

Thank You for Participating!



Sandi Olsen

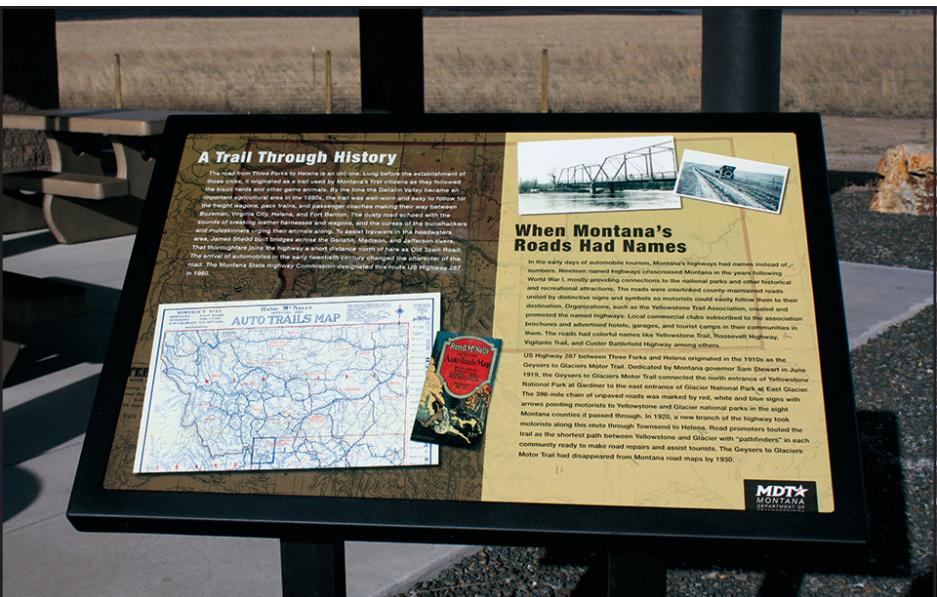
Thank you to community members who attended the First Responder Appreciation and Community Awareness Event held at the Townsend Fire Hall on April 6. The event was organized by participants in the Big Sky, Big Leadership class in Broadwater County, a program of MSU Extension.

Highlights of the event included a Broadwater County Sheriff's Office K9 presentation by Jordan Grimsrud and CPR demonstrations by Shari Graham from the Department of Health and Human Services. Attendees also had the opportunity to learn about volunteer opportunities, take home handouts and information, see equipment, and speak with representatives from the Townsend Fire Department, Broadwater County Search and Rescue, Motor Carrier Service, U.S Forest Service Law Enforcement, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks, and Top Gun Autobody.

The event organizers would like to recognize and thank the generous local businesses who donated door prizes, lunch and funds for the event: Bob's Supermarket, Broadwater Blooms Flower Shop, C Hangin' C Mercantile, Cowgirls Espresso, Deep Creek Pizza, Fishtale Tavern, Full Belli Deli, Hedstrom Complete Auto Repair, Madison River Propane, Montana Hydraulics/Ehlke Herefords, Pintail Salon, Precision Business Resources, Reading Leaves Bookstore, TB's Diner, TK's Garage, Townsend Barber Shop, Townsend Hardware, Townsend Marine, and True Value Hardware. Additional thanks to Broadwater County Fire Chief, Ed Shindoll, and Broadwater County Extension Agent, Allison Kosto, for their assistance and to everyone who participated and made this event a success!

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Highway 287 Rest Stop Opens Without Fanfare



Highway 287 Reader board which gives history of the Three Forks area. Nancy Marks, Staff Photographer



Highway 287 Rest Stop near the 190 junction opened Friday. Nancy Marks, Staff Photographer

MT 43 News Staff Reporter

The Headwaters Rest Area near Three Forks on US Highway 287 opened Friday promptly at 9 a.m. Friday. A maintenance person reminded people who stopped by early that the facility would not open before 9:00 a.m. The facility was soon busy with cars and semis parked and people visiting the site.

The well-appointed rest area features reader boards explaining the history of the surrounding area. Three

single bathrooms each serve the men's and women's areas. Each area has an American Disabilities Act (ADA) restroom. Picnic tables for visitors' use are protected from the wind and a designated animal area is well-marked.

According to a January 31 email from Lisa Olmsted, public involvement manager for the Montana Department of Transportation, the facility, the first of its kind in Montana, has a law enforcement office space for use by Broadwater County Sheriff's Department,

Montana Highway Patrol and Motor Carrier Services employees. The facility will better serve the southern end of Broadwater County.

Broadwater County Sheriff Nick Rauser said in an email he was waiting to hear from MDOT about the use of the office space. If a memorandum of understanding between the county and MDOT is in place, he plans to use the office for his deputy to conduct interviews and write reports. His office does not plan to man the office 24/7.

Townsend SkillsUSA to State!

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The Circus is Coming to Townsend!

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Bulldog Track Goes to Red Lodge Classic

MT43 News Staff Reporter

This past Friday, the Broadwater Bulldogs traveled to Laurel for the Red Lodge Classic. A lot of the big schools were competing in either duals or triangulars, so many of the Class B and C teams were competing in one of a few big meets across the state including the Classic, as well as the Hamilton Invitational and Fergus Invite. Athletes from 27 Class B & C schools took to the Laurel complex a day early, as the meet was moved up due to a questionable forecast for Saturday. Being in Laurel gave the Bulldogs a preview of the venue that will be hosting not only their divisional meet, but also the Class A & B state competition.

The Varsity Lady Bulldogs placed second as a team with 82 points behind Huntley Project. The Lady Dogs have depth at many events with a strong squad and they added to that this weekend by returning a few from illness, injury and lack of practice time. The sprinters/throwers almost universally improved their times/throws and the distance squad placed a trio of runners in the top 10 at both the mile and two-mile distances.

Leading the way for the Bulldogs was senior Havyn Vandenacre winning the javelin throw and 100-meter hurdles, as well as scoring multiple points in her other events. Sophomore Kaitlyn Noyes won the triple jump for the second week, while also finishing in the top eight in all her events. Freshman Kyla Meissner pulled off the distance double by winning both the 1600-meter and 3200-meter races. Juniors Kaelyn Sangray and Abigail Wickens joined her in the top 10 at both distances. Holly Newman and Reese Wolfgram added a couple of top-ten performances in the long and triple jumps, while Jazlyn Martin and Aspen Slyker were both 7th in discus and javelin, respectively.

100-meter dash: 3rd Havyn Vandenacre 13.08, 8th Kaitlyn Noyes 13.42, Reese Wolfgram 13.89, Emmalin Fischer 14.48, Aspen Slyker 14.51, Amanda Pesicka 14.53, Emily Taves 15.71, Sarah Morgan 15.97, Scarlett McDaniel 16.60, and Madison Zaharko 17.06. 200-meter dash: 3rd Kaitlyn Noyes 27.16, 5th Havyn Vandenacre 27.65, Aspen Slyker 30.13, Amanda Pesicka 30.63, Emily Taves 33.49, Sarah Morgan 34.86, Scarlett McDaniel 36.08, and Madison Zaharko 38.28. 400-meter dash: Memphys Meier 1:12, Amanda Pesicka 1:12, Emily Taves 1:23, Sarah Morgan 1:24, Scarlett McDaniel 1:25 and Madison Zaharko 1:29. 800-meter run: Shalyn Sentinella 3:32. 1600-meter run: 1st Kyla Meissner 5:34, 8th Kaelyn Sangray 6:07, 10th Abby Wickens 6:28 and Shalyn Sentinella 7:47. 3200-meter run: 1st Kyla Meissner 12:24, 5th Kaelyn Sangray 13:21 and 9th Abby Wickens 14:19.

100-meter hurdles: 1st Havyn Vandenacre 15:76, 10th Holly Newman 17:97 and Emmalin Fischer 18.25. 300-meter hurdles: 2nd Havyn Vandenacre 47.09, Holly Newman 54.38 and Emmalin Fischer 57.63. The ladies' squad of Reese Wolfgram, Luci Horne, Aspen Slyker & Amanda Pesicka finished the 4 x 100 relay in 55.21 taking 8th place. The same quartet of ladies took to the track for the long relay (4 x 400) and improved to 7th place with a time of 4:46.

Shot Put: Jazlyn Martin 24'0.75", Karsyn Sangray 24'1" and Berlin Korr 23'2.5". Discus: 7th Jazlyn Martin 86'7", Karsyn Sangray 68'2" and Berlin Korr 60'1". Javelin: 1st Havyn Vandenacre 120'5", 7th Aspen Slyker 99'9", Luci Horne 9'5", Jazlyn Martin 86' and Karsyn Sangray 55'4".

High Jump: 8th Kaitlyn Noyes 4'10" and Holly Newman 4'8". Long Jump: 3rd Kaitlyn Noyes 15'11.25", 8th Reese Wolfgram 15'0.25", 9th Holly Newman 14'10" and Emmalin Fischer 13'0.25". Triple Jump: 1st Kaitlyn

Noyes 33'11.5", 5th Reese Wolfgram 32'6.25", Holly Newman 29'10", Luci Horne 28'7.25" and Emmalin Fischer 28'5.25".

The men's varsity scored 14 points for a tie for 10th place overall as a team with Huntley Project and Saco. They were led by junior Deegan Mattson who finished 2nd in the 100-meter hurdles and 7th in the 100-meter dash. Junior Nolan Flynn had a great day in the distance races finishing 3rd in the 3200-meter and 7th in the 1600-meter. Also impressive for the Bulldogs was Tavyn Anderson 9th in both hurdle distances and Jim Tew in 10th in the triple jump.

100-meter dash: 7th Deegan Mattson 11.73, Colt Bernard 12.53, Jim Tew 12.82, Logan Johnson 13.39 and Gavin Greene 14.95. 200-meter dash: Colt Bernard 25.14, Marek Easter 25.38, Tavyn Anderson 27.32 and Logan Johnson 27.62. 400-meter dash: Marek Easter 58.47. 800-meter run: Max Sellay 2:37 and Gavin Greene 2:37. 1600-meter run: 7th Nolan Flynn 4:56, Rylan Hoveland 5:45 and Max Sellay 5:45. 3200-meter run: 3rd Nolan Flynn 11:15.

110-meter hurdles: 2nd Deegan Mattson 17.30 and 9th Tavyn Anderson 19.84. 300-meter hurdles: 9th Tavyn Anderson 48.8. Long Jump: Tavyn Anderson 17'5.25", Marek Easter 17'4.25", Jim Tew 17'0.75", Logan Johnson 16'3" and Gavin Greene 13'5.5". Triple Jump: 10th Jim Tew 35'11" and Gavin Greene 29'11.5".

Shot Put: Gavin Schmele 37'11", Tanner Bird 30'3.5", Pat Gossard 28'9.5", Tysen Giomi 28'3.5" and Cooper Hines 21'1". Discus: Gavin Schmele 100'8", Tanner Bird 93', Trace Giomi 83'10", Cooper Hines 72'10" and Crieghton Wright 68'10". Javelin: Marek Easter 121'3", Pat Gossard 109'6", Tanner Bird 97'1", Tysen Giomi 89'1" and Aidan Kitto 88'2".

The Broadwater Bulldogs will next travel to Belgrade for the Gallatin Valley Invitational on Saturday, April 13th competing against more than 20 schools. Good luck Dogs!

**WEAR PURPLE,
MONDAY APRIL 15th!**

**Read Article on Page 4
to Find Out More!**

Kindergarten Round-Up

Christina Hartmann

Townsend Schools Elementary Principal

Townsend Schools will be holding kindergarten registration and roundup for students who will be entering school in August 2024. Students need to be 5 years old on or by September 10, 2024. It is required that children register and attend the kindergarten roundup to be placed in a class.



**Kindergarten
Registration**

REGISTRATION OPENS

When:

Starting February 1st, 2024, Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Where:

Townsend Elementary School Office @ 210 N Pine
Please bring immunization and birth certificate along with registration packet (available at office) to schedule a time slot for kindergarten roundup.

KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP

When:

April 25, 2024

It will take approximately 45-60 minutes to complete the developmental screener and will be held in the community room near the library.

Please note: Townsend School District is exploring HB352 which is an early literacy program, PreK program, designed to provide targeted interventions. The PreK program will be eligible to children who are 4 years of age or older on or before September 10, 2024, have not completed Kindergarten, and will not be proficient in reading by the completion of 3rd grade based on a development trajectory supported by a research-based assessment. If your student qualifies for kindergarten based on age but may not be ready, please register for kindergarten. Following Kindergarten Roundup, the district will be able to provide further information on the early literacy program, PreK, and if it will be available.

Performers of the Week - April 5

Lacie Reed

Lacie J. Reed Photography

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

Here are our Players of the week!

TRACK



Havyn Vandenacre
Photo: Lacie J. Reed Photography



Gavin Schmele
Photo: Lacie J. Reed Photography

Girls:

Girls track player of the week is Havyn Vandenacre. She broke her own record in javelin throwing 127'11. And state qualifying in 3 events on our first meet: javelin, 100m hurdles time of 16.12 and 300 m hurdles time of 47.42.

Boys:

Boys track player of the week is Gavin Schmele. Gavin has had an unfortunate year in sports due to a football injury, so seeing him out and actually having him compete is so exciting! He is already showing leadership by helping out our younger throwers. He also did well in disc throwing 112' and shot 39'3.

GOLF



Mikayla Kraft
Photo: Lacie J. Reed Photography



Jace Mainwaring
Photo: Lacie J. Reed Photography

Girls:

Girls Golf's player of the week is Mikayla Kraft. We did not have a golf meet last. But McKayla showed up every practice ready to learn and improve. She had a great week of practice and improved each day.

Boys

Boys Golf player of the week is Jace Mainwaring. We did not have a golf meet last week but Jace showed up every practice ready to learn and improve. He had a great week of practice and improved each day.

TENNIS

Callie Gentry is playing varsity singles this year and has made huge strides in her game. Last week Callie went undefeated in Great Falls.



Callie Gentry
Photo: Lacie J. Reed Photography

The Circus Is Coming June 26th!



Pat Plantenberg
Rotarian



The Rotary Club of Townsend is sponsoring the Culpepper and Merriweather Circus again this year on Wednesday, June 26th at the Broadwater County Fairgrounds. Rotary's goal for 2024 is to provide free \$8 circus tickets for all children ages 2-12 years of age in Broadwater County!

The Rotary Club will match up to \$2,000 for all donations so that \$4,000 can be raised to buy at least 500 kids tickets to give away. If anyone is interested in helping Rotary achieve this ambitious goal, please send your donations to Rotary at P. O. Box 1192, Townsend, MT 59644.

If you have any questions please call Patrick Plantenberg at 406-431-4615. Thank you for your support! Rotary-it's about helping our kids!

Estate Sale!

New and used outdoor gear; horse tack; household and decorative items; tables/bookcases; beds; generators; bbq and smoker; much more!

33 Valley Drive (5 miles N of town) on Saturday, April 13 from 9am-4pm.

Townsend School Calendar

APRIL

Fri 12 - Sat 13	District Music Festival @ Helena
Fri 12	NO SCHOOL 1:00PM Tennis - Three Forks/Red Lodge @ Big Timber
Sat 13	9:00AM Varsity Tennis @ Choteau 10:30 AM Jennifer Pierce DHHS-Assessment at Library Classroom HS Track @ Belgrade V Golf @ Fairfield
Mon 15	7:30AM D/C College Writing at Community Room 5:30PM Master Gardener Class in the Community Room 6:00PM Adult City League Volleyball at 1963 Gym 6:30PM FFA Awards Banquet at Elementary Commons/Kitchen MS Golf @ Livingston
Tue 16	7:30AM D/C College Writing at Community Room 9:30AMV Golf-Manhattan @ Bozeman 12:00PM 4th Wax Museum at Community Room 6:00PM FWP at the Community Room
Wed 17	7:30AM D/C College Writing at Community Room 6:30PM Free Home Gardening Class in the Community Room 7:00PM Old Baldy Adult Open Gym at BHS 63 Gym 7:00PM Old Baldy Adult Pickleball at BHS Stage Gym
Thu 18	7:30AM D/C College Writing at Community Room JV Golf- Gardiner @ Livingston JV Tennis- Three Forks/Jefferson @ Home MS Track @ Livingston
Fri 19 - Sat 20	Tennis- Fort Benton/Choteau/Conrad @ Great Falls
Fri 19	NO SCHOOL 12:00PM - Election Judge Training at Community Room V Golf @ Home
Sat 20	9:00AM HS Track @ Bozeman



The 8th Annual Broadwater County-Wide Yard Sale

will be held on July 20, 2024.

If you are planning to hold a yard/garage sale this year, consider joining the County-Wide Yard Sale. We will do all the advertising across our region including Helena, Butte and Bozeman - You keep all the profits!

Three Forks area residents welcome!

Call Pam at (406) 422-7028 for more information or to be included in our yard sale map.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY!



Broadwater Conservation District Ted Flynn Memorial Scholarship is available to local graduating seniors. The Broadwater Conservation District (BCD) encourages local graduating seniors pursuing a career in Natural Resources, Conservation or Agriculture, to apply for the BCD Ted Flynn Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship was set up to honor long time BCD board member and rancher, Ted Flynn, who had a keen interest in all facets of nature and ecology.

For more information or if a local graduating senior interested in applying for the scholarship, please contact Mr. Schnittgen, Guidance Counselor at Broadwater High School, Mr. Hessen, Counselor at Three Forks High School, or Denise Donnelly, District Administrator at BCD.

Townsend Community Calendar

APRIL

Friday 12	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 5:30pm Big Sky Culinary Class - Indian Cuisine at The Lodge of Townsend 7:00PM Live Music at The Betsy SportsZone SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS
Saturday 13	9:00AM - 4:00PM Estate Sale DETAILS ABOVE 1:00pm Broadwater School and Community Library Open House at Broadwater County Library INFO ON THIS PAGE 6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945 6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway
Monday 15	6:00pm Wine Tasting at The Betsy: April 15 at The Betsy 6:00pm Celebrate Recovery at Mountain Valley Church, 107 E St, 406-980-1805
Tuesday 16	5:00pm American Legion Post 42 Food and Bingo at American Legion Post 42 Club 5:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry 6:00pm Fish, Wildlife and Parks Meeting - Proposals for 2025-2026 Fishing Regulations at Townsend Schools Community Room 6:00pm Bingo at American Legion Post 42 Club, 211 Broadway
Wednesday 17	1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St
Thursday 18	12:00am Tree Board Meeting at Townsend City Hall 7:00pm Al-Anon at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry
Friday 19	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 6:00PM Live Music at The Betsy SportsZone SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS
Saturday 20	12:00PM Out of the Darkness Walk to Prevent Suicide, East Helena High School, 2760 Valley Drive, East Helena; Contact Karen Snow:406.214.5675 ksnow@afsp.org or Register at afsp.org/TriCounty 5:00PM 2024 Lincoln - Reagan Day Dinner SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS 6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945
Wednesday 24	Meet Govenar Candidate, Ryan Busse SEE AD ON PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS 6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway
Thursday 25	6:00pm Medicare 101: Free Medicare Seminar at Reading Leaves Book Store, 401 Broadway in Townsend (RSVP CONTACT INFO: AD ON PAGE 7)

Full-Time Job Opening

Executive Administrative Assistant - Commission - Broadwater County

Broadwater County is seeking qualified applicants to fill the position of Executive Administrative Assistant. This is a permanent, full-time position working 40 hours per week for the Commission and supporting departments under commission supervision.

Duties and responsibilities include answering phones, livestreaming county board meetings, drafting minutes and weekly agendas, processing mail, responding to walk-in inquiries, filing, and other clerical duties.

Attention to detail, ability to work on deadline, proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite, discretion, and customer service skills are essential. Occasional evening hours may be required. GIS and soils knowledge is helpful. A valid driver's license is required.

The wage is \$16-\$19/hr, DOE. Includes health insurance and other benefits.

Applications and a copy of the job description can be found online at www.broadwatercountymt.com or by emailing envhealth@co.broadwater.mt.us. Position is open until filled.

Broadwater County is an equal opportunity employer. Broadwater County shall, upon request, provide reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified individuals with disabilities.

LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE

201 N. SPRUCE ST.

SATURDAY
APRIL 13TH.
1 - 3 PM

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NATIONAL
LIBRARY WEEK
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SEE WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE
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EAT DELICIOUS TREATS
WIN PRIZES

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BIG SKY BIG LEADERSHIP
BROADWATER COMMUNITY LIBRARY



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Three Forks School Calendar

APRIL

Fri 12 - Sat 13	Softball @ Missoula Tournament
Fri 12	Varsity Tennis @ Big Timber
Sat 13	HS Track Gallatin Valley Inv. @ Belgrade Tennis vs. Choteau
Mon 15 - Sat 20	Missoula Children's Theatre: Robin Hood
Tue 16	6:30PM Board Meeting Large Conference Room Golf Varsity @ Cottonwood (Christian) HS FCCLA Meeting During Lunch Softball vs Manhattan
Wed 17	Golf JH @ Livingston MS FCCLA Meeting at Lunch break
Thu 18	Golf JV @ Livingston JV Tennis @ Manhattan MS Book Club at Lunch Softball @ Florence
Fri 19 - Sat 20	Tennis Open
Fri 19	Golf Varsity @ Townsend HS Track Harry Swede Inv. @ Butte
Sat 20	HS Track Location TBD



Three Forks Community Calendar

APRIL

Friday 12	2:00 PM: Three Forks Library - Crafternoon Rock Painting
Sunday 14	5:00 PM: Spring Cleanup Dumpsters @ Rodeo Grounds at TF Rodeo Grounds
Tuesday 16	1:00 PM: Three Forks Library - Maj Jongg 4:00 PM: Three Forks Library - Middle School Book Club
Thursday 18	10:00 AM: Three Forks Library - Story Time 7:00 PM: Three Forks Music Night with Old Freight Road at Bridger Brewing Three Forks
Friday 19	1:00 PM: Three Forks Library - Lego Club

Broadwater County Government Calendar

APRIL

Monday 15	11:00am Commission Working Meeting
April 16	3:00pm Commission Working Meeting (in the Commissioner's Office) 7:00pm Noxious Weed Board Meeting
April 17	10:00am Commission Meeting



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
Curbside available. Please call (406)441-3461

April is Military Child Appreciation Month

Karen Susag
American Legion Secretary

The American Legion and Auxiliary has designated April as Children & Youth Month. April is also dedicated as Military Child Appreciation Month, officially known as the Month of the Military Child. Monday, April 15th is celebrated as Purple Up Day. Please wear purple on that day to honor the

Military Child who sacrifices so much as their service parents are working to protect our country! Purple was chosen because it is the combined color of the 5 Military branches: Army green, Coast Guard blue, Air Force blue, Marine red and Navy blue. Ask your friends to wear Purple and be sure to tell them why you are asking them to do it.

Military children are strong, resilient, and supportive individuals who face many challenges and unique

experiences due to their parents' military service. According to the U.S. Department of Defense, there are more than 1.5 million military children in the United States. These kids encounter trials and tribulations that are often invisible and unacknowledged. Broadwater American Legion Auxiliary Unit 42 is looking to the young people in the community who gave a little extra to make life better for others, they need to be recognized.

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K9, Zero, and his handler, Jordan Grimsrud
Sandi Olsen Photo



Food and fun were shared by all who attended!
Sandi Olsen Photo

Broadwater County 1st Responder Appreciation and Community Awareness Event

Matt Nelson



A Broadwater County 1st Responder Appreciation and Community Awareness Event was held at the Townsend Volunteer Fire Station on Saturday, April 6th, from 9 AM until 1 PM.

The local 1st Responders were represented by the Townsend Fire Department; the Broadwater County Sheriff's Office; Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks; Motor Carrier Service; Public Health & Human Services (CPR); Broadwater County Search and Rescue; U.S. Forest Service Law Enforcement; Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs); Top Gun Autobody.

While this event was going on, there were amazing door prizes and giveaways such as haircuts, gift baskets, gift cards, flower arrangements, oil changes and more. Additionally, from Noon until 1 PM free burgers, hot dogs, and refreshments were available.

Among the people present were Ed Shindoll, the Broadwater County Fire Chief; Broadwater County Sheriff Nick Rauser, the Under-Sheriff Brandon Harris, and Captain Mark Wood, also of the Sheriff's Department; Nick Scholz and Corey Scevers, both with the U.S. Forest Service Law Enforcement, and their mascot Smokey Bear; Game Wardens Troy Hinck and Josh Leonard, who are with the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks; with the Public Health & Human Services (CPR) and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) were Shari Graham, a Paramedic and Sheila White, a retired EMT, and David Austin, a retired firefighter and EMT, plus the Billings Clinic Broadwater Ambulance. The Broadwater Search and Rescue unit includes Nick Rauser, Brandon Harris, Ed Shindoll, plus Jackie Smith, Daniel Truesdell, County Commissioner Lindsey Richtmyer and her husband Tory, Mike Speedy, and myself.



Left to Right Broadwater County Search and Rescue personnel: Sheriff Nick Rauser, Jackie Smith, Daniel Truesdell, County Commissioner Lindsey Richtmyer and her husband Tory, County Fire Chief Ed Shindoll, Mike Speedy, Under-Sheriff Brandon Harris. Also pictured is Mark Wood, a Captain in the Sheriff's Department.
Matt Nelson Photo

A general meeting for all the members of the BCSAR team is held on the last Monday of each month, and training in such items as first aid, water and ice rescue, and search techniques is given on the first Thursday of each month. Both meetings start at 6:30 PM. The SAR building is located at the corner of Pine Street and 6th Street.

Volunteers are always welcome with the BCSAR Team. The people currently serving have a wide

background of abilities and talents and are in all adult age groups. The main purpose is to help other people in traumatic situations.

If you have any questions about Search and Rescue or would like to volunteer, please call the sheriff's office at 406 266-3441 or the SAR president Eric Crusch at 406 521-0275.

God bless all of the 1st Responders, here in Broadwater County and in the rest of the world.



U.S. Forest Law Enforcement Officers
Nick Scholz and Corey Scevers
Matt Nelson Photo



Billings Clinic Broadwater Ambulance and Hands Only CPR - Shari Graham, paramedic, Sheila White, Retired, EMT, and David Austin, retired firefighter and EMT
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Game wardens Troy Hinck and Josh Leonard
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Legal notices are required to print in local newspapers and may hold private or public interest. Here you may read about Probate Notices, Estate Settlements and other Judicial Actions as well as important Broadwater County notices.



NOTICE OF A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE UPDATE TO THE CITY OF TOWNSEND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS

The City of Townsend Planning Board has prepared a draft update to the City of Townsend Subdivision Regulations, and we invite you to provide comments on the updates. The subdivision regulation updates consist of revisions to the regulations based on changes in Montana State Law regarding subdivisions.

For additional information, contact Jeremy Fadness, WWC Engineering, 1275 Maple Street Suite F, Helena, MT 59601, 406-443-3962. Written comments may be directed to the City of Townsend Planning Board, 110 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644. The public comment period ends on April 19, 2024. Hard copies of the draft Subdivision Regulation Updates can be viewed at Townsend City Hall.

Further, an electronic copy can be requested by contacting Jeremy Fadness, WWC Engineering, 1275 Maple Street Suite F, Helena, MT 59601, 406-443-3962. A public hearing on the draft update to the City of Townsend Subdivision Regulations will be conducted by the City of Townsend Planning Board on April 19, 2024, 6:30 p.m. at the Townsend City Hall, 110 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Broadwater County Board of Commissioners will be taking comments regarding updates to the Broadwater County Growth Policy Plan. A public hearing will be held on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 10:05 am in the Flynn Building located at 416 Broadway Street, Townsend. The proposed amendments are posted on the Broadwater County website at www.broadwatercountymt.com. Written comments are also being accepted at planning@wmggroup.com Broadwater County Board of Commissioners.

Published April 5, 2024 and April 12, 2024

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NOTICE OF TOWNSEND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 ELECTION

NOTICE is hereby given that ballots will be mailed to the voters on April 22, 2024, for the election of two (2) Townsend School District #1 Board of Trustees for three-year terms. The candidates who have filed for office are Jason Noyes, Vanessa Flynn and Audrey Martin.

This election will be conducted by MAIL BALLOT ONLY. The regular polling places will not be open.

The place of deposit and the days and times when ballots may be returned to the place of deposit before election day and on election day are:

BROADWATER COUNTY, CLERK AND RECORDER OFFICE
515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644

Office Hours: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday
Election Day, May 7, 2024, 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

In order to be counted, ballots must be received at the election office by 8:00 PM on Election Day, May 7, 2024.

If you have questions about your ballot please call 406-266-3405. If you believe you should receive a ballot and did not, ballot(s) may be obtained at the Clerk and Recorder's office.
DATED this 2nd day of April, 2024.

/s/ ANGIE PAULSEN
BROADWATER COUNTY
Clerk and Recorder | Elections Administrator | County Surveyor

Published April 12, 2024

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR BROADWATER COUNTY GROWTH POLICY PLAN

Notice is hereby given that the Broadwater County Planning Board will be taking comments regarding updates to the Broadwater County Growth Policy Plan.

A public hearing will be held on Monday, April 29, 2024 at 2:00pm in the Flynn Building located at 416 Broadway Street, Townsend.

The proposed amendments are posted on the Broadwater County website at www.broadwatercountymt.com. Written comments are also being accepted.
Broadwater County Planning Board.

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Developing Financially Attainable Housing in Broadwater County

J B Howick



April 23, 2024, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Broadwater School District Community Room

The housing committee group of the Broadwater Community Review invites local governments; financial, construction, real estate, and housing assistance leaders; and members of the public to join us for a discussion of, and public input concerning, the group's efforts to develop a plan to meet the needs of Broadwater County residents who work and live in the area but cannot afford housing.



April 5th

Dee Gannon

MT43 News Correspondent



Richard Karp appeared for an Evidentiary Hearing on a Petition to Revoke a deferred sentence. The first witness was Karp's Adult Probation and Parole Officer from Yellowstone County, Lillian Ahern. She relayed information from his Conditions of Release In that, Karp stated, "I will not possess weapons, firearms nor ammunition. I will not consume alcohol or be in a place that serves alcohol. I will remain law-abiding. I will not drive without expressed permission of Adult Probation and Parole. The second witness, the arresting officer, Gordon Grimsrud, expressed that he was sent by dispatch, to look in on a disabled vehicle. He stated that when he approached the vehicle, I noticed a pistol in plain sight. I called Adult Probation and Parole to search the vehicle, as protocol. I found a container with marijuana in it. It was obvious to me that he was intoxicated. He had an open container in a cupholder on the console, along with a marijuana pipe. In the back seat were more open containers, as was a rifle, (556 assault rifle) along with a pouch that had ammo magazines for that rifle. The judge granted the Petition to Revoke. A Pre-Sentence Investigation is ordered. He will be sentenced on May 3.

Gabriel Puga had an Initial Appearance on a Petition to Revoke a deferred sentence. His new charges include possession of a firearm, twice; criminal endangerment; and cruelty to animals.

George Marcuzzi had a change of Plea; pleading Guilty to assault with a weapon. In his elocution, he admitted that while driving in Broadwater County, he purposely struck a vehicle, containing three men. He will be sentenced on May 17.

Paul Creason had a failure to appear. He was in court, complaining that he had not been able to contact his attorney. His attorney is on leave. He will be back in court on April 19.

Joseph Johnson had a Petition to Revoke a deferred sentence, on criminal possession of dangerous drugs (meth). Both sides have reached an agreement. He will have an Admit/Denial Hearing on May 3.

Justice of the Peace Report

Kelsi Anderson

Justice Court Clerk

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FINES

Briannah Williams – Townsend – Reckless driving-1st offense, plead guilty, sentenced to ninety days in jail with all suspended for a period of six months, \$185.00 fines and fees; leave the scene of an accident resulting in property damage over \$1000 w/o permission from law enforcement, plead guilty, \$225.00 fines and fees; fail to give notice of accident by quickest means/apparent damage over \$1000 -1st offense, plead guilty, \$225.00 fines and fees.

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Duane Conroy – Helena – failure to obtain landowner permission for hunting-1st offense, plead guilty, \$135.00 fines and fees.

COUNTY CRIMINAL

Courtney Smith – East Helena – vicious animal, plead guilty, fined \$500 all but \$100 suspended for a period of six months on conditions.

Skyrocketing housing prices have created a substantial difference between our area's average family house-buying power (\$8.90/hour) and the cost of housing (\$16.87/hour). This event will discuss how our community benefits from acting to provide attainable housing for the many employees we depend on without harming our community's rich heritage. Community input regarding attainable housing is sought and encouraged concerning the nature of this housing and where it could be located. A light meal is planned and we ask all interested people to please RSVP to BroadwaterAffordableHousingGroup@EmailDodo.com. Any questions about the event may be sent to the same email address or call JB Howick at (801) 690-5462.



Montana's 2nd Legislative Branch

The crafting of law was already done by the 2023 Legislature, yet the Montana Supreme Court believes they now get their own session of lawmaking. For years now, the court has overstepped its role and it has led to endless litigation after every session.

The Court needs to remember its role; interpret the law and rule on its Constitutionality. The strength of the judiciary is founded on impartiality and adherence to staying in its lane; not becoming the second legislature.

We need to elect leadership to the court that will put an end to judicial activism. In Cory Swanson's words, the job of the Chief Justice is "to make the court boring, not light it up with attention".

If even Justice Sandefur calls the Supreme Court 'out of control' then let's elect someone like Swanson to reign it in.

Angie Paulsen

Broadwater County Clerk and Recorder, Elections Administrator and County Surveyor

We support Kyle McMurray

I am writing to inform readers of the candidate Kyle McMurray who is running for a seat in House District 77.

Kyle was born and raised in Manhattan, Montana so he knows the people of House District 77.

He has lived in Gallatin County his whole life and paid property taxes as a home owner and as a business owner.

Like my husband and I, he has concerns for the young families raising children in District 77. How do we help our children afford a home and raise their children in a safe State?

He is one of us, willing to go to Helena and advocate for our homes, families, and build our future as residents of beautiful Montana.

Property rights are a concern for Kyle as he knows many farmers and ranchers in Gallatin and Broadwater counties as friends and patients. He has seen families struggle to protect their property and their water rights. My husband's family has had land in Gallatin County for generations and we have had many discussions with Kyle about family farms and ranches.

We know that Kyle will be our voice in Helena to legislate for us a safe place to live. He is a critical thinker, a problem-solver and will work for solutions. He will listen carefully and respond appropriately in a timely manner. We avidly support Kyle McMurray.

Please check out his website; Kyl McMurray mt.com

Please vote on June 4. Help Kyle McMurray get to Helena so he can work for us.

Mark and Candace Huyser

Manhattan

Americanisms



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— Cullen Hightower

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Townsend School District Works

Toward Developing Vision and Goals

Linda Kent
MT43 News Staff Reporter

A small group of Townsend School District staff, administrators, and trustees met on April 4 for the second of three strategic planning sessions. This session focused on gaining agreement on draft purposes and values statements and using those to develop a first pass at a “big audacious goal”.

“It is one of the foundational roles of school board trustees to maintain a long-term outlook for the school district,” School Board Chairman Jason Noyes said of the strategic planning process. “It is important that we engage employees, trustees, and the community to strengthen our operations and ensure we are all working toward common goals.”

The draft core purpose, a statement of the district’s reason for being, describes that purpose as “developing each student’s full potential, now and as future members of community and society, both locally and globally.” The previous session also identified a half-dozen core values for the district in the areas of comprehensive education, stewardship, innovation, school environment, citizenship, and excellence in teaching.

Planning facilitator Andy Sever of the Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA), emphasized that the plan was still very much in the draft phase. However, Noyes said, the goals and values align with the direction of previous strategic planning efforts.

“This is good because it means we are still headed in the right direction,” Noyes said. “When we get into the third and final meeting, we should start to see some more intricate, detailed goals and set some benchmarks to work on as the district operates on a daily basis.”

Working in groups of three to five, attendees spent much of the meeting discussing elements of what that teaching and learning would look like in 10-15 years as they formulated what Sever described as their “big, audacious goal”. Questions about what Townsend’s school district could become the best in the world at, the nature of the school’s student population, and ways the district and community could leverage each other to the greatest advantage centered the discussions.

With those thoughts top of mind, the group came to agreement on an initial goal statement: “Townsend Schools will provide innovative, transformative educational programming that is individually based in order to meet the academic and social/emotional needs of all students. Adaptable, high-quality instruction and educational opportunities will be utilized to meet student needs. The education will include off-site experiential learning, virtual learning, work-based learning and other learning opportunities.”

With the big ideas captured, the yet-to-be-scheduled final session will focus on identifying trends and potential barriers to achieving that goal, then developing short-term (1-2 year) goals and actionable, measurable steps to moving the district forward. Members of the public are welcome to participate in the upcoming session.

Community participation, which has been lacking in the first two sessions, is vital, Noyes said. “Unfortunately, what gets missed with limited participation is stakeholder buy-in. Strong community support is critical for our rural school district. Strategic Planning is all about reaching out beyond the walls of the school building to capture all aspects of stakeholder input. Those who want to employ our students after graduation. Those that want to see our students be successful as they take on challenges around our state, our country and our world.”

Townsend K-12 School District Draft Core Purpose and Values

Linda Kent
MT43 News Staff Reporter

Following are the draft statements of Core Purpose, Core Values, and a Big Audacious Goal developed and agreed on during strategic planning sessions in March and April. A final session will be held in the coming months to establish short-term goals and actions.

Core Purpose: Why are we here?

Developing each student’s full potential, now and as future members of the community and society, both locally and globally.

Core Values: What do we stand for?

Comprehensive Education: We believe in the development of the full potential of every student in all areas of their life, including academic, social, physical, and emotional needs.

Stewardship: We are a district that believes in public education and the efficient, responsible use of our resources.

Innovation: We are a district that strives to innovate, seeking the very best advancements to ensure the most effective teaching and highest quality learning possible occurs in our schools.

Safe, Positive, Enriching Environment: We believe it is imperative to provide a safe environment; an environment that not only provides physical safety but also safety to learn from mistakes, to explore the limits of our capabilities.

Sense of Community/Citizenship: We are a district that values respectful, responsible, trustworthy men and women who uphold the highest standards in our community.

Excellence in Staff/Teaching: We are a district that believes in the value of our staff and strives to provide the environment, tools, and support to allow them to excel in their profession.

Big, Audacious Goal: Ideal description of the school district in 15-20 years’ time.

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Source: Townsend K-12 Schools District 2024 Strategic Planning Draft

Broadwater County Commissioner’s Agenda

Melinda Banks
Administrative Assistant



BROADWATER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

515 Broadway, Townsend

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

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

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

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REVISION as of April 10, 2024

Monday, April 15, 2024

11:00 AM Working Meeting with Bill Jarocki, County Administrative Officer, regarding projects and deadlines. This will be in the Commission Office

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

1:00 PM Working Meeting with Kay Minor, Deputy County Attorney with Rodeo Association Board. This will be in the Flynn Building

3:00 PM Working Meeting with Kay Minor, Deputy County Attorney, regarding projects and deadlines. This will be in the Commission Office

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

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

10:05 AM Public Hearing, Broadwater County Growth Policy Addendum

10:15 AM Discussion/Decision, Townsend School District #1 and Broadwater County Community Library Interlocal Agreement

10:20 AM Discussion/Decision, Ruby Taylor, Task Order 24-07-1-01-117-0; To The Master Contract Number HHS-PHSD-00000524 Effective July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2026 Between The State of Montana, Department of Public Health and Human Services and Broadwater County

10:25 AM Discussion/Decision, Abe Fandrich, Cancellation of Delinquent Property Taxes for Mobile Home Property

10:30 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Albe Minor Subdivision (Section 3, Township 7 North, Range 1 East) Amendment to Findings of Fact and Order

10:35 AM Discussion/Decision, Solid Waste Advisory Board Recommendation for Solid Waste Assessment Reconciliation

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

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Future Meetings will be held at the Flynn Building (416 Broadway)

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

- Noxious Weed Meeting on April 16th at 7:00 PM
- Airport Board Meeting on April 17th at 6 PM
- Parks and Recreation Board Meeting on April 29th at 6:00 PM

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

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Brenda Weaver
Source: gardeningknowhow.com

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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: Z equals R

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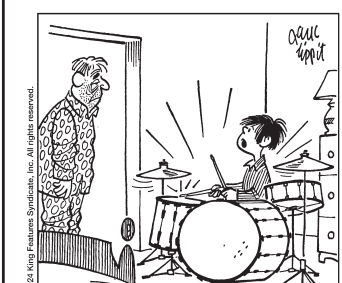
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Unlock the power of chess to find the eight-letter word of the day. Choose your starting letter carefully, then move around the square in a one by two fashion to get to the next letter.

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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!

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March: 0.209"	April: 0.831"
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Super Crossword **CROSSWORD DIVERSION**

ACROSS

1 Extreme self-deniers
 9 Common proof of age
 15 Plotting band
 20 Cousins of croci
 21 Worker whose job is fitting
 22 Nice smell
 23 Stylized bow that's a token of affection
 24 Godly
 25 Fragment
 26 Unwrap
 27 Put on fancy duds, with "up"
 29 Many Punjabi believers
 30 Take forcibly
 31 Marry
 32 Cultural
 35 Many August babies
 36 Ford bomb
 37 Writer Elinor or Philip
 39 Praise highly
 41 Toad feature
 43 Toppings for nachos
 45 "The King —"
 46 Shakes up

51 Entertainer Falana
 52 Nutrition std.
 54 "— Kapital"
 55 Tapering off
 56 Flying hooters
 57 They have depots: Abbr.
 58 Father of Beau Bridges
 60 Most bizarre
 61 Rugged truck, in brief
 62 Sandy islets
 63 Napoleon's isle of exile
 64 News anchor
 65 Hebrew holy scroll
 67 Plus others: Abbr.
 69 "Noah" actress
 70 Watson
 71 Chewed Andean stimulants
 75 Title for a fictional Southern rabbit
 77 Cowboys' city, informally
 79 Writer Dinesen

81 Suffix with Seattle
 82 Behind bars
 85 Bruno — (shoe brand)
 86 Moo — pork
 87 Be boastful
 88 Hurting from hiking, say
 90 Color tone
 91 Gridiron stats
 92 Pale brown
 93 Legume-family plant
 94 Incline
 96 "Not so!"
 98 PC memory units
 99 19th-century Shakespeare editor
 100 Chevy muscle car
 101 Farfalle, e.g.
 105 A8 carmaker
 107 Paige of "Evita"
 109 Gene-splicing need
 112 Trellis plants
 113 Current style
 115 Finale
 116 Colorado ski mecca
 117 Vetoed
 118 Early online protocol

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 124 Distinctive film director
 125 Ripped apart
 126 Impertinent
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 128 Jewel box holders ... or eight features of this puzzle?

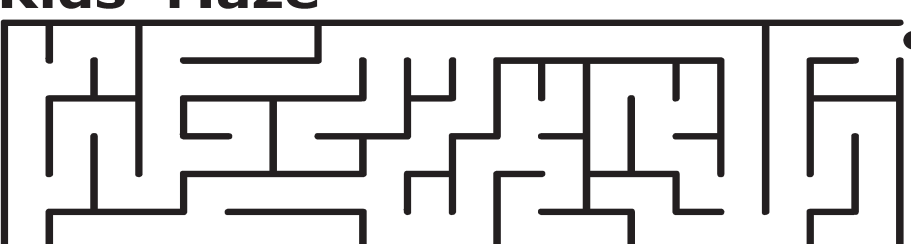
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 4 Eve's garden
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 6 Electrojet bit
 7 Laundromat machine
 8 Make a chair of
 9 "— be an honor"
 10 Speaking stand
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 64 Periodic payment to a stockholder
 66 Taper off
 68 Judges' org.
 70 Very fine rain

72 Hora or hokeypokey
 73 Classic arcade name
 74 Smooth transition
 76 31-Across on the sly
 78 Viscous
 80 Novelist Jane
 82 Possibilities
 83 This moment
 84 Java
 85 Fulfill expectations
 87 Really tired
 89 Sailing races
 95 "Take it out" mark
 97 Beatified Fr. woman
 101 Really yearns
 102 Teresa of —
 103 "Boxcars" roll
 104 Cold temps
 106 River mouth
 108 Silly prank
 110 Constituent of gunpowder
 111 At — for words
 114 — ex machina
 116 Observe
 119 Ill, to Italians
 121 Inclined
 122 '16 Olympics host



Kids' Maze



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Weekly SUDOKU
 by Linda Thistle

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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 Margie Urich (406) 599-9848
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
Wednesday: 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 Moa (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

Three Forks Area Ambulance

Barbara Mutter

Three Forks Area Ambulance (TFAA) Coordinator



March ended with 19 emergency responses.

Five transports to Bozeman Deaconess Hospital (BDH) were aided by American Medical Response (AMR) paramedics due to needed pain management. AMR operates from Bozeman.

Three Forks Area Ambulance (TFAA) emergency medical technicians (EMT) did six more transports to BDH. TFAA did two standbys at fires to support the Three Forks Volunteer Fire Department.

The rest of the calls were for refusals of transport and unfortunately one death.

This past month the crew trained and reviewed the NARCAN protocols and crew members trained at Willow Creek Fire Department in conjunction with Gallatin County Sheriffs on the proper use of restraints.

The emergency medical responder class finished and TFAA gained 4 emergency responders (EMR). These folks will respond with an EMT and provide patient support.

This summer we hope to offer an emergency medical technician course and these new EMRs will have the opportunity to bridge to an EMT level.

April training this month will focus on triage training for major incidents. TFAA EMTs and EMRs will be training at the Amsterdam Fire Department. Three Forks Ambulance will present a mass casualty incident training later in the month at our station. TFAA has invited Three Forks Fire and Willow Creek Fire to participate.

One of our EMTs became a state instructor so now we have two state instructors. We hope to offer more community classes soon. We will keep you posted as we develop a class schedule.

We will try our best to keep the cost down for these classes and the QUALITY of TRAINING HIGH!

GIVE BIG, a Gallatin County event to raise money for nonprofits will be happening on Main Street in Three Forks on May 2, 2024. This event will benefit non-profit organizations in need of funds to continue their efforts in our community.

Please come out and support our efforts to provide emergency care to our Three Forks Community. Please look for more information concerning the GIVE BIG EVENT in town.

TFAA hopes more folks in our community will step up and become involved with our ambulance service.

If interested in being a driver we are hoping to offer a traffic incident management course soon, which is a requirement for all drivers of ambulances.

If you are interested in joining our team, please reach out. Our email is 3fkamb@gmail.com Or phone 406-209-3417.

April Palindromes

Brenda Phillips



I found something interesting about some special dates in April 2024 and thought I would share it.

In the 21st century (2000 – 2099) there are 12 palindrome days.

What is a palindrome? It is something that can be read the same forward or backward. Examples of palindrome words are mom, level, civic, racecar, deed, and my favorite taco cat!

This can also apply to numbers and especially dates. The first date this century was on October 2, 2001 (10-02-2001), and the last one will be September 9, 2090 (09-02-2090) using the mm-dd-yyyy format. The other 10 straight days fall in April of 2024.

Palindromes		
4/20/24	4/23/24	4/26/24
4/21/24	4/24/24	4/28/24
4/22/24	4/25/24	4/29/24

In the 19th (1800- 1899) & 20th Century (1900-1999) there were no 8-digit palindrome dates (mm-dd-yyyy) and there were 36 dates with 7-digit format (m-dd-yyyy). There will be 53 Palindrome dates in the 22nd century (2100- 2199). This information came from the University of Portland website.

My birthday (2-21-2122) will be a palindrome 2212122, but I won't be here to see it!

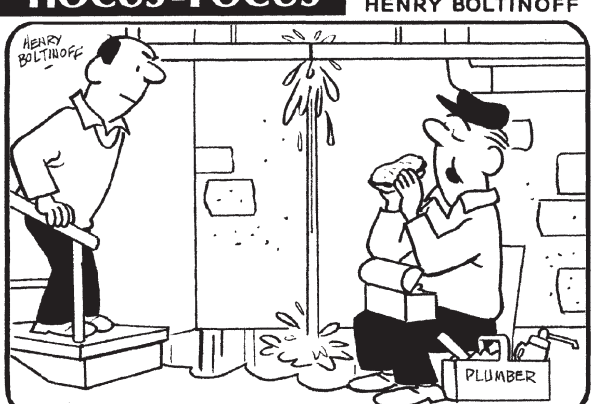
Dates like 10/10/10 are special days and are lucky in the Chinese calendar but are not palindromes.



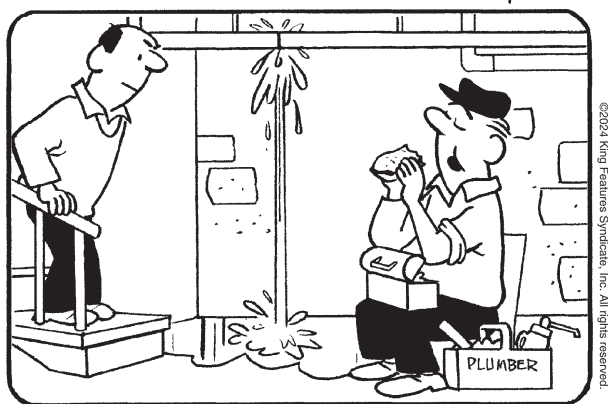
SR. CENTER MEALS	Wednesday, April 17
APRIL 15 - APRIL 19	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Green Beans Golden Corn Garlic Bread Fruit Cocktail
Monday, April 15	Swedish Meatballs Steamed Potatoes Green Peas Tossed Salad Whole Grain Bread Apricot Halves
Tuesday, April 16	Birthday Dinner Roast Pork Mashed Potatoes Key Largo Vegetables Carrot Raisin Salad Whole Grain Roll Applesauce Birthday Cake
Thursday, April 18	Baked Cod Rice Pilaf Carrot Coins Bean Medley Whole Grain Bread Sweet Peaches
Friday, April 19	Polish Sausage Sauerkraut Steamed Potatoes California Vegetables Whole Grain Roll Pineapple

"Weak people revenge.
 Strong people forgive.
 Intelligent people ignore."
 ~Albert Einstein

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Railing is different. 2. Handle is added to lunch box. 3. Sleeve is rolled up. 4. Leak is moved. 5. Pipe is thinner. 6. Bite is missing from sandwich.

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OBITUARY

Marilyne Ann Campbell

Family of Marilyne Campbell

Marilyne Ann Campbell was born August 23, 1951, in East Grand Forks, North Dakota to Melvin and Marion Hagen. The family moved to Billings, Montana in the late 1990's. Marilyne married Tom Campbell April 15, 2000, and they helped raise Tom's young boys in Townsend.

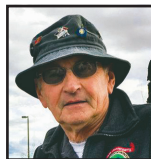
Marilyne loved to cook, and especially enjoyed raising her beloved dachshunds. She passed away at the family home at 58 Indian Creek Road on March 24, 2024. No service is planned.

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Learn How to Plant Trees Before Arbor Day!

Patrick Plantenberg
Tree Board Chair



Prepare for your tree planting efforts before Arbor Day, Friday, April 26! Mandy Irlbeck, owner of Mandys Tree Care in Belgrade and a Board member of the Montana Urban and Community Forestry Association (MUCFA) says the most common mistake seen by her and other urban forestry professionals is improper tree planting by homeowners and landscapers. So, she is helping teach a tree planting workshop to be held on Sunday, April 21, from 12-3 pm at Gardenwerks Nursery, 3225 Cooney Drive in Helena. The workshop is sponsored by MUCFA and Gardenwerks.

You will learn how to plant bare-root, container, and ball and burlap trees. Participants will receive a copy of the "New Tree Planting" brochure published by the International Society of Arboriculture. Mandy, Patrick Plantenberg, MUCFA Chair; and Gardenwerks staff will discuss how to plant trees properly. Be prepared for interesting discussions on newly purchased tree preparation and planting considerations used by each instructor.

Bring your gloves and dress for our uncertain April weather. If needed, the workshop will be held in one of the greenhouses. Any questions please call Patrick Plantenberg at 406-431-4615.



Patrick Plantenberg
Tree Board Chair

NEXT TREE BOARD MEETING:
April 18th Noon-1pm at City Hall.

TREE BOARD SPRING UPDATE:

The Townsend Tree Board is in the process of hiring Teri Blahnik, the Watering Queen, to water City trees again this year and she will be starting as soon as possible (See separate article on Water Trees Now!).

The Tree Board will be receiving its shipment of about 200 trees within the next three weeks. Townsend Hardware and Town and Ranch True Value will also be receiving their shipments soon. So, get ready for planting season!

Linda Southall is actively preparing for the Tree Board's annual Arbor Day/Weekend celebration which will be held May 2-5. The Tree Board is meeting on April 18th from 12-1pm at City Hall to continue planning Arbor Day/Weekend activities. Please come if you are interested. This year the Tree Board is receiving a Graymont Western US Carbon Reduction Fund Grant to help us purchase trees and Graymont employees and Broadwater County 4H students funded by Graymont will be helping us plant city trees.

Patrick Plantenberg, Tree Board Chair will also be working with Jemma Loughery's Broadwater County High School Horticulture class students in April and May teaching them some basics of tree pruning, tree planting, landscaping, etc. in case any of the students may be interested in working at garden centers, nurseries, or starting their own landscaping or arborist business.

WATER TREES NOW!

The Townsend Tree Board is asking you to please water your trees. The soil is extremely dry. The good moisture we received last fall is gone. Spring drought for trees is much worse than late summer and fall drought.

The trees are actively taking up large quantities of moisture preparing for bud break and leaf emergence.

Tree Board News



Water Your Trees and Bushes
Photo Contributed by Patrick Plantenberg

The Townsend Tree Board has observed the birch and maple trees it pruned this winter are bleeding profusely now.

So even though it is too early to turn on the sprinkler system, drag out that hose and water your trees, especially any young trees, to the drip line.

TREE BOARD NEEDS FENCE POSTS:

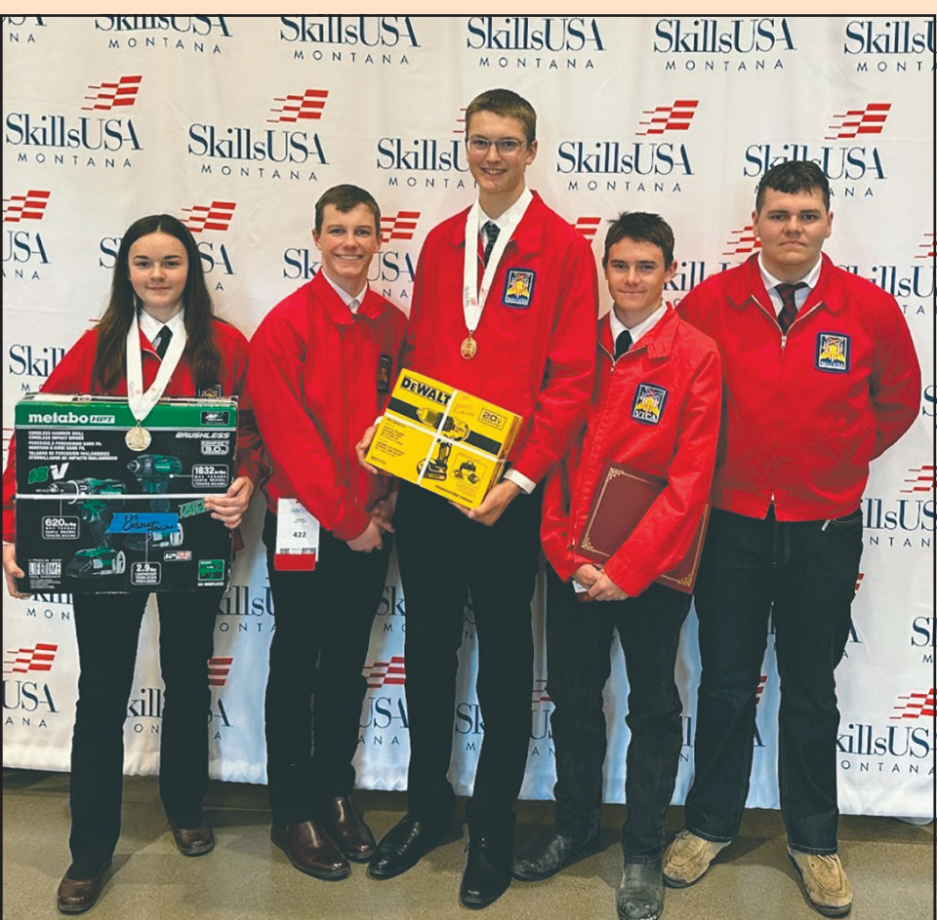
The Townsend Tree Board will be receiving its 2024 shipment of trees in April. For each tree planted they use 3 5-6.5-foot tall steel fence posts to stake the newly planted trees.

They will be receiving about 200 trees and will need up to 500 fence posts. New fenceposts are running about \$10 each. If any of you Broadwater County ranchers have used fence posts that you think you will not need in the future the Tree Board could sure use them and would consider some payment for purchasing the fence posts.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Please contact Patrick Plantenberg, Townsend Tree Board Chair at 406-431-4615 if you have any questions.

Townsend SkillsUSA Competes at State



Left to right: Tamsyn Kockler, Luke Tullos, Ross MacDonald, Nolan Flynn, and Julian Stewart
Clint Watson Photo

Clint Watson

Last Sunday, the Townsend chapter of SkillsUSA students traveled to Helena to set up wood furniture displays and attend the Opening Ceremony for the State of Montana SkillsUSA convention.

Ross MacDonald and Tamsyn Kockler were interviewed about how they built their wooden furniture in Mr. Watson's Wood Tech class.

On Monday morning, we were back in the school suburban at 6:30 a.m. headed for East Helena High School where Tamsyn would begin her 6-hour cabinetmaking project at 8:00 a.m. Ross and Julian Stewart attended Helena College of Technology to start their welding competition, which lasted 4 hours.

All five of our students competed in a job interview competition during the day on Monday.

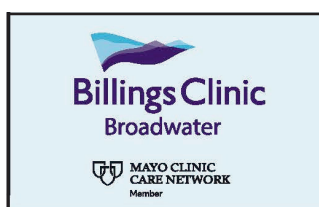
Luke Tullos and Nolan Flynn participated in the carpentry competition and power equipment technology competition, respectively, on Tuesday. Ross, Tamsyn, and Julian decided to attend school on Tuesday as they had no competitions on that day and preferred to keep up with school studies. At 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, the entire group attended the Award and Closing Ceremony.

Mr. Watson, the student advisor for the Townsend chapter of SkillsUSA, was very pleased with the students' performances. Tamsyn won a gold medal for her performance in cabinetmaking, and Ross received a gold medal for his beautiful nightstand and notebook.

Nolan received an honorable mention for his performance in power equipment technology. Julian scored in the final cut from over 50 welding competitors, which would have put him about 6th place.

Julian had to stick weld, MIG weld, and TIG weld aluminum, and he did quite well. A first place in cabinetmaking earns Tamsyn the right to compete at the national SkillsUSA event during the last week in June if she should choose to attend, so we will need to raise around \$4,000 to allow her and a chaperone or parent to get to Atlanta, Georgia for this contest.

Thank you to all who let these students practice and compete. Mr. Watson states this program teaches students how to be organized and how to be safe in a job setting.



Welcome to Townsend
Dr. Dona Brekke
Pediatric Cardiology



Dona Brekke, DO

Billings Clinic Broadwater is happy to introduce Dona Brekke, DO to the Townsend community as a visiting specialist. Dr. Brekke grew up in Las Vegas, Nevada. She graduated from Des Moines University Medical School and then completed her Pediatric Residency at UC Irvine. She continued on to Colorado Children's Hospital for a fellowship in Pediatric Cardiology. Her first job was at Children's Hospital of Orange County participating in all levels of care for Pediatric Cardiac patients.

She then relocated to Anchorage Alaska where she could combine her love of the outdoors and Pediatric Cardiology. She was able to provide care across the state of Alaska, along with her colleagues, in outreach areas distant from Anchorage and even farther from large pediatric centers. The goal was to provide the best care possible to every child in the state of Alaska no matter where they lived.

After 14 years she returned to Colorado Children's hospital from added training experience and then moved to Honolulu, Hawaii. She was involved in outreach for the other islands of Hawaii which became even more important during COVID restrictions. Although the people of Hawaii are very welcoming and it is a beautiful environment, relocating to Bozeman felt like coming home with her daughter and three dogs.

Dr. Brekke is looking forward to providing care locally to help keep families at home in the Townsend area **one day a month starting in May.**

Visiting Specialists

Pediatrics



Claire Kenamore, MD
April 18
May 16

Pediatric Endocrinology



Maggie Siska, MD
April 18
May 16

Urology



Daniel Mieler, PA
April 12

Pediatric Cardiology

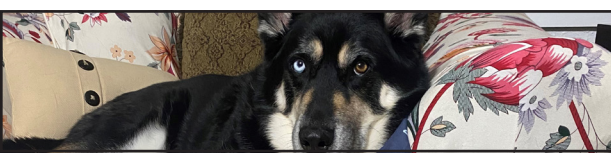


Dona Brekke, DO
May 14

Clinic Hours:
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For dates, times or to make an appointment with one of our visiting specialists or our primary care providers call 406-266-3186 or visit billingsclinic.com/broadwater

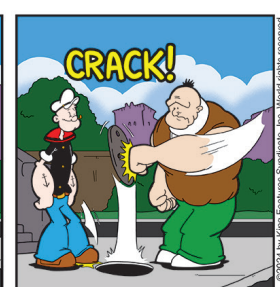
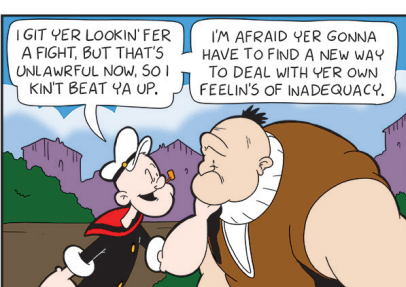
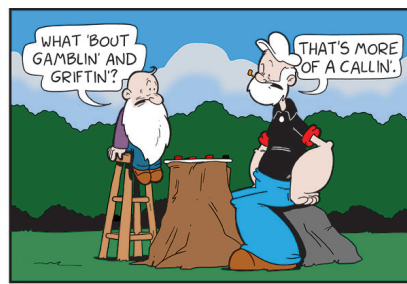
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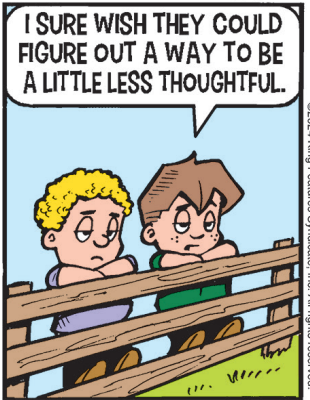
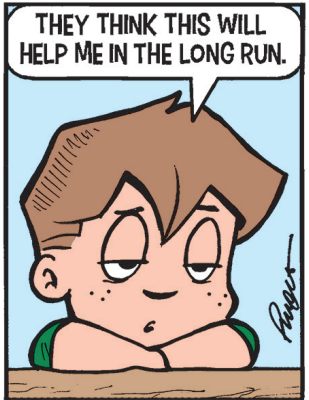
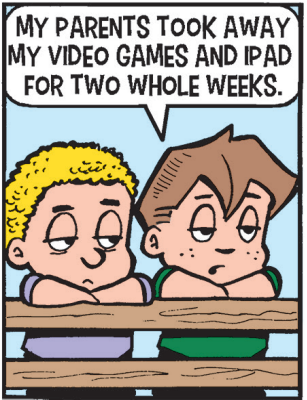
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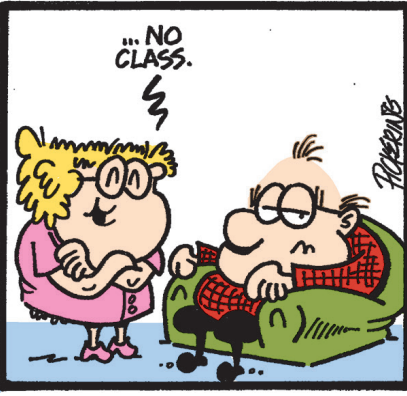
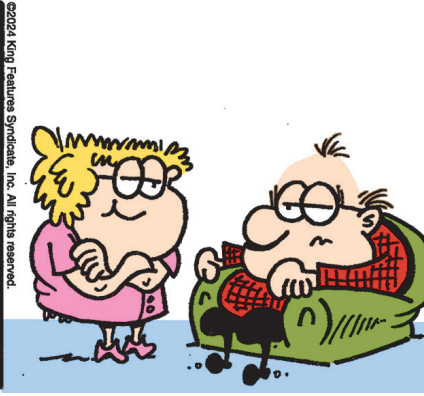
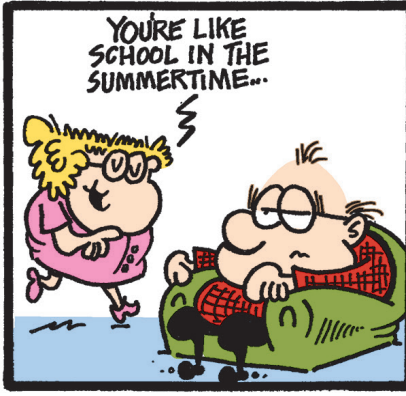
"Look what I bought with what I found buried in the back yard!"



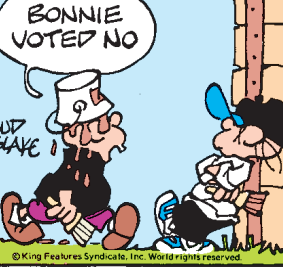
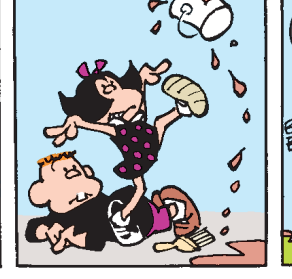
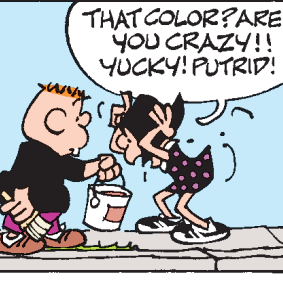
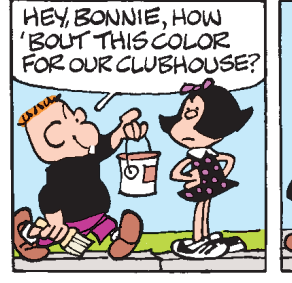
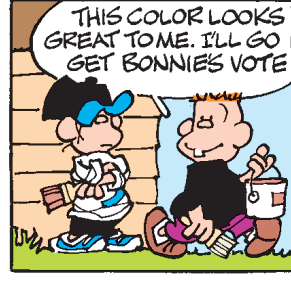
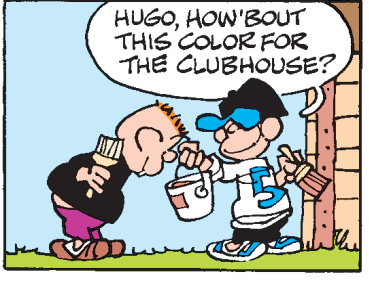
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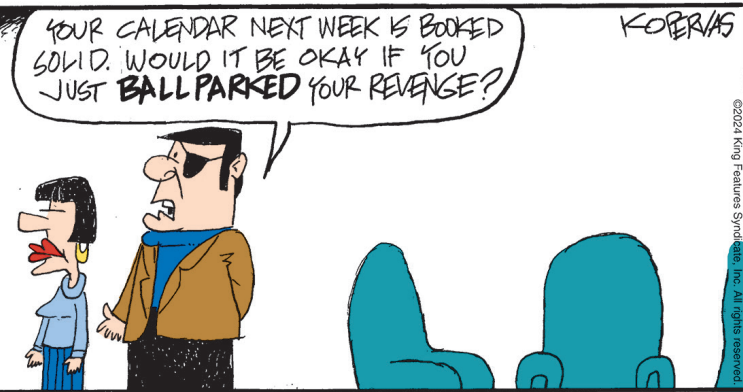
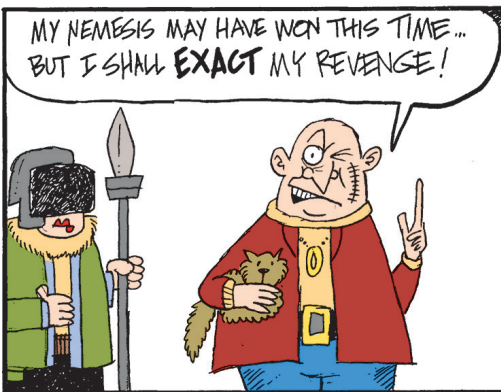
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Broadwater County Democratic Central Committee invites you to come meet Ryan Busse Democratic Candidate for Governor

When: Wednesday April 24, 2024-5:30 pm-7:00 pm
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Important reminder: Monthly meeting is held the 4th Monday of the month @ 6:30 pm, back room of The Mint
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For more information contact ?

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Final Decision Signed for Wood Duck Project in Big Belt Mountains

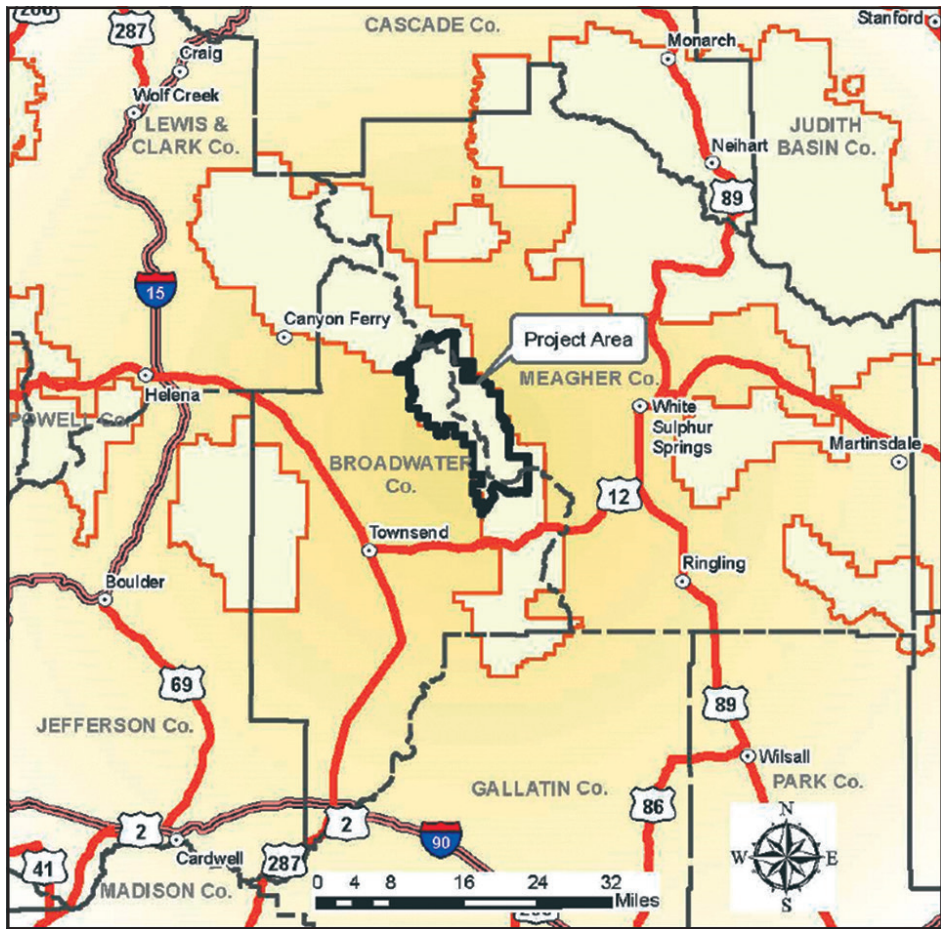
Chiara Cipriano
Public Affairs Officer

TOWNSEND, Mont. – April 5, 2024 – Today a final decision was signed for the Wood Duck Project located on the Townsend Ranger District of the Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest.

"The Wood Duck Project utilizes active forest management treatments to manage widespread tree mortality," said Townsend District Ranger Aaron Webber. "This project will bring conditions closer to what is desired in the Forest Plan."

The Wood Duck Project area encompasses a total of 69,876 acres in the Big Belt Mountains, east of Townsend, Montana and north of U.S. Highway 12. The project takes place in both Meagher and Broadwater counties between the Confederate Gulch and Ray Creek areas. Proposed treatments encompass a total of 1,241 acres, including 936 acres of intermediate harvest, 42 acres of regeneration harvest, and 263 acres of pre-commercial thinning.

A larger-scale map and other documents providing information about this project are available on the Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest website project page: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=62857>



Wood Duck Project Area Vicinity Map
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Crowded stands of Douglas-fir trees in project site
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Dense lodgepole pine stands have experienced mountain pine beetle mortality and downfall. Lodgepole pine would be removed while healthy Douglas-fir stands will be retained.
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April 11

1912

Widow Stranded

A middle-aged woman with two children was put off the train in Townsend Thursday evening, in destitute circumstances. Marshal McCormick was called to look after the little family and took them to the Commercial hotel. The lady is from Missouri, is a widow and is on her way to Spokane where she claims to have relatives. It seems that she started west without sufficient funds and is compelled to make the journey by easy states. She was put off the train at Livingston and a purse was made up there to forward her on to Townsend.

Doings of a Week

Harry Childs, the big gun of the Yellowstone Park, went tearing through town Wednesday in a big yellow automobile his destination presumably being Helena. He didn't stop to tell the Opinion man where he expected to wind up, but he ought to wind up in the police court if he goes through all towns like he did Townsend.

The little Marshman babe, who got so busy last week with poisonous tablets, is again about as frisky a kid as can be found in Townsend, well and hearty, and the chances are, will gather in more tablets that look like candy the first opportunity offers. But mama will no doubt in future see that the little mischief doesn't get anything but real candy.

1940

Senior Class Play Wins Favor from Large Audience

A cast from the large senior class of Broadwater County High School demonstrated how a comedy drama can entertain the public on Friday night of last week when they put on the Samuel French production of Aunt Tillie Goes to Town.

Bill Watkins, playing the part of Mervin Tucker,

demonstrated how a male can hurriedly change costumes, and makeup and act in a double role, as well as any professional that ever played under the "spot" here. Gloria Kaponis taking the lead for the ladies was good in her role as Aunt Tillie as was also Willis Smith who was Ronald Howland in the play.

It was an all-star cast. Other stars being Dixie Reynolds, Carmen Clare, Alyce Riley, Blanche Babcock, Bill Weed, Mary Patterson and Lenore Kinney. Eddie Daniels played the part of an oriental. He was superb taking the part of One Lung.

The production staff also deserve their share of credit for the success of the play. They were Robert Mongrain, Joan McCarthy, Marvin Dallas, Kathryn Dance, Rose Broderick, Vera Sorenson and Peggy Bridgewater.

Between acts a trio from the faculty, Miss Gladys Sternhagen, piano and Harold Slater, trombone, and R.E. Menghini, saxophone entertained with instrumental selections.

There are 54 seniors. This was the first of a series of pre-commencement public appearances. The Junior Prom will be given next followed by commencement week, May 10 to 15.

1968

Who is Where in the Armed Services

CTSN Art Graham arrived home last Friday for two weeks leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Graham and family. Art has finished a cryptograph school at Fort Mead, Md. Upon completion of his leave, he will report to Travis Air Force Base from where he will be flown to his next assignment aboard the USS Oxford.

Sp/5 Paul Schwisow arrived home Wednesday following his discharge from the U.S. Army at Fort Lewis, Wash. Paul has been stationed in Korea for the past 15 months.

Winston - Clasoil News

Thursday, young Bert Cobban was 4 years old and his mother, Mrs. Robert Cobban, entertained at a birthday

party for him that afternoon. Guests helping Bert to celebrate with cake and ice cream were Mrs. Bill Herrington and young children, Ira and Karen, Mrs. Wayne Herrington and Andre Prevel, Jr. That evening Mrs. Cobban served a birthday dinner for Bert and guests were his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cobban, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Moe, Joanne and John Cobban, all of Winston and Dave Schledewitz and children, Clyde and Sheryll of Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baum and Clarence visited in Townsend with Annie Bisby Monday evening. Mrs. Annie Lenahan was also a visitor and they all spent an enjoyable evening reminiscing over old times.

Mrs. Vincent Hohn reports that the Clasoil Mustangs are selling garden seeds for a project this spring and anyone interested in purchasing seeds can contact her.

1996

Around Town News" by Mary Pat Marti

Barbara and Bob Wogoman, who recently returned to Townsend from their winter home, hosted Easter dinner Sunday for Pearl Barraugh and Marion Cass, Townsend; Cliff Wogoman, Helena; Courtney Wogoman, Billings; Stacia Wogoman and Roy Maxted, Linsey, Mitch and Mamie Hunsaker and Randy Welch, Helena.

Bill and Grace Berberet hosted Easter dinner for their sons and their families, Steve and Kathy Berberet, Shayna and Makayla, Lewistown; and Berberet and Michelle Berberet, C. J. and Lane, Belgrade and their daughter and family, Barb and Rick de Martin, Levi and Jessie, Townsend.

Dorothy Colby was a dinner guest Easter at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Lynn and Donna Colby. Also there for dinner were Dawnetta Clark, Kylie and Cody; B.J. Colby and Aspen and Rich Balbach.

Deena and Lonnie Gobbs, Lane and Casey spent the weekend in Culbertson visiting his parents, Howard and Mable Gobbs, and other relatives and friends.

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4-H Members Compete in Contests

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Contests have a long history in the 4-H program and are a fun way for 4-H members to receive recognition, learn new skills and build confidence. This year, the 4-H County Contest Extravaganza took place on Sunday, March 17th at the Methodist Church and Broadwater High School.

Kicking off the afternoon was the Hooked-on Cooking Contest where members, ages 8-13, cook and develop skills for a safe, nutritious and proper presentation of food. The theme this year was "Luck of the 4-H'ers". Some participants incorporated the theme into their dish

while others decorated a baked item related to the theme. They could participate individually or with a partner. The overall winner, receiving a purple ribbon, was Kathryn Six. Purple ribbons were awarded to Magdalena Delgado and a team of Evie Moos and Hallee Harrigfeld.

Next was the Communications Contest. This was formerly known as the Speech and Demonstration Contest but has expanded to several different categories. In the senior division, Kyla Meissner participated with a self-created video entitled "Making Sour Cream Muffins" and received a purple ribbon and the overall prize. She is eligible to attend the Montana 4-H Congress in the event. Also in the senior division, Karolyn Schmaus participated in the impromptu speech contest and received a blue ribbon.

Moving on to the junior division of the Communications Contest, Addyson Mosher took the overall prize and a purple ribbon with her demonstration on horse

parlor. Also doing demonstrations or illustrated talks were Rigoberto Delgado, Magdalena Delgado, Abigail McCauley and Calvin McCauley with blue ribbons, and Karter Schmaus with a red ribbon. Emma Delgado received a blue ribbon in the prepared speech category.

For the Quilt Show, Karolyn Schmaus showcased a quilted table runner, winning a purple ribbon and the overall prize. Cloverbuds, who are members 5 to 8 years old, were able to participate in an educational activity. Participants were Oliver Delgado, Brooklyn Harrigfeld, Ryal Lancello, Evan McCauley and Thea Moos.

After the contests, participants were recognized and received ribbons. Congratulations to all of the participants for a great day! THANK YOU to all of the 4-H leaders, parents and judges who helped with the event! We couldn't have done it without you! For more information about 4-H, please contact the MSU Extension Office in Broadwater County at 406-266-9242 or broadwater@montana.edu. 4-H is a youth development program of Montana State University Extension.



4-H Contest participants. Left to Right: Calvin McCauley, Abigail McCauley, Emma Delgado, Magdalena Delgado, Addyson Mosher, Rigoberto Delgado, Kyla Meissner, Karolyn Schmaus and Karter Schmaus. Photo Credit: Karen Noyes



Evie Moos and Hallee Harrigfeld participate in the 4-H Hooked on Cooking Contest. Photo Credit: Karen Noyes