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BROADWATER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

Mikayla Kraft
School Correspondent



Graduation is a bittersweet day for most. Students are finally finishing their thirteen years of schooling and possibly even preparing for their next two or four years. For some, they may even be considering entering directly into the workforce. No matter the direction these graduates are stepping in, one thing is for sure, and that is the fact that these students aren't just students, but young adults. It is a time for parents to let go of their children and let them make mistakes, grow, and succeed. I have grown up with most of these students since they were young elementary kids and these guys are the sweetest, most caring people ever. I can assure all of the parents that the 2023 class of forty-two graduates was a tremendous influence on the elementary, middle, and high school students band will forever leave a mark in our lives.

The graduating class of Broadwater High School followed their motto of "one step at a time, but always forward" throughout their four years of high school. This year, Will Lynde, Dawson Sweat, and Jonah Wishman were prime examples of this as they have pushed themselves one step at a time to be better than the day before and earned the spots of Salutarian and Valedictorians. Will Lynde gave a patriotic speech that enveloped the entirety of his beliefs when it came to his decision to join the U.S. Navy. He also touched on how his parents and his spirituality have led him to



Graduating Class
Photo Credit: Kelly Morris



Cassidy Johnson proceeding to her well-earned spot after graduating.
Photo Credit: Mikayla Kraft

where he is today. One of the most memorable quotes he states was from Theodore Roosevelt stated that "to educate a man in mind and not in morals is to educate a menace to society".

The class president introduced the Point of Light Award to Mr. Pete Robischon who has taught in Broadwater High School for over twenty years. He was glorified by many of the seniors and always taught the students memorable lessons that will forever leave a positive

impact on the graduating seniors. The BHS Band, under the direction of Mr. Harlan Conroy, performed Balladair by Frank Erickson for the graduating seniors. The quality and richness of the music fully showed the appreciation of the entire high school.

Many of these high school students have participated in groups such as Interact, Student Council, Cheer, and Pep Band. Some participated in clubs such as FCCLA, Graduation, 2

TOWNSEND RESIDENTS HELP A ROAD RUNNER FEEL WELCOME

Nancy Marks
Reporter

If you have seen a jazzed-up Chevy Suburban on an elevated chassis around town you've seen the custom machine of Ryan Guadet and his dog Luna. They have lived in the truck on the road for five years since Ryan quit his job as architectural sheet worker. "I went on the road out of necessity and now it is a passion for me," he exclaimed.

Ryan's Suburban ran into engine trouble so he stopped in Townsend for repairs. "People have been wonderful here. They have brought me food and firewood for my

stove. This is a great place," he said.

In his other life he had worked on customized military equipment in California. Gold brings him to Montana where he has a mining claim near Basin, Montana. He also has claims in Colorado and Nevada. He has found up to two ounces of gold in working a ton of gold. He did not say where he found the gold. "I've been lucky finding gold on my claims. I plan to donate all the profits from the gold mine to a nonprofit to feed people who are in need," he said.



Ryan Gaudet and his dog Luna sit on the floor of Gaudet's highly decorated living room.
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Gaudet said he built the custom travel rig from the ground up with a battery operated drill and welding equipment
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Raised Catholic, Ryan said he spent many years searching for himself in religion. He moved into an evangelical church, but felt pressured to conform to those ideas. "Life never really made sense to me until my son was born. My epiphany came when I realized time was the part of life that made me happy, not money or religious rules. Now I am happy because time is mine." He concluded.

He left town on Wednesday on his way to Washington to see his family.

TOWNSEND SCHOOL DISTRICT RECEIVES HUGE GRANT

Susie Hedalen
Townsend Schools Superintendent

Townsend School District is once again successful in receiving an incredibly competitive grant that will add to the great work the school is doing to support the students and community!

The District received the 21st Century Grant for students during non-school hours in the amount of \$956,250.00, which will support after-school, summer, and non-school day programs over the next five years. Our dedicated Principal, Christina Hartmann completed this very detailed grant with the support and editing of Mrs. Hedalen, Superintendent.

Many community members took the time to review this grant and signed in support of this critical work. The administrative team was thankful for the support of the Board to approve the application and dedication of the team to working on this grant to meet the needs of our students, families, and community.

Grant, 2

"Poses Amongst Pages"
Hatha Yoga (Gentle Flow)
Saturdays @ 9am
Reading Leaves Bookstore
401 Broadway St
Townsend, MT
Save with a Zen Card!
5 Classes for \$50
or \$12 / drop-in class
"Bring Your Own Mat"

Graduation, 1
Skills USA, and FFA, and many participated and excelled in academic Olympics, football, volleyball, basketball, wrestling, speech and drama, tennis, and golf. Everywhere these students went throughout their busy schedules, they left a lasting impact on this community. As the graduating seniors venture off into the world, whether it be in their hometown, a different community, or a different state, we remember that the graduating seniors have been raised to be the future generation of businessmen and women, medical professionals, agriculturalists, and so much more.

List of 2023 Scholarships/Award Winners:
Kadynce Clark: Cotter Foundation Scholarship
Jesus Garcia: Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Dickinson State University Football Scholarship, The Holy Cross Parish Women of Faith Scholarship
Eric Eichinger: Arizona Excellence Award, Broadwater American Legion Auxiliary Award, Broadwater County Farm Bureau Scholarship, Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Laurie McCarthy Scholarship, National Honor Society Scholarship
Sienna Everette: Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Mike Bullock Memorial Scholarship, Myung and Andy Schmidt Scholarship
Camden Ferguson: Pepsi-Harrington Scholarship
Sydney Forrey: All Saints Award of Carrol College, Bill and Grace Berberet Scholarship, Montana Advantage Scholarship, Vigilante Electric Cooperative Scholarship
Montana Hedstrom: Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Barbara Kirscher Scholarship
Alexandria Howard: Cotter Foundation Scholarship
Cassidy Johnson: Broadwater Community Foundation Scholarship, Broadwater County Cattlewomen Scholarship, Broadwater Conservation District Ted Flynn Memorial Scholarship, Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Kearns Family Scholarship, The William Warren Flynn Memorial/Flynn Ranch Scholarship, Townsend Garden Club Scholarship, the University of Montana Academic Achievement Scholarship
Kailey Knaub: American Legion Post 42 Scholarship, Broadwater Community Foundation Scholarship, Fred and Joye Meyer Memorial Scholarship, Laurie McCarthy Scholarship, Northern Arizona University Founders Gold Scholarship, Ray Doig Memorial Scholarship, The William Warren Flynn Memorial/Flynn Ranch Scholarship, Western Undergraduate Exchange Scholarship
Kelli McLane: Broadwater County Lions Club Scholarship
Sierra Nugent-Testroote: Townsend Education Association Scholarship
Cael O'Dell: Broadwater County Farm Bureau Scholarship, Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Laurie McCarthy Scholarship, Montana Youth Serve Scholarship, The Ted Flynn Memorial/Flynn Ranch Scholarship, the University of Montana Academic Achievement Scholarship
James Pitassy: Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Jerry and Stephanie Cooper Scholarship, Montana Premier Scholarship
Ryan Racht: Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Dickinson State University Football Scholarship, Dickinson State Presidential Scholarship, Fred and Joye Meyer Scholarship, Laurie McCarthy Scholarship, The Holy Cross Parish Women of Faith Scholarship, The William Warren Flynn Memorial/Flynn Ranch Scholarship
Whitney Robertson: Broadwater Community Foundation Scholarship, Jerry and Stephanie Cooper Scholarship, Laurie McCarthy Scholarship, Montana State University Premier Scholarship, Montana Treasure State First Generation Scholarship
Justene Santi: Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Townsend Rodeo Association Scholarship, University of Montana Western Cross Country Scholarship
Codie Skillman: Broadwater County 4-H Leadership Scholarship, Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Yellowjacket Excellence Award
Walker Spurlock: Cotter Foundation Scholarship
Dawson Sweat: Broadwater Community Foundation Scholarship, Cotter Foundation Scholarship, MSU-Billings Track Scholarship, Rotary Scholarship, Yellowjacket Excellence Award
Briannah Williams: Class of '88 Scholarship, Cotter Foundation Scholarship, Helena College Stars Scholarship, Laurie McCarthy Scholarship, Townsend Garden Club Scholarship, VFW Voice of Democracy Scholarship
Trinity Wilson: Fred and Joye Meyer Scholarship, Grand Canyon University Presidential Scholarship, Grand Canyon University Priority Scholarship, National Honor Society Scholarship, Ray Hunthausen Junior Golf Foundation Scholarship, Rotary Scholarship
Jonah Wishman: Academic Olympics Scholarship, Montana University System Honors Scholarship, SkillsUSA Scholarship, Montana State University STEM Scholarship, The William Warren Flynn Memorial/Flynn Ranch Scholarship, Vigilante Electric Coop Scholarship

MT 43 News was told that in addition to students graduating with scholarships, graduate **William Lynde** will be joining the United States Navy!
“On behalf of Broadwater High School, we would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the donors of these scholarships and awards. Your generous support of our students is greatly appreciated. You have just witnessed the awarding of \$518,361.40 in scholarships to the Broadwater High School graduating class of 2023!!!!”
Sheri Heavrin, Broadwater High School Principal

Grant, 1
Details from the State on the 21st Century Grant Award:

The Office of Public Instruction is pleased to inform Townsend School District it is receiving a 5-year Federal 21st Community Learning Center Grant. Congratulations!
You will be awarded \$212,500 for each of the next 3 years. In year 4, you will receive \$170,000 and in year 5 you will receive \$148,750.

Grant Background:
The purpose of the initiative is to establish 21st Century Community Learning Center (CCLC) programs that provide economically disadvantaged students with opportunities for academic enrichment, personal enrichment, and other activities designed to complement the students' regular academic program. The 21st CCLC programs provide safe environments for students during non-school hours. All centers must provide a range of high-quality services to support student learning and development, that may include, but are not limited to tutoring and mentoring, academic enrichment (e.g. homework assistance, reading, math, science, and technology programs), service learning, physical fitness and wellness, career and technical programs, career exploration and development.

Pending Grants:
OPI Targeted 2023-2024 Authors: Christina Hartmann, and Susie Hedalen
FFA Alumni 2023-2024 Authors: Rick Naber, Jemma Loughrey, and Susie Hedalen
TSC CTE 2023-2024 Authors: Rick Naber, Jemma Loughrey, and Susie Hedalen

Use of Grant Funds:
Townsend School District actively seeks out grants that will provide additional opportunities and high-quality materials for students and staff. The Townsend School District is careful not to use grants for salaries for long-term positions and is mindful of fiscal sustainability. These grants allow us to offer an even more exceptional educational experience without burdening taxpayers.

SCHOOL DISTRICT #1 AUDIT EARNS HIGHEST RATING

Nancy Marks
Reporter



The 2021-2022 Townsend School District #1 audit earned the highest rating a district can earn as noted by Denning, Downey and Associates certified public accountants of Helena.

In a letter published in the April 21st edition of this paper, the accounting firm delivered an “unmodified report” to District #1. “Unmodified is the best rating a school district can receive,” Board Chairman Jason Noyes said in an interview. He pointed out the audit found no unreported or misused funds.

In the May 9 board meeting, new trustee Chase Ragen had questioned whether there were problems with the audit. Noyes explained the accountants had noted in the report's schedule of findings suggested better procedures for handling journal entries and cash flow between the County Treasurer's office and the District Clerk's office. It also pointed out the handling of journal entries had not been documented correctly. School Districts are mandated by the Office of Public Instruction to have annual or two-year audits.

Two different groups of employees with both the County Treasurer's office and the District each handled processing cash and issuing journal entries differently. That caused the inconsistency in the two-year audit. "The district had position changes in both the superintendent's office with a new superintendent and a new clerk all in the last year. Former County Treasurer Doug Ellis resigned and at that time Melissa Franks filled the position," Noyes pointed out.

In an interview with Franks, she said her office noted some inconsistencies. In 2022 she and the auditor worked with the District Clerk to clarify those. “The school reports must balance to our reports. That was the reason for our visit to the school,” she said, “The overall problem was really lack of communication between the two offices, so last summer the auditor and I visited with the school clerk.” Since then, the financial statements are now back on the same page.”

As soon as Superintendent Susie Hedalen realized that the two sets of books were not balancing, she began taking corrective actions. “I now sign off on all journal entries and cash expenditures. We produce a monthly packet showing the financial statement to the board and for the public's use, she explained.

Hedalen explained all budget costs were covered throughout the year. “We had no fund shortage such as happened in other districts which were in the red and had to raise levees to pay for the shortages. We're very proud we have not been in the red,” she said.

All tax-raised School District funds are funneled

from the County Treasurer to the Montana Board of Investments. As funds are needed, the Board of Investments, in turn, sends money back to the Treasurer's office for dispersion pro rata (in proportion to) what the District needs. “Very few state school districts handle and invest their own money,” Noyes pointed out when asked by Ragen about investing the school's money.

ALL TOGETHER NOW: 2023 SUMMER READING PROGRAM THEME

Vicki Harvey
Broadwater County Library

Broadwater School and Community Library presents “ALL TOGETHER NOW” during their summer library program. Activities may include, crafts, art projects, and more.

Schedule of Activities:

- 6/5/2023 Registration
 - *Activities Dates:*
 - June 15, 2023
 - June 29, 2023
 - July 13, 2023
 - July 27, 2023
 - All prize tickets need to be turned in by July 28, 2023 at 7pm.
 - Prizes awarded 7/31/2023 1pm
- All activities are at the Library at 1pm or change of location/time will be posted.



The 2023 Summer Reading Program is open to young people, Kindergarten through 5th grade, with programs, prize drawings, storytimes, and more.
For more information, call the library at 406-266-5060

Townsend School Calendar

May 19	4:00PM After school program at elementary gym
May 21	2PM Graduation
May 21 - May 22	Senior all-night party at 1963 gym, concession area, consumer sciences room
May 22	4:00PM After school program at elementary gym
May 23	2:00PM Set up for 8th grade post-awards night dance at Elementary commons/kitchen/gym 3:30 PM After school program at Community room 7:00PM 8th grade awards night at Broadwater High School stage gym
May 23 - May 24	8th grade post-awards night dance at Elementary commons/gym
May 24	4:00PM After school program at elementary gym
May 25 - May 27	State Tennis @ Great Falls
May 25	4:00 PM After school program at elementary gym AG Day at fairgrounds



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SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES GIVE OFFICIAL NOTICE OF BOARD VACANCY

Nancy Marks
Reporter

The School Board met to begin the process of filling the vacancy left by Shaun Scott who abruptly resigned at a May 9 board meeting. The person who is appointed by the board will serve a one-year term, then must run for public election. Letters of interest must be submitted to the Superintendent's Office no later than Monday, June 5.

Board Chairman Jason Noyes had previously stated the position would be offered to the third person in line on the earlier official school ballot. By law, the position must be offered to anyone who applies and is interviewed in a public meeting. The board will appoint the person at the regular board meeting on June 13, barring applications from other interested persons. If several people apply, they will be interviewed at another public meeting. Then the board will choose one person from that group.

The Calendar Committee presented the 2023-2024 Four-Day week school calendar for the board and the public's questions. After negotiations with the teachers' union and the staff's union, the teachers were able to come up with a reasonable school year by adding 23 minutes to each day to encompass the Four-Day week to include 180 days. That number of days is mandated by law. "Of all our jobs, making the shorter week work for all students kindergarten through grade 12 was one of the toughest jobs we have done," Middle School Principal Brad Racht admitted.

Sorting out the schedule meant having to meet the needs of the elementary school kids, especially the kindergarten students who have a hard time with long days as well as meeting the needs of middle school and high school students who participate in sports and have after-school jobs or rural students who must ride the bus.

Racht pointed out the committee agreed to keep the school year start date and end date as close as possible to the traditional calendar. When a federal holiday falls on a Monday, students will go to school on Friday, he said.

Superintendent Susie Hedalen expressed some concern about starting school so early in August "because it is so hot." Noyes pointed out Montana High School Association athletic schedules were already set before Townsend made the change, "so the schedule probably won't mesh in some instances." Board member Vanessa Flynn asked if teachers and students would still have 40 minutes for their lunch break. The answer was yes.

New board member Chase Ragen asked the elementary school teachers to "think outside the box" to keep the younger grade children and themselves from getting too tired while spending such long days in the classroom. "I know my youngest kids are tired by three o'clock," he said.

After public inspection, board members will vote to approve the upcoming school year schedule at their next meeting. The public is invited to comment on the schedule in the meantime either online or by discussing it with board members.

DECLARATION OF SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE VACANCY

Susie Hedalen
Townsend Schools Superintendent



Townsend K12 School District #1 Board announces a trustee vacancy (Townsend K12 School District #1 Policy 1113-P). This position is for a one-year term. The Board will begin to solicit letters of interest immediately. A trustee must be qualified to vote in a district; and be a resident of the School District (20-3-305 and 20-3-338 MCA). Interested parties must submit a letter of interest to the Townsend School District Office by June 5th, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

Each candidate will interview before the Board, interviews to be scheduled between June 5th and June 12th, 2023. The Board will select the candidate who is most likely to contribute to the growth and development of the District's educational programs and operations. The Board will appoint a new Trustee at the June 13th, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

Electronic submission is acceptable via email, kwilliams@townsend.k12.mt.us or shedalen@townsend.k12.mt.us.

COMMUNITY CALENDARS

May 26	12:00pm : Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepard of the Valley Lutheran Church
	1:00pm : Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center
May 27	9:00 am: Cemetery Flag Placements for Memorial Day
	6:00pm : Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut (406)439-3945
	6:30pm : Magic - The gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore
May 29	6:00 pm Celebrate Recovery at Mountain Valley Church (406)980-1805
May 30	12:00 pm: Billings Clinic Community Blood Drive at Billings Clinic Broadwater
	5:30pm : Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepard of the Valley Lutheran Church
	6:00pm : Bingo at American Legion Post 42 Club
May 31	1:00pm : Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center
June 1	3:00 pm: Farmer's Market
	1:00pm : Farmer's Market at Front Street by the Copy Cup
	7:00pm : Al-Anon at Shepard of the Valley Lutheran Church

County and Government Calendar

May 23	2:00pm : Public Meeting with Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) at Flynn Building
May 24	10:00am : Commission Meeting at Flynn Building
May 25	4:00pm : Broadband Advisory Board Meeting at Flynn Building

MUNICIPAL ELECTION CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE

The City of Townsend Election candidate filing DEADLINE is June 19, 2023, at 5 PM. Candidates shall file a Declaration of Nomination at the Clerk and Recorder's Office, 515 Broadway, Townsend, MT, between the hours of 8 AM - 5 PM for the following Municipal offices:

CITY COUNCIL WARD I	Christina Hartman
CITY COUNCIL WARD II	Ken Ulrich
CITY COUNCIL WARD III	Nate Brown
MAYOR	Michael Evans

*This will be a MAIL BALLOT election. Please contact the Clerk and Recorder at 406-266-3405 or elections@co.broadwater.mt.us, should you have any questions.

/s/ ANGIE PAULSEN, Broadwater County Clerk and Recorder

The Broadwater County Historical Society Board of Directors Annual Meeting will be Tuesday, June 4, 2023 at 5:00 at the Broadwater County Museum at 133 North Walnut Street in Townsend.



Job Openings

Employment Opportunity - Clerk and Recorder's Election Department

Broadwater County is currently seeking a highly motivated individual for a Full-Time Elections Assistant. The successful candidate must be able to manage and maintain the voter registration system in Broadwater County; assist Election Administrator in organizing and conducting elections in the County to comply with State election laws and statutes; assist in preparing and conducting training for seasonal staff and election judges; assist in setting up for all elections; conduct related work as required; work under the Election Administrator. Understanding of local government entities and experience in elections is preferred.

Starting pay is \$17.50/hr., with an excellent health benefits package. Full job description and application may be picked up in the Clerk and Recorder Office at the Broadwater County Courthouse; 515 Broadway; Townsend, MT 59644, or by emailing apaulsen@co.broadwater.mt.us. Resumes and other application materials can be sent to the same email by Thursday, June 1 at 5:00 pm. Position is open until filled. Broadwater County is an equal opportunity employer. Broadwater County shall, upon request, provide reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified individuals with disabilities.

Veterans and Disabled preferences are applicable.

The City of Townsend is hiring for multiple positions!

- Lifeguards
 - Water Safety Instructors
 - Pool Manager
- Seasonal and Flexible Hours! All Ages 16 and UP are encouraged to apply!
- Stop by City Hall for an application or call 406.266.3911 for more information.
- Application deadline is May 31, 2023.

MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, BROADWATER COUNTY

Cause No: DP-22-024

In the Matter of the Estate of:
DENNIS VOHLER, Deceased
(Hon. Michael Menahan)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named Estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to DUSTIN VOELLER, the Personal Representative, to c/o Tanko Law Office, 392- 1st Avenue E.N., Kalispel, MT 59901, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. DATED this 26th day of April, 2023. SIGNED by DUSTIN VOELLER, Personal Representative
Submitted by: TANKO LAW OFFICE
Signed by: BRIAN C. TANKO, ESQ., Attorney for Personal Representative

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BEAR SAFETY TRAINING EVENT HAPPENING IN BOZEMAN

Fish, Wildlife and Parks

BOZEMAN – Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks staff will host a bear safety event next month to offer training and hands-on practice with bear spray and other safety resources.



The workshop will be Tuesday, June 13, from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the south parking lot of FWP's Bozeman office, 1400 S. 19th Ave.

This event will include bear displays and safety talks on the hour. The displays include grizzly bear and black bear full-body mounts, skulls, tracks, food storage options, bear spray holsters, and a remote-controlled bear spray target. Participants will have the unique opportunity to practice using inert bear spray in a simulated charging bear demonstration.

FWP staff will give away up to 30 cans of bear spray on a first-come-first-served basis to those who attend the first presentation at noon.

FWP staff will be available to discuss bear safety practices, bear biology and how to handle bear encounters. They will provide in-depth training on how to carry and use bear spray. This event is family-friendly, and everyone is welcome.

Bears can be found throughout Montana. In recent years, grizzly bear populations have expanded. People venturing into the outdoors should be "bear aware" by following these precautionary steps:

- Carry bear spray, know how to use it, and be prepared to use it immediately.
- Travel in groups whenever possible and plan to be out in the daylight hours.
- Avoid carcass sites and concentrations of ravens and other scavengers.
- Watch for signs of bears such as bear scat, diggings, torn-up logs and turned-over rocks, and partly consumed animal carcasses.
- Make noise, especially near streams or in thick forest where hearing and visibility is impaired. This can be the key to avoiding encounters. Most bears will avoid humans when they know humans are present.
- Don't approach a bear.
- Keep attractants secured and follow all food storage regulations.

For more information on bear safety, visit go.usa.gov/xJB6U.

The Garden Bug

Live Oak Society

In 1934, Dr. Edwin Lewis Stephens, president of Southwestern Louisiana Institute, founded the Live Oak Society, a registry of live oak trees. According to bylaws, the only human member permitted in the Society is the honorary Chairman, who registers and records live oak members. To become registered, the live oak must have a girth (trunk circumference) of 8 feet or greater.

- Brenda Weaver
Source: www.lgcfinc.org/live-oak-society

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING

Nancy Marks
Reporter

May 17, 2023

ANOTHER NEW SUBDIVISION PLANNED AT THREE FORKS JUNCTION

Traffic and access to the highway will be the biggest hurdle for Rick Remitz, developer of the planned Vista at Headwaters Subsequent Minor Subdivision, as presented by Nichole Brown, Community Development Director at a May 17 County Commissioner meeting. "Traffic has increased exponentially in that one-mile area along the Interstate 90 and Highway 287 Junction," Brown said.

Access to the eleven-acre, 5 lot subdivision will be on Wheatland Road, but also directly onto Highway 287. Although Remitz and his engineer, Bill Dryer of Bozeman, have had one traffic study completed, they will work with Montana Department of Highways (MDOT) to have another study done. The last one is two years old. The developer will also be working with County Road Supervisor TJ Graveley since the proposed subdivision will impact Wheatland Road. Following a lengthy discussion, Brown presented a laundry list of conditions of approval for the developer to meet before commissioners can review for approval.



Commissioner Randolph, Commissioner Folkvord, Commissioner Richtmyer, Angie Paulsen, Broadwater County Clerk and Recorder
Photo Credit: Nancy Marks

The board approved County Health Department Director Ruby Taylor's request for the use of federal and state funds provided by her office for some administrative pay, but also for end-of-year miscellaneous charges. The amount approved is \$6,870.

Broadwater County Fair Manger Jessica Erickson presented the Fair Board's updated Bylaws. The bylaws had not been updated since 2020. Deputy County Attorney helped with language clarification. The commissioners approved the changes.

BROADWATER PUBLIC HEALTH FAIR BIKE RODEO

Dee Gannon
MT43 News Correspondent



Warm temperatures greeted patrons on Saturday, May 20 at the 1st Annual Community Health Fair, a collaborative effort between Billings Clinic Broadwater and Broadwater County Public Health with a Bike Rodeo and various local vendors, which proved to be a resounding success. The event aimed to promote health and wellness within the community and provide valuable resources and information to attendees. The fair witnessed the active participation of several organizations, each contributing their expertise to make the event a memorable and impactful experience for all. Additionally, the Broadwater Public Health Bike Safety Rodeo and the Broadwater County Sheriff's

Office added interactive activities that enhanced the fair's offerings for children and families.

Billings Clinic Broadwater would like to express its heartfelt appreciation to the following vendors and volunteers who graciously participated in the 1st Annual Community Health Fair:

Big Sky Leadership, Broadwater County Museum, Rotech (who delivers oxygen to Townsend), RMDC Head Start, AmeriCorps Seniors, Family Chiropractic, 42 Fitness Gym, Family Promise, Enhabit Home Health & Hospice, Lewis and Clark Public Health, TB's Flying Flamingo Food Truck, Full Belli Deli, and Rotary.

Children had the opportunity to participate in the Bike Safety Rodeo organized by Rotary and Broadwater Public Health. They received helmets and valuable safety instructions to ensure their well-being while riding bikes. This engaging activity emphasized the importance of practicing safe habits and wearing appropriate protective gear. For those bikes needing repairs; Paul Taylor and Ken Ulrich were on hand as mechanics. 45 participants in the Bike Rodeo will get the opportunity to win, by drawing, six bikes and a toddler scooter. That drawing will be on the Broadwater County Public Health Facebook page, at a time yet to be determined. Winners will be contacted.

RMDC Head Start had an Open House on May 24 for ages 3-5 for the coming school year. Head Start offers health, education, and socialization through its program, which has income-based availability. Head Start offers programs for families with foster children and homeless families, as well. You can call Jennifer Filipovich (406) 461-4374 for more information.

The Broadwater County Sheriff's Office offered two essential services to the fair attendees. Firstly, they conducted car seat safety checks, ensuring that families were equipped with the knowledge and resources to secure their children properly in vehicles. Secondly, they provided fingerprinting services, helping parents and guardians take proactive measures to keep their children safe.

Kids had the unique opportunity to visit with emergency responders, who shared their experiences and insights into their roles within the community. Additionally, children were given the chance to tour an ambulance, gaining a firsthand understanding of the life-saving equipment and services provided by emergency medical professionals.



Rotary member, Jeanine Stone, as the train, teaching bikers the correct approach to train tracks
Photo credit: Nancy Marks

Billings Clinic Broadwater extends its gratitude to all the vendors, organizations, and participants who contributed to the success of the 1st Annual Community Health Fair. Their dedication and support have laid a strong foundation for the event's continued growth and impact.

Looking ahead, Billings Clinic Broadwater is committed to expanding the event and including even more activities and vendors. With each passing year, the fair aims to provide an increasingly diverse range of resources, workshops, and interactive experiences to benefit the community's health and wellness. The success of this inaugural event has set a precedent for future fairs, fostering a sense of excitement and anticipation among both organizers and attendees.

By involving more community stakeholders, the fair will be a vibrant platform for sharing knowledge, fostering connections, and empowering individuals to take proactive steps toward their well-being.

DEEP CREEK PICNIC AREA CLOSED

Chiara Cipriano
US Forest Service

TOWNSEND, Mont., May 22, 2023 — Memorial Day Weekend typically coincides with the opening of many of our campgrounds and day-use areas across the Forest. This year rapid snow melt caused a few sites to go underwater.



"Deep Creek Picnic Area experienced substantial damage from a spring runoff event that pushed river debris all the way out to the access road," said District Ranger Aaron Webber. "We now have a closure order in place for it and will reopen it as soon as it is safe to do so." A copy of the closure order for Deep Creek Picnic Area is available on the Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest under "alerts and notices."

Other sites impacted by water include Moose Creek and Jumping Creek campgrounds that will both be opened once the water recedes.

Visitors traveling to the forest this summer can get the latest information on the status of campgrounds, trails, and other developed recreational sites by calling our front offices.

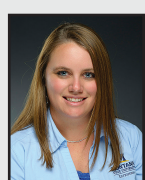
Visit: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/contactus/hlcnf/about-forest/contactus> to find a list of our offices.

Visit: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/recremain/hlcnf/recreation> for the most up-to-date information about our campground and developed rec site statuses.

Follow us on Facebook @HLCNF or Twitter @LewisandClarkNF for the latest updates.

WEED OF THE MONTH: FLIXWEED

Allison Kosto
MSU Broadwater County Extension Agent



I recently had a phone call from a concerned client who wanted control recommendations for a "weed with the yellow flowers." I couldn't help but chuckle because there

are MANY weeds with yellow flowers. Flixweed is one of these common weeds with yellow flowers that often gets confused with other types of mustard weeds. It also goes by the names herb sophia and tansy mustard.

Description & Habitat Native to Eurasia and northern Africa, flixweed is now widespread across North America and has been found in every county in Montana. It can be found in gardens, landscaped areas, cropland, rangeland, vacant lots, roadsides and other distributed sites.

Flixweed is in the mustard family with other familiar species including tumble mustard, hoary cress (whiteweed) and shepherd's purse. It is an annual (life cycle of one

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(year) or a biennial (life cycle of two years). It has a tap root. The main stem is 8 to 32 inches tall. The upper half of the stem has many branches. Leaves are fern-like and are covered with fine hairs. It has clusters of very small yellow flowers with four petals. Flixweed produces narrow seed pods that are 1/2 to 1 1/4 inches long. It is a prolific seed producer, and the seeds have good longevity in the soil.

Like other weeds, flixweed can displace native and desired vegetation and decrease forage production and plant diversity. It is known to be a pioneer colonist, often one of the first plants to establish a distributed site. It can be toxic to livestock when consumed at flowering and full maturity. It is not as toxic in younger stages. Mustard plants including flixweed can also accelerate other issues including selenium deficiencies and nitrate toxicity. However, it has a strong order and taste, so livestock tends to avoid it.

Management Avoiding disturbance or overgrazing is also often effective to prevent the establishment of flixweed. It is not very competitive, so maintaining a healthy population of native or desired species is helpful to control flixweed. Once it is established, the key to managing it is to prevent it from going to seed. This can be done with hand pulling, digging or hoeing



Flixweed
Photo Credit: Allison Kosto

before seed production. Make sure to cut or remove the crown. Mowing can be effective but may need to be repeated. Grazing is not recommended due to toxic qualities.

Herbicides are also an option and are most effective in the seedling stage. The plant is sensitive to most chemicals at this stage. Commonly used chemicals include 2,4-D, Banvel and Weedmaster. Always read and follow the entire label when applying herbicide. Common chemical names are used for clarity but does not imply endorsement of a product or brand.

For assistance on weed identification and management, contact the MSU Extension Office in Broadwater County at 406-266-9242.

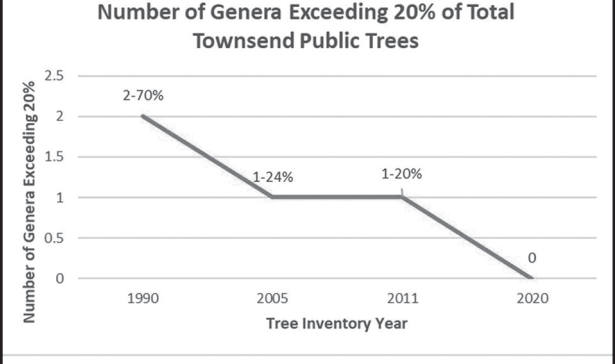
TOWNSEND'S COMMUNITY FOREST PART 6

Patrick Plantenberg
Tree Board Chair



Note: This is the sixth in a series of articles from the Townsend Tree Board reporting on the status of the community forest in Townsend.

Last week, we discussed how we have reduced the dominance of the species that dominated our community forest in 1990. Urban tree planting guidelines recommend that no single tree species should represent more than 10 percent of the tree population. Townsend has made significant progress in 33 years to achieve proper tree species planting guidelines.



Number of Genera Exceeding 20% of Total Townsend Public Trees
Graphics Credits: Pat Plantenberg

This week we will discuss urban forestry guidelines for genera and families and how Townsend is doing in meeting those guidelines. Townsend Public Tree Genera and Families Over Recommended Guidelines.

In botany, trees are split into families largely based on the characteristics of the flowers. Families are then divided into genera and finally species. Urban forest tree planting guidelines recommend that no single genus or family should equal more than 20 percent of the tree population. This diversification will be more aesthetically pleasing and will minimize future insect, disease, and weather damage.

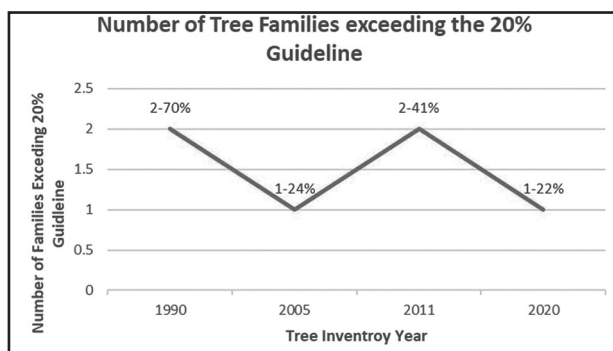


Figure 2. Number of Families Exceeding 20% of Total Townsend Public Trees
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Of the genera inventoried, two genera, the ash genus (Fraxinus spp.) at 48% and the elm genus (Ulmus spp.) at 22%, exceeded the 20% limit in 1990 (Figure 1). By 2005, ash was the only genus exceeding the 20% threshold at 24%. By 2011, the ash genus had dropped to 20%. No other genus exceeded 12% in 2011. In 2020, the ash genus had dropped to 18%. No other genus exceeded 11% in 2020.

Of the plant families inventoried, two large, first-generation tree families, the ash family (represented by Fraxinus spp. in Townsend) at 48% and the elm family (represented by Ulmus spp. in Townsend) at 22%, exceeded the 20% limit in 1990 (Figure 2). By 2005, the ash family was the only family exceeding the 20% guideline at 24%. By 2011, the ash family had dropped to 20%. The ash family continues to drop in dominance as ash trees are being removed because of the threat of the emerald ash borer and members of other tree families are planted. In contrast, the diverse small tree-dominated rose family (represented by hawthorns (Crataegus spp.), apples (Malus spp.), cherries and chokecherries (Prunus spp.), pears (Pyrus spp.), and mountain ash (Sorbus spp.) genera) had increased to 21% by 2011. Many city tree managers forget about the diversity of the genera in the rose family. In 2020, the popularity of the rose family flowering tree genera increased the rose family total to 22% of the urban tree population.

This spring, the rose family put on a spectacular display dominated by spring snow crabapples, Canada red chokecherries, and pink flowering crabapples.

Normally, a late frost in our area limits the flower production of the rose family. Last year, we saw a tremendous increase in rose family health problems, especially fireblight. Fireblight is a bacterium that can eventually kill the affected tree if the infected branches are not pruned off and/or the trees are not treated chemically.

Mountain ash and spring snow crabapples showed the most increase in fireblight infections in 2022. The Tree Board just completed spraying over 200 trees in the rose family to help control fireblight. These trees will be sprayed again this fall as the leaves start their fall coloration.

Several fireblight-infected rose family trees in Townsend are systematically being removed as they start to look bad. For example, two flowering pear trees were removed in front of the Broadwater Detention Center last Friday.

The Tree Board is not planting any more flowering pears and mountain ash species because of their susceptibility to fireblight. And the Tree Board is only planting two species of crabapples that have excellent fireblight resistance. Any questions about fireblight, please call Patrick Plantenberg, Tree Board Chair, at 406-431-4615.

Next week, we will discuss the condition of the trees in our urban forest in Townsend over the last 33 years.

KNIGHT MOVES

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Unlock the power of chess to find the eight-letter word of the day. Choose your starting letter carefully, then move around the square in a one by two fashion to get to the next letter.
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WORD SPIRAL

Fill in the missing letters to reveal the nine-letter word that starts at one of the four corners and moves clockwise around the perimeter before ending in the center.
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SAVAGE PESTO: TAKE A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

Ari LeVaux

The wild greens of springtime are on the rise, in the woods, by the creek, near the tracks, and in your garden, where they are known as weeds. These plants can be intensely bitter and aromatic, making them too strong flavored for many palates. For those who haven't yet acquired a taste for them, turning these greens into pesto is a great way to explore the wild side of greens.

Pesto is a process as much as a recipe. It's a method of turning greens into an Italian-style green paste by grinding them with garlic, oil, nuts and cheese. These ingredients, also robust of flavor, can turn the strength of wild flavors into an asset.

Every region will have its own array of edible and nutritious spring greens. I found nettles growing in a little wild spot near my house, and dandelions in the garden. So I decided to make dandelion and nettle pesto. Dandelions are bitter like a fine IPA, but the pesto they make isn't, because it's covered up by the other ingredients. Nettles have a fruity, metallic flavor. And thanks to their prickly nature it's best to harvest nettles with scissors and gloves. The stingers wilt when cooked – and in the case of pesto, when spun in the blender.

This wild pesto is in the spirit of the old-fashioned "spring tonic." A Spring Tonic is a mix of wild plant parts traditionally gathered at the end of winter in many rural parts of America. Back in the day, our pioneering and homesteading predecessors survived the winter on rations that would dwindle to the likes of flour, bacon, potatoes and sugar. When winter finally broke after months indoors on a white, greasy diet, the first hunt of the year for vitamin-rich green shoots was an awakening for the mind, body and belly.

Foraging helps build the relationship between you and your landscape. You look differently at a place when you forage it, and see the landscape more closely, differently, and more deeply. You begin to think ecologically, keeping track of north, south, and elevation. You find yourself having thoughts like, "I'm going to be down in the valley this afternoon, where the dandelions will be further along and bigger; I should grab some". Whether or not you find anything to eat, the very act of exploring vacant lots, river bottoms, random woodlands and other spots will be a reward in itself.



The bitter nature of wild plants is the flavor of both medicine and poison. But if you've done your research properly, the bitterness should all be medicinal. Or at the very least, nutritional; wild plants tend to be more nutrient-dense than their domestic counterparts.

Just remember, every would-be forager must assess the grounds at their disposal and strategize accordingly. Always do your harvesting away from any trail, and don't ever wipe out a location, so that the patch can recover. And if you are lucky enough to have a backyard, explore every square inch. Avoid foraging in dog parks, toxic waste dumps, and close to roads. Just as importantly, remember that the food we gather has not been vetted for edibility like grocery store food. Make sure you know what it is that you are gathering. Nowadays there are apps that can identify plants, or if you're old-fashioned you can use a book. Either way, foraging in the modern age is still foraging. And the wild foods of spring are just as wild as ever.

for the recipe, click the link: <https://arilevaux.com/savage-pesto/>

BROADWATER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS UNOFFICIAL AGENDA FOR MAY 31, 2023

THERE WILL BE NO REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2023

Guest Editorials

VOTE FOR MONTANA'S FUTURE

Gayle Clifford
Three Forks

With the conclusion of Montana's 68th Legislative Session, we Montanans have an opportunity to reflect on our state's past and its cherished description known nationwide as "The Last Best Place".

Montana residents appreciate the values and way of life that have been forged by previous generations. We share these values: a constitution that protects our rights, inclusiveness, public accountability, caring for our neighbors, individual privacy, clean water and environment, accessible public lands, outdoor sporting and waterway opportunities, excellent public education, and an abundant well-managed wildlife, to name a few.

We expect our elected officials to represent and preserve these values. Montana's future will be a judge as to how the elected officials in the 69th Legislative Session upheld the way of life enjoyed by Montanans and our visiting friends.

What is in store for the future of Montana? Is Montana on a path of no return? Many of the bills introduced and passed in the recent legislative session are well known to be written by out-of-state interests for personal gain and were not tailored to the needs of Montanans.

Is this the path we want Montana to follow? Montana voters will make the final decision concerning Montana's future. Moving forward, let us be well informed on candidates and cast votes for those that truly have Montana's best interests at heart, as we strive to keep, for Montana residents and visitors, Montana's uniqueness and reputation as "The Last Best Place".

Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

Shantil Siaperas

Communications Director, Montana Association of Counties

GIANFORTE'S SB 442 VETO SHOWS UNPRECEDENTED DISRESPECT TO LAWMAKERS, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Governor Greg Gianforte's attempt to veto Senate Bill 442 is unpopular, inexplicable, and contrary to the wishes of both the legislature and the people of Montana.

His veto ignores 132 legislators from both parties who voted for SB 442. It ignores 56 county commissions and numerous local governments who support the bill because it supported needed county road maintenance, enabling farmers and ranchers to get their products to market and EMTs to respond to emergencies. It ignores the needs of veterans, who would benefit from increased funding for crucial services. It ignores hunters, anglers, and hikers who would benefit from enhanced access and wildlife habitat conservation. It ignores labor unions, timber companies, energy and utility organizations, healthcare providers, and public land advocates.

And it ignores thousands of Montanans who stood up over and over to show their support for this historic bill.

On behalf of Montana's 56 counties and its hundreds of elected officials, we're honored to have been a small part of the historically broad coalition that worked together, often despite considerable differences, to develop strong bipartisan legislation that benefited, without exaggeration, every Montanan.

Unfortunately, even while SB 442 cruised through the legislature with a grand total of 132 votes for and 17 votes against, a small handful of legislators on the House Appropriations Committee didn't approve of the democratic process that allocated new marijuana tax revenues. Despite their opposition, we believed the governor would respect the good-faith negotiations in the Legislature and the overwhelming support from Montanans and sign SB 442 into law.

But he vetoed it instead.

We never thought for a moment the governor would try to override the will of the Legislature and turn his back on the numerous beneficiaries of the bill. From veterans to public land advocates to farmers trying to get their goods to market, SB 442 allocated limited marijuana tax resources exactly where the public wanted them spent. The governor choosing to side with legislative spenders rather than his Montana constituents was the wrong choice.

Even more discouraging is his belief that rural Montana has all the resources necessary to meet constituent demands for public roads accessing public lands. We encourage Governor Gianforte to get out of Helena and visit his rural elected officials to discuss the status of county roads. Better yet, talk to his constituents about their service demands and whether farm-to-market rural roads need any additional funding. His veto letter showed a concerning lack of understanding of local government taxing authority and the limited resources we have to meet our constituents' demands.

We're not done with SB 442, though.

The legislative body has the constitutional authority to override an executive veto with a two-thirds majority, if it desires. In his haste to veto SB 442, the governor went out of his way to circumvent this authority and never gave the legislature its constitutionally mandated opportunity to respond to his veto. This type of governance sets a dangerous precedent.

Without delay, the Governor needs to deliver the veto documents appropriately to the Secretary of State who then needs to poll the members of the 2023 Legislature regarding Senate Bill 442.

Over 130 legislators voted in favor of SB 442, and they deserve the chance to have a final say on legislation that directly impacts the lives and livelihoods of their constituents. Anything less is a failure of government.

Respectfully,

Eric Bryson, Executive Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

Roman Zylawy, MACo President, Mineral County Commissioner

Ross Butcher, MACo 1st Vice President, Fergus County Commissioner

Joette Woods, MACo 2nd Vice President, Liberty County Commissioner

Jason Strouf, MACo Immediate Past President, Custer County Commissioner

Mike McGinley, MACo Fiscal Officer, Beaverhead County Commissioner

Randy Brodehl, MACo Urban Counties Representative, Flathead County Commissioner

Greg Gianforte

Office of the Governor, State of Montana

May 2, 2023

The Honorable Jason Ellsworth, President of the Senate
And The Honorable Matt Regier, Speaker of the House
State Capitol, Helena, Montana 59620

Dear President Ellsworth and Speaker Regier:

In accordance with the power vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Montana, I hereby veto Senate Bill 442: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING THE DISTRIBUTION OF MARIJUANA TAXES; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF THE MARIJUANA STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; TRANSFERRING TAX REVENUE FROM MARIJUANA SALES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FUNDING OF COUNTY ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE; PROVIDING A CALCULATION BASED ON THE ROAD MILES, STATE AND FEDERAL LAND AREA AND BLOCK MANAGEMENT ACRES IN COUNTIES AND CONSOLIDATED CITY-COUNTIES; ESTABLISHING A HABITAT LEGACY ACCOUNT; REVISING THE MONTANA WILDLIFE HABITAT IMPROVEMENT ACT; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-70-101, AND 16-12-111, 87-5-801, 87-5-80-2, 87-5-803, 87-5-804, 87-5-805, 87-5-806, 87-5-807, 87-5-808. MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

First, there is a substantial technical issue with Senate Bill 442. As written the bill glaringly omits an appropriation, failing to fund itself. Without an appropriation, the bill does nothing.

Second, there is a substantial policy issue with Senate Bill 442. The bill is unprecedented in that it authorizes ongoing state resources from the General Fund to maintain county roads.

As you know, the state is responsible for constructing, reconstructing, maintaining and repairing state highways and roads and local jurisdictions for their local roads. In recent history, the state has never authorized ongoing state resources from the General Fund for such local roads projects for local jurisdictions. Instead, local jurisdictions use their local resources for critical local infrastructure needs.

Adopting the approach of Senate Bill 442 creates a slippery slope, an incentive for local jurisdictions to reduce their services while keeping taxes higher on their citizens. Local jurisdictions will not have to dedicate as much of their local resources to their local roads as they have had to. But instead of cutting citizens' taxes proportionately, they can reallocate those dollars to capricious, unnecessary projects, resulting in a new increase of Montanans' tax burden.

Furthermore, and more troubling, Senate Bill 442 creates the illusion that the state will accept increasing responsibility for matters that are strictly under the jurisdiction of local authorities.

Instead of establishing an ongoing authorization of state resources from the General Fund, a better, more responsible, more prudent approach is to provide one-time-only funding to local jurisdictions to address their infrastructure needs. Such an approach is more appropriate given the state's surplus and is provided for in Senate Bill 536.

For these reasons, I veto Senate Bill 442.

Sincerely,

Greg Gianforte, Governor



Fiscal responsibility shouldn't come at the expense of taxpayers

Applaud Representative Matt Rosendale for being one of the strongest advocates for fiscal responsibility in DC. As negotiations between the White House and Republicans have had little success, our congressman has continued to voice strong solutions that will keep the US from defaulting on its debt.

Both parties admit that defaulting on our nation's debt is the wrong course for the US. But unless Democrats are willing to cut back on their erratic spending, a deal will not be reached. Montana's small businesses are at serious risk of becoming targets for higher taxation if negotiations don't move forward. This means higher costs of goods and more dependency on federal programs that will ultimately mean higher taxation for all Montanans.

Montanans cannot and should not have to deal with the shocking effects of these political games. I urge Senator Tester to vote yes on the bill that was passed in the House and to work with Republicans to do whatever is necessary to raise the debt ceiling and cut back on federal spending.

Edward Hill

Havre, MT

To the Person who set the animal leg trap in my yard at 407 North Cherry:

What were you thinking? Did you want a kid to lose a finger?

All you did was to make Trappers, hunters and sportsmen look bad. You're the reason we may lose our hunting, trapping and public land rights. People in Townsend need to be on the lookout for traps in their yards. I found the one in my yard in some tall grass near a fence, a low-traffic area.

Doug Purcell

Townsend, MT

WHITE SULPHUR HOMICIDE SUSPECT BEING HELD IN BROADWATER DETENTION CENTER

Nancy Marks

Reporter

Dominic Paul Driscoll, 31, of Clancy has been arrested and charged with deliberate homicide in the death of White Sulphur Springs resident Benjamin Andrew Bullington, age 28. Driscoll is being held in the Broadwater Detention Center.

In the early morning hours of May 21, Meagher County Sheriff's deputies responded to a report of gunshots at 206 East Baker Street near the Castle in White Sulphur. Bullington was found with a gunshot wound to the chest. He was declared deceased at Mountainview Medical Center.

Driscoll had a gunshot wound to the ankle. He was treated and then charged with homicide and transported to Townsend. No other suspects are involved in this case.

The Montana Division of Criminal Investigation, Montana Crime Laboratory and Montana Highway Patrol are involved in this case according to Jon Lopp, Meagher County Sheriff.

His office explained Driscoll was transported to the Townsend facility because their facility is only a 72-hour holding facility.

SW MONTANA'S JEFFERSON BASIN TROUT AT HISTORIC LOWS

Quincey Johnson

Upper Missouri Waterkeeper, Outreach Director

BOZEMAN, MT - Recent reporting from the Montana Standard exposed an emergency situation on the Big Hole, Beaverhead, Ruby, and Jefferson rivers.

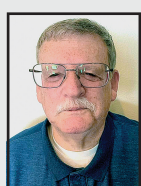
Wild trout populations in these rivers have plummeted to 50-year+ historic lows, with a near complete loss of recruitment for the next young-of-year class of trout.

Despite clear trend data for several years, the lack of leadership from both Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) and the Gianforte Administration has put one of the nation's premier cold-water fisheries at risk of Jefferson Basin, 10



MICROSOFT KEEPING US SAFE?

Victor Sample



Everybody should be concerned about security on their computing devices (PCs, tablets, phones, etc.). Scammers never take a day off – every single day they are trying to scam you. Even worse, they try to get you to download malicious software. Tery Artz asked me to teach a “Safe Surfing” class for the Adult Ed program and some of the stories people told about scamming attempts were just plain scary.

Microsoft has been doing a lot in Windows to keep your PC secure. Microsoft Windows Defender is built into Windows, is free and does at least as good a job as other security software that you have to have a paid subscription.

Quite often new PCs running Windows are sold with the “S” edition. The “S” edition of Windows does not allow the user to install software unless it comes from the Microsoft Store. Of course, that assumes the software is installed through standard installation processes – malware developers don’t usually follow standard procedures for infecting your computer with malware.

The problem with “S” mode is that it prevents the user from installing perfectly safe software that didn’t come through the Microsoft Store. If you want to install software that didn’t come through the Microsoft Store you have to disable “S” mode. That is a one-way trip. Once it is disabled it can’t be re-enabled. So much for that security measure!

This last weekend I wrote a new application for the MT43 News office staff to use to help create the various community calendars that are printed each week. I decided to put the installation program for the application on the internal website we use to manage the office processes. The office staff could just download the installation program, install the application and start using it.

I like to test everything before I turn it over AND I wanted to document the whole process of downloading it and performing the installation of the application. So, I went through the whole process myself.

I logged into the website and clicked on the link to download the installation program. I have been downloading install programs for years. Usually, I click on the link to download the software and the software

downloads ready to be installed.

The new version of the Microsoft Edge browser has new security measures: when I clicked on the link Microsoft started the download but interrupted the process to tell me that the install program is NOT a commonly downloaded program. A small dialog box was displayed that prominently told me it was not commonly downloaded with a little tiny link that said: “see more”.

Clicking on the “see more” displayed a bigger dialog box that gave the options of 1) Deleting the download; 2) Keeping the Download or 3) Reporting the file is safe.

I thought I would report the file is safe (since I created it I was pretty sure it was!). That took me to a new tab in the browser where I had to specify that it was safe and answer a security question. The security question consisted of several letters/numbers twisted into different shapes that I had to identify. It took me 3 or 4 different tries to get past that.

Once I had reported the file was safe, I went back to the actual download. Oops, have to start over again. So, I click on the link to download the installation program and even though I just got done telling Microsoft it was a safe program, I got the dialog telling me it was not a commonly downloaded program. Again, I clicked 'see more' and got the dialog allowing me to delete, keep or report the program as safe. This time I clicked on keep the installation program.

After clicking on keep I got another bigger dialog box that again warned me that it was not a commonly known program and asked me to verify that I trusted the program. There were 2 big buttons for “Delete” and “Cancel”. Under those buttons in the small text was a small link that said “See More”.

I clicked on the “See More” and yet another dialog box appeared giving the option to 1) Delete, 2) Keep, and 3) Report the file as safe. This time I clicked on Keep.

Finally, the downloaded was completed and I was able to actually install the application!

It took 4 dialog boxes – AND a side trip to report the program as safe – to get the install program downloaded.

Out of curiosity, the next day I went through the process again. Even though I reported the module as safe (actually I did it twice) I had to go through the FULL process yet again. I understand that my saying the program is safe doesn’t mean it really is safe; but I thought that Microsoft could at least recognize that on this PC I said it was safe and would let me download it again - on this PC. NOPE!

I applaud Microsoft for trying to improve the security on Windows; but, that download process seems a little excessive – 4 different dialog boxes warning me that this was not a commonly downloaded program. And, what purpose does the “Report the program as safe” if it apparently did nothing. I think Microsoft could streamline the process a bit.

TECH NEWS COMPUTER SCIENCE AT CARROLL COLLEGE

LEARN-BY-DOING!

Dr. Shaun Scott
Associate Professor - Carroll College



Local resident Dr. Shaun Scott teaches Computer Science at Carroll College. As a way to bring more attention to the importance of technology in today's world as well as to help our local community be more aware of educational opportunities in tech at Carroll College, Dr. Scott is sharing a hands-on experience his networking class recently completed.

Bringing the Spring 2023 semester's course work together for Final Project, Dr. Scott's Networking Fundamentals class took on the role of "consultant" with Opportunity Bank and CWG Architects, both of whom are acting as the "clients" this year. This "learn-by-doing" experience helps students learn to apply the technology concepts learned in the classroom and apply them in a real-life way. Within this final project scenario students conduct a network analysis for the organization and then develop either a new design or upgrade based on the needs of that organization. Students toured the new Opportunity Bank built down on Prospect in Helena. In this type of project, it's so unusual to have the opportunity to analyze and design a new computer network from the ground up. Thank you Opportunity Bank! What a great experience!

CWG Architect is located in the Mansion district. This project presented an entirely different set of challenges to students. These challenges were focused around upgrading the computer network in a late 19th-century building made primarily of stone and brick.

Although it takes a lot of time to organize and facilitate, this final project model has been very successful in bringing classroom concepts and practical authentic experiential learning together in a way that creates a memorable learning experience students can relate to.

A big thank you goes out to those individuals and businesses who partnered with us to help this experience be a success for Carroll students.

For more information about educational opportunities at Carroll College in technology please email Dr. Scott at sscott@carroll.edu.

Super Crossword

INITIAL WORDS

ACROSS

- 1 Jacob bought his birthright
- 5 City in Pennsylvania
- 12 Hooting avian
- 15 Factory type
- 19 Pibb (soda brand)
- 20 Kenya's capital
- 21 Foot digit
- 22 Vicinity
- 23 U.S. president ordering steeds to turn right?
- 26 Have a strong desire
- 27 Ending for cyan-
- 28 Turns sharply
- 29 Winter footwear item
- 30 Styx and The Stones
- 31 More suspicious
- 33 Inclined positions
- 35 "Da Ali G Show" star — Baron Cohen
- 36 Taken in food
- 37 Women's suffragist keeping an apiary?
- 42 I, to Freud
- 44 Speak wildly
- 45 "Absolutely not!"

DOWN

- 1 Many an alimony recipient
- 2 Sports domes
- 3 Haul in
- 4 Old Egypt-Syr. alliance
- 5 Year, in Paris
- 6 Pilsners, e.g.
- 7 Arena section
- 8 Mined metals
- 9 "Ni-i-ice!"
- 10 Spurs' gp.
- 11 Website for finding homestays
- 12 Lazy or useless
- 13 Refuses to
- 14 Table support
- 15 Old Testament prophet
- 16 Steam locomotive, in old lingo
- 17 Listen supportively
- 18 Dawdles
- 24 Show clearly
- 25 Heap affection (on)
- 30 Swung sticks
- 32 Generational treasures
- 33 "— talk?" (Joan Rivers catchphrase)
- 34 Prefix with discrimination
- 35 —-cone
- 38 Europe-Asia border river
- 39 "Don't — didn't warn you!"
- 40 Runner or writer Packer
- 41 Conifers with red arils
- 43 Israelites climbing partner
- 46 Old TV's "Na Na"
- 47 Basil or sage
- 48 Sailor's saint
- 49 Razz
- 50 Tibetan monk
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- 79 Stamps on passports
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- 85 Jack's hill-climbing partner
- 86 Counterfeit
- 88 Remedial regimen
- 89 Debussy's "Clair de —"
- 90 Before, to Browning
- 94 High dice roll
- 95 Quattro carmaker
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- 97 Value highly
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- 100 Meditative Chinese martial art
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Kids' Maze

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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INSIDE INSPIRATION

ARE YOU LIVING WITH A SCARCITY OR ABUNDANCE MINDSET?

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



I grew up in a large family, and one limiting belief passed on to us was a scarcity mindset. I remember Dad telling us to get a good job with benefits, work hard, save as much as possible for 40 years, and then retire, as money doesn't grow on trees. I lived this limiting belief for most of my adult life.

Scarcity and abundance have been buzzwords floating around the internet for several years. As I dug deeper into my upbringing, I began to understand scarcity and the negative emotions it can bring, as family beliefs will stay with us unless we consciously release them.

Learning where my scarcity mindset came from, I was finally able to release those negative emotions through NLP, and I am now learning to shift my mindset to abundance.

It was during the great depression when the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) was established by Congress in 1933 to provide jobs for young, unemployed men during the Great Depression. The men were paid \$30 a month, \$25 of which was sent directly back to their families. During that time, my dad made the long trip from Ohio to Montana to work on the Lewis & Clark Caverns as part of the CCCs.

My Dad's experience working in the Civilian Conservation Corps during the Great Depression exemplifies the difficult times and the need to prioritize providing for the family above personal desires. The fact that a significant portion of his monthly income was sent back home demonstrates his integrity, responsibility, and commitment to supporting his family during challenging times.

Understandably, circumstances such as this would instill a scarcity mindset regarding monetary resources and other aspects.

Growing up, I experienced scarcity, which profoundly affected my mindset and outlook. Those experiences and values passed down through generations shaped my perspectives and beliefs about life.

Many of us raised in this particular culture and generation were presented with a scarcity mindset rather than one of abundance.

Some may think that scarcity and abundance are solely limited to material resources or wealth, but I assure you, it is so much more as I am still learning this one.

A scarcity mindset often involves a fear of not having enough, a focus on limitations, and a reluctance to take risks due to the fear of potential loss. It can lead to a constant sense of lack and an inability to embrace abundance and opportunities that may present themselves.

A scarcity mindset can also manifest in different ways, leading to a feeling of never having enough time, being limited by opportunities, perceiving relationships as competitive, doubting one's worth or potential for success, and fearing a lack of love or fulfillment.

It is essential to recognize that mindset and beliefs can be changed. While the scarcity mindset may have been ingrained during childhood, shifting towards an abundance mindset is possible.

The abundance mindset fosters gratitude, abundance, and possibility. It opens one's mind to new ideas, innovative solutions, and a willingness to step out of your comfort zone.

Developing an abundance mindset involves cultivating gratitude (one of the greatest lessons I have learned), recognizing opportunities, embracing a positive outlook, and believing in the possibility of achieving abundance in various aspects of life.

It's important to note that the abundance mindset does not mean ignoring practical realities or denying the existence of challenges. It's more about focusing on possibilities, adopting a positive outlook, and embracing a mindset that empowers and motivates.

An abundance mindset encompasses a belief that time is abundant, opportunities are plentiful, relationships can be nourishing and supportive, success is attainable, and abundant love and fulfillment are available. It can lead to a greater sense of gratitude, contentment, resilience, and openness to new experiences.

People may exhibit different mindsets in different areas of their lives and can shift between them based on circumstances and personal growth. Developing an abundance mindset involves becoming aware of your environment, shifting limiting beliefs, and adopting a positive and grateful perspective toward various aspects of life.

Understanding that scarcity and abundance mindsets go beyond monetary considerations enables you to explore and cultivate a more holistic and grateful approach. You can now create a more fulfilling and joyful life by shifting your perspective and embracing abundance in all its forms.

"Abundance is not something we acquire; it is something we tune into." ~Wayne Dyer

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 and Youth 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 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. Pastor 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 Moa, 266-3390 TownsendUMC.org.

Trailhead Christian Fellowship, 20 Trailhead View Dr. Townsend (5 mi. north of Townsend). Sunday School and Christian Education, Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Services Sunday, 10:00 a.m. 7th-12th grade youth group, Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 p.m. meeting at 407 S. Cherry St., Townsend. Pastor Mark Roelofs

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

*The Lord, the God of their ancestors, sent word to them through his messengers again and again, because he had pity on his people and on his dwelling place. But they mocked God's messengers, despised his words and scoffed at his prophets until the wrath of the Lord was aroused against his people and there was no remedy. 2 CHRONICLES 36: 15,16 *Life**

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Tuesday, May 30

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Wednesday, May 31

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Thursday, June 1

BBQ Pork Sandwich

Friday, June 2
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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.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

MAY 26, 2023

Karoline Nelson
Operations Manager

The Holy Cross Catholic Church will be staffing the food pantry during the month of June.

Food pantry supplies were distributed to 23 families consisting of 40 family members on May 20th. This includes five from the Home Maker Program.

The June board meeting will be held June 1st at 7 pm at the food pantry.

The Townsend Rotary will be matching funds collected from Mother's Day until Father's Day, June 18th.

Foods currently in need at the food pantry are cereal, spaghetti or elbow macaroni noodles, Skillet or Hamburger Helper meals, and beef or elk burger that has been professionally packaged.

Anyone with a meat donation may call Karoline or Daryl at the numbers below for anytime delivery. The food pantry will only be open for the distribution of food and receiving food on the first and third full weekends. If there is a 5th Saturday, we will be open then also. If these days are inconvenient for any donations, please notify Karoline or Daryl at the numbers below.

If you are dropping off food donations during off hours please do not leave them at the back door. This is especially important with the warming temperatures, the food may not be noticed for several days.

Distribution hours: Saturday distribution hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 10:45. Distribution outside of the normal hours is for emergencies and on an individual basis. Emergency food needs can be distributed by calling Karoline Nelson at 406-438-3981 or Daryl Blumhagen at 406-980-0800.

How to Donate: Bob's Supermarket has donation boxes at the checkout counters. For donations of meat or other perishable items or for emergency food distribution, please call Karoline at 406-438-3981 or Daryl at 406-980-0800. The food pantry is open to accept donations from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the first and third Friday of the month. You may mail cash donations to Broadwater Food Pantry, P. O. Box 1164, Townsend, MT 59644. The food pantry is located at 315 Broadway.

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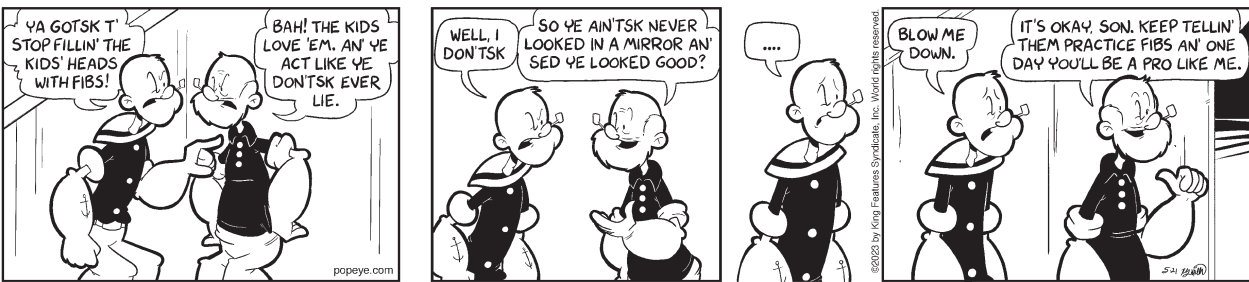
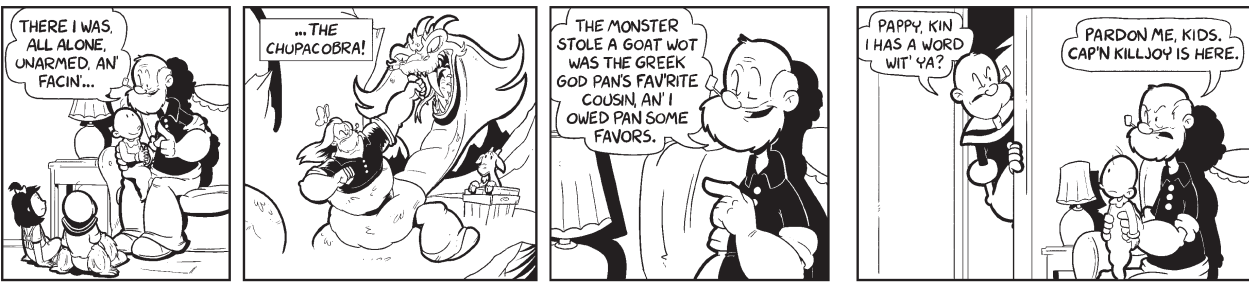


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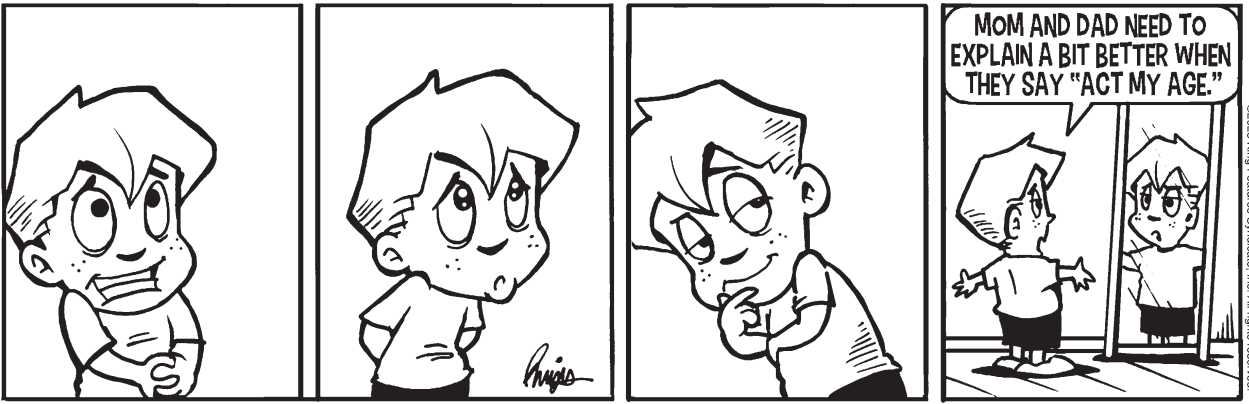
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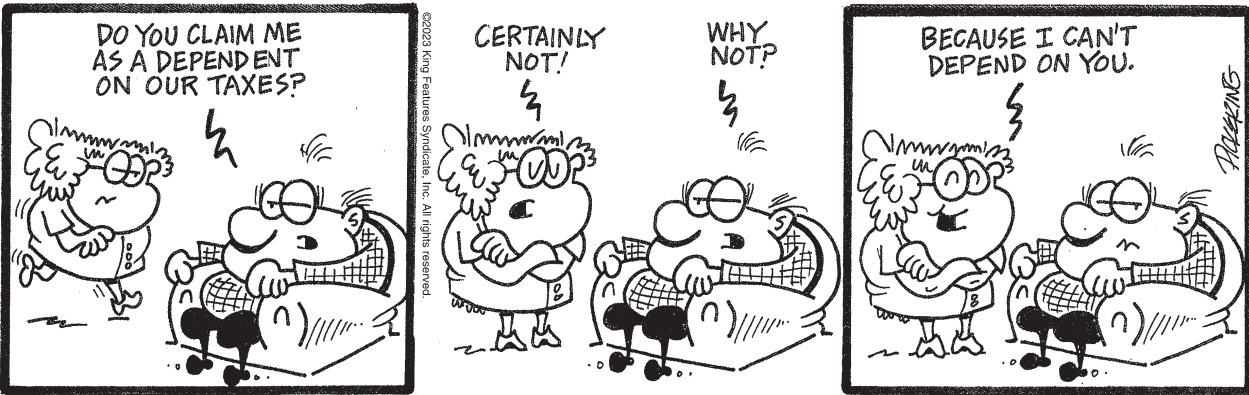
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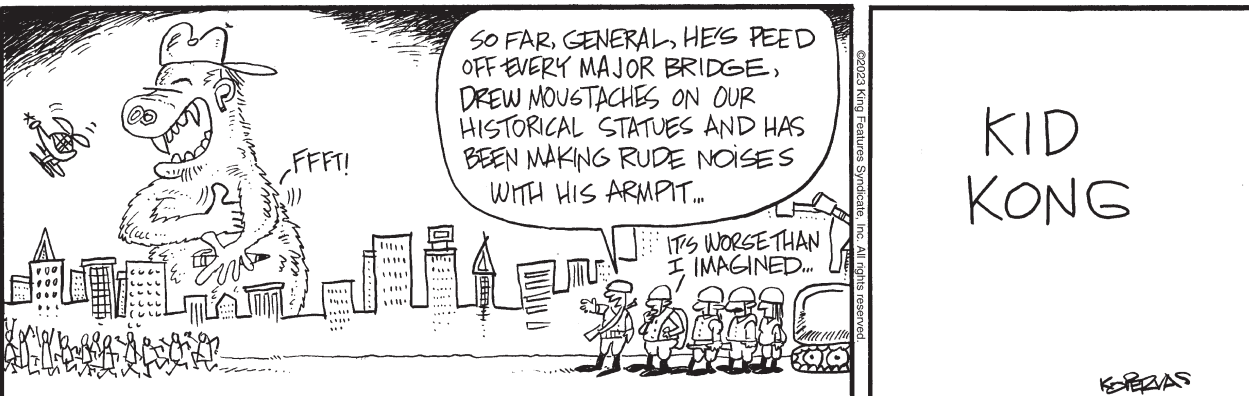
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a catastrophic collapse. Immediate action is critical to the future viability of these fisheries and the thousands of Montana jobs that depend on healthy SW Montana rivers and fisheries.

"It's time to stop pointing fingers and start addressing the problem before it's truly too late," said Guy Alsentzer, Executive Director of Upper Missouri Waterkeeper. "The Governor's Office needs to acknowledge the problem, bring experts together, and take decisive action to address the collapse of SW Montana's cold-water fisheries. Anything less risks communities and businesses being shuttered, and a loss of one of the last wild trout fisheries in the Lower 48."

In the summer of 2021, after a perfect storm of dewatered rivers, fish die-offs, severe algal blooms, and increased pressure, Upper Missouri Waterkeeper and a broad coalition of fly fishing businesses, outfitters and guides, conservation groups, and over 1,000 citizens called on Governor Gianforte to establish a Cold Water Fisheries Task Force to address the decline of cold water fisheries in Southwest Montana.

After two years our call remains unanswered. Despite dramatically declining trout numbers every year since the request, no action has been taken by the State to strategically assess the problem, engage experts across disciplines, or to buffer resiliency to buy more time. The Jefferson subbasin, including the famed Big Hole River, now has even worse, historically low trout population and recruitment numbers that FWP's own data indicates will only worsen without immediate attention.

The Montana Standard article noted several viable theories on potential leading culprits to the widespread trout population crash, including fungus and bacterial infections caused by poor habitat and water quality conditions. Notably, trout population declines have not corresponded to drought or dewatered years, lending more weight to the theories of how increased pollution and degraded habitat are key issues at play in SW Montana rivers. Yet despite having collected tissue samples during spring 2022, agency biological analyses simply haven't occurred, and those fish samples remain on ice one year later. In a time of an unprecedented 2+ billion dollar state surplus, including a well-funded Habitat Montana program, the failure of FWP leadership, much less the Governor's Office, to prioritize investigation and solutions to the crash of SW Montana's cold water fisheries shocks the imagination.

In the Big Hole, brown trout populations are down to as low as 200 fish per mile, compared to 1400-1600 per mile as recently as 2014. In the Beaverhead, brown trout populations are halved or worse. In the Ruby, only approximately 1/3 of the historic brown trout population remains.

The State of Montana has a legal obligation and moral responsibility to protect the public trust in healthy rivers and cold water fisheries. Sitting on its hands, ignoring the requests from thousands of Montanans, and failing to take action is a violation of the public trust and a major blow to Southwest Montana's \$167 million outdoor economy, thousands of local jobs, and dozens of local businesses that depend upon clean and healthy fisheries.

It's past time for the State to step up to protect the rivers, fisheries, businesses, and communities of Southwest Montana that will be devastated without immediate action.

Quincey Johnson, Upper Missouri Waterkeeper (406) 624-9261

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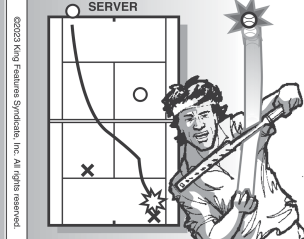
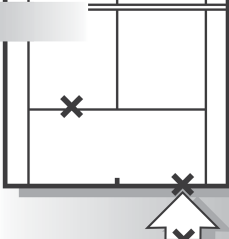
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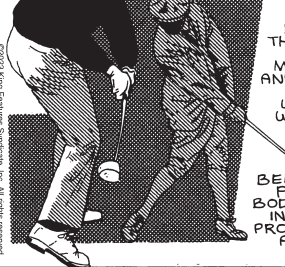
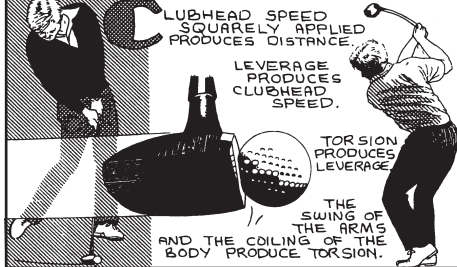
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Play Better Golf with JACK NICKLAUS



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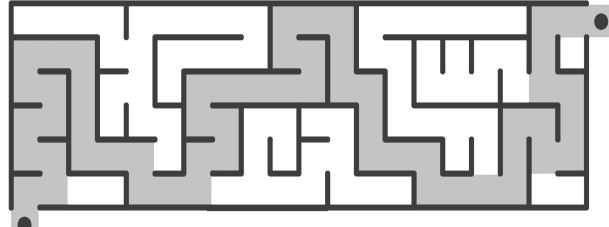
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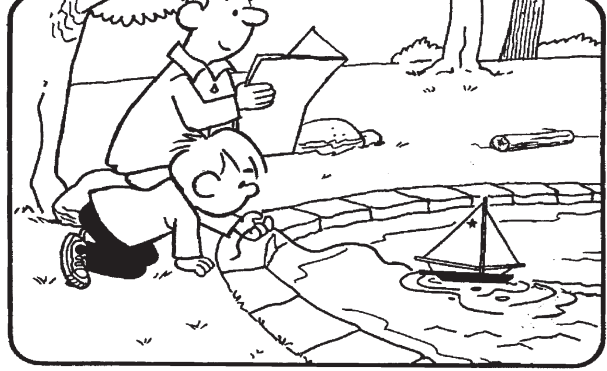
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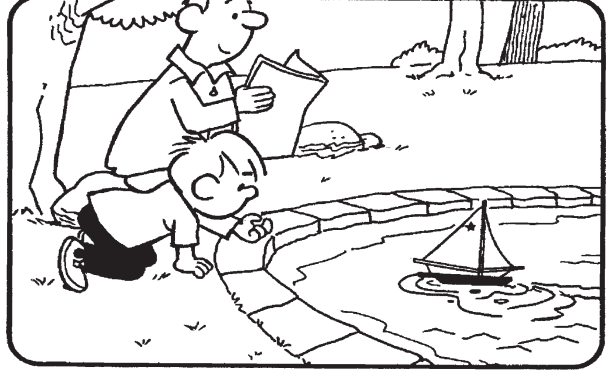
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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Sat 27	71°/51°	Scattered Thunderstorms	51%	W 8 mph
Sun 28	74°/52°	Isolated Thunderstorms	31%	WSW 8 mph

Mon 29	76°/52°	Partly Cloudy	22%	SW 9 mph
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Obituary

NANCY JANE MEIER

Family of Nancy Jane Meier

On Saturday, May 20, 2023, Nancy Jane Meier, loving partner, mother, sister and friend passed away at the age of 71.

Nancy was born on April 6, 1952, to Edward and Betty Anderson. Nancy was preceded in death by both of her parents, her brother Roy Anderson, her son Baby Brian and her niece Ashlee Hines. She is survived by her partner Steven Cook, her three children Jim Pierce, Teresa (Rob) Wells, Jessica (Chris) Erickson, her stepdaughter Samantha Cook, eight siblings Tom (Debbie) Anderson, Peggy (Ron) Smith, Rick (Teresa) Anderson, Brenda (Ron) Harris, Kathy (Bugsy) Malone, Sue Anderson and Pete Anderson, fourteen grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews.

Nancy loved to paint, do puzzles, and collect knick-knacks. She loved flowers (especially hollyhocks) and looked forward to watching them come up every spring. She was not one to pass up a great yard sale and loved to play the keno machines!

There will be a Celebration of Life in Nancy's honor for family and friends on Saturday, May 27, 2023, at 2:00 pm at Ron and Brenda Harris's home (615 Hwy 12 E, Townsend MT).



Nancy Jane Meier
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ATTENTION!

The American Legion will be conducting a *Memorial Day Ceremony* this Monday *May 29, at 11:00am* at the Memorial Park in Townsend.

All are welcome to attend, and all are welcome to enjoy a free "build a burger" lunch at the American Legion Post 42 in Townsend immediately following the ceremony.

In the event of a rainy day, the ceremony will be held at Post 42 at 211 Broadway St. in Townsend.



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JUNE 9	3-6 PM	Helena Handbasket	5 PM
JUNE 23	3-6 PM	Judy Williams	5 PM
JULY 14	3-6 PM	Mary Bradford	5 PM
JULY 28	3-6 PM	Eliel Family Band	5 PM
AUGUST 11	3-6 PM	Christensen Family	5 PM
AUGUST 25	3-6 PM	Linda Huth	5 PM



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Broadwater Democratic Convention

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31st

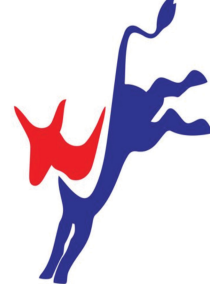
At the American Legion, Broadway Street, Townsend

6:00- 6:30 Cocktails, 6:30pm Dinner and Speakers

Keynote speaker: Mary Caferro

7:00pm Voting

For more information call (406) 698-0129



THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

BY LINDA HUTH

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May 25, 1939

Radersburg News

A successful term of school came to a close Friday. The usual picnic was given, but due to the rain, it was held in the community center hall. After a delicious dinner, which was prepared by all the ladies, the afternoon was spent in playing games and a very good time was reported by all who attended.

Miss Genevieve Stubblefield is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W.K. Parker.

Due to the rain the Toston school children came up to Radersburg and held their school picnic in the community center hall on Thursday.

Bob Harris, Henry Doughty and Betty Doughty motored to Helena Friday. Miss Betty remained in Helena for a few days visit with her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Crago and family.

1950

Townsend Briefs

Mrs. Gray P. Keene, teacher of Beaver Creek school reports that last Thursday the school had Open House to patrons and friends in the area, a large number turning out to view the work of the children on display and enjoy treats together, as Mrs. Leslie Davies brought an unusually generous treat of homemade candies for everyone, Mrs. Keene said.

Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Brisbin and daughter, Judy, arrived in Townsend late Sunday evening from Malta where they had resided during the school year. Mr. Brisbin finishing his first year teaching in the high school. They are visiting in the home of Mrs. Brisbin's mother, Mrs. Lily Clare. Mr. Brisbin (Buzz to home folks) will return to Malta early in June where he will direct a two-months recreational program of out door sports and swimming. They stopped in Helena enroute here to visit Mr. Brisbin's mother, Mrs. Roy Brisbin.

The faculty of the Townsend schools were honored at a garden party given Friday afternoon at 4:30 in the garden of the Kapinos apartments. The hostesses were Mrs. Marie Sautter, Miss Stamm and Miss Yarick.

1961

Spring Musicales Well Attended

From the opening number, "The Star Spangled Banner", played by Mary Hagbom, until the last strains of music died away, some two hours later, a large crowd

enjoyed the spring musicale. This program was presented Friday, May 12, by the students of Lorraine Kitto at the multi-purpose room in Townsend, Jerry, Rickie and Billy Kitto sang "My Mommie" in honor of all the mothers present, and a hymn, "The savior with Me".

Prizes were awarded for the highest grades earned during the past several months by the grade school students with the first award going to Mary Hagbom. Nancy Marks was second and Lance Davis and Peggy Christie were tied for third place. Honorable mention went to George Lampman, Anita Olsen, Lisa Lanning, Mary Jane Bucy, Carol Carter, Scott Graham, Mary Ann Hensley and Irene Thompson.

Marietta and Marnie Lanning, Connie Sprout, Beverly Thompson, Merle Turman, Beth Thompson and Deena Hollaway played the same numbers they presented at the music festivals in Bozeman and Missoula.

Others who took part in the recital were Patricia Perry, John McNulty, Chris Ragen, Mike Harrigfeld, Allene Goodwin, Nancy Fryhling, Teri Williams, Marcia Moudree, Roene Taylor, Kathy Ragen, Jim Valentine, Debra Holland, Phyllis Kujath, Tim Turman, Jerry Kitto, Lynn Meyer, Cynda Holland, Karen and Judy Hunsaker, Mary Ellen McNulty, Laurie Lanning, Barbara Lambert, Gene Thompson, Larry Lundborg, Kathy Iverson, Gloria Fryhling, Connie Montgomery, Barbara Lewis, Bonnie Bruce, Terri Ralls, Bob Thompson and Dennis Kelly.

A beautiful bouquet of gladioli, given to the group by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson, graced the stage. Mrs. Mary Ann Lots gave Mrs. Kitto a lovely corsage and her pupils also presented her with a gift.

1967

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holling and sons were in Gallatin Gateway Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Townsley and to enjoy some fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Sears and family were visiting in Great Falls Sunday.

The Mel Grover family left the latter part of last week for a short vacation. They plan to visit his brother, Jess and family at Blanding, Utah, go on to Flagstaff, Ariz., where they will be joined by a son, Kent, and come home via the Grand Canyon and other points of interest in northern Arizona and southern Utah. They also plan to visit another brother, Scott and family at Brigham City, Utah and other relatives in that area.

Mrs. Pearl Barraugh of Helena visited her son-in-law

and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wogamon and family Monday.

1978

White Excels at Olympics

Blaine White, a 9-year-old student at Cecelia Hazelton Elementary school in Townsend, represented Townsend at the Special Olympics held over the last weekend in Bozeman.

Blaine gave a fine showing, winning a gold medal in the 50-yard dash; a silver medal in bowling and 2 bronze medals in the long jump and Frisbee throwing competition.

The Special Olympics is a project of the Jaycees and Jayceens, and they helped fund Blaine's expenses while at the competition.

Blaine is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry White. He was accompanied to the Special Olympics by his mother, Joyce White, and by Dan Stocks.

McConnell and Kieckbusch Win 10 Speed Bikes

The March of Dimes Walk-a-thon, sponsored by the Broadwater Jaycees is over for another year, and was termed a huge success by chairmen of the event.

A picnic culminated the event Sunday at the Water Tower park on Broadway and a good turnout of participants enjoyed the hot dogs, chips and pop served by the Jaycees. Prizes were also awarded at the picnic.

Winning a 10-speed bike for the most money collected were Steve McConnell and Julie Kieckbusch. Summer McConnell was awarded a \$25 savings bond donated by State Bank of Townsend for being the Youngest Walker; Frank Holloway was the Oldest Walker and received a MOD plaque. A tie for the Fastest Walker was awarded to Mary Antonick and Spencer Ouren. Each won a burger, fries and coke at the A&W; Linda Poe won the "most money turned in by an adult" with a gift from Neifert & White.

Other names were drawn for prizes and included Bobby Brammer, hamburger and coke from Ray's Horseshoe Cafe; Brenda Newville, hamburger and coke from the Dairy Bar; Leah Chamberlin Colleen Devaney and David Dolezilek, prizes from Francisco Pharmacy. Numerous other merchants contributed prizes and money toward the Walk-a-thon also.

Chairman Dale Bjorge, stated that any persons who have not turned in their Walk-a-thon pledges may still do so by taking it to the State Bank or giving funds to him. To date, \$3,102 has been collected by the hikers and turned in to the Jaycee group.

A guard walks this post 24 hours a day, seven days a week to honor those who gave the last measure of their devotion for our freedom.



One day each year, we're asked to remember that we walk that post, too.



MEMORIAL DAY HERE IN TOWNSEND

Tony Wagner
American Legion Post 42

This Monday, May 29, 2023, at 11 am, The American Legion will hold a Memorial Day ceremony at the Memorial Veteran Park on Broadway in Townsend.



If the weather is uncooperative, the event will be moved indoors to the American Legion Hall at 211 Broadway. After the ceremony, a free/donations-accepted build-a-burger luncheon will be available at the American

Legion. All Townsend community members, guests, and friends are welcome!

The Origins of Memorial Day date back to just after the Civil War. Remembrances were held across many states on May 5th, the date of the end of the civil war. The first large-scale ceremony was held 3 years later at Arlington National Cemetery and the date was moved to May 30th, as it was believed that flowers would be in bloom in most states by then.

At the time, it was called Decoration Day and the graves of those fallen during the Civil War were decorated with flowers.

After WWI, the day came to recognize those who died in all our nation's wars and was renamed Memorial Day. In 1971, the Observance of Memorial Day was moved to the last Monday of May. On Memorial Day, the president places a wreath on the tomb of the unknown soldier in Arlington and across the country religious services, parades, and speeches are held and flowers, wreaths, and flags are placed on the graves of veterans across America.

Please come and help the American Legion recognize our fallen veterans this coming Memorial Day by attending this ceremony.

****VETERANS, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.****

Americanisms



"Freedom is never really won. You earn it and win it in every generation."
— Coretta Scott King

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