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CANTON CHURCH RESTORATION ANNUAL DINNER

Canton Church Restoration

On Sunday, October 22, Canton Church Restoration held its Annual Meeting and Dinner at The Lodge of Townsend. The Canton Church board held its annual meeting at 4:00 and welcomed new board members Lynn and Debbie Cain. The board elected the officers for the upcoming year: President: Keith Kirscher, Vice President: Gary Richtmyer; Treasurer: Robin Kirscher; Secretary: Keith Obert.



Down Home Catering: owner Rachael Alexander with help from Kelly Noyd
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After the meeting over 40 people attended the no-host social hour and the Canton Church Annual Dinner. The Annual Dinner was catered by Down Home Catering owned by Rachael Alexander. They provided an outstanding meal featuring pasta,



Everyone enjoying the no-host social hour
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chicken piccata and pork loin. Jim Foster and his family provided entertainment. Jim is a favorite of the Canton Church. He has twice performed at the Canton Church summer events, and this was Jim's second time performing at the Annual Dinner. Jim was joined by his brother Joe, sister Suzie as well as his son and daughter-in-law.



Jim Foster and backup dancer, 4 year old granddaughter, Paislee.
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THREE RIVERS MAJOR SUBDIVISION REQUEST BEFORE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Nancy Marks
Reporter



The drumbeat of another subdivision forming near Three Forks is sounding loudly for South Broadwater residents.

At the October 18 regular County Commissioner meeting in Townsend, Community Development and Planning Director Nichole Brown presented a preliminary plat approval request for discussion for Three Rivers Major Subdivision to be developed by Faron Henderson, FH Ventures, LLC of Chinook, Montana.

Wheatland Meadows lot owners Duane "Butch" Barton and Ken Dykema of Dykema Land Company expressed their concerns about the lack of water in the area and questioned subdivision regulations that allow 20-acre lots to be subdivided by future owners.

Three Rivers Major Subdivision, if approved, would be located one mile north of Highway 287 and would access Wheatland Road. The 325-acre parcel is planned for 16 lots, just over 20 acres each.

Henderson is also the developer of Wheatland Meadows and Village at Elkridge subdivisions. The proposed new subdivision will not be subject to the jurisdiction of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) but will need to meet county sanitation standards. Brown read a long list of conditions to be met by Henderson before the subdivision would be approved. The list included the need for a hydrological survey.

In September 27 Broadwater Planning Board public comment, Barton, Mike Neely and Tim Benjamin all brought up drainage problems in the proposed subdivision. The problems included low-lying areas that have flooded with water up to 3 feet deep in this summer's heavy rains. Benjamin, Barton and Steve Kurk questioned whether water would be available for more houses in the area. Kurk said some wells in the area are being drilled at 800-1000 feet. Many wells already in use are going dry.

The commissioners made no decision on the Three Rivers Major Subdivision request.

Boundary Relocation Exemption requests for Dykema Land Co. off Price Road and Stefan Yutzy parcel near Toston were both approved.

Public Works Supervisor TJ Graveley received permission to purchase a used transfer trailer to replace one that must be rebuilt for use as a backup. The cost will be \$96,884.

Old Town Road residents Steve and Bunny Kurk framed the reason residents did not attend the meeting: "They feel they have no power to change their situation. Ninety percent of the folks I talked to feel there is nothing they can do to impact change in our area. So why try," Kurk said.

The couple listened as Jamie Erbacher, senior land planner for the WGM engineering firm, addressed the issues of the area and then explained the avenues for taking action. Erbacher acknowledged the suburban growth that has taken place in the Wheatland Meadows and Elk Ridge Estates subdivisions since 2020 when COVID hit the country. Many people moved to the area from nearby Bozeman but also from out of state, putting stress on water, emergency services, roads and schools.



Left to right: Senior Land Planner Jamie Erbacher, Montana Department of Commerce outreach specialist Gus Byrum, participants John Ingalls, Jack McCullough and Louis Ingalls.
Photo Credits: Nancy Marks

Feedback from a survey sent out after the first county planning meeting on Aug. 31st indicated those concerns. Southern Broadwater residents want better communication with and transparency from, the county commissioners. They want real emergency services and less dependency on Three Forks schools. Water concerns is a huge issue. Sewer and broadband infrastructure rated high on their agenda. They indicated they wanted a quality of life without so much congestion on the I90-Highway 287 corridor without so much noise or so many lights.

Erbacher's staff is working with the Montana Department of Commerce to formulate a plan for helping southern Broadwater County meet its immediate need for water, sewer and road infrastructure. The plan will include long-term goals of community services and schools. She emphasized that WGM Group and the Department of Commerce can only provide guidance for the residents and county officials.

Gus Byrum, Montana Department of Commerce outreach specialist, explained one avenue for a group of area residents to have a legal impact on infrastructure,

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SOUTH BROADWATER RESIDENTS IGNORE COUNTY PLANNING TALK

MT 43 Staff Reporter

Only one couple from the southern end of Broadwater County attended a second county planning meeting held by county commissioners on October 11 at Bridger Brewery near Three Forks.

Townsend School Calendar

Oct 27	NO SCHOOL
Oct 30	6:15PM Elkhorn BB at Elementary Gym
Oct 31	6:15 PM Elkhorn BB at Elementary Gym
Nov 1	6:00 PM Elkhorn BB at BHS Stage Gym 6:15 PM Elkhorn BB at Elementary Gym 7:00 PM Old Baldy Adult Open Gym at BHS 63 Gym 7:00 PM Old Baldy Adult Pickleball at BHS Stage Gym
Nov 2 - Nov 4	Divisional VB @ Columbus
Nov 2	6:15 PM Elkhorn BB at Elementary Gym 4:30PM MSGBB @ Manhattan
Nov 3	NO SCHOOL 2:00PM MSGBB vs Three Forks



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TOWNSEND STUDENTS PERFORM IN THE NUTCRACKER BALLET PERFORMANCE

MT 43 News Staff Reporter

For many people, Christmas is not Christmas unless they attend the classic Nutcracker Ballet. Broadwater County families and ballet enthusiasts will especially enjoy this year's Queen City Ballet Company performance on November 18 and 19 in Helena. Two Townsend Schools students, Louie Ella Parr of Winston and Camryn Harris of Townsend, will perform with the group.



Louie Ella Parr and Camryn Harris pose in costumes for their performance in this November's Nutcracker Ballet.
Photo Credits: Campbell Midgley

During an interview at the dance studio in Helena, seventh grader Louie Ella, dressed in costume for the Spanish Dancers portion of the play, said she knew very early she wanted to be a ballet dancer. She had pointed to a picture in the paper. Her mom, Cassie, interpreted that as interest from the toddler. Louie Ella has been dancing for ten years. She will perform in the Spanish Corps, the Chinese Corps and will be a soldier and a snowflake in this year's performance.

The dance schedule is grueling for the two advanced students who are out-of-town: they practice 5 to 7 days a week from 3:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Practice performances take place on weekends.

What are the hardest parts of ballet dancing? "Blisters and being frustrated because I can't get the steps right," Louie Ella admitted.

What she loves about dance is the friends she makes, the feeling of accomplishment and getting to wear those beautiful costumes. She has been "on point" (dancing in toe shoes), for almost a year.

Even though she is a dedicated ballet student she still enjoys volleyball. Math and science are her favorite

subjects in school, as well as cooking, sewing and home finances.

Ten-year-old Camryn Harris has been involved with dance for 7 years, according to her mom, Claire, and will have two parts in this year's performance. The fourth grader kindled an interest in dance when she had just turned three at one of Queen City Ballet's summer dance camps. Dance is her only extracurricular activity. She really enjoys going to the studio. "She learns something new every time she goes," her mom said.

Queen City Ballet Dance Director Campbell Midgley said in an interview she feels both boys and girls who dedicate themselves to the dance group, find safety with recognition among fellow dancers. "These students are all high achievers who, in this climate of insecurity in our culture, find ours is a tight-knit group who watch out for each other," she said.

Queen City Ballet offers classes for tiny dancers (with their mothers) up to pre-professional dancers ages 13 to 19. Beginners attend for 45 minutes a week with summer camps for elementary-aged kids and holiday and spring recitals. "All this includes wearing wonderful costumes and having fun," Campbell explained.

Campbell founded Queen City Ballet Company in 2001. Her students have been accepted into professional companies and collegiate dance programs all over the United States. A graduate of the North Carolina School of Arts, Campbell danced with the Houston Ballet. She has a degree in advertising and taught professionally before coming to Helena in 1999.

This year the company is working on a project to interest students from rural areas to join the dance company. "What I really do here is champion a leadership program where students can learn to be confident and happy in their own skin," she explained.

Tickets for the Nutcracker Performance are available by phone at (406) 447-8481. This year's program is sponsored locally by Townsend Train Station, RTK Consulting, Commercial Bar and C Hangin C Mercantile and Creamery.

BULLDOGS CROSS COUNTRY UPDATE

Cross Country Correspondent

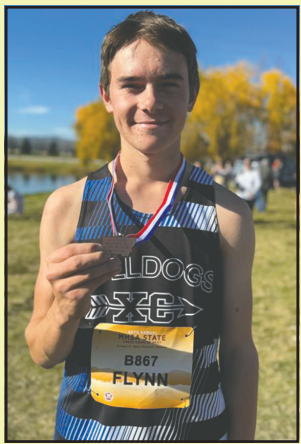
The 60th Montana State cross country championships took place Saturday at Rebecca Farm in Kalispell. More than 1100 runners (600 men and 500 women) representing 114 schools from all classes descended on the 600-acre equestrian venue with Class B having the largest fields of the day from 40 schools.

Fans lined the mostly flat course with many taking advantage of an eagle-eyed view of the entire two-lap course from Spectator Hill on a beautifully sunny day.

The Bulldog men's team surpassed their goal by finishing as a team in seventh place with 302 points among the 26 Class B teams having enough qualifying runners to tally a team score. First to cross the line for the men was Junior Nolan Flynn, who ran his personal best time of 17:16 to secure all-state honors by placing 13th in a field of 210 runners. Competing in their final race as Broadwater Bulldogs were Seniors Connor Lamb (18:48 PR) in 52nd and Aiden Easter (19:25) in 76th. Also recording their personal bests were Junior Kaden Bruins (19:27 PR) in 78th and Sophomore Gavin Green (19:31 PR) in 83rd. Freshman Rylan Hoveland (20:06) in 106th and Sophomore Keaton Cavazos (22:58) in 186th rounded out the men's team. Way to finish the season strong Bulldogs!

The Class B Ladies' race was the eighth and final competition of the busy day with 174 runners taking to the course. Battling recent hip pain, Freshman Kyla Meissner (20:43) powered through to finish in 9th place also securing all-state honors. Juniors Kaelyn Sangray (22:15) and Abby Wickens (22:31) finished back-to-back in 32nd and 33rd, respectively. Senior Melania Lambott ran the final race of her Bulldog career in her personal best time of 26:51 placing 129th overall. Junior Grace Kroeger had to withdraw midrace due to a knee injury. Multiple injuries and illness plagued the Lady Bulldogs this season but look to be super strong next year returning most of the team.

Longtime coach Brooke Dolan and new assistant coach (and former Bulldog standout) Louis Ingalls did such a remarkable job this year preparing their runners



Nolan Flynn places 13th at State XC Meet
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Kyla Meissner finishes 9th at State XC Meet
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for each meet, with many of them peaking week after week culminating in a superior showing at state. This team logged an average of 270 miles in training with the coaches along for many of them.



Bulldog XC team hikes Holland Lake on way to State Competition in Kalispell
Photo Credits: MT43 News Cross Country Correspondent

It is no easy feat to make that kind of mileage fun, but these coaches sure do, and the kids feel more like family than teammates by the end. Can't wait to see their successes again next year!

Southwest Montana represented well as a region with Bozeman's Nathan Neil and Gallatin's Claire Rutherford securing the individual AA titles in men/women. Jefferson secured the Men's Class B team trophy while Manhattan won the Women's Class B title, as well as third for the Men. Additionally, Manhattan Christian's men brought home their 8th consecutive team trophy, as well as Oren Arthun winning his third state individual title.

BULLDOG FOOTBALL WRAPS UP THEIR SEASON

Levi Van Zee
Bulldog Football Correspondent

The Bulldogs hosted class 5B rival Jefferson Panthers on Friday night. The evening began with the introduction of our 3rd place Badger Materials Jets football 5/6th grade football team.

Following the Jets' introduction, the Bulldog fans enjoyed celebrating Senior Night recognizing Berlin Korr and her accomplishments.

The game opened with back-and-forth action seeing the Panthers scoring first at the 4-minute mark in the first quarter as Jack Johnson scored on a rushing touchdown from 4 yards out.

After a Bulldog series ended short due to an interception, Johnson again scored on a 2-yard rushing touchdown to end the first quarter with a score of 0-14.

The second quarter would provide more scoring from the Panthers as Ben Werner ran in a score at the 8:30 mark. Johnson would go for his hat trick as he scored his third touchdown to make the halftime score 0-28.

The BHS cheerleaders under the direction of Allie Lampman provided halftime entertainment with a dance routine.

Third-quarter action would prove to be a scoreless endeavor with a much-needed interception by Tavyn Anderson. In the fourth quarter Luke Strizich ran for a Panther touchdown to make for an end score of 0-35.

The Dogs ended the season with a 2-6 record. Deegan Mattson led the team with 103 completions for 1,037 yards. Sawyer Horne led the receivers this year with 26 receptions for 365 yards and 2 touchdowns. Mattson led rushing with 107 yards and 3 rushing touchdowns, followed by Braden Martin with 90 yards, and Sawyer Horne with 87 yards and 1 rushing touchdown.

Defensively Horne led the year with 72 tackles, with 6 tackles for loss. Merrick Easter had 59 tackles, Mattson ended the year with 43 tackles, and Cael Sell had 41 tackles. Horne and Sell led the team in sacks with 5 each. Tavyn Anderson and Braden Martin led interceptions with 2 each.

"I'm proud of our boys for standing up to all the adversity they faced this fall season from being a very young team, to injuries, to learning a new system. Every week they improved and progressed forward together to the future success of the program. What began in early June with 6:30 a.m. lifting and summer practices is still too short when it's all over. This team showed no quit even when the odds seemed insurmountable, and that cannot be coached into a player."

"These guys will be back bigger, faster, stronger and more together which is exciting to look forward to as both a fan of Bulldog football and as a Coach." - Joe Horn



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TOWNSEND COMMUNITY CALENDARS

October
 FUND RAISER for Breast Cancer Awareness Month at Broadwater Blooms, 314 Broadway

October 27
 10:00AM FREE Story Time and a Craft with Mrs. Latasha Wirtz at Broadwater Community Library
 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 28
 6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945
 6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway

October 30
 6:00PM Celebrate Recovery at Mountain Valley Church, 107 E St, 406-980-1805

October 31
 4:00pm Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce: Ghost Stroll
 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

November 1
 1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St
 Wednesday Wing Day at The Betsy (SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS!)

November 2
 7:00pm AI-Anon at Shepard of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry

November 3
 10:00AM FREE Story Time and a Craft with Mrs. Latasha Wirtz at Broadwater Community Library
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November 4
 10:00-1:30pm Blast-o-lantern FREE Event at 330 Indian Creek Rd (SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS!)
 10:00-4:00pm Second Annual Native American Heritage FREE Event at American Legion Club (SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS!)
 5:45-7:00PM Townsend Community Family Night FREE Event at Holy Cross Parish Center (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

November
 ADS ON PAGE 11 FOR UPCOMING EVENTS IN NOVEMBER!

COUNTY AND GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

November 1
 10:00am Commission Meeting at Flynn Building

THREE FORKS COMMUNITY CALENDAR

November 1
 10:00am Commission Meeting at Flynn Building

November 2
 Storytime at Three Forks Community Library

November 3
 1:00pm - 3:00pm Lego Club at Three Forks Community Library (Every 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month)

LOCAL DAR MEMBERS CONTRIBUTE TO HELENA FIRE TOWER RESTORATION FUND

Jane Lee Hamm
 DAR

Oro Fino DAR October Founders Projects
 The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was founded on October 11, 1890, dedicated to preserving American history, securing America's future through better education, and promoting patriotism. For 133 years, more than 5,000 chapters have engaged in Oct. special service projects to honor DAR founding; Oro Fino Chapter's contributions this month are celebrated by Regent Gale Kramlick.

For historic preservation, DAR members from Broadwater, Jefferson, Lewis & Clark, and Meagher Counties sent a \$1,400 check to the Helena Fire Tower Restoration Fund. Three Townsend residents are Oro Fino Chapter members, including Juanita Bray, Margaret Clark, and Pam Wood Solwey, former DAR North Dakota State Regent.

Education included, first, mailing loose-leaf Montana Tea Co. tea to The Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum, 306 Congress St., Boston, MA 02210 to be used during the 250th Anniversary & Reenactment of the Boston Tea Party on December 16, 2023. Yes, America's 250th Birthday Semiquincentennial celebrations will begin in only two months and this Boston program is an exciting way for everyone to take part in the historic Tea Party anniversary. History classes, youth clubs, school districts, museums, and other organizations are encouraged to mail quickly a donation of loose-leaf tea (no tea bags), with their name and address, to participate and afterward to receive a certificate from the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party & Reenactment.

Second, members learned at the Oct. chapter meeting about the DAR Pathway of Patriots profiling 250 supporters of independence from Britain including George Washington, two Patriots Jacob Stiffler and Thomas Logan honored and paid for by Montana Daughters, to the last-named pathway Patriot Elizabeth Zane. Daughters wore pink and welcomed Melissa Cotner, DNP, St. Peter's Health Medical Oncology and Hematology Cancer Care Team, to provide information on breast cancer awareness and treatment.

Daughters promoted patriotism by providing a plate of cookies and treats to the Helena Veterans Center, sending \$330 to the Square Foot Society of the Military Women's Memorial Museum at Arlington, making 122 cards and collecting 56 cards made by children at the Montana City Day Care Center to send in boxes to 260 active military deployed from MT, and providing 28 hours of volunteer work at The Rocking Tree Farm learning about farm life support and services for veterans, helping with chores, and canning orange marmalade to be sold at the Oct. 29th farm fundraiser from 2 to 5 p.m.

Daughters donated \$70 and will provide some cookies for the Fall Fun Fundraiser, which will welcome all families and the general public.

Regent Kramlick concluded, "What a wonderful productive Founders Month Oro Fino DAR is having. For more information, please go to DAR.org."

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT ODDS OVER PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR POSITION

MT 43 News Staff Reporter

Civic participation was alive and well at the Townsend City Council meeting on October 17. After hearing both sides of either opening applications to the public for the public works director's position or only offering it internally, Major Mike Evans broke a tie vote against the motion to offer the job internally first. The job will be offered to present city public works employees before opening the position to the public.

Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce Vice Chairman Doug Breker approached the council about closing the street for the Halloween Stroll on Oct. 31 from 4-6 p.m. A special council meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 24th to decide about the request. Townsend City Fire member Vivian Boaz said no one had approached the fire department about setting up barriers. The request should come from the Chamber, Mayor Evans said. Broadway Street resident Heather Healea reported she had approached the Montana Department of Transportation about posting a sign she had made to hopefully slow truck traffic on Halloween as they enter the city limits.

Townsend School Superintendent Susie Hedalen spoke to discuss using the Harrison Avenue baseball field for use by a proposed high school baseball team. Middle School teacher Gary Bauman works with little leaguers and t-ball teams. He discussed whether another team using the field would run into scheduling problems. He suggested the overflow practices could go to Conners Field on Canton Lane. Depending on budget concerns, Hedalen projected the new high school program would not start until the spring of 2025. She will keep the council members informed.

Townsend Hardware owner JB Howick requested the council remove the asphalt from the alley behind his store due to flooding problems. The alley paved about 50 years ago, is considerably higher than the back of the stores in the 200 block of Broadway. Discussion followed about how deep service lines are buried, and

whether, if the asphalt were removed, would there be enough road base for the alley to be useable. Some heated back and forth between Council Member Vicky Rauser and Howick followed about whether the city budget could afford to remove the asphalt or face possible damages from flooding. Mayor Evans said he would investigate the situation and report back to the council.

Council Member Matt West announced his resignation after 17 years on the council. Council members and the public clapped and congratulated him, thanking him for his service.

BROADWATER COUNTY SELECTED FOR THE SECOND COHORT

Allison Kosto
 MSU Broadwater County Extension Agent



Zero to Five, Montana's Child Care Business Connect's community childcare capacity building program has wrapped up a successful first cohort and launched a second consisting of eight communities. This initiative aims to help communities identify solutions to boost the supply of affordable licensed/registered childcare in their area.

Over six months, participants will evaluate, enhance, establish, and expand both new and existing registered/licensed childcare programs.

The program is free for community members, thanks to ARPA funding granted through the Montana Department of Health and Human Services.

"We firmly believe solutions to child care are rooted in communities," said Caitlin Jensen, Zero To Five Montana Executive Director. "Through our Community Capacity Building Cohorts, we have seen firsthand the incredible impact of collaborative efforts to support early childhood development. By bringing together community leaders and experts, we are able to maximize resources, share knowledge, and identify opportunities for positive change. We are proud to see the tangible results of this work in communities throughout Montana, and we remain dedicated to continuing this important work for the benefit of Montana families."

Some of the results from the first group of communities engaged in this work include the opening of a new childcare facility with 15 slots, an open house and new staff recruitment process for a new childcare facility, a media campaign to attract a childcare workforce, and the development of a childcare provider network.

Communities chosen for the second cohort are:

- Anaconda-Deer Lodge led by Michelle Harrington with Anaconda Community Involvement (ACI Inc.)
- Big Horn County led by Shelly Sutherland with the BHC Best Beginnings Coalition
- Broadwater County led by Allison Kosto with the MSU Extension-Broadwater County
- Cascade County led by KC Beall with Peace Place
- Jefferson County led by Rochelle Hesford with Southwest Montana Youth Partners
- Lincoln County led by Dorey Rowland with Zero to Five Lincoln County
- Sanders County led by Ray Brown with Sanders County Community Development
- Yellowstone County led by Maia Dickerson with United Way of Yellowstone County

For information on community selection and how to get involved, please reach out to Shelby Whelan, the MCCBC community navigator at shelbyw@zerotofive.org

WORD LADDERS

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

TREAT

TRICK

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agricultural land planning and subdivision planning is to form a district. The group needs to gather 40 percent of their neighbors' signatures and submit it to their county commissioners. From there the petition goes through the county attorney's office. Formation of the district also includes forming a board of directors with officers, thereby becoming a formal entity. "It is much the same idea as forming a school district," he said.

Community Technical Assistance Program (CTAP) advisor Cody Ferguson of the Montana Department of Commerce elaborated on the various avenues for funding. Some are Community Development Block Grants (CBDG). Montana Coal Endowment and State Revitalization grants. "There are other options besides taxpayer dollars to help these folks meet their needs. That's where our office comes in. We can help obtain the funding needed," he emphasized.

At the August 31 meeting, Erbacher said she heard concerns from many Wheatland Meadows and Elk Ridge Estates subdivision homeowners about the lack of water. She plans to address that issue at the next meeting by inviting a water rights specialist from the Montana School of Mines and Geology to speak about how to obtain a preliminary design review of water availability in the area. The group will meet on November 8 at Bridger Brewing.

TOWNSEND DUCKS UNLIMITED BANQUET

Jesse Swenson
Montana Duck's Unlimited



The Upper Missouri River (Townsend) Ducks Unlimited Annual Banquet is coming up on Saturday, November 4th, at Watson's Gym.

Fundraising banquets such as these preserve and create wetlands that will help ensure that waterfowl will have places to nest, raise their young, migrate through and winter in each year. Your attendance at the Townsend banquet will help DU conserve wetlands and critical upland habitat vital to North America's waterfowl and the more than 900 other species of wildlife that use these same habitats. DU has conserved more than 16 million acres of waterfowl habitat in North America, more than any other conservation organization in existence, including restoring, enhancing, and protecting 501,369 acres within Montana. While DU's #1

priority is waterfowl, more than 900 wildlife species benefit from our conservation work. During Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22), DU protected and restored more than 575,000 acres of wetlands and other wildlife habitats across the United States alone.

There will be many raffles, drawings, and door prizes for the adults and the kids (Green Wings). Prizes include a Benelli 28 ga., Christensen Arms .308, Springfield Garrison 1911 .45 ACP, Weatherby Element Tungsten, Ruger 10-22 .22LR Rifle, Mossberg 6.5 Creedmoor, Henry Goldenboy .22; Two Springfield Pistols, Four Escort 12 gauges, a Traditions Buckstalker 50 cal. Muzzleloader, Artwork, Decoys and many more items for raffle, silent auction, and live auction. Doors open at 5:00 pm with raffles, games, and drinks catered by the Commercial Bar, dinner catered by the Watson's of Prime Rib at 6:30pm, and the Live Auction will start at 7:30pm. Tickets are on sale at Schauber Surveying, 64 Jack Farm Rd in Townsend. Ticket prices are: Sponsorship Couples \$325.00, Single \$65.00, Couples \$100.00, Greenwings (children) \$30.00. Ticket price includes dinner, door prize ticket, 1-year membership to Ducks Unlimited, and a subscription to their magazine. This year our VIP Tables are available for \$1,200.00 and Ducks Unlimited, 6

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: T equals K

OGYO TZFA ZP PD NFLDHHDFWR
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"RDNJ JDRYW TZFEFCPP."

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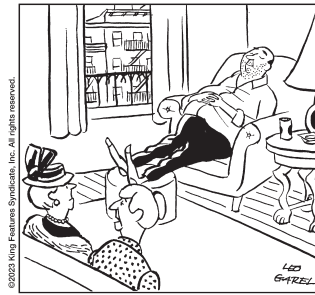
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SCRAMBLERS

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!



"He started at the _____ and discovered that he liked it there."

- Scene: STAIV
- Free: EMBOIL
- Forest: RIMBET
- Choice: POTION

TODAY'S WORD

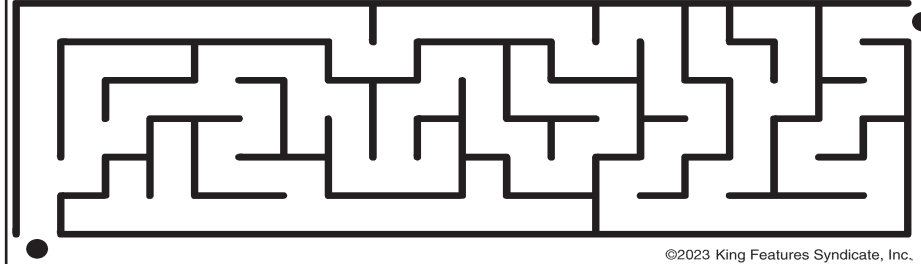
Super Crossword

FOLLOWING CONCEPTION

- ACROSS**
 - 1 Vocalist Vaughan
 - 6 Falsely present as genuine
 - 12 Wizards-Magic matchups, e.g.
 - 20 Brand of spaghetti sauce
 - 21 Illicit moneylender
 - 22 Legendary lost city of gold
 - 23 Carjacking or kidnapping
 - 25 Guys playing in central positions in team sports
 - 26 Whirling, old-style
 - 27 Vase variety
 - 28 Disgrace
 - 30 Major Dutch banking corp.
 - 31 "I believe," on the internet
 - 32 Metabolism or reproduction
 - 37 Places for petri dishes
 - 39 Old Delta rival
 - 40 Actress Anderson
 - 41 Haul to court
 - 42 Attempt to give a bias to news coverage
 - 46 Bottom-line deficit
 - 50 Ed of "Up"
 - 51 With 98-Down, have a meal around noon
 - 52 Bend in ballet
 - 55 Playwright Jean
 - 56 Burns' "— Lang Syne"
 - 59 Market condition that eventually "bursts"
 - 62 Mammal with secretions used in perfumery
 - 66 Vessel spar
 - 67 Marked down
 - 68 Billfold bill
 - 69 Geometric design used to calibrate a video display
 - 73 Imbibe slowly
 - 74 "Sakes alive!"
 - 77 "Va-va-—!"
 - 78 Boxes of toy building blocks
 - 81 They patrol on horseback
 - 85 Historic NYC club, with "the"
 - 86 Wolf in "The Jungle Book"
 - 87 About genre for Cardi B
 - 88 Genre for Cardi B
 - 90 Blown away
 - 94 Made calm
 - 96 President or prime minister
 - 99 Billfold bill
 - 100 Hawaiian isle
 - 103 Neighbor of Arg.
 - 104 Actor Brody
 - 105 Chemistry trial, perhaps
 - 112 Former NPF host Flatow
 - 113 Slangy sleuth
 - 114 Zapped with intense light
 - 115 Social insect
 - 116 Monastery musical piece
 - 118 Pub vessel
 - 121 "P.S." comment ... or where the ends of eight answers in this puzzle might appear?
 - 125 Mention quickly so as to minimize
 - 126 A Chinese capital
 - 127 Loosen, as a boot
 - 128 Irremediable
 - 129 Hams it up
 - 130 Pit of a fruit
 - 1 Tanning lotion stat
 - 2 Aids for walking tours
 - 3 Scarlet tanager
 - 4 Old film critic James
 - 5 Biblical peak identified with Sinal
 - 6 Ending for eye or mouth
 - 7 Fancy word for "kiss"
 - 8 Little donkey
 - 9 Round rubber gasket
 - 10 Masc. opposite
 - 11 Plaster painting
 - 12 Kathmandu native
 - 13 Zeppelin, e.g.
 - 14 Not favorable
 - 15 Gunky stuff
 - 16 Still lifes, e.g.
 - 17 Ike's first lady
 - 18 Utopias
 - 19 Jukebox selections
 - 24 Supreme Court's Samuel
 - 29 Solo of "Solo"
 - 31 "Casablanca" heroine
 - 33 Embrace fully
 - 34 Not healthy
 - 35 Surpass in firepower
 - 36 Tabloid VIPs
 - 38 Move furtively
 - 43 Gunky stuff
 - 44 Cry of cheer
 - 45 Siouan tribe
 - 46 Pos. opposite
 - 47 Safe, in hardball
 - 48 Give a convincing argument
 - 49 Brews, as tea
 - 52 Pre-coll. exam
 - 53 Itemize, e.g.
 - 54 Recon data
 - 57 River of forgetfulness
 - 58 Subpar grade
 - 60 Savory taste of MSG
 - 61 A beatnik may beat it
 - 62 Partners of poppas
 - 63 Disjoin, as a pair of oxen
 - 64 Transitioned smoothly
 - 65 Answers an invite
 - 70 Honk
 - 71 Casual shirt
 - 72 Fun activities, for short
 - 75 Airing past midnight, say
 - 76 — Island (Big Apple borough)
 - 79 Mayberry boy
 - 80 Yemeni capital
 - 82 Poppa
 - 83 —Magnon
 - 84 Unit of corn
 - 89 Source of a purple fruit
 - 91 Augmenting
 - 92 Start to get tiresome
 - 93 Witty Bombeck
 - 95 Nation within a nation
 - 96 Golfer Michelle
 - 97 Hip-hop "Dr."
 - 98 See 51-Across
 - 100 Mmes.' counterparts
 - 101 Wood cutter
 - 102 Software revision, e.g.
 - 105 Pack away
 - 106 Violin cousin
 - 107 Get frosty
 - 108 Facilitates
 - 109 Proportion
 - 110 Lacking skill
 - 111 Thees and —
 - 117 Em, to Dorothy
 - 119 Hurdle for some college srs.
 - 120 "2 funny!!!"
 - 122 Relatives, casually
 - 123 "— a pity!"
 - 124 Casual shirt

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Kids' Maze



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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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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LEGAL NOTICES

Montana Judicial District Court Broadwater County

Case No. B DV -2023 -48

Dept. No. _____

In the Matter of the Name Change for Danielle Watkinson
Danielle Watkinson, Petitioner

Notice of Hearing on Name Change

This is notice that Petitioner has asked the District Court for a change of name from Danielle Watkinson to Danielle Watkinson-Breuer.

The hearing will be on 11/17/23 at 10:30 am.

The hearing will be at the Courthouse in Broadwater County.

Date: October 10, 2023

Valerie J Hornsveld, Clerk of District Courthouse

By: Desiree' Taves, Deputy Clerk of Courthouse

Run: October 20, 27 and November 3, 2023

MNAXLP

MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT BROADWATER COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
GORDON EDGAR SANDERSON, Deceased.

Probate No. BDP-23-12

Notice to Creditors

Shirley J. Sanderson has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. Claims against the decedent must be presented within four months after the first publication of this notice or be forever barred. Claims must be either mailed to the Personal Representative via her Attorney, Peter T. Simon (303 Broadway St, Townsend, MT 59644) return receipt requested, or filed with the Clerk of the above-titled Court.

Dated October 27, 2023.

/s/ Peter T. Simon

Gallatin Elder Law & Estate Planning PLLC

Attorney for Personal Representative

Printed October 27, November 3 & 10, 2023

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF DRAFT AIR QUALITY OPERATING PERMIT

Requisition Number: AQ24-066

1. On June 14, 2023, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) received an application for an Air Quality Operating Permit from Graymont Western U.S., Inc. The application was given number OP15545-13. The permittee's address is P.O. Box 550, Townsend, MT 59644. The facility location is Section 28, Township 7 North, Range 1 East.

2. The Draft permit will be issued to the applicant on October 27, 2023 (ARM Title 17, Chapter 8, Subchapter 12).

3. The permit will allow for the operation of the Indian Creek Facility which includes the following processes: lime production.

4. Public comments regarding this permit action must be submitted to DEQ - Air Quality Bureau, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901 or deq-armb-admin@mt.gov. Comments may address the Draft permit or information submitted by the applicant. Comments must be received within the 30-day public comment period: October 27, 2023 to November 27, 2023.

5. The Draft permit can be found on-line at <https://deq.mt.gov/public/publiccomment>, select AIR. You may request copies of the application and any subsequent permit at <https://deq.mt.gov> (at the bottom of this page, select Request Public Records).

6. You may request a public hearing by submitting a request to DEQ at the above address or email. The request must be received within the 30-day public comment period.

7. DEQ intends to issue the Proposed permit after the comment period has expired and after any requested public hearing. After the 45-day EPA review period, DEQ intends to issue a Decision on the permit. The permit does not become final and effective until 30 days after the Decision is issued.

8. An applicant or any person that participated in the public comment process and who is directly and adversely affected by DEQ's Decision may request a hearing before the Montana Board of Environmental Review. Any request must be filed within 30 days after DEQ issues the Decision. The request must contain an affidavit setting forth the grounds for the request and be submitted to: Chairman, Board of Environmental Review, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620, or the Board Secretary, DEQBERSecretary@mt.gov. Any hearing will be held under the provisions of the Montana Administrative Procedures Act.

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RFP BID ANNOUNCEMENT

Melinda Banks
Administrative Assistant

Broadwater County is soliciting RFPs (Request for Proposals) for our county's Newspaper of Record. The sealed bids will be accepted by the Broadwater County Commissioners at 515 Broadway Street, Townsend, MT 59644.

Bidding will be open from 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 19, 2023, and close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

Details can be found at <https://www.broadwater-countymt.com> under Public Notices.

JOB VACANCY

JOB VACANCY



Broadwater County Treasurer's Office is seeking qualified applicants for the full-time position of Treasurer Assistant. Duties and responsibilities include answering phones, processing mail, taxes, motor vehicles, cash receipting, and driver license receipts on the computer system and with customers. 2 years' experience in an office setting and computer skills required. Good customer service, attention to detail, and accounting/bookkeeping experience preferred. Valid driver's license is required. Applicant must pass a background check. Some overtime may be required during tax season. Starting pay is \$18.00-\$19.00/hr., DOE. A complete job description can be obtained by sending a request to mfranks@co.broadwater.mt.us. Resumes, coversheets, references, and other application materials can be sent to the same email. Deadline is November 2, 2023, at 5:00 pm, or until position is filled.

Broadwater County is an equal opportunity employer. Broadwater County shall, upon request, provide reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified individuals with disabilities. Veterans and Disabled preferences are applicable.



CUB SCOUTS THANK LOCAL BUSINESSES

Cub Scout Pack 231 in Townsend would like to thank the community for their support of our recent popcorn sale.

Bob's Thriftway and Reading Leaves both allowed us to set up a table and sell popcorn and we greatly appreciate these local businesses.

Seventy percent of the popcorn sales go back into the Scout Organization, with just over 30% to our local pack to help defray costs to children and pay for scouting activities.

We appreciate all the individuals who bought popcorn-thank you!

Jason Cysewski
Pack Leader

FREE WILL

In religion class I learned that God made us to know, love and serve him and to be happy with him in heaven. He also gave me free will. I would question, why would he do that? He must have known we would mess up. A light comes on. We did it on our own. You can't blame God for the mess.

Why am I writing about free will and free speech? This year we have seen occasions if you used this privilege, you are punished. Let's talk about Liz Chaney. She was someone who grew up with politics. Her dad was one of the strongest party members, even Vice President under President Bush. So why should she go against the party. She cast a vote to impeach and then was on the committee that accused him of many crimes. Oh my, that is a big sin in the party. She used her free will and free speech.

Another example of free will and free speech is our Governor Racicot. He governed our state as a Republican. I can hardly believe someone from Butte was a Republican. I hear they let him back in town, no tar and feathers. He had the free will to do this. In the last year he has come out against what was happening to our country and state. The party said you don't belong to us. There have been many more, too many to mention.

Last week a man lost his job because he had the nerve to work with another party... That's what is happening to our democracy. Compromise works. By compromising each side must give up something. McCarthy DID a Mortal sin, but he didn't close the government. He compromised. I looked up uncompromising, one of the adjectives for the word is Rigid.

By the way my Democratic friends, I voted for Mark Racicot. I used my free will.

Sharon Obrigewitch

THE FOLLOWING IS A QUOTE FROM A JOHN LENNON SONG:

"Imagine there's no countries
it isn't hard to do
nothing to kill and die for
And no religion, too.
Imagine all the people
Livin' life in peace
You may say I'm a dreamer
but I'm not the only one
I hope someday you'll join us
and the world will be as one."

Doug Purcell
Townsend, MT

BROADWATER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REQUEST LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Melinda Banks
Administrative Assistant

Greetings Broadwater County residents,

The Broadwater County Commissioners request letters of support for the proposed emergency services building in southern Broadwater County. While the commissioners have saved a sizeable amount to help with the engineering and construction, supporting documentation assists with securing the grant funding needed to complete the project. The planned building location donated by Bridger Brewing is on three acres within the Wheatland TEDD, and includes space for fire, EMS, law enforcement, and search and rescue.

As Broadwater County grows, there is an undeniable need for greater presence and coverage of all EMS, fire, and law enforcement services, especially in the Wheatland area. The county commissioners are leading the effort to address these needs, however, public involvement and participation will be the deciding factors of how these services are ultimately implemented.

We will continue discussion and community engagement regarding all aspects of the potential building and the ways to expand services there. At this time, your written support strengthens the efforts to bring this initial project to fruition.

Correspondence and questions or comments can be sent to the Broadwater County Commissioners at commissioners@co.broadwater.mt.us.

Thank you,
Broadwater County Commissioners

HONORING OUR VETERANS: MATHEW FOTH

Matt Nelson



Mathew Foth is a veteran of the U.S. Army. He joined the army right after high school. He served on active duty as a certified firefighter for three years, and two more years doing weekend duty in the Montana Army National Guard (MTARNG), stationed with the 1049th. He had wanted to become a firefighter while a young boy.

Mathew began his Basic Training at Ft. Jackson, South Carolina, and from there went to Goodfellow Air Force Base at San Angelo, Texas for Advanced Infantry Training. His Military Occupation Specialty (MOS) was 51 Mike - a Firefighter. He loved it and was an honor graduate of his class at the fire academy. Mathew excelled in his job as a firefighter, and just

Honoring Our Veterans,



COURT BEAT

10/20/2023

Dee Gannon
MT43 News Correspondent



The criminal docket in Judge Kathy Seeley's courtroom on Friday, October 20 is as follows:

Dylan Ridenhour had an Initial Appearance and Arraignment on a Petition to Revoke on account that he allegedly committed new criminal offenses. He pled Not Guilty to 1) aggravated burglary, or a lesser charge of 2) burglary, 3) assault, and 4) criminal mischief. Omnibus will be December 1; Pre-Trial is set for March 15; with the Jury Trial scheduled for April 29.

Patrick Rambo had a Bond Hearing. Judge Seeley lowered his bond from \$35,000 to \$20,000. All previous conditions apply and he must comply with Adult Probation & Parole's conditions.

Bert Plaggemeyer had a Change of Plea; pleading Guilty to 1) DUI (5+), 2) misdemeanor day speeding, 3) misdemeanor seat belt infraction. In his elocution, he stated that while on a public road in Broadwater County, he was speeding, with a blood alcohol content of over .08. A Pre-Sentence Investigation is ordered; with Sentencing to be December 15.

Rodney Wilson was scheduled for a Pre-Trial Conference, but he was arrested in Oklahoma on October 19. He has outstanding warrants in California; so, he will likely be extradited to California. His Jury Trial is vacated. He will have a Status Hearing on November 17.

Hector Martinez was also arrested on a warrant in Oklahoma on October 19. He will likely be extradited to Montana. A Status Conference is scheduled for November 17. His Jury Trial is vacated.

Gary Hamilton will have a Pre-Trial Conference on February 16, 2024; with the Jury Trial scheduled for March 18.

Troy Sharrett has two Petitions to Revoke. He Denies all allegations; and will have an Evidentiary Hearing on January 12, 2024.

Everett Miero had a Status Hearing; he is in the Lewis & Clark County Detention Center. He was granted a furlough for the funeral of his father and was to check in on his return. He returned to the LC&C Detention Center.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE REPORT

OCTOBER 27, 2023

Kelsi Anderson
Justice Court Clerk

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FORFEITURES

- Jeshua Gagnon, Helena: night speed \$70.00
- Gaia Macchiavello, Manhattan: night speed \$120.00
- Brayden Sanford, North Pole, AK: day speed \$70.00
- Elvir Rizvanovic, Kansas City, MO: day speed \$20.00
- Delyssia Atkinson, Billings: day speed \$20.00
- Andrew Russell, Bozeman: day speed \$20.00
- Steven Miller, Winston: careless driving \$85.00
- Michael England, Bozeman: day speed \$70.00
- Susan Connell, Bozeman: day speed \$20.00
- Margaret Johnson, Great Falls: day speed \$20.00
- Creed Coy, Gallatin Gateway: day speed \$20.00
- Kennedy Vogl, Townsend: day speed \$20.00
- Elijah Voss, Helena: day speed \$70.00
- Stephen Underwood, Great Falls: day speed \$20.00
- Carla Schmersal, Great Falls: day speed \$20.00
- Thomas Storey, Belgrade: day speed \$70.00
- Nathan Spangenberg, Bozeman: day speed \$20.00
- Lynelle Peterson, Billings: day speed \$70.00
- Zhanet Popova, Big Sky: day speed \$20.00
- Zade Pollington, Bozeman: day speed \$70.00
- Carly Othic, Centerville, MO: day speed \$20.00
- Jade Martin, Townsend: day speed \$70.00
- Michal Mojzisz, Helena: day speed \$70.00
- Jason Mikita, Belgrade: day speed \$70.00
- Michael Martin, Calgary, AB: day speed \$20.00
- Joshua Mostad, Townsend: day speed \$20.00
- Darrel Labonte Jr, Three Forks: day speed \$70.00
- Paul Letourneau, Bozeman: day speed \$20.00
- Micah Leach, Bozeman: day speed \$70.00
- Amy Kostelic, Lexington, KY: day speed \$20.00
- Cameron Hockett Sr, Kalispell: day speed \$20.00
- Daid Harvey Jr, Auburn, WA: day speed \$70.00

- Savannah Garriott, Townsend: day speed \$70.00
- Nickolas Freeman, East Helena: day speed \$70.00
- Mykala Edmisten, Jefferson City: day speed \$20.00
- Duane Dean, Three Forks: day speed \$70.00
- Nathaniel Crooks, Littleton, CO: day speed \$70.00
- Lena Bailey, East Helena: day speed \$70.00
- Brenna Brunt, Helena: day speed \$20.00
- Loretta Broome, Bonney Lake, WA: day speed \$70.00
- Tristen Bergan, Helena: day speed \$70.00
- Barry Burke, Livonia, MI: day speed \$20.00
- Lamoine Brubaker, Joliet: truck speed \$55.00

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FAILURE TO WEAR SEAT BELTS

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MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FINES

- Susan Wesner – Toston – day speed, pleaded guilty, \$20.00 fine; seatbelt violation, pleaded guilty, \$20.00 fine.
- Austin Robbennolt – Helena – seatbelt violation, pleaded guilty, \$20.00 fine; driving without a valid driver's license, pleaded guilty, \$135.00 fines and fees.
- Anthony McClain – Helena – fail to carry proof or exhibit/insurance-owner or operator – 1st offense, pleaded guilty, \$285.00 fines and fees.

BROADWATER COUNTY FINES

Alexandra Bernier – Helena – operating without liability insurance in effect -2nd offense, pleaded guilty, \$535.00 fines and fees, license plates and registration for the vehicle driven at the time of the offense are suspended until proof of compliance provided to MVD; driving a motor vehicle while privilege to do so is suspended or revoked-1st offense, sentenced to six months in jail with all time suspended on conditions, \$75.00 fines and fees.

BROADWATER COUNTY FORFEITURES

- William Stuart, Helena: night speed \$70.00
- Jacob Pena, Three Forks: restricted speed \$55.00
- Cody Mckesson, Stony Point, NC: restricted speed \$105.00
- Colton Like, Great Falls: restricted speed \$95.00

INITIAL APPEARANCE - OTHER JURISDICTION

- Jacci Heinemann – US District Court, No Bond
- Samuel Collins – Probation and Parole, \$100,000.00 bond

COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA

NOV. 1, 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, 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 NOVEMBER 10, 2023 FOR VETERANS DAY

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

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

10:00 AM Discussion, Melissa Franks, Broadwater County Treasurer Department Update; Taxes

10:10 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Davis

Boundary Relocation (Township 6 North, Range 2 East, Section 16) Exemption Request

10:15 AM Discussion/Decision, Resolution Supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans

10:20 AM Discussion/Decision, Review and Approve 2023-2024 Annual Work Plan for the Broadwater County Wheatland Tax Increment Financing District

10:25 AM Discussion/Decision, Stacy Sommer, City/County Parks & Recreation Board – request approval for County road approach onto county-owned Centerville property

10:30 AM Discussion/Decision, Selection of Newspaper Committee

Thursday, November 2, 2023

10:00 AM Weekly Working Meeting with Jania Hatfield, Deputy County Attorney, in the Commission Office regarding projects and deadlines

2:00 PM Discussion, Working Meeting, Question/Answer session for Newspaper RFP Bidders

Public Meeting Notices

- 6:00 PM Nov. 8 Southern Broadwater County (CTAP*) Meeting at Bridger Brewing
- 6:00 PM Nov. 14 Northern Broadwater County (CTAP*) Meeting at the Flynn Building

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

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

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

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

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

E-mail: commissioners@co.broadwater.mt.us
Future Meetings will be held at the Flynn Building (416 Broadway)
(Please note: These meeting times/dates may change, please check the county website)

- Broadwater County Radio Station and Townsend K12 School District #1; Monday, November 6, 2023, at 6 PM in the Library Community Room. Discussion; Radio Costs and Maintenance and Radio Use, Action Items; Agreement of Partnerships
- Mental Health LAC Board on November 8 at 2 PM
- COUNTY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FOR VETERANS DAY ON NOVEMBER 10TH
- Trust Board Meeting on November 14th at 11:30 AM
- BC Planning Board Meeting on November 14th at 1 PM
- BC Airport Board on November 15th at 6 PM
- BC Fair Board on November 16th at 7 PM
- Board of Health Meeting on November 20th at 2 PM
- BC Parks & Rec Meeting on November 20th at 6 PM
- Weed Board on November 21st at 6 PM
- COUNTY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING ON NOVEMBER 23RD
- Broadband Advisory on November 30th at 4 PM

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

Ducks Unlimited, 4

include seating for up to 6 guests, which includes a DU Sponsorship, dinner tickets, DU memberships, door prize tickets, \$100.00 worth of raffle tickets, and your choice of anything off the Great Gun Giveaway Banner! For more information, call or stop by Schauber Surveying, 64 Jack Farm Road, 406-266-4602.

Volunteers are the backbone of Ducks Unlimited. Without them the conservation work Ducks Unlimited does would not be possible. If you want to help make a difference...join your local DU Chapter...you will not regret that decision. You will help leave a legacy for future generations and ensure we have wetlands and waterfowl forever. Call the number below to get involved with the local DU chapter in your area!!

Make plans now to join us for another great DU event in Townsend. Your attendance will help ensure that we'll raise critical dollars for wetlands conservation. Get your tickets today!

Call Jesse Swenson at (406)266-4602, go to www.townsenddu.org, or find us on Facebook at @townsendmtDU for more information! Seating is Limited!! Reserve your Tickets Today!

TOWNSEND TREES PLANTED FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES

Patrick Plantenberg
Tree Board Chair



This is the eleventh 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.

51 and 52 Acer x freemanii 'Jeffersred', Autumn Blaze Maple; and Ulmus americana 'Valley Forge', Valley Forge American Elm; planted at Townsend School Fandrich Field.

On October 18, 2023, the Broadwater County High School Horticulture Class, taught by Jemma Loughery, replanted two memorial trees on the football field in honor of Ray and Betty Horne. Ray and Betty both were long-time, active members of the community. Ray drove the school bus for 40 years for the Crow Creek and Townsend School districts.



Townsend Tree Board Chair, Patrick Plantenberg (left) and Jemma Loughery (right), teach the horticultural class students at BCHS how to properly prune, prepare, and plant a new tree.
Photo Credits: Pat Plantenberg

Ray was a lifetime resident of Broadwater County and was known and treasured by so many in the community. Ray was an active charter member of the Broadwater County Lions Club. What he enjoyed most about being a Lion was handing out American flags to first graders. He was a 4H leader and took pride in teaching youth how to ranch and farm.

Betty was a homemaker, took care of the farm with Ray, and also drove the school bus for 40 years. Many students in the community remember Betty as their school bus driver, where she drove for the Crow Creek and Townsend School districts. Her students enjoyed their time on the bus with her and knew Betty was quick to lend some money or support any fundraising efforts. Betty was always willing to lend a hand or cook a warm meal for neighbors and friends.

As a 4H leader, she served for many years specializing in cooking and sewing. Betty volunteered as one of the first female firefighters for the Toston Fire District.

The trees were originally planted about five years ago and were located on the west end of the football field, behind the scoreboard. Betty's sister Margo, and their families took part in planting the original trees. The area behind to scoreboard at Fandrich Field was used for storage during the construction of the new school so the two trees died.

Ray and Betty's three daughters chose this location because the football field is named after Betty's father, Abe Fandrich. Abe died after suffering a heart attack while working in the field.

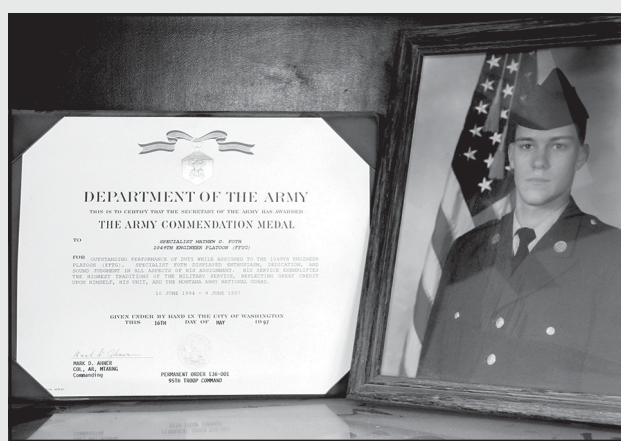
Ray and Betty had three kids, four grandkids, and now three great-grandkids attending school in Townsend. This community is a special place to the whole family and now everyone can enjoy Ray and Betty's lasting legacy and memory at the school.

The Horticultural Class students learned about the significance of the trees to the family. They also learned how to prune the trees when planting to establish a central leader. They also learned about breaking up the circling root pattern on these potted trees. This circling pattern must be broken, or the trees will eventually grow and suffocate themselves.

Finally, the students learned how deep to plant the trees - the first root must be at the soil surface. These are the first two memorial trees replanted at the school to replace those that had to be removed during new school construction. Thanks to Patrick Plantenberg and the Townsend Tree Board for planting and taking care of the trees.

Honoring Our Veterans, 5

before his active-duty enlistment was up, he received the Army Commendation Medal, which is quite an honor. It reads:



Mathew Foth received the Army Commendation Medal.
Photo Credits: Matt Nelson

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE SECRETARY
OF THE ARMY HAS AWARDED
THE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL
TO SPECIALIST MATHEW D. FOTH 1049TH
ENGINEER PLATOON (FETG)
FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF DUTY
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TIONS OF THE MILITARY SERVICE, REFLECTING
GREAT CREDIT UPON HIMSELF, HIS UNIT, AND
THE MONTANA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD.
10 JUNE 1994 – 9 JUNE 1997**

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF
WASHINGTON THIS 16TH DAY OF MAY 1997
(SIGNED)**

**MARK D. AHNER; COL, AR, MTARNG;
COMMANDING
PERMANENT ORDER 136-001, 95TH TROOP
COMMAND**

Mathew's family moved to Montana from Iowa while he was about 12, and at the age of 14 he started working with Joe and Bill Spinner, who owned potato farms a few miles south of Toston. Mathew, his wife Sarah, and his brother Mitch are now the owners of Foth Farms where certified seed potatoes are grown. They took it over about five years ago from the Skinner brothers, who had had it for 50 years. Instead of reenlisting in the Army, he decided that he wanted to become a potato farmer himself. On October 4th Governor Greg Gianforte visited Foth Farms on his 56-county agriculture tour of Montana.



The roadside signs of Foth Farms.
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Mathew said, "Agriculture has always been in my family. My great-grandparents, grandparents, and my parents tried farming briefly. Now it's like I am the first generation in farming. Not having the opportunity of a dad who farmed or a grandpa who had something established was a grind to get to the point where we were even turning a positive balance sheet. It takes a while to get the momentum going."

Initially, Mathew started off buying 3 acres and now has expanded it to over 900 acres, growing mostly seed potatoes. He has six full-time employees, and during the seeding and harvest times employs 25 to 30 seasonal workers. The seeding rate is about 3,000 pounds per acre, and the yield is almost 40,000 pounds per acre. Total production this year was 40 million pounds of potatoes on the 900 acres. The average seed size is 2 ounces.

What is the difference between certified seed potatoes and regular potatoes?

The Foth Farm does certified seeds, there is nothing different in the way you grow them or eat them. They eat them just like you do your garden potatoes. They just finished all of the necessary inspections, paperwork, registrations, and getting signed up for the certification process of limited generations. Inspections include things like they are disease free and are true to variety type.

"The seed potatoes are sold to Washington State, Idaho, and North Dakota, and they have sold as far as Maine. Mostly they are sold in the Columbia basin in Washington. Being seed potatoes, the customers out in Washington and Idaho don't want them until two weeks before they plant. Buyers call, and we will start trucking. We have expanded the business into a delivery service as well. I have twelve tractor-trailers that we will start delivering the potatoes in February. It is six

days a week in February, March, and April hauling spuds. The minute we are done with that it is planting again. We just have one crop a year, but we are busy with it. It seems like we are always busy with it. Idaho gets a lot of their early generation seeds from Montana.

"I love it. I can't imagine what else I would be doing with my life if I wasn't growing potatoes. It's pretty intense. We take Sundays off but for nine months out of the year, it is six days a week full throttle. In the winter months of November, December, and January, it is office work, doing year-end books, budgets, bank meetings, and putting together a farm plan for another year. Before you know it it's time to go planting again. We plant spuds the first of May, but starting in February is when we ship the crop. We store the crop all winter. We just got done with the harvest on October 10th. All the crops are in storage, climate control, and air systems that hold the crop at 380 all winter. And we give money back to the community, to local businesses, 4H, etc. The money stays here."

FWP HOSTS MEETINGS

Fish, Wildlife and Parks



FWP hosts meetings to discuss proposed hunting regulations.

Public can comment on other proposals for commission meeting.

HELENA – Montana Fish, Wildlife &

Parks will host a series of virtual and in-person public meetings around the state to present proposed hunting regulations for 2024/2025 hunting seasons.

Every other year, broad changes to hunting regulations are considered through a public process that includes public scoping and comment on regulation changes proposed by FWP. Ultimately the Fish and Wildlife Commission adopts most hunting seasons for two-year intervals. This season-setting process looks at all aspects of hunting regulations, including season structure, regulations and hunting district boundaries.

The commission will vote on hunting regulations for the 2024/2025 hunting season during its Dec. 14 meeting, which will include the opportunity for the public to comment.

The proposed regulations maintain conservative measures FWP already put into place last year and earlier this year to address mule deer declines in parts of Montana.

To view proposed regulations and to comment, go to: fwp.mt.gov/aboutfwp/commission/december-2023-meeting.

Public input was solicited through 34 public meetings during June and July where concepts for biennial season-setting were discussed. Seven hybrid virtual/in-person meetings are scheduled between Nov. 1 and Nov. 14. These meetings will be the public's opportunity to ask questions about the regulation proposals. Comments will be taken online through the FWP website.

Public comment on the proposals will be accepted through Nov. 21. Prior to the Dec. 14 Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting, any of the commissioners can propose amendments to the FWP proposals. Any amendments will be discussed at the Dec. 14 meeting.

The public meetings schedule is as follows (all meetings are from 6 to 8 p.m.; Zoom links will be provided online at a later date):

Region 1 – Nov. 14, Region 1 Headquarters, 490 N. Meridian Road, Kalispell

Region 2 – Nov. 8, Region 2 Headquarters, 3201 Spurgin Road, Missoula

Region 3 – Nov. 2, Region 3 Headquarters, 1400 S. 19th Avenue, Bozeman

Region 4 – Nov. 6, Region 4 Headquarters, 4600 Giant Springs Road, Great Falls

Region 5 – Nov. 9, Region 5 Headquarters, 2300 Lake Elmo Drive, Billings

Region 6 – Nov. 1, Cottonwood Inn and Suites, 54250 U.S. Route 2, Glasgow

Region 7 – Nov. 7, Miles City Community College, Room 106, 2715 Dickinson Street, Miles City

Public can comment on other proposals for commission meeting

The public can comment on items that will be before the Fish and Wildlife Commission at its Dec. 14 meeting.

These items include:

- Game Damage Management Season
- Translocation of marten
- Town of Circle Urban Deer Management Plan
- Consolidated Public Use Rules (ARM)
- Weapons restrictions in certain state parks
- Flathead Indian Reservation Non-Member Fishing and Bird Hunting Regulations

For more information on these proposals and to comment, go to go to: fwp.mt.gov/aboutfwp/commission/december-2023-meeting.

Public comment will be accepted through Nov. 21. A full agenda of the Dec. 14 commission meeting will be posted at a later date.



A SIMPLE ACT OF KINDNESS

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



Have you ever witnessed a simple act of kindness that left a lasting impression? How we treat others matters, and kindness is a courageous gesture that holds significance not only in our daily lives but also in the eyes of our Creator. As Galatians 5:22-23 reminds us, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control." Kindness is indeed one of the fruits of the Spirit—a quality we are called to cultivate.

We may even believe that what we have to offer is inadequate. However, even the smallest gesture of kindness can impact someone's life.

In our daily lives, we often encounter opportunities to be kind, just as I witnessed on a recent flight. I was sitting near the rear of the airplane when I noticed a male passenger helping another elderly female passenger with some carry-on bags. The elderly passenger was traveling with her two grandsons. Each boy had a small carry-on, and the male passenger offered to help stow the bags for Grandma. She agreed, but the boys did not, as they wanted their bags near them because they had all their little treasures in those bags.

The gentleman said, "No worries," he retrieved the bags from the overhead bins so they could stow those under the seat. He then took his aisle seat and sat beside a Dad and his young boy.

Shortly after, a woman arrived at that row carrying a baby and began talking to the Dad. It became apparent that they were a family. However, she was not seated next to them but across the aisle in the middle seat, a less coveted spot on a full flight. The gentleman in the aisle seat told her he would be willing to swap seats with her. She says, are you sure it's a middle seat? But his response was genuine and caring...he said, "I am happy to help." It was such a small act of kindness and meant the world to the two passengers he helped during the boarding process.

Kindness goes beyond a single act; it's a way of living. It's about stepping out of our comfort zones and helping those in need, even when it inconveniences us.

We have been given a heart of compassion and kindness. While the busyness of life can sometimes make it challenging to love and show kindness, it's during those moments that we must set aside our own concerns and seize the opportunities to make a difference in someone's life. We may even witness someone struggling, and our choices can change lives.

Living with courage and kindness is really so simple, as you are not limited by what you have. It is like a boomerang effect - what you give often returns in the most beautiful and unexpected ways. We don't practice kindness to receive something in return; we do it because it's what we have been called to do.

We need each other, regardless of the magnitude of our challenges. Every act of kindness, big or small, adds value and worth to those we encounter. A precious friend of mine is currently going through a turbulent time. She recently posted about receiving a care package from someone. It was a simple yet thoughtful gesture that brightened her day. Kindness can bring hope to the hopeless and fill lonely voids with joy.

There is a new journey that I will embark on, and it is entirely out of my comfort zone. But, I feel led to step into the unknown. I have shared it with only a few who support me, and it boggles my mind when someone says, "I have been where you are going, and I have received the help I needed. I want to be that for you!" This genuine and heartfelt act of kindness has made me valued and worthy of their time.

I invite you to reflect on your life and consider how you can make someone's day extraordinary through kindness. Has someone shown you unexpected kindness that has left a lasting impact on your life? By sharing your stories and experiences, you not only gain a new perspective but also inspire and encourage others.

Remember, a single, courageously kind word or action can change a life and have a ripple effect. As Aesop wisely said, "No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted."

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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. Sacrament Meeting, 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



SR. CENTER MEALS *Thursday, November 2*
OCT 30 - NOV 3 Tuna Noodle Casserole
 Green Beans
 Carrot Raisin Salad
 Whole Grain Bread
 Sweet Pears
 Dessert

516 2nd Street, Townsend MT

Monday, October 30
 Roasted Turkey
 Mashed Potatoes
 Green Beans
 Whole Grain Bread
 Plump Peaches

Friday, November 3
 Montana Pasties
 Key Largo Vegetables
 Whole Grain Bread
 Fruit Cocktail

Tuesday, October 31

HAPPY HALLOWEEN! 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.

Wednesday, November 1
 Pork Chops
 Steamed Potatoes
 Sliced Beets
 Dinner Salad with beans
 Whole Grain Bread
 Apricots

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FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Karoline Nelson
Operations Manager

The Mountain Valley Church will be staffing the food pantry during the month of November.

Food pantry supplies were distributed to 31 families consisting of 71 family members on October 21. This included eight from the Home Maker Program.

The November board meeting will be held on November 2 at 7 p.m. at the food pantry.

A reminder that we can accept game meat if it is processed professionally.

The orders for Thanksgiving meals have been turned in. If you have signed up for a meal, it can be picked up on November 18th between 1 and 3 p.m.

With the weather turning cold, please do not drop off donations at the back door. They may go unnoticed and freeze.

The food pantry will only be open for the distribution of food and receiving foods on the first and third full weekends. If there is a 5th Saturday, we will be open then also.

Items needed this week are: chili, crackers, peanut butter, spaghetti noodles or elbow macaroni.

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

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

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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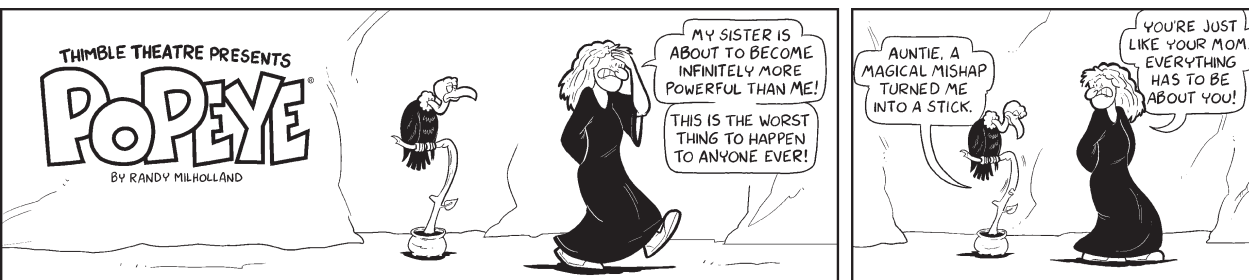
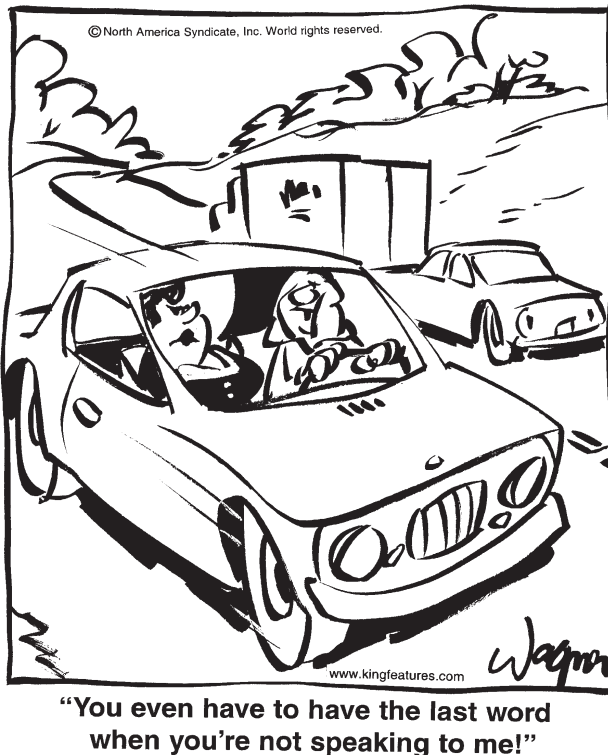
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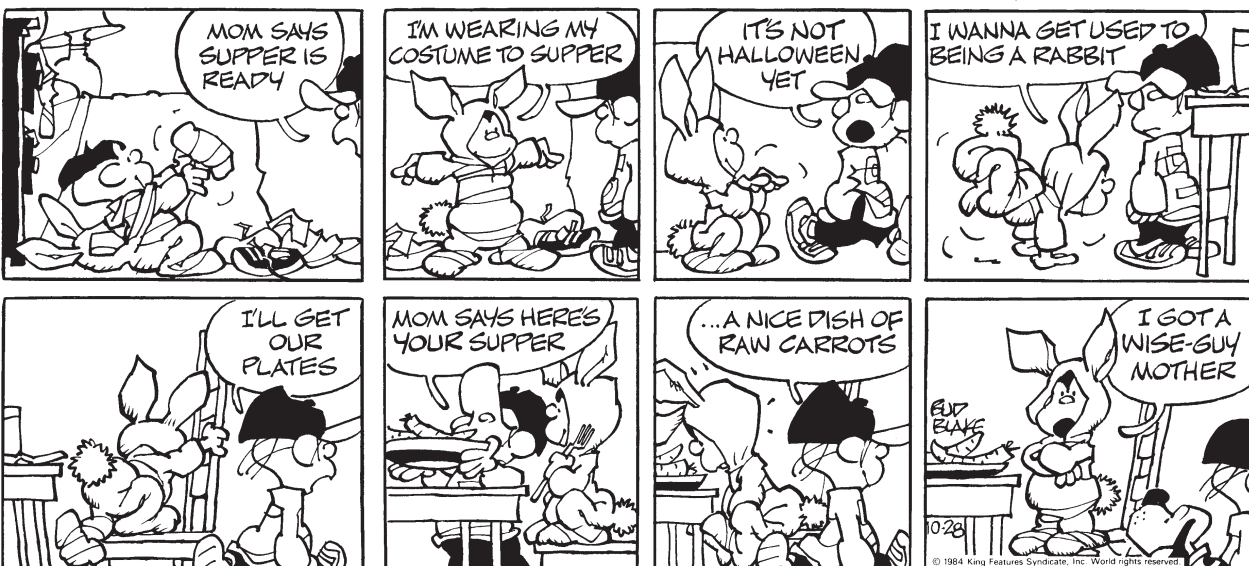
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GET GAME TESTED FOR CWD

Fish, Wildlife and Parks



Make sure to have meat tested for CWD prior to donation, commercial processing.

HELENA – Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks along with the Montana Department of Health and Human Services are advising hunters to have their deer, elk and moose tested for chronic wasting disease (CWD).

FWP strongly recommends that hunters receive a negative CWD test result before bringing their deer, elk or moose to a meat processor or donating it to a foodbank. While it is not a requirement, FWP is asking hunters to have a negative CWD test result in hand before bringing their animal to a processor for donation.

If the animal tests positive for CWD, FWP will advise the hunter on proper carcass and meat disposal and give instructions on how to request a replacement license.

There is no known transmission of CWD to humans. However, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that hunters harvesting a deer, elk or moose from an area where CWD is known to be present have their animal tested for CWD prior to consuming the meat, and to not consume the meat if the animal tests positive.

For more information on CWD, go to fwp.mt.gov/cwd.

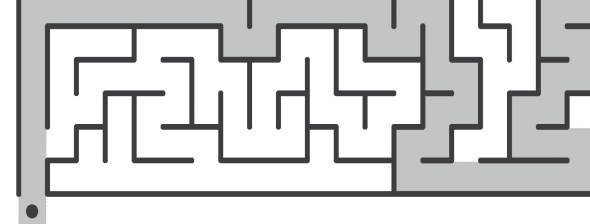
PRECISION BUSINESS RESOURCES
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1 Year Anniversary in Townsend!! Thank You Everyone !!

We wanted to Thank Everyone for an amazing 1st Year in Townsend. The community, our clients, neighbors, and everyone that have given our team a large welcome. We greatly appreciate all of you. We are blessed, thankful and very grateful to be here and look forward to many more years in the Townsend community! Stop by for coffee and say "Hi" anytime Tuesday to Friday 9 am to 6pm and let us see what we can help you with.

Precision Business Resources
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Kids' Maze Solution



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Super Crossword

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CryptoQuote
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If you can survive camping with someone, you should marry them on the way home.
— Yvonne Prinz

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BEST BITES

By Donna Erickson

Make Apple Pecan Granola a Seasonal Specialty
As waves of autumn color highlight neighborhoods, parks and hillsides, I find my tastes shifting with the season. Although my taste buds aren't necessarily craving a popular pumpkin spice latte at local coffee shops, I'm eager to prepare traditional harvest foods, like roasted acorn squash soup or a loaf of pumpkin bread.

Wherever the spirit and tastes of fall take your family as you reboot for the season -- whether it's an apple orchard, pumpkin patch or nature center -- check out this granola recipe when you get back home. Packed with dried apples, pecans, pumpkin seeds, cinnamon and lots of healthy oats, it captures the tastes and crisp feel of the season.

Prepare it with your kids and store in a big, clear jar with a scoop inside for easy access on school days. Combined with milk and yogurt, it makes a convenient and healthy breakfast staple to keep life easy during the morning rush out the door.

Make shopping for healthy ingredients part of the cooking adventure with your kids. Discover how you can economize by purchasing most of the ingredients in bulk.

APPLE PECAN GRANOLA

- Makes about 7 cups
- 4 cups rolled oats (not quick cooking)
- 1 cup coarsely chopped pecans
- 1 cup hulled, raw pumpkin seeds
- 1 cup hulled, raw sunflower seeds
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/3 cup olive or melted coconut oil
- 1/4 cup pure maple syrup
- 2 egg whites, slightly beaten
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup dried apples, chopped into bite-size pieces

Preheat the oven to 350 F. Line a large rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper or spray with nonstick spray.

Combine the oats, pecans, pumpkin seeds, sunflower seeds, brown sugar, cinnamon and salt in a large mixing bowl.

Stir together the oil, syrup, egg whites and vanilla in a small bowl. Add to dry ingredients and toss well until fully coated.

Spread the mixture evenly on the baking sheet. Bake, stirring every 10 minutes until lightly golden and toasted, about 25-30 minutes. Stir in the apples during the last 10 minutes.

Cool completely before serving. Store in an airtight container for up to a week.

Cook's Note:

Substitute brown sugar with honey or agave syrup and combine with liquid ingredients before tossing with dry ingredients.

Donna Erickson creates relationships and community through food and fun. Find more to nourish and delight you at www.donnaerickson.com

Find a picture of the recipe on the next page!

STREET BURGERS -- GREAT FALLS

Traveling Diners

We need to go to Great Falls twice a year; in April and in October. Of course, sometimes we get to Great Falls other times as well. We usually go to a restaurant for a meal while we are there.

We have a number of restaurants we like, so we kind of get into a rut going to one of the usual places. This time we asked for a recommendation. We were referred to "Street Burgers". We had seen a television segment on "Street Burgers" on KRTV News and thought it looked fun; so we decided to try them. They are located at 2319 10th Avenue South (Suite A) in Great Falls.



Street Burgers Store Front (from their website)
Photo Credit: <https://streetburgers.net/>

While you do order at a counter, the burgers are cooked fresh; they are not pre-cooked and sitting under a heat lamp. They had regular burgers and "smash burgers". We decided to try a smash burger which is just the regular burger smashed down quite thin. You can get 1 patty, 2 patty or 3 patty burgers -- with each patty being a 1/3 pound of beef. We went for the 1 patty smash burger.

The buns are baked locally with Mountain Man Scotch Ale from Jeremiah Johnson Brewing Company.

That one patty was plenty big enough. We did see someone order a 3 patty burger -- that burger was huge! Along with the burger we ordered fries. We just got one order of fries. We thought we ate a lot of fries; but, we took home a lot -- enough for 2 more meals at home.

The burgers and the fries were among the best we have had anywhere. The prices were reasonable, the service was quick AND good. We were very full! At the table next to us a teenager ordered one of the Street Burger milkshakes. It was huge and came with cookies/waffles, marshmallows, candy bar and more. It looked like it was probably a 5,000 calorie milkshake. His mother said he broke his collar bone that morning and needed a treat!

Street Burgers does have more than just burgers! They have fish sandwiches, chicken strips, salads and wings.

Usually, the Traveling Diners like to report on upscale restaurants in the Townsend Region; but, we enjoyed Street Burgers so much we decided to report on a more casual, slightly out of the region restaurant. If you are in Great Falls, consider going to Street Burgers -- you will not regret it! Check out their website at Streetburgers.net.

Look for a picture of their Smash Burger on page 12!

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE: CANYON FERRY DAM

Brittany Jones
Public Affairs Specialist, Bureau of Reclamation

HELENA, Mont. — The Bureau of Reclamation plans to close access to all traffic across Canyon Ferry Dam on Montana State Highway 284, Friday, Oct. 27, from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. to facilitate required repairs. The temporary road closure is necessary to repair one of the fixed wheel gate hydraulic cylinders.

"This is a critical piece of equipment, and repairs must take place as soon as possible by using a crane on the dam crest," said Dan Stremcha, Canyon Ferry Facility Manager. "It is important to note that despite the needed repairs, the dam is functioning as designed, and there is no threat to the public."

Travelers must seek alternate routes, north and south of the dam during the closure period. However, emergency vehicles and first responders will be allowed to pass over the dam during the road closure but may face delays of approximately 15 minutes.

Construction on Canyon Ferry Dam began in May of 1948 and was completed in June of 1954.

The dam, powerplant, and reservoir constitute the Canyon Ferry Unit. Canyon Ferry Reservoir offers a wide range of water resources, including flood prevention, hydropower generation, irrigation, fish and wildlife habitat, and recreation opportunities.

Contact the Canyon Ferry Field Office at 406-475-3310 or visit <https://www.usbr.gov/gp/mtao> for more information.

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The wise have no power.
The powerful have no wisdom."**

~Rabbi Shmuel Reichman

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The Second Annual Native American Heritage Event!!
Saturday, November 4th
10:00AM - 4:00PM
Drums, Songs and Dancers
11:00AM Indian Tacos/Frybread Available
1:00PM Stories with the Elders
Vendors and Helena Indian Alliance Booth
Free Entry, Donations Appreciated
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11am - Close



Blast O'Lantern's 2023

Don't know what to do with your "old" Pumpkin or Jack O'Lantern? Broadwater Rod and Gun Club has taken pumpkin disposal to a new level!

This is a free event! Yep! FREE!

November 4th from 10-1 :30
 330 Indian Creek Road Townsend Montana

Bring your own pumpkin (or use one of ours), bring your rifle (or use one of ours) and bring appropriate eye & ear protection (it is mandatory). This is a free event and fun for all ages from 5-90. BRGC and Capital Sports provide the Tannerite free of charge.

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 TOWNSEND COMMUNITY FAMILY NIGHT
 Join us for a **FREE** monthly night filled with activities that help us explore our humanity and rediscover our goodness.

5:45-7:00 pm at Holy Cross Parish Center
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HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY FESTIVAL!

AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

Steve Ferriter
 RMDC Community Outreach Coordinator

RMDC will be scheduling meetings in November and December to explain the Affordable Connectivity Plan. Watch for the meeting announcements in MT43 News.

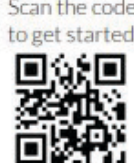
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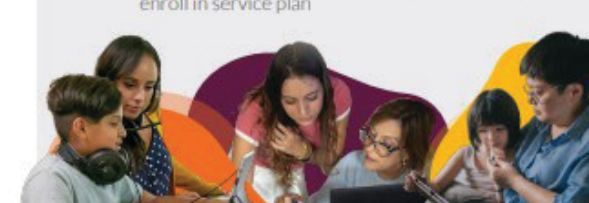


4 steps To Get Connected

- 1 QUALIFY** Check if you qualify
- 2 APPLY** Apply for ACP
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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

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OCTOBER 1926

1939

Rotary Club Hears About the South

An exchange of ideas and customs between what is done in the south and in Montana was the topic brought before the Rotary Club by the Rev. N.C. Croft at the regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club on Tuesday evening. Nine members of the civic organization met at dinner at the I.O.O.F. hall served by Kap's confectionery. D.A. Hawn presided in the place of the president, Earl W. Brown, who was absent, and although a small attendance, the meeting was said to be one of pleasure and created much interest. The speaker, the Rev. Mr. Croft recently from the south, had some interesting facts to present to the group.

Roller Skating New Sport in Radersburg

In every community some organization takes the lead in creating civic interest and in Radersburg, this honor must fall to a club known as the "Gold Diggers", in reality, a home demonstration club. During the past week, roller skating has been instituted into the amusement calendar of the "Brug" by this club and from all reports young and old are taking up the sport which is indulged in at the Community Hall every night in the week except Monday.

1950

Young People Praised for Round Table Discussion

A large number attended the Townsend unit P-TA Monday evening to hear, among other things, a round table discussion by a group of high school students on "Activities that are making B. Co. H.S. enjoy a well rounded school program. Those who took part in students night and their subjects were: The Kadayas, Roxy Ward; "B" Club, Jack Kimpton; Student Council, Ray Hohn; Girl's State, Minnie Houston; Boy's State, Gene Cook.

When the young people were through, Mr. Cooper made a short talk in which he complimented the personnel highly. He said he had heard many extemporaneous round table discussion among high school and college students and said he had never heard a more excellent discussion showing spontaneous thinking by young people. Mr.

Patterson also expressed satisfaction at the manner in which the discussion was presented.

The Rev. Mr. Patterson presided as president. He had passed out a mimeographed sheet bearing some information on what P-TA tries to do and about the program of the evening.

Among other business, the organization went on record to support the school carnival; pay for the United Nations flags for the two schools and to purchase the radio for the new school.

The school flags of the United Nations were made by Mrs. John Zipperian and Mrs. Lyman Etwiler and were flown on United Nations Day Tuesday.

1961

First Snow

Townsend and vicinity got the first real snowstorm of the season Friday night with about six inches on the ground Saturday morning. Snow fell most of the day Saturday.

Local News

Chas. Shaw, who has been in Spokane with his race horses, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wozney of Minong, Wis., are visiting her uncle, Pat Pennington and family. They have been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pennington at Elliston.

Danny Neifert, Deena Hollaway and Mary Lee Etwiler left today at noon for Livingston where they will attend the Montana Diocesan Youth convention meeting tonight, Friday and Saturday morning.

Mrs. Nellie Sayre has accepted a bookkeeping position with Grover Motor company, following the resignation of Harold Kreis.

Patsy Shute has been employed as secretary at the sheriff's office replacing Robin Alley, who resigned last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mort Sperry returned home Friday after an extended tour of Eastern states and a visit to his old home place in New York state. Mort says they visited all the New England states and many historical places in and around the national capital.

Louis Green of Green's Super Market has purchased the glass showcases used in the Toggery and has installed them in the dry goods department of his store.

1967

Toston Briefs

John Flynn attended the DeMolay conclave in Lewistown over the weekend. He returned home Sunday with the Arnetts.

Tracy Plummer returned home last week after completing his basic training.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Slifka and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lane were hunting near Cameron last weekend.

Miss Jean Berberet spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berberet and family.

Murell Finch and Miss Lana Plummer were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Plummer and family.

Ted Flynn, accompanied by Loren Haarad and Lee Hart spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Flynn and enjoyed some hunting.

1978

Toston & Crow Creek News

Franklin Slifka is spending this week guiding in West Yellowstone.

Vickie and Connie Rauser from MSU in Bozeman, spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wally Rauser.

Woody and Helen Hensley drove down to Yellowstone Park Sunday. It is just beautiful this time of the year they reported. They saw lots and lots of elk.

Franklin and Judy Slifka entertained guests for an early Sunday morning breakfast.

Duane and Roxy Anderson spent Sunday hunting up Johnny's Gulch.

Vaughn Evans of Butte, John Flynn and doctors Ned and Ted Schroeder of Lewiston, Idaho are spending the week at the Flynn Cabin on Dry Creek and doing some hunting. John got his spike the first day.

Joanne Slifka came home from college for the weekend. Friends and relatives gathered to help her celebrate her 18th birthday Saturday evening. Happy birthday Joanne.

We drove up Dry Creek Sunday to see all the hunters. There sure was a lot of them up there with their tents and all sizes and shapes of campers. We didn't see anyone with their game.

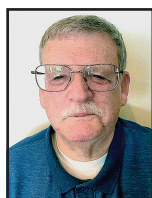
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CANTON CHURCH HOSTS TOWNSEND SCHOOLS 7TH GRADERS

Victor Sample
Canton Church Board Member



Starting in 2018, the Canton Church has hosted a history field trip for the Townsend Schools 7th-grade class – the class studying Montana History. The Missouri Valley has a very rich and interesting history; but, very little of that is covered in Montana History textbooks. The goal of the outing is to teach the 7th-grade class about the history of this valley, Broadwater County and the historic Canton Church and, of course, let the students have a fun outing and maybe even get them interested in history.

The first part of the presentation is about the town of Canton, the history of the Canton Church and the flooding of the valley to create Canyon Ferry Lake. The students were very interested and there was a lively discussion with many questions and comments from the students. They were interested in knowing how the flooding of the valley affected the families that were displaced and how the Canton Church was actually moved to its current location.

After the Canton and Canton Church discussion, we

moved on to the history of the valley and of Broadwater County. The students were very surprised to learn that the towns in the valley were established before Broadwater County was created and that Townsend was actually part of Meagher County. They were also surprised to learn that Diamond City was once the county seat for Meagher County and that Radersburg was the county seat for Jefferson County.



David Lawson and Tyler Patrick and the host of 7th grade students
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All of the students are, of course, familiar with the current towns of Radersburg, Toston and Winston with several of the students living near Toston and Winston. They were fascinated to hear that those towns were once vibrant, thriving communities with stores, restaurants and saloons.

The students were treated to a lunch of hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, cookies and water. They had a great time enjoying the area around the Canton Church, especially with the extremely nice weather that day.

After lunch, the students visited the historic Saint

Joseph's cemetery about a quarter of a mile further up the road from the Canton Church. While the Church was moved after the dam was built, the cemetery has always been located where it is and the students found the gravesites of the early settlers very interesting.

The Canton Church would like to thank Bob's Thriftway and the Townsend Rotary Club for donating food to the outing. Bob's Thriftway donated \$100 worth of food and The Townsend Rotary Club donated the hotdogs and hotdog/hamburger buns. Both organizations have been great supporters of the Canton Church history field trip since we started hosting the event.

Of course, we would also like to thank teachers David Lawson and Patrick Tyler for arranging the field trip. None of this would have been possible without their interest in the project.

Read About the Burger Restaurant on Page 10 with the Traveling Diners!



Smash Burgers and Fries
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