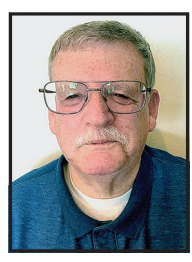




Comics	10
Event Calendars	4
History	12
Legal Notices	6
Local Dining & Business	5
Obituaries	9
Puzzles	5
Religion	8
School Sports	2 & 3

Townsend Schools Seventh Grade Visits the Canton Church

Victor Sample
Canton Church



On October 8, the Townsend Middle School seventh-grade class had a field trip to the Canton Church. This was the 8th annual (excluding the Covid year) that the Canton Church sponsored the history field trip.

The students attended a short history of the Canton Church and a longer history of Broadwater County. The seventh graders are the class studying Montana History and the history books have very little mention of Broadwater County. We feel it is important that the students learn about the history of Broadwater County and maybe we can kindle some interest in history that will last a lifetime.

After the presentations, the Canton Church provided the students with a lunch of hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies and water. The students had some time to relax and enjoy the park at the Canton Church before heading up to St. Joseph's Cemetery (the Canton township cemetery).

The Canton Church had another successful slate of summer events – although with some challenges. Every summer we do six events at the Canton Church: two in June, two in July and two in August. We plan our dates the year before and we work around the 4th of July weekend and Rodeo weekend.

This year the Rodeo weekend moved from the first



The Townsend School Seventh Grade Students at the Canton Church
Photo Credit: Pam Sample

weekend in August to the second weekend which meant we had to switch our scheduling. We also had some performers that we truly wanted to be at the Church whose schedules just did not match up; so, again, we changed our dates to make everything work.

This summer we had a new performer: Kamala and Friends. Kamala Murphy is a student at the University of Montana and is an outstanding musician and singer. Carrie Crouse, an internationally famous violinist,

recommended her. Kamala, her father and another musician put on a tremendous performance.

This summer we had our biggest attendance numbers since COVID. It was nice to see the Canton Church filling up again!

The Canton Church Board thanks everyone who attended an event this summer. Having a full church warms our hearts. Remember, the Canton Church events are always free – although we do accept donations!

County Commission Stands United with Sheriff's Office to Ensure Public Safety

Broadwater County Commissioners



This past May, voters in Broadwater County made a strong statement when they voted against the Public Safety mill levy. While over 500 residents responded to a post-levy survey expressing strong support for law enforcement, many also voiced concerns about rising taxes, increasing service costs, and the permanence of the proposed levy.

The previous, 5-year mill levy provided sustainable funding for the Sheriff's Office and county-wide law enforcement services. It allowed the Sheriff's Office to hire additional deputies, replace outdated equipment, and upgrade technology in patrol cars and dispatch. It also reduced reliance on unpredictable jail revenue.

The failure to renew the expiring levy created financial uncertainty, but the Commissioners and Sheriff's Office leadership are collaborating and working diligently to identify funding strategies so essential law enforcement services can continue. Through budget cutbacks, adaptations to the jail, and the use of operational reserves, we are able to provide short-term support of the Sheriff's Office that ensures public safety operations remain functional.

However, these measures are temporary. The Sheriff's Office will not be running another levy this year, and to ensure sustainability we are actively pursuing lasting funding solutions, including a revised, more specific levy proposal to be considered in the future. Additionally, we are working with lawmakers on state-wide legislation that supports public safety, continual

assessment of operational efficiencies to reduce costs without compromising service quality, and engaging in contracts to house Federal inmates and detainees from other counties. We are also researching grant opportunities to help fund the vital SRO position in the school.

There is growing pressure at the legislative level to discontinue permanent levies, which echoes the outspoken local response on the subject. Most importantly, recent legislation necessitates significant changes in voted levies beginning in the 2026-2027 tax year. Levies must be stated in dollar amounts rather than mills. Previously, a set number of mills could fluctuate in value. Under the new law, levy amounts will be capped by the average inflation rate over three years, with a maximum annual increase of 4%. This change ensures more predictable tax bills and allows growth in the taxpayer base to help share the cost.

Both the Sheriff's Office and Commissioners recognize the concerns and frustrations expressed by many in the community and we understand the importance of transparency and public trust as we work through this process. We are committed to engaging with residents, listening to concerns, and providing clear information about how public safety is funded and managed. We encourage all residents to participate in the public budgeting process for a better understanding of the challenges we face and the steps we're taking to address them.

Public safety is a shared responsibility. The men and women of the Sheriff's Office put their lives on the line every day to protect us, and they deserve our full support. The Commission stands firmly behind them and will continue to advocate for the resources they need to do their jobs effectively.

Please contact Sheriff Nick Rauser at: nrauser@broadwatercountymt.gov, or the County Commissioners at: commissioners@broadwatercountymt.gov for more information.

Trustee of the Year Award: Bill Upthegrove

Jenna Cederberg
Montana Hospital Association

MONTANA HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES 2025 MONTANA HEALTHCARE AWARDS WINNERS

Recognitions include Lifetime Achievement, Innovation, Quality, and Trustee of the Year awards

The Montana Hospital Association (MHA) is pleased to announce recipients of its top honors for 2025. Presented annually at the Montana Healthcare Conference, this set of awards recognizes individuals and organizations dedicated to advancing health across the state through innovation, quality, and service.

The 2025 winners of the Montana Healthcare Awards are:

- Lifetime Achievement Award: Dave Henry, retired CEO, Northern Montana Health Care, Havre
- Trustee of the Year Award: Bill Upthegrove, Billings Clinic Broadwater, Townsend
- Innovation in Healthcare Award: Robotics Hub Project, Intermountain Health St. Vincent Regional Hospital, Billings
- Quality Program of the Year (awarded by the Montana Rural Healthcare Performance Improvement Program): St. Luke Community Healthcare, Ronan



Bill Upthegrove
Photo Credit: Bill Upthegrove

"It's an honor to recognize the 2025 Montana Healthcare Awards winners. They truly exemplify how innovation, dedication, and hard work can advance health in Montana," said Ed Buttrey, MHA President and CEO. "Please help us in congratulating these well-deserving award recipients and join us in offering our thanks for their service."

Townsend Gears Up for Annual Ghost Stroll & Trunk or Treat - PAGE 7



Volleyball Teams Play Nearby Teams Over the Weekend

Bryleigh Erickson
BHS Sports Reporter



On Thursday, October 9th, the Bulldogs C squad, Junior Varsity, and Varsity Volleyball teams traveled to Boulder to play the Jefferson Panthers. The Bulldogs Varsity are 5-0 in conference play so far and Jefferson has the second-best record in the conference.

The C squad team lost to Jefferson, 13-25, 12-25, and 4-15. Alex Bakken led the team in aces with 2, and Avery White and Ella Toney followed with one each. McKenna Weaver led as far as digs with 7, and Avery White followed with 5.

The Junior Varsity game also ended in a loss for the Bulldogs, and the scores were: 11-25, 13-25, and 11-25. Claire Swanson and Sophia Lamb each had a block. Sophia Lamb led the team in kills with 4 and Savannah Paulsen had 3. For assists, Tevyn Newman had 7 and Gracie Ragen had 4. Kinsley Heggen led the team in digs with 9, and Tevyn Newman followed with 8.

The varsity game ended in a win for the Bulldogs, extending their conference record to 6-0. They beat the Panthers 25-20, 25-20, and 25-15. Kaitlyn Noyes led the team with 4 aces, and Bryleigh Erickson had 6 blocks. Aspen Slyker led the team in kills with 14, and Kaitlyn Noyes followed with 12. Holly Newman had 19 assists, and Bryleigh Erickson had 17. Emmalin Fischer led the team in digs with 17, and Holly Newman followed with 15.

On Saturday, October 11th, the Bulldogs volleyball

team travelled to Three Forks to play the Wolves. The Bulldogs ended up sweeping the Wolves, with the C squad, Junior Varsity and Varsity winning their games.

The C squad game ended up with the Bulldogs winning 12-25, 25-12, 15-7, and 15-6. Brinley Eggers led the team in blocks with 2, and Makenna Weaver had 1. Makenna Weaver led the team in aces with 5, followed by Ella Toney who had 3. Brinley Eggers led the team in kills with 9, and Alex Bakken and Molly Hall each had 2. Ella Toney tallied 8 assists, and Makenna Weaver had 8 digs to lead the team.

The Bulldogs Junior Varsity ended up winning the game in four sets: 23-25, 25-10, 15-5, and 15-3. Sophia Lamb led the team in blocks with 5. Kinsley Heggen, Savannah Paulsen, and Gracie Ragen each had 2 aces. Tevyn Newman and Gracie Ragen both had 13 assists. Sophia Lamb led the team in kills with 11, Tevyn Newman had 6, and Louie Parr and Savannah Paulsen had 5. Tevyn Newman led the team in digs with 7.

The Varsity team beat the Wolves in three: 25-10, 25-14, and 27-25. Sophia Lamb led the team in blocks with 3, and Bryleigh Erickson and Harper Wolfgram followed with 2. Holly Newman led the team with 4 aces. She led the team with 26 assists. Kaitlyn Noyes led the team in kills with 16. Emmalin Fischer led the team in digs with 15, and Holly Newman followed with 14. The Bulldogs' next game will be against Whitehall on Tuesday, October 14th, at home.

Manhattan travels to play the Bulldogs on Thursday, October 16th, for Pink Night.

Helena Invitational Cross-Country Meet



Always a determined runner, Urijah Duede clocked his personal best time at the Capital 7 on 7. Photo Credit: MT43 News Sports Reporter



Sophomore Gavin Johnson has steadily improved over his first season running cross-country. Photo Credit: MT43 News Sports Reporter

MT43 News Sports Reporter

Bill Roberts Golf Course in Helena was the site of last Thursday's Capital City 7 of 7 Invitational Cross-Country Meet. Fifty-six schools from all classes brought more than 1100 runners for the nine distinct races. The hours-long event starts with the Junior Varsity Women's and Men's Races, much like a traditional meet.

Representing the JV Women in the first race of the day were Tana Santi (26:30) in 175th and Fiona Nelson (35:34) in 271st. The JV Men's squad scored 723 points to place 24th with the following finishes: 150th Isaiah Lapsley (20:33 PR), 195th Gavin Johnson (21:14), 241st Urijah Duede (21:51 PR), 351st Trey Coker (25:02) and 376th Wyatt Coker (29:20).

The Men and Women Varsity teams are then separated into seven separate races #1-#7. As determined by their coaches, the seven Varsity runners are each placed in one of the races, with the #1 competitor as the team's fastest runner.

This format allows for seven individual girls' winners and seven individual boys' winners. The afternoon was sunny and delightful for spectators, but a tad warm for the competitors, as they took on a challenging course over rolling hills.

Senior Samuel Flesch (21:13) was the lone Bulldog in the No. 7 race, finishing 37th. Fellow seniors Keaton Cavasos (20:59) and Logan Barkhurst (27:12) were 35th and 36th in the No. 6 race. The No. 5 race saw juniors Luke Tollos (21:13) and Shalyn Sentinella (25:28) in 36th and 35th. Rylan Hoveland (20:17) and Addy Mosher (25:53) were 35th and 34th in the No. 4 contest.

Up next in the No. 3 race for the Bulldogs were Clayton Rice (20:11), who finished 34th, and Bella McDaniel (24:47), who placed 31st. Senior Gavin Green (19:10) was 31st in the No. 2 race, along with Elaine MacDonald (21:59) in 27th. The last contest of the day saw Juniors Dallas Fligge (18:10) place 28th and Kyla Meissner (19:59) finish in 15th.



Freshman Tana Santi follows in the footsteps of big sister, Justene, who now runs for Western. Photo Credit: MT43 News Sports Reporter

Bulldogs looked a bit fatigued on the day, which a long season running hundreds of miles starts to take. They have unfortunately passed around a bit of a bug, while others are nursing some injuries. They are looking to regroup in time for what is being considered their home meet this season by taking on the area schools at the annual Crosstown meet in Helena on Wednesday, October 15th.

The MHSAA All-Class Cross-Country Championships will be held Saturday, October 25th in Missoula at the University of Montana Golf Course. Many of these Bulldogs have the potential to do well against Class B competitors only, so make the trip to Missoula to cheer them on. The men will take off at 11:30, while the ladies go at 12:30. Go Bulldogs!

PLAYERS of the WEEK



Girls XC: Shalyn Sentinella
Photo Credit: Townsend Booster Club



Cheer: Anna Reinke
Photo Credit: Townsend Booster Club



Football: Marek Easter
Photo Credit: Townsend Booster Club



Boys XC: Luke Tullos
Photo Credit: Townsend Booster Club



Volleyball: Kaitlyn Noyes
Photo Credit: Townsend Booster Club

Homecoming Football Game Against Manhattan Tigers

Bryleigh Erickson
BHS Sports Reporter

The Manhattan Tiger football team took the steam out of Bulldog homecoming with a win over the Bulldogs 21-15 Friday night at Fandrich Field.

The Bulldogs have a 2-1 conference record, while the Tigers have a 4-0 record and are ranked first in the southern B division.

The Bulldogs started off with the ball in the first quarter. They were stopped, tried for a long field goal and missed. The Tigers then took possession. They then scored a touchdown on this possession and tried for a two-point conversion, but didn't make it. This made the score 0-6 at the start of the second quarter.

The Bulldogs started out with the ball, but were stopped, so they punted to the Tigers. The Tigers scored another touchdown and were successful with a two-point conversion, making the score 0-14. After that, the Tigers scored another touchdown and an extra point to extend their lead 0-21. After a kick to the Bulldogs, Colt Barnard carried the return to set the Bulldogs up for a touchdown. Tavyn Anderson threw the ball to Logan Johnson to score a touchdown, and Johnson also kicked the extra point. It is the Tigers' possession, and the Bulldogs' defense stopped them on fourth down to end the half with the Tigers up 7-21.

The Tigers began the third quarter with the ball but were stopped by the Bulldogs' defense. The Bulldogs could not score, so they punted to the Tigers. The Bulldogs' defense scored, getting a safety on the Tigers' quarterback. This made the score 9-21 going into the fourth quarter.

At the start of the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs tried for another long field goal and missed. The Tigers gained possession. Marek Easter had an interception on defense to give the Bulldogs the ball. Then, Manhattan intercepted the ball, switching the possession to them. Soon after, the Tigers fumbled. Marek Easter recovered the ball in the end zone for a Bulldog touchdown. The Bulldogs tried for a two-point conversion, but failed, making the final game score 15-21 for the Tigers.

At halftime, Honey Hive Entertainment Club cheerleaders performed their cheers and dances for the crowd. It was the Bulldogs' senior night, and 7 seniors were honored for the mark they left on Bulldog Football. The seniors were Colt Barnard, Tanner Bird, Marek Easter, Trace Giomi, Trenton Hoveland, Gavin Schmele, Tannen Tuffelmire, and manager Taylor Cartwright.

Next Friday, October 17th, the Bulldogs football team will travel to Whitehall to take on the Trojans.

BHS Senior Class Steak Fry Well Attended



The Annual BHS Senior Steak Fry drew a big crowd
Photo Credit: Victor Sample



Nancy Marks and Jan Hubbard enjoying the time at the Steak Fry.
Photo Credit: Victor Sample

MT43 News Staff Reporter

Hundreds of parents, grandparents, children and football fans streamed into Townsend Elementary School lunchroom Friday, eagerly waiting for their steak, baked potato, salad and ice cream. Despite long lines, service was exceptionally fast, thanks to a well-organized group of volunteers.

According to Karen Noyes, chairperson for the steak fry event, the group served 640 steak dinners from 5:30 to 7:00 pm with the efficiency of an army kitchen. Senior classmen and women served up spuds, salads and rolls while others picked up used plates and passed out ice cream cups. Noyes said the parents' committee did the planning and buying, while students were tasked with selling tickets. Officers of the senior parents' committee in addition to Noyes, are Vice President Jacqui Richtmyer, Secretary Audrey Walleser and Treasurer Emma Spurlock. School advisors for the senior class are Allie Lampman, Jim Shindoll, Wyatt Frank and Andrea Tullos.



Lois, Jeff and Anna Demars joined in the event.
Photo Credit: Victor Sample

Funds raised for the event will go toward the senior class all-night party, the senior banquet and graduation next spring. The senior all-night party provides a fun and safe environment for the senior class, Noyes pointed out. Noyes thanked the volunteers for their work and



The adult volunteers had a great time as well!
Photo Credit: Victor Sample

the community for attending the event. "All the parents pitched in. We could not have pulled off the dinner without them. The committee would also like to especially thank the community for coming out to support our fundraiser," she said.

Great job Bulldog Seniors!

FOOD DRIVE

TRICK OR TREAT FOR OTHERS TO EAT

OCTOBER 29 - 7PM

LOCAL YOUTH GROUPS WILL GO DOOR TO DOOR IN TOWN COLLECTING FOOD FOR THE BROADWATER FOOD PANTRY

FEEL FREE TO LEAVE FOOD OUTSIDE AND WE WILL PICK IT UP

A special THANK YOU to all who made the BHS Senior Steak Fry a success! Thank you for supporting the Class of 2026.

Ron Salladay
Flynn Ranch
Advanced Practice Dermatology
Missouri Rive Music Studio
Kick Start Nutrition
Caliber Salon & Spa/Mallory Jacobson
Coco Rose & Barney Spurlock
Katria's Design Studio
Kitto Ranch
Sod Works
SB Berks
V-42 Fitness
Nita Holman
Edgewater Farms
3-D Wellness
The Nook
Missouri River Logistics
Elaine Kitto
Montiva
Rocky Mountain Supply
Hamilton Honey
Townsend Drug & Spirits
Balance Chiropractic
Darcy Campbell
Ultimate Cut
Studio 1047
Caprian Mountain
Full Belli Deli
Pathfinder Language Academy
Deep Creek Pizza Co.
J Rock Jewelry
The Movement Studio – Lenna Parr
Top Gun & A-1 Towing and Recovery
Foth Farms
Stacy Sommer



Graymont
Townsend Fire Department
Larry Woodring
John Rausser
Scott Scofield
Elkhorn Insulation
C' Hangin' C Mercantile
Overland Express
Rocky Mountain Supply
Townsend Schools
MT 43 News
Opportunity Bank
Walmart
Commercial Bar
Townsend Chamber
The Betsy
Mountain Country Coca-Cola
Harrington Pepsi – Helena
Senior Class Families
Townsend Booster Club
Broadwater Blooms
Goose Bay Glass
Betty Mockel
Valley Bank
Reading Leaves Bookstore
Brokenhart Adventures
Esjay Rentals
Tom Giomi
Townsend Rodeo
Mountie Moose
Copy Cup
Jeannie Steele
Cadillac Custom Cabinets
Bunkhouse Bar
Townsend Seeds

Carrie Krause Brings Baroque Music to The Lodge

Barbara Mock

In a general way, the Baroque era refers to the period from about 1600 to 1750. Music of the Baroque period is known for its emotional depth and complexity, expressive style and intricate melodies. The most well-known Baroque composers include Johann Sebastian Bach, George Frederic Handel and Antonio Vivaldi.

About four years ago, my husband and I attended a performance at Townsend's historic Canton Church by a violinist named Carrie Krause, who is the founder of a group called Baroque Music Montana (BaMM). Carrie is a Juilliard-trained violinist and is the concertmaster of the Bozeman Symphony. She has a passion for the Baroque period and that performance four years ago featured Bach sonatas that amazed us with their difficulty and beauty! Since then, we have followed BaMM to chamber concerts in houses, churches and backyards all across Montana. Most of the performances have included visiting musicians who are deeply invested in historical performance, who play on period instruments, and who jump at the chance to perform in Montana with all of its grandeur and friendly audiences!

On Saturday, October 18, 2025, from 3:00-4:00 at The Lodge, Carrie will be returning to Townsend with fellow musician John Lenti, who plays an instrument



John Lenti and Carrie Krause
Photo Provided by Carrie Krause

called a Theorbo, which is something like an oversized lute that creates lovely, deep harmonies.

Together, they have put together a program they are calling "Earworms (and Maggots) Galore". Although the title is surprising and certainly non-traditional, it is clearly explained on their website: <https://baroque-musicmontana.org>.

You're probably familiar with the modern-day term "earworm" to refer to a tune that you just can't get out of your head. In the 17th century, this phenomenon was called a maggot!

So, while you may never have heard of the pieces that will be played on Saturday, you are guaranteed to leave The Lodge humming the melodies and hearing beautiful music in your head for days to come!

Montana Constitution

Roadshow: A Shared Heritage

Audrey McCue
Upper Seven Law

Townsend, Montana. On Saturday, October 25, Upper Seven Law will present the Montana Constitution Roadshow at the United Methodist Church from 2-3 pm.

Upper Seven Law is a nonprofit public interest law firm whose mission is to hold the powerful accountable.

"Because it is so important to make information about the constitution and our system of laws available to everyone—and because we have a really good time talking about it, we're launching the Montana Constitution Roadshow to have great conversations with

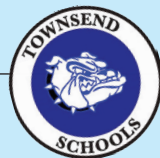
Montanans about our foundation of government," said Rylee Sommers-Flanagan, Upper Seven's Founder and Executive Director.

The Roadshow is an engaging and informative presentation about the foundations of a representative democracy, the rule of law, and the ways in which the Montana Constitution is special and distinct. It includes exciting and timely topics like government transparency and separation of powers, and offers a peek into interesting stories about how Montana came to have one of the newest and most unusual constitutions in the country. Everyone is welcome!

To register for the free event, visit <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/uppersevenlaw/event/mcr-townsend/>

Townsend School & Sports

OCTOBER



- Friday 17**
- **NO SCHOOL** -Teacher PIR-MEA
 - 7:00 pm: High School Football @ Whitehall
- Monday 20**
- 4:00 pm: Middle School Football vs. Whitehall
 - 5:30 pm: Junior Varsity Football vs. Whitehall
- Tuesday 21**
- 6:15 pm: FAFSA Night
- Wednesday 22**
- 6:00 pm: Old Baldy - Photography: Unlocking Your Camera in the Library Classroom
 - 7:00 pm: Old Baldy - Open Gyms (Pickleball, Basketball, Laps)
- Thursday 23**
- 4:00 pm: High School Volleyball vs. Ennis - Senior Night
 - 6:00 pm: Old Baldy - Beginning Guitar in the Music Room
- Friday 24**
- **NO SCHOOL**
 - 6:00 pm: Old Baldy - Intro to Jewelry Making in the FCCLA Classroom
 - 7:00 pm: High School Football at Columbus
 - Saturday 25
 - Speech and Drama at Anaconda
 - TBD: State High School Cross Country at Missoula

East Helena Schools & Sports

OCTOBER

- Friday 17**
- **NO SCHOOL** - State Convention
 - 7:00 pm: Varsity Football @ Havre
- Monday 20**
- 8:00 am: Red Ribbon Week
 - 4:30 pm: Frosh Football at Hamilton
- Tuesday 21**
- 3:00 pm: PT Conferences - East Helena High School
 - 4:00 pm: All Volleyball @ Park
- Wednesday 22**
- 2:00 pm: Red Ribbon Parade
 - 3:00 pm: PT Conferences - East Helena High School
- Thursday 23**
- 6:00 pm: East Valley Middle School Band Concert
- Fri 24 - Sat 25**
- Cross Country at State

THREE FORKS COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- Friday 17**
- 11:00 am: Three Forks Community Library - LEGO Club
- Saturday 18**
- Three Forks Community Library - CLOSED
- Tuesday 21**
- 1:00 pm: Three Forks Community Library - Mah Jongg
- Wednesday 22**
- 10:30 am: Three Forks Community Library - Storytime
- Thursday 23**
- 6:00 pm: Three Forks Music Night with Leia Sky - No Cover! at Bridger Brewing, Three Forks
- Friday 24**
- 11:00 am: Three Forks Community Library - LEGO Club
- Saturday 25**
- Three Forks Community Library - Closed

BROADWATER COUNTY GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

OCTOBER



- Monday 20**
- 3:00 pm: Board of Health Working Meeting
 - 6:00 pm: Parks and Recreation Board
- October 21**
- 10:00 am: Commission/CAO Working Meeting
- October 22**
- 10:00 am: Commission Meeting

BROADWATER COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- Now - Nov 15**
- American Legion Winter Coat Drive
- Now - Nov 30**
- Dollar for Dollar Donations with Town Pump for Broadwater Food Pantry **AD ON PAGE 10**
- Friday 17**
- 12:00 pm: Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry
 - 1:00 pm: Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St
- Saturday 18**
- 9:00 am: **Sign up at Broadwater Food Pantry** to receive your Thanksgiving Packages
 - 6:00 pm: Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945
 - 7:00 pm: Carrie Krause Brings Baroque Music to The Lodge **READ MORE ON PAGE 3**
- Monday 20**
- 6:00 pm: Celebrate Recovery at Mountain Valley Church, 107 E St, 406-980-1805
- Tuesday 21**
- 5:00 pm: American Legion Post 42 Food and Bingo at American Legion Post 42 Club
 - 5:30 pm: Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry
- Wednesday 22**
- 1:00 pm: Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St
 - 6:00 pm: Broadwater Democrats Meeting at The Betsy, 217 Broadway **SEE AD ON THIS PAGE**
- Thursday 23**
- 5:00 pm: **FREE** Homemade Dinner for All at American Legion, 211 Broadway, Townsend **SEE AD ON THIS PAGE**
 - 7:00 pm: Al-Anon at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry
- Friday 24**
- 12:00 pm: Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry
 - 1:00 pm: Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St
- Saturday 25**
- 2:00 pm: Montana Constitution oad Show **READ ABOUT IT ON PAGE 3**
 - 5:00 pm: Big Sky Culinary Classes and Catering Hosts a Gourmet Dinner at The Lodge of Townsend
 - 6:00 pm: Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945
- Wednesday 29**
- Trick or Treat for Others to Eat **SEE AD ON PAGE 3**
- Friday 31**
- 4:30 pm: Ghost Stroll and Trunk or Treat **READ MORE ON PAGES 1 & 7**

Join us for the 4th Annual Native American Heritage Celebration!
Sunday, November 2nd, 11:00- 2:00
Drumming and Dancers, Frybread, Native American Art, Vendors and more!!
FREE ADMISSION! Donations Appreciated!

See you at the North Pine entrance of Townsend Schools!

EAST HELENA LIBRARY HOURS

Andrea Eckerson
Branch Manager



Lewis & Clark Library East Helena Branch, 16 E Main Street in East Helena. Nancy Marks, MT43 News Photographer

HOURS:
 Monday - Wednesday: 10 am- 6:00 pm.
 Thursday and Friday: 10 am- 5:00 pm
 Saturdays: 10 am-1:00 pm
 Sundays: Closed

OCTOBER

- Wednesday 22**
- 10:30 am: Storytime
- Thursday 23**
- 8:30 am: Walk & Talk Book Club
 - 4:00 pm: Friends of the Library Quarterly Meeting
- Saturday 25**
- 10:00 am: Costume Tea Party

LIBRARY HOURS

Broadwater School and Community Library



201 N Spruce St, Townsend Photo Provided

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
 Books & Babies Story Hour: Mondays 11-00am.-12:00pm the first 4 Mondays of the month.t

Three Forks Community Library

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

CLASSIFIEDS

TURN TO PAGE 6 FOR LEGAL NOTICES!

Personal Note

Conversation partner wanted.

I'm looking for someone new to chat with. I'm a young 84-year-old with a slim 64-year-old body. I do lots of fun things, like fly my own Super Club airplane and play good music (one man band). I'll be playing at the Townsend American Legion on October 25th and November 15, 2025. I like fishing, hunting, hiking and being outdoors. I love life and am fun to be around.



Contact me, Jerry Willet, at PO Box 1102, Townsend 59644.

EVENTS

Broadwater Democrats Meeting
Wednesday October 22, 6:00PM
 Open to the Public
 at The Betsy, 217 Broadway, Townsend
 Questions: Call (406) 581-8538

FREE THURSDAY DINNERS!

Every Thursday, 5:00 - 6:30PM
 American Legion Post 42,
 211 Broadway, Townsend.

HOMEMADE & ALWAYS YUMMY!

Join us for a hot, delicious meal - no cost to you.
DONATIONS WELCOME & APPRECIATED to help us continue supporting our community.

QUESTIONS?	STOP BY OR
MENU?	CALL AFTER 3PM
VOLUNTEER?	(406) 266-3611

LET US FEED YOU - AND TOGETHER WE CAN HELP OUR COMMUNITY

Hosted with care by the Sons of the American Legion (SOL).

BLAST O' LANTERN 2025!



Don't know what to do with your "old" Pumpkin or Jack O'Lantern?
 Broadwater Rod and Gun Club has taken pumpkin disposal to a new level!
This is a free event! Yep! FREE!
November 1st from 10-1:30
 330 Indian Creek Road, Townsend Montana

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

Broadwater Rural Fire Board Meeting

3rd Wednesday each month.
Next meeting: November 19th, 7:00PM
 At the Townsend Fire Station - 130 So Cedar St
 See Board Meeting Agenda at: <http://www.facebook.com/BroadwaterCountyVolunteerFireDepartment>

BREAKING NEWS

DID YOU KNOW...
MT43News keeps you updated between printed editions?!
 Visit **MT43News.com**
 Look for local updates and even a few newsworthy items that didn't make print!
 Like and follow us on Facebook!

MT43 News is reaching out to our East Helena supporters in hopes to expand your local news!

Please send your stories and free event information to mt43news@mt43news.com or call 10am - 2pm, Monday - Friday!

LOCAL BUSINESS DIRECTORY

A+ STORAGE
SEVERAL SIZES OF STORAGE UNITS
BOATS, RV's & TRAILER STORAGE
IN TOWNSEND, MT
WE ARE AVAILABLE WHEN YOU NEED US!
406-266-5377, 406-580-5425

ALLIED MACHINE
Quality & Service Since 1988
• RV Repair • Trailer Repair
• Pump Repair • Machine Work
• Aluminum Welding
406.266.3108
511 N. Front St., Townsend, MT

BARRETT'S MASONRY LLC
(406) 214-9981
Brick, Block, Stone, Tile
No job too small!

BSE EXCAVATING
7200 HWY 287, TOWNSEND, MT
BRANDON BAKKEN SHANE TEW
P - (406)266-3772
C - (406)980-1100

CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
406-266-0080
308 N Front St, Townsend, MT
Mon - Fri 7:30 - 6:00pm
Saturday 9:00 - 4:00
Sunday 9:00 - 3:00

LEYLAND INSURANCE
TURNING 65 SOON?
CALL ME WITH ANY MEDICARE QUESTIONS
MARK LEYLAND
406-438-7315
LEYLANDMT.COM

MADISON RIVER PROpane
7812 US-287 Townsend, MT
406-266-4278
Metered Propane
Budget Billing
Lease Tanks
Service Department

Licensed Insured
Mar Painting
Interior Al Nyhart
Exterior (406) 223-3074

MONTANA HYDRAULICS LLC
Fabrication & Machining
• DD Custom Flatbed Dealer
• Laser Cut Parts Fabrication
• Machining Hydraulics
406-449-3464 | Townsend - Helena

Schauber Surveying, Inc. Land Surveyors
Surveying Montana and Broadwater County since 1995
Dan Swenson, PLS
Bernadette Swenson, PLS
64 Jack Farm Road, Townsend, MT 59644
406-266-4602 schaubersurvey@gmail.com

Special K
Plumbing and Heating
Danny Kurk- Owner
Open 24/7 | Townsend, MT
(406)922-1315

CONTACT MT43 NEWS TO LIST YOUR BUSINESS NOW!
MONDAY - FRIDAY
10:00AM - 2:00PM
408 BROADWAY, TOWNSEND
406.266.0086

Support LOCAL Businesses
RESTAURANTS IN AND AROUND BROADWATER COUNTY
Dates and times may vary due to events, seasons or holidays.
Call the restaurant with any questions. Happy Dining!

CryptoQuip
This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.
Clue: O equals G
BUKB OQF UKL KR ZHCBSCKV
WUKMKWBZM CEEVF LSHSVKM
BC K FCQRO HKVZ UCMLZ.
UZ'L LC WCVB-UZKMBZE.
©2025 King Features Synd., Inc.

KNIGHT MOVES
L N B
O E
W L R
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.
© 2025 King Features Syndicate

American Legion Hall
211 Broadway, Townsend
(406) 266-3611
Dining Hours:
Tuesday Bingo/ Bowl & a Roll
5:00PM
SPECIAL Event with Food:
Thursdays 4:30PM FREE
Community Dinner
Bar hours may vary

Commercial Bar
101 Broadway, Townsend
(406) 266-9956
Dining Hours:
10:00AM - 2:00AM
Closed Thanksgiving & Christmas
Menu available on Facebook

Mint Cafe
305 Broadway St, Townsend
(406) 266-3867
Dining Hours:
Mon - Wed 8:00AM - 2:00 PM,
Thur - Fri 8:00AM - 8:00PM
Sat - Sun 7:00AM - 8:00PM
SPECIAL:
N/A

The Betsy Sports Zone
217 Broadway, Townsend
(406) 266-0001
Dining Hours:
Tue-Sun 11:00AM-Close
Closed Monday
Takeout placed only in person.
Menu:
www.betsysportszone.com

Copy Cup
303 N Front St, Townsend
(406) 980-8400
Please call in business hours.
Drinks and Pastry Hours:
Mon - Fri 7:00AM - 3:00PM
Sat 8:30AM - 2:00PM
Closed Sunday

Mountie Moose Bakery
109 Broadway, Townsend
(406) 266-5800
Dining Hours:
Tue - Sat 7:00AM - 4:00PM
Closed Sunday & Monday
Online Ordering:
Mountie-moose-bakery.square.site

Bread and Butter Cafe
205 Broadway St, Townsend
(406) 266-3025
Dining Hours:
Tue - Fri 7:00AM- 2:00PM
Sat 7:00AM- 12:00PM
Closed Sunday & Monday
Menu available on Facebook

Deep Creek Pizza Co.
415 Broadway Ste 2, Townsend
(406) 266-0002
Dining Hours:
11:00AM - 8:00 PM
Closed Sunday
Menu:
deepcreekpizzaco.com
Accepting Orders Online

The Nook Coffeehouse
401 Broadway, Townsend
(406) 490-8238
Dining Hours:
Mon 7:00AM - 5:00PM
Tue - Thu 8:00AM - 5:00PM
Fri - Sun 9:00AM - 5:00PM
Menu:
FB @thenookcoffeehouse
& readingleaves.net/
thenookcoffeehouse

Bunkhouse Bar & Grill
8846 US-287, Toston
(406) 266-5302
SPECIAL:
N/A
Dining Hours:
10:00AM - Close
Grill off at 10:00PM

Fishtale Tavern
209 Broadway St, Townsend
(406) 266-5582
Dining Hours:
Tuesday 10:00AM - Midnight
Wed - Sat 10:00 AM - Closed
Closed Monday
Daily Specials:
Facebook
Bar hours may vary

Peking China
10 N Main St, Three Forks
(406) 285-3225
Dining Hours:
Mon - Sun 11:30AM - 8:30PM
Menu:
Google

Canyon Ferry Brewing & Taproom
300 Broadway, Townsend
(406) 694-5687
Hours:
Wed - Fri. 4:00PM - Close
Sat and Sun 2:00PM - Close

Full Belli Deli
209 S Front St, Townsend
(406) 266-5459
Dining Hours:
Mon - Sun 8:00AM - 7:00PM
OPEN 4th of JULY

Rocky Mountain Supply Deli
7847 US Hwy 287, Townsend
(406) 266-3456
Hot & Cold To-Go Hours:
Mon-Fri:6:00AM - 6:00PM
Menu:
Board Inside Store
for Take-and Bake or
Ready-to-Eat Pizza
Call Ahead or Order Inside

C Hangin' C Mercantile & Creamery
310 S Front St, Townsend
(406) 266-9087
Dining Hours:
Mon - Fri 7:30AM - 7:00PM
Sat 8:00AM - 7:00PM
Sun 9:00AM - 5:00PM
Menu:
Facebook
changinmerc.square.site

Kick Start Nutrition
500 N Front St, Townsend
(406) 266-0033
Dining Hours:
Tue - Fri 7:00AM - 3:00PM
Sat 9:00AM - 3:00PM
Closed Sunday & Monday
Daily Specials:
Facebook & Instagram

TB's Diner
316 N Front St, Townsend,
(406) 266-0099
Dining Hours:
Mon- Sat 7:00AM - 8:00PM
Sunday 7:00AM - 7:00PM
Specials:
Facebook

Broadwater Area Restaurants
Contact MT 43 News, Monday- Friday 10 - 2,
if you would like to talk about how to add your
dining location and open hours to our paper!
406.266.0086 | 408 Broadway, Townsend, MT

Vaquero's Mexican Restaurant
219 Broadway St, Townsend
(406)266-1860
Dining Hours:
Tue - Sun 11:00AM - 9:00PM
Closed Mondays
Menu & Specials:
Facebook
Call Ahead or Order Inside

Weekly SUDOKU
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!
© 2025 King Features Synd., Inc.

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

Super Crossword **THINK INK**

ACROSS
1 Direct applause toward
8 Funder's cry
11 April follower
14 Mimic a bird
19 Singer Patti
20 Take by force
22 Capital on the Red River
23 Art studio
24 Phases
25 "Tiny Dancer" singer John
26 Start of a riddle
29 Booming jet of old, in brief
30 Inseparable
31 Spike of corn
32 Olive bugged by Bluto
33 Prefix with light or night
35 Part of AOL
39 Thing with rungs
44 Riddle, part 2
48 Zac of 2017's "Baywatch"
49 German linking word
50 Org. for teachers
51 "Sure, we should do it!"
52 Desperate, as a situation
54 Syrian president
58 Auto racer's warm-up circuit
61 Riddle, part 3
64 In-vogue thing
65 Brand of fuel additives
66 Forearm bone
67 Crew tool
68 "You folks," in the South
70 West of "Diamond Lil"
73 "General" of Chinese cuisine
74 Riddle, part 4
78 Museum overseer
82 Golfer Sam
83 Eighth parts of circles
84 Redding of soul
85 Sly laugh sound
87 Gp. with merit badges
89 On a cruise
90 End of the riddle
97 "Strut" singer
98 Affirm strongly
99 Flying geese formation
100 High peak: Abbr.

DOWN
1 Feline nails
2 Trelis strips
3 Skip — (flutter, as the heart)
4 Bombard
5 French policeman, informally
6 Butterlike product of beef fat
7 Air again
8 Many a prep sch.
9 Star of the past
10 Shows up
11 Part of 102-Across
12 Johnson of old comedy
13 Simple kind of question
14 Place with beakers, in brief
15 Disease-free
16 Engrossed by
17 Building top
18 Wrestling win
21 Game of falling shapes
27 Find out
28 "The Clan of the Cave Bear" heroine
33 Rosebush sticker
34 Hurricane hazard
36 Win gold, say
37 Rice of Bush's Cabinet, informally
38 Prop- or hex- ender
40 Meted
41 Mano-a-mano fight
42 "At Last" singer
43 Filing tool
44 In progress
45 Common baby ailment
46 Scheduled to arrive
47 Interval
48 Ice cream brand
53 Inuit dwelling
55 Feel faint from ecstasy
56 Divide up
57 Vital blood line
59 Insurer with a duck icon
60 Sch. with a Fresno branch
62 Univ. dorm supervisors
63 Thesaurus word: Abbr.
69 Score — (earn some points)
70 Minister's residence
71 Modify
72 Anna's sister in "Frozen"
73 Eat a bit of "Poppycock!"
75 "Sounds likely to me"
77 Unglossy photo finish
78 Simple beds
79 Neighbor of Colorado
80 Initiation, e.g.
81 Pi-sigma link
86 Very bad grades
88 Scandinavian arrive
91 1986 #1 hit for 19-Across and Michael McDonald
92 Vow
93 Revel at a really hoppin' party
94 "Carlos" star
95 Neighbor of Ethiopia
96 Sinister gaze
101 Like some congestion
104 Rival of Avis
105 Demean
106 Lazybones
107 Ship spars
108 Postmarked pieces
109 Zapzyt target
110 Perlman of "Cheers"
111 Roman 651
112 "Moby-Dick" captain
113 Zingy flavor games, often
114 Smartphone
115 Cross paths
116 Soup flavor enhancer, for short

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!

Filth **CLEARD**

Guide **MERNOT**

Elude **PEACES**

Bundle **CARPLE**

TODAY'S WORD

"Fourteen frozen dinners? You and the wife still taking _____ vacations?"

LEGAL NOTICES



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 TRUSTEE'S SALE

To be sold for cash at a Trustee's Sale on February 10, 2026, at 11:00 AM on the South Entrance Steps of the Broadwater County Courthouse located at 515 Broadway Street, Townsend, MT 59644, the following described real property situated in Broadwater County, State of Montana:

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PREMISES, IN BROADWATER COUNTY, MONTANA, TO--WIT: LOT 4-5 OF THE AMENDED LAKE VISTA MINOR SUBDIVISION OF THE LAKE VISTA LOT 4 MINOR SUBDIVISION AS SHOWN ON CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY NUMBER 178784, RECORDED IN BOOK 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 544, BROADWATER COUNTY, MONTANA.

More commonly known as 25 Alaska Trl, Townsend, MT 59644.

Lee Martin and Nichol Martin, as Grantors, conveyed said real property to U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to U.S. Bank National Association, by Deed of Trust on October 26, 2022, and filed for record in the records of the County Clerk and Recorder in Broadwater County, State of Montana, on November 1, 2022 as Instrument No. 195014, in Book 246, at Page 821, of Official Records.

All in the records of the County Clerk and Recorder for Broadwater County, Montana

Jason J. Henderson is the Successor Trustee pursuant to a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Broadwater County, State of Montana, on September 15, 2025 as Instrument No. 202218, in Book 274, at Page 130, of Official Records.

The Beneficiary has declared a default in the terms of said Deed of Trust due to the Grantor(s) failure to make monthly payments beginning January 26, 2024, and each month subsequent, which monthly installments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan. By reason of said default, the Beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable. The total amount due on this obligation is the principal sum of \$64,020.49, interest in the sum of \$8,284.63, other amounts due and payable in the amount of \$831.00 for a total amount owing of \$73,136.12, plus accruing interest, late charges, and other fees and costs that may be incurred or advanced.

The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantor. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of this sale include the Trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale, and late charges, if any.

Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation.

The sale is a public sale and any person, including the Beneficiary, excepting only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by Trustee's Deed, without any representation or warranty, including warranty of title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The sale purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the property on the 10th day following the sale.

The Grantor, successor in interest to the Grantor, or any other person having an interest in the property, has the right, at any time prior to the Trustee's Sale, to pay to the Beneficiary, or the successor in interest to the Beneficiary, the entire amount then due under the Deed of Trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually incurred and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Deed of Trust with Successor Trustee's and attorney's fees. In the event that all defaults are cured the foreclosure will be dismissed and the foreclosure sale will be canceled.

The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 15 days for any reason. In the event of a bankruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by the Trustee for up to 120 days by public proclamation at least every 30 days.

If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Successor Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse.

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2025. Jason J. Henderson Substitute Trustee 38 2nd Avenue East, Dickinson, ND 58601 Telephone: 801-355-2886 Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8AM-5PM (MST) File No. MT22197

Published October 17, 24 and 31, 2025

MNAXLP

MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, BROADWATER COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GORDON T. WELCH, Deceased.

CAUSE No. DP-4-2025-14

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above-entitled estate, and that the address of the Personal Representative is set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent having claims against the decedent's estate must present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or be forever barred as creditors of the decedent.

A written statement of the claim indicating its basis, the name and address of the claimant, and the amount claimed, may be filed with the Clerk of the 1st Judicial District in Broadwater County at 515 Broadway Street, Townsend, MT 59644-2397, or mailed, Return Receipt Requested, to the Personal Representative, c/o MOSS LAW PLLC, Attorney for the Personal Representative, at PO Box 7543, Helena, Montana 59601.

Published October 3, 10 and 17, 2025

MNAXLP

MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, BROADWATER COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY ANN WELCH, Deceased.

CAUSE No. DP-4-2025-16

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above-entitled estate, and that the address of the Personal Representative is set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent having claims against the decedent's estate must present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or be forever barred as creditors of the decedent.

A written statement of the claim indicating its basis, the name and address of the claimant, and the amount claimed, may be filed with the Clerk of the 1st Judicial District in Broadwater County at 515 Broadway Street, Townsend, MT 59644-2397, or mailed, Return Receipt Requested, to the Personal Representative, c/o MOSS LAW PLLC, Attorney for the Personal Representative, at PO Box 7543, Helena, Montana 59601.

Published October 3, 10 and 17, 2025

MNAXLP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

A+ Storage does hereby give notice to the following customers renting storage units containing household goods and miscellaneous items that this property will be sold to satisfy rent past due, fees and costs.

Gehrig Sweat: C 04

Charlee Strozier: JF 09

The public sale will be held on October 18, 2025, at 12-1 PM at A+ storage located at 21 Cemetery Lane.

Published October 10 and 17, 2025

MNAXLP

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: BROADWATER COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

Broadwater County is currently seeking a qualified applicant for an Equipment Operator. Applicants must have a valid Montana CDL Class A Driver's License and be able to pass a background check. Applications and a copy of the job description and application can be obtained on the county's website at www.broadwatercountymt.gov under Citizen Resources, Employment Opportunities, Job Openings.

Resumes and complete applications can be mailed to Misty Masolo at 515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644, emailed to mmasolo@broadwatercountymt.gov, or dropped off in the Public Works Office at 515 Broadway. Please contact Misty Masolo at 406-266-9212 if you have any questions.

Position will close October 31, 2025.

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

Published October 10, 17 and 24, 2025

MNAXLP

Justice of the Peace Report

Kelsi Anderson
Justice Court Clerk

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FORFEITURES

- Thomas Yowell - Tullahoma, TN - day speed \$20.00
- Zane Wallace - Townsend - day speed \$120.00
- Matthew Lessmeier - Bozeman - day speed \$20.00
- Kaileia Wendt - Bozeman - day speed \$20.00
- Joshua Wodrich - Great Falls - day speed \$70.00
- Colten Wingness - Townsend - day speed \$20.00
- Susan Wesner - Toston - day speed \$70.00
- Diego Vega - Bozeman - day speed \$20.00
- Patrick Troy - Three Forks - day speed \$120.00
- Blake Schmidt - Billings - night speed \$120.00
- Nathaniel Pacheco - Helena - night speed \$70.00
- Levi Mowery - Townsend - day speed \$20.00
- Ian Kollenborn - Denver, CO - day speed \$70.00
- Daniel Harrington - Clancy - day speed \$120.00
- Haden Henderson - McDonough, GA - day speed \$120.00
- Allison Goodman - Belgrade - day speed \$40.00
- Miranda Griffis - Helena - day speed \$20.00
- Phillip Egbert - Bozeman - day speed \$70.00
- Phillip Cox - Bozeman - day speed \$70.00
- Cory Berkram - Bozeman - day speed \$20.00
- Christian Aguado - Belgrade - day speed \$70.00
- Greg Reyes - Manhattan - night speed \$120.00

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FAILURE TO WEAR SEAT BELTS

1

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FINES

- Vojtech Hudecek - Czech Republic - reckless driving-1st offense, plead guilty, \$285.00 fines and fees.
- Dylan Hampden -Bozeman - day speed, plead guilty, deferred imposition of sentence for a period of six months on conditions, \$70.00 fine and enroll and complete Alive @ 25.

BROADWATER COUNTY FINES

- Ross Poindexter - Bozeman - disorderly conduct, plead guilty, sentenced to ten days in jail with all but two days suspended on conditions, \$135.00 fines and fees.

BROADWATER COUNTY FORFEITURES

- Gabriela Valdez - Helena - day speed \$20.00
- Robert Ocamb - Great Falls - night speed \$20.00
- Myriah Miller - Billings - day speed \$70.00
- Beau Merlini - Belgrade - night speed \$120.00
- Brian Guaman - Whiting, IN - day speed \$120.00
- Haley Chester - Bozeman - night speed \$70.00

MOTOR CARRIER SERVICES

- Clinton Beltes - New Hampton, IA - fail to follow conditions & requirements of special permit \$135.00

Fall Fest Announces Raffle Winners

Barb Mock
Fall Fest

Townsend Rotary Club is happy to announce the winners of the Fall Fest Free Raffle!

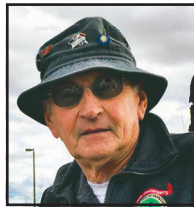
A \$500 cash award was selected in a random drawing, with the winner being Cheryl Stewart of Jefferson City, MT.

The \$100 award going to the person who traveled the farthest to attend Fall Fest, went to Wade and Veronica Obrigewitch from Anchorage, Alaska!

Thank you to all who participated in the raffle and CONGRATULATIONS to our winners!

Rotary Thanks Community

Patrick Plantenberg
Rotarian



The Rotary Club of Townsend would like to thank the community for its tremendous support of this year's Fall Fest. Rotary cannot pull off this event without our generous sponsors and volunteers. And thanks to the neighbors who have to put up with the noise and traffic from the event. Rotary appreciates your patience and understanding.

After a great Friday night and Saturday, Sunday was cold and blustery. Even so, 116 cars showed up for the car show.

Fall Fest is Rotary's one fundraiser for the year. Final bills are not in yet, but it looks like Rotary will have a great budget again next year for our many community projects. If you have any projects needing support for the coming year, please contact Rotary as the Board of Directors approves the budget by January 1, 2026, for the next fiscal year (July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027).

If you didn't sponsor Fall Fest this year, please contact Rotary, as we are already talking to our sponsors about next year. If you didn't volunteer to help with set up, cooking, and serving food and beverages, or take down, please contact Rotary -we will need your help next year!

And if you want to join Rotary, please talk to any Rotarian. Any questions, please call Patrick Plantenberg @ 406-431-4615.

It's your future. Let's protect it.®



Dustin Gillaspie
410 Broadway, Townsend, MT
406.442.0456
fbfs.com/find-an-agent/
dustingillaspie



Auto | Home | Life | Annuities | Business | Farm & Ranch

Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company*West Des Moines, IA, Mountain West Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company/Laramie, WY. *Company provider of Farm Bureau Financial Services. PR-SM-8 (10-21)

Townsend City Council Reviews Parks, Events, Contracts, and Property in October 7 Meeting

Rachael Brug
Staff Reporter



The Townsend City Council convened on October 7 to address a range of city business, including park improvements, community events, property agreements, and administrative contracts.

The meeting opened with Mayor Vickie Rauser and council members Angie Wintrow, Doug Sitton, Vivian Boaz, and JB Howick reviewing and approving the September 16 minutes, following a minor correction regarding quorum requirements.

John Bliely, president of Townsend Youth Baseball, presented a proposal to install new scoreboards at McCarthy Park's baseball fields. The council discussed project funding, electrical work by Hensley Electrical, and future utility needs. After confirming maintenance responsibilities and city zoning compliance, the council unanimously approved the request, ensuring the city will have conduit in place for future upgrades.

Jenny Spatzwraith and Anna Glueckert from the Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce requested street closures for two annual events: the Ghost Stroll and Trunk or Treat on October 31, and the Christmas Stroll and Light Parade on December 6. With logistical support from the National Guard and the local fire department, both requests were approved. Council members discussed event logistics, business inclusion, and improvements in trash collection for large gatherings.

The council reviewed a draft events ordinance, noting minor revisions and clarifications needed before scheduling a public hearing. Discussion included fiscal versus calendar year references and minor typographical corrections.

A contract renewal with Morrison & Malerle for IT services was approved, with the council requesting confirmation that all city computers will be upgraded to Windows 11 following the end of Windows 10 support.

Public Works Director Eric Crusch reported on the sale of surplus city gravel, which the council approved at the original purchase price. Council also addressed routine financial approvals and received updates on tree maintenance concerns and the hiring of a new Public Works employee, Mike Guthrie.

The meeting concluded with an update on negotiations with the Massa family regarding city property, with the mayor tasked to update and circulate a draft agreement.

Townsend Gears Up for Annual Ghost Stroll & Trunk or Treat: A Spooktacular Evening for All Ages

Rachael Elliot-Brug
Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce

Townsend's sweetest fall tradition is back!

On October 31st, the Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce invites families, friends, and neighbors to join in the annual Ghost Stroll and Trunk or Treat—a beloved event that transforms downtown Broadway into a festive, candy-filled celebration.

Here's what you need to know to make the most of this year's spooky soirée:

Street Closure & Check-In Details

Broadway will be closed to traffic from Pine Street to the courthouse starting at 4:15 p.m. If you're planning to participate in Trunk or Treat on Broadway, be sure to check in with the Chamber in the dirt lot in front of City Hall beginning at 3:45 p.m. Early check-in ensures your spot before the street officially closes and the fun begins.

Event Timeline

The festivities kick off at 4:30 p.m. and run until around 7:00 p.m.—or until the last piece of candy is handed out! Bring your best costumes, your trick-or-treat bags, and your community spirit.

Family-Friendly Fun, Rain or Shine.

As always, the Ghost Stroll and Trunk or Treat are open to all ages and designed with families in mind. Whether you're a young ghoul, a teen witch, or just young at heart, there's something for everyone. And don't let the weather scare you away—this event goes on rain or shine!

Safety & Parking

With Broadway closed from Pine Street to the courthouse, please plan accordingly for parking and allow extra time to walk to the event. The street closure helps ensure a safe environment for all our little goblins and ghouls.

This annual tradition is sponsored by the Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce, dedicated to fostering community spirit and bringing neighbors together.

Mark your calendars, gather your costumes, and get ready for an evening of frightful fun and sweet treats in the heart of Townsend. We'll see you on Broadway!



Broadwater County Noxious Weed District

Jessica Bushnell
Broadwater County Weed and Mosquito Control

Broadwater County Noxious Weed District has identified two new populations of Rush Skeletonweed and a single population of Ventenata. Both of these populations were identified along the I-90 section of Broadwater County, and we found a single plant of Rush Skeletonweed by the Bleu Horses. Both sites have been surveyed, treated, and plans for future monitoring have been made.

But what are Rush Skeletonweed (RSW) and Ventenata? Both plants are on Montana's Noxious Weed List. Rush Skeletonweed is a PRIORITY 1 B. These weeds have a limited presence in Montana, and management criteria require eradication, containment, and education. Ventenata is a PRIORITY 2 A. These weeds are common in isolated areas of Montana. Management criteria will require eradication or containment where less abundant.

This week, we will cover Rush Skeletonweed.

Rush skeletonweed is a perennial (plants that live for more than two years) with many branched, wiry, and stiff stems that grow from 1 to 4 feet tall. The lower part of the stem is covered with stiff, golden-red, downward-pointing hairs. The plant exudes a milky liquid when it is damaged.

The stem leaves are alternate, meaning they grow staggered along the stem rather than directly opposite each other, and they are narrow. They can grow up to 4 inches long. As the plant produces flowers, these leaves will die off, leaving the plant with a bare, skeletal appearance. The lower leaves resemble a common dandelion and are hairless, featuring deep, irregular teeth that point back toward the leaf base. These lower leaves can grow up to 5 inches long.

Rush skeletonweed has small yellow flowers and feathery seeds that ride the wind. The flower heads are half an inch across and will produce seeds without fertilization. Flowering usually occurs in late summer. The seeds are small, brown, tapered at both ends, and have fluffy white tufts that grow outward from the seed connections. First-year plants can produce 50 to 150 flower heads annually, equating to 500 to 1,500 seeds per plant. Older plants can produce 20,000 seeds annually.

It thrives in well-drained sandy or gravelly soils and has also spread across large areas of shallow silt loam soils. In addition to deep (8+ feet) taproots, it has rhizomes (root systems that spread outward and can grow new stems) that produce daughter rosettes. Plants also grow from buds on root fragments cut by cultivation or other equipment.

Greater Helena Food System Coalition Sponsors Community Dinner

Samantha Ferrat
Montana Farmers Union District Representative

Farm-to-table event on October 21 brings together six local restaurants, area farmers, and community members for unprecedented culinary collaboration.

Greater Helena Food System Coalition will host the third "The Longest Table" community dinner on bringing together local restaurants, farmers, ranchers, and residents for a celebration and raising awareness of the region's local food production and culinary talent. The community-focused event will feature dishes from six beloved Helena establishments: 10 Mile Creek Brewery, Helena Food Share, The Union, The Hopper, and Sunflower Bakery. Each participating restaurant will create special menu items using fresh, locally sourced ingredients provided directly by Montana farms and ranches.

"This isn't just a dinner – it's a celebration of the incredible network of producers, creators, and community members that make Helena's food scene so special," said Logan Smith, Community Director for Old Salt Co-op and Longest Table Committee Member. "We want to create connections between the people who grow our food, the chefs who transform it, and the neighbors who enjoy it together."

Building Community Through Shared Meals: The dinner format encourages conversation and connection, with seating arrangements designed to facilitate new relationships and strengthen existing community bonds. Attendees will have opportunities to meet the farmers and ranchers who provide ingredients, as well as the chefs who craft the evening's dishes. Helena Area Food System Coalition Members are St. Peter's Health, Resilient Helena, Old Salt Co-op, Montana Farmers Union, Helena Food Share, and individual members Sydney Dickerson, Mark Juedeman, and Margaret Corcoran.

Event Details found at: <https://resilient-helena.org/events>

Broadwater County Commissioners Agenda

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.gov>.

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.gov, in the window of the Flynn Building, and in the local MT43 Newspaper when possible to meet the publishing deadline.

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

10:00 AM Working meeting with Bill Jarocki, County Administrative Officer, CAO office, regarding projects and deadlines

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

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

10:00 AM TJ Graveley, Public Works Director, Department update

10:05 AM Ruby Taylor, Public Health Director, Department update

10:10 AM Targeted Economic Development District (TEDD) update

10:15 AM Discussion/Decision, Targeted Economic Development District (TEDD) Committee resolution and bylaws

2:00 PM Working meeting with EUNA Solutions, regarding grant management software and online software demonstration

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, by-laws approval, interlocal agreements and non-financial contract renewals
- Claims/Payroll/minutes
- County Audit / Budget
- Mail – ongoing grants
- Correspondence – support letters
- Task Orders

Debi Randolph, Vice Chair
(406) 266-9270 or (406) 980-2050
drandolph@broadwatercountymt.gov

Jesse Swenson
(406) 266-9272 or (406) 980-1213
jswenson@broadwatercountymt.gov

Lindsey Richtmyer, Chair
(406) 266-9271 or (406) 521-0834
lrichtmyer@broadwatercountymt.gov

E-mail: commissioners@broadwatercountymt.gov
Future Meetings will be held at the Flynn Building (416 Broadway)

Please note: These meeting times/dates may change. Please check the county website

- Board of Health Working Meeting on October 20th at 3:00 PM
- County Parks & Recreation Board Meeting on October 20th at 6:00 PM
- Board of Health Meeting on November 17th at 3:00 PM
- County Parks & Recreation Board Meeting on November 17th at 6:00 PM
- Noxious Weed Board Meeting on November 18th at 6:00 PM
- Airport Board Meeting on November 19th at 6:00 PM
- Fair Board Meeting on November 24th at 5:15 PM

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

OUR WALK IN FAITH

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

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

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

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

Radersburg Baptist Church
7 Main St, Radersburg
Special Service Pastors
Sunday: 9:45am Sunday School | 11:00am Worship
*

Set Free Christian Fellowship
424 N Pine 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
(406) 241-0042
Saturday: 9:30 Service | 10:30am Sabbath School
Tuesday: 6:30pm Bible Study
*

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church ELCA Synod
301 N Cherry St. Townsend
Steve Ward, Synod authorized minister (406) 220-8911
Office hours Mon & Wed 9 am to noon
Council President Rick Arnold (406) 633-2677
Sunday: 9:30am Services
Second Tuesday of the month: 4:00pm 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 Clay Muinzer (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

SENIOR CENTER

SR. CENTER MEALS: Birthday Cake
OCTOBER 20 - 24 *Wednesday, October 22*
516 2nd Street, Townsend, MT 406-266-3995
Chicken ALA King
Steamed Potatoes
Purple Beets
Whole Grain Bread
Sweet Peaches

Monday, October 20
Hamburger on a Bun
Potato Triangles
Carrot Coins
Juicy Pears
Dessert

Tuesday, October 21
Birthday Dinner
Sweet-N-Sour Pork
Fried Brown Rice
Oriental Vegetables
Four Bean Salad
Whole Grain Bread
Baked Apples

Thursday, October 23
Chili Con Carne
Corn Bread
German Vegetables
Sweet Corn
Apricots

Friday, October 24
Tater Tot Casserole
Garden Peas
Carrot Raisin Salad
Whole Grain Bread
Pineapple

NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary Service Available

At MT43 News Office
408 Broadway St, Townsend, MT
Mon - Fri 10:00 - 2:00pm

Or by Appointment
Contact: Brenda Phillips
406-231-9752

Common Sense
BY BILL GARWOOD

A Bit of History and Science

The words Nazi and Fascist get bandied around a bit much lately, far too much! Let's get into that, shall we?

The German leaders in WWII put together a group called the National Socialist Party, a German Fascist party. Their leader, Adolf Hitler, became their supreme leader after a few false starts.

Hitler decided the German people should all be white, blond-haired, blue-eyed, giants. With me so far? Hitler said he wanted the entire race to become like the ancient Aryan race that was superior and very militaristic - nation builders. The problem was that the actual Aryan race was from the Asian continent around Iran and other areas. So, the actual people that Adolf wanted the German people to be like were mostly brown/black, swarthy folks.

Hitler himself was a dark-haired Austrian with serious problems, including syphilis and a bad drug habit. So why did people follow him? He could speak well, and he gave the German people a common enemy to rally against. Not only the Jewish people but anyone who was different or inferior, according to him.

Fascism, on the other hand, was mostly from Italy. Benito Mussolini was a swarthy, darker-skinned guy. He ruled with an iron fist for a nationalistic and racialized central autocratic regime, often a militaristic government. That's a mouthful. So, these crazy kids decided to get together and take over the world. They also added in the Imperial Japanese military WHAT? So, racial purity, with Italians and Japanese? Oh yeah, that would work! What I'm getting to is this: calling people in our American peoples and government, "Nazi" and "Fascist" is beyond idiocy! Knock it off.

Now on to Science: I have tried to explain to environmentalist folks that "carbon footprint" is monumental, is pure crap! Kind of like what any rancher around here can tell you comes from cows. And they are not causing any global warming or climate change. Around here, the climate changes by the hour. Human beings are a (write this down) a carbon-based life form. Our whole existence is based on carbon. It's who we are! By the same token, carbon dioxide is plant food. We breathe CO2 out; plants take it in and grow! Carbon monoxide is from mostly vehicle exhaust - bad!

You can sit in your car in your locked garage and snort in CO2 from a plant for days. You may just get bored and fall asleep. There is a thing called "photosynthesis". It means sunshine warms plants and they turn green and give off "life-giving" oxygen! Plants take in CO2 that we breathe out; they give off oxygen that we breathe in. Got it? Good. I'd say there will be a test, but life is a test. Don't fail it!

Raw Milk: Is it Right for You?

Allison Kosto
MSU Broadwater County Extension Agent

The legislative session in 2021 brought major changes to local food choices in Montana. Through the Montana Local Food Choice Act, small dairies are now allowed to sell raw milk directly to consumers, a product that was previously outlawed in Montana. While this legislative measure was largely viewed as a win by local food producers and advocates, it creates another option for consumers that may leave you pondering if raw milk is the right choice for you.

Raw milk is defined as milk that has not been pasteurized. Pasteurization is a heating process that reduces bacterial pathogens. It's been around for over 160 years and became widely adopted in the early 20th century to reduce illness and death associated with consuming raw milk. While milk itself does not contain harmful bacteria, it is exposed to bacteria on dairy farms and processing equipment, even under hygienic conditions. Raw milk can contain Salmonella, Listeria, E. coli and many other harmful bacteria. Research has shown that the risk of foodborne illness from raw milk is up to 840 times higher than pasteurized milk. Pasteurization is credited with preventing more cases of tuberculosis and brucellosis than any other single technique.

In addition to reducing bacteria, pasteurization also stops some of the chemical reaction that causes milk to spoil. In commercial processing, milk also undergoes a process to standardize the fat content (nonfat, 2%, whole milk, etc.) and to keep the fat from separating, which is called homogenization. Finally, commercially processed milk is fortified with essential nutrients such as vitamins A and D.

There are sometimes misunderstandings around pasteurization. One common myth is that pasteurization kills beneficial bacteria in the milk and reduces the benefits. Even though milk is slightly altered during the pasteurization process, it does not degrade the health benefits of milk. Research has shown there is no significant difference in the amounts of macronutrients, protein, fats, and carbohydrates between raw and pasteurized milk. Minerals are heat-stable and also not impacted by pasteurization. There is a slight change in vitamins from pasteurization, but this change is minimal.

Another claim is that raw milk is easier to digest than pasteurized milk. It is true that pasteurization kills natural enzymes in milk. However, our bodies produce enzymes for digestion, and they do not necessarily come from our food, so this claim has been scientifically unsupported.

All milk that crosses state lines must be pasteurized but each state can individually authorize raw milk sales within the state. There are currently 32 states, including Montana, that allow some type of sale of raw milk.

In Montana, small dairies are allowed to sell raw milk directly to consumers. A small dairy is defined as five lactating cows or ten lactating goats or sheep. Small dairies are not allowed to sell through a third party, grocery store, restaurant or other retailers; it must be direct to the consumer. Additionally, producers must conduct semi-annual bacterial testing and annual testing for brucellosis. Montana considers raw milk to be a homemade food product, so producers must disclose to the consumer that the product has not been licensed, permitted, certified, packaged, labeled or inspected.

There are some clear and obvious benefits to pasteurization. However, if producers are diligent about keeping their milking and processing areas clean, then raw milk might be an option for you. Because they are not inspected or licensed, it is important to get to know your small dairy before purchasing any milk to understand their sanitation practices. It's also important to note that raw milk needs to be consumed more quickly than pasteurized milk. One benefit of raw milk is that it is much easier to make your own butter, cheese and ice cream. This is because raw milk has not been homogenized, and butterfat is an important part of creating these products. It is still possible to make your own butter, cheese and ice cream from pasteurized milk, but it can take a little more practice and patience. Purchasing raw milk is also a great way to support local small farmers directly.

Keep in mind that if you choose to purchase raw milk, there is a real and inherent risk. Disease outbreaks happen every year across the United States from raw milk. Earlier this year, there was an outbreak of E. coli and Campylobacter from raw milk in Florida that sickened 21 people, leading to seven hospitalizations, including young children. California has had 171 cases of illness from raw milk from Salmonella since 2023; 70% of these cases were children and adolescents.

Ultimately, though, milk is an excellent choice as part of a balanced diet. It enhances bone and heart health, assists with muscle growth and repair, supports brain function and is loaded with nutrients. For more information, contact the MSU Extension Office in Broadwater County at 406-266-9242 or allison.kosto@montana.edu

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

Lord, lift up the light of Your countenance upon us. You have put gladness in my heart, more than in the season that their grain and wine increased. I will both lie down in peace, and sleep; for You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety. PSALM 4:6-8

Detail of "Overcast Day at Saint-Mammes" by Alfred Sisley (1880)

© 2025 by King Features Syndicate, Inc. World rights reserved.

HELENA OBITUARIES

Kimberly Hoffman

Family of Kimberly Hoffman

Kimberly Lane Hoffmann (Hamlin), 62, passed away on October 2nd, 2025. She was born on July 24th, 1963, in Highland Park, MI, to Jerry Kelley and Ardis Bailey (Kettler). Kimberly was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend whose love and laughter touched everyone around her.



Kimberly Hoffman

Photo Provided by Family of Kimberly Hoffman

She grew up in Michigan and made Montana her home after moving there in 1989. She raised three beautiful children — Chelsea Hamlin, Ricky Hamlin, and Krystal Hamlin — who were the pride and joy of her life.

Kimberly shared many wonderful years with her devoted husband, Warren Hoffmann, who was her steadfast companion and best friend. Together, they built a life filled with love, humor, and adventure. Together, they were grandparents to Oliver, August, Otto, and Emerson.

Kimberly had an adventurous spirit and a heart full of curiosity. She loved Star Wars, listening to audiobooks on long road trips, and exploring new places with her family. Whether she was sharing a story, a laugh, or a quiet moment with her dogs, Mazie and Henrietta (Henri), she brought warmth and light wherever she went.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, October 18th, 2025, at the Lewis and Clark Brewery from noon to 3 p.m. Family and friends are invited to join in honoring and remembering Kimberly's extraordinary life.

Dayna Marie West

Family of Dayna Marie West

Dayna Marie West, age 48, of East Helena, MT.



Dayna Marie West

Photo Provided by Family of Dayna Marie West

Dayna West passed away suddenly due to unknown causes on September 19, 2025. Dayna's passing will be a profound loss to her family for years to come.

Dayna was born in Eugene, Oregon, on July 30th, 1977, the younger child of Bill and Mary Streeter. Dayna attended Fairfield Elementary School and Willamette High School in Eugene, where she graduated in 1995. Dayna was active in the Community of Christ Church while growing up. After high school, Dayna worked at the Boy Scout office in Eugene. She moved to Portland a few years later, where she attended the Art Institute.

One day in 2011, Dayna loaded up her car with the intent of driving until she ran out of gas and money. This happened in Helena, MT. Within a short time, Dayna had a job at the Real Food Store and an apartment nearby. It was meant to be. Dayna was introduced to Kevin West by a coworker, and in 2014, they were married. They were blessed with two children, Gavin and Lillian.

Dayna will forever be remembered as a sweet, kind person with a unique, quirky personality. It was important to Dayna to connect with people and she had the ability to be remarkably patient. Dayna was rarely angered.

Dayna loved nature, plants and animals and spending time outdoors. She loved being with her children, camping, hunting trips and hosting family get-togethers.

Dayna is survived by her husband, Kevin West and their children, Gavin and Lillian. She is also survived by her parents, Bill and Mary Streeter, her brother, Terry Streeter and several cousins. Dayna also had a multitude of in-laws and nephews and a niece in the West Family.

The Very Versatile Any-Meat Soup

Eileen Clarke
Rifles and Recipes



It's a soup. And, while I originally made it with wild pig meat, which is how it got its name, over the years it's become an 'any meat' soup. From pheasant and turkey to antelope, elk, whitetail and mule deer, the combination of spices with pearl onions and shiitake mushrooms pairs well with anything I have tried so far.

A couple of recipe notes: I keep a separate 'coffee' grinder just for spices, so it's an easy way to grind the fennel. Just measure the whole fennel before you grind it, or your flavors will be off. And if you can't find shiitake mushrooms at Bob's, use another variety with big mushroom flavor, like portobellas. And keep to the chicken base for the broth even when using red meat. It makes the broth sweeter than beef broth.

We're not browning the meat in this recipe, because the caramelized onions add so much other flavor, we don't need the browning/enriching caramelization of the meat too. And this way the meat stays moister. The other interesting thing about this recipe is that it's basically Italian, but there's no tomato. It makes for a different, in-your-face flavor than the usual tomato-based sauces. One other note: the best tasting pigs are smaller. One reason why John and I don't go for the big tuskers much. It only takes a few minutes to take that trophy photo, but eating season lasts a long time.



The Pearl Piggy

Photo Credit: Eileen Clarke

The Pearl Piggy

Yields: about 9 cups/2 quarts plus 1 cup

Ingredients

- 1½ pounds wild pig, deer, elk or antelope meat
- 4 tablespoons oil
- 2 baggies frozen pearl onions, thawed & drained (14.4 ounces each)
- 2 cups chopped shiitake mushrooms
- 2 tablespoons garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons dried leaf basil
- 2 teaspoons whole fennel, ground
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon coarse-ground black pepper
- 4 teaspoon BTB reduced sodium Roast Chicken Base
- 4 cups cold water
- Red pepper flakes
- Grated Parmesan cheese

Cooking

1. Dice the meat and wrap in paper towels to dry it a bit while you prepare the rest of the ingredients. Heat 1 tablespoon of the oil in a 3½ - 5 quart Dutch oven over medium heat. When it gets hot, sauté the pearl onions until they get nicely browned, then add the mushrooms, garlic, basil, ground fennel, salt and pepper. Stir it all together.
2. Add the chopped meat and stir it into the pearl onion/mixture. The meat will cook gently among the pearl onions and spices rather than brown. When the meat is about half cooked, add the chicken base and water, and raise the heat to high until the pot comes to a low boil. Lower the heat so the stew simmers slowly, then cover and simmer about 30 minutes.
3. Serve hot, with a pinch or two of red pepper flakes and a tablespoon or so of grated Parmesan cheese on each serving.

This recipe is from Eileen's cookbook, The Wild Bowl, one of 7 wild game cookbooks she's published. It's available at www.riflesandrecipes.com for 1/3 off now until Christmas. Just enter MT43 in the coupon box when you check out.



Where Good Enough Just Isn't Good Enough!
406-266-3110
7685 US Hwy 287, Townsend MT
topgunt3110@gmail.com
topgunautobodytownsend.com

Stevenson Wilke

Funeral Home & Crematory

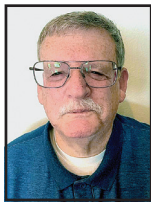


Family Owned and Operated

Honorably Serving Montana Families for Three Generations
www.stevensonwilke.com (406) 266-4213

Rocky Agency on Aging Continues Partnership with GoGo Grandparents

Victor Sample
RMDC



Rocky's Agency on Aging (RMDC) has announced it will continue the transportation project for Seniors with GoGo Grandparents. GoGo Grandparents collaborates with Rocky's Aging to provide up to 6 free rides and 4 grocery or pharmacy deliveries to rural residents. This project has been operating in Broadwater, Gallatin, Jefferson, and Lewis and Clark Counties over the last year. At this time, we are also including Meagher and Park Counties. Residents 60 and older in the six counties are encouraged to use the program. GoGo seeks drivers as well as riders. To use this service, it is important to call 1-855-755-2026 and refer to the "Montana Partnership". The nationwide number is a for-pay service. Rocky Agency on Aging is funding this project, but you must call the special Rocky Agency on Aging number for the free service.



Call 1 855 755 2026 for Free Rides
Mention "Montana Partnership" when calling

Montana's Area IV Agency on Aging and GoGo are pleased to provide free rides and deliveries for local older adults!

- 8 FREE ONE-WAY RIDES** /PER MONTH
- 4 PRESCRIPTION DRUG DELIVERIES** /PER MONTH*
- 4 FREE GROCERY DELIVERIES** /PER MONTH*

- Speak to a friendly agent 24/7
- No smartphone or apps required

* Program covers delivery costs of groceries/prescription drugs; program participants pay actual costs of groceries and drugs delivered (no narcotics).

Please call us at **1 855 755 2026** or register online at gogograndparent.com/MontanaA4

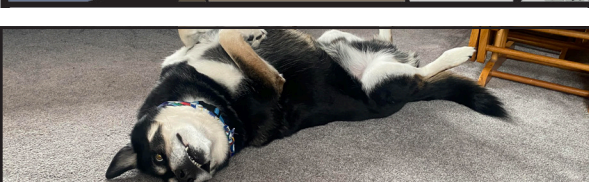
For information on becoming a driver for this program, as well as to view free public health information, and other program details please visit gogograndparent.com/MTInfo Note: program has a particular need for drivers with wheelchair accessible vehicles.

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps

OK, HOW ABOUT THIS... IN ORDER TO GET THIS LOAN LET'S DISREGARD MY WIFE'S DEBT AND I'LL PRETEND I DON'T KNOW HER?

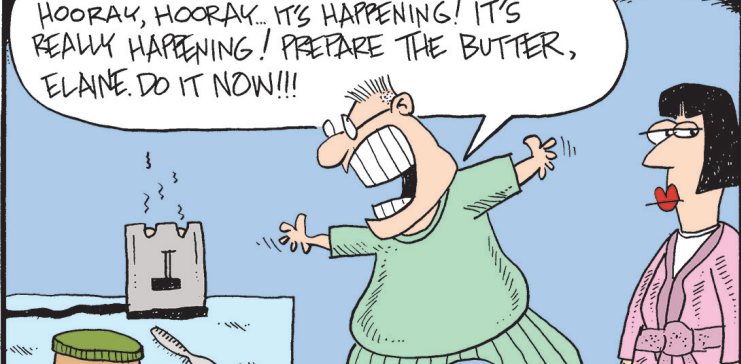


©2025 King Features Syndicate, Inc. All rights reserved.



Out on a Limb

HOORAY, HOORAY... IT'S HAPPENING! IT'S REALLY HAPPENING! PREPARE THE BUTTER, ELAINE. DO IT NOW!!!

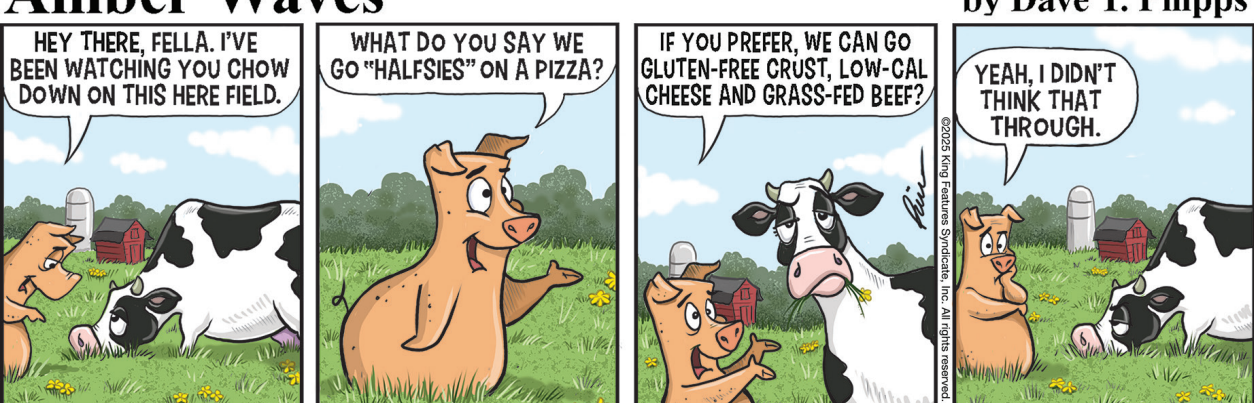


ANOTHER WAY TO TELL YOU'RE DEALING WITH SOMEONE WHO'S WAY TO ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT TOAST

©2025 King Features Syndicate, Inc. All rights reserved.

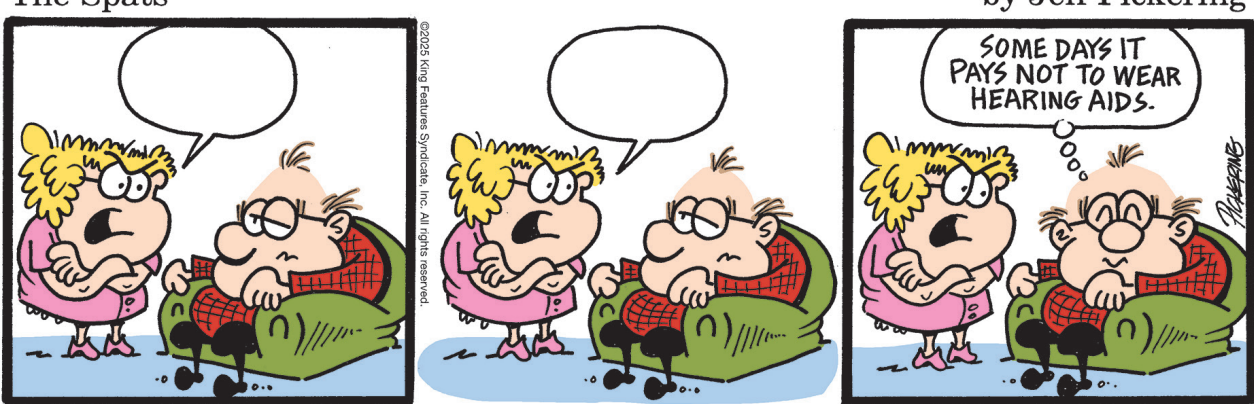
by Gary Kopervas

Amber Waves

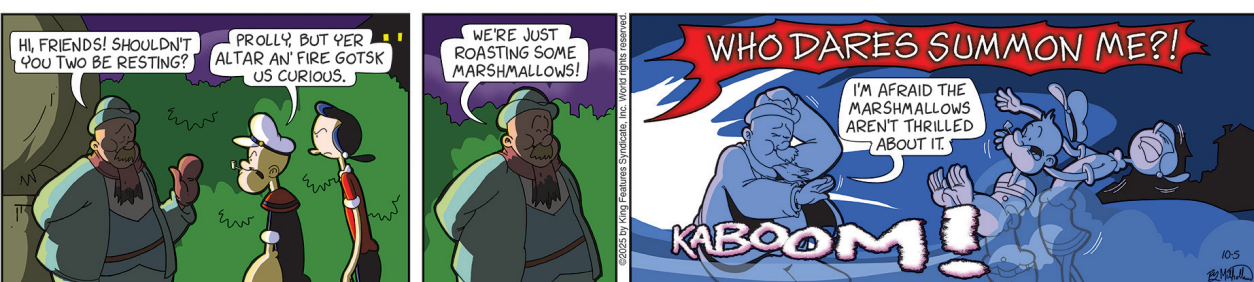


by Dave T. Phipps

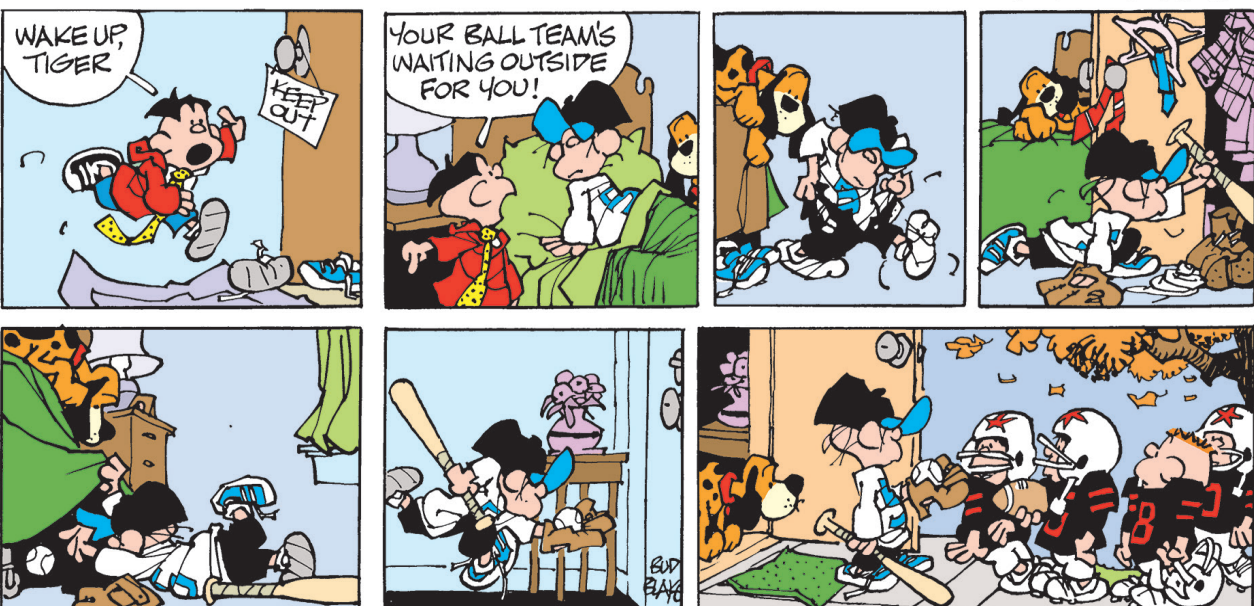
The Spats



by Jeff Pickering



TIGER



by BUD BLAKE

DONATION PRICE MATCH

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

HOW CAN YOU DONATE?

- Drop off at the Food Pantry on Broadway first or third Fridays 9:30- 11:00am or Saturday 9:00- 10:45am.
- Donation boxes at Bob's Supermarket
- Mail in to P.O. Box 1164, Townsend, MT 59644
- Come to our booth at Fall Fest, October 4th - 5th

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

It's that time of year again!

CHOOSE **TIZER MEATS**

for Your **GAME PROCESSING**

tizermeats.com | 406-422-4822

Super Crossword

Answers

C	L	A	P	F	O	R	A	H	A	M	A	C	H	I	R	P	L	A	B	E	L	L	E	C	A	P	T	U	R	E	H	A	N	O	I	A	T	E	L	I	E	R	A	S	P	E	C	T	S	E	L	T	O	N	W	H	A	T	C	O	U	L	D	B	E	T	H	E	N	A	M	E	O	F	S	S	T	O	N	E	A	R	O	Y	L	T	W	I	A	M	E	R	I	C	A	L	A	D	D	E	R	A	C	H	I	L	D	R	E	N	S	S	O	N	G	A	B	O	U	T	A	E	F	R	O	N	U	N	D	N	E	A	L	E	T	S	D	O	O	R	D	I	E	A	S	S	A	D	P	A	C	E	L	A	P	Y	O	U	N	G	I	R	L	W	H	O	I	S	F	A	D	S	T	P	U	L	N	A	O	A	R	Y	A	L	L	M	A	E	T	S	O	S	P	O	R	T	I	N	G	A	S	M	A	L	L	C	U	R	A	T	O	R	S	N	E	A	D	O	C	T	A	N	T	S	O	T	I	S	H	E	H	B	S	A	A	T	S	E	A	T	A	T	T	O	O	F	A	G	R	E	E	K	L	E	T	T	E	R	S	H	E	E	N	A	S	W	E	A	R	T	O	V	E	E	M	T	N	T	M	I	A	H	I	A	I	M	M	A	R	Y	H	A	D	A	L	I	T	T	L	E	L	A	M	B	D	A	M	A	C	H	O	S	C	H	I	R	R	A	R	E	P	E	A	L	S	S	I	N	E	W	A	L	A	T	E	E	N	T	Y	P	E	S	E	T	G	L	E	A	N	L	I	B	Z	A	G	Z	E	S	T	E	R	S
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Barnes Jewelry

357 N Last Chance Gulch, Helena MT

406-442-3000

CryptoQuip

answer

That guy has an emotional character oddly similar to a young male horse. He's so colt-hearted.

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Cradle; 2. Mentor; 3. Escape; 4. Parcel

Today's Word **SEPARATE**

KNIGHT MOVES

Answer

L	N	B
O		E
W	L	R

WELLBORN

MT 43 News, Inc.

Published & edited by the Board of Directors or electronically, without the written permission of MT 43 News, Inc.

Editors in Chief: Victor Sample and Nancy Marks

ISSN 2833-2571

USPS Bulk Mailing Permit #43

First Publication Date: July 15, 2022

408 Broadway Street Suite A Townsend MT 59644-2323 (406) 266-0086

MT43News@MT43News.com

MT 43 News is published Thursday of each week in Townsend, MT. Its service area is Broadwater County, MT.

Deadlines

Stories, News & Letters to the Editor: **Tuesday 12 p.m.**

Advertising: **Tuesday 10 a.m.**

Affiliation

Letters to the editor, guest columns, Op-Ed, editorials and advertising do not necessarily reflect the opinion of MT 43 News, Inc. or any of its executives, employees, or advertisers.

Forms and Policies

https://mt43news-business-services.com/node/124

©2023 MT 43 News, Inc. All rights reserved. The contents of this newspaper may not be reproduced, redistributed or archived, in whole or in part, physically



Broadwater County has several board positions opening in 2026!

The County needs and appreciates all our volunteer board members and encourages resident involvement.

The County is currently accepting letters of interest for positions on the following boards:

- Airport Board | Board of Health | Broadwater Trust Board
- Compensation Board | Fair Board | Museum Board
- Planning Board | Noxious Weed Board
- County Parks & Recreation Board | Solid Waste Board
- Townsend Mosquito Board | Three Forks Mosquito Board

Each board position is a 3-year term except the Fair Board which is a 1-year term. Letters of interest can be addressed to the board and submitted to dhansen@broadwatercountymt.gov by November 7, 2025.

Americanisms



“The farther one gets into the wilderness, the greater is the attraction of its lonely freedom.”
— *Teddy Roosevelt*

© 2025 King Features Syndicate, Inc.



Your health insurance plan for 2026 likely has big changes or is not being offered. Call us today to schedule your free 1:1 personalized meeting for help.
(406) 422-4437

www.rmiginc.com — Helena, MT



Your Local Montana Health Insurance Experts



Welcome to Townsend
Carley Hennessy, PA
Visiting OB/GYN Specialist



Carley Hennessy, PA

Welcome Carley Hennessy, PA to the Broadwater Community!

We're excited to welcome Carley Hennessy, Physician Assistant, to Broadwater County from Billings Clinic Bozeman OB/GYN, where she will be providing care for adult women starting November 18.

Carley brings over 10 years of experience in women's health, including the past six years with Billings Clinic. She earned her undergraduate degree from Montana State University and her Master of Physician Assistant Studies from Rocky Mountain College.

Born and raised in the Gallatin Valley, Carley is deeply committed to serving women in all stages of life within the community she calls home. She's honored to expand her practice in Broadwater County and continue supporting women's health—close to home.

Outside of work, Carley enjoys camping at Canyon Ferry with her husband and two sons, gardening, cheering on MSU athletics, and helping with her family's cattle operation.

Please join us in giving Carley a warm welcome!



For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (406) 266-3186. 110 North Oak Street, Townsend, MT 59644 billingsclinic.com/broadwater

Clinic Hours:
Monday - Friday
8 am to 5 pm

Graymont invites applications for the 2025 community-focused Carbon Reduction Fund

We are proud to announce that we are accepting applications for the Graymont Carbon Reduction Fund, an innovative, grass-roots initiative designed to support the development of carbon-reduction initiatives in the communities across the globe that we call home.

The fund's role is to support projects focused on:

- Protecting the environment by the responsible use of resources
- Reducing our carbon footprint through increased energy efficiency
- Developing and maintaining natural, biological 'carbon sinks' such as agricultural land, forests or peat bogs that act as a natural offset for carbon

If you have a project idea that relates to any of these topics, the GCRF is looking for you!

For additional information, please contact Steve Bugni, sbugni@graymont.com, 406-521-6003
Applications are due by **November 28, 2025**

Graymont's mission is to deliver essential calcium-based solutions to meet the world's changing needs.



Subscribe To MT 43 News and save!

	1Yr	2Yr	3Yr
Print (In-Region*):	\$69	\$108	\$155
Print (In-State):	\$89	\$145	\$200
Print (In USA):	\$119	\$198	\$275
Print (International):	\$145	\$245	\$340
Print Snowbird**:	\$94	\$158	\$225
Email-ONLY (PDF):	\$50	\$74	\$100

NEW RATES

Mail payment or deliver to 408 Broadway, Townsend MT 59644. You can also call with a credit card 406-266-0086, or visit www.MT43News.com
*In Region includes all Broadwater County, Helena, East Helena, Montana City, Clancy, Jefferson City, White Sulfer Springs and Three Forks
**Snowbird rate includes two address changes per year. Gift subscriptions are also available!
All print editions include option to receive PDF email.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

BY LINDA HUTH

SPONSORED BY
THE BROADWATER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
& THE COTTER FOUNDATION

October 16

1902

Local News

Remember the old timers' ball at the Auditorium on Oct. 31.

The oldest inhabitant has not seen a better fall for securing crops than we are enjoying at the present time.

The foundation of the C.A. Wipple's house is finished and part of the lumber on the ground to go ahead with the frame.

Glen Lenhart, who has been visiting in the vicinity of his old home in Ohio for about sixty days, returned to Townsend Sunday morning. He has commenced work again, well satisfied with Montana.

Edward Buffington of Toston, who has been engaged in mining in that section of the country for several years and who has acquired extensive interests in the vicinity of the new copper mines, was in town a few days during the past week.

1941

Local News

A large crowd attended the donkey basketball last night at the high school gym. \$18.00 was realized as net proceeds for the athletic association of the high school, Principal W.L. Emmert reported.

Canton Valley News

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Matthews were pleasantly surprised on Saturday evening, Oct. 11th, at their ranch home on Confederate, when relatives and friends from Helena and Townsend and close neighbors walked into the house to greet the couple on their 25th anniversary. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed, and a sumptuous supper was served around midnight. The honored couple received a great many beautiful and useful gifts.

Toston News

Art Jersey, who is stationed at Fort Ord, Cal., is shaking hands with old friends and enjoying a fifteen day furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Sitton moved from Radersburg and

are living in the Robert Connors house.

Cleve Wallace unloaded 29 cars of feeder lambs this last week.

Ed Gruber and Chas. Stimpson were among lucky huntsmen this week when they each bagged a wild goose.

Butte business visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seaman, daughter Edna, and Mrs. Vimpany. They reported considerable snow on the hill.

1958

Toston Briefs

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace of Bozeman attended church services and then called on old Toston friends last Sunday.

Helyn and Linda Belknap, Mrs. W.R. Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Haines Thompson were visitors in Bozeman Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Harrigfeld and family of Ashton, Idaho, were weekend visitors at the George Harrigfeld home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Plummer were business callers in Butte Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berberet and family were Sunday night dinner guests at the Earl Webb home.

Ann Thurston, Dorothy Smith and Nellie Greaves attended Eastern Star in White Sulphur Springs Wednesday.

Radersburg News

Miss Terri Ralls spent Friday night in Townsend, a guest of Miss Kay Thompson.

Mrs. Jack Williams visited her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Williams in Helena several days last week.

John and Bill Williams were business callers in Augusta Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bottler and Mrs. Mertie Williams were visiting friends and relatives in Townsend Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Mill Lavinder and son of Townsend and Mrs. Walter Rauser were shopping in Butte Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harris and children spent Friday and Saturday with relatives in Butte.

1975

School Bus Driver

Marvin Meyer is an extra bus driver for the local schools, as well as head custodian at the grade and high schools here in Broadwater County. Marvin has been driving buses for over 20 years, beginning for his father-in-law, Bill Bristow, when he ran three buses for the Townsend schools. He also drove for brother-in-law, Wally Bristow, and now substitutes for Merle Sears when needed. Marvin has been employed by the local school system for eight years. Marvin is a frequent driver of school buses on out of town trips for boys and girls sporting events.

Sitton Places a Third in PP&K

Winners of Townsend's Punt, Pass and Kick Contest, sponsored by Townsend Ford, journeyed to Billings for the divisional contest last Saturday. The boys competed against winners from all over the division, which runs from Townsend to Forsyth and Red Lodge to Lewistown.

Representing their respective age groups were Paul Brastrup, Bruce Turney, Russell Howard, John Bolderback, Dean Helmick and Doug Sitton. Sitton was the only one to place, taking third in the 13-year-old division.

East of Townsend News

Mrs. Bill Guffey and Lisa Graveley drove to Billings Saturday on business and toured the Freedom Train while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Grover and family have moved into their new home in Townsend. Mr. and Mrs. Harlen Smith and two children from San Antonio, Texas have moved into the Grover's mobile home at Ed's Court. Mr. Smith is employed by Kaiser Cement at Montana City.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Marks of Missoula spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sewell Marks. Mrs. Sewell Marks accompanied them to Butte Saturday to see the Ice Capades.

Carynn Bieber and Naomi Lucas, both of East Helena, visited Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bieber.

Mr. and Mrs. James Beck of Poplar visited Tuesday and Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bucy.

Doug Diehl spent the weekend from Carroll College with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Diehl, and family.

- Ice Melt
- Fuel Pellets
- Snow Shovels
- Ice Scrapers
- Insulation
- Pipe Wrap
- Heat Tape
- Weather Striping
- Expanding Foam
- Lollipops (colorful, spring-colored lollipops...)



Never demand proof of winter...



Governor Greg Gianforte Stops at Goosebay Glass During His 56 County Tour

MT43 News Staff Reporter

Montana Governor Greg Gianforte and his wife Susan toured Goosebay Glass in Townsend early Tuesday as part of his 56-county roundabout. It is his ninth time visiting various small businesses and organizations in Montana's counties.

The Gianforte Administration has worked hard to help small businesses, he said, by raising

exemptions on business equipment from \$100,000 to \$1 million and has encouraged the Legislature to reduce regulations affecting those businesses, so profits can be reinvested back into their companies.

"We visit small businesses because small businesses are the bedrock of Montana's economy," he said.

Gianforte further explained he and usually Mrs. Gianforte, visit 4-H groups, schools, county

commissioner meetings or ag producers in each county.

Gianforte had never been to Goosebay Glass, although he and his wife pass through Townsend often. Goosebay Glass owners Jim and Terry Gundersen, who hosted the Governor's entourage, welcomed the group with a glass-blowing demonstration. Mrs. Gianforte received one of the finished glass pumpkins as a gift.



Goosebay Glass owner Terry Gundersen explains the pumpkin glass-blowing process to Governor Gianforte. Nancy Marks, MT43 News Photographer



Goosebay Glass owner Jim Gundersen and the Gianfortes discuss Jim's long waitlist for handblown glass products. Nancy Marks, MT43 News Photographer