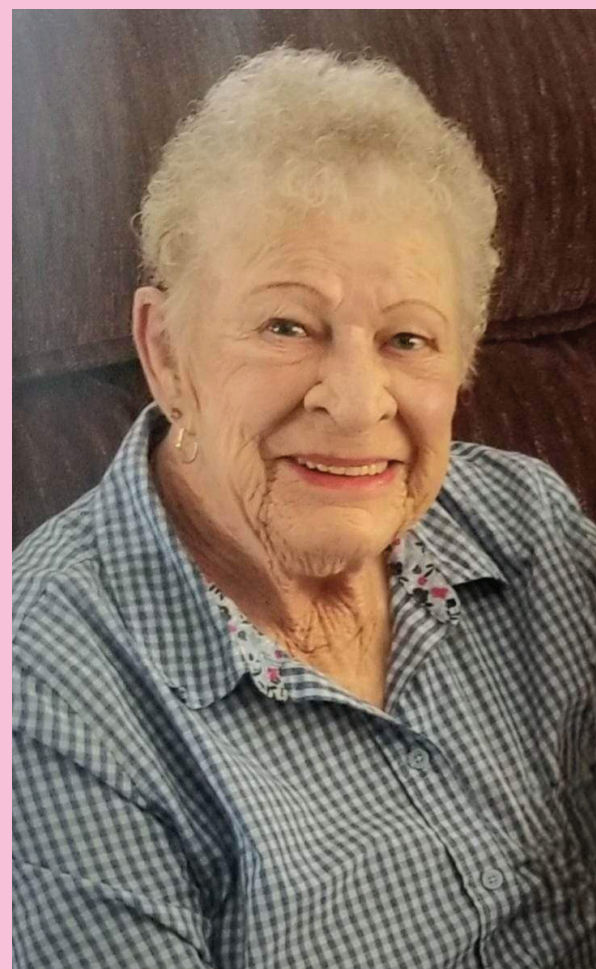
Cooking

1. Dry the turkey bites with paper toweling, squeezing gently, and season with salt and pepper.
2. Melt the butter in the pan, over medium heat until it starts to sizzle. Add the turkey chunks, marjoram, chives and parsley, and lightly brown the meat, stirring it as it cooks to make sure all sides of the chunks get cooked, about 4 to 5 minutes at most.
3. Arrange on a plate over rice or egg noodles, and serve with fresh asparagus.

From Eileen's "Upland Game Bird Cookery" book (100 upland recipes); but for total immersion, *Tenderize The Wild: 100 Marinades, brines and rubs for wild game.* www.riflesandrecipes.com/406-521-0273

NORENE SEARS CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Norene Sears Family



Norene Sears

Come join us in a Celebration of Life for Norene Sears on Saturday, April 1, 2023, at 12:00 pm, at Anderson, Stevenson, Wilke Funeral Home in Townsend. A luncheon will follow the service at the American Legion in Townsend. Burial will be private with the family. Norene passed away at home on November 5, 2022, at the age of 89. We look forward to seeing you and celebrating Norene's life.

Norene asked that any memorials in her name be made to the American Legion Auxiliary; PO Box 804; Townsend, MT. 59644 or to The Deep Creek Cemetery Association; PO Box 12; Townsend, MT. 59644.



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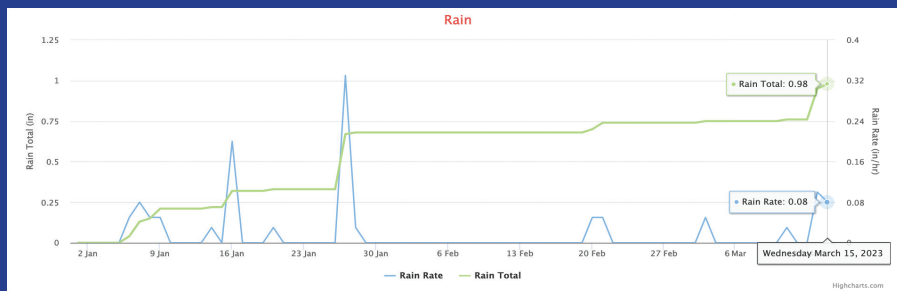
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SUCCULENTS: SIMPLICITY AND SOPHISTICATION

Allison Kosto, MSU Broadwater County Extension Agent

There is something satisfying about growing succulents, perhaps it is their simplicity, perhaps it's their sophistication or a combination of both. Succulents come in a variety of shapes, colors and sizes and are very popular indoor plants. Their unique water-storing capability makes them easier to care for than some other indoor plants. Outdoor succulents are less common in Montana. However, hardy varieties can tolerate cold weather and can survive Montana winters.

Succulents have a unique ability to hold water. In fact, 90 to 95 percent of the plant's makeup is water. This makes them extremely drought resistant and adapted for dry, arid environments. They also have the ability to flower, pollinate and develop seed in a shorter amount of time than other plants. Succulents can go dormant when conditions are harsh which adds to their ability to survive. They actually do better with a little neglect and overwatering is an easy way to kill a succulent.

Just like other houseplants, they offer a variety of benefits. They improve air quality in the home by taking in carbon dioxide and releasing oxygen. Research has shown houseplants can also remove airborne contaminants, increase positive feelings, reduce sound levels, and reduce stress levels. Additionally, some succulents are known for their medicinal properties. A well-known example is aloe vera which can be used to treat cuts, burns and stomachaches.

There are thousands of plant species that are considered succulents, and they are classified as either soft or hardy succulents. Soft succulents are not frost tolerant and are best suited for zones 6 or higher. However, they can still make great indoor plants in Montana. Hardy succulents, however, are more tolerant to colder weather and may be able to survive the winter outside. There are a few native species that fall into this category including yucca plants and the Montana state flower, the Bitterroot.

One requirement of succulents is good drainage. They do not tolerate waterlogged soil which can lead to root decay and rot. As indoor plants, if there are no drainage holes at the bottom of the pot, a trick you can use is to place coarse gravel at the bottom of the container. Terracotta pots are also a good choice for succulents as they promote better draining and hold less water compared to plastic or glass containers. You can purchase succulent potting mix, but it is not necessary. You can create a similar mix with potting soil and coarse sand. Fertilize a couple of times a year during the warmer months.

Even though succulents only need at least six hours of light to survive, they actually prefer a lot more and will thrive more with increased light. Many indoor succulents can be moved outdoors during the growing season. If you do this, start the plants in a semi-shaded area to avoid sunburn and gradually move them to sunnier locations. They likely will need to be watered more frequently outside. Only water succulents when their soil is dry. It's better to water infrequently and deeply than frequently and lightly.

When cared for correctly, succulents rarely have any bacterial or fungal disease issues. Scale or mealy bugs are the most common indoor pests and can be removed with a cotton swab dipped in rubbing alcohol or an insecticide.

If you have any questions about plant care, you can reach the MSU Extension Office in Broadwater County at 406-266-9242 or allison.kosto@montana.edu. Enjoy your succulents!

BROADWATER COUNTY MONTANA

AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN BROADWATER COUNTY

J.B. Howick, Townsend Business Owner

During the working sessions held March 8-9 of the second phase of the MEDA/BCDC Community Review, a group was formed to address practical, affordable, and approachable housing in Broadwater County. Over the next month, we will be gathering information about local housing authorities, community land trusts, growth and capital investment plans, and subdivision ordinances to better understand the legal options for organizing and addressing housing issues.

We will also be investigating both employer and senior needs, which will help identify the types and quantities of housing the county needs and where. We have needs throughout the county and the various communities will, in turn, be approached to learn more about how they want to participate. We will also be conducting a review of existing housing that can be used to begin this process.

We believe the key to our success will be the successful implementation of a community land trust. Simply, a non-profit organization closely tied to both city and county governments that acquire and holds the property, allowing houses to be rented and sold at a considerably lower cost. It is true that in a free market it is impossible to lower general housing prices without substantial economic consequences — but we can address the needs of specific market segments to help everyone from temporary emergency service and regular wage-earning employees to the changing needs of our senior citizens and more.

We believe communication is the key to our success and we will periodically host public meetings to keep people informed about our activities. Additionally, we invite all interested parties to join our email group, whether you wish to help us with this project or simply wish to stay informed of our progress. You can unsubscribe at any time. Contact JB Howick at KeithJR@Howick.org to join.



COURT BEAT MARCH 10

Dee Gannon, MT43 News Correspondent

The criminal docket in Judge Michael McMahon's courtroom on March 10 is as follows:

Rebekah Green had an Initial Appearance and Arraignment; pleading Not Guilty to charges of two counts of felony assault on a minor (with a less-or-included offense of two counts of partner/family member assault); two counts of assault of bodily fluid, resisting arrest and obstruction. Omnibus is due June 16; Pre-Trial is set for October 20; with the Jury Trial scheduled for November 13, 2023.

Justin Ahl had an Initial Appearance and Arraignment; pleading Not Guilty to charges of criminal endangerment (with the less-or-included offense of reckless driving), aggravated DUI, eluding, and possession of open container. Omnibus is due on May 5; Pre-Trial is set for August 4; with the Jury Trial scheduled on August 28, 2023.

Michael Billedeaux had a Status Hearing on a Petition to Revoke because of new charges of failure to register and attempted burglary. An Evidentiary Hearing is set for August 11, 2023.

Three Forks Community Calendar

Friday, March 17

- Saint Patrick's Day Celebrations
- Rebekah Lodge #74 Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner @ 120 E. Date Street - 4 to 7 p.m.
- Music by Cole Decker @ Sacajawea Hotel - 5 to 8 p.m.

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.
- Music by Taylor Burlage + Guest @ Sacajawea Hotel - 5 to 7 p.m.

Monday, March 20

- First Day of Spring

Tuesday, March 21

- National Honors Society Blood Drive @ Auditorium - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Mahjongg @ Three Forks Community Library - 1 p.m.
- Dungeons & Dragons Club @ Three Forks Community Library - 4 p.m.
- Three Forks School Board Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- American Legion and Auxiliary Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 23

- Story Time @ Three Forks Community Library - 10 a.m.

YOUTH FOREST MONITORING PROGRAM

Chiara Cipriano, USDA



Youth Monitoring Program trip to the Scapegoat Wilderness

HELENA, Mont. – March 9, 2023 — The Montana Discovery Foundation and the Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest are looking for a heritage/archeology field instructor and eleven high school students (grades 10-12) who love the outdoors—or are curious about the outdoor - based jobs—to apply to the 2023 Youth Forest Monitoring Program (YFMP).

“Twenty-five summers ago, this program started in response to the community's desire to see youth with a greater understanding of natural resource issues and Montana's public lands,” said YFMP Program Leader, Liz Burke. “Students who have participated in this program enjoy hands-on forest experiences to study and report on forest health. Many of these students have gone on to work for the Forest Service and become leaders in conservation work.”

This year's program will run from June 20-July 27 and includes a multi-day overnight in the Scapegoat Wilderness. During the program, students receive training alongside Forest Service scientists to learn forest ecology concepts and field protocols for monitoring streams, soils, vegetation, and wildlife. Students split into teams and apply their training to specific monitoring projects. Teams collect, compile, and interpret monitoring data.

Field instructors supervise students, and each monitoring project is sponsored by a designated Forest Service scientist. Students consult with their Forest Service contact periodically throughout the program and have a chance to present their results to the community at the end.

New this summer, we will be recruiting a heritage/archeology field instructor! The field instructor position is responsible for supervising and transporting teams of high school students to forest monitoring sites in the Helena, Townsend, Lincoln, and Augusta areas. The instructor supervises student time divided between outdoor fieldwork and indoor data analyses and reporting.

Applications for the program and field instructor position are due April 14, 2023.

Visit: <https://go.usa.gov/xskbE> to learn more about the program as well as the position openings, wages and stipends.

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UPCOMING ROTARY EVENTS

Pat Pantenberg, Rotarian

Rotary



Save the Dates! The Rotary Club of Townsend has several activities planned that you should attend. Plans are progressing for the Third Annual Bike Rodeo with the Broadwater County Health Department to be held on May 20th in conjunction with the Billings Clinic Broadwater Health Fair at Heritage Park. Plans are to give away a half dozen bikes of various sizes and the groups are looking for donations to help purchase the bikes for the kids. A planning meeting is to be held at the Flynn Building on Friday, March 24th at 5:30 pm at 416 Broadway. Please come and help plan the event.

Then the next events of interest are the Slice of Summer celebrations on Thursday, July 20th and Thursday, August 17th. There will be free events for the kids starting at 2 pm including swimming, face painting, bouncy houses, etc. Inexpensive food will be offered by Rotary and the Broadwater County Lions clubs. Bands will play from 5-8 pm. Last year Broadwater Search and Rescue partnered with Rotary and had a fundraiser at the event. If you want to join in the fun please contact Rotary.

Finally, planning has begun for Fall Fest on September 29, 30, and October 1. Music contracts are being signed. Sponsors and volunteers are being solicited. Vendors are already being signed up.

See you there! For more information about any of these events please call Patrick Plantenberg at 406-431-4615.



Sponsor of Community Calendar

Townsend Area Community Calendar

- **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.
 - American Legion St Patrick's Day Dinner - 5 to 8 p.m.
- **Monday, March 20**
 - Chili Cook Off @ American Legion Post - 5 p.m.
- **Tuesday, March 21**
 - Alcoholics Anonymous @ Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - 5:30 p.m.
 - Bingo @ Townsend American Legion - 6 p.m.
 - Toston Irrigation Meeting @ 7 pm
- **Wednesday, March 22**
 - Townsend Pinochle Club @ Broadwater County Senior Center - 1 p.m.
 - Little bit of Everything Bookclub @ Reading Leaves - 7 to 8:30 p.m.
- **Thursday, March 23**
 - Al-Anon @ Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - 7 p.m.
- **Friday, March 24**
 - Come One, Come All Fish Fry @ Holly Cross Parish Townsend - 5 p.m.
 - Townsend Pinochle Club @ Broadwater County Senior Center - 1 p.m.

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

IS YOUR PROPERTY AT RISK FROM WILDFIRE?

TRI-COUNTY FIRESAFE WORKING GROUP



Helena, MT March 10, 2023

Don't let the snow fool you, spring is just around the corner and a great time to identify risks and prepare your property for wildfire season. The tri-county area continues to be challenged by significant environmental and development issues that result in elevated wildfire risk to properties, communities and infrastructure. Our ability to live more safely in a fire environment depends on pre-fire activities, beginning with understanding your risks.

"The most important person in protecting your life and property is not the firefighter, but you," stated Rocky Infanger, Chief of the Wolf Creek-Craig Fire Department. "The pre-treatment of the home ignition zone is one of the most proactive ways a property owner can reduce potential loss of life and property in the event of a wildfire."

Tri-county FireSafe Working (TCFSWG) group and local fire departments encourage property owners located in the wildland-urban interface of Lewis & Clark, Jefferson, and Broadwater counties to sign-up and participate in a free wildfire risk assessment. TCFSWG in a non-profit organization that assists property owners in becoming better adapted to living in wildfire-prone areas. Their programs offer free wildfire risk assessments, technical assistance, and cost-share funding for mitigation projects to reduce hazardous fuels and other conditions that are susceptible to ignition. Assessments focus on the home ignition zone, including landscaping, home construction materials and vegetation. On larger properties, the assessments will include areas beyond 200' of buildings to assess hazardous fuels, and property ingress/egress as well.

"On-site assessments provide valuable one-on-one education and are followed up with a recommendations plan that a property owner can use if they choose to move forward with a mitigation project," stated TCFSWG Executive Director, Amy Teegarden. "We have funding available to assist property owners with the removal of hazardous vegetation, however completion of a risk assessment is required to be eligible for our cost-share program," Risks from wildfire are commonly shared between neighbors, so adjoining property owners are encouraged to work together. To learn more about the program and to schedule a free assessment visit the TCFSWG webpage at www.tcfswg.org to apply.

IMPROVING RECYCLING IN TOWNSEND

Wilma Wortman, Canton Valley Women's Club

A small community service group in Townsend is interested in helping improve or expand recycling efforts in our area.

With this goal in mind, if you or your local group are interested as well, we would like to join our efforts with yours. You can contact us by calling 406-266-3602. Please leave a brief message and your contact information and someone will return your call.

Wilma Wortman - on behalf of Canton Valley Women's Club.

BROADWATER COUNTY AIRPORT BOARD

515 Broadway, Townsend

March 15th, 2023 AT 7 P.M.

Meeting will be held at the Flynn Building, 416 Broadway Street
Agendas, Documents, Official Meetings Minutes and videos of Airport Board meetings are available and at <https://www.broadwatercountymt.com>

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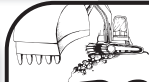
Wednesday, March 15th, 2023

- 7:00 PM Public Comment on any subject not on the agenda and that the Board has jurisdiction over
- 7:00 PM Discussion and Approval of the Minutes and Financial Report/Claims
- 7:05 PM Update/Discussion: Robert Peccia and Associates – Project and Land Acquisition Updates
- 7:20 PM Update/Discussion and Decision: Hangar Lease Agreement Review
- 7:30 PM Update/Discussion: City Council Minutes - Airport
- 7:40 PM Update/Discussion: Airport Manager Report
- 7:55 PM Update/Discussion and Decision: Airport Weed eater
- 8:00 PM Update/Discussion: AWOS Funding with Billings Clinic
- 8:10 PM Update/Discussion: Air Force Limestone Hills Helicopter Aerial Gunnery Range
- 8:20 PM Discussion and Decision: Fuel Pricing
- 8:25 PM Update/Discussion: Townsend Airport Website
- 8:30 PM New Business
 - Nitro-green

Public comment period will be at the beginning and end of each meeting, as well as on each agenda item. Mail & Items for Discussion and/or signature may occur as time allows during the meeting. Issues and times are subject to change.

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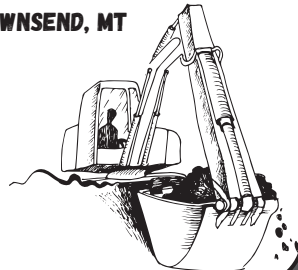
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MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR

Mikayla Kraft, School Correspondent

Middle school students all over the state and country are searching for what they may want to pursue for a future career. They have their classes, but not many of those students get the opportunity to fully explore their potential to excel in a generalized field.

The state-wide middle school Science Fair gives these students a chance to explore a simple scientific question that could eventually turn into a large interest in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) career fields. I had the opportunity to get a first-hand glance at the spark Science Fair had created for these students.

Overall, twenty-one students qualified for state. This means that seven students from each grade qualified for the state competition and will compete on April 3rd in Missoula at the University of Montana.

I interviewed a few participators and a qualifier for the state Science Fair competition to get their view of the benefits of the Science Fair.

Tavyn Anderson, an 8th-grade student, participated in the science fair. Just like many students, he only has a vague idea of what he wants to do after high school. He plans to at least go to college for basketball; what he will study, he does not know. He had no clue what he would test, so after he got a little advice from his teacher, Mrs. Shearer, he decided to “test which surfaces in the school held the most bacteria,” concluding that a “desk held more germs than even a chair”. This tested his ability to speak to people and it is a moment he will not forget.

Ava Tiffany studied the Law of Conservation of Mass between different substances and even though she also didn’t qualify for state, she was so excited to have the ability to participate and conduct her project.

Last but not least, I spoke to Jazel Ragen, another 8th-grade student who qualified for the state competition. She is excited to attend the



Amanda Hazlett judging a science fair project Photo Credit- Mikayla Kraft)

state competition even though she is nervous. She has been to the state-level competition so she is prepared to compete. She tested “whether the coating on medicated pills affects how well they disperse into the body” because she experiences a lot of headaches and muscle aches and wanted to solve that issue for herself and others.

She competes in the Conduct of Chapter Meetings FFA competition and she believes that this improved her public speaking skills and is excited to utilize those skills. Preparation held ups and downs but she believes that this is going to prepare her for life outside of school in the long run.

A lesson she learned from qualifying for state was that “appearance and attitude will get you really far”; it is important to use those skills and more to the best of your ability in everything that is done, even if it fails or doesn’t meet personal expectations.

Science Fair has been helping many generations of students and this year students continued to surprise the community adult judges with their dedication to an experiment that held their interest.



JUDGING AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR

Victor Sample

In 2022, Janell Robischon (middle school teacher) contacted me about being a judge at the Middle School Science Fair. I was asked to judge the 8th graders.

I thought back to my eighth-grade experience and expected a bunch of “potato electricity generation” or “vinegar/baking-soda volcanoes”.

Well, I was WRONG!

I was astounded by many of the experiments the students performed. They were asked to find a project, formulate a hypothesis, perform the experiments, create a narrative complete with graphs/charts and pictures of their results and then summarize the results and whether their initial hypothesis proved out.

The students were judged on the uniqueness of their project, their level of enthusiasm in presenting the project, the presentation of the project (verbal and physical presentation), their overall understanding of the project and the results, their understanding of the science underlying the project and on their overall appearance.

I had a terrific time talking with the students about their projects and how sophisticated many of the experiments were performed. They were composed and knowledgeable about their projects; they understood the science, they understood their results, they had great ideas about how they could have done it better and, most importantly, they had great ideas about how they could follow up on their experiments and explore new paths and opportunities.

When Janell contacted me this year about being a judge, I was very excited to do it again. I was not disappointed! The eighth-grade students again proved they are smart, motivated and well-taught.

Congratulations to Janell Robischon and Anna Shearer for organizing a great event. Congratulations to the teachers that have done a wonderful job in preparing the students and, of course, congratulations to all of the participating students!

I hope to be invited to participate again in 2024!

TOWNSEND SCHOOLS STRATEGIC PLANNING

There are critical issues being discussed in the Townsend Schools Strategic Planning sessions. I am writing to encourage Townsend School stakeholders to pay attention and participate as the decisions will impact the quality of education in Townsend for many years to come. There is information on the planning process on the school website and a schedule of upcoming planning sessions. I am hoping more members of our community take the time to provide input into this process. Additionally, there is a board election in May with two seats up for election.

The central issue from the beginning of the planning sessions has been the question of the school going to a four-day week or continuing with the five-day week. The information available and the results of the research comparing the pros and cons of the two schedules are decidedly mixed. In some rural schools, the implementation of a four-day week has not affected academic performance,

or in some cases, there has been improvement at some grade levels. Other studies demonstrate that there is a long-term decline in academic performance and that after a few years, standardized test scores will begin to decrease.

Our community has invested heavily in improving the learning environment of our school. This decision will also have an impact on the educational opportunity of every student who attends there for a long time to come.

It is a matter of what direction we chose for our school, and deciding if quality education is truly a top priority.

Best Regards, Kevin McDonnell Townsend Schools Trustee

Upcoming School Events

| Friday, March 17 | Saturday, March 18 | Sunday, March 19 | Monday, March 20 | Tuesday, March 21 | Wednesday, March 22 | Thursday, March 23 |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State FCCLA @ Bozeman Scholastic Book Fair | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scholastic Book Fair | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scholastic Book Fair Close Up | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scholastic Book Fair Close Up Old Baldy CPR + First Aid Certification - 5:30 p.m. Adult City League Volleyball @ 1963 Gym - 5:45 p.m. Strategic Plan Meeting - 6 p.m. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scholastic Book Fair Close Up State FFA Convention @ Great Falls | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scholastic Book Fair Close Up State FFA Convention @ Great Falls MSU Extension Master Garden Class @ Library - 5:30 p.m. Old Baldy Adult Ed Open Gym @ 1963 Gym - 5:30 p.m. Old Baldy Comp. Programming - 7 p.m. Old Baldy Pickleball @ Stage Gym - 7 p.m. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scholastic Book Fair Close Up State FFA Convention @ Great Falls |

INSIDE INSPIRATION

FINDING QUIET

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

It seems all too common that we have difficulty turning off our thoughts when we go to bed at night. Our minds keep racing...How do we quiet our minds and hearts?

We think about many things, an event, a situation, or the stuff we didn't mark off the do-to list.

We are a tired nation. We live in a fast-paced environment, and we are constantly moving. Our minds race, our calendars are packed, and we are digitally connected. Keeping up with this pace and striving to perform each day causes us to become exhausted.

It may be time to permit ourselves to stop. How do we do that? We set our intentions daily of pure solitude, even for just ten minutes.

Having your phone readily available has the potential to distract you or interrupt your quiet time. I have my special place in our home where I spend nearly one hour every morning uninterrupted with no distractions. It is my time to journal, read my devotions, and pray. My phone remains in airplane mode, and I have "do not disturb" on until I finish my morning routine.

If mornings don't work for you, find a way to create stillness in your day and quiet your mind. Perhaps you drive to work...use that time to be silent. Practicing this will give you more clarity and a new perspective as you start your day. There will be temptations to minimize being quiet and still...take note of what is happening in your mind and heart. Write them down even if you feel vulnerable. Be honest, as you may have difficulty realizing some things about yourself.

I was chatting with a good friend the other day, and she told me that one of her kids has moved back home as he and his family transition and look for a place to live. That is always difficult when you are empty nesters and your kids return home for a season. But I love how she prioritized her time and space. She has set aside one hour daily, goes to her special quiet place, and locks the door. Her family knows they cannot knock on the door or disturb her during this time. This is her time to be quiet before she begins her day. She has set a boundary and cares for her well-being, allowing her to be her best daily. Some may think she is being selfish, but she is practicing self-care. Self-care activates the deep inner voice of your true self to be heard.

You may find it hard to be silent and still for even a moment. But, as you practice this daily, you will soon realize that some areas of your life need restoration and healing, which is a gift.

During your quiet time, pray and ask God to show you places in your life, heart, and mind that may need healing and acknowledge those areas that are out of sync. Psalm 46:10 says, "Be still and know that I am God".

God, your creator and the creator of the universe, wants to have a relationship with you, but when we are constantly bombarded with all the chatter, we can not hear His voice or even our own. Allow God to interrupt your day and take time to understand your thoughts and the condition of your heart.

Once a month, my husband and I meet with others for a Torah study. In this past study, a question was asked, "In making decisions, do you listen to your heart or mind?" That is such a great question. My first thought was that we listen with our hearts as our intuition is strangely accurate. But do we listen to it when making crucial decisions? Our minds will get in the way as we begin to feel overwhelmed, weighing the many options. When we become quiet and still, we will find the best answer lies within. Do we always like the response we receive? Sometimes not, but we must learn to trust and listen to that still, small, quiet voice.

Learn to disconnect for a few minutes each day, and you will soon discover that you enjoy your time of rest. Quiet your mind and heart, and be purposeful and intentional with your time, as being still and in solitude with your time is an act of self-care.

"It is no easy task to walk this earth and find peace. Inside of us, it would seem something is at odds with the very rhythm of things, and we are forever restless, dissatisfied, frustrated, and aching. We are so overcharged with desire that it is hard to come to simple rest."

~Ronald Rolheiser

To connect with Ellie FB/IG @coachelliwest

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 Moe, 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 20 - MARCH 24

SENIOR CENTER: 516 2ND STREET, TOWNSEND MT

Monday, March 20
Sloppy Joes on a Bun
Baked Beans
Creamy Coleslaw
Fresh Fruit

Tuesday, March 21
Birthday Dinner
Roasted Turkey
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Whole Grain Bread
Birthday Cake

Wednesday, March 22
Pork Chop
Steamed Potatoes
Sliced Beets
Dinner Salad with Beans
Apricots

Thursday, March 23
Tuna Noodle Casserole
Green Beans
Carrot Raisin Salad
Sweet Pears

Friday, March 24
Chicken Fried Steak
Steamed Potatoes
Sweet Corn
Tossed Salad
Plump Peaches

The Townsend Pinochle Club meets every Wednesday and Friday at the Broadwater County Senior Center for an afternoon of pinochle and camaraderie. The Club plays from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. All ages and experience levels are welcome! If you have never played pinochle and would like to learn come and join us.

GM TO INCORPORATE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Victor Sample

ChatGPT has been all over the news in that last 2 months. The artificial intelligence engine has been adopted by many products including Microsoft Edge Browser. Google has accelerated the roll out of their own artificial intelligence engine.

This morning I ran across this article about General Motors including artificial intelligence in their vehicles.

This article was originally published on <https://www.engandget.com>

WWW.ENGADGET.COM
By: Igor Bonifacic

General Motors is working on an in-car digital assistant based on the same machine-learning models that power ChatGPT. News of the development was first reported earlier this week by Semafor, with GM later sharing confirmation with Reuters. "ChatGPT is going to be in everything," GM Vice President Scott Miller told the outlet.

Among other things, the automaker envisions the digital assistant supporting drivers in situations where they may have turned to their vehicle's owner's manual in the past. For instance, the assistant could show you how to replace your car's tire if it suffers a flat. It could also offer integration and scheduling features with other devices, including garage door openers.

"This shift is not just about one single capability like the evolution of voice commands, but instead means that customers can expect their future vehicles to be far more capable and fresh overall when it comes to emerging technologies," a GM spokesperson told Reuters.

According to Semafor, the digital assistant will operate differently from other chatbots like Bing Chat. GM is reportedly working on adding a "car-specific layer" on top of the large language models that power ChatGPT. The effort is part of a broader collaboration between the automaker and Microsoft. In 2019, the two partnered to work on autonomous vehicles. Microsoft is OpenAI's sole cloud provider, meaning GM's in-car assistant will almost certainly run on Azure. GM did not tell Semafor whether it has a name for the software yet, nor did it share a potential release date.

Tester Leads Bipartisan Bill to Increase Transparency in Broadband Supply Chain, Boost Rural Internet Access

Senator Tester's Office

(U.S. Senate) — Today, U.S. Senators Jon Tester (D-Mont.), John Hickenlooper (D-Colo.), Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), and Jerry Moran (R-Kan.) reintroduced the bipartisan Network Equipment Transparency (NET) Act, legislation that would monitor the telecommunications supply chain and identify disruptions that might impact the roll-out of internet infrastructure deployments as part of their continued efforts to strengthen internet access in rural communities.

“As a third-generation farmer living in rural Montana, I know firsthand the challenges our rural communities face when it comes to reliable internet access,” said Tester. “That’s why I worked with folks on both sides of the aisle to craft the bipartisan infrastructure law which will bring high-speed internet to every corner of Montana. Now I’m leading the charge, alongside my colleagues, to increase transparency and address any supply chain issues head-on so that these projects get done on time because Montana’s small businesses and rural families can’t wait any longer.”

The bipartisan NET Act will increase broadband supply chain transparency through the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) by identifying and addressing any supply chain issues that might delay broadband buildouts. The bill would require the FCC’s Communications Marketplace Report to describe to Congress the impact of supply chain disruptions on the timely completion or deployment of broadband deployment projects.

Tester worked across the aisle for months to negotiate the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) with a group of five Republicans, four Democrats, and the White House. Tester’s law is projected to create more than 800,000 American jobs and lower costs for businesses by making targeted investments that will strengthen our nation without raising taxes on working families.

Tester secured significant wins for Montana in the legislation, including \$65 billion to deploy broadband to areas across the country that lack internet access and additionally make online connectivity affordable. A full list of Montana provisions in Tester’s bipartisan infrastructure law can be found at www.testersenate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/pr-8721/ The senators originally introduced the NET Act in the 117th Congress last February, and the bill passed the Commerce Committee in a unanimous vote last May.



A NEW FILE SYSTEM FOR WINDOWS 11

Victor Sample

According to the tech newsletter I receive every weekday morning, Microsoft has added an option for a new file system to the Windows 11 Insider version of Windows. The Windows Insider program lets the more hardy and adventurous users try out new versions of Windows before it becomes widely available.

For about 20 years (since Windows NT) Windows has been using the NTFS (stands for New Technology File System) for windows. NTFS replaced the old MS-Dos file system providing a faster, more reliable file system that could handle much more data than the MS-Dos file system.

My newest laptop has a 1 Terabyte disk drive. A terabyte is 1000 Gigabytes – that is a lot of storage! I have 10s of thousands of files on my laptop – all the pictures on all the websites I have used are stored there. All the files for all the programs I have written are stored there. I use just under half of my 1 Terabyte disk capacity.

The NTFS file system can handle up to 8 Petabytes of storage. A Petabyte is 1000 Terabytes. So, NTFS can handle 8000 times the storage of my small 1 Terabyte disk drive! The new file system is the Resilient File System (ReFS). The ReFS can handle up to 35 PetaBytes (or 3500 times the storage on my 1 Terabyte disk drive).

Suffice it to say that I haven’t heard a lot of people complaining that they are exceeding the limits of the NTFS system on their PCs. The ReFS system is more applicable to server machines that are being used by companies like Google, Amazon and Facebook – companies that store a massive amount of data.

The new ReFS file system has several features that are not available in NTFS: Block Clone, Sparse VDL, Mirror-accelerate parity and File-Level snapshots – all very technical aspects of disk drive technology.

While ReFS does have new capabilities (as well as expanded storage capacity) it lacks support for several important features available in the older NTFS file system: file system compression, encryption support, removable media AND booting your PC.

If and when Microsoft includes ReFS support in Windows to the general public, you would have to opt to use ReFS. Most importantly, there is no direct conversion from the NTFS, so you can only choose to support it during the initial setup and you would likely lose any data you have; so, it would only be appropriate on a new PC or one that you don’t mind losing the data.

Something to keep an eye on for the future – IF Microsoft does include it in the generally available Windows 11.

The information in this article is from www.ghacks.net by Martin Brinkmann.



US Army Sergeant Mike Stapp was raised in Conyers, Georgia. After 2 years in the Marine Corps Reserves, he transferred to the infantry active-duty army. In the Marine Corps, he worked on weapons. Once in the army, he was selected for Presidential Escort during the Reagan Administration, where he spent three years. Presidential Escort conducts all the ceremonies at the White House and the funerals at Arlington Cemetery. At that time Mike was stationed at Fort Myer, Virginia, Honor Guard Company, the Presidential Escort, 1st BN, 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment.

He was part of the Firing Party Platoon, which conducted the 21-gun salutes for the funerals at Arlington Cemetery and other cemeteries around Washington, D.C. He was with a group of about 50 people who had White House Security Clearances that participated in the ceremonies at the White House. He said it was good duty.

In 1983 Mike was one of six soldiers from the army, and five people from other branches of the services, who were selected to participate in the G7 Williamsburg (Virginia) Economic Summit Meeting. Chaired by President Reagan on May 28th through May 30th, the attendees were Pierre Trudeau, the Prime Minister of Canada; François Mitterrand, the President of France; Helmut Kohl, the German Chancellor; Amintore Fanfani, the Prime Minister of Italy; Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Prime Minister of Japan; Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom; and Gaston Thorn, the President of the European Commission.

While en route to Williamsburg, their bus became disabled. They made their way to a truck stop, where arrangements were made for other transportation. They were told that they had plenty of time because President Reagan had moved his arrival time back two hours and in the meantime, another bus was sent to the truck stop. They changed into their dress blue uniforms in the parking lot of the truck stop. The Virginia State Police escorted them to an airfield where helicopters were waiting. They were flown to Langley AFB where Air Force One was circling waiting for the military escort to arrive.

They waited for Air Force One to land. The men were positioned in what is called an Honor Cordon. These are the military people that the President walks through when he steps off Air Force One. Because the Army is the oldest U.S. military service, they were lined up first in the Honor Cordon followed by the Navy, the Marine Corps, and then the Air Force. Mike and his roommate were lined up in front. Mike said, “We later learned President Reagan had waited until his Presidential escort arrived. I thought that was a pretty good honor. So I always tell people that we kept the President waiting!”

Mike’s unit did all the ceremonies with the summit meeting and the world leaders. The world leaders were taken by horse-drawn carriage to the location of the Summit. Due to Mike and his roommate’s position in the Honor Cordon, they were in magazines, newspapers, and TV channels as Margaret Thatcher arrived. That was a good highlight being assigned to that unit.

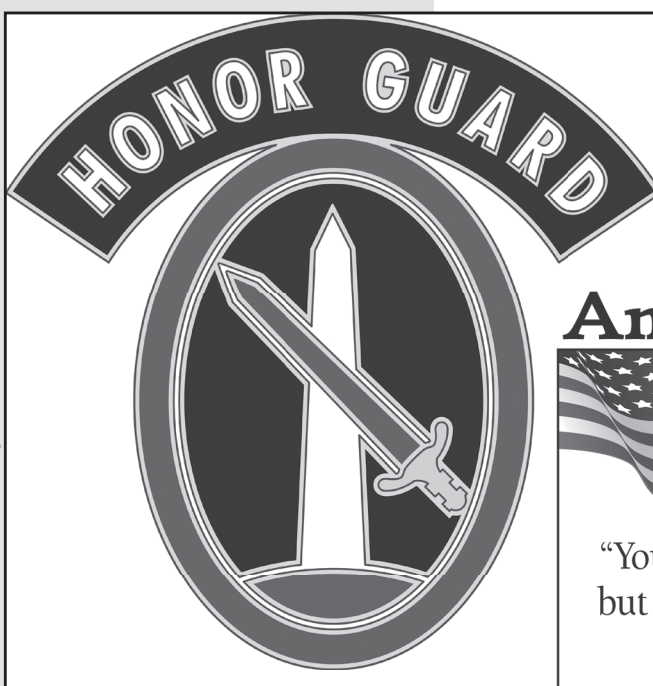
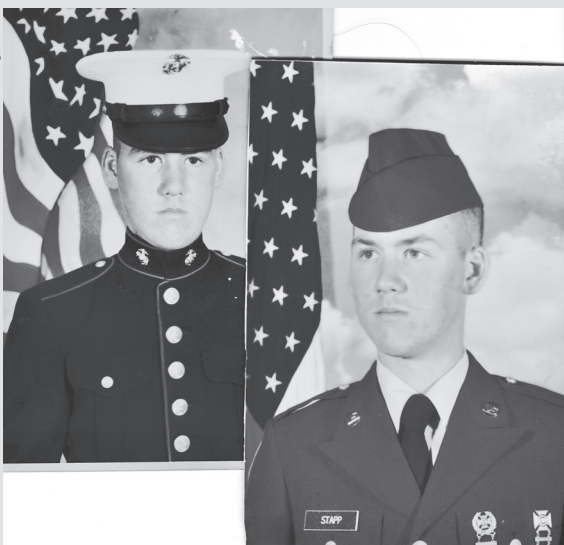
The Presidential plane is designated Air Force One only when the President is on board. Mike flew in the same Boeing 747 aircraft when he accompanied the body of New York State Representative Benjamin Rosenthal back to New York from Washington, D.C.

Mike participated in the interment of an unknown American soldier who had died in Viet Nam and had been buried in the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington Cemetery. However, the soldier was later identified by DNA.

For these achievements, Mike received the Army Commendation Medal, along with other awards.

Mike also worked on a permanent weapons display in the pentagon. After Mike’s tour with Presidential Escort, he was honorably discharged from the Army at Fort Benning, Georgia.

For the next 20 years, he served in Law Enforcement, and during that time he joined the Georgia Army National Guard. He also has been heavily involved with radio communications in Montana.



Americanisms



“You can cut all the flowers but you cannot keep spring from coming.”
— Pablo Neruda

Justice of the Peace Report March 17*Kelsi Anderson, Justice Court Clerk***MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FORFEITURES**

| | | | |
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| Steven Zangara | Tucson, Az | day speed | \$70.00 |
| Michael Yimer | Bozeman | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Kinsey Witners | Big Sky | day speed | \$70.00 |
| Blake Wilson | Billings | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Mark Underdal | Ledgerday | speed | \$20.00 |
| Joel Thomas | Great Falls | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Ashley Trout | Whitney, Pa | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Mckade Taylor | Great Falls | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Isaac Smith | Townsend | No insurance-1st offense | \$285.00 |
| Jedidiah Snyder | Helena | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Scott Smith | Billings | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Margit Stahl | Townsend | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Hayden Stribley | Belgrade | day speed | \$70.00 |
| Barry Sluder | Bozeman | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Jaelyn Smith | Helena | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Daniel Simmons | Toston | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Taniya Reovan | Bozeman | day speed | \$70.00 |
| Tanner Rosener | Avon | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Patricia Riha | Bozeman | day speed | \$70.00 |
| John Radle | Whitehall | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Clarine Phipps | Healdsburg, Ca | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Reed Puster | Belgrade | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Jared Pattengale | Livingston | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Albert Otterness | Williston, Nd | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Derek Mahlum | Great Falls | days peed | \$20.00 |
| Katherine Mckee | Helena | day speed | \$70.00 |
| Morgan Martin | Twin Bridges | No Insurance-1st offense | \$285.00 |
| Erika Montgomery | Bozeman | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Jennifer Martinez | Helena | No Insurance-1st offense | \$285.00 |
| | | Day speed | \$70.00 |
| Richard Mcvicker | Bozeman | day speed | \$70.00 |
| Bart Lamont | Billings | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Adriann Lewis | Great Falls | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Olivia Langan | Bozeman | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Keaton Lorenz | Billings | day speed | \$200.00 |
| Jett Lorang | Great Falls | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Lilia Kuzyk | Bigfork | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Dale Kinsey | Clancy | day speed | \$70.00 |
| Gayle Joslin | Helena | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Charles Hinchey | Columbia Falls | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Cody Hamilton | Manhattan | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Naomi Husk | Billings | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Leslie Hiner | Indianapolis, In | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Bailey Geib | Marysville | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Keana Gravett | Bozeman | day speed | \$70.00 |
| Shelly Gandee | Helena | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Anner Maldonado | Bozeman | day speed | \$120.00 |
| Lynne Foss | Bozeman | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Kenneth Franks | Townsend | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Donna Erickson | Kalispell | day speed | \$70.00 |

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FAILURE TO WEAR SEAT BELTS**MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FINES****DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME****BROADWATER COUNTY FINES**

Brittanee Weston – Helena – driving without a valid driver's license, pleaded guilty, \$135.00 fines and fees.

Brianna Bajovich – Helena- Disorderly conduct, pleaded guilty, \$185.00 fines and fees.

Jennifer O'Boyle – Helena- day speed, pleaded guilty, deferred imposition of sentence for a period of six months, on conditions, \$120.00 fine.

Calder Stradtman – Bozeman – Driving a motor vehicle while privilege to do so is suspended or revoked-1st offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail, with all suspended on conditions, \$535.00 fines and fees.

BROADWATER COUNTY FORFEITURES

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| Gabriel Yellowowl | Great Falls | night speed | \$70.00 |
| Nefi Torres | Des Moines, IA | night speed | \$20.00 |
| Shannon Tanner | Helena | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Christian Perryman | Deer Park, Al | night speed | \$70.00 |
| Rebecca Neergaard | Bozeman | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Noah Majerus | Bozeman | night speed | \$20.00 |
| Tyler Mabry | Helena | night speed | \$20.00 |
| Devon Lonigro | Bozeman | night speed | \$20.00 |
| Kylene Laroque | East Helena | day speed | \$20.00 |
| John Huffman | San Bruno, Ca | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Joshua Fogg | Cardwell | day speed | \$20.00 |
| Joslyn Dollar | Helena | night speed | \$20.00 |
| Chase Clausen | Helena | night speed | \$20.00 |
| Andrew Cantley | Great Falls | night speed | \$70.00 |
| Madalynn Bryne | Bozeman | night speed | \$20.00 |
| Cade Mcallister | Laurel | day speed | \$70.00 |
| Leonard Wheeler | Helena | night speed | \$20.00 |

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

Christina Mitchell- Helena Municipal Court, \$1610.00 bond

Christina Mitchell – L & C Co. Justice Court, \$5000.00 bond

BROADWATER SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY LIBRARY HONORS LONGTIME LIBRARIAN

Nancy Marks

Friends gather to congratulate librarian Kay Ingalls on her retirement. Left to right: Magalie Balanger, Ann Ingram, Vicki Harvey, Bev Monigal, Nancy Marks, Kay, Samara Lynde, Dawn Reynolds, Shelley Doughette, Sharon Borer, Cindy Bobolz, Lanette Dyk, Judy Mickel and new librarian Caitlyn Hahn. (Photo by Susie Hedalen)

A host of well-wishers greeted former librarian Kay Ingalls at a gathering Thursday night at the Library. The group included book club members, former and current teachers, Library Board members and friends whom Kay had worked with through her 36 years at the job. She retired in November 2022.

Superintendent Susie Hedalen awarded Kay a trophy sponsored by Library board members. Susie pointed out how Kay had affected so many students' lives by pointing them toward reading and had helped students on a weekly basis toward achieving their General Education Degree (GED) through the Old Baldy Education program. "In her 36 years as a librarian Kay made all the difference to our youth and Broadwater County citizens with her dedication to their education and interests," Susie said.

Kay is a rancher's wife and mother of two children, Ellie and Louis. She and her husband, Kelly, met in Niger, Africa when they were both serving in the Peace Corps in 1976. Originally from the Midwest, Kay had to face many adjustments to the life of raising sheep and living "in the boonies".

The librarian position fit Kay well because she had a varied education and experience background. She has a degree in biology from the University of Illinois with a minor in chemistry and physics. She worked as a veterinarian's assistant in Decatur, Illinois. For nine years she served as a naturalist at a Mississippi Palisades state park in northern Illinois.

One of Kay's most memorable library jobs was moving the library to the newly built Broadwater School and Community Library. The building opened in 1995. "We combined the high school and elementary school libraries which was a big feat. Going from physical card catalogs to a computerized card catalog system and meshing all the books to alphabetically correct on the shelves was a huge job. I had a whole group of volunteers to help me which was fun and cool, but really hard work. It was also a time to cull books that were obsolete. The experience modernized us," she said.

What Kay enjoyed most about the job was the weekly program, Books and Babies, from Montana State Library. She instituted the Library Book Club which has been active since January 2002.

She also implemented a Townsend Artists program. "The job had so many facets. You didn't have to just catalog books. I enjoyed the interaction with people," she concluded.

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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 16

1939

“Local Briefs”

Crews are still at work clearing the wreck that occurred on the N.P. near Winston Saturday when thirteen cars were derailed. Several of the train crew were injured. A defective rail was said to be the cause.

Little Tenna Lee Hollaway of Boulder was brought over today by her parents so she could attend the birthday party of her cousin, Peggy Graveley.

Miss Grace Lynch has resigned as office clerk for the Broadwater Creamery which became effective on Wednesday. Miss Margaret Dixon has been working under the guidance of Miss Lynch this week preparatory to the taking over the position. 1950

“Aunt Jemima Comes to Town”

Aunt Jemima of pancake fame will be at the Lundy’s Market Saturday from approximately 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. to prepare mouth-watering pancakes in her demonstration. Almost a legendary figure, the original Aunt Jemima was a cook at Higbee’s Landing in the south, so the story goes. Even in those days the fame of Colonel Higbee’s cook spread far and wide. Guests flocked to the home of her master to taste the delicacy for which Aunt Jemima was famous.

That delicacy was pancakes, light, fluffy and golden brown, which the smiling Aunt Jemima prepared herself in the great kitchen. Invariably the delighted guests would try to induce their own cooks to make pancakes as good as Aunt Jemima’s. But no one ever was able to match their fluffy mouth-watering goodness – so closely did Aunt Jemima guard her secret recipe.

Aunt Jemima’s famous recipe has been preserved and made available to everyone through the distributing facilities of the Quaker Oats company, makers of Aunt Jemima’s Ready-Mix for Pancakes and Ready-Mix for Buckwheat.

1961

“Radersburg News”

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bottler came over from Townsend as luncheon guests of Mrs. Mary Grandchamp on Wednesday. They called on Mrs. Wayne Miller for a few minutes the same day. They came over again on Monday and brought some of their personal effects back home, in anticipation of being able to move back to Radersburg.

Devon Miller spent Saturday and Sunday at the Riverside Ranch visiting Lennie Harris

Jerry Williams, nephew of John and Bill Williams, was in the Radersburg area Sunday visiting relatives.

Mrs. Clark, teacher at the Crow Creek school, has moved into the Jinks Bomar house here in Radersburg for the rest of the school year.

Susan Webb, Rita Castleberry, and Janie Williams, all of Radersburg school, were in Townsend Saturday in connection with their 4-H work. The girls have worked hard on the money making project to help send their delegate to the 4-H Congress.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Parks of Helena were visitors at the home of her mother and brother, Mrs. Minnie Holdaway and Bill.

Mrs. Jack Ralls and Terri were Bozeman visitors Monday.

Mrs. Johnny Ragen visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Williams.

1967

“Local Skiers to Race at King’s Hill”

Seven members of the Grass Mountain Ski Club will race this weekend at King’s Hill in the Northern division Novice Midget Slalom and Downhill Championships.

This meet is being sponsored by the Great Falls Ski Club.

Those who will take the trip with their coach, Allan Lundborg, are Eddie and Robbie Ulmer, Carl Sherwood, Tom Parry, Scott Davis, Penny

Massa and Tommy Ragen. To be able to enter this meet, the contestants must be a member of the United States Ski Association (USSA) and a member of a club which also belongs to the association. This is the first year that Grass Mountain Ski Club has joined the USSA.

1978

“CowBelle Beef Cook-off”

The annual CowBelle Beef Cook-off was held Saturday, March 11 in the Home Ec room at the high school in Townsend.

Trish Berberet won 1st place and \$25 for her recipe on “Sweet & Sour Meatballs”.

Second place for “Hamburger Stroganof” and \$15 went to Jorja Hensley.

Stacey Stucky with her recipe for “Shipwreck Stew” captured 3rd place and \$10.

There was a tie in points for 4th place between Ruth Johnson and Neena Plymale. Ruth entered “Stuffed Hamburger Roll” and Neena entered “Mock Pizza”. The 4th place winners were each awarded CowBelle Stationery.

Judges of the event were Marie Romo, Pauline Webb and Gudrun Hensley.

The purpose of the Beef Cook Off is to promote Montana’s Beef Industry.

Trish and her winnign entry will now advance to the District Beef Cook-off to be held in Dillon in April.

The CowBelles wish to thank Miss Tripp, local Home Ec teacher, for all the work and time she contributed to this event; also thanks to contestants, parents, judges and guests for helping make our Beef Cook-off a success.

Sweet & Sour Meatballs

1 pkg. onion soup; 1 small onion; 1 ¼ cups warm water; 2 pounds ground beef; 1 cup beef broth; ¼ cup vinegar; 1 tsp. soy sauce; 1 can (15 ½ oz.) pineapple chunks, drained (reserve the juice); 1 tablespoon cornstarch; 1 green pepper, cut into chunks; ¼ cup brown sugar

In a large bowl, combine soup with water. Add beef, mix thoroughly. Shape into meatballs. In skillet, cook meatballs. Add broth, vinegar, soy sauce, and reserved liquid blended with brown sugar and cornstarch. Stir until sauce is slightly thickened. Add pineapple and green pepper. Simmer covered ten minutes. Serve over rice. Makes about eight servings.-



BROADWATER COUNTY NEWSPAPERS

Victor Sample

People new to Broadwater County may be surprised to see that Townsend has 2 newspapers, MT43 News and the Broadwater County News. Very few people in the county remember Broadwater County having more than one newspaper (except for a very brief period in 2013 when we had both the Townsend Star and the Broadwater Reporter).

Broadwater County has been home to 15 newspaper publications; well, technically, 14 since the Diamond City paper The Rocky Mountain Husbandman was actually published in Meagher County before Broadwater County was formed.

Of course, many of the newspapers were very short-lived. Only a few issues were ever printed. And, of course, there were several mergers.

The first newspaper published in what is now Broadwater County was the Rocky Mountain Husbandman in the mining town of Diamond City. The newspaper was devoted to publishing articles about agriculture and about farming/ranching lifestyles. The Rocky Mountain Husbandman was published in Diamond City from 1875 to 1879. When the Meagher County Seat moved from Diamond City to White Sulphur Springs, the newspaper moved with it. The paper was published until 1942.

The Townsend Trans-chant started publishing in Townsend in 1883 and was in publication for 7 years, until 1890.

In 1890 the Townsend Messenger started publishing and ran until 1901 when it merged with the Townsend Star.

Broadwater County’s longest-running newspaper, The Townsend Star was founded by the T.N. Averill family in 1897. The paper merged with the Townsend Messenger in 1901 and then the Townsend Forum in the same year. The Averill family published the Townsend Star until 1957. The Star finally closed in 2013.

The Townsend Forum was founded in 1900 and was taken over by the Townsend Star in 1901.

Very little is known about the Townsend Citizen. The Broadwater Bygones has a banner of the Townsend Citizen showing the first publication to be October 1902. In 1904, the Broadwater County Citizen was very short-lived; it started publishing in April of 1904 and was only published until September of 1904.

The Common Sense Journal was a publication by the Broadwater County Democratic Central Committee. It started publishing in October of 1908 and was ostensibly just published for the election of 1908, ending after the election.

The Broadwater Opinion started publishing in 1909 and in 1914 became the Townsend Inter-Mountain. The Inter-Mountain paper stopped publishing in 1915.

Radersburg had a newspaper called the Broadwater County Taxpayer published by the Crow Creek Farms Club. The paper only published 5 issues starting in 1908.

Many people might be surprised to know there were 3 (maybe 4) newspapers that

claimed Toston as home: The Toston Times published in 1923 and 1924 The Missouri Valley Index published in 1914 The Crow Creek Journal banner shows its home as Toston, but was actually edited and published by Fred H. Averill in the Townsend Star office.

The Broadwater Bygones also references an article stating “Alexander Watkins died on July 21, 1924. While in Toston he edited the Toston Sun”. No further information is given about the Toston Sun except that the newspaper used the “old Washington press that was used by The Star when it started”.

And finally, Winston also had a newspaper that the Broadwater Bygones call “a very fine newspaper”. The Winston Prospector, founded in 1897, was published to “further the interests of the extensive mining community”.

A few years ago, the Broadwater County Museum / Historical Society began a project in conjunction with the Montana Historical Society to digitize the newspapers of Broadwater County and publish the newspapers on the Montana Historical Society website.

To date, all of the historic newspapers except the Townsend Star have been digitized and are on the Montana Historical Society website. We have also digitized the Townsend Star up to 1973. At that time, the Montana Historical Society had a turnover and the digitizing stopped. We are continuing to try to get the Montana Historical Society to finish digitizing the Townsend Star.

The Broadwater Reporter, MT43 News and Broadwater County News have not yet been digitized.

The information for this article came mainly from the Broadwater Bygones (available at the Broadwater County Museum) and from various websites. To learn more about these newspapers visit the Broadwater County Museum. To view the digitized papers visit the Montana Historical Society Website.

Community Bulletin

NOTICE OF SECOND READING OF THE CITY OF TOWNSEND SOLICITOR ORDINANCE 2023-01

The Second Reading of Solicitor Ordinance 2023-01 to be held before the Townsend City Council on Tuesday March 21, at 6:30 p.m. at Townsend City Hall, 110 Broadway Townsend, MT.

Everyone is encouraged to attend. For additional information contact the Townsend City Clerk at 406-266-3911 or at 110 Broadway Street, Townsend, MT 59644

ALL-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE

GURNETT CREEK ENTERPRISES, LLC (Chase Ragen, Owner(s)) has applied to transfer Montana All-Alcoholic Beverages License No. 43-644-0446-001 to be operated at THE BETSY SPORTS BAR, 217 Broadway St, Townsend, Broadwater County. The public may protest this license transfer in accordance with the law.

Who can protest this transfer? Protests will be accepted from residents of the county of the proposed location Broadwater County, residents of adjoining Montana counties, and residents of adjoining counties in another state if the criteria in 16-4-207(4)(d), Montana Code Annotated (MCA), are met.

What information must be included? Protest letters must be legible and contain (1) the protestor's full name, mailing address, and street address; (2) the license number 43-644-0446-001 and the applicant's name GURNETT CREEK ENTERPRISES, LLC; (3) an indication that the letter is intended as a protest; (4) a description of the grounds for protesting; and (5) the protestor's signature. A letter with multiple signatures will be considered one protest letter.

What are valid protest grounds? The protest may be based on the applicant's qualifications listed in 16-4-401, MCA, or the grounds for denial of an application in 16-4-405, MCA. Examples of valid protest grounds include: (1) the applicant is unlikely to operate the establishment in compliance with the law; (2) the proposed location cannot be properly policed by local authorities; and (3) the welfare of the people in the vicinity of the proposed location will be adversely and seriously affected.

How are protests submitted? Protests must be postmarked to the Department of Revenue, Office of Dispute Resolution, P.O. Box 5805, Helena, Montana 59604-5805 on or before April 3, 2023.

What happens if the transfer is protested? Depending on the number of protests and the protest grounds, a public hearing will be held in Helena or Townsend. All valid protestors will be notified of the hearing's time, date and location. Hearings typically are scheduled within 90 days. A protestor's hearing testimony is limited to the grounds in the protestor's letter. Following the hearing, the Department of Revenue will notify the public whether the license transfer is approved or denied.

How can additional information be obtained? The cited MCA statutes are online at leg.mt.gov/bills/mca_toc/. Questions may be directed to Nicole Harris, Compliance Specialist for the Department of Revenue's Alcoholic Beverage Control Division, at 444-3016 or Nicole.Harris@mt.gov.



7th Annual Broadwater County-Wide Yard Sale - July 22, 2023

7th Annual Broadwater County-Wide Yard Sale - July 22, 2023 If you are planning to have a yard/garage sake this year, please consider joining us on July 22 for the 7th Annual Broadwater County-Wide Yard Sale. There is NO COST to you. MVM (Missouri Valley Marketing) will do all the advertising - you keep all the profits!

Grand Street Theatre Camp Scholarship Available.

Townsend Elementary and home- school students Please apply for two week summer camp at Grand Street Theatre. Middle school-age preferred. Deadline for applying: April 15, 2023 For more information: mtskydog@mt.net or text (406) 980-0592 and leave message.

BROADWATER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

515 Broadway, Townsend

Meetings are held at the Flynn Building on 416 Broadway St.

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).

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING ON MARCH 29TH DUE TO THE COMMISSIONERS ATTENDING THE MACRS CONFERENCE FROM MARCH 27-30.

There will be **NO** Commission meeting on March 29 due to the MACRS (Montana Association of County Road Supervisors) Conference in Great Falls, MT

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

3:00 PM Compensation Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

10:00 AM Discussion, Ruby Taylor, Public Health Director/Brittney Willis, Disaster & Emergency Services Coordinator, Broadwater County Community Review Action Team Conference Update

10:10 AM Discussion/Decision, Ruby Taylor, Public Health Director, the posting/creation of a Homemaker position

10:15 AM Discussion/Decision, COLA Recommendation from the Compensation Board

10:20 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community & Development Director, Louis Centa – Request to amend covenants for Lake Vista Lot 2 Subsequent Minor Subdivision

10:25 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Planning and Development Director, Antelope Vista II, Tract 2 requesting final plat approval

10:35 AM Discussion/Decision Goose Bay FLAP grant application

10:40 AM Discussion/Decision, Darrel Folkvord, By-Laws of the Broadwater County and City of Townsend joint City-County Airport Board

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

Debi Randolph, Chairman (406) 266-9270 or (406) 980-2050

Darrel Folkvord, Vice Chairman (406) 266-9272 or (406) 980-1213

Lindsey Richtmyer (406) 266-9271 or (406) 521-0834

E-mail: commissioners@co.broadwater.mt.us

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

➤ Trust Board Meeting on March 21st at 11:30am in the Flynn Building

➤ BC Fair Board Meeting on March 23rd at 7pm in the Flynn Building

DECLARATION OF INTENT FOR SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE AVAILABLE

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Super Crossword

INTERNAL IDENTIFICATION

ACROSS

1 Pop's partner
4 Hooded serpent
9 Bygone ruler
13 Tavern seats
19 Nuptial promise
20 Popular typeface
21 Possesses, in the Bible
22 Is unable to
23 "Cocoon" co-star
25 Red gem
26 Singer Keys
27 Talk formally
28 "Never on Sunday" star
31 Suckerfishes
34 Tickle pink
35 — -do-well (idle sort)
36 She voiced Elsa in "Frozen"
39 Pigpens
42 "Desperate Housewives" character
43 Dickens' "Tiny" lad
46 Conclude
47 By means of
50 18th Constitution addition
57 Tehran dweller
58 Restroom, informally
59 "— -ching!"
60 1983
61 Popular Toyota model
64 Person decorating
68 Brain product
69 Eden woman
70 It's south of San Diego, California
74 "Nunney" has three
75 Tee off
77 Political activist — X
78 "No, No, —" (old musical)
80 "Find — and fill it"
82 Of a maritime mil. branch
83 Lofty poem
86 These, to Gabriela
87 Swede transplanted to the U.S., say
93 In position
94 Tycoon
95 Olympic code for Quito's country
96 Roman 2,051
97 Earp of Tombstone
99 "Desk Set" actress
106 Me, myself —
109 Slay
112 Way to watch a film at home
113 Rapid transit system of a large Spanish city
118 Footways
119 First-year athlete
120 Use a wand reader on
121 Jim Croce hit that's apt for eight answers in this puzzle
124 Current flow measure
125 Comic Idle
126 Arctic
127 Gun, in slang
128 Magoo's title
129 Concluded
130 "It was — and stormy night ..."
131 — -cone (cold treat)

DOWN

1 Figure skater
lto —
2 Having a smell
3 French for "my friend"
4 Shutterbug's shooter
5 Metal deposit
6 Pen brand
7 2011-19
Chicago mayor — Emanuel
8 Away from the wind
9 Feel great excitement from
10 Basking box
11 Baseballer's turn to hit
12 Poetry devices
13 Wound mark
14 Soft powder
15 Big Mac components
16 As if scripted
17 Longest French river
18 Step
24 Heaps
29 Spike of film
30 Lauder of perflumery
32 Prefix with -dextrous
33 Certain Slav
37 Pop singer
Diamond
38 Greek Z
40 Small hotel
41 Small vortex
44 Shared, as interests
45 Phil of skiing
47 Bitter feud
48 Determined to do
49 Map books
50 Division of Canada
51 Very unusual achievement
52 Yoko of the avant-garde
53 Sword handle
54 Ana who won the 2008 French Open
55 Cat with no tail
56 "Tell — was dreaming!"
57 Glacier or floe
62 Maximum or minimum:
Abbr.
63 Steely Dan album with the hits "Peg" and "Deacon Blues"
65 NFL's Cowboys, on scoreboards
66 German "a"
67 Hitachi rival
71 Arm bone
72 Living in — (oblivious to current events)
73 "Dedicated to the — Love"
76 Swampy area
79 PC key
81 6/6/44
84 Accuse
85 Austen novel
88 Lyricist
Gershwin
89 Part of TNT
90 Group of spectators
91 "Tickle Me" Muppet
92 French for "nothing"
97 Arch used in croquet
98 Tightened up
100 QB's error:
Abbr.
101 Area for mobile campers
102 Johnson who directed "Star Wars: The Last Jedi"
103 Pets' jinglers
104 Golfer Tom who won the 1996 British Open
105 Be beaten by
106 James — Garfield
107 Actress Watts
108 Rain units
110 PC shortcut
111 With full force
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115 Salyric look
116 TV host Kelly
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!



- MOVIES: What is the name of Scarlett and Rhett's daughter in "Gone with the Wind"?
- GEOGRAPHY: What body of water lies between Australia and New Zealand?
- TELEVISION: Eric Camden is a minister on which TV dramedy?
- CHEMISTRY: Which element has the Latin name stannum (Sn)?
- LITERATURE: Which book is first written in C.S. Lewis' Chronicles of Narnia series?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the name of the bird logo on Twitter?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: How long does it take a sloth to digest food?
- PSYCHOLOGY: What is the irrational fear represented by coulrophobia?
- MYTHOLOGY: Which Greek god stared at his own reflection until he died?
- INVENTIONS: What did Alessandro Volta invent?

All Fun & Games

Super Crossword

Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

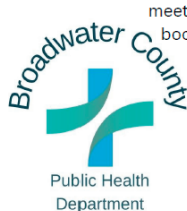
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Rotary



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!

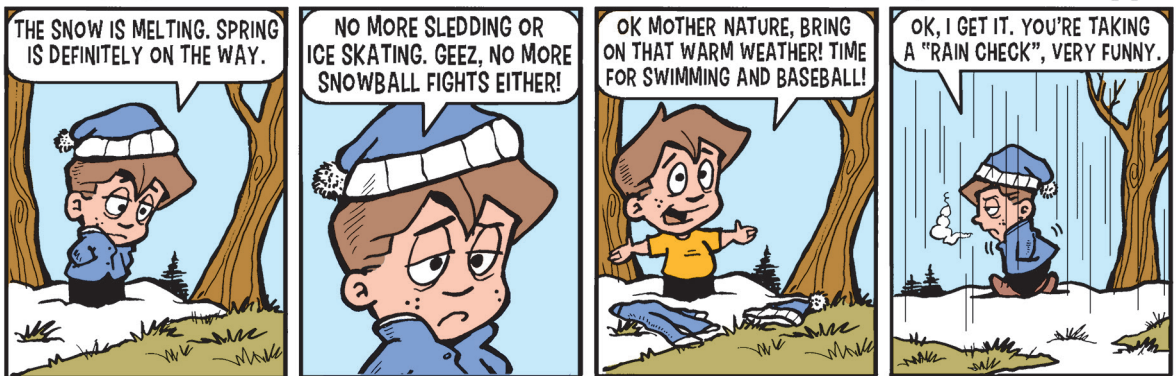


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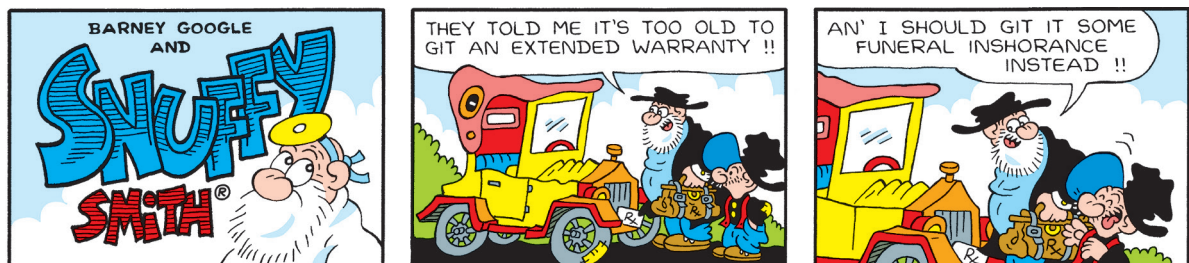
Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



GRIN and BEAR IT



Answers

- Bonnie Blue Butler.
- Tasman Sea.
- "7th Heaven."
- Tin.
- "The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe."
- Larry.
- An average of 16 days, and up to 30 days.
- Fear of clowns.
- Narcissus.
- The electric battery.

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OPULENCE HEALTH

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PRIMARY CARE AND AESTHETICS

INTRUDUCING:

Jenn Lambertson, Nurse Practitioner

SCHEDULING THURSDAY APPOINTMENTS

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251 Saddle Dr, Helena, MT

Chili Cook-Off

COMPETING? BRING YOUR 4-5 QUART ENTRY BY 4:45

\$50 PRIZE

EATING? \$5.00 TO TRY ALL OF THE ENTRIES

March 20th 5:00-6:00pm

BRING THE HEAT!

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QUESTIONS? CALL MARK @ 805.550.2184

AMERICAN LEGION

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

Traditional Corned Beef dinner & dessert

5 - 8:00pm Friday, March 17

Legion Hall
211 Broadway St, Townsend

Music by John Larson & the Wingnuts

Suggested Donation for dinner \$10 per person

Children 10 yrs and under eat for free

For info Legionfamilypost42.org Janet 406-498-6951

THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY TOWNSEND COMMUNITY DINNER

March 25th @ 6:00 PM

Dinner includes:
Stuffed Pork Loin, Homemade Creamy Scalloped Potatoes, Golden Sweet Corn, Applesauce, Spring Mixed Green Salad, Dinner Roll and Fresh Baked Pie

Cost: Adults \$12
Children Under 12 \$6

Served at American Legion Hall
Call Nancy with questions: 406-437-3736

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TREES AND UTILITY LINE PLANNING & PLANTING, PART 4

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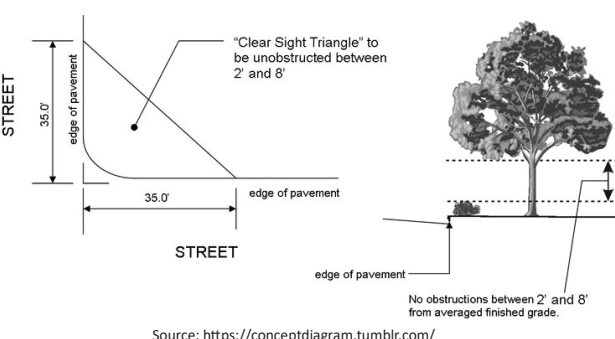
Note: This is the fourth in a series of articles to help prepare residents for any planned tree planting or pruning in their yards this coming year. The Townsend Tree Board is proud to provide this series of articles on tree planting and pruning considerations. A demonstration site on the northwest corner of D Street and South Walnut Street here in Townsend is being used.

In last week's article, we learned: • How to call for a locate to identify underground utilities. • The locate will not identify underground sprinkler systems. • Make a map of the utilities so you remember where they are. • How to remove problem tree stumps using chemicals, digging them out, or using a stump grinder.

Now, all of the problem trees under the utility lines have been removed. Where do you replant? You will need to make a map of your yard to help identify suitable locations for any new trees and shrubs. There are many sources of information to help you map and design your yard. One is from Better Homes and Gardens: <https://www.bhg.com/gardening/landscaping-projects/landscape-basics/mapping-your-yard/>. There are also software programs to design your yard.

On the map, include the locations of the home, garage, storage sheds, driveway, fences, etc. Include all the underground utility locations you just located but also overhead powerlines, communication lines, and service lines to the home. And don't forget to show your sprinkler head and sprinkler valve box locations. Trees and shrubs will impact the spray pattern of your sprinklers.

Picture 1. Visibility or Clear Sight Triangle



What other areas should be identified on the map? Don't forget to include a north arrow - some trees and shrubs need sunny or shady locations. In our example at the corner of D Street and South Walnut, the alley right-of-way is 15 feet wide so plant far enough away to prevent impacts to garbage trucks and other vehicles that use the alley. You may also want to identify a buffer between the neighbor's yard to the north to prevent future battles over tree limbs crossing the property line.

The typical streets in Townsend are 66 feet wide. This means that a lot of this corner lot is on city property. You can plant on city property, but you will need to check with the city to provide adequate setbacks to avoid future sidewalk construction impacts or street construction work. Per city ordinances, maintenance of trees and sidewalks on city property are the responsibility of the homeowner.

Because this is a corner lot you will need to plant trees and shrubs over 2 feet tall at least 35 feet from the corner to avoid visibility impacts for traffic in what is called the visibility or clear sight triangle (Picture 1). Don't forget to also avoid visibility impacts in the area next to the alley and driveway so people can see as they try to enter the alley or street.

Sushi Rice/California Roll

This is how we made rice in sushi class. You will need a pot with a lid, a large mixing bowl, and a wide, thin, wooden or plastic spoon. And you will need a fan, or some type of flat, lightweight object to wave at the rice - a large Tupperware lid works well.

Makes 8 rolls

Two cups sushi rice (short grain, Japanese); ½ cup rice vinegar; 1 teaspoon salt; 4 tablespoons sugar

Rinse the rice in the pot by covering it with water in a pot and sloshing it around with your fingers. When the water gets milky with rice starch, dump and replace it. Do this as many times as necessary until the water runs clear. Drain the rice of all rinse water, and place it in a pot with 1 ¾ cups of water. Let soak for 30 minutes. Put it on the stovetop and turn the heat to high for five minutes. Then turn down to medium-low for 10 minutes.

While the rice is cooking, dissolve the salt and sugar in the vinegar in a bowl. It will take some stirring with a whisk or fork.

Transfer the rice to a large bowl, ideally a wooden bowl. Then, with one hand fanning the rice, use the flat spoon with your other hand to slice into the rice and fluff it. Always slide it into the rice edge first, and be careful not to mush the rice. You will see the steam flying from the fan. Keep fanning until there is no more visible steam. Pour the sweet and salty vinegar over the rice, and gently slice it in with the flat spoon until mixed.

Let it cool to room temperature.



California Rolls

To roll you will need a bamboo sushi mat, available in large supermarkets, or Asian supermarkets, or online. And a sharp knife. If you want to roll it inside out, you will also need plastic wrap.

2 cups prepared rice, as above, cooled to room temp; 1 package of nori seaweed; 1 12-ounce package fake crab, preferably in stick form; 1 cucumber, peeled and cut into long, thin pieces; 2 avocados, cut into long, thin pieces; Optional: mayo Soy sauce and wasabi for serving

In a little bowl, combine ¼ cup each of rice vinegar and water. Use this to keep your hands wet so the rice won't stick to them, and to wet the end of the sushi roll to seal it, and to wet the knife to keep the rice from sticking to it when you cut the rolls.

Lay a sheet of nori on a rolling mat. Spread a third of a cup of cooked rice over two-thirds of a sheet, leaving the final three inches blank.

If you want to make inside-out California Rolls, flip the riced nori onto a piece of plastic wrap, atop the sushi mat.

Pull a stick of fake crab in half, the long way along the grain. Lay the two pieces end to end across the middle of the rice, flanked by cucumber, avocado and mayo. Carefully curl the mat around the sushi so the rice goes all around the contents, squeezing the mat as you roll it a little bit at a time, keeping everything as tight as you can.

Wet the knife with vinegar water and slice each roll into 6-8 pieces. (If you rolled it inside out, peel off the plastic before slicing.)

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