

Bulldog Alum Doing Well at Carroll

Kelly Morris



I just love getting to see our local BHS graduates being successful at the college level! This last weekend, I had the pleasure of attending a football game at Carroll College and doing just that.

Former Bulldog standout athlete Gavin Vandenacre is currently a Redshirt Junior receiver for the Fighting Saints football team. And I would say he is doing a great job for the Saints, averaging 13 yards per catch and 42 yards per game, and he has 3 touchdowns so far this year.

I asked Gavin about being able to play college ball so close to home and he said, "It's amazing. Not only do I get to be close to family and all the people I know, I also get to play with a lot of the guys I knew playing high school ball."

Making that transition from High School sports to College sports can be difficult for a lot of athletes. When asked what that was like for him, Gavin said, "The skill level is so much higher. The biggest adjustment for me was learning how to compete every day to earn my spot on the team. Especially coming from a Class B school, that was a lot different."

Asked what advice he would give to high school athletes who want to play at the next level, Gavin said, "Don't take any day for granted. Every day is an opportunity to strive for the goal that you want to reach. And I would say write down your goals... what you actually want to achieve, and from that you can



Gavin Vandenacre catches a Kaden Huot pass and runs it in for a touchdown for the Fighting Saints in Carroll's game last Saturday against Simpson University.
Kelly Morris Photography

determine what you need to do to achieve that goal." That is excellent advice for anybody!

Off the field, Gavin is studying finance and is set to graduate this coming spring. He plans to work in business finance after graduating. I have no doubt that

this young man will be successful at whatever path he chooses! But he definitely plans on coming back to play for Carroll next year in his final season of eligibility. I highly encourage everyone to come out to a Carroll game to watch Gavin play! It will make you proud!

Third Grade Students Receive Books

Bob Brastrup

Broadwater County Lions Club

Fifty-eight third-grade Townsend Elementary students were presented the inspirational and encouragement book A for Attitude by the Broadwater County Lions Club. The book, written and illustrated by Australian author Julie Davey, has been translated into at least seven languages and is used by teachers, psychologists, children and parents in at least 14 countries.



The third-grade students display the books presented to each of them by the Broadwater County Lions.
Photo Credit: Bob Brastrup

Written more than 20 years ago, the book encourages the development of positive attitudes. It contains sections on believing in yourself, overcoming fears, coping with bullies, dealing with anger and many other topics.

One lesson, called "boomerangs", states: "Your thoughts are boomerangs. In helping others, you help yourself. In hurting others, you hurt yourself. It may not happen today or tomorrow, but sooner or later, the thoughts you put out come back to you - good and not-so-good. Choose to be good to yourself!"

After receiving the book, the students participated in the telephone game, one of the book's lessons. A statement is whispered into the ear of the first student in the row. That student then whispers what was heard

to the next student. This continues until the last student receives the message and reports what was heard. The message received by the last student usually differs greatly from the original message. The book's lesson on gossip says:

"Before you spread gossip about someone, stop and think how you would feel if someone was talking about you behind your back.

- Would you like your secrets spread around school?
- Is it even true?
- Could it make the other person sad? Would it make them lose friends?

Starting today, you can choose to be a loving, friendly person, or a nosy parker. (Nosy parker is an Australian term for an overly inquisitive person.)

It's up to you."

There are also lesson plans for the teachers to use.

This is the seventh year the Broadwater County Lions have presented these books to the third-grade students.

LOOK INSIDE FOR EXCITING UPCOMING EVENTS, INCLUDING TOWNSEND'S GHOST STROLL AND LIVE MUSIC!



Economic Summit

Lindsey Richtmyer

Broadwater County Commissioner



The second annual Big Sky, Big Future Economic Summit took place last week in Bozeman. Co-hosted by Governor Gianforte and the Montana Chamber of Commerce, the one-day event was packed with renowned keynote speakers, nationwide business leaders, and state and federal lawmakers.

The Montana Chamber of Commerce led the day's discussions with an introduction summarizing Envision 2026, its long-range strategic plan that launched in 2016. According to the event program, Envision 2026 has four objectives or "pillars of a competitive and thriving economy" to "create opportunities for growth and prosperity" in the state. The first focus is the business climate, which includes lowering taxes, improving the legal environment, and "untangling" rules and regulations. The other objectives are entrepreneurship, workforce readiness through education and skills training, and upgrading Montana's aging infrastructure to promote economic growth and diversity across the state. As Envision 2026 ends this coming year, the Chamber is asking for input and feedback to help guide and identify business priorities in its next 10-year plan.

Several speakers and panels emphasized Montana's increasingly business-friendly climate and efficient permitting, which has helped attract businesses to the state, but the summit's recurring theme centered on the increasing worldwide demand for reliable energy.

Several industry leaders in attendance likened the global race for energy and technology dominance to the Cold War arms race. With an expected 20% growth in electricity demand in the next 10 years, an "all of the above" energy portfolio is essential for any company generating power. This means both renewable and

Economic Summit,

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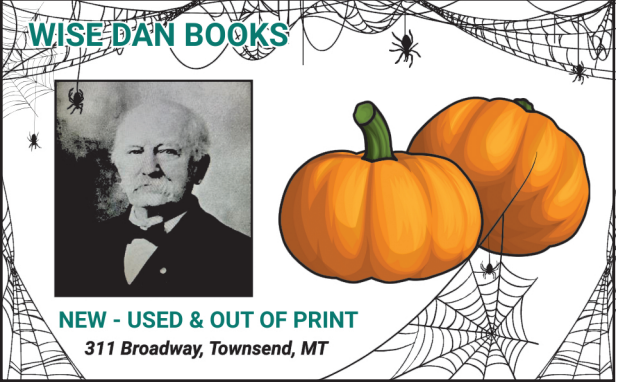


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7:00 - 9:00pm

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4:30pm Friday, October 31

Enjoy **Travis Ragen** performing live Halloween night!




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.

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



Fish, Wildlife and Parks Art and Photo Contest

Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Send Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks your best fishing photo and art. The deadline is November 15!

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks is still searching for a photo to put on the front cover of the 2026 Fishing Regulations and a kid's drawing for the back cover. We're looking for unique or unusual photos, perhaps a state record fish or a fish never previously seen on the cover. Help FWP show what diverse fish can be found in Montana.

Photo contest:

- Photo must be vertical (portrait) mode, or suitable for tight vertical cropping to fit the available space on the regs cover.
- Photo must be a minimum resolution and size of 6 inches tall at 300 pixels-per-inch.
- FWP will feature your name on the front cover as credit. Please specify how you would like to be credited.
- Please include a short description of the photo, so we can provide some caption information.
- Ownership of the photo is retained by the photographer, who may use his/her image for other purposes.
- Please do not send photos of fish that have been mounted.
- Photo must be taken in Montana.

Photo tips:
For a great action shot, have the fish halfway submerged, with the eyes above the water and the camera dropped down to fish level.

To include an angler in the shot, make sure the camera's focus is on the fish not the angler. You can do this with portrait settings on the camera. Make sure your shot is wide where you have the angler in the shot. You can always crop it for more close-ups.

To add better color to a dull shot, increase your saturation, drop those high-lights and lift the shadows. The markings on the fish will show up better and provide more depth of field.

Art contest:
Kids 12 and younger are invited to submit a colored drawing of a fish that lives in Montana.

Please send in your best photo and drawing today! Email to fwpphoto-contest@mt.gov. Deadline is Nov. 15.

Winners will receive their photo on the cover, a subscription to Montana Outdoors Magazine and a Montana Outdoors t-shirt.

Something Told the Wild Geese

<p>Rachel Field</p> <p><i>Submitted by Don Hettinger</i></p> <p>Something told the wild geese It was time to go, Though the fields lay golden Something whispered,</p>	<p>"snow." Leaves were green and stirring, Berries, luster-glossed, But beneath warm feathers Something cautioned, "frost." All the sagging orchards Steamed with amber spice,</p>	<p>But each wild breast stiffened At remembered ice. Something told the wild geese It was time to fly, Summer sun was on their wings, Winter in their cry.</p>
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MSU to Host National Mathematics Contest for High School Students Nov 5 and 13

Olive Firth
MSU Science Math Resource Center

Montana high school students eager to excel at advanced mathematics are invited to register for free mathematics contests set for Wednesday, Nov. 5, and Thursday, Nov. 13, at Montana State University. Exams are administered in person on campus in Bozeman, and results are submitted online and measured against a national competition pool.

The American Mathematics Competition 10/12 contests, hosted by MSU's Science Math Resource Center in the College of Education, Health and Human Development, were developed by the Mathematical Association of America. The competition series provides an opportunity for high school students to develop improved analytical thinking, problem-solving and advanced mathematics skills.

The AMC 10 exam covers the high school mathematics curriculum through grade 10. AMC 12 covers high school math, including trigonometry, advanced algebra and advanced geometry, but excluding calculus. Both exams are 25 questions, multiple choice, and administered in 75 minutes.

The AMC 10 and 12 tests to be given on Nov. 5 (called Test A) and Nov. 13 (Test B) have the same scoring and rules of administration. Test A and Test B examinations are designed to be equal in difficulty and distribution of topics, but the questions are unique to each exam. Students may register for either contest or both.

Students through 10th grade and under 17 1/2 years old are eligible to participate in AMC 10; students through 12th grade and under 19 1/2 years old may participate in AMC 12. Students who score among the top national participants will be invited to take the American Invitational Mathematics Examination. Top scorers will also receive gift cards.

Competitions are challenging yet presented in a friendly and supportive environment. Organizers hope the contests will help students gain self-confidence, recognize their talents and foster a love for mathematics.

Registration is free for Montana students and is open until Oct. 29 for the Nov. 5 tests and until Nov. 5 for the Nov. 13 tests.

For more information, visit www.montana.edu/smrc/system-outreach/math-circle/american-mathematics-competitions.html or contact the MSU Science Math Resource Center at smrc@montana.edu or 406-994-7476.

Broadwater High School Volleyball



The Bulldog's Kaitlyn Noyes with a dig during last Thursday's match against the Tigers
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The Bulldog's Violet Collins serves during last Thursday's match against the Tigers
Kelly Morris Photography



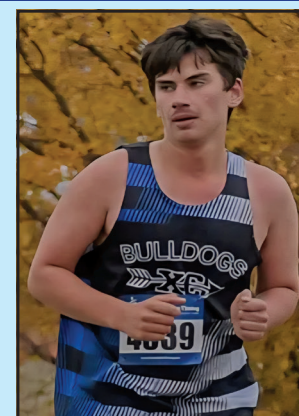
Volleyball: Jazel Ragen
Photo Credit: Townsend Booster Club



Cheer: Ana Reinke
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XC Girls: Kyla Meisner
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XC boys: Wyatt Coker
Photo Credit: Townsend Booster Club



Football: The O Line
Photo Credit: Townsend Booster Club

Lady Bulldogs Volleyball Win Against Whitehall Trojans

Bryleigh Erickson
BHS Sports Reporter



On Tuesday, October 14th, the Whitehall Trojans travelled to Townsend to take on the Lady Bulldogs volleyball teams. The bulldogs ended up sweeping the Trojans, winning every match.

The C squad game ended in a win for the Bulldogs, 25-9, 25-16, and 15-9. Avery White and Ella Toney each led the team with 6 aces each. Ella Toney also had 8 assists and 5 kills. Avery White had 3 kills and 5 digs.

The Junior Varsity game score was 25-21, 25-11, and 15-9, with the Bulldogs winning. Tevyn Newman and Violet Collins led the team with 3 aces each. Tevyn Newman also had 17 assists and 3 kills. Sophia Lamb led the team with 13 kills.

The Varsity game ended with the Bulldogs winning the match, 25-6, 25-9, and 25-8. Kaitlyn Noyes and Sophia Lamb led the team with 4 blocks each. Bryleigh Erickson led the team in assists with 21 and digs with 11. Holly Newman had 11 kills, leading the team, followed by Aspen Slyker, who had 9.

The Manhattan Tigers travelled to Townsend to play the Bulldogs on Thursday, October 16th. It was Pink Night and there were many basket drawings, baked goods, and T-shirts for sale. All proceeds were donated to a local member of our community battling cancer. The day ended with all three Bulldogs teams winning.

The C squad game ended with a Bulldog win in four sets, 27-25, 21-25, 17-15, and 15-7. Avery White had 4 aces to lead the team, followed by Ella Toney, who had 3. Ella Toney led the team with 9 kills and 9 digs.

The Bulldogs beat the Tigers in the Junior Varsity game in four: 25-14, 27-25, 12-15, and 16-14. Graelyn Ragen led the team in aces with 4. Sophia Lamb had 3 blocks to lead the team, followed by Louie Parr, who had 2. Tevyn Newman and Sophia Lamb each had 8 kills to lead the team. Tevyn Newman also led the team



The Bulldog's Aspen Slyker with the pike during last Tuesday's game against the Lady Trojans of Whitehall
Kelly Morris Photography

in digs with 9, along with Louie Parr.

The Varsity beat the Tigers, 25-22, 25-8, and 25-11. Harper Wolfgram led the team in blocks with 4. Kaitlyn Noyes and Bryleigh Erickson had 8 kills to lead the team. Emmalin Fischer led the team in digs with 10, and Holly Newman led the team in assists with 17.

Next Thursday, October 23rd, is the Lady Bulldogs' last home game. It is Senior Night. Seven seniors will be recognized. They play the Ennis Mustangs and look to end conference play undefeated.



GO BULLDOGS!!



The Bulldog's Holley Newman spikes the ball during last Tuesday's game against the Lady Trojans of Whitehall
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The Bulldog's Sophia Lamb with a block at the net during last Tuesday's game against the Lady Trojans of Whitehall
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East Helena Schools & Sports

OCTOBER

Friday 31

- End of the 1st Quarter
- Happy Halloween!

NOVEMBER

Saturday 1

- 12:00 EHHS Booster Club - Annual Fundraiser

Townsend School & Sports

OCTOBER



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

Monday 27

- 7:00 pm: NHS Induction Ceremony
- UNKNOWN: First Day of MSBBB Practice
- 6:00 pm: Elkhorn Basketball Practice

Tuesday 28

- 6:00 pm: Elkhorn Basketball Practice

Wednesday 29

- 6:00 pm: Elkhorn Basketball Practice
- 7:00 pm: Old Baldy - Open Gyms (Pickleball, Basketball, laps)

Thursday 30

- End of Q1
- HSVB District Tournament at Manhattan
- 6:00 pm: Old Baldy - Beginning Guitar in the Music Room
- 6:00 pm: Elkhorn Basketball Practice

Friday 31

- **NO SCHOOL**
- HSVB District Tournament at Manhattan
- 6:00 pm: Elkhorn Basketball Practice

NOVEMBER

Saturday 1

- TBD: 1st Round FB Playoffs

Sunday 2

- 11:00 am: Native American Heritage Celebration in Elementary Commons **INFO ON PAGE 11**

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 **SEE AD ON PAGE 11**

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
- 5:00 pm: READ and ROLL: Game Night for All Ages (12 & under with adult) at Reading Leaves Bookstore and Coffee Nook

Saturday 25

- 2:00 pm: Montana Constitution Road Show at United Methodist Church, 200 N Cedar
- 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
- 7:00 pm: Live Music (Jerry Willet) at The Legion, 211 Broadway **SEE AD ON PAGE 2**

Monday 27

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

Tuesday 28

- 2:00 pm: Career Fair & Open House at Billings Clinic Broadwater, 110 N Oak **SEE AD ON PAGE 11**
- 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 29

- 1:00 pm: Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St
- 7:00 pm: Trick or Treat for Others to Eat **SEE AD ON PAGE 2**

Thursday 30

- 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 31

- 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
- 4:30 pm: 2025 Ghost Stroll and Trunk or Treat Downtown Townsend
- 4:30 pm: Live Music (Travis Ragen) at The Betsy, 217 Broadway **SEE AD ON PAGE 2**
- 5:00 pm: READ and ROLL: Game Night for All Ages (12 & under with adult) at Reading Leaves Bookstore and Coffee Nook
- 6:00 pm: Townsend Cat Network's Costume Contest at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway **SEE AD ON PAGE 2**

NOVEMBER

Saturday 1

- 6:00 pm: Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945

Sunday 2

- 10:00 am: **FREE** Blast O'Lantern 2025, 330 Indian Creek Rd **SEE AD ON PAGE 2**
- 11:00 am: **FREE** 4th Annual American Heritage Celebration at Townsend Schools N Pine Entrance **READ ABOUT IT AND SEE AD ON PAGE 11**

Broadwater County Government Calendar

OCTOBER

Tuesday 28


- 10:00 am: Commission/CAO Working Meeting

Wednesday 29

- 10:00 am: Commission Meeting

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

Saturday 25

- 10:00 am: Costume Tea Party

Wednesday 29

- 10:30 am: Storytime

Thursday 30

- 8:30 am: Walk & Talk Book Club
- 4:00 pm: Friends of the Library Quarterly Meeting

Friday 31

- 3:00 pm: Reading Circle Book Group

Three Forks Community Calendar

OCTOBER

Friday 24

- 11:00 am: Three Forks Community Library - LEGO Club

Saturday 25

- Three Forks Community Library - Closed

Tuesday 28

- 1:00 pm: Three Forks Community Library - Mah Jongg

Wednesday 29

- 10:30 am: Three Forks Community Library - Storytime

Thursday 30

- 6:00 pm: Bridger Brewing - Music Night with Steven Stephen

Friday 31


- Three Forks Community Library - Come in for a Halloween Treat

NOVEMBER

Saturday 1

- 11:00 am: Three Forks Community Library - Open

Broadwater School and Community Library



201 N Spruce St, Townsend Photo Provided

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Friday-Saturday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Sunday: 12:00 - 5:00pm

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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

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Broadwater Rural Fire Board Meeting

3rd Wednesday each month.
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See Board Meeting Agenda at: <http://www.facebook.com/BroadwaterCountyVolunteerFireDepartment>

Old Baldy Adult Education Program Shines with Record Attendance

Rachael Brug
Townsend Schools Adult Education & Facilities Coordinator



This year, the Old Baldy Adult Education Program has truly come alive, drawing in record numbers of participants and offering a diverse lineup of classes that foster lifelong learning, community connection, and a whole lot of fun. Our high attendance numbers reflect the growing interest in skill-building and social engagement across Broadwater County.

- Highlights from This Year's Program:*
- **CDL Training:** Our Commercial Driver's License (CDL) class kicks off in November, preparing local residents for in-demand careers and helping to keep our community moving forward.
 - **Mahjong:** Nine enthusiastic attendees gathered to play Mahjong, enjoying both the challenge of the game and the camaraderie it creates.
 - **Open Gyms:** Whether it's pickleball, basketball, or lap-walking, our open gym sessions provide a welcoming space for all ages to stay active and connect with neighbors.
 - **Jewelry Making:** Creativity is on display in our jewelry making class, where participants learn new techniques and leave with handcrafted treasures.
 - **Beginning Guitar:** Five motivated learners, guided by a fantastic new teacher, are strumming their way through the basics and building a foundation for musical enjoyment.
 - **Conversational Spanish:** High attendance in this class shows the community's passion for expanding language skills and cultural horizons.
- Get Involved—Teach, Learn, and Give Back*
- Teaching a class or sharing a skill is one of the best ways to give back to your community—and it's also a lot of fun! Our instructors come from all walks of life, bringing unique talents and a spirit of generosity that make every session memorable. If you've ever considered leading a class, now is the perfect time to get involved.

- What's Next?*
- **First Time Homebuyers:** An upcoming class designed to guide participants through the home-buying process with confidence.
 - **Beginning Taxidermy:** This hands-on course will have each student crafting their very own Jackalope—a quirky and memorable project to take home!
- Ready to join the fun or share your skills? Sign up today on the Townsend Schools website on the Old Baldy Adult Education page and be part of a vibrant, growing community of lifelong learners!
- <https://www.townsend.k12.mt.us/page/old-baldy-main-page-with-registration-link>

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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
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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,
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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

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: M equals S
MYVTT PVZGJJQ MOSRZWRZJ
EWJ ZRVPWRM WAM YJMG
SJERZHOT HJZY AQ GWR HVTT
MRVMJQ: VOGOYQ VQG.
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KNIGHT MOVES
C Y S
I R
A H F
Unlock the power of chess to find the eight-letter word of the day. Choose your starting letter carefully, then move around the square in a one by two fashion to get to the next letter.
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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!
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Super Crossword THE NIGHT BEFORE

ACROSS
1 For the stock issue price
6 Low voices
12 Test version
16 Aykroyd of "Coneheads"
19 Small wine or oil container
20 "Fighting" NCAA team
21 Epochs
22 Logging tool
23 * Fourth-day gifts in a Yuletide song
25 * Warming Yuletide drink
27 Earthen cooking pot
28 Bedazzled
29 Suffix with art
31 President Reagan
32 * Flying Yuletide team
34 * Leafy Yuletide door decoration
37 Tooth: Prefix
38 Fashion flair
40 Shared by us
41 Soften
45 Fed, e.g.
47 High trains
48 Ill. neighbor
49 Religious branches
50 Figure skater Dorothy
54 Some toy batteries
55 * Much-anticipated Yuletide visitor
57 * Yuletide tinsel, ornaments and lights
59 Wray of "King Kong"
60 Circular square dance maneuver
61 Actress Reid
62 Keeps pelting
64 Eat away (at)
66 Backup strategy
68 * Plant hung up for Yuletide
70 Jessica of "King Kong"
75 Roaring cat
77 Bombardier's attack
79 Paper pack
80 Quality evoking pity
84 In time past
85 * Phrase from the Yuletide carol "Silent Night"
87 * What "it's lovely weather for" in a Yuletide tune
90 NFL scores
91 To a huge degree
92 Church cries
93 Nav. leader
94 Be litigious
95 Buddy
96 Zesty taste
97 Intl. 1940s conflict
98 Misstep
100 Edge along
105 * Yuletide tree, e.g.
108 * Time off for Yuletide, say
110 "Scram!"
113 Office tel. add-on
114 — fire under (stirred up)
115 Make — for it (try fleeing)
116 * Scrooge in a Yuletide classic
119 Apt phrase spelled out by the first letters of the answers to the starred clues
122 Spook's pointy part
123 Toon frames
124 Tough trial
125 Capital of Ghana
126 Seeded loaf
127 Jenner of reality TV
128 Subtle distinction
129 Detested
36 Word before while
39 Brewing
42 Brazilian juice berry
43 Kind of poker station name
44 Canadian gas station name
46 Smooth but unconvincing gear retailer
49 Meanie's look
50 URL opener
51 Asia's — Sea
52 Actress Sorvino
53 One-named supermodel
54 Once more reasonable
55 More reasonable
56 Oral health org.
67 Online journals
69 Wall Street worker
71 Circle parts
72 In tidy order
73 Chutzpah
74 TV trophy
76 "Sorta" queen
78 Opera queen
80 Jr.'s exam
81 — mater
82 Adolescent
83 Be determined by
84 Be a fan of
86 Chip topper
88 Texters' playful growl
89 "Yeah, dude!"
90 Rotate
94 Transparent, informally
95 Empty talk
97 "Buddy Holly" rock band
99 Egg-holding capsule
101 Lake that feeds the Mississippi
102 Fortnight
103 Paris art museum
104 Group of nine
106 Sweater type
107 Parolee, e.g.
109 Vid recorder
110 Bar brew
111 Auction site
112 Richard of "First Knight"
114 Legal claim
117 Roth of horror films
118 Web feed format inits.
120 Dietary std.
121 Sigh of relief

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!

Supporter

TARPON

Break

TRUEPUR

Regard

DIRECT

Fuse

DORSEL

TODAY'S WORD

"If we ever have a _____ in this class, it's going to be me."

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BROADWATER COUNTY

NOTICE is hereby given for a PUBLIC HEARING to be conducted Wednesday November 5, 2025, at 10:05 AM at the Flynn Building 416 Broadway, Townsend, MT, Broadwater County, regarding the petition to abandon portions of Pony Street, Hill Street and alleyways, High Street, intersection of High Street and Saint Helen Street, intersection of High Street and Hill Street in the Townsite of Toston, MT.

/s/ ANGIE PAULSEN, Broadwater County Surveyor"

Published October 24 and 31, 2025

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DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 20-6-604, Montana Code Annotated, provides in pertinent part: (1) Whenever the trustees of a district determine that a site, building, or any other real or personal property of the district is or is about to become abandoned, obsolete, undesirable, or unsuitable for the school purposes of the district, the trustees may sell or otherwise dispose of the real or personal property. If a decision to sell or dispose of property is made, the trustees shall adopt a resolution to sell or otherwise dispose of the district real or personal property because it is or is about to become abandoned, obsolete, undesirable, or unsuitable for the school purposes of the district. (2) The resolution may not become effective for 14 days after the notice required in subsection (3) is made. (3) The trustees shall provide notice of the resolution in the manner required for school elections in 20-20-204.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 20-6-604, Montana Code Annotated, the Board of Trustees of Townsend School District, has found that Belarus 822 tractor and Brandt 1060 auger are obsolete, undesirable, or unsuitable for school purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Townsend School District, shall place the following real property on the open market, advertise the real property as being for sale and sell the same if a qualified buyer makes an acceptable offer to the District:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in accordance with District practice and as required by Sections 20-6-604 and 2020-204, Montana Code Annotated, this Resolution shall be posted in three different places in the district and published in MT 43, the newspaper of general circulation in the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the resolution shall become effective fourteen (14) days after such publication and posting if, in accordance with Section 20-6-604, Montana Code Annotated, no taxpayer appeals this Resolution prior to, by filing a verified petition with the Clerk of the District Court setting out in detail the objections to the adoption of the Resolution or the disposal of the property and serving a copy of such petition upon the School District.

DATED this 14th day of October, 2025

Published October 17 and 31, 2025

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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

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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.

Justice of the Peace Report

Kelsi Anderson
Justice Court Clerk

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FORFEITURES

- David Altenburg - Helena - day speed \$70.00
- Savannah Garriott - Helena - day speed \$70.00
- Nicholas Geranios - Great Falls - day speed \$20.00
- Amy Emmert - Helena - day speed \$120.00
- Andrew Lafiosca - Big Sky - day speed \$20.00
- Daniel Pilz - Bozeman - day speed \$70.00
- Amanda Roth - Billings - day speed \$20.00
- Cole Rogers - SLC, UT - day speed \$70.00
- Christopher Ward - Helena - day speed \$20.00

MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL FINES

- Riley Wilson - Townsend - careless driving, plead guilty, \$45.00 fines and fees; fail to carry proof or exhibit insurance in vehicle-owner or operator-2nd offense, plead guilty, \$375.00 fines and fees.
- Bouwina Vegter - Netherlands - careless driving involving death or serious bodily injury, plead no contest, sentenced to six months in jail with all time suspended on conditions, \$1785.00 fines and fees.

BROADWATER COUNTY FINES

- Jay Mukati - Edison, NJ - day speed, plead guilty, deferred imposition of sentence for a period of one week on conditions, \$120.00 fine, enroll and complete Traffic school.
- Bradley Lustgraaf - Townsend - partner or family member assault, causing bodily injury to a partner or family member, plead guilty, deferred imposition of sentence for a period of six months, on conditions, \$185.00 fines and fees, enroll and complete Batterer's education program.
- Scott Gleich - East Helena - driving under the influence of alcohol and or drugs-3rd offense, plead guilty, sentenced to one year in jail with all except thirty days suspended on conditions, \$3585.00 fines and fees, enroll and complete Act program followed my mandatory monitoring for one year.

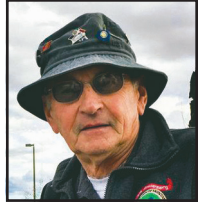
BROADWATER COUNTY FORFEITURES

- Jessicca Wischmeier - Helena - night speed \$70.00
- Kyle Schiller - Bozeman - day speed \$20.00
- Sean Puckett - Helena - night speed \$20.00
- Hunter Morrison - Des Moines, IA - day speed \$70.00
- Yehia Dib - Overland, KS - day speed \$20.00
- Stephanie Hollar - Great Falls - restricted speed \$55.00

Correction:

2025 Fall Fest Business Decorating

Patrick Plantenberg
Rotarian



I inadvertently sent the wrong article to MT 43 News last week. I apologize for the confusion it caused. The Rotary Club of Townsend is proud to announce the winners of the 2025 Fall Fest business decorating contest. There were 17 businesses that decorated.

First prize and \$100 goes to Jeanne Steele Realty
The Rotary Contest Committee ended up selecting ties for second and third place.

Second prize and \$37.50 goes to Townsend City Hall and Precision Business Resources

Third prize and \$25 goes to Broadwater Blooms and Broadwater Family Chiropractic.

Rotary would like to thank all the businesses that decorated. The decorations made the community look good for the many visitors to Fall Fest and the car show.

Economic Summit, 1

traditional fuels will continue to play a major role in energy production, and suppliers will need to be diversified across all options.

With the explosive growth of AI and data centers, power reliability is the chief concern. Several of the speakers expressed that this demand must be met in a safe and sustainable way with a "no harm" principle. Data centers themselves were also discussed as a possible "anchor" to build needed transmission and gas infrastructure. Officials said Montana is at the intersection of multiple power markets, which provides opportunities to use external and regional markets to help consumers and increase the energy capacity in the state.

As the AI race for dominance ensues, Mountain West states like Montana are quickly becoming an ideal choice for data center locations. The cooler climate is ideal, requiring less cooling and water use. In some places data centers have become their own power suppliers, setting up a "microgrid," and foregoing traditional, front-of-the-meter power sources.

Ultimately, the message at the Summit was clear. Data centers and AI are coming and the demand for reliable, baseload power and transmission is here, with little expectation of it decreasing. While demand may wane somewhat in years to come, the need for AI will continue to drive changes in business and in the workplace. The climate is a catalyst for entrepreneurship, business, and production to meet that demand.

As more data centers consider locating in Montana, expect the debate and conversation around water and power production to continue.

Townsend School Board Meeting Highlights Community Efforts and Student Success

Rachael Brug
Staff Reporter



The Townsend School Board convened on October 14, 2025, for a meeting that showcased the district's ongoing commitment to student achievement, community partnerships, and operational transparency.

Board members opened the meeting by inviting public comment and reminding attendees of the importance of privacy and respectful discourse. The Parent Teacher Association (PTA), represented by Molly Watne, reported on recent activities, including the successful homecoming parade, support for the student wellness Care Closet, and providing meals for teachers during conferences. The next PTA meeting is scheduled for October 30 at Reading Leaves Bookstore, with all community members invited.

Principals Sheri Heavrin and others delivered encouraging reports from across the district. The high school celebrated a strong homecoming turnout and noted improved academic performance, with only a handful of students posting failing grades at midquarter. Middle and elementary schools highlighted student participation

in local history excursions and art contests, as well as robust attendance and assessment scores.

Superintendent Brad Racht updated the board on transportation, noting repairs to a key bus and upcoming plans for equipment sales and property disposal. The board approved out-of-district attendance agreements and renewed contracts for essential services, including virtual sign language interpretation and afterschool pottery programs.

Discussion also centered on policy reviews, particularly around new state requirements for parental consent in curriculum areas such as human sexuality and identity instruction. The board agreed to seek further legal clarification before finalizing related forms and notifications.

Community partnerships remain a priority, with new collaborations underway with Billings Clinic and local organizations. Grants from the Townsend Charitable Foundation and Kohl's Pantry will continue to support food security and student wellness initiatives.

The meeting concluded with approvals for new staff and volunteers, reflecting the district's ongoing investment in its students and community. The next board meeting date will be announced on the district's website.

BHS Bulldogs End Football Season with Win at Whitehall

Bryleigh Erickson
BHS Sports Reporter



On Friday, October 17th, the Bulldogs Varsity football team travelled to Whitehall to play the Trojans. The Bulldogs went into the matchup with a 2-2 conference record and a 4-2 non-conference record.

The game started with the Bulldogs having the ball, and they scored on the first possession when Tavyn Anderson ran the ball in for a touchdown. Logan Johnson's kick for the extra point was good, putting the Bulldogs up 7-0. Then the Bulldogs stopped the Trojans, giving them possession. Tavyn Anderson had a good run, putting the Bulldogs close to the end zone. The Bulldogs were able to score the next play. The Bulldogs attempted a two-point conversion but came up short. Once again, the Trojans had the ball, but the Bulldogs forced them to punt. Tavyn Anderson was able to get the Bulldogs close to the end zone, so the Bulldogs were able to score. After a successful two-point conversion from Bryce Lessley, the Bulldogs were up 21-0. The Bulldogs made another defensive stop, giving the Bulldogs the ball. The Bulldogs fumbled and

the Trojans recovered the ball. After that, the Bulldogs gained possession again and Bradan Martin scored a touchdown. After Logan Johnson's extra point, the Bulldogs ended the first quarter up 28-0.

In the second quarter, Bryce Lessley scored a touchdown, and Logan Johnson kicked an extra point, which gave the Bulldogs a 35-0 lead. Then the Bulldogs scored another touchdown, and Logan Johnson kicked another extra point. At the end of the first half, the Bulldogs were up 42-0.

In the second half, Bradan Martin had a long kick return to set up Tavyn Anderson, who ran the ball in for another touchdown. Once again, Logan Johnson kicked the extra point, and the Bulldogs are up 49-0. The Trojans scored a touchdown to end the third quarter with a score of 7-49, the Bulldogs up.

In the fourth quarter, the Trojans scored another touchdown and scored a two-point conversion. Later in the quarter, the Trojans fumbled with Bulldog recovery. Marek Easter ran the ball for a touchdown and Logan Johnson kicked an extra point to end the game with a 56-15 win.

Next Friday, October 24th, the Bulldogs will travel to Columbus to play the Cougars. This is the Bulldogs' last regular season game before heading into the playoffs.

BHS Cross Country Record Breakers

MT43 News Sports Reporter

The highlight of last week's cross-country meet was watching junior Kyla Meissner cross the finish line in 18:18.95, which is not only her best time, but the fastest time ever run by a Broadwater Bulldog at 5K! Kyla has established a new school record and looks to challenge at the state meet in Missoula on Saturday, October 25th. She had held the third fastest time since her freshman year, behind two remarkable Bulldogs.

Most distance running records at BHS are held by Chiara Warner. She still holds the all-time Class B state



records in both the 1600 and 3200 on the track, was a two-time XC and multiple track state champion, and was the state of Montana's Female Athlete of the year in 2013, among many accolades. Most of her cross-country career was run at the three-mile distance, with a few times logged at the 5K distance.

One of those such times was 18:41 logged at the Nike Cross Northwest Regionals in 2012. Chiara was a 2012 graduate of BHS, ran collegiately for MSU and Arizona State before graduating from the US Army's Ranger School.

The first year cross-country ran the 5K distance exclusively was 2017. The BHS 5K record of 18:38 was previously held by Emma Stolte, clocked at the Headwater Invitational in Three Forks during her senior season in 2021. She was an integral member of the 2019 and 2020 state championship teams along with Bailey Taves, Sarah Christensen, Justene Santi, Zoey Wickens, Emma Huffman, and Brooke Edgerton. Emma was also a member of teams that placed 2nd in 2021 and 3rd in 2018 at state. She finished 6th, 2nd, and 3rd as an individual runner before bringing home the state title during her senior year. She was also a three-time state champion on the track.

Emma is currently in her senior year running for the Portland State Vikings, and what a year she is having! She has been in the top 10 at all four meets of the season, with three of those being top 5. She won the 5K at the Ash Creek Festival on September 12th, which earned her the Big Sky Conference XC Athlete of the Week. Emma has clocked her personal best time at 5K (by shaving more than 42 seconds!) and 6K this season, which moves her up to fifth all-time at the 6K distance at Portland State.

The 2025 Big Sky Cross Country Championships will take place on November 1st in Bozeman at the Bridger Creek Golf Course. The men's 8K race starts at 9:00, with Emma and the rest of the ladies starting their 5K at 9:45. Wear your Bulldog blue or Viking green and come cheer Emma to another record time!

Emma Stolte held the previous high school record of 18:38, but in her time at Portland State, she has shortened her best time at 5K to 17:21. Photo Credit: MT43 News

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.

Monday, October 27, 2025

11:00 AM Closed-door Human Resource Meeting with Commissioners to discuss/decide grievance response or delegate duties to the County Attorney's Office. The meeting is closed in accordance with Section 2-3-203(3), MCA.

An open meeting will follow immediately for the decision to delegate grievance response duties to County Attorney's Office, or the decision on the grievance if the grievance response is not delegated to the County Attorney's Office.

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

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

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

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

10:00 AM Discussion/Decision, Resolution supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans

10:05 AM Discussion/Decision, Letter of support from the county for requesting shared maintenance of Whitehorse Road from Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

10:10 AM Discussion/Decision, Declaration of Whitehorse Road status as it pertains to the November 2, 2018, County Attorney memo

10:15 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community Development and Planning Director, Logan Minor request final plat approval; S21, T9N, R2E

Thursday, October 30, 2025

2:00 PM Working meeting with the Commissioners and MBAC, CAO office, to discuss planning and projects in the Wheatland Targeted Economic Development District

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

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

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

- Solid Waste Board Meeting on November 5th at 6:00 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)



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



SR. CENTER MEALS: *Wednesday, October 29*
OCTOBER 27 - 31
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Mashed Potatoes
Key Largo Vegetables
Whole Grain Bread
Baked Apples

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Monday, October 27
Swedish Meatballs
Steamed Potatoes
Green Beans
Whole Grain Bread
Apricot Halves

Tuesday, October 28
Baked Chicken
Rice Pilaf
California Vegetables
Bean Medley
Whole Grain Bread
Blushing Pears

Thursday, October 30
Tilapia
Macaroni and Cheese
Carrot Coins
Green Peas
Plump Peaches

Friday, October 31
Happy Halloween
Roasty Beef
Kooky Corn
Spooky Spuds
Batty Bread
Petrifying Pineapple
Devilish Dessert

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Lack of Knowledge, or Mental Illness?

Good blustery October afternoon. I really try to not talk politics, but the crazy world keeps nudging me to write and pick a side. There are no sides, there is only “Common Sense”. Before I get a bit more lighthearted, I will expound on what I mean. In and around 1776, England told us, a misfit colony, “Keep quiet and just do as you are told”. Yeah, that never works, especially to a very young group of folks who wish to be free and build a nation. So, when they got a bit irate, we tried to talk first, then we shot them! America has never had after the Revolutionary war, a king! No matter what some people think about a certain person, who was elected by the people of America. To demonstrate against a so-called “King” is complete idiocy.

NEXT TOPIC: Autumn.

I realize I tend to harp on it around here, but this weather cool down is great! Also, the changing colors of the leaves and the beautiful night sky are a beauty that many people elsewhere do not enjoy. Take note of it and breathe in the cool, fresh mountain air. With just a hint of wonderful wood smoke! I have already put on a flannel shirt!

Have you winterized your home and vehicles yet? Get to it! I finally rolled up the garden hoses and covered the outside water faucets with the Styrofoam covers. (Those are available at any hardware store.) Get in a good store of peanuts for your squirrels, never mind the birds! They are just eating, breeding, and pooping machines. Squirrels are fun to watch.

I am amazed with our weather patterns around here; last week we had about 2 – 3 inches of snow on the ground. Now it’s mostly all melted - my snow shovels and mowers are fighting to get out the door.

The “Ghost Stroll” will actually be on Halloween this year; remember to watch for the little urchins and their parents when driving around. Where are ALL the downtown fall decorations this year? Is everyone just tired? Wake up, the cool fall weather is here...I know, I know everyone is out hunting. Getting their winter food stocked up for winter. And because, as the comedian Dennis Miller said years ago, “Because deer need to die!”.

I like to think we have more sanity around here than in most of the nation. It feels like it, but Boz- Angeles, I mean Bozeman, had a “no Kings” rally last week. The less said, the better, just keep them down there! What is it about freedom that causes so many people to dislike and try to destroy a country? Sorry, no more politics.

Enjoy our upcoming Holidays. Start hunting for those unknown gifts now. Soon it will be too late! Happy Autumn, folks. Try not to run the holidays together. Enjoy family and friends, live, laugh, love. Remember the Creator is watching - not Santa, his boss.

Greetings from Trani, Italy.

Carolyn Peace

As several of you are aware, we live in Italy 10 months out of the year. We have been asked what a typical day looks like for us. This is our day:

We have a typical Italian breakfast of yogurt, a sweet cake called a cornetto, and espresso or cappuccino. We are then ready to head out on our four-mile walk along the coast of the Adriatic Sea (the Italians call the walk area the lungomare). We see many other walkers ready to wish us a good morning.

The walk is very peaceful with flowery bushes and the sound of the water. You will see wild rosemary and lavender, along with many lovely flowers, as you stroll along. As we return to our apartment, we will stop for freshly baked bread as well as for fresh fruit and vegetables for the day. It's time for lunch, which is between 1 and 2 p.m. Most of the local shops are closed from 1 until 3 or 4 in the afternoon. They will remain open in the evening until 8 or 9 pm.

In the afternoon, we have several places we can walk and enjoy the beauty of this area of Italy. We can walk to the Villa Comunale (large city park), the Jewish District to see the streets lined with flower-draped balconies, the park in the center of town to visit with the local people or to the beautiful white-stone Cathedral. We can walk to the port to watch the fishermen unload their catch of a variety of fish.

Once a week, we treat ourselves to dinner at one of our favorite restaurants. We might have a typical Puglian dinner of several vegetable dishes, a variety of meats, local wine, a dessert and espresso. At this restaurant, there is no menu; you are served whatever they have prepared for the day. We might also select a seafood restaurant or a fresh pasta place. Italians are very particular about their food and expect the very best. I should tell you that dinner is not served until 8 pm or later. Prior to going to dinner, the residents here are out walking and visiting with their neighbors. They call this their passeggiata.

We do not have a car here, so walking is a big part of our day. We can always rent a car in a nearby town if we wish to travel around Italy. There is also a very efficient train system here. We have traveled by train to several towns in this area.

When I write again, I will tell you more about the town and its history. I hope you enjoy reading about this part of the world.

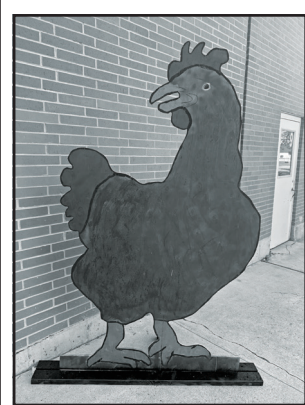
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Sometimes Chicken Poo Can Smell Like Money!

Jill Flynn
Broadwater County Social Services Committee

Sometimes chicken poo can smell like money! In the case of the 2025 Chicken Poo Bingo event, sponsored by the Broadwater County Social Services Committee (BCSSC), it resulted in 4 lucky winners of \$150 and \$75 prizes.

Chicken Poo Bingo is in its fifth year at the Townsend Fall Fest. The event raises funds for Kids Count, a Broadwater County Social Services Committee program, which purchases school supplies, school clothing, winter clothing, and other school necessities for children in the Townsend school system.



Mr. Watson's class, with kudos to Spencer Abbott, created the plywood chicken
Photo Credit: Jill Flynn

Every year, BCSSC provides several thousand dollars in aid to local children, and this event is the only fundraiser to support the program. Bingo players purchase numbers on a grid placed in large cages. Chickens are turned loose in the cages, and the numbered squares that receive the first “deposits” are the winners.

This year, first-place winners were Gayle Watson and Jeff Diehl. Second-place winners were Hunter Anderson and Jason Noyes. Congratulations! The Broadwater County Social Services Committee would like to thank everyone who supported our programs by purchasing tickets. They would also like to thank the many business sponsors:

Opportunity Bank, Lions Club, CHanging C Mercantile and Creamery, Better Built Builders, Bob’s Supermarket, Jalken LLC, BSE Excavating, Fish Tale Tavern, Infinite Hope Counseling, Lakeside Distillery, Mikula Tactical, Quick Construction LLC, The Copy Cup, Robert’s Tire and Glass, Bread and Butter, Canyon Ferry Brewery, Helping Hands of Townsend, JB3 Customs, The Birds Nest.

A special thanks to Mr. Watson and Spencer Abbott for construction assistance and to Jakob Rainey for marketing help.

Anyone interested in supporting the Kids Count program may send donations to BCSSC, PO Box 342, Townsend, MT 59644.

The Garden Bug

This low-maintenance succulent from Mexico gets its name from its thick, whitish-green leaves, which can become pink-tinged in hot, dry weather, and blueish when in shade. In spring it forms clusters of small star-shaped flowers that are white with small red dots. It likes full sun to partial shade, and well-drained soil is a must. Once it is established, it is drought tolerant. It does well in rock gardens, containers, as a ground cover or on the patio. It is easily propagated by rooting leaves, division or stem cuttings. - Brenda Weaver

Ghost Plant

Sources: plants.ces.ncsu.edu, www.smgrowers.com

OBITUARIES

Rita Myles Carlson

Steve Carlson

It is with the utmost heartache that I inform her friends and extended family of the passing of Rita Carlson. She died September 21, 2025 of respiratory failure caused by a pneumonia she developed during recovery from knee replacement surgery.

Rita Devon (Myles) Carlson was born August 29, 1953, in Townsend, MT, to Robert Myles and Jean (Madison) Myles, joining an older sister (Fonda) and Richard (Rick) Rader and Gaylene Rader (from Jean's earlier marriage) and later being joined by another sister, Linda. She grew up in Townsend and graduated from high school there. She went on to pursue accounting at Northwest College in Powell, WY.

An early marriage brought her two children, Melissa McElravy and Neil McElravy. After divorcing, she raised her children as a single parent with no assistance from the father. Rita moved to the Lewiston (ID)-Clarkston (WA) valley in the mid-1970s, following her mother and siblings. A second marriage ended with her husband's accidental death.

Rita was a convert to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She was totally committed to Christ and to the church for the remainder of her life. She served many callings within the church, mostly involving children and young adults, and seldom missed an opportunity to attend a session at a Temple if one was nearby in her travels.

Her career path in Lewiston took her from waitressing to bartending to office manager at a local insurance agency, until she found employment with Potlatch Corp. (Clearwater Paper). She worked in several departments within the mill in both the paper and tissue sides. It was here that she met her future husband, Stephen (Steve) Carlson, and together they continued raising Melissa and Neil.

She was a strong advocate for the paper industry and was an early member of Comnet (a group of volunteers from all parts of the corporation). This group had the opportunity to visit schools, fairs, and other community events to promote the viability and renewability of forest products. She was also a member of Women in Timber and participated with the Clearwater Resource Coalition.

Her commitment and dedication to this effort led her to become a liaison for Potlatch to help educate and advocate the public on our renewable resources. In this role, she travelled extensively across the US, giving presentations and papermaking demonstrations to school-age children and discussions with civic organizations.

She firmly believed God gave us our resources to use wisely and not to waste. Also, to restore the land to the best of our ability after harvesting.

Rita's efforts in reaching out to share information led her to being invited to join the Alliance for America, a national advocacy and lobbying organization focused on conservative values, and she was immediately installed as their Vice-president of Natural Resources. During the Alliance's annual meeting in Washington, D.C., Rita spent many hours promoting the resource industries with various members of Congress. She was extremely honored for the support provided by Potlatch for allowing her these opportunities.

Rita received several accolades and awards during her tenure as Potlatch's liaison and VP for the Alliance. Her favorite was being awarded the Activist of the Year award from the American Pulpwood Association (a national industry organization). In the book "It Takes a Hero", written by William Perry Pendley (a Colorado Constitutional

In Loving Memory



Rita Devon Myles Carlson
August 29, 1953 - September 21, 2025

Rita Myles Carlson
Photo Provided by Steve Carlson

attorney), a chapter is dedicated to detailing her involvement and accomplishments.

Also, during that time period, she was the subject of a feature article in the Lewiston (ID) Tribune discussing her role in the resource conversation.

During her life, Rita had multiple health issues. She was a three-time cancer survivor and had Sciatic nerve damage, but it was osteoarthritis in her back that forced her into early retirement. After her retirement, she and Steve built a house outside of Troy, Idaho and lived there until they bought a house in Deltona, FL. The climate in Florida was extremely beneficial for her arthritis as opposed to the cold in Idaho.

Rita loved to travel and also enjoyed crafts in her retirement, from card making to scrapbooking to genealogy. But her favorite pastime was sewing, primarily machine embroidery and quilting, which she shared extensively with family and friends. She was also a big-time NASCAR fan and attended many of the races at the Daytona Speedway, including the Daytona 500 multiple times. She was a Lifetime Member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her brother Richard (Rick) Rader and two brothers-in-law, Robert (Bob) Curtis and Donald Olson. She is survived by her husband Stephen (Deltona, FL), daughter Melissa (McElravy) Cranfield (Titusville, FL), grandson Zach Smith (Vancouver, WA), son Neil McElravy (Deming, WA), granddaughter Avalon McElravy and twin grandsons Oliver and River McElravy (all in Bellingham, WA), sisters Fonda (Myles) Hibbard (Mirana, AZ) and Linda (Myles) Olson (Tucson, AZ), and sister Gaylene (Rader) Curtis (Townsend MT).

Rita will be remembered best for her service to others. Besides her commitment to the church and to her resource activities, she was also a part-time office volunteer for the Nez Perce County Fair (in years past), leadership in her local TOPS (a weight loss support) chapter and numerous other endeavors as her health allowed.

Above all, Rita Devon Carlson was a good person. She touched the lives of many people in her 72 years, and the world is a better place for having her in it. May she rest in peace.

Marjo LaRaie Hoppe

Margo Dale

Marjo LaRaie Hoppe, 67, of Great Falls, passed away Friday, October 3, 2025. Marjo was born in Townsend, December 14, 1957, to Margo Dale and LeRoy Reister.

Marjo is survived by her mother, Margo Dale of Townsend, and daughters, Danielle Lawson, Jeanette Freer, and son Nicholas Freer, seven grandchildren, Trenton, Brooke, and Chasin Von Gunton, Michael and Payden Hoskinson, Josalyn King and Taj, all of Great Falls, aunts, uncle, cousins, nephew and many loved ones.

Service will be held at the Vineyard Church in Great Falls at 2:00 pm on Saturday, October 25th

Marjo will be greatly missed and will be forever in our hearts.



Marjo L Hoppe
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Greetings from Trani, Italy.

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Trani Bay
Photo Credit: Carolyn Peace



Walking the coast of the Adriatic Sea
Photo Credit: Carolyn Peace

NorthWestern Energy and Black Hills Corp. Advance Plans to Merge

Jo Dee Black
NorthWestern Energy

Companies request approval from Montana Public Service Commission to merge.

"Better Together." That's the message shared by NorthWestern Energy and Black Hills Corp. in a joint application (www.psc.mt.gov, Regulated Utilities/Electronic Filings/search Docket Number 2025.10.078) submitted today to the Montana Public Service Commission seeking regulatory approval for a merger between the two companies.

The merger will combine the strengths of both companies, resulting in an organization with greater scale, financial stability, and operational expertise. It is designed to create a stronger, more resilient energy company focused on delivering safe, reliable, and affordable energy solutions to customers. Under the terms of the merger agreement, Brian Bird, president and CEO of NorthWestern Energy, will serve as president and CEO of the combined electric and natural gas utility company, and Linn Evans, CEO of Black Hills Corp., will continue serving in his role through the close of the transaction, at which point he will retire.

The merger does not change energy service or rates for NorthWestern Energy's Montana customers. Regulatory oversight by the Montana Public Service Commission will remain unchanged.

"Bringing our companies together will deliver long-term value to our customers, employees and communities by providing safe, reliable and affordable energy solutions," Bird said. "By joining forces, we will have the added scale to make us a financially stronger, more resilient utility better equipped to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing energy landscape."

"We share a commitment to safety, reliability, integrity, and customer service," Evans said. "We are confident that our closely aligned cultures and skilled workforces will enable

us to improve life with energy for the people, businesses, and communities we are privileged to serve."

Key Benefits for Montana Customers:

- Continued Safe, Reliable, and Affordable Service: The combined company will maintain the high level of service customers expect, with no changes to local operations or regulatory oversight in Montana.
- Long-Term Rate Stability: Efficiencies from the merger are expected to moderate future rate increases, helping keep energy bills as low as possible.
- Enhanced Reliability and Resiliency: With a larger pool of crews and resources, the company will be better equipped to respond to emergencies and build and maintain critical infrastructure.
- Local Presence and Community Commitment: Montana operations will remain locally managed, with employees continuing to serve the communities where they work, live, and raise their families.
- Access to Innovation and Best Practices: The merger will enable the deployment of new technologies and the sharing of expertise, further improving service quality and operational efficiency.

In addition to the Montana Public Service Commission, the company will submit joint applications to the Nebraska Public Service Commission and the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission; the Securities and Exchange Commission; and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The transaction will also require clearance under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act and approval from each company's shareholders.

Pending all approvals, the combined company will serve approximately 2.1 million electric and natural gas customers across eight contiguous states — Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming. The merger transaction is expected to conclude in late 2026 or early 2027.

More information about the merger is available at <https://www.blackhillsnorthwesternbettertogether.com/>

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN and BEAR IT by Wagner



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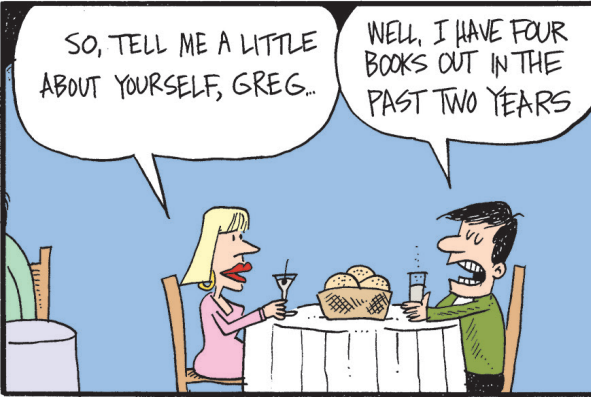
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Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas



Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps



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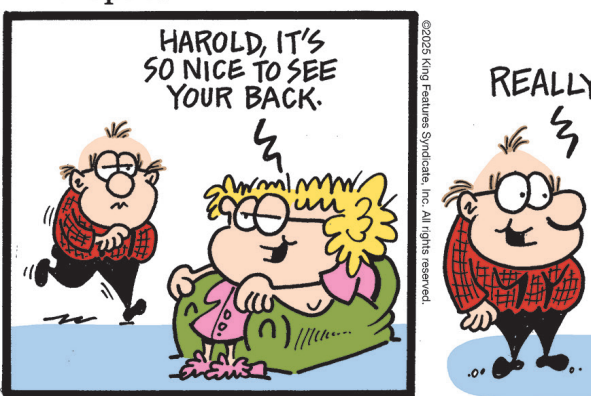
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Super Crossword

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The Spats



by Jeff Pickering



THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS **POPEYE** BY RANDY MILHOLLAND

BEHOLD! I AM, ONCE MORE, CALLED TO THE WORLD OF MORTALS!

IT NEVER FAILS! WE FINALLY GET AN EON FREE TO PLAY CARDS AND, AT THE LAST MINUTE, ONE OF US IS SUMMONED!

THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS **"SHADOW OVER FIN'S SOUTH"** PART 9

STRANDED IN FIN'S SOUTH, OLIVE AND POPEYE HAVE CAUGHT THE TOWNSPEOPLE SUMMONING SOMETHING FROM A DIFFERENT DIMENSION RELATED TO OLIVE'S NEW TEMPORARY TATTOO.

D'YA BRING OUT THE FIREWORKS FOR ALL GUESTS?

WOT'S THIS ALL 'BOUT? LONG AGO, OUR TOWN'S FOUNDERS ANGERED AN OLD, FORGOTTEN GOD.

THE ACTUAL CRIME IS UNKNOWN, BUT THE ENTITY CURSED THEM AND THEIR DESCENDANTS UNTIL A SACRIFICE SHOWED THEMSELVES...

A BEING WITH THE FOUL THING'S MARK UPON ITS HAND.

AND SINCE THEN, WE'VE BEEN SLOWLY CHANGING INTO... MONSTERS.

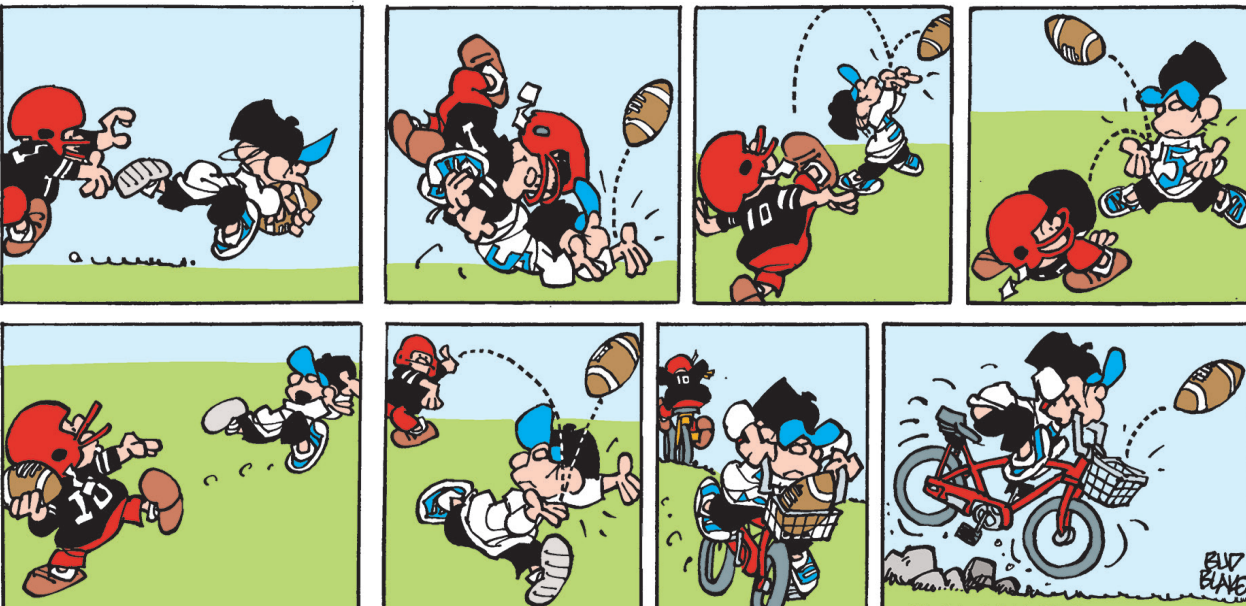
I'M GUESSING FROM THE TOWN'S AESTHETIC, TURNING INTO POSSUM PEOPLE?

POSSUM PEOPLE?! THAT WOULD BE RIDICULOUS!

WE'RE TURNING INTO CATFISH PEOPLE.

NO STUPID HITS QUITE AS HARD AS MATTER-OF-FACT STUPID.

TIGER by BUD BLAKE



CryptoQuip
answer

Small cartoon superhero who reaches his most powerful form in the fall season: Autumn Ant.

KNIGHT MOVES
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SCRAMBLERS
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1. Patron; 2. Rupture; 3. Credit; 4. Solder

Today's Word **DROPOUT**

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4th Annual Native American Heritage Celebration in Townsend!

Sarah Tallwhiteman

November is Native American Heritage Month. People of all cultures are encouraged to spend more time focusing on the traditions and history of our First Nations people. Sunday, November 2nd, from 11 am to 2 pm, Broadwater County and surrounding areas are invited to do just that!

The Annual Celebration began in 2022 with a few local native artists and homemade frybread and has easily doubled in both Native American artist and Townsend community participation each year since!

Last year we were able to use the Townsend Schools' cafeteria and commons area to accommodate several vendors, including the Last Chance Community Pow Wow Committee's Frybread Specialists. The space

worked so well that we are holding the event there again this year.

We are excited to welcome vendors who have attended in the past: **Last Chance Community Pow Wow** and their Frybread Stand, **Magpie Singers and Dancers** drumming and sharing their songs, **Bones, Stones and Brass** with their indigenous crafts (rattles, drums & more), and welcoming back **Sea of Grass Designs**, who were one of the event's first ever vendors.

We are also excited to include a few vendors who are new to our event. **J and J Native Crafts'** handmade fleece tie blankets and jewelry, Vanne's **Sweetgrass-Hierochloe odorata**, who grows, creates and teaches with sweetgrass, and **Tip Top Feathers** with her intricately hand-painted feather designs are among them, and we hope to welcome more!

All of our vendors will be offering unique and

beautiful products that will make cherished keepsakes, gifts and decorations for yourself or a loved one. Be ready to ask our special vendors about the stories behind their handmade crafts to learn and gain a deeper respect and understanding.

The doors of the N Pine St entrance of Townsend Schools will open for visitors and participants at 11:00 am and close at 2:00 pm. There is FREE admittance, and all ages are welcome! Donations made to the Last Chance Community Pow Wow are very appreciated!

Come ready to taste fresh, made-to-order frybread and Indian Tacos, listen to the drumming and singing of the Magpie Singers, and watch the bright and intricate designs of the dancers in their regalia as they dance their prayers to the heartbeat of the drum.

Anyone who attends is invited to respectfully ask questions, participate in some of the song and dance, and most of all learn more about the beautiful customs and traditions of our First Nations people.

We hope to see you there!

4th Annual Native American Heritage Celebration!

@ Townsend Schools' North Pine Doors
Sunday, November 2nd from 11:00- 2:00

JOIN US FOR:

- Fresh Made Frybread & Indian Tacos
- Magpie Singers & Dancers drumming and sharing their songs
- Vendors such as Last Chance Community Pow Wow; J and J Native Crafts; Bones, Stones and Brass Indigenous Crafts; Sea of Grass Designs; Sweetgrass-Hierochloe odorata; Tip Top Feathers & more!

FREE ADMISSION- Donations Appreciated

SPECIAL THANKS TO LAST CHANCE COMMUNITY POW WOW COMMITTEE FOR ALL OF THEIR HELP WITH THIS CELEBRATION!



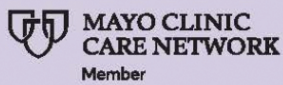
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Tuesday, October 28
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110 N Oak St, Townsend, MT 59644

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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

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October 23

1902

Local News

Joe Johnson is back from the hospital in Helena.

Mrs. C.B. Fairchild and Mrs. Clara Scott were visitors at "Robin Rookery," the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Pruitt at Bedford on Thursday.

Gus Reinhart and family drove over the range from White Sulphur Tuesday.

A slight accident occurred in the N.P. yards near the coal dock Tuesday, while taking a car of coal over a switch. The front tracks of the car passed over safely, but for some reason the hind ones tried to take another track, with the result that two steel rails were broken and the car and its contents deposited on one side of the track.

A very pleasant dinner party was given by Dr. and Mrs. Belcher on Saturday at 8 o'clock p.m., at which hour the large dining room in their spacious residence was handsomely decorated and illuminated for the occasion. The table was spread with everything in the edible line possible to procure in the market and served in a manner which made the guests feel that to go hungry would be criminal to nature. The evening was spent in games and music. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Hale, Mrs. R.H. Dean, Mr. and Mrs. W.K. Mayne and family, your humble scribe and wife, besides the host and hostess.

1941

Radersburg News

Glenda Collins celebrated her 6th birthday anniversary in a big way Saturday with several little guests to help

make the occasion a gay one. The surprise birthday party was given at the home of Mrs. Henry Holling. Guests were Mary and Grace Leach, Charlotte Holling, Barbara Jean Barraugh, Frank and Alice Efickson, Jerry Holling and the small hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Sitton and daughter, Sandra, have moved into the Doughty house on Main Street, recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Popish and family.

Mrs. Minnie Holdaway left Wednesday for a visit in Helena with relatives and friends.

Harvey Barraugh motored over from Marysville Friday to be with his family and attend the funeral of Ray Eslick in Townsend.

1958

Toston News

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Bovee, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berberet and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moudree attended the square dance held in Townsend Saturday night.

Mrs. Frances Lau and daughters of Pony were Saturday dinner guests at the John Klein home.

Arriving Monday to visit Mrs. George Harrigfeld were her mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Garret, of St. Anthony, Idaho, and her aunt, Mrs. Ida Sears, of Salt Lake City.

Mrs. Bill Flynn returned home Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Evans from Spokane, after spending two weeks there.

Radersburg News

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ragen and children visited Mrs. Ragen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, several days last week. The Ragens just returned from Spokane, where they have been for the past two months.

Miss. Kay Thompson of Townsend was an overnight guest of Miss Terri Ralls.

Miss Merrilee Miller was an overnight guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Williams in Townsend Monday.

Miss Pat Kirley and Miss Carole McElravy of Townsend spent the weekend here visiting Miss Olive Cain and Miss Bea Harris.

Bert and Bradley Tarrant were visiting school and friends here Thursday and Friday of last week.

1975

School Driver

Bus Driver of the week is Wes Horne, who has been living in Broadwater County since 1918. He has driven as a substitute for Ray and Betty Horne for 2 1/2 years on the Radersburg route. Wes figures he has driven between 15,000 and 20,000 miles in one of those yellow buses. He says he gets along well with owners, parents and especially the kids. And, speaking of kids, Wes read last week's "Bus Driver" which featured Marvin Meyer, and he remembers when Marvin was a passenger on one of Wes' buses.

Townsend News

Steve Upton became a teenager over the weekend. He, Danny, Steve, their mother, Mary Alice, and their grandmother, May Sweeney, celebrated at Mr. Ed's Sunday evening. Rob Gillespie was included in the birthday party.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schwisow and three daughters, Kimberly, Angela and Nicole, of Ogden, Utah spent several days with John's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Schwisow. From here they went to Missoula to visit other relatives.

Tim Holling is now relocated in Kentucky.

Anita Olsen of Helena spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. F.L. Olsen.

It's Next Week...

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Helena Invitational Cross-Country Country Meet

MT43 News Sports Reporter

Normally, the cross-country team would not be happy about snow in early October, but last week turned out to be the exception. After a couple of rough days of outdoor practice, it was announced that the Helena Crosstown meet would still happen, but with a relocation across town to Centennial Park.

Instead of running the hills of Bill Roberts Golf Course, they ran the mile-long walking path around the park three times. The temperature was cooler, but there was no wind or rain, which made for lightning-fast times for all.

What is normally a showdown between the Helena High Bengals and Helena Capital Bruins, the Crosstown Meet for the first time also included the Jefferson Panthers and our Bulldogs.

The gentlemen took the course first, with High's Milo Kauffman crossing the line first. First for the Bulldogs was Gavin Greene (17:20 PR) in 11th with

his best time ever in the last regular season race of his Bulldog career. Dallas Fligge (18:31) was 15th, with Clayton Rice (18:45 PR) in 17th and Rylan Hoveland (19:05 PR) in 20th. The trio of Luke Tullos (19:23 PR), Keaton Cavasos (19:43 PR), and Sam Flesch (20:25 PR) were back-to-back-to-back in 23rd, 24th, and 25th. The varsity squad scored eighty-six points to take third as a team.

Running alongside the varsity men but scoring separately was the men's JV team. Isaiah Lapsley (19:40 PR) led the way in 19th, with Gavin Johnson (20:06 PR) not far behind in 27th. Rounding out the team were: Urijah Duede (21:34 PR) in 41st, Trey Coker (23:14 PR) in 50th, and Wyatt Coker (26:55 SR) in 55th. Wyatt's finish was one of the highlights of the day, as he determinedly sprinted to the line to stop a competitor from passing him.

Approximately one hundred meters into the ladies' race, Kyla Meissner took the lead and did not look back. She cruised across the finish line first, three miles later in her new record time of 18:19, which sets a



Kyla Meissner set a new school record for girls cross-country
Kelly Morris Photography

new BHS school record at the 5K distance. Coming in 11th was Elaine MacDonald in 21:08. Finishing one after the other were: Addy Mosher (12:06 PR) in 22nd, Shalyn Sentinella (23:57 PR) in 23rd, and Bella McDaniel (24:22) in 24th. Tana Santi ran JV while logging her new PR of 25:02 to finish 21st.

At press time, the Bulldogs will be en route to Missoula for the 2025 MHS State Cross Country Meet. They preview the course on Friday afternoon with



Junior Fiona Nelson battled injury at season's end and will support her team at the state meet in Missoula.
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Senior Wyatt Coker finished his cross-country career with a season's best time at the Crosstown Meet in Helena.
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Senior Sam Flesch will compete at the state meet for the first time on Saturday.
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Gavin Greene was the top boy runner for the Bulldogs.
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the races taking place on the University of Montana Golf Course on Saturday, October 25th. The gentlemen will be on the course first with a start time of 11:30, while the ladies' gun will blow at 12:30. Go Bulldogs!