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OUT-OF-TOWN FISHERMEN WIN LIONS' PERCH DERBY



MT 43 News Staff Reporter

Two out-of-town men pulled in big perch two weeks ago and brought home the bacon at the annual Lions' Club Perch Derby held at the Silos area on Canyon Ferry Lake. Total payouts for the event were \$2,947 Saturday and \$3,792 Sunday.

Don Jones of Manhattan and Matt Pederson of Butte tied for the largest perch. Robert Chandler of Bozeman came in third. They all landed a perch that weighed over one pound. Paul Johnson of East Helena caught the largest walleye at 1.50 pounds.

Townsend's Bentley Hoppe tied for second place in the child division along with Holden Steinmetz of Helena with fish weighing three-quarters pounds. First place went to Blane Luly of Belgrade.

Lions Club organizer Kim Kondelik heaved a sigh of relief when the cold weather hit the last week of January, allowing for good ice and sunshine on the weekend. She said the crowd was larger than expected. Saturday 238 adults and 31 children bought tickets. Sunday there were 48 teams of three people. "Everyone had a great time and helped each other," she said, "Several people helped build bridges across various pressure ridges."

Townsend men Sam Deschene, Jacob Spurlock and Dustin Graham placed second in the Sunday team event. First place went to Don and Michael Jones and Perch Derby, 4



Lions Perch Derby Organizers: Back row left to right: Leann Coffman, Mary Kondelik, Angie Wintrow, Patti Hamm, Sandi Booher. Front Row: Kim Kondelik and Tina Larson. Photo Credits: Townsend Lions Club

WRESTLING: WESTERN B/C DIVISIONALS

Becky Hunt
MT43 News Sports Correspondent

The Bulldogs traveled to Shelby Thursday night to attend the Western B/C Divisionals where 23 teams competed for a chance to advance onto the State Wrestling Tournament in Billings, held February 7-9th.

Prior to the week, multiple athletes were plagued with various illnesses leaving some unable to participate in the event due to too many missed school days/

practices. Other team members were so fatigued that their performance was less than expected. Despite battling sicknesses the Dawgs showed up and performed to the best of their abilities.

Senior Blake Wellenstein struggled all season to stay on weight. You would often find him sweating it up at the end of the day to cut that one, or sometimes four, pounds to continue wrestling for the weekend. Wellenstein did not disappoint Friday afternoon continuing his tradition of sporting multiple layers of clothing and Coach Rusty giving him the workout regimen to get that last two pounds down. One more week to go for this kid as he advances to State! Blake wrestled hard. We saw him celebrate his wins and be equally emotional about his losses. Wrestling at 138, Blake went 4-2 and took 9th at Western Divisionals.



Eric Humphreys running a Half Nelson on Thompson Falls opponent Photo Credits: Becky Hunt



Blake Wellenstein with a single leg Photo Credits: Becky Hunt

Junior Eric Humphreys is that one kid I said is gonna come from the shadows and take everyone by surprise. Eric's ability to return to the mat mid-season and advance so quickly is definitely something to talk about. With only three events under his belt for the season Eric Wrestling, 2

TOWNSEND ROBOTICS TEAM AT STATE

Lisa Brown

Congratulations to both inaugural Townsend Robotics teams on their State Robotics Competitions successes last weekend!



Broadwater Robotics Team Photo Credits: Lisa Brown

The middle school-age team, the Broadwater Lego Avengers, won 2nd place at State in the coveted Robotic Design and Programming Award. The high school age team, Broadwater Robotics, won 3rd place at State for The Motivate Award which is awarded to the team that represents the essence of the FIRST Tech Challenge competition through gracious professionalism and representing what it means to be a FIRST Tech Challenge team.

This is the first year there have been competitive robotics teams offered for middle school and high school-aged kids in Townsend.

To be a rookie team and to have placed so well at the State competition is a terrific accomplishment for the kids. Robotics, 2

BULLDOG BASKETBALL

Gary Bauman
MT43 News Sports Correspondent

Townsend's Lady Dogs Face Conference Rivals
Friday the Townsend Lady Bulldogs hosted the Manhattan Tigers in a pivotal 5B conference game. The Dogs had their hands full with 6'2" senior Gracie Millimen whose inside game got the Tigers off to a big start in the first half, scoring 16 of their 29 points within the paint. The Tigers built the lead up to as much as 17 in the 3rd, before the spark from Emmalin Fischer changed the momentum in favor of Townsend. Fisher hit three threes and a two, all in the third quarter that sparked a comeback to get the dogs back to within 9 points before the end of the third quarter. By the 4-minute mark of the 4th, Ella Beggars' key steals created scoring opportunities that had the Tigers' lead to just 4 with 4 minutes to play. Another Fischer 3-pointer and a steal by Begger that led again to a basket gave the Dogs a chance to win late, but Camdyn Holgate's late 3 and pair of free throws put an end to the comeback as the Lady Dogs came up short, 53-48.

Emmalin Fischer 18, Ella Begger 8, Cassidy Flynn 8, Jazel Ragen 5, Kaitlyn Noyes 4, Holly Newman 4, Emily Bird 1

Manhattan Tigers Venture North to Take on the Bulldogs

Number 4 ranked Manhattan Tigers showed up in Townsend to take on the Bulldogs on Friday night. Callin Fenno got off to a hot start for the Tigers as he put them up early scoring 8 of his game-high 27 in the first quarter. With the Bulldogs trailing 21-5 after the first period, Sawyer Horne, who finished the night with 17, hit some key shots with the hope of getting the Dogs started. But by halftime, the hot-shooting Tigers had made 6 of 8 from behind the arc and built a 40 to 16 lead. Townsend fought hard in the second half, but Manhattan just could hardly miss from the field shooting 53% and building the lead up to 40 points by the end of the 3rd quarter. A late hoop by fan-favorite Townsend's Wyatt Roberston would still not be enough as the Bulldogs fell to the Tigers 74 to 40.

Sawyer Horne 17, Ryedan Reed 10, Grady Erickson 6, Trenton Hoveland 3, Braden Martin 2, Wyatt Robertson 2

A Defensive Lockdown in Lone Peak on Saturday

Saturday the Lady Bulldogs ventured south to take on the Lone Peak Bighorns. The Dogs struggled early to score as they opened the game with nine straight misses before they were able to get on the board. Defense was the spark for the Dogs as they forced 31 turnovers from the Bighorns on the night, many of which would lead to baskets on the other end. This allowed the Dogs to maintain a 4-point lead going into the half. The 3rd quarter was a defensive match as both teams struggled to score. The two teams put up 12 total points combined, and the Dogs were able to keep a two-point lead going into the 4th quarter. The Dogs were shooting just 22% at this point of the game but were able to force more turnovers to allow them to stay competitive until they could find the right offense. Three big 3's, two by Cassidy Flynn and one by Ella Begger, broke the game wide open in the 4th quarter. Flynn finished the game with 12 points and Begger and Kaitlyn Noyes had 10 apiece as the Lady Dogs went on to a 50 to 41 win.

Cassidy Flynn 12, Ella Begger 10, Kaitlyn Noyes 10, Emmalin Fischer 6, Holly Newman 4, Abby Wickens 3, Emily Bird 3, Mishayla Lambott 2

The Lone Peak Big Horns Play Host to Townsend

The Townsend Bulldogs journeyed to Lone Peak to take on the Bighorns on Saturday. The Dogs came out firing in the first quarter, making five of their first seven shots from the field. Ryedan Reed had 6 of his 13 points and Sawyer Horne had 5 in the first quarter as the Dogs built an early 10-point lead. Yet the Bighorns were able to fight back to within one by the end of the quarter, 15 to 16. The fight continued in the second quarter as both teams exchanged baskets with the Bulldogs building a halftime lead of 4 points, 33 to 29. The second half was Lone Peak's Ebe Grabow's half, as he hit 22 of his game-high 29 points. Sawyer Horne kept the Dogs in the game with 11 of his 18 points coming in the 3rd quarter, but the Dogs still saw themselves down two going into the 4th. The Dogs were held to 3 of 13 from the field in the 4th quarter being outscored 8 to 15 as they fell to Lone Peak 52 to 61.

Sawyer Horne 21, Ryedan Reed 13, Grady Erickson 8, Tavyn Anderson 7, Trenton Hoveland 3



Broadwater High School Seniors
Photo Credits: Mikayla Kraft

MIKAYLA'S VIGNETTES

Mikayla Kraft
School Correspondent



This is kind of a short article... I was asked to do an introductory article to my upcoming senior-centered vignettes, and it was way more difficult than I expected! - Mikayla Kraft

Students have bills to pay for their whole academic career. However, these are not physical bills, but sacrifices of staying in the comfort of the home, being bullied, and overall facing adversity.

Between preschool and 12th grade, students invest countless hours of their time learning core subjects and growing their knowledge in every field. Most students spend fourteen years, 8 hours a day, for about 4-5 days a week in a public school system. However, this isn't time wasted. This is an investment for future assets. This includes basic communication skills, relationships, time management skills, critical thinking skills, and so much more.

Those who are arguably privileged enough to attend private schools, charter schools, or have a well-rounded home school may not get the vast opportunities presented to the average public school student. Out of all the opportunities that could be gained, the most rewarding is the relationships built along the way. These relationships are built through sports and club teams, partner or group assignments, and in a small town like Townsend, MT, through classes themselves. True friendships from these experiences will bring forth life-long friendships whether living in the same area or across the country.

In the spirit of the senior students' hard work and accomplishments, the next series of articles will mostly center around the seniors. It is important to recognize these seniors who have grown up in this area for most of their lives and will move on to achieve greater things in life whether they stay in Townsend or just in the state or decide to move to another state. In addition, the community raised all of the 2024 seniors, which will give perspective on how well the tight-knit small-town community has brought up these students.

Seniors across the country will go into the real world to become the next leaders, businessmen and women, influencers, and overall achieve greater heights than they would have ever imagined. We therefore must give our due respect to these students. I cannot wait to lead this series of articles and I encourage the community to join me on this journey of exploring the lives of each of the senior students.

Wrestling 1

was sitting at a record of 7-1 prior to Divisionals. Eric went 2-3 and took 8th, winning himself a ride to State.

The rest of the Bulldogs that participated in Divisionals went 0-2.



Head Coach Eli Hohn
Photo Credits: Becky Hunt

High school wrestling may be winding down but that sure doesn't mean wrestling season is over!! Middle school wrestling practice kicks off February 5th with their first event on February 13th in Butte. Be sure and check out the Middle school's one and only scheduled home event on February 23rd at 4 pm.

And let's not forget where it all gets started, Little Guy Wrestling!! Some of these littles have already been having some fun in the wrestling room. The first official practice for little guys is Monday, February 12th. Little Guys Wrestling will also be hosting two home events. February 17th and February 24th.

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Robotics, 1

The Avengers team members are Sydney Buccannon, Jayden Flynn, Anthony Grandy, Everett Kirksey, Titus Kirksey, Zoey Osborne, Karter Schmaus, Skylar Sella, and Kathryn Six.

The Broadwater Robotics team members are Max Sella (captain), Kaden Bruins, and Cooper Nichter. The coaches are Spencer Sella and Roger Flynn for both teams.

The high school and adult mentors for the middle school team are Max Sella, Amanda Pesicka, Adam Six and Lisa Brown.

A special thank you goes to STOKE, The



Avengers Team
Photo Credits: Lisa Brown

Creations. Gianforte Family Foundation, and Broadwater Community Foundation for their generous sponsorship and support.

The City of Townsend is seeking applicants for the **Pool Manager Position**. This position is full time/seasonal and will report to the Director of Public Works. Please pick up an application at the City Hall, located at 110 Broadway Townsend, MT. The deadline to receive applications is Friday February 16, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

Townsend School Calendar

FEBRUARY	
Fri 9 - Sat 10	HSWR @ Billings-State
Fri 9	Teacher PIR- NO SCHOOL 8:00 AM - PIR in the community room 3:00PM HSBB vs Ennis- Senior Night
Sat 10	10:00AM MSBBB vs Manhattan
Sun 11	3:30PM DUI Task Force Super Bowl Party at Stage Gym
Mon 12	7:30 AM - D/C College Writing at Community Room
Tue 13	7:30AM - D/C College Writing at community room 3:00PM MSWR @ Butte 6:00 PM - School Board Meeting at Community Room
Wed 14 - Sat 17	HSBB District Tournament @ Manhattan Christian
Wed 14	7:00 PM - Old Baldy Adult Open Gym at BHS 63 Gym 7:00 PM - Old Baldy Adult Pickleball at BHS Stage Gym 7:30AM - D/C College Writing at community room
Thur 15	7:30AM - D/C College Writing at community room Q3 Midterm
Fri 16	NO SCHOOL
Sat 17	Little Guy Wrestling @ Townsend at Both gyms 8:00AM MSWR @ Butte



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Three Forks School Calendar

FEBRUARY	
Fri 9 - Sat 10	HS Wrestling State @ Metra Billings
Fri 9	3:00PM HS Basketball @ Manhattan
Mon 12	10:15AM Biometric Screening for Staff in Conference Room/ Board Room 4:00 PM MS Boys Basketball vs Belgrade
Tue 13	4:00PM MS Boys Basketball vs Whitehall 5:15- 6:45pm Girls Scouts in the Cafeteria, Contact person Christine Sinks 406-871-8304
Thur 15 - Sat 17	Basketball Districts Belgrade TBD
Thur 15	MS Book Club at Lunch



LIBRARY HOURS

THREE FORKS COMMUNITY LIBRARY

REGULAR HOURS:
Monday, Wednesday through Friday - 9:00am to 5:00pm
Tuesday - 9:00am - 7:00pm
1st Saturday of the month: 11:00am - 2:00pm
Contact the library for details on clubs and events for a variety of ages at (406) 285-3747, or visit their website: threeforkslibrary.weebly.com

BROADWATER SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY LIBRARY

REGULAR HOURS:
Monday through Thursday 4:00- 7:00PM
Friday through Saturday 9:00AM- 4:00PM
Sunday 12:00- 5:00PM
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TOWNSEND COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY	
Friday 9	10:00AM Free Story Time and a Craft with Mrs. Latasha Wirtz at Broadwater Community Library 12:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry 1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St
Saturday 10	8:00am Broadwater Rod and Gun Club: Basic Pistol Course at Broadwater Rod and Gun Club 6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945 6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway
Sunday 11	3:30PM Super Bowl Sunday at The Betsy SEE AD ON PAGE 4 FOR DETAILS
Monday 12	6:00pm Wine Tasting at The Betsy 6:00PM Celebrate Recovery at Mountain Valley Church, 107 E St, 406-980-1805
Tuesday 13	5:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry 6:00pm Bingo at American Legion Post 42 Club, 211 Broadway
Wednesday 14	1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St 4:30PM STROKE Valentine Dinner SEE AD ON PAGE 11 TB's Diner- Valentine Dinner SEE AD ON PAGE 11
Thursday 15	7:00pm Al-Anon at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry
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Saturday 17	6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945 6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway
Sunday 18	Sweetheart Dinner at Holy Cross Parish, 101 S Walnut SEE PAGE 11 FOR RESERVATION DETAILS
Thursday 22	6:00 - 7:00 pm Medicare 101: A Free Educational Seminar at Reading Leaves, 401 Broadway in Townsend (TO RSVP: SEE LEYLAND INSURANCE AD ON PAGE 11)
Saturday 24	FFA- Ag Appreciation Dinner DETAILS ON PAGE 9

THREE FORKS COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY	
Friday 09	2:00PM Three Forks Public Library - Crafternoon Cricut Machine Must RSVP
Saturday 10	Three Forks Public Library CLOSED
Tuesday 13	1:00PM Three Forks Public Library - Mah Jongg 4:00PM Three Forks Public Library - Middle School Book Club 6:00PM City Council Meeting at City Hall
Thursday 15	10:00AM Three Forks Public Library - Story Time 6:00PM Three Forks Music Night with Bridger Creek Boys at Bridger Brewing Three Forks 7:00PM Zoning & Planning Meeting at City Hall
Friday 16	1:00PM LEGO Club
Saturday 17	Three Forks Public Library CLOSED

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FEBRUARY	
Monday 12	11:00am Commission Working Meeting at Flynn Building 2:00pm Public Project Briefings with Bill Jarocki at Flynn Building
Tuesday 13	11:30am Trust Board at Flynn Building 1:00pm Planning Board at Flynn Building 6:00pm Solid Waste Board at Flynn Building
Wednesday 14	3:00pm Commission Working Meeting at Flynn Building



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CHARLOTTE WATSON RECOGNIZED BY SHERIDAN COLLEGE

Dave Huebner
Sheridan College

SHERIDAN, Wyo. – Nearly 20 Sheridan College students earned degrees or certificates following the end of the fall 2023 semester.

“The achievement of a college diploma or certificate is a major milestone in one’s life,” said Dr. Walt Tribble, President of Sheridan College. “Our students continue to excel while preparing for the next steps in their lives. Congratulations to these students on this important achievement.”

Graduates are invited to participate in the Sheridan College Commencement Ceremony in May 2024.

Sheridan College is proud to recognize the following student from Townsend:

Charlotte Watson, Associate of Science, Exercise Science

For a full list of programs, information about enrollment, or a schedule of Sheridan College events, visit www.sheridan.edu.

Congratulations, Charlotte Watson!

Perch Derby, 1

partner Dan Pluth of Belgrade with a catch of almost eight pounds of perch.

Kim wanted to thank the ladies who helped make the event run smoothly and say how much she appreciated the contributing sponsors including Robert's Tire & Glass, Bob's Supermarket, Commercial Bar, Helena Eagle Beverage, Fishtale Tavern, Gusto Distributing, Mint Bar, Mountain Country Coors, Mountie Moose Bakery, Silo's Junction Bar & Grill, Silo's KOA and TB Diner.

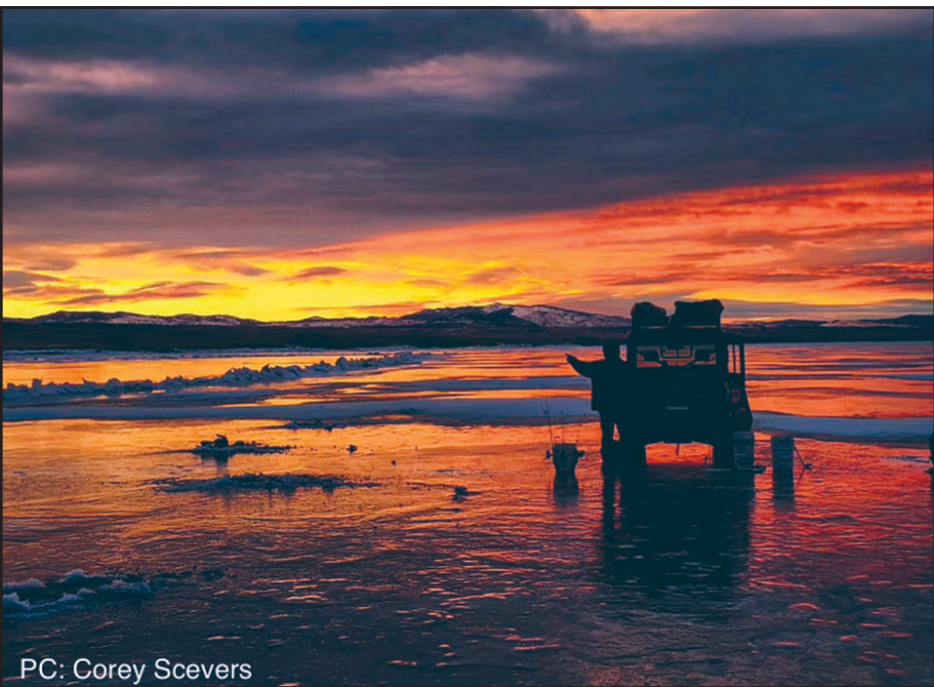
Steve Sautter with Smoothbore Enterprises, LLC donated a custom ice rod and Flanagan Klunder & Associates donated the winners' plaques.



Sunday Derby first place winners Don Jones, Michael Jones and Dan Pluth. Photo Credits: Townsend Lions Club

2nd place tie .75 lb perch – Holden Steinmetz, Bentley Hoppe; Child Walleye .59 lb – Cameron Anderson; Child Wee Fish: .29 lb fish – Bentley Hoppe.

Sunday Team Event: 1st Place Team with 7.83 lbs of perch was Don Jones, Michael Jones and Dan Pluth; 2nd place with 7.78 lbs was Sam Deschene, Jacob Spurlock and Dustin Graham; 3rd place with 7.68 lbs was Eric Horne, Scott Horne and Michael Williams of Helena.



PC: Corey Scevers

Sunset on Saturday at Canyon Ferry Reservoir. Photo Credits: Townsend Lions Club



FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Karoline Nelson
Operations Manager

The United Methodist and Holy Cross Churches will be staffing the food pantry during the month of February.

Food pantry supplies were distributed to 33 families serving 64 people on February 3rd.

We have started signing up those who wish to receive an Easter ham or chicken. You may sign up on the 17th of February and the 2nd of March. They will be available for pick up on March 30th which is the usual distribution day.

The food pantry will be open for the distribution of food on the first and third Saturday of the month between 9:00 and 10:45. If there is a 5th Saturday, we will be open then also. Distribution outside of the normal hours are for emergencies and on an individual basis. Emergency food needs may be distributed by calling Karoline Nelson at 406-438-3981 or Daryl Blumhagen at 406-980-0800.

Donations may be dropped off either on the first or third Fridays between 9:30 and 11:00 or on Saturday between 9:00 and 10:45. They will also be received at the same time if there is a fifth weekend. If you are unable to bring your donation during these hours, you can call Karoline or Daryl at the numbers above. Please do not leave food by the back door. If it freezes it may not be salvageable. For cash donations, there are donation boxes at the checkout counters at Bob's Supermarket or they can be mailed to the Broadwater Food Pantry, P. O. Box 1164, Townsend, Mt 59644. We are located at 315 Broadway.

Items needed this week are: chili, can stew, soups, crackers, peanut butter, skillet meals or Hamburger Helper.



Susie Hedalen and 4th grader Tory Barnhart of Bozeman holding a perch. Photo Credits: Townsend Lions Club



Belgrade student Blane Luly won first place in the children's division. Here accepting his prize from Lioness Kim Kondelik. Photo Credits: Townsend Lions Club

Statistics are as follows:

Adult Perch Saturday: 1st place: 1.24 lb perch -Don Jones, Matt Pederson tie; 3rd place 1.21 lb – Robert Chandler. Largest Walleye 1.5 lb – Paul Johnson. Child Perch Saturday: 1st place –.76lb perch - Blane Luly;

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MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT BROADWATER COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAN J. HUNSAKER, Deceased.
Probate No. BDP-24-01

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Dixie L. Hoff and Vincent J. Hunsaker have been appointed Personal Corepresentatives 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 Corepresentatives via their Attorney, Peter T. Simon (303 Broadway St, Townsend, MT 59644) return receipt requested, or filed with the Clerk of the above-titled Court.

Dated January 26, 2024.

/s/ Peter T. Simon

GALLATIN ELDER LAW & ESTATE PLANNING PLLC
Attorney for Personal Corepresentatives

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MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, BROADWATER COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: LEONA GRACE HARRIS, Deceased.

Probate No. DP-2024-02

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Darrell L. Harris has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or their claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at Silverman Law Office, PLLC, P.O. Box 4423, Helena, Montana 59604, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Montana that the foregoing is true and correct.

/s/ Darrell L. Harris

739 8th Avenue, Helena, Montana 59601

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MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT BROADWATER COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JIMMIE RICHARD BAGLEY, Deceased.
Probate No. ADP-24-05

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Lisa Svendsen and Teresa Maija have been appointed Personal Corepresentatives 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 Corepresentatives via their Attorney, Peter T. Simon (303 Broadway St, Townsend, MT 59644) return receipt requested, or filed with the Clerk of the above-titled Court.

Dated February 9, 2024.

/s/ Peter T. Simon

Gallatin Elder Law & Estate Planning PLLC
Attorney for Personal Corepresentatives

Printed February 9, 16, 23, 2024

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MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT BROADWATER COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES KEVIN MCDONNELL, Deceased.
Probate No. ADP-24-03

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Dated February 9, 2024.

/s/ Peter T. Simon

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STATE OF MONTANA COUNTY OF BROADWATER

Before me, the undersigned authority, this day personally appeared, Satterfield, Gina Berry, who being first duly sworn, under oath deposes and says that the affiant is domiciled in and maintains a place of abode in the City of Townsend, County of Broadwater, State of Montana which she recognizes and intends to maintain as her permanent home; and that her abode in Montana constitutes her predominant and principle home, and affiant intends to continue it permanently as such; affiant further declares and affirms the Registrar of Titles is authorized to receive for registration of memorials upon any outstanding certificate of title an official birth certificate pertaining to a registered owner named (GINA LORRINA BERRY) in said certificate of title showing the date of birth of said registered owner (GINA LORRINA BERRY), providing there is attached to said birth certificate an affidavit of an affiant who states that he/she is familiar with the facts recited, stating that the party named in said birth certificate is the same party as one of the owners named in said certificate of title; and that thereafter the Registrar of Titles shall treat said registered owner (GINA LORRINA BERRY) as having attained the age of the majority at a date 18 years after the date of birth shown by said certificate. Affiant further declares, the natural person known as the Nobilissima Felicitas Express Trust holds a claim of ownership of said Certificate of Title No. 23015309-1, dated January 25th, 2023. Affiant further declares that the filing of this affidavit is to be accepted by all persons or any court as proof of such permanent domicile.

Affiant signature Satterfield, Gina Berry
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29th day of January, A.D. 2024.

Mandi Lavonne Hall, Notary Public for the State of Montana
My Commission Expires: January 19, 2029

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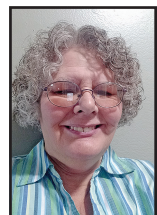
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FEBRUARY 2, 2024

Dee Gannon

MT43 News Correspondent



The criminal docket in Judge Michael Menahan’s courtroom on Friday, February 2 is as follows:

Bradley Little appeared by Zoom with his Adult Probation & Parole Officer, with a motion for a conditional release from supervision. The judge denied the motion, saying that not enough time had passed. The judge urged Little to reapply in six months.

Mark Black had an Initial Appearance on charges of 1) misdemeanor partner/family member assault 2) misdemeanor partner/family member assault and 3) felony partner/family member assault. His Arraignment is February 9.

Ashley Lage had a Change of Plea, pleading No Contest to a charge of criminal possession of dangerous drugs (meth). A Pre-Sentence Investigation is ordered. Sentencing is on March 8. A No Contest plea does not require elocution.

Savannah Goodman had a Change of Plea, pleading Guilty to a charge of criminal possession of dangerous drugs (meth). In her elocution, she stated that while driving in Broadwater County, they were stopped by police. Because both people in the car were probationers, the car was searched; meth was found. A Pre-Sentence Investigation is ordered; Sentencing is on April 12.

Cassandra Washington had a Change of Plea and Sentencing, pleading Guilty to possession of dangerous drugs (meth). In her elocution, she stated that she possessed meth while in Broadwater County. Her Sentence is that she serves 3-year years D.O.C., with credit time served, and that she be screened for appropriate chemical dependency treatment, followed by Pre-Release. Her sentence will run concurrently with other sentences. She must pay all fees and surcharges.

Stacy Croy’s Status Hearing is continued to March 1.

Robert Cluff was to have Sentencing; but did not appear in court. He is charged with failure to comply with the Pre-Sentence Investigation process. If he does not appear on February 9, an arrest warrant will follow.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE REPORT – FEBRUARY 9TH, 2024

Kelsi Anderson

Justice Court Clerk

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FORFEITURES

Robert Schneider, Daytona Beach, FL: night speed \$20.00

Steven Cichon, Bozeman: night speed \$20.00

Gaven Gordon, Butte: interstate day speed \$70.00

Alexander Lee, Helena: night speed \$20.00

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FINES

Adrian Contreras – Salem, OR – operating without liability insurance in effect-2nd offense, pleaded guilty, \$385.00 fines and fees; driving a motor vehicle while privilege to do so is suspended or revoked – 2nd offense, \$525.00 fines and fees.

Mark Lambert – Townsend - Driving under the influence of alcohol and or drugs-3rd offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to one year in jail with all but thirty days suspended on conditions, \$5085.00 fines and fees all but \$2585.00 suspended, enroll and complete Act program followed by monthly monitoring for one year; disorderly conduct, pleaded guilty, \$175.00 fines and fees.

Chester Campbell – Three Forks – fail to carry proof or exhibit/insurance in vehicle – owner or operator- 1st offense, pleaded guilty, \$285.00 fines and fees; driving a motor vehicle while privilege to do so is suspended or revoked - 2nd offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail with all but one day suspended on conditions, \$125.00 fines and fees.

BROADWATER COUNTY FINES

Sophia Thomas – Three Forks – operating a motor vehicle with alcohol concentration of 0.02% BAC Under 21 years of age-1st offense, pleaded guilty, \$535.00 fines and fees, all but \$135.00 suspended on conditions, enroll and complete ACT program.

Dylan Manning- Everett, WA – Driving under the influence of alcohol and or drugs -1st offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail with all but one

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day suspended on conditions, \$1085.00 fines and fees all but \$685.00 suspended, enroll and complete Act program.

Hayden Loehr – Townsend – Driving under the influence of alcohol and or drugs-2nd offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to one year in jail with all but seven days suspended on conditions, \$1285.00 fines and fees, enroll and complete Act program followed by monthly monitoring for one year.

Harrison Roach – Townsend - Driving under the influence of alcohol and or drugs-1st offense, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail with all but one day suspended on conditions, \$685.00 fines and fees, enroll and complete Act program.

Sareena Murnane – Choteau – night speed, pleaded guilty, deferred imposition of sentence for a period of six months, \$70.00 fine, enroll and complete Alive @ 25. Andrew Baudour – Helena – night speed, pleaded guilty, \$200.00 fine; operating without liability insurance in effect -1st offense, pleaded guilty, \$285.00 fines and fees; expired registration, pleaded guilty, \$35.00 fines and fees.

BROADWATER COUNTY FORFEITURES

Brian Moffatt, San Fransisco, CA: restricted speed \$55.00
Luis Islas, Livingston: day speed \$20.00
Eric Gibbons, East Helena: day speed \$20.00

INITIAL APPEARANCE - OTHER JURISDICTION

Kelly English – Bozeman Municipal Court, \$480.61 bond

COMMISSIONERS WILL BE ATTENDING THE MACo (Montana Association of Counties) FROM FEBRUARY 26 -29. THERE WILL NOT BE A COMMISSION MEETING THIS WEEK

Monday, February 12, 2024

11:00 AM Working Meeting with Bill Jarocki, County Administrative Officer, regarding projects and deadlines

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

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

10:00 AM Discussion/Decision, Airport Hanger Lease Rate Increase

10:05 AM Discussion/Decision, By-Laws Approval for Various County Boards (Museum Board)

10:10 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Albe Minor Subdivision (Section 3, Township 7 North, Range 1 East) Consideration of New Information Only

10:25 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Albe Minor Subdivision (Section 3, Township 7 North, Range 1 East) requests Preliminary Plat Approval

10:40 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Greenway Subsequent Minor Subdivision (Section 29&30, Township 3 North, Range 1 East) requests Final Plat Approval

3:00 PM Working Meeting with Deputy County Attorney, Kay Minor, regarding projects and deadlines.

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, Vice Chairman
(406) 266-9270 or (406) 980-2050

Darrel Folkvord, 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)

- Bill Jarocki, Weekly Meeting with Press/Public Every Monday at 2 PM in his office
- Trust Board Meeting on February 13th at 11:30 AM
- Parks and Rec Board Meeting on February 12th at 6 PM
- Solid Waste Board Meeting on February 13th at 6 PM
- Mental Health LAC Meeting on February 14th at 2 PM
- COUNTY OFFICES ARE CLOSED ON FEBRUARY 19TH
- Noxious Weed Board Meeting on February 20th at 6 PM
- Airport Board Meeting on February 21st at 6 PM
- Broadband Advisory Meeting on February 22nd at 4 PM

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

2024 STOKE PROGRAMS ARE OFF AND RUNNING!

Jim Domino
STOKE President

It's been a busy year already for STOKE, with many ongoing fun programs and activities and some exciting new ones to look forward to. Here's a rundown of the latest happenings:

Remember, all STOKE-sponsored programs are FREE, so save the dates!!

- There's finally snow, so Skiing / Snowboarding at Showdown begins Sunday, Feb 18th! Pre-registration/parent waiver signature is required. Registration takes place outside the Library, on Feb 15, from 3:50 pm to 5:00 pm. Includes your lift ticket, rentals, lesson, lunch and transportation. Space is limited.
- MAPS Media Arts is coming to Townsend March 8-9 for a special two-day event. If you're interested in photography, cinematography, podcasts, radio, film, photojournalism, and other media, this is for you. Pre-registration is required, with more information coming soon.
- Cooking is being offered again, set to begin on Thursday, Feb 15. Come learn from some of the best cooks and chefs in Broadwater County! Call Tina, at 406.360.4408 or Amanda, at 406.459.7379

for more information.

- Lego Tec Robotics, grades 3-5. Have fun with Legos while learning about robotics. Starts in March. Stay tuned for more information.
- Pottery classes are ongoing at the STOKE Pottery Building. Call Teddy, at 406.439.9345, for more information.

- Game night at the Lodge of Townsend is offered on the 1st and 4th Thursday of the month. 5:30-7. Bring the family for ping pong, pool, corn hole, karaoke, board games and free pizza! Children under 10 have to be accompanied by a parent.

Other news: First Lego League Robotics wrapped up a great rookie season, making it all the way to the State Competition, placing 2nd in Robot Design out of 36 Teams! Way to go, Avengineers!

Last but not least, save the date, Wednesday, Feb 14 is the STOKE annual Valentine's Day fundraiser and dinner at the Lodge. Doors open at 5:30. Come join us for a fun night of games, drinks and great food while showing your support for our kids and STOKE Programs. Tickets are on sale at Reading Leaves, \$40 per person.

Your continuing support is how we can continue to offer our STOKE programs free of charge. Call Jim for more information, at 406.459.9618.

BIG SKY BIG LEADERSHIP SERIES: EFFECTIVE MEETINGS

Allison Kosto
MSU Broadwater County Extension Agent



This is the third in a series of articles sharing concepts from the Big Sky, Big Leadership program. Currently in its third year, this is a nine-month program that helps participants gain leadership skills as well as learn more about issues and resources in the county. This series highlights some of the leadership skills that are incorporated into the class. This month the focus is on effective meetings.

We are all busy. It can be frustrating to take time from your busy schedule or away from your family to attend a meeting that is poorly run. Running an effective meeting is more art than science. It takes practice but there are some foundational techniques that can help set you up for success. There are whole books about running meetings, but here are a few of my top suggestions for effective meetings.

Setting the Stage

Spend time before the meeting to plan the details. Consider everything from the meeting location, room setup, participant invitations and agenda. Even though all these components might seem minor, even one little hiccup can start off the meeting on the wrong foot. Make sure participants have plenty of time to plan for the meeting and get it on their calendar. Last-minute meetings are rarely well attended even if perfectly executed. My goal is to give people at least two months' notice of meetings. A month would be the minimum in today's world. It's a good idea to check the community and/or school calendar to make sure you aren't scheduling during a major event. Also consider the small details that make people feel comfortable such as providing refreshments, being able to hear and see, and handicap accessibility.

The Agenda

Sometimes this simple step is ignored, especially in informal meetings. However, I cannot stress the importance enough. In public meetings, an agenda is required and must be posted at least 48 hours in advance. However, even in community organizations or informal meetings, agendas are critical. They help guide discussions, set expectations and allow participants to prepare for the topics in advance. Personally, if I don't have an agenda then I'm bound to forget something! There are many different agenda formats, and there isn't necessarily a "right one" in most cases. Basically, they should provide a roadmap for the meeting. Publicly posted agendas are the exception. These agenda have certain requirements including which agenda items the organization is expected to make decisions on. In a public meeting, items not on the agenda cannot be discussed or acted upon.

Decision-Making Process

The standard decision-making process is a parliamentary procedure guided by Robert's Rules of Order Newly Advised. However, it's not the only method. It is important that the group understands whatever process you are using and that you stay consistent. Parliamentary procedure can be daunting for people without experience. However, Robert's Rules of Order

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The Montana Public Service Commission designated CenturyLink as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier within its service area for universal service purposes. CenturyLink's basic local service rates for residential voice lines are \$30.50 per month and business services are \$42.00 per month. Specific rates will be provided upon request.

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CenturyLink also participates in the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), which provides eligible households with a discount on broadband service. The ACP provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands.

For both programs, a household is defined as any individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Services are not transferable, and only eligible consumers may enroll in these programs. Consumers who willfully make false statements to obtain these discounts can be punished by fine or imprisonment and can be barred from these programs.

If you live in a CenturyLink service area, visit <https://www.centurylink.com/aboutus/community/community-development/lifeline.html> for additional information about applying for these programs or call 1-800-201-4099 with questions.



COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA FEBRUARY 14, 2024

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 local MT43 Newspaper.

OUR WALK IN FAITH

Elkhorn Community Fellowship
 126 N Cedar St. Townsend
 Pastor Eric Crusch (406) 949-0183
Sunday: 11:00am- Services
Wednesday: 4:00 - 5:30pm Team KID for K - 5th Grades
 | 6:00 - 7:30pm Youth Group for 6 - 12th Grades

Faith Baptist Church
 5 Jack Farm Rd. Townsend
 Pastor Mike Wenzel (406) 266-4219
Sunday: 10:00am Sunday School | 11:00am Morning Service | 6:00pm Evening Service
Wednesday: 7:00pm Bible Study & Prayer

Holy Cross Catholic Church
 101 S Walnut St. Townsend
 Parish Contact (406) 266-4811
 email: office@holycrossmt.org
Sunday: 3:30pm - 4:15pm (or by appt.) Reconciliation | 4:30pm- Mass | 5:30pm (during the school year) Dinner with 6:00pm Religious Ed for all Grades
 Adult Education Programs found on holycrossmt.org
Monday: 9:00am Mass | 9:30am Adoration
Tuesday: 9:00am Mass

Mountain Valley Church (of the CMA)
 110 E Street Townsend
 Pastor Eric Krueger (406) 465-5895
 MountainValleyChurch.org
Sunday: 10:00am Services with Nursery, Kids and Youth Ministry
Last Thursday of the month: 6:30- 8:00pm The Rock Youth Ministry: K-3rd Grades and 4th-Senior High | Parent Bible Study
 Livestream: Facebook.com/mountainValleyChurch406
 Life groups meet weekly. Call for more information.

Radersburg Baptist Church
 7 Main St. Radersburg
 Pastor Richard Summerlin (406) 410-0458
Sunday: 9:45am Sunday School | 11:00am Worship

Set Free Christian Fellowship
 318 Broadway St. Townsend; PO Box 1163
 Pastor Carol Bergstad (406) 461-2181
Sunday: 9:30am Service | 7:00pm Set Free Recovery
Thursday: 7:00pm Bible Study

Seventh Day Adventist Church
 200 N Cedar St. Townsend
 Pastor Ney Khut (269)-362-5768
Saturday: 9:30 Service | 10:30am Bible Study

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church ELCA Synod
 301 N Cherry St. Townsend
 Council President Ross Johnson (406) 465-3791
Sunday: 9:30am Services
Second Tuesday of the month: 6:00pm Women of the ELCA meet.
 Bible Studies meet weekly. Call for more information.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
 916 Broadway St. Townsend
 Bishop Matt Graham (406) 266-4255
Sunday: 8:30am Choir Practice | 9:30am Sacrament Meeting | 10:40am Sunday School
Tuesday: 6:00 - 9:00pm Family History Center Open For Family History Center appointment call Director, Rebecca Mitchell, (406) 980-0270
Wednesday: 6:30pm Youth Activities

Townsend United Methodist Church
 200 N Cedar St. Townsend
 Pastor Mele Moe (406) 266-3390
 TownsendUMC.org
Sunday: 9:00am Services

Trailhead Christian Fellowship
 20 Trailhead View Dr. (5 mi. north of Townsend)
 Pastor Mark Roelofs (406) 266-4406
Sunday: 9:00am Sunday School and Christian Education | 10:00am Services
Wednesday: 4:25 - 5:50pm Awana Program for K- 6th Grades | 6:15 - 8:00pm Youth Group for 7th-12th Grades

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

*I will praise You, O Lord, among the peoples;
 I will sing to You among the nations.
 For Your mercy reaches unto the heavens,
 And Your truth unto the clouds.
 Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;
 Let Your glory be above all the earth.*

PSALM 57:9-11 ☩

SENIOR CENTER

SR. CENTER MEALS FEB 12 - FEB 16
516 2nd Street, Townsend MT

Monday, February 12
 Sloppy Joes on a Bun
 Baked Beans
 Creamy Coleslaw
 Pineapple

Tuesday, February 13
 Roasted Turkey
 Steamed Potatoes
 Green Beans
 Garden Salad
 Whole Grain Bread
 Plump Peaches

Wednesday, February 14
 Roast Beef Dinner
 Mashed Potatoes with Gravy
 Key Largo Vegetables
 Tossed Salad
 Whole Grain Bread
 Apricots
 Desert

Thursday, February 15
 Tuna Noodle Casserole
 Green Peas
 Dinner salad with Beans
 Whole Grain Bread
 Sweet Pears

Friday, February 16
 Polish Sausage
 Sauerkraut
 Steamed Potatoes
 Carrot Raisin Salad
 Whole Grain Roll
 Fruit Cocktail

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.

CREATED GOOD
TOWNSEND COMMUNITY FAMILY NIGHT
Join us for FREE DINNER and ACTIVITIES!
Let's explore our humanity and rediscover our goodness together.

March 3rd
 What does it mean to be forgiven?

5:45-7:00 pm
Holy Cross Parish Center
 101 S. Walnut Townsend

THREE FORKS AREA AMBULANCE COMMUNITY UPDATE

Barbara Mutter
Three Forks Ambulance Service

In January we responded to 26 emergency calls for the volunteers who serve on our local ambulance service. Two of our emergency responses were to fatality accidents on I90.

TFAA did 16 transports to Bozeman Deaconess Hospital. We only needed the paramedics on two of those transports for additional aid.

We continued to stand by at The Three Forks High School Basketball Games to support our youth. The rest of our emergency responses were refusals or canceled en route to an incident.

As we all approach Valentine's Day we think of loved ones. We send cards, candy, Facebook messages, and emails to the people in our lives that we love! We all care about the important people in our lives.

What a GIFT it would be to those people if we were trained to care for our loved ones in an emergency by becoming an Emergency Medical Responder!!

Three Forks Area Ambulance is hosting an EMR Class starting February 16 at our station at 2 East Hickory.

This class is a step below an Emergency Medical Technician. We hope to offer a bridge class this coming summer.

TFAA chose to go this way due to the time commitment and affordability. TFAA needs more LOCAL folks to step up and serve our GROWING community by getting solid medical training and volunteering in our ambulance service.

We understand that everyone's lives are busy. But if you can spare a little time, WE NEED YOU!!! Volunteer means "you do what you can when you can". TFAA understands that not everyone is available 24/7.

We need MORE FOLKS to help carry the load!
 What a wonderful Valentine's Gift to your family and neighbors to know what to do in an EMERGENCY SITUATION!

Call Colleen at 406-498-6959 for more information and to sign up!!

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 provides a more flexible procedure for small groups which is defined as twelve people or less.

After the Meeting
 Typically the work doesn't stop when the meeting ends. However, some of this follow-up work starts within the meeting itself. It is important to make sure that anything that is decided in the meeting also includes the person who is taking responsibility for the action item. Otherwise, the action item often falls on the president or convener of the group which can be burdensome, or it simply won't happen. The use of committees is an effective way to continue work between meetings and often reduces time spent on the subject matter in meetings. It is best practice to send out meeting minutes soon after the meeting. This is important because it allows people who missed the meeting to see what happened. Additionally, it allows those who were at the meeting to look at the minutes while the content is still fresh in their mind to review for corrections or additions.

For more information about Big Sky Big Leadership or to request a presentation about effective meetings, contact MSU Extension in Broadwater County 406-266-9242 or Allison.kosto@montana.edu.

GUEST EDITORIAL

THE JUDICIAL BRANCH NEEDS SOMEONE WHO KNOWS STATE LAW, NOT FEDERAL

Ed Regan
Chairman Broadwater County Republican Central Committee

When choosing a candidate for the Montana Supreme Court, we need to have someone who knows Montana law. We can't afford to become a state that has Justices who rule in favor of his or her own political beliefs and don't truly understand the Montana code and statute.

Supreme Court candidate Jeremiah Lynch has a long history in the federal judiciary where he has made it clear he has a political agenda that guides his court decisions. This is the exact opposite of what we need in a Montana Supreme Court Justice. We need someone who knows Montana law and will remain impartial in their ruling.

Cory Swanson fits the bill of what we need on Montana's highest court. He's served a decade as one of Montana's top prosecutors who knows Montana law and is doing what he can to preserve the Montana way of life. Cory has made it clear that political and judicial interpretations are two different things, siding with preserving justice by interpreting the law as it was written. When voting for Chief Justice, vote Cory Swanson.

Ed Regan
Townsend, MT

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EMR CLASS
EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDERS

THE FIRST CLASS BEGINS ON FEBRUARY 16TH FROM 6:00 TO 10:00 PM

CLASSES WILL BE HELD MON, WED, & FRI FROM 6:00 TO 10:00 PM AT THE TFAA BARN 2 E HICKORY STREET COST \$450

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL EMTMONTANA2008@GMAIL.COM OR CALL/TEXT COLLEEN @ 406-498-6959

OBITUARIES

CYNTHIA M. HALE

Family of Cynthia M. Hale

Cynthia M. Hale, age 62 of Townsend November 4, 1961 – January 24, 2024

Cynthia Mae Hale passed away at the age of 62 on January 24, 2024, in Townsend, Montana.

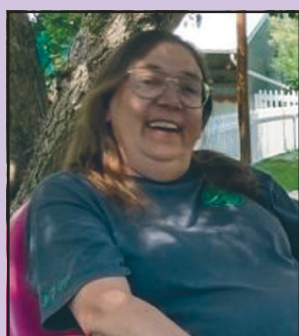
Cynthia was born on November 4, 1961, in Helena, Montana to Donald Hale and Rose Ellen Foster.

Cindy graduated from Capital High School in 1980 and then went on to earn her bachelor's degree in psychology at the University of Montana in Missoula.

She pursued a career with Halliburton Procurement and Supply Chain which took her to Antarctica where she started her love of travel. She traveled the world hitting every continent, 5 1/2 years were spent in Iraq, 4 years in Australia, and 2 years in Afghanistan. Of the many places she visited, her favorite was Thailand. As well as traveling, Cindy had an interest in classic cars and enjoyed going to car shows and clubs.

Cindy is survived by her mother; Rose Ellen Foster, stepfather; Steven Dempsey of Townsend, and her brother; Donald Hale of Helena. Cindy is preceded in death by her father; Donald C. Hale Sr. and her grandmother; Stella Mae Foster.

A graveside service was held on Friday, February 2nd, 2024 at 3:00 PM at the Deep Creek Cemetery (50 Deep Creek Cemetery Rd), Townsend, MT 59644).



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LOVE IS A CHOICE

Ellie West
Certified Master Practitioner of NLP, Timeline Therapy, and Hypnosis



As February unfolds, love takes center stage. While many perceive love as a feeling, my life experiences and daily reflections have led me to believe that love is not merely a fleeting emotion but a deliberate choice.

You are presented with the opportunity to choose love every single day. Admittedly, this choice can be challenging. It's all too familiar to fall into the comfort of routines, patterns, and habits that lack eternal significance.

In relationships, the temptation to become numb, idle, or indifferent can be overpowering. Choosing love requires a conscious effort and a willingness to break free from the daily grind.

Life isn't just about our personal needs; it is about mutual support, nurturing spiritual growth, and praying for one another. But love extends beyond these acts—it involves encouragement, accountability, kindness, compassion, and a steadfast focus on matters of the heart.

Your heart is inherently tender and can easily be broken, shaped by the experiences, traumas, and hurtful words you have encountered throughout your life.

I clearly remember the old childhood adage, "Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me." That can't be further from the truth. Our bones will and do heal with time, but the impact of hurtful words can last a lifetime. Our hearts, beautifully formed at birth, bear the imprints of the pain, trauma, and spoken words that mold them.

You see, we are all on a journey to find peace, love, joy, and happiness. But that comes from within as things and people can't possibly fill those voids.

Love is more than a warm feeling or movie-style romance, which reminds me of the Christmas Hallmark movies where we can escape into the beautiful and captivating small-town charm. Perhaps the Hallmark movies are so popular because, deep down, internally, you are on a journey to find peace, love, joy, and happiness.

Love, in its truest form, is a heartfelt choice made daily. It involves celebrating the ordinary moments and creating your unique, enduring, and one-of-a-kind love story. This commitment is not a one-time event but a continuous choice to recommit over and over again.

Remember, there is power in your words and actions, and it has significant power in shaping your connections. It is how you communicate. You share joy, hope, and sadness through your communication. The impact of your words is profound and can either build others up or tear them down. Be intentional as you consider the impact of your words before you speak.

Are your words rooted in anger, fear, and insecurity, or do they come from a place of compassion, kindness, truth, and goodness?

In navigating the complexities of relationships, be mindful of the choices you make each day—the choice to love, to speak with kindness, and to act with compassion. In these choices, you cultivate a love that transcends fleeting emotions and becomes a steadfast commitment to the well-being of those you hold close to your heart.

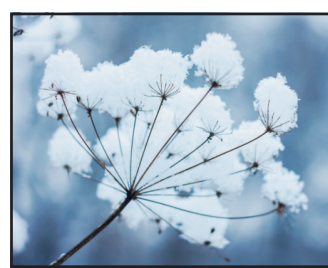
Love is not just a feeling but a conscious choice we make daily.

It's a commitment to celebrate the ordinary, nurture the extraordinary, and weather the storms together.

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others; it is not self-seeking; it is not easily angered and keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." (1 Corinthians 13:4-7)

Remember that our daily choices to love, speak with kindness, and act with compassion create a beautiful love story that withstands the test of time.

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POCKET PASTIES

Eileen Clarke
Rifles and Recipes

Makes 1 dozen

While pasties are closely associated with the Cornish immigrants who worked in Butte's mines, they're very handy for ice fishing on Canyon Ferry. For one thing, both endeavors leave your hands pretty dirty. When miners made these pasties, they made sure there was an all-pie crust 'handle' they could grasp the pasty with to eat, then toss the soiled handle. Plus, they're tasty and easy to make.



Pocket Pasties Photo Credits: Eileen Clarke

The Marinade

24-36 hours ahead

- 1 pound venison, diced
- 2 cups puréed honeydew melon pulp
- 2 teaspoons ground marjoram
- 4 medium-sized bay leaves, crumpled
- 2 tablespoons dried onion flakes
- 2 teaspoons salt
- ¼ teaspoon white pepper

Combine the puréed honeydew, ground marjoram, bay leaves, onion flakes, salt and white pepper in a re-sealable plastic bag. Add the diced meat and marinate 24 to 36 hours. When you're ready to cook, pour the marinade off but don't rinse the meat.

The Rest of the Ingredients

- 3 tablespoons oil, in all
- ½ yellow onion, diced
- 1 cup frozen hash brown potatoes, thawed
- Salt & white pepper, to taste
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1 teaspoon cold water
- 1 13.8 ounce package of Pillsbury Pizza Crust

Cooking

1. In a large skillet, heat 2 tablespoons of the oil over medium heat, until the oil just starts to smoke. Sauté the onion and hash browns together until they start getting nicely browned, then transfer them to a bowl. Add the last tablespoon of oil to the pan and toss the meat in. It will be rather wet at first, so raise the heat to med-high. 2. When almost all the liquid has cooked off, about 7-8 minutes, return the onions and hash browns to the pan. Add salt and white pepper to taste, and continue to cook until everything is hot again, 2-3 minutes. Take the skillet off the heat.

3. Preheat the oven to 425°F. Spray a cookie sheet lightly with oil. Mix the egg and water together in a small bowl.

4. When the meat and potato mixture has cooled enough to handle, break open the Pillsbury Pizza Crust container and roll the crust out on a cutting board. The dough is rather stretchy, but be gentle as you stretch it into a 12x12-inch square, then cut it into 3x4" squares. (Slice it in thirds one way, in fourths the other.) Divide the filling amongst the squares (about 3 tablespoons per) then roll the dough up and pinch the ends closed. Place each pasty on the cookie sheet, seam side down and brush the tops of each with the egg mixture.

5. Bake 12 to 14 minutes until rich golden brown. When cool, wrap in foil and refrigerate, or freeze if not eaten in 1-2 days. Stow your favorite mustard in the cooler for even more flavor!

Eileen Clarke has written the game cooking column for Field & Stream and Successful Hunter magazines, as well as 12 wild game cookbooks covering everything we all hunt. This recipe is from her marinade, brine and rubs cookbook: Tenderize the Wild. With 100 recipes, it's available at www.riflesandrecipes.com/406-521-0273.

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Reach Higher Montana

Reach Higher Montana Launches Annual Design-A-Sticker, Win-A-Scholarship Competition
 Participating students can win one of nine scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,500.

Contact:
 Cullen Gilbreath
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cgilbreath@reachhighermontana.org

February 6, 2024 - Helena – Every year Reach Higher Montana holds a competition to allow students to use their creative side to win scholarship dollars.

The competition asks students to design a sticker that helps pass along the message to fellow students to find their path after high school. The top two designers will each receive a \$1,500 scholarship. The third and fourth place designers will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship. The fifth and sixth place designers will each receive a \$500 scholarship. This year we have added Judges Choice Awards, the three winners will receive a \$500 scholarship. The high school art programs of the respective winning students will also receive \$250 to purchase art supplies or equipment.

Entries can be submitted at ReachHigherMontana.org by February 28th.

The winning sticker designs will be produced and sent to all Montana high schools in the fall as part of the Stick-With-Scholarships campaign. As part of that effort, Reach Higher Montana gives out six \$500 scholarships to students who enter the competition by posting a picture of one of the stickers on their social media account and tagging Reach Higher Montana.

The Design-A-Sticker, Win-A-Scholarship Competition is part of Reach Higher Montana's efforts to help students use their creativity to access resources to continue their education. The Reach Higher Montana website provides access to a list of hundreds of scholarships for Montana students, and the organization posts new scholarship opportunities on its Facebook and Instagram pages every Thursday.

For more information, please visit Reach Higher Montana's website, www.ReachHigherMontana.org, or follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

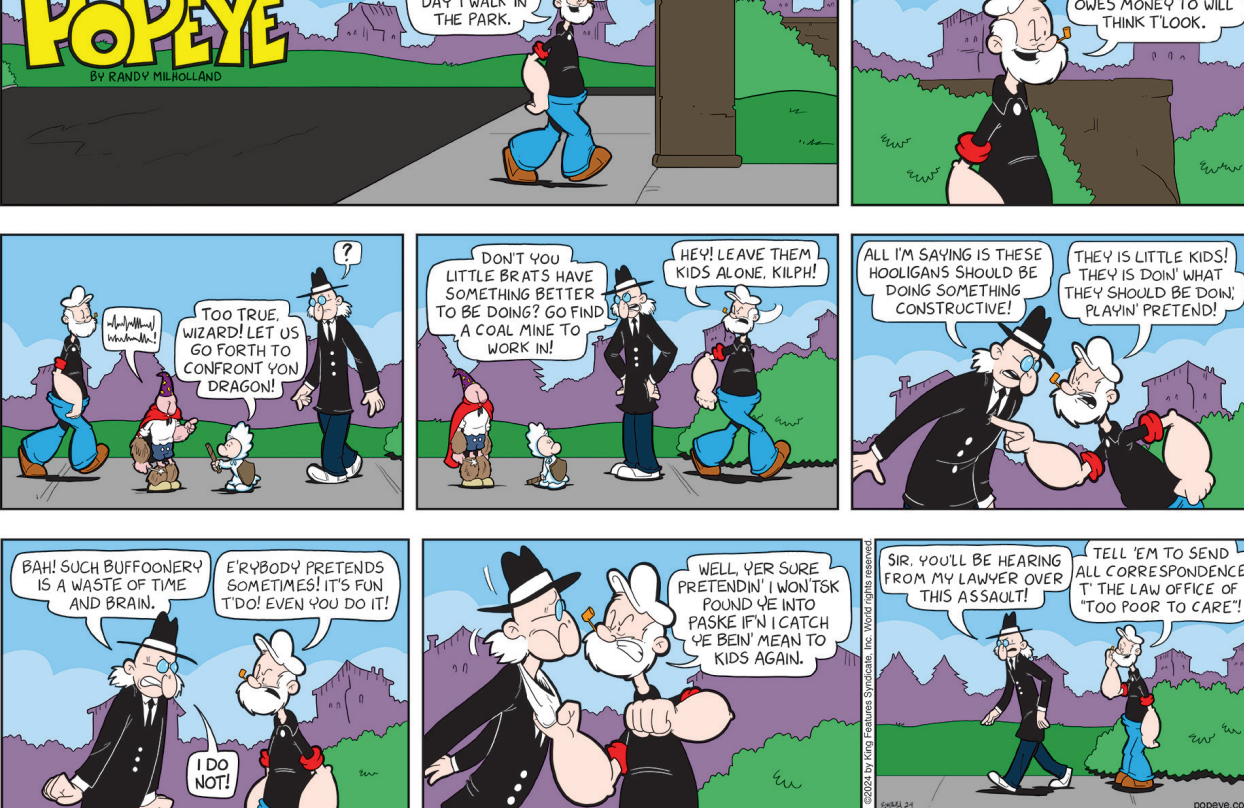
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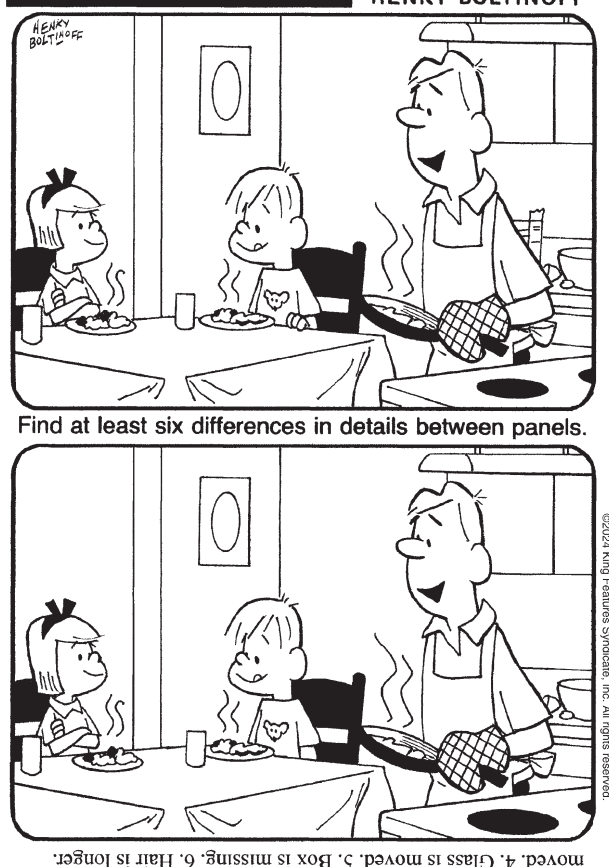
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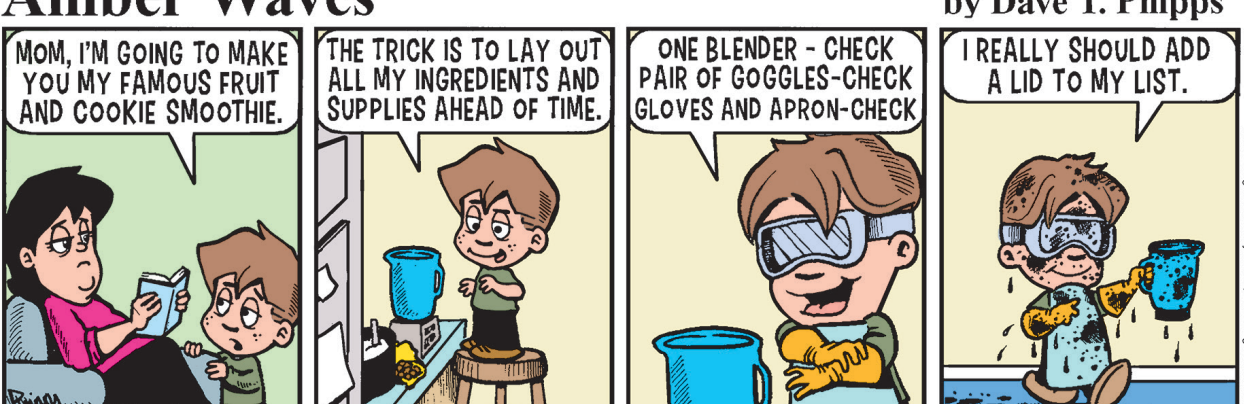
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Farmers Alliance Companies
The Farmers Alliance Companies in McPherson, Kansas, have announced that Centennial Insurance Inc. in Townsend has been named a FARMERS ALLIANCE - ADVANTAGE AGENT for 2024. To qualify as an ADVANTAGE AGENT, an agency must exhibit superior professionalism and profitability over five consecutive years. ADVANTAGE AGENTS are recognized by Farmers Alliance as the "best of the best". Reaching this level of distinction reflects this agency's commitment to its customers and their community. Congratulations to Centennial Insurance Inc. for this achievement. The Farmers Alliance Companies are represented by independent agents and serve eight states. Farmers Alliance was established in 1888 and writes a full range of property and liability insurance for homes, farms, and commercial businesses. For more information visit www.fami.com.

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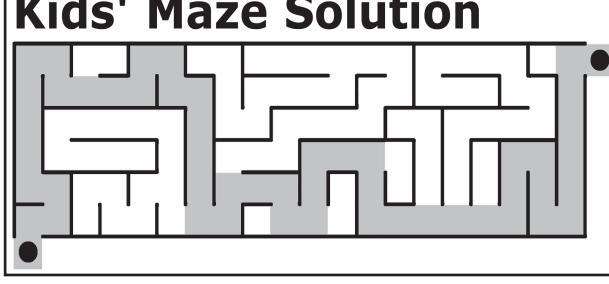
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FEBRUARY 8

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Local Briefs

In conversation with one of the leading carpenters and contractors Sunday who is posted on building and prospective building for the coming season assures us that there is now being planned twenty-two residences with more prospective and from four to six business houses. Let the good work go on.

Harry Keen and Francis Powers prominent ranchers of the valley returned on No. 4 Tuesday from a business trip to Helena.

J.E. Kanouse and Tim McCarthy returned Monday from a business trip to Bozeman.

Two cars of hay are being loaded this week for shipment to the Duluth, Minn. market.

C.A. Kanouse is putting up ice this week for the Townsend Hotel.

Water is being installed this week in the Schreiner building.

Misses Vanga Wright and Mildred McKnight went to Helena Friday night to see "Anna Held" play.

1940

Radersburg News

Mr. and Mrs. James Sitton and Bob Raymond of Helena spent several days in Radersburg with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bomar and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. Oral Clarke and family in Townsend Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bottler went to Townsend Wednesday for medical treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Barraugh and Norma, Mrs. C.E. Freeman, Floran Bottler and Willis Hossfeld were transacting business in Townsend Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Roberts and son, Hugh, were Townsend callers Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith of the valley were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Freeman Monday evening. They also called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris and Roberta Ann.

Melvin Bottler motored to Toston Monday accompanied by Sam Eslick.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith and sons, Albert, Jr. and Charles Lee, took in the show in Townsend Sunday night.

1968

Green Sells Plant to Government

Final papers were signed Wednesday which transferred land belonging to Louis Green to the Bureau of Reclamation. The land involved has Green's Processing Plant located on it. This has been in litigation several years and was brought about by flooding conditions along the Missouri River caused by ice jams.

Several pieces of property in the area have been purchased by the Bureau over the last few years. The River Inn and the River Inn Motel cabins belonging to Lester Goodwin were among the first bought by the government. Also the farm land along the river belonging to Paul Ragen was awarded damages and an easement was secured by the Bureau regarding future damage.

Mr. Green has been allotted 45 days to get his equipment off the premises. This will be stored in the warehouse back of Green's Market.

Local News

Among students home from the University of Montana in Missoula over the week end were Nancy Marks, Ted Flynn, Pat Ragen and Skip Sherwood.

Mrs. Clinton Lewis and Mrs. Julia Chamberlain were visiting in Boulder Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken McHenry and children and Miss Linda McHenry of Missoula were week end visitors with Mrs. McHenry's mother, Mrs. Adaline Damuth, and their father, William McHenry.

1996

Around Town News

Monday La Vay Johnson, Doreen Sautter and Donna Mostad braved the cold temperatures and helped residents of the Broadwater Health Center nursing home decorate boxes for their upcoming Valentine's Day box social.

Thursday the United Methodist women met at the church. Attending were Gladys Armstrong, Rene Dagnall, Peggy Kenney, Doreen Sautter, Ruth Zimmerman, Martha Schmidt, Cheryl Russel and daughter and Mary Wright and the Rev. Joe Easton.


Colleen Martin and Patrick, Helena, were overnight guests Sunday of Mary Pat Martin.

Ray Horne visited Maurice Crabtree in White Sulphur Springs Sunday.

Women's Bowling Tourney Winners Circle


It was a big week end of bowling with the Women's City Tournament at Lucky Lanes Saturday and Sunday. Claiming the team championship were Marie Bucy, Judy O'Rouke, Jane Damuth, Lena Mahr, and Midge Bucy. The doubles tandem of Amy Graveley and Brenda Roberts won that event and Graveley bowled her way to the all events title of the tournament. And on her way to taking the individual title, Brenda Roberts rolled a 252 scratch game.






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Nancy Marks
Reporter



David Sigler bubbles over with pride as he shows off his sewage treatment plant. The way he tells it, the system is a technological marvel. Only an engineer could love a sewage system. Sigler happens to be both a structural engineer and a brewer of really good beer. As everybody knows, beer and wastewater go together.



Headwaters Utility Association President David Sigler, President of Headwaters Utility Association stands beside state-of-the-art Pioneer Waste Water Treatment plant
Photo Credits: Nancy Marks

The sewage plant is near the Bridger Brewing Company's brewery and pub fronting on Interstate Highway 90 near Three Forks. The sewer system is owned by Headwaters Utility Association, (HUA) now a non-profit organization. Sigler is HUA president. He's also a co-founder of Bridger Brewing Co. and he heads an engineering consulting firm in Bozeman.

The sewage treatment plant uses what is known as a Membrane BioReactor (MBR) system. More about that later.



Tanks in Wastewater Treatment Plant
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The HUA's big client is the brewery, which uses a lot of water in the brewing process. The sewage system is also hooked up to the state Department of Transportation's newly built but yet-to-open highway rest area just north of the Interstate 90 intersection



Sludge moves from the outside holding unit to a small building which houses four holding tanks. Sludge is oxygenated, then moved through anaerobic processes which break down the waste.
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with U.S. Highway 287. That interchange is home to the Wheat Montana Bakery, Steer In Trailer Sales, and a handful of other businesses. On the south side of the interchange is a Town Pump convenience store and truck stop. The nearby hills are filling up with subdivisions and hundreds of upscale homes, habitat,

it seems, mostly for comfortably retired folks.

The upshot is that the interchange is becoming a business hub with great potential for growth. And that's

just fine with Sigler because the MBR wastewater treatment system is modular and can be scaled up to serve area businesses in the district, paying customers for HUA. The system has been widely adopted in municipal and industrial wastewater treatment plants across the nation. In Montana, they include systems used at Craig and Wolf Creek and one at Flathead Lake.

According to a HUA press release, the MBR system surpasses conventional treatment methods by turning wastewater into water that, although not fit for human consumption, is usable for irrigation, toilets and fire suppression systems. The Headwaters Utility Association is thus set to save tens of thousands of gallons of potable water per day. Sludge generated by the system is processed into compost.



Sigler displays the almost clear, nonpotable water as the final product of the MBR system.
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