

## American Legion Auxiliary Donates to Emergency Services

MT43 News Staff Reporter

At a dinner Saturday members of the American Legion Post 42 Auxiliary donated \$4,000 to Broadwater County emergency service organizations.

Auxiliary President Debbie Westfall presented \$1,000 each to the county sheriff's office, city and rural fire department, the search and rescue unit and ambulance services.

"We were able to accumulate this money through our weekly bingo games so we decided to give back to the community," Westfall explained.

The 86-member Auxiliary group raised the money in just under 18 months by holding bingo at the American Legion building on Tuesdays. The third Tuesday of the month is always "Extravaganza" night featuring dinner and a chance to play for \$21 at the door.

Westfall encouraged new members to join. She explained further: "That includes men or women. We have both as members of our group".

To qualify for membership in the auxiliary, a person must have a family member who has served or is serving in the military.

Representatives from emergency services organizations who accepted the awards were Sheriff Nick Rauser and Captain Mark Wood, Rural Fire Department Vivian Boaz; City Fire Department head Shawn Simon; Mike Stapp, Search and Rescue and Ambulance Cyrus Brandt.



American Legion Auxiliary members presented \$1,000 checks to Broadwater County emergency service agencies Saturday night. Beginning left: Rural Fire Department- Vivian Boaz; City Fire Department- Shawn Simon; Ambulance- Cyrus Brandt; Debbie Westfall- Auxiliary; Search and Rescue- Mike Stapp, Sheriff's Department- Nick Rauser and Mark Wood. Nancy Marks, MT43News Photographer

Sheriff's Department Mark Wood commented following the ceremony, that the sheriff's department would

be using the money to supplement funds to purchase trauma kits for each of their 14 patrol cars.

## Governor Gianforte Visits Home-Grown Businesses

MT43 News Staff Reporter

Montana Governor Greg Gianforte visited the Townsend Mercantile Thursday as part of his 56-county tour. Broadwater County was number 55 on his list.



Jessica Hanson gestures while talking to Governor Gianforte and his wife about her journey to start J Rock Jewelry in Townsend. From left: Hanson, Cassie Cooper, Governor Gianforte and Mrs. Gianforte. Nancy Marks, MT43 News Photographer.

His focus with the tour is to highlight small businesses in Montana including honoring veterans who have started new businesses. According to Press Secretary Kaitlin Price, the governor spent two days traveling to eastern Montana in Plentywood, then to Ekalaka to visit the town's new Dahl Hospital.

The governor spoke at length with C Hangin' C owner Cassie Cooper, Little Creek Feed owners Caroline and Justin Nelson and J Rock Jewelry owner Jessica Hanson.

Governor Gianforte comments after his tour: "I am excited to see the entrepreneurship alive and well in Townsend, especially through these talented men and women. They create jobs and pay taxes. They are the backbone of Montana. There are 60,000 new businesses that registered last year. We see because of job creation and business growth, we can show wage growth has exceeded inflation this year. It is all part of the American dream."

## Townsend Resident Receives More Than Tulip Bulbs

Nancy Marks  
MT43 News Reporter



Sandy Vanover loves her flower garden. She especially enjoys planting tulip bulbs during the warm fall days. Last Tuesday her bulbs arrived. She laid the box from Brecks' Flowers on the counter while she fixed dinner. As she and her husband Ted were eating, they noticed a little black snake crawling out of one of the air holes in the box. Their cat Homer sniffed the snake but was spooked when it moved.



This snake was unwanted company in tulips orders from Brecks' catalogue. Nancy Marks, MT43News Photographer

the way from Holland and I want to breathe some North American Air."

Both Ted and Sandy were anxious to learn what kind of snake it is, and where it came from. They planned to call Allison Kosto, county extension agent, and to Brecks' Flowers to let them know they are mailing snakes.

Ted said they jumped up, covered the 10-inch-long snake with a container, slipped a piece of paper under the container, and then flipped the snake into the container. The striped reptile with a flat head seemed glad to get out of the tulip box. The outside of the box ironically read: "Open me as soon as possible. I came all

Ted said he was familiar with the rattlers and bull snakes who live in dens in Montana. He checked to see what kind of snakes live in Ohio, from where the box was mailed. He still could not identify it.

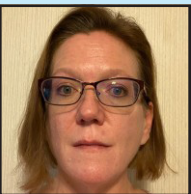
By Friday, the snake had died, but Vanovers would like to identify it if possible.



Ted Vanover keeps his "tulip" snake at bay in a plastic jar. Nancy Marks, MT43News Photographer

## Holloway Park to Have Skating Rink this Winter

Linda Kent  
MT43 News Staff Reporter



Area residents will have another way to skate at Holloway Park this winter, after Townsend's City Council approved installing a temporary ice rink, weather conditions permitting, at their October 15 meeting.

Hannah Rauser brought the proposal to the Council, explaining she had been working with city Director of Public Works Eric Crusch and others to both have the rink set up once temperatures drop below 10 degrees and to open and close the rink during the season.

Mayor Vicki Rauser told the council that Hannah Rauser had previously brought a similar proposal to the city, but that proposal had come after the weather had gotten too warm.

Council member Heather Healea raised concerns about safety, supervision, and city liability, given the inherent concerns around ice skates and fall risks.

City Attorney Peter Simon responded that state law places the liability for injury from similar sports on public property on those using the park.

The council approved the request unanimously.



Brecks' Flower shipping box shown here with directions for keeping tulips and snakes in good shape. Nancy Marks, MT43News Photographer



Townsend Booster Club

Cross Country:

Nolan Flynn took second at our home meet and crushed the school record by 30 seconds with a time of 16:20! Kyla Meissner for winning our home meet tying her own personal record with a time of 19:19!



Nolan Flynn  
Townsend Booster Club Photo

Kyla Meissner  
Townsend Booster Club Photo

Cheer:

Autumn Henke is brand new to cheer and is working hard to learn the sport. Watching her dance during practices makes me want to join in because she looks like she's having so much fun! While she's still learning how to be a tight flyer, her group at practice this week was the only one able to complete the entire stunt sequence drill without messing up or stopping. Good job, Autumn!



Autumn Henke  
Townsend Booster Club Photo

Volleyball:

Violet Collins Against Whitehall: 4 digs Against Manhattan: 6 digs All of Vi's hard work doesn't always show up in stats. She is consistently improving each week and is always looking for ways she can help her team to get better. She is our little vacuum cleaner in the back row picking up those hard-hit balls and pesky tips.



Violet Collins  
Townsend Booster Club Photo

Football:

Bulldog Football athlete of the week is #3 Tavyn Anderson. The sophomore QB led an offensive attack that compiled 319 rush yards punching in a run TD himself. Tavyn completed 4/7 pass attempts including 1 for a 16 yd touchdown. Defensively Tavyn recorded 1 TFL and again found the endzone with a pick 6 from 5 yards out. Tavyn improves through hard work every week and has our offense firing going into the last week of the season. No plays off #3.



Tavyn Anderson  
Townsend Booster Club Photo

Cross Country: Rusty Raisland Invitational

MT43 News Sports Reporter

Indian Road Campground served as the home base for the start/finish line for the Rusty Raisland Invitational on Thursday, October 17th.

The course meandered along Centerville Road, edged beautifully in fall colors, before heading down Mill Road and up Canton Lane on the way back to the finish. High School hoofers looped the route for their 5K, while the middle schoolers did an out and back to Canton Lane for their 2-mile course.

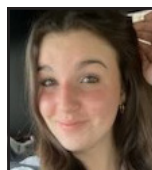
The flat course on a crisp, windless day made for a very fast pace by the fifteen teams represented with most of your Bulldogs establishing their personal best times (PR) as a result. The Bulldogs all raced at the Varsity level for their hometown meet, which is traditionally their final cross-country race of the season, before heading to the state competition.

The Rusty Raisland Invitational is also a chance to honor the legacy of Rusty as a volunteer coach for the Broadwater Cross Country teams for many years alongside his wife, Teresa, who congratulates each runner at the finish line.

The Lady Bulldogs triumphed as a team with a total of 31 points. Kyla Meissner won the ladies' Varsity Race by tying her PR of 19:19, which she established a couple of weeks ago at the Headwaters Invitational

FLYNN BREAKS OLD CROSS-COUNTRY RECORD

Karsyn Sangray  
Broadwater High School Student Intern



Nolan Flynn has been working hard all year, and it paid off at the Home Cross Country Meet. With Nolan shaving 31 seconds off his old personal record (PR) he also shattered the old school record held by Jack Dolan. With the seven-year record broken, the sky's the limit for Nolan.

In preparation for the meet, Nolan did the warm-up run and got several pep talks by many of his supporters. "My biggest support would be either the coach, my uncle, or my uncle's dad. My uncle did cross country in high school so he gives me advice and cheers me on. My team helps. They always cheer me on. They kept telling me that I could get the record."

Thursday, October 17 was one of the coldest meets of the year in Townsend. To prepare for the run, many runners wore beanies or sweats. Some had sweatshirts or coats with them. Our school started with the Varsity girls' run. Kyla Meissner was able to crush the competition and placed first in the race with a time of 19:19. In fourth overall, freshman Elaine MacDonald was able to race with a time of 20:23. Our girls all pushed hard and many of them were able to get new PRs in just the last few meets. The eight girls that raced had records everywhere. Four of them were able to get new personal records- Arabella McDaniel, Elaine MacDonald, Kaelyn Sangray, Shalyn Sentinella. Fiona Nelson was able to get a season record, and Kyla Meissner tied with her PR from a meet earlier in the season.



Varsity runner Nolan Flynn kicks hard in the last 100 meters to set a new record time for BHS cross country. Karsyn Sangray, High School Intern Photo

Not only were the girls on fire, but the boys came out strong with seven out of the eight boys who raced getting new personal records- Alex Johnson, Gavin Green, Kaden Bruins, Keaton Cavasos, Nolan Flynn, Rylan Hoveland, and Samuel Flesch.

These personal records, and the hard work that came with them, prepares the team for State. State Cross Country is on Saturday, October 26 in Missoula. Our Bulldogs are having a busy week to physically and mentally prepare for it. The team members will do whatever they can to not only improve their times this weekend but also crush the remaining competition. The community knows how phenomenal the team is and we all can't wait to see what they bring home from the State Meet.

Nolan Flynn- Highlight of the Meet

MT43 News Sports Reporter



Nolan Flynn  
MT43 News Sports Reporter Photo

The highlight of the home cross-country meet was watching senior Nolan Flynn cross the finish line in 16:20, which is not only his best time but the fastest time ever run by a Broadwater Bulldog at 5K! A couple of weeks ago, Nolan was less than one second off the previous record at the Headwaters Invitational in Three Forks. Always a determined runner, Nolan took an additional 30 seconds off that time at his home meet in his last regular season race. Nolan has established the new school record and looks to challenge at the state meet in Missoula next week.

The record was previously held by Jack Dolan, son of our beloved coach Brooke Dolan. Jack set his record time in 2017, the first year cross-country ran the 5K distance, up from the previous 3 miles. He was a member of the 2016 state championship team along with Bryant Edgerton, Nathan Gallegos, Cole Bergstad, Wyatt Herick, Tommy Frost, and Louis Ingalls, current assistant coach. He was also a member of teams that placed 2nd in 2015 and 3rd in 2017 at state. He finished 26th, 9th, and 3rd as an individual runner at state during his tenure as a Broadwater Bulldog.

in Three Forks. She was followed closely behind by Elaine MacDonald (20:23 PR) in 4th and Kaelyn Sangray (20:58 PR) in 6th. Arabella McDaniel (23:05 PR) and Shalyn Sentinella (25:20 PR) rounded out the scoring positions in the 19th and 28th, respectively. Logan Barkhurst (28:01) and Grace Kroeger (29:29) came in back-to-back in 32nd and 33rd. Fiona Nelson (31:57 SR) anchored the Lady Bulldogs in 35th. Way to finish the season ladies!

The men's team finished 2nd with 40 points behind Jefferson. Nolan Flynn was 2nd overall, but established a new school record with a time of 16:20, taking 30 seconds off his previous best! Kaden Bruins (18:09 PR) made the most of his senior meet by finishing in 11th, with Gavin Green (18:27) right behind him in 13th. Rylan Hoveland (19:30 PR) was in 19th and Luke Tullos (20:01 PR) in 22nd. Rounding out the Bulldogs were Samuel Flesch (21:44 PR) in 34th, Keaton Cavasos (21:55 PR) in 36th, and Alex Johnson (25:24 PR) in 41st.

Strong showing Bulldogs!

Eighty-seven middle schoolers representing nine teams completed the day with the boys and girls competing simultaneously. Clayton Rice (12:58) crossed the timing belt first for the Bulldogs in 9th. Everett Kirksey (17:24) was 27th and Jayden Flynn (19:35) was 31st. The girls' team was led by Kathryn Six (14:55) in 17th, followed by Courtney Webber (16:31) in 28th and Lydia Brakefield (18:09) in 36th. Up next was Madison Vogl (18:43) in 41st, Anna Busscher (19:33) in 43rd, and Erilyn Strait (20:58) in 47th. Great season middle schoolers!

These Bulldog runners all seem to be peaking at the right time to perform well at the MHSA All-class Cross-Country Championships this Saturday, October 26th in Missoula at the University of Montana Golf Course. Many of them have the potential to earn all-state honors and place well as teams.

Good luck Bulldogs!



Fellow senior Kaelyn Sangray establishes her fastest time of 20:58 during her last regular season meet as a Bulldog. MT43 News Sports Reporter Photo



Senior Kaden Bruins runs his first sub-19 minute 5K in his last home meet. MT43 News Sports Reporter Photo

# Ghost Stroll 2024- October 31, 4:30-6:30 Down Front and Broadway Streets



County Extension Agent Allison Kosto and her trick 'r treaters, Garrett, Ella and Madeline.  
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Brenda Phillips of MT 43 News and Hanna Burdick and Rachael Brug of Reading Leaves Bookstore hand out candy.  
Photo Credits: Nancy Marks

See you at the Ghost Stroll!

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## BULLDOGS MAUL HERDERS IN A DOMINATING VICTORY

Grady Erickson  
BHS Sports Reporter



It was a beautiful night in Big Timber when the Sweet Grass Herders took on the Townsend Bulldogs. This game had large playoff implications for the Bulldogs who hoped to keep their dreams of a playoff berth alive. The Bulldogs came into the game 3-3 coming off a win to Columbus. The Herders were 3-4 coming into the game hoping for their first Southern B win on their senior night.

The Herders started with an attempted inside kick that didn't fool the Bulldogs and they recovered with good field position. This run didn't end in any points as the Bulldogs fumbled with the Herders recovering. Townsend kept their good special teams play going with a blocked punt that gave them good field position. Sawyer Horne ran a touchdown in and with the extra point being good the scoring started with a 7-0 lead. The Dawgs kept the offensive momentum going on their next possession with another rushing touchdown and a good extra point put the Dawgs up 14-0. Logan Johnson then added a field goal to put the Bulldogs up 17-0. The first quarter ended with a Colt Barnard interception to give the Bulldogs the ball back entering the second quarter.

The first Herders' possession of the second quarter was stopped when Colt Barnard didn't give up on a long pass by Sweet Grass and forced a fumble that the Bulldogs recovered. Tavyn Anderson capped off a long drive with a rushing touchdown with 6 minutes left in the second quarter. The extra point brought the score to 24-0. On the next Sweet Grass possession Deegan Mattson had an interception which led to a Tavyn Anderson 15-yard-passing touchdown to Sawyer Horne. That brought the score to 31-0 after the extra point. On the next Herder possession Hunter McCartney had an electric strip fumble recovery that he took down to the 2-yard line. He could smell the endzone but couldn't quite get there. Sawyer Horne added another rushing touchdown to his already great rushing day. The extra point being good made the score 38-0. The next Herder possession was stopped when Tavyn Anderson had an awesome interception return for a touchdown with the extra point the score was 45-0 to end the half.

The third quarter started with a running clock and after a slow offense start Bradan Martin broke loose for another Bulldog touchdown to make the score 52-0 at the end of the third quarter. Sweet Grass did manage a good drive during the third quarter and found the end of the third with the Herders in a good scoring position.

The fourth quarter started with a Herders touchdown but the Bulldog defense held up and managed to block the extra point to make the score 52-6. The Bulldog defense was still on their A-game when Deegan Mattson snagged another interception. The ensuing Bulldog offensive possession saw Braden Forest Martin as he skedaddled for a 55-yard rushing touchdown. Then Johnson added the extra point to bring the score to 59-6 which was the final score when the clock hit zero on a big Townsend win.

Next week the Bulldogs play the Jefferson Panthers over in Boulder. This game will be a major deciding factor in the Bulldogs' playoff hopes. Hopefully, the Bulldogs can keep the stellar play going, stay strong on defense and come out of Boulder with a big win. Hope to see you over there. GO DAWGS!!

## Townsend's 3rd Annual Native American Heritage Celebration!



Magpie Singers Drum Group invited attendees to participate in singing, dancing or drumming.  
Photo Credit: Sarah Tallwhiteman

Sarah Tallwhiteman

November is Native American Heritage Month, the month that people of all cultures are encouraged to spend more time focusing on the traditions and history of our First Nations people. Sunday, November 3rd, starting at 11:00 am and ending at 2:00 pm, Broadwater County and surrounding areas are invited to do just that!

What began as a small event with a few local native artists and homemade frybread in 2022, is anticipated even to outgrow last year's event!

The first year was held at the old Birds Nest store (now Hwy 12 Marketplace). Local artist, Laura Stevenson of Big Sky Angels, was gifted by her parents, Juanita Bray and John Larsen, a second print of the book Little Braids Quest in the West. The interactive History Lesson was written by her brother Don Larsen and illustrated by Laura. She wanted to introduce the book locally.

Laura's daughter, Sarah Tallwhiteman, had been on her own quest to try and find a local Native American community. She wanted to support her daughters', Tia and Kianna, and help spark an interest for them in learning their culture and heritage. Laura and Sarah had the idea to invite local Native American people to display their art and bring attention to their culture.

The response from the community was very positive. Tee Jay Hemsworth brought her art and wore regalia that she spoke about, teaching people symbolisms and about dancing prayers. Amy Lee also had a booth where she displayed handmade rattlesnake jewelry and more. She taught through her book of pictures which documented her harvest of the materials for the craft. Takoda Oldham helped save the day after

the vendor in charge of frybread canceled that morning. He hurried to help make the frybread, teaching Tia and Kianna as well, while Sarah chopped all the toppings! And Laura was able to display the new print and even sold a few of her handmade Ring the Stick games. A great time was had by all!

Last year took place at American Legion Post 42, where it was supported by the Helena Indian Alliance and Last Chance Com-

munity Pow Wow Committee. We had three vendor tables. Katelyn Gripp with Helena Indian Alliance, Rachael Brugg with Reading Leaves Bookstore and Laura with Big Sky Angels. The community enjoyed Last Chance Community Pow Wow Committee's world-famous frybread tacos (made fresh-to-order in the kitchen), live stories from Elders Louise Fischer and Daniel Pocha, and the Magpie Singers and Dancers who drummed and danced in regalia. People from all backgrounds were given an opportunity to sit and/or sing at the drum and participate in a couple of round dances; a first for many.

The local event was started in honor of Tia and Kianna. They have become active members of the Magpie Singers and Dancers group who have taken them under wing. Linda Youpee created jingle regalia so Tia could dance her first powwow at Last Chance Community Pow Wow this year. Magpie members at the drum have encouraged Kianna to sit and sing at the drum and she was able to do so at this powwow as well. Both girls will be part of the drumming and dancing at the Townsend event!

This year we will be holding the event at Townsend Schools, inside the North Pine Entrance. We hope to interest other local families to engage in this free family-friendly gathering. The community is invited to join us in eating delicious frybread tacos, learning stories from Elders Louise and Daniel, dancing and drum demonstrations by the Magpie Singers and more.

For more information, email NativeAmericanHeritage.Townsend@gmail.com.

The Vendor Sign-up Deadline is Wednesday, October 30, so please email us as soon as possible if you are interested in free vendor space!

See you there!

## Townsend School Calendar

**OCTOBER**

**Fri 25**  
NO SCHOOL  
6:00PM Old Baldy-Studio Ceramics @ Pottery Guild at 108 N Spruce St  
7:00PM HSFB @ Jefferson

**Mon 28 - Fri 1**  
Red Ribbon Week

**Mon 28**  
6:15PM Elkhorn Basketball Practice at Elementary Gym  
7:00PM NHS Induction Ceremony at Community Room

**Tue 29**  
4:00PM MSGBB vs Manhattan  
6:15PM Elkhorn Basketball Practice at Elementary Gym

**Wed 30**  
6:00PM Old Baldy-Studio Ceramics @ Pottery Guild at 108 N Spruce St  
6:15PM Elkhorn Basketball Practice at Elementary Gym  
6:15PM Elkhorn Basketball Practice at Stage Gym  
7:00PM Open Gym-Old Baldy-1963 BHS Gym at TOWNSEND SCHOOL DISTRICT #1, 201 N Spruce St  
7:30PM Pickleball-Old Baldy - Stage Gym

**Thu 31 - Fri 1**  
District VB @ Manhattan

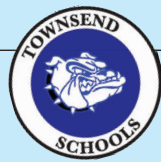
**Thu 31**  
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6:15PM Elkhorn Basketball Practice at Elementary Gym  
7:00PM Artisan Breadmaking - Old Baldy - FCCLA Classroom

**NOVEMBER**

**Fri 1**  
NO SCHOOL  
6:00PM Old Baldy-Studio Ceramics @ Pottery Guild at 108 N Spruce St

**Sat 2**  
1st Round FB Playoffs-TBD

**Sun 3**  
11:00AM Native American Heritage Event at Townsend Schools



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## Three Forks School Calendar

**OCTOBER**

**Fri 25**  
7:00PM HS Football vs Big Timber  
Senior Night for FB

**Sat 26**  
HS Cross Country State @ UofM Golf Course TBD  
4:00PM HS Volleyball vs Lone Peak  
Senior Night for VB & Cheer

**Thu 31 - Fri 1**  
HS Volleyball Districts @ Manhattan TBD



## THREE FORKS COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**OCTOBER**

**Friday 25**  
11:00am Three Forks Public Library - LEGO Club

**Tuesday 29**  
1:00pm Three Forks Public Library - Mah Jongg  
6:00pm Three Forks Public Library - Book Club

**Wednesday 30**  
5:30pm Bozeman Music Night with the Bridger Creek Bois at Bridger Brewing Three Forks

**Thursday 31**  
10:30am Three Forks Public Library - Storytime

**NOVEMBER**

**Friday 1**  
11:00am Three Forks Public Library - LEGO Club

## BROADWATER COUNTY GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

**OCTOBER**

**Monday 28**  
2:00pm Commission Working Meeting

**Tuesday 29**  
2:00pm Commission Working Meeting (in the Commissioner's Office)

**Wednesday 30**  
10:00am Commission Meeting



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## TOWNSEND COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**OCTOBER**

**Friday 25**  
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 26**  
6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945  
6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway

**Monday 28**  
6:00pm Celebrate Recovery at Mountain Valley Church, 107 E St, 406-980-1805

**Tuesday 29**  
4:00pm STOKE Presents: LEGO Tech at The Lodge of Townsend  
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

**Wednesday 30**  
1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St  
6:00PM Journey Through a War Zone Presentation at the Library Community Room **READ ABOUT IT ON PAGE 10**  
Trick or Treat for Others to Eat Food Donation Drive **SEE AD ON PAGE 10 FOR DETAILS**

**Thursday 31**  
4:30- 6:30pm 2024 Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce Ghost Stroll - Halloween at Front St & Broadway St **SEE DETAILS ON PAGE 3 & 12**  
7:00pm Al-Anon at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry

**NOVEMBER**

**Now- Fri 1**  
Broadwater Food Pantry & Town Pump  
\$1 for \$1 Donation Drive **SEE INFO ON THIS PAGE**

**Now- Tue 15**  
American Legion Riders Coat Drive **READ MORE ON PAGE 8**

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**Saturday 2**  
10:00AM Blast O'Lantern 2024 **SEE AD ON THIS PAGE FOR DETAILS**  
6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945  
6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway

**Sunday 3**  
11:00AM 3rd Annual Native American Heritage Celebration at Townsend Schools, N Pine Entrance **READ ABOUT IT ON PAGE 3, AD ON PAGE 4**

### Broadwater Rural Fire Board Meeting

3rd Wednesday each month.  
**Next meeting: November 20th, 7:00PM**  
At the Townsend Fire Station - 130 So Cedar St  
See Board Meeting Agenda at: <http://www.facebook.com/BroadwaterCountyVolunteerFireDepartment>

## LIBRARY HOURS

### Three Forks Community Library

**FALL HOURS:**  
Monday, Wednesday through Friday - 10:00am to 5:00pm  
Tuesdays - 10:00am - 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 the website: [threeforkslibrary.weebly.com](http://threeforkslibrary.weebly.com)

### Broadwater School and Community Library

**FALL HOURS:**  
Monday-Thursday -- 4:00 - 7:00pm  
Friday-Saturday -- 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Sunday -- 12:00 - 5:00pm  
Curbside also available please call: (406)441-3461

## BLAST O' LANTERN 2024!

Don't know what to do with your "old" Pumpkin or Jack O'Lantern?  
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Bring your own pumpkin (or use one of ours), bring your rifle (or use one of ours) and bring appropriate eye & ear protection (it is mandatory). This is a free event and fun for all ages from 5-90. BRGC and Capital Sports provide the Tannerite free of charge.

## Join us for the 3rd Annual Native American Heritage Celebration!

**Sunday, November 3rd at 11:00- 2:00**

**Drumming and Dancers, Frybread, Stories with the Elders, vendors and more!!**

Want to be a vendor?  
Email before 10/29/24!  
[NativeAmericanHeritage.Townsend@gmail.com](mailto:NativeAmericanHeritage.Townsend@gmail.com)  
**FREE Admission - Donations Appreciated**  
See you at the North Pine entrance of Townsend Schools.

### DONATION PRICE MATCH

September 1st through November 30th, Town Pump will match any donations to our Broadwater Food Pantry dollar for dollar!

HOW CAN YOU DONATE?

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- Come to our booth at Fall Fest, October 4th - 6th

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## LEGAL NOTICES



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### MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL COURT, BROADWATER COUNTY

Case No. DDV-24-56  
Dept. No. Judge Abbott  
In the Matter of the Name Change for Rodolfo Orlamil Silva  
Rodolfo Orlamil Silva, Petitioner  
NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE  
This is notice that Petitioner has asked the District Court for a change of name from Rodolfo Orlamil Silva to Bezael Naftali Silva.  
The hearing will be on 11/22/24 at 10:30 am.  
The hearing will be at the Courthouse in Broadwater County.  
Date: October 15, 2024  
Valerie J Hornsveld Clerk of District Courthouse  
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### MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, BROADWATER COUNTY

No. DV-4-2016-0000004-QT  
SOLSTICE SPIRIT, LTD. Plaintiff, vs.  
TROY FELLBAUM, and ALIAS SUMMONS FOR FLATHEAD BANK OF BIGFORK, PUBLICATION MONTANA, and THE STATE OF MONTANA and BROADWATER COUNTY, a political subdivision of the STATE OF MONTANA, and Each and all of the unknown owners of the real property or any portion thereof, described in the Complaint in this action, filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court; All of the heirs, devisees, successors or assigns of each of the unknown owners who may be deceased, if any; And all other persons, unknown, claiming or who might claim any right, title, estate or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the Complaint, or any portion thereof adverse to Plaintiff's ownership or any cloud upon Plaintiff's title thereto, whether such claim or possible claim be present or contingent, including any claim or possible claims of dower, inchoate or accrued, Defendants.

THE STATE OF MONTANA TO: TROY FELLBAUM, FLATHEAD BANK OF BIGFORK, MONTANA, AND THE ABOVE NAMED UNKNOWN DEFENDANTS AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE SUMMONS OR ANY PART OF THE REAL PROPERTY, DEFENDANTS, GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action which is filed in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, a copy of which is now served upon you, and to file your written Answer and serve a copy thereof upon the Plaintiff's attorney within 21 days after the last publication of this Summons, exclusive of the last date of publication; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Provided, pursuant to M.R.Civ.P. 12 (a), the state, or any state board or agency shall serve an answer to the complaint within 42 days after service upon the attorney general. You are required to set forth in your Answer what interest or lien, if any, you have in or upon that certain real property or any part of the real property situated in Broadwater County, State of Montana, particularly described as follows:

Lot 78 of Wheatland Meadows Subdivision, being a part of the East one-half (E½) of Section 9, and part of the Northeast one-quarter (NE¼) of Section 16, all being situated in Township 2 North, Range 1 East, P.M.M., Broadwater County, Montana, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Broadwater County, Montana. (Plat ref: Bk. 2, Pg. 109 – Envelope 260-A). Reference: Document 168491, Records of Broadwater County, Montana.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, unless you appear and answer, the Plaintiff will ask the

Court to enter Judgment for the relief demanded in the Complaint. This is an action to quiet title and remove a cloud from the title of the real property described above.

WITNESS, my hand and the seal of said Court, on October 17, 2024.

VALERIE HORNSVELD, Clerk of District Court  
By: /s/ Desiree Taves, Deputy Clerk of Court

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### NOTICE OF RECORD DESTRUCTION

Townsend School District will soon destroy special education/speech-language therapy records of former students who have been out of school for at least eight years. Former students may contact Britney Bancroft at (406) 441-3424 within 60 days of this notice if they wish to review the files or obtain copies of the information contained in them. The information to be destroyed shall not include data collected on a routine basis that is maintained on all school children (such as the student's name, address, telephone number, grade level completed and year completed.) The data to be destroyed shall include information collected for identification, location, evaluation, and other items directly related to special education services which the student had received. Parents of students still in school but not in special education for at least five years may also request that their children's records be destroyed. Parents of these students also have the right to inspect the special education records and obtain copies of the information contained in these records before they are destroyed. Persons having questions about this process or those persons wishing to request that records be destroyed may contact Britney Bancroft at (406) 441-3424 for assistance.

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### City of Townsend Request for Proposals for the Montana Department of Commerce Reinvestment Program

The City of Townsend is requesting proposals from qualified professional consultants to complete a Comprehensive Affordable Housing Study and Analysis Report which will be incorporated to the City's Growth Policy with respect to increasing the affordable housing supply, with a special emphasis on the following criteria: attainable workforce housing; a plan to obtain funding for affordable housing solutions through both public and private resources; and a plan to work with private and non-profit housing developers to provide the type of housing that The City of Townsend needs for healthy growth and sustainability.

In addition to providing much needed data for attainable and affordable housing, one goal of the comprehensive housing study and analysis will provide the required data for SB 382 compliance (the newly enacted Montana Land Use and Planning Act), bringing the City of Townsend closer to meeting SB 382 requirements.

This request for proposals is subject to the award of supporting funds. The City of Townsend has applied to the Montana Department of Commerce under the State-funded Montana Community Reinvestment Plan Act, HB 819, to develop an Affordable Housing Study incorporated into the City's Growth Policy.

Copies of the detailed Request for Proposals (RFP), including a description of the services to be provided by respondents, the minimum content of responses, and the factors to be used to evaluate the responses, can be obtained by contacting Kari Williams at the City of Townsend by calling (406)266-3911 or by emailing kari@townsendmontana.net.

Responses to this RFP will be received by the City of Townsend at City Hall, 110 Broadway, Townsend, Montana 59644 until 1:00 p.m. on November 22, 2024.

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### NOTICE PUBLIC SALE

\$2000, OBO, for public sale: Broadwater County is accepting sealed offers to purchase a 1981, 2,348 sq. ft. manufactured building, 57' x 42' x 12.5'h, 16 rooms including 3 bathrooms, breaks down into three 14' sections for transport, 2' x 6' walls, flat roof, cinder block supports but not tied down, building is laid out as a medical office, water is shut off and blown out, county can assist in disconnecting utilities, contents of building included, some rot on exterior, axles and tires appear to be underneath. Manufactured building sells with a bill of sale only, no title. Building is located at 100 N. Oak St., Townsend, MT. Buyer is responsible for dismantling and transportation within thirty (30) days of sale, but Seller is open to work with the buyer on a reasonable timeline. Sealed offers will be accepted at the Broadwater County Maintenance Department, 515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644, until November 15, 2024. Questions or requests for more information can be directed to Bill Malone, Maintenance Supervisor, at 406-594-2929.

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### A BOLD RETURN TO GIVING A DAMN

George Washington said the following: "Agriculture is the most healthful, most useful and most noble employment of man." National Farmer's Day was October 12th.....a day to spotlight all those who work in acres, not in hours. Broadwater County is a prolific farming community, rich in alfalfa, seed potatoes, grains/seeds and extremely devoted farmers.

Will Harris, world-renowned steward of the land, owner of White Oak Pastures in Georgia and accomplished author has been advocating for agriculture and the importance thereof for decades. An excerpt from his book, A Bold Return to Giving a Damn:

"I never used to tell the story of White Oaks much. Not for lack of pride - I am inordinately proud of our heritage here. But I was raised cowboy, and cowboys don't gush about themselves to other people. I figured that since I don't give a damn about most of their stories, why would they give a damn about mine? Yet that has been changing as more people realize that the food system is not as fine as they thought and that almost all their food comes from factories - the process plants that produce the final products and the animal factories and the "crop factories" of massive monoculture farms that raise the raw materials.

It's human nature to be attracted to authenticity, and it gives people an urge to learn more about the opposite: the truly independent American family farm. Maybe the interest has been stoked by the fact that farms like this, and farmers like me, are, quite literally, a rare breed.

At the start of the 20th century, farmers comprised 41% of the American workforce. Today, farmers make up about one percent, and I'd estimate that less than one percent of this one percent are working outside the factory system entirely. Even a smaller percentage have been farming the same land for over a century and a half, and probably an even smaller percentage of them are as outspoken as I am about how it got to be this way. Rarity breeds curiosity.

I, like many others, am extremely proud of my agricultural heritage. Seeing the next generation embrace this lifestyle with such vim and vigor touches my heart in a most powerful way! Furthermore, I commend those generational family farms who have forged an ironclad path to ensuring their legacy lives on in a solid, wholesome and sustainable fashion. I commend you for sharing your story. You are a rare breed!

Perhaps we can all agree how vitally important it is to "Know Your Farmer. Know Your Food." Ya reckon?

*For the Love of Agriculture,*

**Denise Thompson**

## Broadwater County Commissioners Agenda

Daylene Hansen  
Administrative Assistant



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

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

Per Montana Code Annotated (MCA) 2-3-202, the agenda must include an item allowing public comment on any public matter that is not on the agenda of the meeting and that is within the jurisdiction of the agency conducting the meeting.

Public comments will be taken either in writing before the meeting or in person at the beginning of the meeting. Mail and items for discussion and/or signature may occur as time allows during the meeting. Issues and times are subject to change. Working meetings will be posted on the agenda and will not be recorded.

OFFICIAL agendas are posted at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting in the Courthouse (1st-floor bulletin board), on our website at [www.broadwatercountymt.com](http://www.broadwatercountymt.com), in the window of the Flynn Building, and in the local MT43 Newspaper when possible to meet the publishing deadline.

*Monday, October 28, 2024*

**2:00 PM** Working meeting with Bill Jarocki, County Administrative Officer, in CAO office, regarding projects and deadlines

*Tuesday, October 29, 2024*

**10:00 AM** Working meeting in Commission Office with Kay Minor, Deputy County Attorney, regarding projects and deadlines

*Wednesday, October 30, 2024*

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

**10:00 AM** Angie Paulsen, Broadwater County Clerk and Recorder, 2024 Federal General Election Judge Appointments and Election update

**10:05 AM** Discussion/Decision, Public Works Director, TJ Graveley, Resolution for purchase of 2020 Peterbilt 348 Hook Truck \$170,675

**10:10 AM** Discussion/Decision, Resolution supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans

**10:15 AM** Discussion/Decision, Resolution to Affirmatively Participate in the Montana Community Reinvestment Plan by Identifying and Approving HAB (Housing Authority Billings) Development Corporation as Broadwater County's Community Reinvestment Organization

**10:20 AM** Discussion/Decision, Montana Association of Counties Member Cybersecurity & Technologies Services (MCT) Agreement with Broadwater County

**10:25 AM** Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Foth Boundary Relocation Exemption request (S14, T5N, R1E)

**10:30 AM** Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Tabet-Smith Court Ordered Division Exemption request (S11, T7N, R1E)

**10:35 AM** Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Amundson Boundary Relocation Exemption request (S23, T7N, R1E)

**10:40 AM** Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Haseman #1 Boundary Relocation Exemption request (S23, T5N, R2E)

**10:45 AM** Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Juniper Ridge Minor Subdivision (S29, T7N, R3E)

The county strives to make the meeting available virtually but cannot guarantee access due to platform failure, internet interruptions, or other potential technological malfunctions

*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
- Task Orders

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](mailto: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

- Trust Board Meeting on November 12th at 11:30 AM
- Planning Board Meeting on November 12th at 1:00 PM
- Solid Waste Board Meeting on November 12th at 6:00 PM
- Mental Health Local Advisory Council Meeting on November 13th at 2:00 PM
- Fair Board Meeting on November 14th at 5:30 PM
- County Parks and Recreation Meeting on November 18th at 6:00 PM
- Noxious Weed Board Meeting on November 19th at 6:00 PM
- Airport Board Meeting on November 20th at 6:00 PM
- Board of Health Meeting on November 25th at 2:00 PM

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

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<h3>American Legion Hall</h3> <p>211 Broadway, Townsend                  (406) 266-3611                  Dining Hours:                  Tuesday Bingo/ Bowl &amp; a Roll 5:00PM                  Special Event with Food: N/A                  Bar hours may vary</p>	<h3>The Betsy Sports Zone</h3> <p>217 Broadway, Townsend                  (406) 266-0001                  Dining Hours:                  Wed - Sat 3:00PM - 12:00AM                  Closed Sun, Mon &amp; Tues                  Takeout placed only in person.                  Menu:                  www.betsysportszone.com</p>	<h3>C Hangin' C Mercantile &amp; Creamery</h3> <p>310 S Front St, Townsend                  (406) 266-9087                  Dining Hours:                  Mon - Sat 9:00AM - 7:00PM                  Sun 8:00AM - 5:00PM                  Menu:                  Facebook                  changinmerc.square.site</p>	<h3>Copy Cup</h3> <p>303 N Front St, Townsend                  (406) 980-8400                  Please call on business hours                  Drinks and Pastry Hours:                  Mon - Fri 7:00AM - 3:00PM                  Sat 8:30AM - 2:00PM                  Closed Sunday</p>	<h3>Fishtale Tavern</h3> <p>209 Broadway St, Townsend                  (406) 266-5582                  Dining Hours:                  11:00AM - 11:00PM                  Daily Specials:                  Facebook                  Bar hours may vary</p>	<h3>Mint Cafe</h3> <p>305 Broadway St, Townsend                  (406) 266-3867                  Dining Hours:                  Mon - Wed 8:00AM - 2:00PM,                  Thur - Fri 8:00AM - 8:00PM                  Sat - Sun 7:00AM - 7:00PM                  Menu:                  themintbarandgrill.com/menu</p>
<h3>Bread and Butter Cafe</h3> <p>205 Broadway St, Townsend                  (406) 266-3025                  Dining Hours:                  Tue - Sat 7:00AM- 2:00PM                  Menu available on Facebook                  Closed Sunday and Monday</p>	<h3>Bunkhouse Bar &amp; Grill</h3> <p>8846 US-287, Toston                  (406) 266-5302                  Dining Hours:                  10:00AM - Close                  Grill off at 10:00PM</p>	<h3>Commercial Bar</h3> <p>101 Broadway, Townsend                  (406) 266-9956                  Dining Hours:                  10:00AM - 2:00AM                  Closed Thanksgiving &amp; Christmas                  Menu available on Facebook</p>	<h3>Deep Creek Pizza</h3> <p>415 Broadway Ste 2, Townsend                  (406) 266-0002                  Dining Hours:                  11:00AM - 8:00 PM                  Menu:                  www.deepcreekpizzaco.com,                  Facebook and Instagram                  Closed Sunday</p>	<h3>Full Belli Deli</h3> <p>209 S Front St, Townsend                  (406) 266-5459                  Dining Hours:                  7:30AM - 8:00PM Every Day                  Menu:                  fullbellidelimt.com</p>	<h3>TB's Diner</h3> <p>316 N Front St, Townsend,                  (406) 266-0099                  Dining Hours:                  Fri - Tue 7:00AM - 8:00PM                  Wed - Thu CLOSED                  Specials:                  Facebook</p>

## Weather Info Contributed by Jeff Ross

Fri 10/25	Sat 10/26	Sun 10/27	Mon 10/28	Tue 10/29
Mostly Clear	Mostly Clear	Light Rain	Light Rain	Light Wintry Mix
54°   40°	58°   42°	56°   41°	47°   32°	40°   29°
0%	0%	21%	38%	0 in
5   12 mph	10   18 mph	13   25 mph	7   15 mph	7   16 mph

## Precipitation:

May: 2.721"	August: 0.402"
June: 0.968"	September: 3.637"
July: 0.040"	October: 0.103"
2023: 13.669"	2024: 10.753"

## Super Crossword

END-OF-OCTOBER OPTIONS

**ACROSS**

- 1 Messiah of Christianity, in Italy
- 5 Broody music genre
- 8 Club welders' org.
- 11 Fire hydrant attachment
- 15 Beast of burden
- 18 Tolkien monsters
- 19 Flight routes
- 21 Pizzazz
- 22 Simian beast
- 23 Search for hidden objects
- 25 Owing no money
- 27 Old Greek region
- 28 In the past
- 29 Firearm safety feature
- 31 Sam Spade's cover-up
- 34 Spot in la mer
- 35 See 109-Down
- 36 Pottery oven
- 37 Some milk dispensers
- 40 Stork relative
- 43 Blue-eyed cat
- 47 Rolled the dice at a casino, say
- 50 Loafing sorts
- 51 Sean of films
- 52 Dressed in
- 53 Singer Lana Del —
- 54 French composer Edouard
- 55 Purview
- 57 1860s White House nickname
- 60 Oprah of TV
- 62 Statement that might follow "Come on in"
- 66 1920s White House nickname
- 67 Part of SST
- 68 Qatari capital
- 69 Qatari, e.g.
- 71 Spanish appetizers
- 75 Cpl., e.g.
- 77 2022 Tom Cruise sequel
- 80 Poseidon and Neptune
- 84 Stew sphere
- 85 Architect Saarinen
- 86 Italian money
- 87 Young lady
- 88 T. — Price
- 90 Young lady
- 92 Messes (up) dice
- 94 Procedure to evaluate heart health
- 98 Roughly shaped
- 99 K.P. veggie
- 100 La Forge of "Star Trek: The Next Generation"
- 101 Clock datum
- 102 Be rife (with)
- 105 Pro bono TV ad, for short
- 106 Nauseous from motion, to Brits
- 112 Look at yet again to make sure
- 116 Barley brew
- 117 Steve of country rock
- 118 "Clever plan!"
- 119 What is found divided at the starts and ends of nine answers in this puzzle
- 122 Former Fox competitor
- 123 Pop diva
- 124 Copying a pig
- 125 Regarding
- 126 Lean — (crude sheds)
- 127 Part of SSE
- 128 String after Q
- 129 la. neighbor
- 130 Plug tightly
- DOWN**
- 1 "Oh, I see"
- 2 Boo-boo
- 3 Act division
- 4 Sprinter Bolt
- 5 Water, in Lille
- 6 Wonderwork
- 7 It's north of Nevada
- 8 Basketball player Gasol
- 9 "Peer —" (Ibsen play)
- 10 Situated on both sides of bushes
- 11 Borderline of
- 12 Couturier Cassini
- 13 Duel sword
- 14 Admission
- 15 Dueler with Alexander Hamilton
- 16 Project detail
- 17 Search out
- 20 "Easy there!"
- 24 One looting
- 26 Thrash about
- 30 Cole Porter's "Where Is the Life That Late —?"
- 32 Warn like a snake or cat
- 33 Go left, e.g.
- 38 Libyan cash
- 39 Skiing stuff
- 41 Frozen drink brand
- 42 Vodka brand
- 43 Sediments
- 44 It's north of Nevada
- 45 — wrench
- 46 Copying a cat
- 47 Small British cafe
- 48 Actor Close
- 49 Capitol body
- 51 Politico Ross
- 56 Scarlet, say
- 58 Lover boy
- 59 Heartfelt
- 61 Suddenly worsen
- 63 Harmonious union
- 64 Look awed
- 65 Makes docile
- 70 Drinking site
- 72 Second-century pope
- 73 Lot divisions
- 74 Teensy bit
- 76 Former Laker Lamar
- 78 Played Fortnite, e.g.
- 79 Loudness
- 80 Cpls.' bosses
- 81 Frontier sheriff Wyatt
- 82 Attu's islands
- 83 Big drink
- 89 Tusked beast
- 91 "That so?"
- 93 Brunch staple
- 95 Proficient
- 96 Fail to win
- 97 Farm vehicle
- 98 Easily deceived sort
- 101 "That's what I'm — about!"
- 103 Skip over, as a syllable
- 104 Newspapers, TV, etc.
- 107 Oven shelf
- 108 Indian wraps
- 109 With 35-Across, player of Granny on "The Beverly Hillbillies"
- 110 Actress Bow
- 111 — One (vodka brand)
- 112 Certain bolt holder
- 113 Many a seized auto
- 114 Co. honchos
- 115 Reality TV's Jenner
- 120 Acct. accrual
- 121 Abbr. of primary colors

## Kids' Maze

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆**

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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## SCRAMBLERS

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

Glance

DANGER

Essay

SPORE

Command

CORNLOT

Grave

NEARY

**TODAY'S WORD**

"Jones, over there, and I feel we owe you some sort of \_\_\_\_\_."

## 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: C equals B

RZRS GWPMIW CPGW CRYTGT  
 PJ CMFQRS YFR UPZRFQRQ LS  
 QRSTR JMF, GWYG PSR LT GWR  
 WYLFLRF UYFFLRF.

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## KNIGHT MOVES

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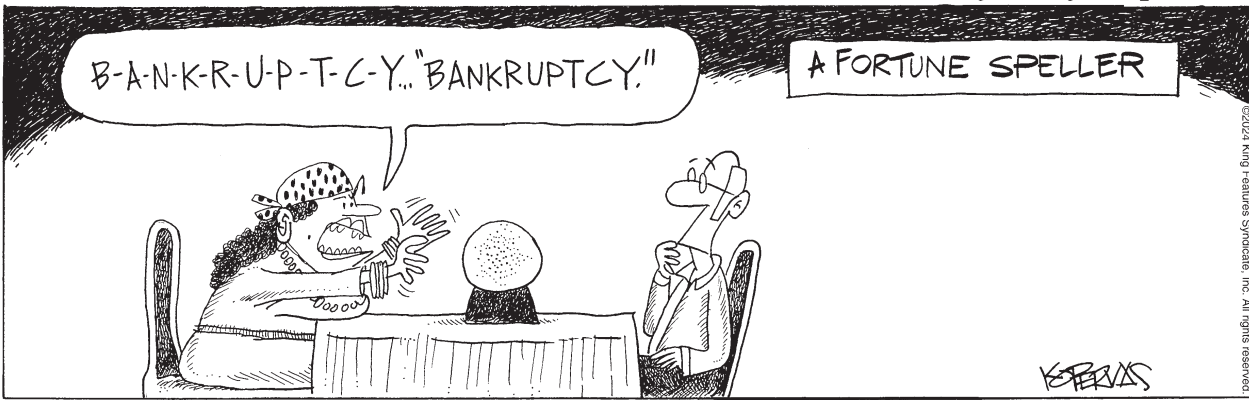
Unlock the power of chess to find the eight-letter word of the day. Choose your starting letter carefully, then move around the square in a one by two fashion to get to the next letter.

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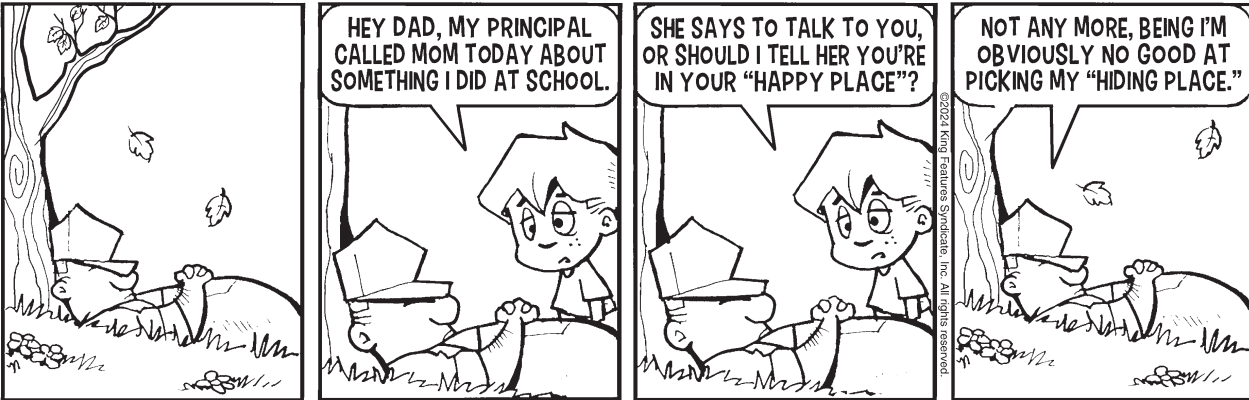
**Just Like Cats & Dogs** by Dave T. Phipps



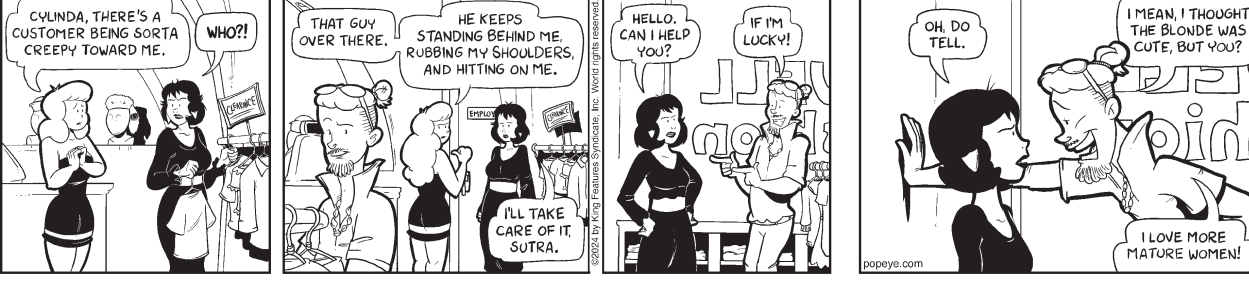
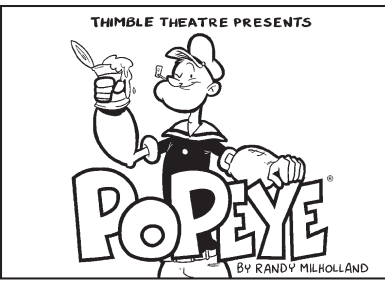
**Out on a Limb**



**Amber Waves**



**The Spats**



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**Kids' Maze Solution**

**ROUTINE RETURNS!**  
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**Weekly SUDOKU**  
 Answer

5	4	1	8	6	3	7	2	9
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**Common Sense**  
BY BILL GARWOOD

## Our Vehicles, Alive or Not?

That sounds strange, doesn't it? A vehicle: our "cars, trucks, RIGS" or anything we drive must be just inanimate objects, right? Maybe, we human beings: need fuel, need air, fluids flowing through our bodies. AND the big one we need a SPARK to start our lives.

A vehicle needs fuel (that costs more every day) needs air, and fluids flowing throughout their bodies. They also need that spark to start and run. Humans do not have an organ in us for emotions. (Never mind what the songs say about the heart) IF any of you have a rig with 2 or more wheels tell me you do not either beg, talk nice, or threaten them to start. Yeah, I thought not, we all do it, especially on a cold morning trying to get the rig to start.

We all do it, I love hearing someone in an office threatening a copy machine or computer. I had an experience one-time, years ago when I was working as a track vehicle mechanic, I had just taken over a company of M113-A3 armored personnel carriers (the upgrades where there was a steering wheel instead of stick laterals.) I will never forget this track, it was designated MC05RA. This vehicle has sat for over 7 years because the mechanic/team leader was LAZY!

The track needed a spur gear, inside housing that ran the cooling pump. A simple part, when I took over that company, I looked into WHY this vehicle sat for 7 years! The people in supply yelled in very naughty language about a lazy so-and-so who never came to pick up the part needed, that had been in stock for 5 years. Suffice it to say I got the part, moved RA into my bay and tore it down. I had to clean out over 7 years of grease, and muck to get to the engine.

After changing all the fluids, installing the part, I started up the track. I then, as we were supposed to do, took it out on a road test...this vehicle "Frolicked". It was like a teenager, I could almost hear it screaming, "I'M FREE!" think all these mechanical devices are dead? Nope, this track had sat for over 7 years rotting away. It was now made useful again. (I actually had to use the brakes to slow it down, as it blew right past the governor on the engine.)

All mechanical "beings have the same needs as we do, to run and live. MAYBE I'm embellishing a bit, but not by much, as any mechanic can tell you and I bet they have a story about a vehicle. Get YOUR vehicle ready for cold weather. Until next week.

## GUEST EDITORIALS

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### Know The Truth About Rank Choice Voting Before You Vote

CI-126 amends the Montana Constitution to provide that the top four finishers in the Primary Election will advance to the General Election, regardless of party or no party affiliation. Anyone can run as a Democrat or a Republican OR candidates can choose not to have a party affiliation at all. Voters must conduct exhaustive research on an unknown and unlimited number of candidates in multiple races.

CI-127 amends the Montana Constitution to provide that a candidate MUST win MORE THAN 50% of the vote. Supporters claim that CI-127 would ensure a 'majority' winner by requiring the winning candidate to receive more than 50% of the vote. However, this already happens in most Montana elections. In our current system, there are usually only two candidates participating, thus resulting in a majority. They claim to fix a problem that doesn't exist.

Together, CI-126 and CI-127 amount to a radical, expensive and unnecessary experiment that is guaranteed to make political campaigns longer, more confusing, more expensive, and more dependent on special-interest money. This experiment is referred to as Rank Choice Voting (RCV) or Top 4 Vote.

When Montanans are informed about RCV, a majority of Montanans (more than 60%) oppose CI-126 and CI-127, including Independents, Democrats, and Republicans.

These constitutional initiatives are a back-door attempt to replace our traditional election system with RCV. Currently, RCV is illegal in Montana. In 2023, the Montana Legislature passed HB598 banning RCV in Montana. CI-126 and CI-127 subvert the rule of law in Montana and is destructive to Montana's election process.

So, if RCV is banned in Montana, why are we talking about it? Because out-of-state dark money groups are pouring MILLIONS OF DOLLARS into Montana to put it on the ballot in November. Who is behind RCV?

Montanans for Election Reform (MFER) is the group pushing RCV. MFER is funded and supported by rich, out-of-state, far-left progressive elites and PACs. As of the most recent reporting, MFER has received \$4.2 million from out-of-state donors, including George Soros foundations. This money has been spent on advertising, signature-gathering, and propaganda.

In the scenario contemplated with CI-126 and CI-127, 4 candidates would compete in the General Election, making it most likely that no candidate would get a majority of votes. In practice, RCV results in an artificial majority. The winner's majority is only a majority of the voters remaining in a final round, not a majority of all the voters who actually cast a vote.

If CI-126 and CI-127 both pass, there will be an almost guaranteed runoff election leading to a lengthened election season into December because twice as many candidates will qualify for the General Election OR it will require a RCV scheme to get to a majority.

RCV is the ultimate GOAL of the supporters of CI-126 and CI-127. RCV undermines the 'One Person - One Vote' system. Rather than just voting for one candidate, voters are forced to vote for all candidates to ensure their ballots are counted and not thrown out. This includes voting for candidates with whom a voter fundamentally disagrees or lacks sufficient information about AND voters have to rank their votes. Voters have to vote for all candidates in each race rather than one person. The votes of the candidates who are eliminated at the bottom must be reassigned until they get someone who has 50% of the votes.

One of the greatest problems with RCV is "ballot exhaustion" - when a ballot is cast but does not count toward the end

election result. This occurs when a voter overvotes, undervotes, or only ranks candidates that are no longer in contention on their ballot. Ballot exhaustion leaves voters and voices uncounted - ballots are literally thrown in the trash because the RCV process renders their votes meaningless. Minority and elderly voters are more likely to have their votes thrown out due to confusion and complexity. It is easier to make a mistake with a more complicated ballot.

Supporters claim that RCV tamps down political extremism. It actually has the opposite effect. In RCV, candidates are not bound by party platforms. In addition, there will be more candidates. When there are more candidates, each running on his/her own personal platform, elections and campaigns will be less about issues and more about personality, resulting in MORE personal attacks, NOTLESS. Candidates will be incentivized to do whatever it takes to gain the most voter recognition, including being bombastic, hyperbolic, and anything other than civil towards his/her competition. Montana politics will become increasingly negative and more polarizing.

Supporters appeal to independent voters by claiming that RCV is an ideal system for them because they can vote for any candidate as their first preference. They aren't limited to vote for a candidate of a particular party. In reality, RCV is a scheme that makes it harder for independent candidates to win and undermines conservative candidates.

Alaska passed RCV in 2020. We can learn lessons from Alaska.

In the 2020 Alaska US Senate race, there were 5 third-party candidates. After RCV was implemented, there were 0 (zero) third-party candidates in the 2022 US Senate race.

RCV reduces transparency in elections, threatens public trust in the democratic process, and makes it more difficult and expensive to conduct elections. Ballots are more expensive to print because RCV requires multi-page ballots. Alaska spent \$534,000 to purchase ballot tabulation equipment. In order to implement RCV, they needed to purchase 137 ballot tabulators. RCV does not allow for hand-counting ballots. All ballots must be scanned and counted by a tabulator for the tabulation grid to be captured. Alaska was the last state in the country to report election results.

RCV reduces voter turnout. In 2022, Alaska experienced a 44% voter turnout, lower than any election in Alaska since 1976 which is as far back as the results go.

RCV requires costly public education campaigns because implementing a major change in elections, especially ones that are more complicated and difficult to understand for the average voter, like RCV, requires voters be educated on how the new system works. Alaska budgeted \$150,000 for voter education on RCV. They spent \$3.1 million on just voter education.

Ballot Exhaustion is real. In Alaska, more than 15,000 votes were thrown out in 2022.

In Alaska, the person with the most votes didn't win. If you come in third, you win. 60% of Alaskan voters voted for a Republican, but thanks to a convoluted process and ballot exhaustion - which disenfranchises voters - a Democrat won.

So, now what for Alaska? They are in the process of repealing RCV. It is on their ballot in 2024. The same dark money groups have spent \$12M to keep RCV in Alaska.

Let's learn from Alaska. Vote NO on CI-126 and CI-127. *Debbie Churchill, Retired Attorney, RNC National Committeewoman, MTGOP Grassroots Director*  
 Clancy, MT



## Weed of the Month: Poverty Sumpweed

Allison Kosto  
MSU Broadwater County Extension  
Agent



Although a native plant, poverty sumpweed is a unique specimen with a foul smell that can be an issue in certain situations. I've received a few reports of issues with poverty sumpweed over the years in Broadwater County. It is also sometimes called Povertyweed.

### Description & Habitat

Native to western North America, poverty sumpweed is found throughout Montana. It can be found in salt marshes, alkali plains, roadsides, pastures, distributed areas and native rangeland.

Poverty sumpweed is a perennial plant (life cycle of more than two years). It can grow up to two feet tall and is typically found in colonies due to its rhizomatous root system. Its oblong leaves are grayish-green and covered in short bristly hairs. It produces small yellow flowers that can be difficult to see. However, one of the most distinguishing characteristics of poverty sumpweed is that it has a distinctive foul odor. People with sensitive skin may react to touching the plant.

Most of the time poverty sumpweed can co-exist without a problem with native or desired forage. However, it tends to be an "increaser" which is a plant whose population increases during a disturbance. It also tends to increase under heavy grazing pressure because livestock avoid it and will target more palatable plants. Some research has shown it has toxic qualities when ingested by livestock. Like other weeds, in the right conditions, it can displace native and desired vegetation and decrease forage production and plant diversity.



Poverty Sumpweed  
Photo Credits: Matt Lavin

### Management

Little research has been done on poverty sumpweed. Avoiding disturbance or overgrazing is often effective in preventing issues with the plant. Typically, full control is not necessary. Reducing the population in high-density sites can allow the desired species to come back but still leave a few plants to benefit biodiversity.

If control is necessary, it can be difficult due to its intensive root system. Hand pulling is difficult and can cause reactions in some people so make sure to wear gloves. Mowing is generally not effective as the plants will regrow from the roots but may reduce plant vigor if done repeatedly.

Herbicides can be effective. Most commonly used chemicals include 2,4-D, Banvel, Tordon (restricted use) and Weedmaster. A mix of herbicides may provide maximum control. Always read and follow the entire label when applying herbicide. Common chemical names are used for clarity but does not imply endorsement of a product or brand.

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

## Homemade Jerky- Just One More Reason to Fill the Freezer

Eileen Clarke  
Rifles and Recipes

Before we start on this jerky recipe, there are two important things to talk about. The first is the cayenne pepper. I used fresh cayenne. Cayenne loses potency over time, and with exposure to heat and light. So if you want the same results, use fresh.

Second, mix the brown sugar, cayenne, liquid smoke and salt together (before adding it to the meat) with the back of a spoon or spatula, and mixing the cayenne pepper and liquid smoke well into the mixture. You don't want a little lump of cayenne--or smoke--lurking in a stick of jerky. This combo will roll around on your tongue, the roof of your mouth, and cheeks, hitting all the bases, rather than sending you screaming for water.

How 'bout that temperature? 160°F. Friends who've cooked jerky at lower temps all day long report they get much tastier jerky at this higher temperature for a shorter time. I've always found that to be true, plus you don't have to babysit it so long.

Finally, this combination of spices will work for any big game animal, including bear, even if their flavor is just a bit gamy. Cayenne and liquid smoke may not cure everything, but they hide a lot.

### Sweet & Spicy Smoke Jerky

For 1 pound of ground meat

#### Ingredients

- 1 pound ground red meat
- 1 cup brown sugar, packed
- 2 teaspoons cayenne pepper
- 2 teaspoons Liquid Smoke
- 2 teaspoons salt

#### Preparation

Mix the ingredients together well, and place in a tightly sealed plastic bag or storage container. Let it sit overnight in the refrigerator to let the flavor develop. To taste test: cook a 1-inch ball of mix for 15-20 seconds in the microwave. (A coffee cup is the perfect holder, as the sides are high enough to contain the splatters--and mess.)



My smiling elk  
Photo Credits: Eileen Clarke

### Cooking

1. Shape the jerky with a jerky gun and arrange the jerky strips on grids over foil-lined drip pans. Preheat the oven to 160°F\* and cook about 3 hours. Since bear has more fat than other big game, especially this time of year, you may see drops of fat rise to the top of the jerky when cooking. You can wipe it off with paper towels, or just leave it there. Good bear fat is good eating. (Just ask the people who use it for pie crusts.) It is not a sign that the jerky is not fully cooked. To gauge doneness, see step 2.
2. Before turning off the oven, check that the jerky is done. It should be moist enough to not crack when you bend it but also dry enough to easily tear off a bite, and there's no pink in the middle.
3. Let the jerky cool and air dry in the turned-off oven or on the counter, for 6-8 hours, then store in resealable plastic bags. You can store your jerky in the fridge for 2-3 weeks, or in the freezer up to 3 months.

\*Before you start, check your oven temperature.

Oven thermometers are cheap and make it easier to time anything cooked in the oven.

Also, some newer ovens don't go as low as 160°F on the 'regular' oven settings but will if you use the 'keep warm' setting.

Eileen's Stalking the Wild Jerky cookbook has 101 easy-to-follow recipes with traditional and not-so-traditional recipes for both sliced and ground meat—from waterfowl and turkey to big game. It's available at www.riflesandrecipes.com/406-521-0273 Reading Leaves bookshop and the Goose Bay Handblown Glass shop.

## ROAD TRIP AROUND MONTANA

### St John the Evangelist Catholic Church



St John's sign on Highway 69  
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Brenda Phillips

On our Day trip from Townsend to the Boulder Hot Springs we decided to continue on Highway 69 toward White Hall and make a complete circle coming back home. In that beautiful valley, we came upon a pretty old white church sitting back in a pasture about 15 miles southeast of Boulder. The sign said it was St John the Evangelist Catholic Church, so we stopped to get a closer look and some pictures. There is a very well-kept cemetery behind the church with old headstones and a few newer ones. The thing that caught my eye is the white ground around the church. It appears they have spread white quartz rock all around the grounds (and no weeds!). There is a marker that says "This church remains one of the oldest in Montana where the original structure remains standing. Given in

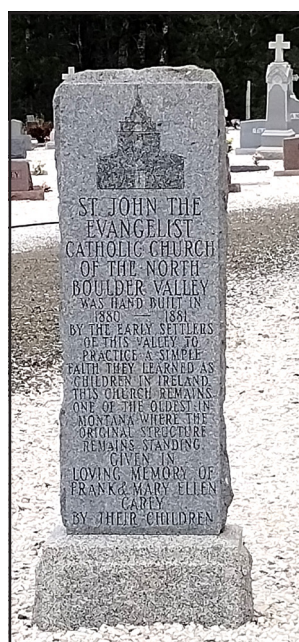


St John's Catholic Church in July  
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loving memory of Frank and Mary Ellen Carley by their children." The sign on the highway tells us it was built in 1880-1881. We wondered if the church still held services, as it looks very well maintained.

When we got home, I checked on the internet and found a few pictures of the church but not much more information than was on the sign and marker at the church. This statement came from www.ultimatemontana.com "St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church of North Boulder Valley was hand-built in 1880-1881 by the early settlers of this valley to practice a simple faith they learned as children in Ireland"

We are so blessed here in Montana to have forefathers who built sturdy structures and others who preserved these historic buildings so that we can enjoy them today.



Marker at St John's Church  
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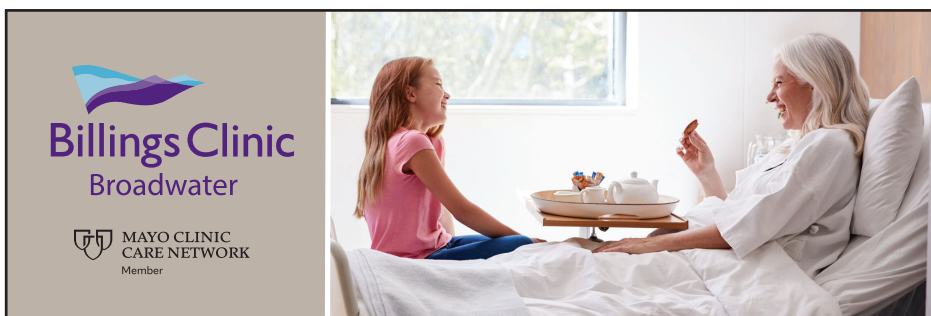
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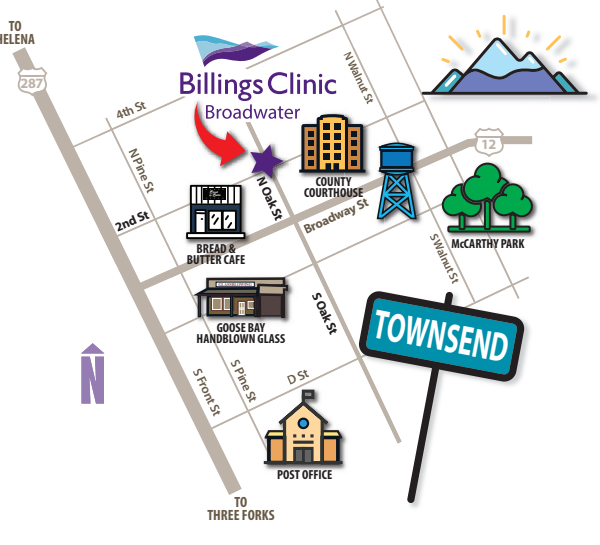


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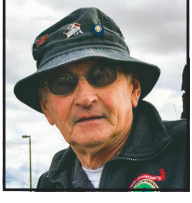
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## Talk on Ukraine, October 30 in Community Room

Patrick Plantenberg



Please plan on attending a talk about Ukraine by Marketa Vorel "A Journey Through a War Zone" on October 30 at 6 pm in the Community Room in the Community Library building. Marketa was born and raised in Czechoslovakia as a third-generation dissident against Russian oppression.

At age 14, Marketa escaped the communist regime with her family, spent nine months in a refugee camp and eventually received asylum in the US. She learned to speak English and got her law degree from the University of Washington. As a law student, she volunteered for the Swiss Banks Litigation project, where she translated and analyzed hundreds of firsthand, native-language accounts of Holocaust survivors. Peering into the horror from 60 years ago, she comforted herself by thinking it could never happen again.

When Russia launched its full-scale invasion of Ukraine, Marketa's childhood nightmares of Russian tanks rolling through the streets of a peaceful country came to life. When history came knocking again during her lifetime, sitting on the sidelines was not an option.

Marketa traveled to Ukraine in early 2023, spending two months working inside the Ukraine volunteer network. When she returned to the US, she founded the Sunflower F.U.N.D. and started supporting Ukrainian volunteer organizations. She returned to Ukraine in early 2024 to assess the needs of the funds' Ukrainian partners, to "follow the money" and to deliver additional support. Since its founding last May, the fund has raised over \$200,000, mainly from grassroots efforts in Marketa's local community.

While Ukraine does not dominate the headlines, the need for assistance has never been greater. In its third year, the war has taken an immense toll on the Ukrainian people. The death toll of civilians and soldiers keeps rising, 1/3 of Ukraine's power grid is destroyed and they face a brutal winter ahead. Ukrainians are heroes not by choice but by necessity. They have the spirit and bravery to win the war, but they need more help.

Please come and hear what Marketa has seen and done. The talk is sponsored by John Ingalls and Patrick Plantenberg.



Fall Tree  
Brenda Phillips Photo

CryptoQuip  
answer

Even though both beasts of burden are covered in dense fur, that one is the hairier carrier.

KNIGHT MOVES —  
Answer

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*Today's Word*  
**APOLOGY**



**DATE:** October 30  
**TIME:** 6:00 pm  
**PLACE:** Community Room at the Library

**Sponsored by: John Ingalls and Patrick Plantenberg**

In 2022, our global geopolitical order changed forever when Russian tanks and missiles unleashed horror and death on the civilians in Ukraine.

The bravery and courage of the Ukrainian people inspired this mom from a small town in Washington to travel to Ukraine and try to figure out how to help.

**Follow my journey** traveling artillery cratered roads, scaling bombed-out ruins of multi-story residential buildings, schools and hospitals and documenting war crimes and the devastation of the Ukrainian farmland by Russian glide bombs, missiles, artillery and mines while also enjoying some of Europe's most vibrant night life, modern architecture, savoring craft coffee and incredible pastries. Discover how much **love, human kindness and dignity** blossoms under the constant roar of war.

Find out how this adventure turned into a grassroots nonprofit delivering over \$200,000 of humanitarian assistance to Ukrainian civilians and their defenders to date.

[www.sunflower-fund.org](http://www.sunflower-fund.org)

Learn how you can help Ukraine in its darkest hour.

## A JOURNEY THROUGH A WAR ZONE

How the Ukrainian People Restored My Faith in Humanity



Marketa Vorel on a cannon of a blown up Russian T-72 tank, Mala Rohan, Kharkiv Oblast, March 16, 2023

# JON TESTER



## SUPPORTS LAW ENFORCEMENT + FIGHTS TO SECURE OUR BORDERS

Keeping Montana safe is Jon Tester's top priority, and that starts with securing our northern and southern borders.

That's why Jon has worked tirelessly to make sure Montana's first responders have the tools they need to *do their job and keep us safe.*



**Tester secures grant funding for Montana law enforcement**

Sep 28, 2023



*Tester Passes Law To "Crack Down On The Flow Of Fentanyl Into Montana"*

Apr 25, 2024

Jon also passed the **FEND Off Fentanyl Act** to help law enforcement combat the fentanyl epidemic — and he's working with Republicans to shut down the border.

### BOOSTING FUNDING FOR MONTANA LAW ENFORCEMENT:



Jon Tester secured resources to help law enforcement agencies across the state hire new officers, purchase tactical equipment, and address crime.

**Jon recently secured \$255,943 for Broadwater County law enforcement.**



### FIGHTING TO SECURE OUR BORDERS:

Jon Tester is fighting for tougher security at the southern border to **crack down on illegal immigration.**

And he's leading the charge to secure our northern border and keep Montanans safe.

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# THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

BY LINDA HUTH

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& THE COTTER FOUNDATION

## October 24

1912

### Some 'Opinion' Opinions

Taxpayers are just now receiving notices from Treasurer Williams that their 1912 taxes are due. And they are pretty strong at that. Townsend residents are paying a quarter less than 34 mills, but the democratic party has been running Broadwater County affairs, so we have no kick coming on high taxation. And with the high taxes we are paying the county hasn't even a decent courthouse to show for it; nor good roads. But we pay the taxes.

1940

### Personal News

Miss Ann Marie Zimmerman was one of the many spectators that witnessed the Montana Grizzly team win from the Montana Bobcats in their annual championship football game in Butte Saturday. Miss Zimmerman made the trip over and visited her brother, Charles, and family returning Sunday. The score on the game was 6-0 for the Missoula Grizzly team.

1968

### Mark Meyer Wins Airplane Trip

Mark Meyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Meyer, was one of six Independent Record carrier boys to win a flight on a Western Airline 737 jet.

The boys will leave Helena Friday (tomorrow) afternoon on a round-trip flight to Great Falls. In Great Falls they will tour WAL and Federal Aviation Agency facilities before the return flight.

They were awarded the trip for their work in circulation, collections, handling of complaints and general attitude - enthusiasm, cooperation, ideas and promotional ability.

### "Winston-Clasoil" News

Wayne Edward Herrington has been discharged from the U.S. Navy and is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Herrington and Lois. Wayne has been stationed in the South Pacific in the Philippines Islands.

David Clark has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and is leaving on Wednesday for active duty. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clark, will drive him to Butte and he will leave for camp. David graduated from Broadwater County High School last spring. All Winston residents wish David good luck and his many friends will miss him.

Marvin Albright was home from Northern Montana College in Havre to spend the weekend with his family.

Mrs. Robert Masolo attended a Catholic Deanery meeting in Bozeman Sunday.

Chris Cox and classmate, Paula Jacobson of Glasgow, spent the weekend with Chris's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cox. They are students at Montana State University in Bozeman.

1996

### Around Town News

Patti and Paul Schwisow, Erin and Michael, Missoula, visited here over the weekend with their parents, Ione Schwisow and John and Sharley Ragen.

Mary Alice Upton and Ethel O'Hern traveled to Butte Wednesday to attend the American Legion meeting. Thursday Mary Alice, Ethel and Gen Walter attended the American Legion meeting in Helena. Saturday, they attended the Legion dinner in Townsend.

Joyce and Bill Lane hosted a birthday dinner Monday for Joann Motta. Guests were Jean and Barney Johnson, Jim and Tara Lane, Chandler, and Colten, Franklin and Judy Slifka, Frank Slifka, Marion Cass and Jay Lane and Sara. Joann returned to her home in Dallas, Texas Wednesday.

Jay and Colleen Meyer, John and Mary, Stevensville, visited over Saturday and Sunday with their aunt, Lillian Fisher.

Bernice Cartwright and Mary Miller traveled to White Sulphur Springs recently to have dinner at the senior center and visit with several friends in the area.

## Ghost Stroll

Sponsored by the Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce

**Oct 31, 4:30pm-6:30pm**  
Broadway & Front Streets  
Costumes & Games!





## Halloween Lights & Decorations 30% OFF!

## BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

### Precision Business Resources Celebrates Two-year Anniversary

MT43 News Staff Reporter

Precision Business Resources is celebrating its second anniversary in Townsend this month by offering more services and openings for new clients.

Anna Glueckert, owner and manager of the business, opened her first office in Helena six years ago. She has seven employees who cover the full scope of small business needs including human resources, bookkeeping, payroll, tax planning and tax preparation.

Glueckert has learned in her two years in Townsend that there is a huge need for tax preparation in the area, "so we have ramped up our services to take new clients," she said.

Her office offers what she refers to as "white glove service" for her clients. This exceptional service goes above and beyond "just filing tax returns" she explains:

We can review our clients' life, health and other insurance needs. We do both small business needs as well as individual tax preparation. We have an open-door policy which means our clients can walk in any time to ask questions or get updates on their tax situation. "Our office is a properly accredited business service provider. "We are prepared to go through a federal or state audit with the client, should that occur. We have a strong team of accountants and managers who are available to professionally assist in those cases," she said.

Glueckert encourages clients to be ahead of filing their taxes by setting them up with a tax packet which they pick up at the office in December, fill out and return to the office by February. "That way we can make sure we make the April 15 deadline for filing," she said.

Glueckert encourages clients to make an appointment sometime prior to December so she can help them figure out what their tax impact will be for the year.

Her office staff is equipped to help with annual state filings and can help with compliance issues such as acting as a third-party secretary to annual board meeting minutes.

As a self-made businesswoman, Glueckert built her business after working 16 years in human resources for a large corporation. She traveled extensively to satellite offices, learning the assets and pitfalls of running a business. She does not have a college degree. Instead, she started right out of high school with on-the-job training. The secret of her success is building relationships, she points out. She is a member of the Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce, Rotary and Missouri Valley Marketing. She and her staff volunteer at various Townsend events.

Precision Business Resources office is located at 308 Broadway. Please see her ad in this paper or go to her website for more information.



It's all about teamwork, and the Precision Business Team is one of the best!  
Photo Provided by Anna Glueckert



Anna Glueckert in her office at 302 Broadway.  
Nancy Marks, MT43 News Photographer