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RANCH YOUTH LEARN ABOUT RAISING COWS AT COW CAMP

Samantha Ferrat

Ranch kids and their parents spent Saturday morning learning how to breed and raise cattle during Future Ranchers Cow Camp at the Ferrat Ranch in Crow Creek Valley.



Montana Farmers Union Education Director Matthew Hauck explains the genetics of cattle. Photo Credits: Samantha Ferrat



John Ferrat walks future ranchers and parents through solving calving problems at the Ferrat Ranch in Crow Creek Valley. Photo Credits: Samantha Ferrat

The camp, organized by Samantha Ferrat, showcased strategies for raising cattle successfully. About 75



Five-year-old Melanie McLean of Whitehall contemplates the cattle chute at Cow Camp last Saturday. Photo Credits: Samantha Ferrat

participants from Townsend, Deer Lodge, Anaconda, Whitehall and Three Forks and Drummond walked through cattle genetics, the calving process, how to artificially inseminate a cow and cattle nutrition.

John and Samantha breed their registered and commercial Limousin herd so they calve in the Fall. Most producers breed to calve in the Spring. John showed a group of 25 students a cow who was unable to calve by

herself. He detailed how he finally took the cow to a veterinarian who performed a cesarian section delivery of the dead calf. Ferrats had seven sets of twins this year, so he grafted one of the twins to the cow. Both are doing fine.

Participants asked what causes some cows to have twins more often than others. John said the experts

CITY OF TOWNSEND PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TIM RAUSER RETIRES

Nancy Marks Reporter



Public Works Director Tim Rauser is going to “hang it up” after 29 years of service to the City of Townsend. Rauser turned in his resignation to the City Council at their regular meeting on September 19. His last day will be December 26th of this year.

Rauser, who was raised in the Crow Creek Valley, began his job with the city in 1994. He worked for Mayor Mary Alice Upton for 21 years, then for Mayor Mike Evans. As a young man, he worked for Cenex and part-time as a snowplow driver for the Montana Department of Transportation. “I was low man on the totem pole, so I had to get up at 3:00 a.m. to plow snow.” He remembered.

Rauser joined the Montana Rural Water Association and was named Rural Water Association Man of the Year in 2013. The organization connects public works

directors of small towns to share ideas on how to better serve their communities with water and sewer systems.

Rauser said the best part of the job has been serving people. Automating the garbage pickup system for the city really pleased citizens. “Before the men worked five hours a day, five days a week picking up garbage. Now with the specialized garbage truck, one man can do the whole town in one day,” he said.



Tim Rauser Photo Credits: Jenny Barnett

Rauser feels comfortable turning over the department to a new director and his crew Paul Rauser and Lee Lewis whom he trained to do most of the public works jobs when he retires.

When the city streets were redone in 2006, he and his crew were able to map and rehabilitate all the sewer lines, some of which had never been mapped. Repaving the streets was his biggest headache. The job took around a year and a half including paving the southside streets. In 2019 the new sewage lagoon went into operation. “The new facility will expand the city’s needs for another ten years,” he said.

It concerns Rauser about the lack of water pressure in the city’s system. If Townsend were to have a big fire or one of the water pumps would fail, the current water pressure would be compromised. The current water tower, built in 1958, in Memorial Park holds 200,000 gallons of water. The Council is working on another water source outside of town which would produce somewhere near 1.5 million gallons. “We need that for sure,” he pointed out.

As for his retirement, Rauser plans to stay licensed for water and sewer work and keep his certified driver’s license current. He’ll do a lot of fishing too.

CHANGES COMING FOR WINSTON SOLID WASTE CANISTER

MT 43 News Staff

County Commissioners agreed to add two extra days of access to the Winston Solid Waste Site at their Wednesday, Sept. 20 meeting. After Public Works Supervisor TJ Graveley showed photos of chairs, mattresses and garbage lying in front of the canister they also agreed to allow him to close the walk-in gates and to move the canister site gates out closer to the highway.

Graveley explained the county is losing revenue when people do not bring their furniture and large items to the transfer station near Townsend. Also, people abuse the privilege of having a canister and don’t put their garbage in it. “One of my guys has to clean up the area daily, which is a financial constraint on my department as well as a hazard to the public,” he said.



Items such as furniture and mattresses create a safety hazard and should be hauled to the transfer station near Townsend. Photo Credits: Nancy Marks

Graveley hopes closing the walk-in gate will discourage people from dumping garbage in front of the canister. He will also add new signs which will include the new days and hours. “I am pretty sure some of the Winston Solid Waste,

Townsend School Calendar

Sep 29 - Oct 1	Fall Fest
Sep 29	CC @ Three Forks 7:00PM HSFB @ Three Forks HSVB @ Choteau NO SCHOOL
Sep 30	10:00AM MSVB vs Belgrade 1:00PM HSVB @ Lone Peak
Oct 2	4:00PM MS FB vs Three Forks 4:15PM MSVB vs Anaconda
Oct 3	4:00PM MSVB @ Boulder 4:30PM 3-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:00PM MSFB @ Whitehall 7:00PM Booster Club Meeting at The Bridge
Oct 4	7:00PM Old Baldy Adult Open Gym at BHS 63 Gym 7:00PM Old Baldy Adult Pickleball at BHS Stage Gym
Oct 5	HSCC @ Helena 7 on 7 MSCC @ Boulder 4:00PM MSFB vs Anaconda 4:15PM HSVB vs Jefferson
Oct 6	1:00PM HSVB @ Three Forks 7:00PM HSFB @ Columbus NO SCHOOL
Oct 7	HSVB @ Jefferson Tournament



TOWNSEND CROSS COUNTY - WEEK 5 UPDATE

Cross Country Correspondent

This past Saturday in Missoula at the Mountain West Classic was one of those days in Montana where you feel as though you experienced all the seasons in one day. It was pretty darn cold first thing in the morning but by the afternoon, the sun felt quite warm. With all the precipitation the day before, the course was wet but thankfully, was not too terribly sloppy. This meet is quite huge with over 80 schools representing three states on a course that is moderate in difficulty with gradual inclines/declines and one hill.

The cooler morning temperatures equated to fast times for both Junior Varsity squads, whereby five of the Townsend Bulldogs again clocked their personal best times. This means they are getting faster as the season progresses, which is great news for racing fans. Up first were the women with Junior Scarlett McDaniel (26:35) finishing first for the Bulldogs in 198th. Not far behind her were Junior Grace Kroeger (27:27 PR) and Senior Melania Lambott (27:38 PR) in 226th and 239th, respectively. Grace and Melania are both in their first year running XC for Broadwater High School and both recorded their personal bests in a field of 366 runners.

Up next for the Bulldogs were the Junior Varsity Men in the largest field of the day of 512 hoofers. Freshman Rylan Hoveland (20:54 PR) in 201st and Sophomore Gavin Green (21:27 PR) in 236th both also clocked their personal best times at 5K. Next up was Junior Ross MacDonald (22:34) in 328th followed by Freshman Luke Tullos (23:08 PR) who shortened his personal best by almost two minutes! Wyatt Coker (26:44) rounded out the team in 478th.

The Varsity Men were next with 456 runners on the course. Nolan Flynn (18:56) started it off for the Bulldogs in 241st with Aidan Easter (19:55) next in 326th and Connor Lamb (20:05) in 333rd. It was close to noon when the 371 Varsity Ladies' gun blew their start. Kaelyn Sangray (21:54) led the Bulldogs coming in 149th taking 1:43 off her time from last year's Classic. Abby Wickens (23:10) followed in 222nd.

447 Middle School Boys were next on the course which was shortened from 3.1 miles to 1.3 miles. Trey Coker (9:54) led the way in 182nd with Sawyer Pitman (10:06) in 201st, Kaleb Allen (10:50) in 268th, Dylan Pitman (11:22) in 310th, Everett Kirksey (11:41) in 332nd, and Jayden Flynn (16:12) in 428th. The Middle School Girls' field of 419 runners was the last race of the day. Elaine MacDonald (9:08) was 24th, with Kathryn Six (10:23) in 110th, Tana Santi (10:45) in 142nd, Kensley Sangray (10:45) in 143rd, Addi Mosher (11:02) in 176th, Madison Vogl (12:10) in 253rd, Lydia Brakefield (12:21) in 264th, Courtney Webber (12:34) in 280th, Ella Tullos (15:52) in 388th, Kaedyn Budde (18:14) in 411th, and Aspen Bantz (18:16) in 412th.

If you are unfamiliar with Cross Country, it might be a new concept to understand that many meets have runners from all classes; this is also true in the spring of track and field. Other sports, like volleyball and basketball, rely on an overall season record whereby each team plays mostly within their district. Meets like the Mountain Classic bring huge fields and most competitors rely on their times to determine their success. The upcoming Headwaters Invitational in Three Forks will be the first opportunity this season for the Bulldogs to compete strictly against class B and C runners. Hope to see you there Friday morning, September 29th.

BULLDOG FOOTBALL BEGINS CONFERENCE PLAY - MANHATTAN

Levi Van Zee
Bulldog Football Correspondent

The Bulldogs football team hosted the Manhattan Tigers last Friday night. Fans came out in droves despite a constant downpour the entire game. The Tigers began the scoring when Michael Stewart ran in for a score with a quarterback keeper. The Tigers made it 0 - 8 with a two-point conversion.

Later in the first quarter, the Tigers would strike again when Stewart passed for a touchdown to senior Callin Fenno making the score 0 - 14. The Dogs made a strong defensive stand to end the first quarter.

The Tigers would strike again in the second quarter with a George Stenberg touchdown run. Tyson Bakke would add two more with a 2 point conversion for a halftime score of 0 - 22.

The loyal fanbase enjoyed some great entertainment as the Little Dog Cheer Camp performed at halftime. Allie Lampman's squads led cheers and put on a great dance routine. The little cheer squads weathered the onslaught of rain with smiles on their faces.

The second half action would prove to be more back-and-forth battle as the rainy conditions worsened. With 4:18 left in the third quarter, the Tigers would punch the ball in with a 4-yard run by Keaton Sargent. A 2-point conversion would make for a final score of 0 - 30. Both teams continued to work hard until the end as the fourth quarter would remain scoreless.

The Bulldogs will be back on the road Friday as they will take on the Three Forks Wolves in Three Forks.

LADY BULLDOG VOLLEYBALL - SEPT 14 & SEPT 16

Eliza McLaughlin
MT43 News Correspondent



Lady Bulldog Volleyball packed a great deal of competition in last week, starting with a home game against just-down-the-road competitors the Three Forks Wolves and finishing the week off at the Huntley Project Tournament.

Against the wolves, the Lady Bulldogs brought home a win in just three sets: 25-12, 25-15 and 25-14.

Leading at the net, Kaitlyn Noyes earned nine kills and three blocks. Reese Wolfgram executed seven kills, followed by Holly Newman with five and Cassidy Flynn with four. Newman thwarted one of the Wolves' attacks with a block.

Emily Bird, setter for the Lady Bulldogs, had 29 assists and 12 digs throughout the match. Bird also earned four kills against the Wolves.

Following their win, the Lady Bulldogs hit the road again, this time ready to take on teams from the eastern portion of the state.

In the first match of the tournament, the Lady Bulldogs faced the Big Timber Shepherders. The Lady Bulldogs took the first set 25-12, taking the win with a second set win of 25-15.

Next up for the Lady Bulldogs were the Joliet J-Hawks. Both sets resulted in narrow wins for Broadwater: 25-20 and 26-24.

For their final match of the day, the Lady Bulldogs faced the tournament host: Huntley Project. The Red Devils held nothing back against their guests, and the Lady Bulldogs fell 13-25 in both sets.

The Lady Bulldogs traveled to Manhattan on Thursday, Sept. 21 to take on the Tigers, followed by a home match against the Ennis Mustangs on Sept. 23 at 4 p.m.

Out of the gym and on the football field, the Broadwater Bulldogs faced their district rivals the Whitehall Trojans. And the boys brought home the win with a final score of 36-14.

On Friday, Sept. 22, the Bulldogs welcomed the Manhattan Tigers to the Dog Park for a home game at 7 p.m., followed by an away match in Three Forks on Sept. 29 at 7 p.m.

Bulldog Cross Country also got some competition last week, participating in the Butte High Invitational on Friday, Sept. 15.

Junior Nolan Flynn, placed 101st in 19:16.5, followed by senior Connor Lamb in 107th. Lamb once again set a new personal record at the meet, shaving 2.9 seconds off his previous record to finish in 19:34.8.

Season Aidan Easter, was next to finish in 113th in 19:53.6. Easter's time set a new season record.

For the Lady Bulldog runners, freshman Kyla Meissner took the lead again. Meissner finished in 20:45.4, taking 20th amongst runners from all classes. Up next was junior Kaelyn Sangray in 37th with a time of 21:28.5. Sangray's time was 25 seconds faster than her previous personal record.

Junior Abigail Wickens finished 73rd in 23:04.3 and set a new season record by more than a minute less than her previous time.

Neither the boys nor the girls had enough runners to place as a team.

On Saturday, Sept. 23, Broadwater Cross Country traveled to Missoula for the Mountain West Classic.

Sponsor of Townsend School Page

Please join us for an **80th** birthday party and living memorial for Tom Arensmeyer!

October 7th
1:00-3:00
at
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Townsend



Welcome Home gathering at Heritage Park. Left to right: Savannah Paulsen, Kimber Cazier, Cydnee Harrell, Molly Hall
Photo Credits: Nancy Marks
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ATHLETES AND PERFORMER OF THE WEEK

Lacie Reed
Lacie J. Reed Photography

We would like to thank Opportunity Bank for being a 2023-2024 Banner Booster Member and supporting our Bulldogs!

Football:

Bulldog Football athlete of the week is WR/LB Colt Barnard. Colt was the highest producing player offensively vs the Tigers, hauling in 6 receptions for 42 yards in the downpour. Defensively, Colt had 1 unassisted tackle and was in on 3 assisted tackles. We would also like to give a birthday shoutout to #7 on 9-25!



Colt Barnard
Photo Credits: Lacie Reed

Volleyball:

Athlete of the week, Luci Horne. Against Manhattan: 4 aces and 11 digs. Against Ennis: 4 aces, 25 digs, 1 kill and 1 assist. Luci's stats are not the only thing that make her stand out. She brings the same energy every single day, whether it is in practice or a game. She has a great attitude, is an excellent leader and she truly bleeds Bulldogs blue.



Luci Horne
Photo Credits: Lacie Reed

Cross Country:

Kaelynn Sangray and Nolan Flynn



Kaelynn Sangray
Photo Credits: Lacie Reed

Nolan Flynn
Photo Credits: Lacie Reed

Cheer:

Campbell Kirksey works hard every practice and can always be counted in to get the choreography and help others learn it as well. She also did a great job with our Little Dog Cheerleaders last week!



Campbell Kirksey
Photo Credits: Lacie Reed

TOWNSEND COMMUNITY CALENDARS

September 29
 12:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepard of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry
 1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St
 5:00pm 2023 Townsend Fall Fest at Heritage Park (SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS)
 10:00pm- 1:00am Live Music by Brady Wilcox at The Betsy (SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS)

September 30
 7:00- 11:00AM Firehouse Annual Pancake Breakfast (SEE LAST WEEK'S AD FOR DETAILS)
 10:00am 2023 Townsend Fall Fest at Heritage Park (SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS)
 6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945
 6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway
 10:00pm- 2:00am Live Music by Mabels Rage at The Betsy (SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS)

October 1
 7:00- 11:00AM Firehouse Annual Pancake Breakfast (SEE LAST WEEK'S AD FOR DETAILS)
 9:00am 2023 Townsend Fall Fest: Show and Shine Car Show at Broadway (SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS)
 10:00am 2023 Townsend Fall Fest at Heritage Park
 5:45- 7:00PM Townsend Community Family Night at Holy Cross Parish Center (SEE AD ON PAGE 9 FOR DETAILS)

October 3
 5:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepard of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry
 6:00pm Bingo at American Legion Post 42 Club, 211 Broadway

October 4
 6:30pm Broadwater Rodeo Annual Election Meeting at City Hall
 1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St

October 5
 7:00pm Al-Anon at Shepard of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry

October 6
 8:00am Breast Exam Ever - FREE mammogram (SEE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE FOR DETAILS)
 12:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepard of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry
 1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St

October 7
 1:00- 3:00pm Birthday Party for Tom Arensmeyer at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church (SEE ANNOUNCEMENT ON BOTTOM OF PAGE 2 FOR DETAILS)
 4:00pm Auditions for The Best Christmas Pageant Ever at The Lodge (SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS)
 6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945
 6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway

County and Government Calendar

October 4
 10:00am Commission Meeting at Flynn Building

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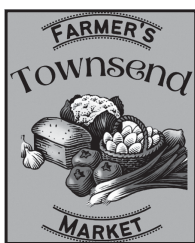
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FARMERS MARKET UPDATE

Don Hettinger



Thought I'd better let everyone know about this year's market before the end of our regular market year which ends Thursday, September 28.

Grow It, Make It, or Bake It. That is the plan of our Townsend Farmers Market. Locally produced products

have been the theme of our market from the beginning.

This was possibly the best year the market has ever seen. There were 8 to 12 vendors nearly every week. And, on the best days well over 200 people came to experience the market. Many people came for the smoked brisket that Sam and Sheree made. This along with fresh salsa and chips provided for hungry appetites. There were also pies and pie slices, and cookies, cakes and breads. Yum! Yum! And there were plenty of jellies and jams to satisfy that sweet tooth.



James Douglas at the Hardway Farm booth
 Photo Credits: Debbie Flynn

A variety of vegetables were available and changed as the season progressed. It started with veggies like asparagus, lettuce, spinach, peas, radishes and the like and moved to veggies like beans, onions, beets and zucchini squash progressing to cucumbers, sweet corn, tomatoes and potatoes with winter squash and pumpkins finishing out the market season. The senior coupon program for purchasing fresh veggies was a success and is growing. Check with Diane Thorne at the County Health Department now for next year.

There were several craft vendors so you could get a wonderful gift for that special person. In fact, I, like other vendors go around and buy items from each other.



Phil and Jen Hettinger at the Hettinger House booth
 Photo Credits: Debbie Flynn

You know you have a community family when customers come and help the vendors set up. Speaking of help we had great volunteers again this year. Several came from Allison's Master Gardener class. Another addition is Gemma's 4H and FFA students who grow plants in the school greenhouse and bring them for sale to help earn money for school projects. It's great to see young people willing to work to earn their way. We even had a young man come, play his guitar and sing. Weather is always a concern and we had a few times that the market was shortened due to wind and storms. But most times the vendors stuck it out and some tough customers came to buy.

Thank you to Rocky Mountain Supply for allowing us the use of the market area.

Are you interested in being a vendor? Contact Chris Hettinger or Diane Johnson the co-market managers for information.

Well, it's been a long season from the end of May to the end of September every Thursday afternoon from 3-6 PM. And we still have one to go. This last Thursday September 28. So, come to the market to stock up.

right here in Townsend. It is truly up to us to keep it open. We never know who or when a family member will need it!

It is easy to think that the presence of the beautiful new building built by Billings Clinic was the answer to the financial woes we suffered in 2012. Indeed, Billings Clinic Broadwater being our partner gives us many advantages, but its financial stability still relies on community utilization and support.

The Circle 100 Club was started in 2012 as an offshoot of The Broadwater Community Health Foundation. In that year our little hospital was hit with a blow to its finances when it lost its Medicare funding. A group of hardy souls took up the cause to save the institution. . . especially the Long-Term Care Facility. Hence, The Circle 100 Club was formed.

Twelve Montana nursing homes had to close this year due to staffing shortages and the increasing cost of staff, medical equipment and essential supplies. Billings Clinic Broadwater faces this very same challenge which makes your support so vital.

In these ELEVEN YEARS, the Circle 100 Club has raised nearly \$100,000 to procure equipment and facility upgrades as recommended by the hospital staff. We have helped to purchase a bladder scanner, blood warmers, lab equipment, towel/blanket warmers, overbed tables, room furniture, kitchen equipment, automatic handicap doors, a bath lift and much more.

Your contribution this year is as vital, or more so than ever! Please become or renew your membership. A tax-deductible contribution of \$100 comes with no other obligations. Your contribution will make a difference to the people who reside there and maybe to you someday!

Please mail your tax-deductible donation check to:

The Circle 100 Club
 Broadwater Health Foundation
 P. O. Box 1215, Townsend MT 59644

If you have any inquiries or suggestions, please contact any of us.

Judy Gillespie: 406-266-3861
 Sharon Potenza: 617-953-7637
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FUNDRAISING SET FOR ACCIDENT VICTIMS

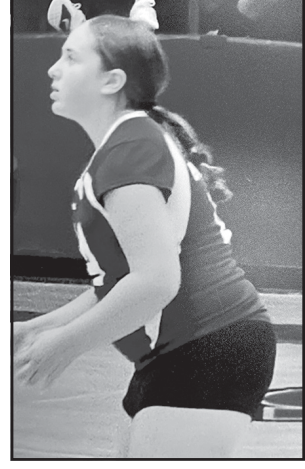
MT 43 News Staff

Townsend school volleyball moms and dads will be selling bracelets to raise money for the victims of a September 13 car accident. The bracelets will be sold at Fall Fest as well as at school sporting events and local businesses to support the families, according to Angie Paulsen, one of the organizers.

Alex Bakken, age 13 and Karli Sandidge, age 12, were involved in a utility terrain vehicle (UTV) accident with a Nissan pickup truck driven by a 62-year-old Townsend man. The accident happened on Highway 287 at Trailhead View Drive about five miles north of Townsend, according to the Montana Highway Patrol. Bakken was taken to a Billings hospital for her injuries. Sandidge did not survive. The pickup driver was treated in Townsend for injuries. He was not identified by patrol officers due to an ongoing investigation.



Alex Bakken



Karli Sandidge

Both Sandidge and Bakken played volleyball for the middle school team. Several parents organized the bracelet fundraiser. The bracelets will sell for \$5 beginning Friday at the 4:00 p.m. middle school volleyball game as well as at the Broadwater High School football game that evening.

Broadwater school students and parents alike were stunned by the accident that took Sandidge's life. The community gathered to provide meals to each family and to set up a GOFundMe page which has raised \$15,238 at this date.

Fundraising,

CIRCLE 100: CALL TO ACTION

Sharon Potenza

Circle 100 Club News and Information - Fall 2023
 Broadwater Community Health Foundation

Whether you are a long-time resident or a new neighbor in our valley, now is a good time to think about how incredibly fortunate we are to have the proximity of a long-term care facility with a connected hospital

THREE FORKS COMMUNITY CALENDAR

October 5
 10:00AM Storytime at Three Forks Community Library, 607 S Main St
 5:00PM Youth Soccer Practice RESERVED (Grass @ Stevenson Park)

BREAST EXAM EVER!

October 6th, 2023
FREE mammogram

All women 40 years of age and older, with or without insurance, are welcome!

To register for this opportunity:

406-457-8923
Helena, Montana

Ranch Youth, 1

maintained several reasons, but none that were infallible. He explained some twins are fraternal, some are identical. Often if a heifer and a bull come as twins, the heifer is not fertile. "That calf is called a freemartin. We sell her with the steers since she will not breed," he said.

Samantha walked the group through their extensive work corrals. The round, cornerless tub keeps the animals calm because they cannot see out of it. From there the animal goes through a parallel squeeze chute to a self-catch head gate. "The entire system is adjustable so the animal cannot back up or hurt itself," John said.

The group moved on to Montana Farmer's Union Education Director Matthew Hauck's genetics introduction. He began with the fact that cattle genetics had improved through the years because of selective breeding and controlling wanted characteristics through artificial insemination. "Because of selective breeding, milk production in dairy cows has now tripled since 1920," Hauck said.

Marlo Leachman demonstrated the technique of artificial insemination which is planting live semen in a cow's uterus. Embryo transplants are also implanted artificially. Some ranchers hire veterinarians to do their AI work, but many outfits do their own AI work, so learning the technique is important. She pointed out the importance of timing and temperature of the semen, and exactly where in the cow's uterus to place the semen or embryo.

Montana State University sophomore and Collegiate Cattlewomen officer Grayce Siderius challenged the students to learn the parts of a beef carcass. They were tasked with putting together the "puzzle" of the various cuts of beef. She said many of the 4-H students put the puzzle together in no time, while the adults in the group stumbled arranging the pieces. Her team walked the group through cattle nutrition. The workshop ended with a short lesson in budgeting and finance of raising cows.

Montana Farmers Union provided camp take-home items for the workshop. The group ate farm-to-table cheeseburgers prepared by Mary Jenni, owner of MT Lamb and Beef, along with Ben Peterson and Diann Ferrat.

Winston Solid Waste, 1

non-household trash is coming from out-of-county, but we have no way of confirming that," he said.

Moving the gates closer to the highway approach, Graveley concluded, will hopefully discourage out-of-county users.

The department installed security cameras in the past which were vandalized more than once.



Trash dumped in front of the canister makes for extra work for the truck driver who must clean up the mess daily
Photo Credits: Nancy Marks

Commissioners asked Graveley about the safety issue of the canister site approach to the highway. The approach is dangerous for entering and exiting because there is no clear line of sight from oncoming vehicles. Commissioner Darrel Folkvord said the county was denied a Montana State Department of Transportation speed study request a year ago. Graveley said he was very aware of the safety issue. However, he had no good solution to the problem.

Graveley's time frame for changes at the Winston site will be about the end of October. He noted all information for new times will be on the Broadwater County website. The new days and hours will be Tuesdays and Thursdays 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Fundraising, 3

When Alex Bakken and her mom returned from the hospital in Billings last week they were greeted by a huge crowd at Heritage Park. Townsend Elementary School students lined the entire block and crowded around Bakken's car with signs welcoming Alex home according to Paulsen whose daughter plays volleyball with Alex. "Alex was so touched she drove back through (the crowd). Kids were shouting 'We love you, Alex!' It moved us all to tears," Paulsen related.

The bracelets will also be available at Deep Creek Pizza Co., 415 Broadway and The Mint, 315 Broadway in Townsend.

See page 2 for a Welcome Home picture.



BILL KEARNS ACHIEVEMENTS

As a credit to Rotarian Bill Kearns and his vision, work ethic, and willingness to support our community; I would like to add to his many accomplishments, that Bill is also the founding chairperson for the Townsend's Mayor's Prayer Breakfast.

Paul Kroeger

4-H WINDOW DISPLAYS

If you are out and about walking Broadway in Townsend, you will see a couple of 4-H Window Displays. The 4-H Program is one of the top youth programs available; however, it is also highly rewarding for leaders. The 4-H program has a widely diverse project offering that is well suited to youth regardless of where they live or their unique interests.

Townsend Drug & Spirits has a Horse Project-based display courtesy of the Broadwater County 4-H Horse Committee.

STOKE, Pop-Up Pantry, & Big Sky Culinary Classes feature a window display based on the many production and nutritional projects, as well as other indoor and outdoor project references.

On behalf of the 4-H program in Broadwater County, many Thanks to these businesses for their support of the 4-H program. While you are enjoying the fall weather, Fall Fest, or gearing up for holiday shopping, please support these businesses, even just to tell them "Thank You" for their support.

Don't have 4-H-age children? Consider becoming a volunteer leader. The program is rewarding for leaders working with youth in one or more projects. Continuing an investment in our future generations. If you enjoy community involvement, becoming a volunteer leader might be exactly what you're looking for.

October is the sign-up month for incoming members and selecting projects for the upcoming year. For more information on the 4-H program, contact the Extension Office located at 416 Broadway in Townsend, Montana. Their phone is (406) 266-9242. Or check online at <https://BROADWATER.MSUEXTENSION.ORG>

Jan Finn

4-H Horse Committee Chair & Project Leader
Townsend

"If everything around you seems dark, It's Hashem's way of telling you to become the light."

~Rabbi Shmuel Reichman

TREES PLANTED FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES - PART 8

Patrick Plantenberg
Tree Board Chair



This is the eighth of a series of articles about trees planted in Townsend and Broadwater County to honor people, special events, or for other purposes. The Tree Board hopes people will come forward with more information on other trees planted on public as well as private property so the tree and its purpose can be documented.

36) Tilia x flavescens 'Dropmore', Dropmore Linden; planted south of the Community Library.

- This tree was planted on Arbor Day, April 27, 2007, by Cecelia Hazelton Elementary School 5th grade students to honor the 2007 Arbor Day Poster Contest winners: 1st-place: Jacy Thompson, Teacher Aubra Lewis; 2nd-place Wayne Kirchner; and 3rd-place Latisha Marcum. The tree is located south of the Community Library. The tree was paid for by an MT DNRC Arbor Day Grant. The tree is in good condition.

37) Acer ginnala 'Embers', Embers Ginnala Maple; planted at 601 Broadway.

- This tree was planted in May 2008 in the loving memory of Vernon R. Marion. "Teach me all Thy steps to trace, Strong to follow in Thy grace; Learning how to love from Thee, Loving Him who first loved me." Loving Husband, Father, Brother, & Son. The tree was planted by neighbors and the Tree Board. The tree was donated by his wife Tori Jane Marion. The tree is in fair condition and has to be treated with elemental sulfur and chelated iron each year because of our alkaline soils.

38) Juniperus scopulorum 'Wichita Blue', Wichita Blue Juniper; planted at Broadwater County High School.

- All the Wichita Blue Junipers along the south side of the high school were planted earlier by Tom Helm. This one died and was replanted in 2011. The second tree was paid for by the Green Club at School-dba Seventh Generation Club. It died again and was replanted in 2018. It is the fourth tree from the southeast corner of the high school. The trees are generally in good condition.

39) Populus tremuloides, Quaking Aspen; planted in Broadwater County Courthouse lawn.

- This aspen grove was planted in May 2006 to honor Rose Oleson for her contributions to the community while employed at the USFS Townsend Ranger District. The three aspen trees were planted by Broadwater County High School students and the Tree Board. The trees were paid for by the Rotary Club of Townsend. The grove is west and south of the southwest entrance to the Broadwater County Courthouse. These nursery source aspens from the west of the continental divide suffered badly in the frost of October 2009. One died and was replaced by a native aspen from the Big Belt Mountains. A second tree blew over in a windstorm in the summer of 2023 and needs to be replanted.

40) Crataegus crus-galli var. inermis Thornless Cockspur Hawthorn; planted in Broadwater County Courthouse lawn.

- This tree was planted in May 2007 to honor Bob Bagley for his 17 years of service to Broadwater County as the maintenance supervisor. The tree was planted by the Tree Board and paid for by Broadwater County. The tree is planted east of the southwest entrance to the Courthouse. The tree is in fair condition and needs to be treated for fireblight each year.

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COURT BEAT

SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

Dee Gannon
MT43 News Correspondent



The criminal docket in Judge Christopher Abbott's courtroom on Friday, September 22 is as follows:

Justin Henderson had an Initial Appearance and Arraignment; pleading Not Guilty to a multitude of charges. 1) felony theft of property, 2) felony theft of property, 3) issuing a bad check (\$500 +), 4) issuing a bad check (\$5,000+), 6) theft of property by deception, 7) theft of property by deception, 8) theft of property by deception, 9) theft of property by deception, 10) theft of property by deception, 11) theft of labor or services by deception, and, 13) theft of labor or services by deception. Omnibus is due by November 24; Pre-Trial is set for March 22, 2024; with the Jury Trial scheduled for April 22. He has a \$5,000 cash bail. If he is released, he is ordered the following special conditions: No contact with victims or witnesses, he must remain law-abiding, he must not leave the state, he must live at the address provided, he may not open a business, he cannot have a bank account without a co-signer, he must get a GPS ankle bracelet before September 29, and he must sign a waiver of extradition. He is remanded into custody.

Everett Miero made an Initial Appearance and Arraignment on a Petition to Revoke, alleging new criminal offenses. He is charged with partner/family member assault, custodial interference, and violation of a protection order. He pled Not Guilty to all allegations. Omnibus is due by October 27; Pre-Trial is set for December 29; with the Jury Trial scheduled for January 22, 2024. His bond is \$10,000; to run concurrent to a Lewis & Clark bond; he must abide by all previously set conditions.

Ashley Collins had an Initial Appearance on a charge of endangering the welfare of children. Her bond is \$5,000, concurrent to bond in Lewis & Clark County. She must comply with the state in reference to the custody of children. She is released on her own recognizance. She has until September 29 to get an attorney. Her Omnibus is due by October 27.

Rebecca Standley's case is continued until October 6
Jeremiah Howe's case is continued; the date to be determined.

George Marcuzzi had an Initial Appearance and Arraignment in two cases. In the first case, he pled Not Guilty to charges of 1) assault with a weapon, 2) assault with a weapon 3) assault with a weapon, and 4) felony criminal mischief. Omnibus is due October 17; Pre-Trial is set for February 16; with the Jury Trial scheduled for March 11, 2024. The second charge is a Petition to Revoke a deferred or suspended sentence. The allegations are that he was fired from his job, criminal endangerment, drug use, and failure to remain law-abiding. He Denied all the allegations. An Evidentiary Hearing is set for March 15. The bond in each case is \$50,000.

Ian Blaylock had an Initial Appearance on a Petition to Revoke a suspended sentence. Adult Probation and Parole alleges that he quit employment, he didn't report a change of residence, and he failed to report to AP&P. Blaylock Denied the allegations. An Evidentiary Hearing is set for October 27.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE REPORT - SEPTEMBER 29, 2023

Kelsi Anderson
Justice Court Clerk

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FORFEITURES

Travis Dollarhide, Hermiston, OR: restricted speed \$55.00
Benjamin Dundas, Bozeman: day speed \$20.00
Thomas Yuan, Alhambra, CA: day speed \$20.00
Kyle Wolff, Helena: day speed \$20.00
Quinn Reno, Havre: day speed \$70.00
Shaelen Marlow, Idaho Falls, ID: day speed \$70.00
Leroy Lervold, Bozeman: day speed \$70.00
Ryan Kuehn, West Linn, OR: day speed \$120.00
Jarek Hahn, Helena: day speed \$20.00
Isaac Harlem, San Rafael, CA: day speed \$20.00
Eli Gee, Bozeman: night speed \$20.00
Amanda Dixon, Livingston: day speed \$20.00
Karen Denis, Great Falls : day speed \$20.00
Dayne Camacho, Great Falls: Driving without a valid driver's license \$235.00 No insurance- 1st offense \$285.00 Day speed \$70.00
Morgan Anderson, Three Forks: day speed \$70.00
Shelly Deneault, Great Falls: day speed \$20.00

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FAILURE TO WEAR SEAT BELTS

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MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FINES

Hannah Frazier – Townsend – driving while privilege to do so is suspended or revoked -1st offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail with all time suspended on conditions, \$135.00 fines and fees; fail to carry proof or exhibit/insurance in vehicle-owner or operator- -1st offense, pleaded guilty, 275.00 fines and fees; seatbelt violation, pleaded guilty, \$20.00 fine.

Jacob Bargsley – Alder - driving while privilege to do so is suspended or revoked -1st offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail with all time suspended on conditions, \$175.00 fines and fees; fail to carry proof or exhibit/insurance in vehicle-owner or operator- -1st offense, pleaded guilty, 285.00 fines and fees; seatbelt violation, pleaded guilty, \$20.00 fine.

Sabrina Weldon - driving while privilege to do so is suspended or revoked -2nd offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail with all but two days suspended on conditions, \$185.00 fines and fees; day speed, pleaded guilty, \$20.00 fine.

Casey Smith – Townsend - driving while privilege to do so is suspended or revoked -1st offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail with all time suspended on conditions, \$135.00 fines and fees

BROADWATER COUNTY FINES

Hannah Frazier – day speed, pleaded guilty, \$120.00 fine; operating without liability insurance in effect- 1st offense, pleaded guilty, \$285.000 fines and fees.

Bransun Mitchell – Helena – night speed, pleaded guilty, \$20.00 fine.

BROADWATER COUNTY FORFEITURES

Madeline Gnauck, Bozeman: night speed \$70.00
Caitlin Pabst, Bozeman: day speed \$70.00
Nicholas Lauer, Helena: night speed \$70.00

INITIAL APPEARANCE - OTHER JURISDICTION

Zachary Bice – MT 1st Judicial District Court, No Bond
Christopher Eckermann- Probation and Parole Hold, \$25,000.00 bond

Jimmy Mcracken – MT 20th Judicial District Court, \$20,000.00 bond

COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA - OCTOBER 4, 2023

Melinda Banks
Administrative Assistant

BROADWATER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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

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

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

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

COUNTY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023 IN OBSERVANCE OF COLUMBUS DAY

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

10:00 AM Public Comment on any subject not on the agenda, and that the Commission has jurisdiction over

10:00 AM Discussion, Jessica Bushnell, Department Update and Season Wrap-up

10:10 AM Discussion/Decision, TJ Graveley, Public Works Supervisor, Purchase of Fast-12T Radar Speed Trailer Request

10:15 AM Discussion/Decision, Newspaper RFP (Request for Proposal)

Thursday, October 5, 2023

10:00 AM Weekly Working Meeting with Jania Hatfield,

Deputy County Attorney, in the Commission Office regarding projects and deadlines

Public Meeting Notices

6:00 PM Oct. 11th Southern Broadwater County: (CTAP*) Meeting at Bridger Brewing
6:00 PM Oct. 12th Northern Broadwater County: (CTAP*) Meeting at the Flynn Building
6:00 PM Nov. 8th Southern Broadwater County: (CTAP*) Meeting at Bridger Brewing
6:00 PM Nov. 14th Northern Broadwater County: (CTAP*) Meeting at the Flynn Building
Discussion Regarding Future Growth in Broadwater County

Community Technical Assistance Program

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

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

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E-mail: commissioners@co.broadwater.mt.us
Future Meetings will be held at the Flynn Building (416 Broadway)

(Please note: These meeting times/dates may change, please check the county website)

The Commissioners may be attending these board meetings (except the Planning Board)

- Trust Board on October 10 at 11:30 AM
- BC Planning Board on October 10 at 1 PM
- LAC Board on October 11 at 2 PM
- BC Parks & Rec on October 16 at 6 PM
- Weed Board on October 17th at 7 PM
- BC Airport Board on October 18 at 6 PM
- Broadband Advisory on October 26 at 4 PM

BROADBAND BOARD UPDATES COMMISSIONERS

MT 43 News Staff

Broadband Advisory Board Chairman Vic Sample urged Broadwater County commissioners at their regular meeting on Sept. 20 to assist internet service providers interested in installing broadband service throughout the county. Broadwater reportedly has the second-poorest internet service in Montana, behind Wibaux County.

The federal Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) program has allocated \$628 million to the Montana Communications Advisory Council to help pay for the installation of broadband internet service in the state. Under the program's guidelines, cities and counties are urged to form partnerships with internet service providers. The providers must put up a 25 percent match of cash or in-kind services. Sample pointed out that the \$628 million will not cover the cost of outfitting all Montanans with broadband internet service, so competition among service providers will be brisk.

Several months ago, the commissioners formed the advisory board to pursue getting high-speed internet service to rural Broadwater County. Advisory board members have attended state council meetings and reached out to internet service providers interested in laying fiber optic cables in Broadwater County. Only Montana Internet of Helena and Montana Opticom of Bozeman have shown interest.

The goal is to get fiber internet to as many households as possible, Sample said. Commissioner Lindsey Richtmyer, who also sits on the advisory board, interjected that the program is for fiber only and that some rural households will still need satellite or fixed wireless service.

Sample encouraged the commissioners to use in-kind matches such as waiving fees for internet service providers so they can rate higher on the State Department of Administration's rating list for funds. County fees for crossing county roads, allowing service providers to lay their cable in trenching projects already in progress and paying for a third-party feasibility study as well as providing an office in Townsend would help meet the match. He also suggested the study include engineering the internet provider's proposed map, called a polygon, of the Broadwater County internet service.

Sample cautioned the commissioners that getting better service to Montana counties is a long and arduous process. "Even if we have a provider who wins the Broadband Board,

LEGAL NOTICES

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
 Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
 Project No. 2853-073

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

(September 20, 2023)

On June 30, 2022, the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (Montana DNRC) filed an application for a new major license for the 9.66-megawatt Broadwater Hydroelectric Project (Broadwater Project; FERC No. 2853). The Broadwater Project is located on the Missouri River near the town of Toston in Broadwater County, Montana. The project includes federal lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

In accordance with the Commission’s regulations, on July 7, 2023, Commission staff issued a notice that the project was ready for environmental analysis (REA Notice). Based on the information in the record, including comments filed on the REA Notice, staff does not anticipate that licensing the project would constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Therefore, staff intends to prepare a draft and final Environmental Assessment (EA) on the application to relicense the Broadwater Project.

The EA will be issued and circulated for review by all interested parties. All comments filed on the EA will be analyzed by staff and considered in the Commission’s final licensing decision.

The Commission’s Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, environmental justice communities, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

The application will be processed according to the following schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

MILESTONE	TARGET DATE
Commission issues draft EA	March 2024
Comments on draft EA	April 2024
Commission issues final EA	July 2024

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Ingrid Brofman at (202) 502-8347, or Ingrid.brofman@ferc.gov.

Kimberly D. Bose,
 Secretary.

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NOTICE OF CLOSE OF VOTER REGISTRATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that regular voter registration for the 2023 Municipal General Election to be held on November 7, 2023, will close at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, October 10, 2023.

If you miss the regular voter registration deadline, you may still register and vote in the election by appearing in person at the Broadwater County Elections Office, 515 Broadway, Townsend, before noon on November 6, 2023, and between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Election Day November 7, 2023.

All active and inactive electors of the jurisdictions conducting elections are entitled to vote at said election. Ballots will be mailed to active electors only. If you are a registered voter and do not receive a ballot, contact the Broadwater County Elections Department to update your information as necessary and receive a ballot.

Persons who wish to register and who are not presently registered may do so by submitting an application for registration by mail, email, or by appearing at the elections office. If you have moved, please update your registration information by completing a new registration application and submitting it to the Broadwater County Elections Department.

Dated this 19th day of September, 2023.

/s/ ANGIE PAULSEN, Elections Administrator, Broadwater County, Montana

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award, it would be at least four years before any work would begin,” he said.

The commissioners accepted the Advisory Board’s recommendation to appoint Spencer Sellay to fill the board’s open position.

Flu and Covid Vaccine Update

Public Health Director Ruby Taylor reported the new strain of COVID has shown up in Broadwater County. She noted 15 cases had been reported, some of which were in the long-term care unit of the hospital. “The staff

is doing a good job containing the outbreak,” she said.

Taylor said she will have the new round of vaccines available in the next few weeks. In the meantime, people who have symptoms should test themselves. Out-of-date tests can still be used successfully. Flu vaccines are ready for use. She suggested people call for an appointment, but walk-ins to the department are welcome. She also has Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) vaccines available as well.

City County Agreement

The commissioners approved an agreement with the city of Townsend whereby County Attorney Cory Swanson and his deputies will assume the city’s criminal prosecution duties, responsible for prosecuting misdemeanor cases. The city is to pay the county \$1,525 a month for this service. City Attorney Peter Simon will no longer be responsible for prosecutions.

In other business, the commission:

- Authorized the sheriff’s department to purchase two new patrol vehicles and two administrative vehicles.
- Approved a budget amendment requested by county finance officer Debbie Kelley.
- Approved a one-year extension to the county’s lease of office space to the state Department of Revenue.

REGISTRATION ENDS OCT. 10 FOR MAYOR, WARD SEAT ELECTION

MT 43 News Staff

Townsend residents have until Tuesday, Oct. 10 to register to vote in the Municipal general election, according to Broadwater Clerk and Recorder Angie Paulsen.

Paulsen pointed out the vote will be by all-mail ballot only. A ballot will be sent to all active voters. Inactive voters who do not receive a ballot, or are unsure of their registration status, should contact the Clerk and Recorder’s office.

Any registered Townsend resident can vote in the election on November 7 at the Elections office in the Court House. Any unregistered voter who wishes to vote may come to the Clerk and Recorder’s office to be registered and vote before noon on Nov. 6 and 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Nov. 7.

Townsend businessman JB Howick and Council President Vickie Rauser are vying for the City Mayor position. Current Major Mike Evans will retire from the position on January 1st, 2024.

Valerie Baraza was appointed to fill Christina Hartmann’s seat in Ward I. Since Baraza was appointed, and no one filed against her, she won the position by acclimation, according to Paulsen. Her name will not be on the ballot.

Vivian Boaz and Nate Brown oppose each other for Ward III. Brown is the incumbent in that race. Ward II will be an open seat since current member Ken Ulrich resigned and no one filed to run for the seat.

CITY COUNCIL MOVES PROSECUTOR SERVICES TO COUNTY ATTORNEY OFFICE

MT 43 News Staff

City Council members approved an interlocal agreement between them and Broadwater County to hire County Attorney Cory Swanson to handle prosecutor services for cases filed in the city.

At their regular meeting on Sept. 19, Swanson gave a history of prosecutor services for the city. He was the city-county attorney at one point after which Peter Simon took over the city attorney job. Now that Simon can no longer handle the load of both civil and criminal services, Simon has bowed out of handling criminal cases for the city. “It makes sense for the county attorney’s office to take on the criminal cases because we already work closely with the Sheriff’s office and many of the city cases turn into felonies, so we get them anyway,” Swanson said.

Swanson continued he is trying to attract another deputy county attorney, so the added revenue will help with that. The city will pay Swanson’s office \$1,525 per month. He pointed out that his office will give a quarterly report on the office’s services. The interlocal agreement will be revisited annually to determine if it works for both offices.

City Fire Department Captain Andrew Herrick addressed the issue of requests for road closures on Broadway by various organizations. After a communication breakdown between the Rural fire department and the City fire department, the Rodeo parade this summer almost didn’t happen because no barricades were in place, or was a permit from the Montana Department of Transportation (MDOT) in place. “We scurried around, found barricades and got detour signs in place for the parade to proceed, on the day of the parade! We suggest the council request any organization that wants to close the street contact MDOT themselves for a permit. Also, we would like them to be in direct contact with City Fire Chief Shawn Simon so we can be prepared,” he said.

At this time City regulations request the organization contact the city office, then the city office contacts MDOT for a closure permit. Mayor Mike Evans pointed out that for this year’s high school homecoming, the permits are in place to close the street. The council okayed high school students to paint bulldog paws on Cedar, Spruce and Pine Streets near the school.

The council took Herrick’s information under advisement. In other business, the council approved an airport hangar lease for Brian and Teresa Foster. They also approved the resignation of Public Works Director Tim Rauser. Please see the separate story for details.

BROADWATER COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR 2023/07/26

Angie Paulsen, Broadwater County Clerk and Recorder



PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BROADWATER COUNTY, STATE OF MONTANA
 LOCATION: 416 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644
 DATE: July 26, 2023

Commissioner Debi Randolph called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Commissioners Darrel Folkvord and Lindsey Richtmyer were also present.

Public comment: None

10:06 AM Nathan Bilyeu of Jackson, Murdo & Grant, P.C. presented Tax Increment Financing (“TIF”) Pledge Resolution. Craig Rickert of Montana Crossroads discussed the Targeted Economic Development District (“TEDD”) in Broadwater County. Maps and printouts are available for viewing at Commission Office. Broadwater Deputy County Attorney Jania Hatfield commented regarding the wastewater system. Commissioner Richtmyer commented. Bilyeu commented regarding TIF. Rickert commented. Bilyeu commented. Commissioner Richtmyer commented regarding committing funds. Bilyeu will work with Rickert to provide more detailed information. David Sigler with Bridger Brewing commented.

10:45 AM Broadwater County Community Planning and Development Director Nichole Brown presented Leep Family Transfer Section 23, TZN, RIE. Proposed language for COS’s regarding The Montana Subdivision and Platting Act (MSPA) was read into the record. Hatfield commented. Bernadette Swenson with Schaubert Surveying commented. Hatfield commented. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve the Leep family transfer Commissioner Richtmyer seconded and carried.

11:02 AM Director Brown announced the Public Hearing for Rolling Glen Ranch is August 1, 2023, 6 PM — 8 PM in the Flynn Building. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve July 12, 2023, Minutes. Commissioner Richtmyer seconded and carried. Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve July 19, 2023, 2023, Minutes. Commissioner Folkvord seconded and carried. Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve claims in the amount of \$60,365.98 Commissioner Folkvord seconded and carried. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve payroll claims in the amount of \$16,879.17 Commissioner Richtmyer seconded and carried. Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve claims in the amount of \$9,318.75 Commissioner Folkvord seconded and carried. Commissioner Folkvord moved to approve claims in the amount of \$29,060.51 Commissioner Richtmyer seconded and carried. Commissioner Richtmyer moved to approve claims in the amount of \$20,778.79 Commissioner Folkvord seconded and carried.

11:10 AM Commissioner Randolph announced the Solid Waste Public meeting August 7, 2023, at the Flynn Building. Communications Received: TIF/TEDD MCA print out of costs that may be paid by Tax Increment Financing, Map of Montana Crossroads — Utilities Map, Map of Montana Crossroads — Roadways, Certificate of Survey Exemption Affidavit Broadwater County Gift or Sale to Immediate Family Member Leep Family, and proposed language for The Montana Subdivision and Platting Act (MSPA).

Present at the meeting were Nancy Marks with MT43 News, Bernadette Swenson with Schaubert Surveying, and Public Works Supervisor TJ Graveley.

Meeting adjourned at 11:13 AM. The next regular Commissioner Meeting will be held August 2, 2023, at 10:00 AM.

DEBRA Randolph, Commissioner Chairwoman
 Attest: ANGIE PAULSEN, Clerk and Recorder

OBITUARY

JAMES R. NORMAND SR.

Jill Marie Normand

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of James R Normand Sr.

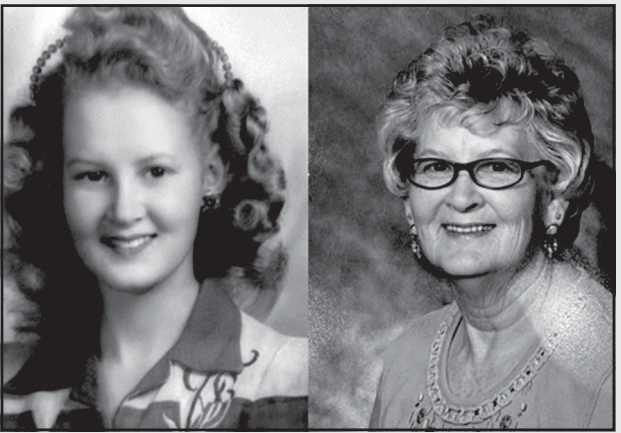
Jim was from Zachary, LA. Jim did not suffer and was with his family in Townsend when he passed from heart failure at the age of 78. Jim is survived by his three children Janice Normand, James R. Normand Jr. and Jill Marie Normand.

There will be a private ash scattering ceremony with immediate family attending

KATHLEEN JEPSON

Kathleen Jepson Family

Stating many times over the last few months "there's nothing going on around here" and "that's just the way it is," Kathleen Carol Brammer Jepson departed her earthly life on September 25, 2023, in Helena, MT at the age of 95 years.



Kathleen was born December 20, 1927, in Forsyth, MO to Florence Leona Young Brammer and George Zealand Brammer. She lived in a one-story wooden-frame house in Buffalo, MO as a child with her parents

and her loving, close siblings - Betty Jo, Gale Zealand, Jerry Newton, Patti Mae and Barbara Rose. Some of her happiest childhood memories were going to her Grandmother Young's home in Ozark MO during the summers. When she was 15 she got her first job as a telephone operator for \$7 per week. She graduated from Green City High School in 1945.

On her first date with her future husband, John Newton Jepson took Kathleen to the circus and bought her a pin that said, "blondes preferred." Kathleen married that quiet, handsome man, her high school sweetheart, on September 21, 1946, and together they raised 3 sons: John Jepson, Jr., Joe Jepson, and Jack Jepson. Her favorite memories as a couple were coming to Montana every year to visit her parents, attending family picnics, and raising their 3 sons together. Kathleen and John divorced in 1992.

Kathleen spent most of her working life as a Linotype operator, starting at her parents' newspapers and later for the Townsend Star, a local newspaper in Broadwater County that she and her husband owned and operated for many years.

In her later years, she enjoyed traveling, serving as the "Queen Bee" of the local Red Hats chapter and spending time with her many friends and family. For many years, she traveled annually to Missouri to attend her high school's all-class reunion - she enjoyed seeing old friends and reminiscing very much.

The family would like to thank Betty Mockel and Sharon Lewis for their faithful visits during her last two years at Silver Springs Assisted Living. Kathleen was a faithful member of the Townsend Methodist Church and enjoyed her church family and its activities for decades.

She is pre-deceased by her parents and all of her siblings except her devoted sister Barbara, and 3 grandchildren. In addition to her sister Barbara (Frank), Kathleen is survived by her sons - John (Bonnie), Joe (Lisa), and Jack (Heidi), as well as many grandchildren and great-grandchildren who will fondly remember her as 'Grammy' and 'Gigi.' She is also survived by many nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly.

Funeral services will be held at the United Methodist Church in Townsend, MT on Saturday, September 30, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. Her remains will be interred at Deep Creek Cemetery. Please visit www.stevensonwilke.com to offer a condolence to the family or to share a

memory of Kathleen.

"I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one. I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done. I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun, with happy memories that I leave when life is done." — Carol Merkel

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ROAD TRIP AROUND MONTANA

SCULPTURES IN THE WILD

Brenda Phillips



This road trip took us to Lincoln, MT for a family gathering. The drive from Townsend to Lincoln is 90 miles (about 1½hrs). We drove north of Helena and took Lincoln Road west, which turns into Flesher Pass Road, then connects with Highway 200 to get to Lincoln. The drive through farmlands and up this mountain pass really makes you appreciate Montana's beauty.

Just before you get into Lincoln there is a Ranger Station that is the home of a very big Grizzly bear. We stopped to check him out. The bear was a healthy 12-year-old male, weighing 830 pounds and would

Sculptures, 10

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: O equals M

IFJM KDW BEDTJ KDWT ODMJK
PTDO IDTU CMBCRJ V PDDEJR
YVBJ, C TJXUDM KDW'R FVYJ
WTMJR CMXDOJ.

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KNIGHT MOVES

I	N	M
O		A
T	N	U

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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"Do you have something a little _____? I'd like my family think I actually baked it!"

SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Path	_____
SOURCE	_____
Charm	_____
BLEANG	_____
Crave	_____
RESIDE	_____
Herd	_____
RIVED	_____

TODAY'S WORD

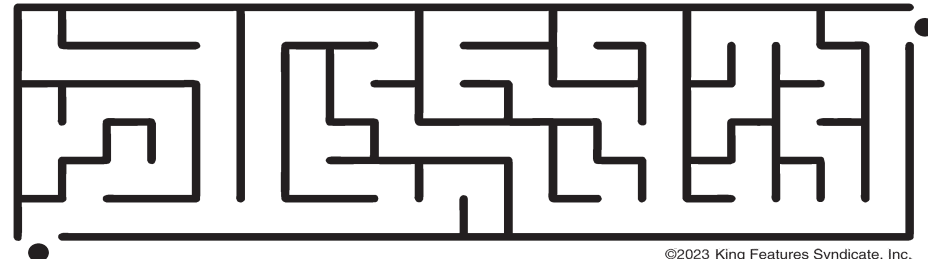
Super Crossword

OH NO!

- | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ACROSS | DOWN | OH NO! |
| 1 Vermicelli, e.g. | 1 Butter square | 36 "— got a feeling..." |
| 6 Commercial spots | 2 Frau's "Alas!" | 81 Bi+ plus one |
| 9 16th-century pope | 3 Small, agile dog breed | 83 Make lighter |
| 14 Olympic length unit | 4 Irwin of "Crikey! It's the Irwins" | 84 Video surveillance syst. |
| 19 Had a dull, steady pain | 5 "Puff" snake | 85 PC key abbr. |
| 20 Chart topper, often | 6 "I have it!" | 90 Submits, as a test paper |
| 22 Cockeyed | 7 Part of DVD | 91 Mötley — |
| 23 Hidden stockpiles of certain infield bags? | 8 Stride | 92 High peaks |
| 25 Low-pH liquids | 9 Actress Zadora | 93 Jungle knife |
| 26 Certain Southern sib | 10 Business mag | 94 Half- (java option) |
| 27 Tax doc. whiz | 11 "I hate it!" | 95 "Good" cholesterol, for short |
| 28 Lead-in to Pen | 12 Precipitates cold pellets | 96 Lulu Hogg player Peggy |
| 30 Ranch unit | 13 Italian motor scooter brand | 97 Imam's God |
| 31 Grassy tract | 14 Hamm of soccer | 98 Villifies in print |
| 34 Instructions for securing a bottle with a screw cap? | 15 Boxed up | 99 Scores 100 on the test |
| 39 Gods, in Italy | 16 Slow-paced martial art | 100 Stinging plant |
| 40 Some thin batteries | 17 Footballer's sweep | 101 Certain radio frequency |
| 43 Owner of Zipcar | 18 "Start over" buttons | 105 Yippie Hoffman |
| 44 Promotional links | 21 "Begone!" | 106 Not false |
| 45 Dad providing the finances? | 24 Queen guitarist May | 108 Discomfit |
| 49 Cottage cheese piece | 29 Not off-key | 109 Large feather |
| 50 Reject, as a lover | 31 Alternatives to JPEGs | 113 Raggedy — (some dolls) |
| 51 Turner of "Betrayed" | 32 Sign on for another tour of duty | 114 Livy's "Lo!" |
| 52 Sashimi fish | 33 Hawk cousins | 117 Seer's "gift" |
| 53 Jestful type | 35 Toddler's cry | 119 Sanyo rival |
| 56 Bane of not knowing which college major to choose? | | 120 '60s war site |
| 58 Hawaiian porches | | 121 ENTs, e.g. |
| 101 Diminish | | 122 Hack down |
| 102 Malevolent | | 123 & so forth |
| 103 Eat dinner | | 124 Once called |
| 104 British apartment doubling as a malt shop? | | |
| 107 Ticks by | | |
| 110 Sister of Meg, Jo and Amy | | |
| 111 Diminish | | |
| 112 Comedic actress Issa | | |
| 115 Fit for the job | | |
| 116 Lauder of makeup | | |
| 118 Famous German tale teller who lived in a farm building? | | |
| 125 Rhythmic swings | | |
| 126 Rhythmic way to march | | |
| 127 Strike hard, biblical-style | | |
| 128 Very inclined axis | | |
| 129 Dutch cheeses | | |
| 130 Stitch clothes | | |
| 131 Consequently | | |

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Kids' Maze



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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	8	6	1				2
		4		3		1	
9					7		3 8
	5			2	3		
8			9			4	
		7	5				9
7	3		2				5
	6				5	9	1
		8		6			4

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆ Challenging
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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NAVIGATING GRIEF: FINDING STRENGTH AND HOPE IN THE STORM

Ellie West
Certified Master Practitioner of NLP, Time Line Therapy, and Hypnosis



Grief is an inescapable facet of the human experience—a journey that can catch us off guard, leaving us with unsettled emotions.

I, too, found myself in this uncharted territory when I first experienced the loss of my father. In the years that followed, I would grieve, saying goodbye to my oldest sister, my mother, and another sibling, my brother. These deeply personal encounters with grief taught me that we are not alone in our pain.

Although I had witnessed loss in various forms throughout my life, facing it within my own family brought grief to the forefront. Each loss marked a chapter about the intricate layers of this journey.

At the beginning of summer, a dear friend of mine lost her oldest son in a heart-wrenching accident. AJ was a young man filled with promise; he was married, and his family eagerly awaited their second child's arrival this fall.

Recently, our community was touched by yet another heartache of grief. A devastating incident unfolded as two young girls from our small community were involved in a horrific accident.

Tragically, one precious life was lost while the other struggles to recover from her injuries. It is hard to comprehend these grieving parents' pain, sorrow, and countless unanswered questions tormenting their hearts. My heart hurts for these families who are bearing such significant loss.

These heart-rending stories remind us that grief is a shared human experience that uniquely impacts each of us. In these moments, we are called upon to cultivate compassion, extend our support, and offer understanding to those navigating the intricate layers of grieving.

While we may not possess all the answers, we can find comfort and strength in our collective journey, drawing upon the boundless well of empathy that unites us.

Grief, often associated with the intense pain that follows the death of a loved one, extends far beyond the confines of bereavement. It can emerge in times of disruption when the very fabric of our existence is shaken to its core.

It is crucial to recognize that grief can manifest not only in the aftermath of death but also in the face of divorce, job loss, the loss of a home, and financial hardship.

The pain accompanying grief is immeasurable, and its intensity often leaves us bewildered and struggling to understand it all.

We find ourselves searching for answers, pondering why and how such heartache could strike and blindside us. Sometimes, we may even unjustly direct blame inward, chastising ourselves or holding others accountable for circumstances beyond our control.

There is no "right" or "wrong" way to grieve. I learned this lesson most profoundly when I lost my mother. I sought counseling, and the therapist told me, "Now you need to figure out who you are without your mom." That was a pivotal moment for me in my grieving process. Allowing yourself the space to grieve in your own unique way is essential.

Refrain from being too harsh on yourself; instead, offer yourself the grace and kindness that self-compassion entails. Be patient and allow the healing process to unfold organically.

During these trying times, it is imperative to remember that seeking support is a testament to one's strength, not a sign of weakness. Reach out to friends, family, or professionals who can extend a compassionate hand and provide guidance as you navigate this challenging terrain—remember, you are never alone.

In the midst of grief, we discover an unanticipated wellspring of resilience, strengthening our lives and cherishing the memories of those we have lost. Enduring grief demonstrates our capacity to adapt and grow, even when confronted by the most profound heartaches.

Grief, though painful, has the potential to be an extraordinary teacher. It guides us toward a deeper understanding of ourselves and, perhaps most significantly, a closer connection to God, our creator. As you open your heart, you may recognize a season of growth and healing within the tears.



Elkhorn Community Fellowship, 126 N Cedar St. Townsend. Services: Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Pastor Eric Crusch, (406) 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, (406) 266-4219.

Holy Cross Catholic Church, 101 S. Walnut St. Townsend. Sunday Mass at 4:30pm Weekdays. Monday Mass at 9am and Adoration at 9:30am, Tuesday Mass at 9am. Reconciliation Sunday 3:30-4:15 p.m. or by appt. Rel. Ed. classes (during school year): All grades on Sunday after Mass with dinner at 5:30 and programming beginning at 6 pm. For Adult Education programs, see the website: holycrossmt.org. Parish contact info: phone: (406) 266-4811 or email: 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, (406) 465-5895. MountainValleyChurch.org. We stream our services on Facebook: [Facebook.com/mountainvalleychurch406](https://www.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, (406) 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. Pastor Ney Khut - (406) 269-362-5768

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, 406-980-0270). Bishop Matt Graham, (406) 266-4255.

Townsend United Methodist Church, 200 N. Cedar St. Townsend. Services: Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Pastor Mele Moa, (406) 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. (406) 266-4406 Pastor Mark Roelofs

I pray that the boundless gift of God's peace will enrich your lives as you navigate these difficult times.

Remember, He is the God of ALL comfort; He gives beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. 2 Cor 1:3-4 Isaiah 61:3

As we journey through grief, let us hold fast to these words, taking comfort in the knowledge that even in our darkest moments, there is a source of light and hope. *To connect with Ellie FB @coachelliewest Certified Master Practitioner of NLP*

POP UP PANTRY WAS A SUCCESS

Tina Homann

The Pop-Up Pantry fundraiser was a great success!

This new community culinary program will be a tremendous asset to Townsend and Broadwater County. The Pop-Up Pantry will partner with a well-known non-profit, Science, Technology, Outdoor Activity, Knowledge, Entrepreneurship (STOKE), a youth empowerment



SR. CENTER MEALS *Thursday, October 5*
OCT 2 - OCT 6 Baked Ham
 Scalloped Potatoes
 Garden Peas
 Carrot Raisin Salad
 Whole Grain Bread
 Cinnamon Applesauce

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Monday, October 2
 Tuna Noodle Casserole
 Carrot Coins
 Bean Medley
 Whole Grain Bread
 Fruit Cocktail

Friday, October 6
 Salisbury Steak
 Mashed Potatoes
 California Vegetables
 Whole Grain Bread
 Mandarin Oranges

Tuesday, October 3
 BBQ Chicken Breast
 Wild Rice
 Key Largo Vegetables
 Garden Salad
 Whole Grain Bread
 Sweet Peaches

Wednesday, October 4
 Beef Goulash
 Green Beans
 Tossed Salad
 Whole Grain Bread
 Pineapple
 Dessert

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.

organization since 2019. The STOKE youth cooking program and the Pop-Up Pantry will now provide youth the opportunity to learn from a true professional chef.

Heather Hatwan, our new chef, has many years of master-level cooking, catering, and hospitality experience, and she is ready to give back to the community. Her skills were on display Friday evening with BBQ ribs, pulled pork and brisket along with potato salad, cole slaw, tomato salad, green beans, and sauteed carrots and parsnips in a spicy honey sauce. A heartfelt thank you goes out to Chris and Drew Hettinger and Lynette and Dwight Dyke for their generous donations of produce and delicious garlic bread.

Heather also provides cooking classes through her new business, Big Sky Culinary Classes, which offers many options to expand your personal cookbook, saving you money and time while having fun. For more information contact Heather at bigskyculinaryclasses@gmail.com

The Pop-Up Pantry is the brainchild of STOKE board member Tina Homann. For starters, the pantry will provide FREE dinners on Friday evenings. The STOKE cooking class will prepare and cook meals under Heather's instruction in the Lodge of Townsend's Commercial kitchen. As with all our programs, STOKE is able to provide this community service through generous donations and several grants. And with that, here's a BIG SHOUT OUT to Renee Bauer, Director of Family Promise, for providing \$1000.00 in seed money for the start-up of this program, and to Heather Hatwan for her expertise, support and time in making this fundraiser a success!

A special Thank You to Nykia Mondragon and Logan Barkhurst, original sewing program participants (led by Laura Frazier). These girls helped prepare the food, serve our guests, and clean after the fundraiser. They contributed to the christening of our Pop-Up Pantry project!

And thank you to all those who attended and shared their ideas and provided financial support.

Look out for a sandwich board outside the pantry showing the menu for each week.

WORD LADDERS

Can you go from HEART to PERKY in 6 words?
 Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

HEART

PERKY

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They took the ornate robe back to their father and said, "We found this. Examine it to see whether it is your son's robe." He recognized it and said, "It is my son's robe! Some ferocious animal has devoured him. Joseph has surely been torn to pieces." Then Jacob tore his clothes, put on sackcloth and mourned for his son many days. GENESIS 37: 32-34



Detail of "Jacob Weeping for Joseph" by Marc Chagol, 1956

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



"Does anyone remember where we hid the vice president?"

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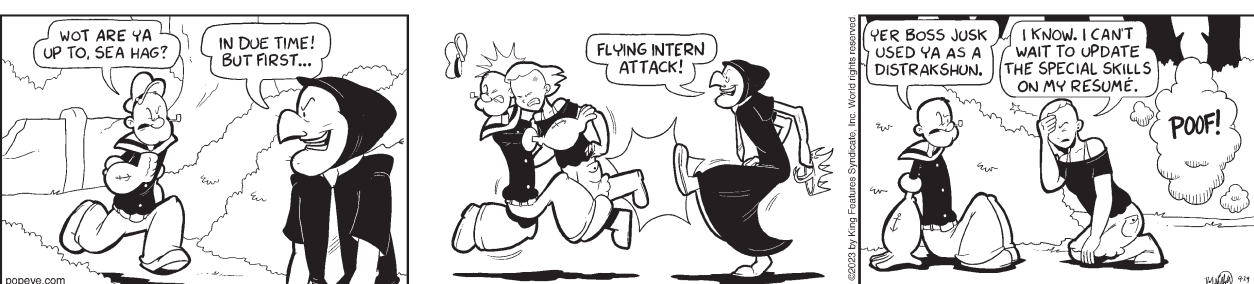
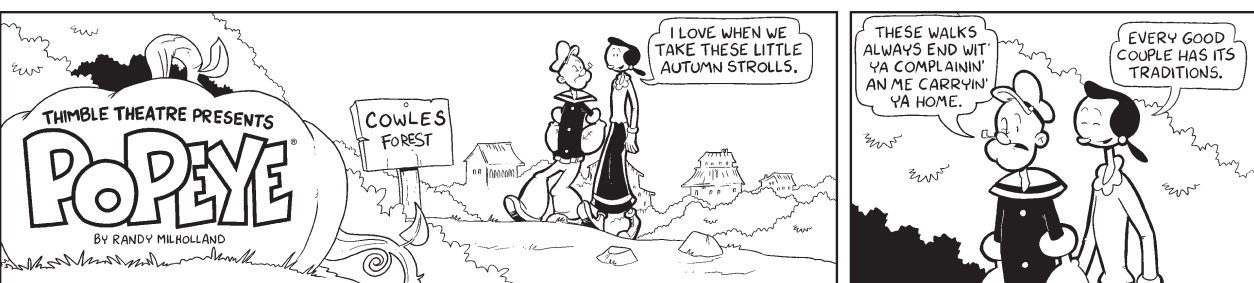
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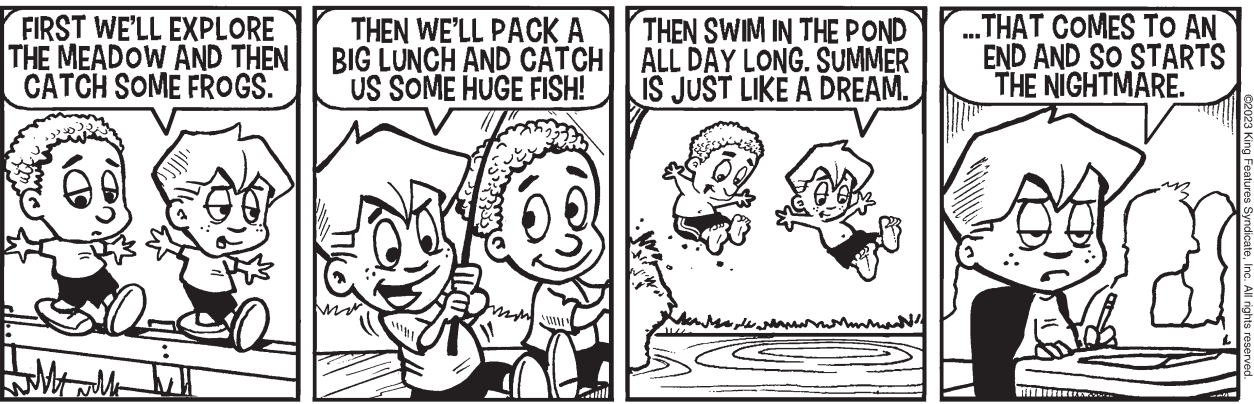
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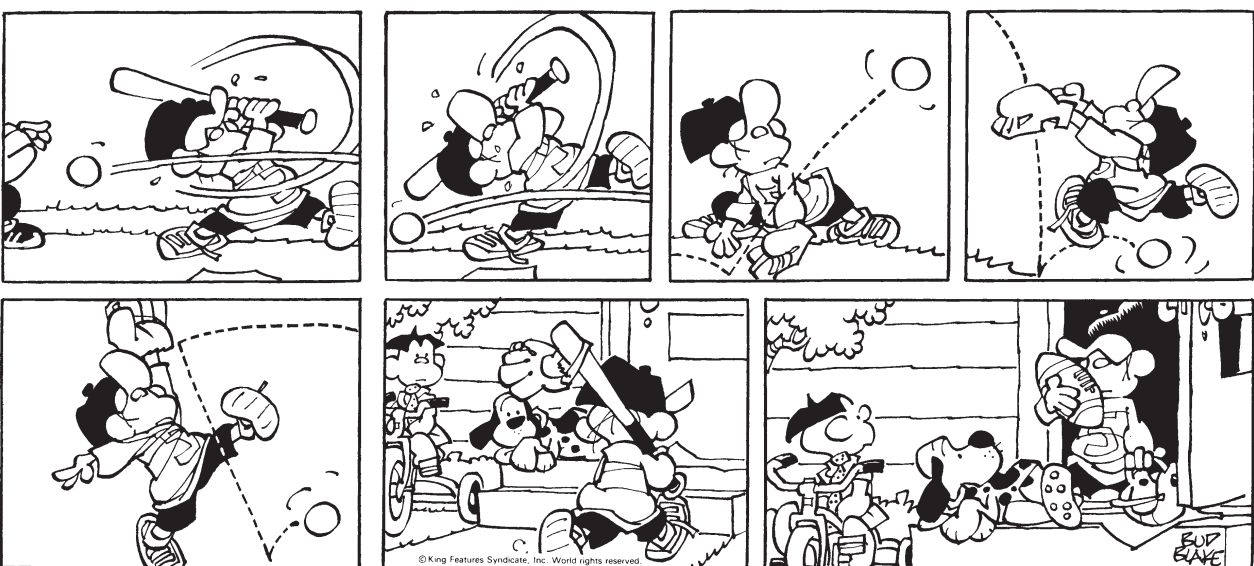
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Kids' Maze Solution

CryptoQuip
 answer

When you store your money from work inside a footed vase, I reckon you'd have urred income.

WORD LADDER
 Answer

HEART, HEARS, PEARS
 PEAKS, PERKS, PERKY

SCRAMBLERS
 solution

1. Course 2. Bangle;
 3. Desire; 4. Drive

Today's Word
BURNED

KNIGHT MOVES
 Answer

I	N	M
O		A
T	N	U

MOUNTAIN

Weekly SUDOKU
 Answer

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Super Crossword

Answers

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Sculptures, 7

have stood approximately eight feet tall before he was killed by a vehicle on Highway 200 five miles west of Lincoln in Oct 2007. He is the third-largest grizzly on record in Montana. He was born in 1995 near Choteau and tagged with a radio collar in July of 1996. He was hit by a car in Oct of 1996 but he survived. The collar tracked his adventures over the years as he roamed from



Large Grizzly on display at Lincoln Ranger station
Photo Credits: Brenda Phillips

Choteau to Lincoln and the Seeley Lake area. The state considered sending the taxidermy Grizzly to Missoula to be a mascot for the University of MT but after many letters from Residents and Children of Lincoln, the bear was returned to Lincoln Ranger station for all to see.



Castle in the woods
Photo Credits: Brenda Phillips

Across the highway from the Ranger Station is the Sculpture in the Wild Park, "where Art, Education and History walk the same path". On the highway, you will see the gatepost made of tall twisted willows that represent DNA strains. The sculpture park was started in 2014 when 5 international artists made 6 sculptures on 26 acres of forest land. Now there are 18 sculptures that reflect the environment and the industrial history of the Blackfoot Valley. Brochures at the entrance give you a self-guided tour and the history of each piece. The park is open year-round, from dawn to dusk, so you can experience this art in different seasons. Handicap-accessible public restrooms, picnic areas and walkways make this an adventure for everyone. One focal point is the Historic Delaney Sawmill TeePee Burner that was used in the lumber industry in the Blackfoot Valley. We were lucky enough to be there on a Saturday when they had a Musical Quartet playing in the TeePee Burner, which acts like a large amphitheater. The music carried through the trees as we explored the park. The park hosts events every Saturday throughout the summer to share the musical talents and presentations by some of the artists who contributed to this park. An easy leisurely stroll around the park takes about an hour but there are so many things to see. The sculptures that repurpose things like poles, sticks, carved logs, charred logs from a forest fire area, and even newspapers, will surprise you. You just have to take the time to stop and explore. I see that since we were there they have added a new sculpture.

Lincoln has a lot more to see, like the Historic Lincoln Hotel and Community Center which are 100

years old. Stop by the High Country Beef Jerky store for snacks and gift items. There are several places to eat and have ice cream. Ice cream is a must on all our trips. We even found a roadside store that has really cool chainsaw wood carvings.

After a stop in Lincoln to visit with family we headed for Home on a different road. We went west from Lincoln on Highway 200 and took the road to Helmville and Avon, then to Helena. This way is about 113 miles but passes through some awesome picturesque ranching valleys. I found it interesting that on one section of land, they were putting up hay stacks with the old beaver slide hay stackers and on the next section they were baling hay in the large round bails. Driving around Montana never is disappointing. Brenda and Kurt Phillips are from Townsend and enjoy visiting Montana's scenic and historic sites.

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Cap is missing. 2. Arm is moved. 3. Football is missing. 4. Cloud is different. 5. Horn is smaller. 6. Bull's tail is missing.

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

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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

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SEPTEMBER 28

1939

Future Farmers Club to Initiate

The members of the Broadwater Chapter of Future Farmers (FFA) will call in the new crop of Green Hands next Tuesday evening and put them through the customary procedure of the FFA initiation.

The country and the present time are being searched to find a rugged and long-horned goat for the candidates to ride on their tour of the evening. Following a brief informal initiation, the new members will be taken to the chapter room where they will go through the formal ceremonies as set up by the National Future Farmer organization. Afterwards a lunch will be served by the upper classmen who will handle all the activities for the evening. The freshmen who will receive the Green Hand degrees that night will be Douglas Ballard, Jasper Bridgewater, Jack Fordayce, James Gruber, Robert Gruber, Ernst Miller, Larry Riley, Don Shearer and Bill Weiferich.

The officers of the local chapter who will prepare the ceremonies for the evening are: Bob Kenney, president; Cliff Crow, vice president; Eddie Daniels, treasurer; Bill Kieckbusch, secretary Fred Plymale reporter; Frank Kenney, sentinel and Duke Wellington, advisor.

The entire chapter will be present and for added attraction a moving picture film made during high school week at Bozeman last spring will show all the activities of the FFA while on their trip to Bozeman – Fred Plymale, Reporter.

1950

Geo. V. Lots Wins \$500 Trout Derby by Landing 4 1/2 Pound Lockleven in River Sunday

The winner of the 1950 Trout Derby sponsored by the Broadwater Rod and Gun Club last Sunday was George V. Lots. The presentation ceremonies were in Memorial Park in the afternoon following the derby and before a crowd of almost 400 people. George won first prize for the 4 1/2 pound Lockleven caught on a daredevil lure and casting outfit just a few minutes before the blast closing the derby sounded.

The big derby was a huge success. The day couldn't have been more perfect and a crowd estimated at over 500 participated. There was a man or woman or child every 50 feet up and down the 10 miles fishing area soon after the opening blast at 8:00 a.m. Every known kind of bait was used, but the dare devil contraption seemed to be the most popular and that was the bait

that lured the first prize Lock.

Ralph Thompson won second prize of \$100 and his was a 2 pound 14 1/2 oz. Lockleven. Two other prizes for large trout went to Leslie Williams 2 lbs. 4 oz. and Bob Grimmell, Townsend, 1 lb. 4 1/2 oz.

The prizes were given from a large truck in Memorial Park. Jack Thompson, resident of the Rod and Gun Club thanked the participants and especially the merchants, who gave the long list of prizes, using a loud speaker, Guy L. Ewing presented the prizes.

There were 50 prizes including very fine fishing and sport goods equipment to hams, candy and beer. The winner of the prize for the fisherman coming from the lonest distance went to a man from the Panama Canal. The oldest fisherman to a 74 year old man and a 68 year old woman.

Prizes were won by people from Great Falls, Helena, Toston, Three Forks and Townsend.

1961

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Karhoff and son, Russell, of Townsend and their daughter Mrs. Gordon Williams, Mr. Williams and their son, Dana, of Willow Creek left Saturday for Edina, Mo. to visit relatives. Mr. Karhoff was born and reared at Edina.

Mrs. Don Williams and children, Teri Lynn and Keith and Mrs. Jack Stallings of Santa Maria, Calif. came last week to visit the ladies' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul DeBorde.

Rex Smith is here visiting his mother, Mrs. Margaret Smith. He has been in the Air Force a little over a year, stationed at Laredo, Texas. Rex will attend a survival school near Reno in October and then will return to Townsend and remain here until about the first of December when he will go to Charleston, S.C. for further training.

Crow Creek News

Miss Arlis Feistner was an overnight guest of Miss Linda Hunsaker Tuesday. Miss Karche Lampman was a guest of Miss Joann Hunsaker at her home the same night.

Mrs. W.K. Parker enjoyed a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Noble Rains of Homer, Ill. and their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Garrison Rains, of Townsend, Monday afternoon.

Tom Lyness was a weekend guest of Miss Pearl Kitto and William Kitto. His sister, Miss Annie Lyness, was a weekend visitor in the Forrest Kitto home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Horne and Valerie visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Horne, in Martinsdale Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sanderson, Laurel and Roger, were hosts at a turkey dinner Sunday evening. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Gust Sanderson of Toston and

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Lewis, Mike and Barbara.

Among those attending the Farm Bureau banquet in Townsend Monday night were Bill Kimpton, Mrs. Ben Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Webb and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Lewis.

1967

Toston Briefs

Carlote Chryst of Three Forks visited last week at the Leslie Smith home. On Friday she and Mrs. Smith were business callers in Bozeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lucas of Ringling, visited Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Flynn and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Slifka and family were dinner guests in Three Forks Saturday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lane and Family.

Ted Flynn spent the weekend at the Bill Flynn home.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mitchell of Dillon were guests last week of Mrs. Mitchell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Greaves.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heath of Helena visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hardgrove Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Etwiler of West Farge, N.D., visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rauser and family Monday. Mrs. Rauser is their niece.

Miss Vicki Rauser was a guest of Miss Rose Spatzierath Saturday night.

1978

Radersburg News

The garage sale that has been in the news and ads in the Townsend Star was well attended. Just about everything was sold. In other words, the sale was a huge success. The Radersburg ladies express their thanks to everyone for coming.

Linda Cobban of Winston took in the garage sale Saturday afternoon and had dinner that evening with Hazel and Charlie Hough.

Jim Miller of the valley and Charlie Hough were business callers in Bozeman one day last week.

Tops Ralls and Terry Eaton and girls, Trudy and Tracy, were Sunday dinner guests of Jean and Jack Ralls.

Jean and Jack Ralls were rattlesnake hunting up around Winston one day last week. He was walking up a hill and along side of him was what he was hunting – the snake and Jack, side by side. Jack got the snake before the snake got Jack.

Mrs. Helen Harris spent the weekend at her home here.

Mrs. Ann Roberts was a Townsend visitor Monday. Cindy Roberts and Jackie brought her home that evening.

Sunday visitors at John and Loretta Williams' were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Letempt of Three Forks.



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GRILLED VENISON STEAKS WITH GARLIC BUTTER

Eileen Clarke
Rifles and Recipes

Simple and Quick Dish for Home or Hunting Camp

This recipe is as simple as a recipe gets. Start with a grilled steak at home or in a hunting camp. Then slather a generous bit of garlic butter on the steaks just as they come off the grill. By the time you cut into the steak, it will be awash in a rich butter sauce. Now the only question is, Did you cook enough steak?

For hunting camp, mix up the seasoned butter in a resealable plastic container at home, then tuck it into your cooler with the steaks.



Grilled Venison Steaks with Garlic Butter
Photo Credits: Eileen Clarke

Grilled Venison Steaks with Garlic Butter
Serves 2-4

Ingredients

- 1 pound venison steaks
- 2 tablespoons butter, softened
- 4-6 cloves garlic, minced

Cooking

1. Preheat the grill to medium-high heat. In a small bowl, combine the butter and minced garlic. Set aside.
2. Brush the steaks lightly with oil so they won't stick to the cooking surface of the grill. Place on the grill and close the lid.
3. Cook the first side until blood appears on the top of the steaks, then turn, and cook about half again as long. A 3/4-inch thick steak will take about 7-10 minutes, total for both sides, for medium rare, about 135°F. Adjust timing for rare; but approach no-pink very carefully. No-pink-grilled steaks can be pretty tough.
4. Transfer the steaks to a warmed plate and slather them with the garlic butter (or spread the butter on the plate, and lay the hot-off-the-grill steaks right on top of it. Once the butter starts to melt, flip and dredge the steaks in the juices. Serve hot, and awash in the rich garlic butter flavors.

Cooking for a crowd? Maybe with 3-4 pounds of tender steaks? Up your game! In 1/2 cup (1 stick) soft butter, mix 1 tablespoon finely diced red onion, 2 teaspoons minced garlic, and 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro or basil or even

a few drops of Smoked Chipotle Tabasco sauce depending on your personal tastes.

If you don't have fresh herbs, use about 1/3 less dried leaf herbs, but don't substitute margarine for the butter. The bakery my parents always stopped at after church on Sunday, had a logo: Butter Makes it Better. And that's as true for steaks as it is for cakes.

A recipe from Eileen's wild game cookbook, *Slice of the Wild: 100 Venison Recipes*, a lavishly illustrated bullet-to-fork guide for field care and butchering, as well as 100 venison recipes and 42 side dishes. Available at www.riflesandrecipes.com/406-521-0273.



Giant pumpkin with soda can for scale!
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