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SENIORS AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS!

Rotary Awards Four Scholarships to HS Seniors

Jen Dalrymple Rotarian

The Rotary Club of Townsend awarded four scholarships to some of our best community service-oriented students for successfully achieving academic excellence and exemplifying, by their conduct and service in the community, the highest ideals of Rotary.

The Frank Holloway Scholarship of \$2,000 went to Reese Wolfgram, who has been a very successful Rotary Interact President for this last year. The Holling-White Scholarship of \$1,500 was awarded to Cooper Hines, the ever-positive side-kick Vice President of the Interact Club. The new Chris Wright Scholarship for \$1,500 went to Jacob Pesicka and the Mel Potruff Scholarship of \$1,000 to Mikayla Kraft, both also superb individuals.



Reese Wolfgram, Cooper Hines, Mikayla Kraft, Jacob Pesicka Photo Contributed by Jen Dalrymple

We want to thank all of the applicants for their time and effort in applying for these scholarships, as all are outstanding students and have been involved in so many activities in their school and our community

that the selections for the winners were tough for the board. Congratulations and best wishes to our senior high school graduates as they pursue the next chapter of their lives!

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 42 Awards High School Scholarship

Jen Dalrymple
Colonel, USAF Retired

Our Commander, Larry Westfall presented Reese with the \$1,000 award Wednesday morning at the High School. Congratulations to Reese Wolfgram, this year's American Legion Post 42 Scholarship recipient!

Emily Bird was the honored recipient of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 42 \$1,000 scholarship presented by Unit 42 President Debbie Westfall. Congratulations,



American Legion Post 42 Commander Larry Westfall presents scholarship award to Reese Wolfgram Photo Contributed by Jen Dalrymple

Emily and best wishes for your future endeavors! We want to thank those students who took the time to



American Legion Auxilliarly Unit 42 President Debbie Westfall presents scholarship award to Emily Bird. Photo Contributed by Jen Dalrymple

apply and wish each of them well as they venture forth toward their dreams.

Commencement Speech Delivered by a Retired Class Favorite

MT 43 News Staff Reporter

Former high school science teacher Pete Robischon was the perfect choice for the commencement address for the Class of 2024 Broadwater High School graduation. Robischon, who taught for 36 years, had been a favorite teacher of the class, so he was their choice to speak.

Robischon spoke from a very personal point of view. He began by apologizing for retiring last year in their senior year, after teaching biology at BHS for thirty years. He reminded them how he missed the after-class discussions about what movies to watch on Netflix. What he didn't miss, he quipped, was "Caleb's (LaLacheur) handwriting!"

He gave graduates four points to guide them in their next steps in life: Use the magic words of please, thank you, how can I help you and are you okay. He admonished them to do whatever you do, do well. He suggested they show up on time and lead by good example.

Robischon cautioned the graduates about choosing a career that they would really enjoy; and remember that they each can control only his or herself. Lastly, he suggested they each forgive, not hold grudges since those emotions hold so much negative energy.

Senior Class President Luci Horne awarded Mrs. Lindsey Moldenhauer the "Point of Light" award for 2024 for her uplifting spirit in helping both fellow staff and students in their daily chores and struggles at school. Mrs. Moldenhauer teaches Social Studies-Government and US History.



Salutatorian Havyn Vandenacre reacts to Co-Valedictorian Caleb LaLacheur's remarks along with Co-Valedictorian Luci Horne during their addresses at Broadwater High School graduation commencement Sunday. Kelly Morris, Kelly Morris Photography

High School Principal Sheri Heavrin welcomed the huge crowd of parents and relatives of the 35 graduates who entered the new gym to" Pomp and Circumstances," music provided by Lori Morris.

Three class leaders gave joint valedictory and salutatory speeches. Salutatorian Havyn Vandenacre, Co-Valedictorians Caleb LaLacheur and Luci Horne gave a synchronized speech about the "tions" of life. They elaborated on disposition, ambition, tradition and recognition.

Three graduates were recognized for entering the armed services. They are Aidan Easter, US Navy; Levi Mowery, Army National Guard and Julian Stewart, US Army Reserve. Principal Heavrin awarded \$537,834 in special awards and scholarships. District #1 President

Jason Noyes and board member Daniel Truesdell handed out the anxiously awaited diplomas. Leader Denise Bakkum led the high school band in "Come Sail Away," and graduate Mikayla Kraft led the benediction.

Purchase the May 24 Paper for a Full List of Class of 2024 Senior Photos!

Stop into our office, Monday through Friday, 10AM to 2PM to pick up copies for you and all who are celebrating their accomplishments!



YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!

FOOD PANTRY TEMPORARILY CLOSED!

NOTICE: The food pantry will be closed on May 31st and June 1st due to severe flooding of the building.

We are trying to make arrangements outside of our present building so that we may be open as soon as possible.

Karoline Nelson, Operations Manager

**Friday, June 7, MT 43 News will PUBLISH ONE DAY LATER THAN USUAL, to include Primary Election Results.

Subscribers will receive that paper either Saturday or Monday.**

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Post-season Track and Field Southern BC Divisional Meet at Laurel

MT 43 News Staff Reporter

The post-season section of the track and field schedule continued with the Southern BC Divisional Meet at the Laurel Sports Complex on Thursday, May 16th. The Southern B Division is comprised of 3 districts instead of two (like the Northern and Western Divisions) covering schools from as far west as Jefferson to as far east as Baker. Due to the size of the division, the top eight finishers in each event earn their right to advance to the State Class B Meet in Laurel on Friday and Saturday, May 24th and 25th.

The Lady Bulldogs earned the silver trophy coming in second to the Huntley Project team with a total of 81 points. All eleven ladies (one freshman, three sophomores, four juniors, and three seniors) that advanced to divisionals will also be representing the Bulldogs at state. What a talented group of ladies!

Senior Havyn Vandenacre won both hurdle distances, took fourth in the javelin and 100-meter dash, and got fifth in the 200-meter dash to advance to her last state

Sophomore Kaitlyn Noyes won the long jump, placed 3rd in the triple jump, took 4th in the 200-meter dash and high jump, and 5th in the 100-meter dash.

Freshman Kyla Meissner won the 1600-meter run and will be advancing in that race, as well as the 3200-meter run. All three of these ladies had previously state qualified in their events, but competed well at the divisional.

Holly Newman moves on in the 100-meter hurdles by running her PR and placing 4th; following that with her season's best in the 300-meter hurdles finishing 9th. Holly will also be competing in the high jump and long jump with her earlier state qualifying distances.

Senior Reese Wolfgram pre-qualified earlier in the season, but backed that up with a 6th place finish in the long jump at divisionals; also advancing in the triple jump by placing 4th.

The Bulldog distance squad looked strong again at divisionals with everyone moving on to compete at state. Junior Memphys Meier placed 7th in the 800-meter run, while fellow juniors Kaelyn Sangray and Abby Wickens finished 4th and 6th, respectfully in the 3200-meter run. Both the short and long relays advanced placing 4th and 8th.

Reese was joined by fellow senior Luci Horne and sophomore Amanda Pesicka in both relays, with Memphys and sophomore Aspen Slyker completing

100-meter dash: 4th Havyn Vandenacre 13.17, 5th Kaitlyn Noyes 13.20, and Reese Wolfgram 13.81. 200-meter dash: 4th Kaitlyn Noyes 27.18 and 5th Havyn Vandenacre 27.28.

1600-meter run: 1st Kyla Meissner 5:28.

3200-meter run: 4th Kaelyn Sangray 13:18 and 6th



Lady Bulldogs take second place trophy at divisionals. Back: Aspen Slyker, Holly Newman, Amanda Pesicka, Luci Horne, Reese Wolfgram, Havyn Vandenacre, Kaitlyn Noyes, Kyla Meissner. Front: Kaelyn Sangray, Abby Wickens, Memphis Meier. MT 43 News Staff Photo

Abby Wickens 13:41.

100-meter hurdles: 1st Havyn Vandenacre 15.47 and 4th Holly Newman 16.92 PR.

300-meter hurdles: 1st Havyn Vandenacre 45.92 SR and 9th Holly Newman 50.93 SR.

4x100-meter relay: 5th Reese Wolfgram, Luci Horne, Aspen Slyker, & Amanda Pesicka 52.73. 4x400meter relay: 8th Luci Horne, Memphys Meier, Reese Wolfgram, and Amanda Pesicka 4:27.

High jump: 4th Kaitlyn Noyes 4'10" and Holly Newman 4'8".

Long Jump: 1st Kaitlyn Noyes 17'6" PR, 6th Reese Wolfgram 16'4.5" PR, 10th Holly Newman 15'8.5", and Luci Horne 14'3" SR.

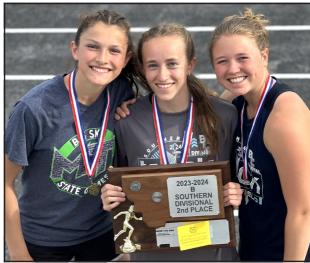
Triple Jump: 3rd Kaitlyn Noyes 34'8", 4th Reese Wolfgram 33'9.5" SR, and Holly Newman 31'0.75. Javelin: 4th Havyn Vandenacre 112'8" and Luci Horne 90'6".

The gentlemen finished the day with 23 points, earning them 7th overall. Freshman Jim Tew had a stand out performance landing his personal best distances in both horizontal jumps with a 2nd place finish in the triple jump and 6th place finish in the long jump. He increased his distance in the triple by two feet and almost a foot in the long jump, which earns him a spot at state in both jumps, as well as the 100-meter hurdles.

Jim placed 7th in the short hurdle race, just behind junior Deegan Mattson who took 5th. Deegan time qualified earlier this year in the 100-meter dash also advancing with a pair of 4th place finishes in the 200-meter dash and 300-meter hurdles. Jim and Deegan teamed up with sophomores Marek Easter and Colt Barnard in the 4x100-meter relay placing 8th and moving on to state.

Junior Nolan Flynn time qualified in the 1600-meter 800-meter run: 7th Memphys Meier 2:37 SR. run earning 7th place with his new PR. He finished 4th in 3200-meter run advancing in that distance as well.

100-meter dash: 10th Colt Barnard 11.99.



Kaitlyn Noyes, Kyla Meissner & Havyn Vandenacre each won an individual medal at the divisional meet in Laurel. MT 43 News Staff Photo

200-meter dash: 4th Deegan Mattson 24.20 and Marek Easter 25.62.

400-meter dash: Marek Easter 54.70. 1600-meter run: 7th Nolan Flynn 4:40 PR.

3200-meter run: 4th Nolan Flynn 10:55. 110-meter hurdles: 5th Deegan Mattson 18.24,

7th Jim Tew 18.32, and 10th Tavyn Anderson 18.92. 300-meter hurdles: 4th Deegan Mattson 42.63 PR and Tavyn Anderson 46.06 PR.

4x100-meter relay: 8th Marek Easter, Jim Tew, Colt Barnard & Deegan Mattson 45.89.

4x400-meter relay: Marek Easter, Logan Johnson, Colt Barnard, and Nolan Flynn FS.

Discus: Gavin Schmele 97'9".

Long Jump: 6th Jim Tew 20'0.5" PR.

Triple Jump: 2nd Jim Tew 41'3.75" PR and 9th Tavyn Anderson 38'3.5".

The Broadwater Bulldogs will travel to the Laurel Sports Complex for the third time this year in preparation for the State Class A&B Meet on Friday and Saturday, May 24th and 25th. Good luck Dogs!

Historic Radersburg Hosts Townsend Middle School Students



The Townsend Middle School 7th Grade Class Photo Credits: Vic Sample

Victor Sample

On May 13, the Townsend Middle School students came to Radersburg for the third annual history outing. The Townsend

Seventh grade students study Montana history. Radersburg has an extremely interesting history;

once the county seat for Jefferson County 2024 and a hub of industry and travel for southwest Montana. Three non-profit organizations (Preserve Broad-

water History, Broadwater County Museum and the Radersburg Historic Preservation, Inc.) combined to host the outing in Radersburg. Approximately 54 students along with teachers

David Lawson and Tyler Patrick and School Board member Daniel Truesdell made the trip to Radersburg. The first stop was the historic Radersburg schoolhouse

built in 1913. Broadwater County Museum curator Linda

Huth presented the history of Radersburg. Along the way, Linda mentioned Myrna Loy (Radersburg's own movie star) and Cecil Duff (Major League baseball player for the Chicago White Sox).

After the presentation by Linda Huth, Preserve Broadwater History members (and spouses), Bob Tootell, Keith and Robin Kirscher, Keith and Carol Obert, Vic and Pam Sample, and Gary Richtmyer cooked and served lunch. The students had hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies and water. They then had an opportunity to burn off some energy in the historic school's schoolyard. Some of the students toured the Radersburg Museum housed in the upper classroom.

We would like to thank Bob's Supermarket in Townsend for donating the hamburgers. Bob's has been a great supporter of the Radersburg outing and has

donated food since the beginning of this annual event. The students then gathered outside the Radersburg Historic Methodist Church (established in 1917 by

Brother Van Orsdell). Unfortunately, the door lock froze up over the winter and could not be opened. Vic Sample gave a short talk about the historic church and about Brother Van Orsdell, as well as some of the historic Radersburg buildings that could be seen from the church.

The outing then moved to the Radersburg Cemetery. Jackie Smith, president of the Radersburg Cemetery organization, hosted the students at the cemetery. She provided ice cream and was available to answer questions that the students might have about their family members buried at the cemetery.

A hidden Broadwater County gem is a cemetery Museum established by Jackie Smith that is housed at the Radersburg Cemetery. The Museum hosts a wealth of information about people buried in the Radersburg Cemetery including birth certificates, marriage certificates and death certificates. This Museum is well worth visiting!

Friday, May 31, 2024 MT 43 News

May 13

Natalie Horne

We would like to thank Cadilac Custom Cabinets for being a 2023-2024 Banner Booster Member and supporting our Bulldogs!

Here are our Players of the Week for May 13:

Boys Track:

Tavyn Anderson performed well at Districts and will be moving onto Divisionals in 3 individual events; 110m hurdles with a time of 18.67, 300m hurdles with a time of 48.23, and triple jump of 37'1.75".

Colt Barnard ran well this weekend earning his way to Divisionals in the 100m with a time of 12.36. He also ran a leg of the 4x100m relay with a time of 45.86 earning their way to Divisionals. He also ran a leg in the 4x400m relay which is also moving onto Divisionals.



Tavyn Anderson Lacie Reed Photography



Colt Barnard Lacie Reed Photography

Girls Track:

Luci Horne performed well during our district meet. She will also move on to Divisionals in long jump, javelin, and 4x400m relay. She earned a season-best in long jump with a 14'6"; threw the javelin 93" and helped her 4x400m relay team run a time of 4:34.35.



Lacie Reed Photography

Kaitlyn Noyes had already state-qualified for all her events early in the season. However, she performed well in Districts this weekend. Placing 1st in 4 of the 5 of her individual events: long jump 16'8.5", triple jump 33'9.5", 100m 13.39, and 200m 27.29. She also placed 2nd in the high jump jumping 4'8".

Tennis:

The dynamic duo of Emily Bird and Liz Collins led Townsend to an undefeated dual record on Friday without dropping a single match. Then they rolled off three straight wins on Saturday winning the doubles bracket in the Best of the West tournament defeating one of the favorites to win state. These two are hoping to cap their high school careers with a state title.

Girls Golf and Boys Golf:

Both teams played well during the divisional meet even with extremely difficult conditions.

American Legion Thanks Volunteers

for Cemetery Flag Placements

Jen Dalrymple

Colonel, USAF Retired, Post 42 Cemetery Flag



In honor and remembrance for Memorial Day weekend, on Saturday, May 25, over twenty community volunteers went out to various cemeteries throughout the County to place American flags at the graves of our past Veterans. Their assistance in

doing this tribute to our brothers and sisters in arms is very much appreciated by our American Legion Family.

Memorial Day is a special time to honor America's history and commemorate the bravery, courage, and honor of our military men and women, with special prayers for those who gave the Supreme Sacrifice in service to our country.

We want to extend our sincere gratitude to the following volunteers:

DEEP CREEK CEMETERY - Kevin Flynn

Toston Blue Ribbon 4-H Club: Elston Flynn, Kaylee Flynn, Jayden Flynn, Roger Flynn, Andrea Beatty,

Townsend Roughriders 4-H Club: Jeff Klumpien, Kayla McDonald, Pam McDonald, Marjie Urich, Ken Urich, Bill Garwood, Dormi Koller

RADARSBURG CEMETERY - Jackie Smith

Karen Susag, Toston Blue Ribbon 4-H Club: 3 volunteers

CENTERVILLE CEMETERY Shelly Douthett

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY

GayAnn Masolo, Terry Love

LAVINA AND FAIRVIEW CEMETERIES

Johnny and Karon Kougioulis





This talented nine-piece band will be back in Townsend at the Lodge, 131 South Spruce for your dancing and listening pleasure. The band plays classic **Big Band sounds of Woody Herman and the Dorsey** Brothers, but also jitterbug tunes from the 60's and 70's. Great dance music right here in our city.

Saturday, June 1 st Dance at 7:00pm Lessons - 5:30pm

> **Admission:** \$25 per person \$30 with lesson

Includes good appetizers. Beverages available.

For more information: (406) 916-6724 or (406) 980-0592



The Circus is Coming to Town!



Big Top Going Up Photo Credits: Culpepper and Merriweather Circus

sponsorship of the Rotary

Club of Townsend, the Cul-

pepper & Merriweather Cir-

cus is coming to Townsend,

MT on Wednesday, June

26th, to the Broadwater

Thanks to the

Under the Big Top, Nick News: On the Road with Circus Kids and most recently OETA's Big Top Town. This year, we're very excited to bring you our brand new 2024 performance featuring Big Cats presented by Trey Key, our Aerialist Extraordinaire Simone on the trapeze, 10th generation Loyal Bareback Horse Riders, the Perez Daredevil Duo on the Tight Rope and Wheel of Destiny, Elizabeth Ayala's incredible foot juggling and hair hang and everyone's favorite Circus Clown Leo Acton.

Circus Day Schedule 9:30 a.m. - Tent Raising & Tour

Everyone is invited to watch the Big Top rise. You'll also get a chance to tour the grounds and get a behind the scenes look at our show! Learn about life on the Phone Number: (580) 326-8833

Big Top Up and Ready Photo Credits: Culpepper and Merriweather Circus

road and the care our animals receive.

4:00 p.m. - Midway Opens

Pony Rides, Moon Bounce, Grint Side, face Painting, Concession Stand and Box Office open up for some extra fun!

5:00 & 7:30 p.m. - Circus Performance

Get ready for an amazing, show the whole family will love! Each show lasts about 90 minutes

To find out more about this year's show, find us online, visit our social media, call, or e-mail! Website: cmcircus.com

Facebook: Culpepper & Merriweather Circus

Instagram: @cmcircus Email: cmcircus@gmail.com

Big Top Circus has been featured on the A&E Special:

County Fairgrounds located at 189 US Hwy 12E with shows at 5:00 & 7:30 pm. C&M Circus has been providing quality, local family entertainment for 38 years. This authentic One-Ring,

Pat Plantenberg

Rotarian

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LET'S CELEBRATE!

Helping Hands Townsend is proudly celebrating our 8th anniversary in Townsend on June 1, 2024.

In keeping with our Vision of "joyfully serving the community which faithfully supports us" and honoring our Core Values of Respect, Generosity, and Hope, we have given over \$93,950 in financial aid to individuals in this community since we opened our first store on June 1, 2016.

Please stop by both of our stores and help us celebrate this milestone.

Helping Hands Thrift Store, 424 N Pine Street Helping Hands 4 KIDS, 323 Broadway



A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 🚫

Vigilante Electric Cooperative Seeks Assistance in Finding Past Members

At Vigilante Electric, we pride ourselves on our unique cooperative structure. Unlike investor-owned utilities, we are owned by the people we serve—our members. In a true spirit of cooperation, after all financial obligations are met, we return profit margins to our members as capital credits.

Currently, we are trying to find past members who are owed capital credits. A list of these past members can be found in the June edition of the Rural Montana Magazine and on our website at vec.coop/capital-credits.

If you have any information about names on this list, please contact us at 800-221-8271 or 683-2327 or by email at contact@vec.coop.

Townsend School Calendar

MAY

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL/End Q4 3 on 3 Co-Ed Basketball Tournament at Both HS Gyms

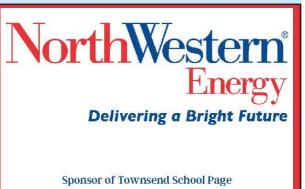


Mon 3 - Tue 4

County Elections-Primary at the Community Room

Tue 4

7:00 PM - Booster Club Meeting at The Bridge



Three Forks School Calendar

Sun 2

2:00 PM - Graduation in the Gym



Primary Election at Middle School Gym (Old Gym)

Wed 5

MS FCCLA Meeting @ Lunch

Thu 6

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL MS Book Club at Lunch

Monday 3

11:00am Commission Working Meeting



Tuesday 4 3:00pm Commission Working Meeting (in the Commissioners Office)

Wednesday 5

10:00am Commission Meeting

IBRARY HOURS

Three Forks Community Library

REGULAR HOURS: Monday, Wednesday through Friday - 9:00am to 5:00pm

Tuesday - 9:00am - 7:00pm 1st Saturday of the month: 11:00am - 2:00pm Contact the library for details on clubs and events for a

variety of ages at (406) 285-3747, or visit their website: threeforkslibrary.weebly.com

Broadwater School and Community Library

SUMMER HOURS:

Monday through Friday 1:00-7:00PM Saturday 9:00AM-4:00PM Summer Reading Program Starts Monday, June 3rd Curbside available. Please call (406)441-3461

The 8th Annual Broadwater County-Wide Yard Sale will be held on July 20, 2024.

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

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



Friday 31

10:00AM- 4:30PM Babysitting Course with Three Forks Ambulance SEE AD FOR REGISTRATION DETAILS

JUNE

Saturday 1

10:00AM- 2:00PM Babysitting Course with Three Forks Ambulance SEE AD ON THIS PAGE FOR REGISTRATION DETAILS 11:00AM- 2:00PM Three Forks Public Library Open 4:00PM Headwaters Lager Festival at Bridger Brewing Three

Forks

Monday 3

6:00PM- 9:00PM EMT Training Starts SEE AD ON THIS PAGE FOR **REGISTRATION DETAILS**

Tuesday 4 1:00PM Three Forks Public Library - Mah Jongg

4:00PM Three Forks Public Library - Book Club

Thursday 6

10:30AM Three Forks Public Library - Story Time 2:00PM Farmer's Market (RESERVED) at John Q. Adams Milwaukee Railroad Park

Friday 7

1:00PM Three Forks Public Library - Summer Reading Program Kickoff

Saturday 8

Friday 31

10:00AM Stevenson Park Gazebo RESERVED (Carrasco) at City Hall



10:00am Free Story Time and a Craft with Mrs. Latasha Wirtz at **Broadwater Community Library**

12:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry 1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County

JUNE

Sr. Center, 516 2nd St

Saturday 1

5:30PM Queen City Swing Lessons at The Lodge of Townsend **SEE AD ON PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS**

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

6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway 7:00pm Queen City Swing at The Lodge of Townsend

SEE AD ON PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS

Monday 3

1:00pm American Legion Post 42 Membership Meeting at American Legion Club

Tuesday 4

5:00pm American Legion Post 42 Food and Bingo at American Legion Club 5:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepherd of the Valley

Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry 6:00pm Bingo at American Legion Post 42 Club, 211 Broadway

Wednesday 5

12:00PM Summer Show Auditions at The Lodge SEE AD ON PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS

1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr.

Center, 516 2nd St 7:00PM Summer Show Auditions at The Lodge **SEE AD ON PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS**

7:00pm Al-Anon at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran

Church, 301 N Cherry Friday 7

10:00am Free Story Time and a Craft with Mrs. Latasha Wirtz at

Broadwater Community Library 12:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 301 N Cherry

1:00pm Townsend Pinochle Club at Broadwater County Sr. Center, 516 2nd St

Saturday 8 7:30am Townsend Area Chamber of Commerce ATV Poker Run

at Broadwater County Fairgrounds 6:00pm Big Sky Culinary Classes - Dinner with Chef Heather

Hatwan at The Lodge of Townsend 6:00pm Fireside Alcoholics Anonymous at 102 N. Walnut, 406-439-3945

6:30pm Magic - The Gathering at Reading Leaves Bookstore, 401 Broadway

TFAA Barn 2 E Hickory ST **American Red Cross** Babysitting Course **Basic Babysitting course \$50** Child and Infant CPR/First Aid \$40 Three Forks Area Ambulance is teaching an American Red Cross Babysitting Course on Friday, May 31st. A Child and Infant CPR/First Aid Course will be held on Saturday June $1^{\rm st}$. Students need to be 11+, lunch will be provided. To register contact Colleen @ 406-498-6959 or email 3fkamb@gmail.com May 31st 10am-4:30pm June 1st 10am - 2pm



JOCAL JOB JISTINGS

WANTED

Townsed area lawn care-edging June - October, 2x a month **Call** (406)459-8448



Now Hiring!! **Accounting Specialist** Full Time!! Tuesday to Friday in the Townsend Office

Hiring a full time Accounting Specialist to join our team in the Townsend Office, Competitive Pay, Office Hours are Tuesday to Friday days, Paid Time Off, Paid Holidays and more. Previous Accounting experience a plus, QuickBooks knowledge a plus, seeking an independent worker, self-starter with exceptional customer service skills. Basic business skills, basic computer skills with knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite, ability to multitask and function in a high paced office environment

Employment Opportunity – Clerk and

Recorder's Elections Office

tration system in Broadwater County; assist Election

Email resume to Anna at $\underline{anna@precisionbusinessresources.com}$ or Stop in today Precision Business Resources



Broadwater County is currently seeking a highly motivated individual for a Full-Time Elections Assistant. The successful candidate must be able to manage and maintain the voter regis-

Administrator in organizing and conducting elections in the County to comply with State election laws and statutes; assist in preparing and conducting training for seasonal staff and election judges; assist in setting up for all elections; conduct related work as required; work under the Election Administrator. Attention to detail, ability to work on deadline, proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite, discretion, and customer service skills are essential. Occasional evening hours may be required. Understanding of local government entities and experience in elections is preferred. The wage is \$17.50-19.50/hr., DOE, with an excellent

health benefits package. A copy of the full job description may be obtained at the Clerk and Recorder Office at the Broadwater County Courthouse; 515 Broadway; Townsend, MT 59644, or by emailing apaulsen@ co.broadwater.mt.us. Resumes may be sent to the same email by Tuesday, June 4 at 5:00 pm. Position is open until filled. Broadwater County is an equal-opportunity employer. Broadwater County shall, upon request, provide reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified individuals with disabilities. Veterans and Disabled preferences are applicable.

Broadwater Rural Fire Board Meeting

3rd Wednesday each month.

Next meeting: June 19th, 2024 7:00 PM At the Townsend Fire Station - 130 So Cedar St

See Board Meeting Agenda at: http://www.facebook. com/BroadwaterCountyVolunteerFireDepartment

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.

MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT **BROADWATER COUNTY**

SIX O SIX HOLDINGS, LLC, and DOUBLE T MINING, LLC Plaintiffs,

TRACY and MARCY FORTNER, BOB SYPHRETT, FAS MON-TANA, LLC, S& E OPERATIONS, INC., ESTATE OF JOHN ST. JOHN, JOHN ST. JOHN COMMUNITY BENEFIT TRUST, and All Persons Unknown Who Claim or May Claim Any Right, Title, Estate or Interest in, or Lien or Encumbrance Upon, the Real Property Described in the Complaint Adverse to Plaintiffs' Ownership, Or Any Cloud Upon Plaintiffs' Title Thereto, Whether Such Claim or Possible Claim be Present or Contingent, Defendants.

Case No. CDV-2021-07 Hon. Christopher Abbott

et seq.

AMENDED COMPLAINT TO QUIET TITLE

For their Amended Complaint against Defendants, Plaintiffs Six O Six Holdings, LLC and Double T Mining, LLC allege: NATURE OF ACTION

> This is an action to quiet title pursuant to MCA §§ 70-28-101, JURISDICTION AND VENUE

This Court has original jurisdiction over this action pursuant to MCA § 3-5-302. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to MCA §§ 25-2-121,

123 because the property that is subject to this action is located in Broadwater County. Complaint to Quiet Title to Real Property

Plaintiff Six O Six Holdings, LLC ("Six O Six") is the

lawful owner of those certain patented placer mining claims located in Broadwater County, Montana, and specifically identified in the attached Exhibit A which is incorporated herein. The property described in Exhibit A, which is the subject of this quiet title action, is hereafter referred to as the "Subject Property." In consideration for a loan of money from Plaintiff Double T Mining, LLC ("Double T") to Six O Six, Plaintiffs executed a Net Profits Interest Deed and Memorandum of Secured Note and Net Profits Interest Purchase Agreement, which was recorded in Book 212, Page 111 of the records of Broadwater County, Montana to provide notice of the terms set forth in that certain Secured Note and Net Profits Interest Purchase Agreement ("Agreement"). The Net Profits Interest held by Double T relates to the extraction of minerals located on the Subject Property. A Mortgage, Security Agreement, Assignment of Rents and Leases, Financing Statement and Fixture Filing securing the obligations of Six O Six under the secured note is also recorded in the records of Broadwater County, Montana. Plaintiffs seek quiet title of their respective interests in the Subject Property.

The Defendants are persons both known and unknown who claim or may claim a right, title, estate or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the Subject Property adverse to Plaintiffs' interests in the Subject Property. Any such claim or potential claim, whether present or contingent by Defendants to the Subject Property is totally invalid and without merit.

Any claim to the Subject Property adverse to Plaintiffs' interests in the Subject Property by any unknown persons is also totally invalid and without merit. Plaintiffs, as their interests appear, hold all rights, title,

estate and interests in and to the Subject Property. The purpose of this Amended Complaint to Quiet Title is to quiet title solely in Plaintiffs, as their interests appear, to all interests in the Subject Property and to obtain judgment confirming Plaintiffs' interests in the Subject Property. Six O Six entered into that certain Assignment and Sale

Agreement with the Estate of John St. John and the John St. John Community Benefit Trust (collectively, "Sellers") pursuant to which Six O Six purchased and acquired fee simple ownership of the Subject Property. Six O Six paid Sellers fair consideration to purchase and acquired Sellers' title to the Subject Property. A copy of the Assignment and Sale Agreement is attached as Exhibit A to the original Quiet Title Complaint and incorporated herein.

Six O Six paid Sellers the sum of \$27,500 to purchase all of Sellers' right, title and interest in the Subject Property.

At the time of the closing of the Assignment and Sale Agreement, there was a contract for deed that was originally entered into between John St. John and Arthur Fredricksen, as sellers, and Tracy Fortner, as buyer (the "Contract for Deed"). The Contract for Deed related to the sale of the Subject Property. A copy of the Contract for Deed is attached as Exhibit B to the original Quiet Title Complaint and incorporated herein.

acquired sellers' interest in the Contract for Deed.

Six O Six has paid the real property taxes on the Subject recorded in Book 7 of Patents, page 124. Property.

Attached as Exhibit C, and incorporated herein, is a Litigation described in Patent No. 24713, recorded in Book 7 of Patents, page 137. 13. Guarantee, which provides that title to the Subject Property is vested

in Russell B. Juckett, Jr., as Trustee of the John St. John Community Benefit Trust After John St. John passed away, his rights under the Contract for Deed were transferred to the Estate of John St. John. The personal

representative of the Estate of John St. John executed and delivered a Deed of Distribution conveying the Subject Property and the Estate's interest as seller under the Contract for Deed to the John St. John Community Benefit Trust. The Deed of Distribution was recorded in the public records of Broadwater County, Montana, as Document #165925 in Bk 138 Pg 402 on August 29, 2011. A copy of the Deed of Distribution is attached as Exhibit D to the Original Quiet Title Complaint and incorporated herein.

Pursuant to a settlement agreement that was achieved through mediation, Tracy Fortner, Marcy Fortner, Bob Syphrett, FAS Montana, LLC and S&E Operations, Inc. have all agreed to waive any right to claim any interest in the Confederate Gulch property. 16. Robert Andrews is now deceased, having passed away in 2018.

Syphrett Declaration attached to original Quiet Title Complaint, Exhibit K. The only remaining defendants in this Amended Quiet Title Complaint are the Estate of John St. John and the St. John Community Benefit Trust.

The evidence in this case will establish that neither the Estate of John St. John nor the St. John Community Benefit Trust retain any legal claim to any ownership interest in the Subject Property.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs request that judgment be entered in their favor as follows:

That Plaintiffs' interests in the Subject Property are the only valid and lawful interests in the Subject Property;

That Six O Six is entitled to quiet, peaceful and exclusive possession of the Subject Property, subjet to the interest of Double T;

That Defendants, both known and unknown, and all persons claiming under them, have no right, title, estate or interest in the Subject Property, or any lien or encumbrance on the Subject Property adverse to Plaintiffs' interests in the Subject Property, or any cloud upon Plaintiffs' interests in the Subject Property;

That Defendants, both known and unknown, and all persons claiming under them, be permanently enjoined from asserting any claim to any right, title, estate or interest in the Subject Property or lien or encumbrance on the Subject Property adverse to Plaintiffs' interests in the Subject Property or any cloud upon Plaintiffs' interests in the

Subject Property; That the Court issue its judgment quieting title to full and complete ownership of the Subject Property to Six O Six, subject to

For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

DATED this 1st day of June, 2023. MOLLOY LAW FIRM By: James P. Molloy

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT PROPERTY

the interest of Double T Mining in the Subject Property; and

Township 10 North, Range 3 East, P.M.M. Broadwater County,

M.E. 2685, Lot 42, Survey 887, as described in Patent No. 22450,

recorded in Book 3 of Patents, page 181.

County, Montana

M.E. 283, Lot 47, Survey 337, as described in Patent No. 2332, recorded in Book 3 of Patents, page 41.

M.E. 66, Lot 37, Survey 55, as described in Patent No. 1280, recorded in Book 7 of Patents, page 109. Township 10 North, Range 2 East and 3 East, P.M.M. Broadwater

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M.E. 304, Lot 38, Survey 56, as described in Patent No. 4465,

recorded in Book 7 of Patents, page 131. M.E. 129, Lot 50, Survey 138, as described in Patent No. 1004,

recorded in Book 3 of Patents, page 14. M.E. 412, Lot 43, Survey 191, as described in Patent No. 4990,

recorded in Book 3 of Patents, page 62. M.E. 299, Lot 47, Survey 377, as described in Patent No. 2275,

recorded in Book 7 of Patents, page 124. Confederate Gulch Placer Mining Claim, M.E. 3029, Survey 3929, as

described in Patent No. 24713, recorded in Book 7 of Patents, page 137. That portion of Gold Run Quartz lode Mining Claim, M.E. 3810, Lot 5167, described in Patent No. 32544, recorded in Book 1 of Patents,

M.E. 617, Lots 38 and 53, Survey 888, as described in Patent No. 5923, recorded in Book 3 of Patents, page 174.

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recorded in Book 3 of Patents, page 156. Consolidated Placer, M.E. 2676, Lot 39, Survey 2880, as described

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ground from the mouth of Confederate Gulch up to Jimmy's Gulch."

MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, BROADWATER COUNTY

SIX O SIX HOLDINGS, LLC, Plaintiff,

TRACY FORTNER, BOB SYPHRETT, ESTATE OF JOHN ST. JOHN, JOHN ST. JOHN COMMUNITY BENEFIT TRUST, and Cause No. DV-2009-15 (Consolidated with CDV-2021-07)

Honorable Christopher Abbott SUMMONS

ALL PERSONS, unknown claiming or who might claim any right,

title, estate, or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the complaint adverse to Plaintiff's ownership or any cloud upon Plaintiff's title, whether the claim or possible claim is present or contingent, Defendants, and

DOUBLE T MINING, LLC,

Intervenor. To: Defendants All other persons, unknown, claiming or who might

claim any right, title, estate, or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the complaint adverse to Plaintiff's ownership or any cloud upon Plaintiff's title, whether the claim or possible claim is present or contingent

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

This action is brought to quiet title to real property situated in Broadwater County, Montana and described as follows: Township 10 North, Range 3 East, P.M.M. Broadwater County,

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by publication. Service by publication will be made by publishing the

summons once a week for three successive weeks in the Independent Record newspaper that has a general circulation in Broadwater County, Montana. Within 21 days after date of last publication of this summons and the amended complaint, you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached amended complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Montana Rules of Civil Procedure. Do not include the date of last publication in your calculation of time. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorneys, whose name and address are listed above. If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against

you for the relief demanded in the amended complaint. You must file your answer or motion with the court.

Date: May 3, 2024 CLERK, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

BROADWATER COUNTY (Seal)

By /s/ Valerie Hornsveld Published May 17, 24 and 31, 2024

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

County Commissioners, upon completion of the Preliminary Budget, will be holding a public hearing to hear comments and/or concerning the Broadwater County FY 2024/2025 Preliminary Annual Budget. The hearing is set for Monday, June 3rd, 2023 at 10:00 AM, located at the Flynn Building; 416 Broadway St. Any taxpayer or resident may appear and be heard for or against any part of the proposed budget. The $\,$ proposed budget may be viewed in the Clerk and Recorder's Office during regular business hours or on the website at www.broadwatercountymt.com after May 31, 2024.

In accordance with 7-6-4021 and 7-6-4024 MCA, The Broadwater

Published May 24 and 31, 2024 MNAXLP NOTICE THAT A TAX DEED MAY BE ISSUED

IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS NOTICE YOU WILL LOSE YOUR PROPERTY

Pursuant to Section 15-18-212, Montana Code Annotated,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO: Ian R. Elliot First Security Bank South 19th Ave Jan R. Elliot

4036 Broadwater Court 670 South 19th Avenue Bozeman, MT. 59718 Bozeman, MT 59718 1. As a result of a property tax delinquency, a property tax lien exists on the following described real property, in which you may have an interest: Lot 57 of Rolling Glen Ranch Subdivision, as shown on Certificate of Survey recorded in Book 2 of Plats, page 64, Broadwater

2. The property taxes became delinquent on June 1, 2020.

3. A property tax lien was attached on August 2, 2021

4. The lien was subsequently assigned to Sassanay LLC. 5. As of this date, the amount of taxes, penalties, interest, and costs due is:

PENALTY 15.32 INTEREST......109.31 COST...... 30.01

6. For the property tax lien to be liquidated, the total amount listed in Paragraph 5, plus additional interest and costs, must be paid by July 31, 2024, which is the date the redemption period expires or expired. 7. If all taxes, penalties, interest and costs are not paid to the COUNTY TREASURER on or prior to July 31, 2024 which is the date the redemption period expires, a tax deed may be issued to the assignee or the county that is the possessor of the tax lien on the day following the date that the redemption period expires.

8. The business address and telephone number of the County treasurer who is responsible for issuing the tax deed is: Broadwater County Treasurers Office

Ms. Melissa Franks 515 Broadway

County, Montana

Townsend, MT 59644 406-266-9218

FURTHER NOTICE FOR THOSE PERSONS LISTED

ABOVE WHOSE ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN: 1. The address of said interested parties is unknown:

2. The published notice meets the legal requirements for Notice of Pending Tax Deed Issuance.

3. The interested party's rights may be in jeopardy.

DATED this 23rd. day of May, 2024 Sassanay LLC., Steve Harris - Manager

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MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, **BROADWATER COUNTY**

In the Matter of the Estate of GENE D. McCOMMON,

Deceased. Probate No. DP-24-08

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication

of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at Box 7152, Havre, Montana 59501, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court.

DATED this 13th day of May, 2024.

/s/ Kassaundra Beirwagen

Personal Representative Published May 17, 24 and 31, 2024 MNAXLP

MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT **BROADWATER COUNTY**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CYNTHIA MAE HALE, Deceased.

Probate No. DP-2024-09

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Steven Dempsey has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication

of this Notice or their claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, at Silverman Law Office, PLLC, P.O. Box 4423, Helena, Montana 59604, or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Montana that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 16th day of May 2024. /s/ Steven Dempsey

7 Jack Farm Road, Townsend, MT 59644 Published May 24, 31 and June 7, 2024

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Broadwater County Commission-

ers will hold a public hearing on June 5, 2024 at 10:00 am in the Flynn Building for the purpose of hearing comments on the Overview of the FY2025 Solid Waste Enterprise Budget and Presentation on Strategic Actions Necessary for Sustainable Solid Waste Service. Written comments are also being accepted and should be sent to: Commissioners, 515 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644. Email comments should be sent to commissioners@co.broadwater.mt.us Published May 24 and 31, 2024 **MNAXLP**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Townsend is holding a Public Hearing on the Council's resolution to increase water rates for the users of the System. It will be

held on June 18, 2024, commencing at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers located at 110 Broadway St, Townsend, Montana. Published May 24, 31 and June 7, 2024 MNAXLP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Broadwater County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing for proposed amendments to the Broadwater County Subdivision Regula-

tions on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 6:00pm in The Flynn Building located at 416 Broadway Street. A copy of the proposed amendments are available at www.broadwatercountymt.com. Published May 24, 31 and June 7, 2024 MNAXLP

LEGAL ADS CONTINUE ON NEXT PAGE

Friday, May 31, 2024

LEGAL ADS CONTINUED

NOTICE OF VOTING SYSTEM EXHIBITION AND BALLOT LAYOUT

Please note that the county's voting systems are on public exhibition at THE BROADWATER COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER'S OFFICE at 515 Broadway, Townsend, MT, from May 27, 2024 through June 3, 2024. Please see diagrams of the voting system(s), ballot arrangement and instructions on voting below



The DS200 is a precinct level tabulator that will be available to tabulate your ballots at your polling location. The DS200 will notify you if you have overvoted or undervoted on any race on the ballot

- 1. To vote, fill in the oval completely

JOSEPH R BIDEN JE

NO PREFERENCE

DONALD J. TRUMF

JON TESTER

ROBERT BARB

TIM SHEEHY

JOHN B DRISCOLL

STEVE HELD

ELSIE ARNTZEN

TROY DOWNING

RIC HOLDEN

O STACY ZINN

JOEL G. KRAUTTER

DENNY REHBERG

general public.

/s/ ANGIE PAULSEN

Published May 31, 2024

O KYLE AUSTIN

FOR PRESIDENT (VOTE FOR ONE)

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR (VOTE FOR ONE)

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR (VOTE FOR ONE)

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR (VOTE FOR ONE)

FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE
2ND CONGRESSIONAL PROTEINS

FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE 2ND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (VOTE FOR ONE)

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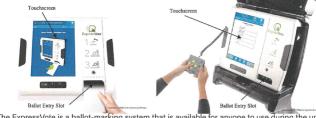
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- your ballot. If you use any other type of marking instrument, it may not be detected by the tabulator. 4. When marking your ballot you should NOT make an X or a check mark. You should NOT
- cross out, erase, or use correction fluid on the ballot and if you make an error, you should 5. READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY! If you mark more candidates than you are allowed to mark for that position, it is considered an overvote. You may request a new ballot if you overvote in any race. If you do not correct your ballot, that race will not count because of the overvote; however, the remainder of your ballot will be counted.

6. After you mark the ballot, you will be directed to insert the ballot in the DS-200 precinct

tabulator, which will alert you to overvotes or undervote, if any, and after you verify your selections, the DS-200 will tabulate your choices and deposit the ballot in the ballot box.

HOW TO VOTE ON AN EXPRESSVOTE VOTING SYSTEM



The ExpressVote is a ballot-marking system that is available for anyone to use during the upcoming election. Its main purpose is to allow voters with disabilities and other special needs to mark a ballot privately and independently.
1. Inform the election official that you wish to vote using ExpressVote.

- 2. You will be issued a ballot card.
- Insert the ballot card into the ballot feed tray on the front of the machine. The screen will display instructions and the ballot choices
- 5. The following helpful options are available:

 a. Change contrast and font size for readability
- h. Audio headphones Braille keypad

VOTING DAY QUESTION

- d. Connection for Sip-n-Puff personal device Make your selections by using the touch-screen capability, or by using the keypad.
- 7. After you have completed your selections, the ExpressVote will confirm your selections on the screen, and by audio if you select the audio option.
- 8. After verifying your selections, the ExpressVote will mark and print out your ballot card.

DEMO COUNTY/DEMO STATE DEMONSTRATION ELECTION Election Information Barcodes of election information and votes NAMED OF THE OWNER OF THE OWNER, Votes for candidates and measures are U.S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 1-------DAN DAVIS printed on the card. GERALDINE GEORGE

- 9. Confirm your choices on the printed and marked ballot card 10. Return the marked ballot card to the election official.11. You can request help anytime during the process.

FOR GOVERNOR & LT. GOVERNO (VOTE IN ONE OVAL)

FOR GOVERNOR & LT. GOVERNOR (VOTE IN ONE OVAL)

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (VOTE FOR ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (VOTE FOR ONE)

FOR STATE AUDITOR (VOTE FOR ONE)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC TESTING OF VOTING

SYSTEM

NOTICE is hereby given that a public test for Broadwater

County DS200 Digital Precinct Scanner and Express Vote Ballot

Marking System will be conducted on May 30, 2024, at 10:00

a.m. in the Clerk and Recorder's Office located at 515 Broadway

in Townsend, MT. The test shall be conducted by processing a

The test will be observed by an Observation Board and is open

to representatives of the Political Parties, the Press, and the

pre-audited group of ballots from each precinct.

O LOGAN OLSON

O JOHN REPKE

○ JESSE JAMES MULLEN

LT. GOVERNOR

JAMES BROWN

JOHN JAY WILLOUGHBY

SHANNON O'BRIEN

SUSIE HEDALEN

FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONER

FOR CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT (VOTE FOR ONE)

FOR CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

FOR CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT (VOTE FOR ONE)

○ JASON W ELLSWORTH

BOWEN GREENWOOD

FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COI

○ ROB ELWOOD

O JEFF WELBORN

O ERIN FARRIS-OLSEN

FOR STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (VOTE FOR ONE)

FEDERAL AND STATE **BALLOT ISSUES** STUDY COMMISSION QUESTIONS FOR BROADWATER COUNTY (VOTE IN ONE OVAL) FOR STATE SENATOR (VOTE FOR ONE) FOR the review of the government of Broadwater County and the establishment and funding, not to exceed twenty-seven thousand (\$27,000) dollars, of a local government study commission consisting of five (5) members to examine the government of Broadwater County and submit recommendations on the government O BRUCE SHULTZ FOR STATE SENATOR (VOTE FOR ONE) AGAINST the review of the government of Broadwater County and the establishment and funding, not to exceed twenty-seven thousand (\$27,000) dollars, of a local government study commission consisting of five (5) members to examine the government of Broadwater County and submit recommendation on the FOR STATE SENATOR STUDY COMMISSION QUESTION FOR THE CITY OF TOWNSEND (VOTE IN ONE OVAL) FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR the review of the government of the City of Townsend and the establishment and funding, not to exceed \$22,600.00, of a local government study commission consisting of five (5) members to examine the government of the City of Townsend and submit recommendations on the government DISTRICT 77 (VOTE FOR ONE)

JEREMIAH DAWSON

AGAINST the review of the government of the City of Townsend and the establishment and funding, not to exceed \$22,600.00, of a local government study commission consisting of five (5) members to examine the government of the City of Townsend and submit recommendations on the government.

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 77 (VOTE FOR ONE)

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 77 (VOTE FOR ONE) O JANE GILLETTE

KYLE MCMURRAY

FOR SUPREME COURT CHIEF JUSTICE (VOTE FOR ONE)

NONPARTISAN - STATE

O JEREMIAH LYNCH NON O DOUG MARSHALL NON O CORY SWANSON NON

FOR SUPREME COURT JUSTICE #3 (VOTE FOR ONE)

 KATHERINE BIDEGARAY NON O JERRY O'NEIL NON O DAN WILSON NON

FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 1, DEPT 1 (VOTE FOR ONE)

O MIKE MENAHAN

FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 1, DEPT 2 (VOTE FOR ONE)

MICHAEL F MCMAHON

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NOTICE is hereby given that the polling places for Broadwater County 2024 Federal Election are as follows:

NOTICE OF ELECTION POLLING PLACES

PRECINCT 1- Accessible

Dated this 25 th day of May 2024.

Broadwater County Clerk and Recorder

WINSTON Fire Hall, 6467 Hwy-287, Winston, MT 59647

PRECINCT 7, 11 and 12 - Accessible

TOWNSEND Community Room of Cecelia Hazelton Elementary School, 211 N. Spruce St., Townsend, MT 59644

PRECINCT 13 - Accessible

TOSTON Fire Hall, 8852 Hwy-287, Toston, MT 59643 POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7 A.M. UNTIL 8 P.M.

Dated this 20 th day of May, 2024

/s/ ANGIE PAULSEN

Broadwater County Clerk and Recorder

Published May 31, 2024

NOTICE OF METHOD OF COUNTING ABSENTEE **BALLOTS**

counted on Election Day, June 4, 2024, starting at 8 a.m. at the following location: Clerk and Recorder Office located at 515 Broadway, Townsend, MT, as specified in 13-15-201, MCA, by the following method: Counting by a voting system while the polls are open. Any

NOTICE is hereby given that absentee ballots will be publicly

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person observing the procedures of the count must be sequestered with the board until the polls are closed and is required to take the oath provided in 13-15-207 (4), MCA.

Counting will continue after the polls are closed.

Dated this 20 th day of May, 2024.

/s/ANGIE PAULSEN Broadwater County Clerk and Recorder

Published May 31, 2024

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

To be sold for cash at a Trustee's Sale on August 9, 2024, 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:

MT 43 News

Lots 5 and 6 in Block "D" of Potts-Harrison Addition to Townsend, Broadwater County, Montana. More commonly known as 811 Broadway St, Townsend,

Josie Sweat and Ross Wetzler, as Grantors, conveyed said real property to Rocky Mountain Title, as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as designated nominee for Dubuque Bank and Trust Company, Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, by Deed of Trust on October 13, 2017, and filed for record in the records of the County Clerk and Recorder in Broadwater County, State of Montana, on October 16, 2017 as Instrument No. 178766, in Book 183, at Page 26, of Official Records.

The Deed of Trust was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: Freedom Mortgage Corporation

Assignment Dated: July 11, 2022

Assignment Recorded: July 12, 2022 Assignment Recording Information: as Instrument No.

194155, in Book 243, at Page 223, 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 October 10, 2023 as Instrument No. 197495, in Book 255, at Page 865,

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 May 1, 2023, 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 \$126,339.55, interest in the sum of \$5,307.15, escrow advances of \$3,250.47, other amounts due and payable in the amount of \$3,899.70 for a total amount owing of \$138,796.87, 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 1st day of April, 2024. 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. MT21795 Published May 24, 31 and June 7, 2024

MNAXLP REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE UPDATE

TO THE CITY OF TOWNSEND GROWTH POLICY

The City of Townsend Planning Board is preparing an update to

the Townsend Growth Policy and we invite you to help shape its future by providing comments on the future growth and needs of the City of Townsend. Your opinions are important to this process to identify needs for the City. The City is conducting a Community Needs Survey. Hard copies can be obtained from the Townsend City Hall or a link to the web survey can be found on the City of Townsend website at https://townsendmontana. net/. Surveys must be completed and returned to the City by June 7, 2024. The City of Townsend Planning Board will be holding a

public meeting on June 13, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. to gather public input on the future needs of the City of Townsend and review data from the survey. The meeting will be held at Townsend City Hall 110 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644.

For additional information, contact Jeremy Fadness, WWC Engineering, 1275 Maple Street Suite F, Helena, MT 59601, 406-443-3962. Hard copies of the survey should be returned to the City Clerk, 110 Broadway, Townsend, MT 59644.

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MNAXLP LEGAL ADS CONTINUE ON NEXT PAGE

LEGAL ADS CONTINUED PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO PROTEST TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF Montana All-Alcoholic Beverages License

Patrick Ragen, Owner(s)) has applied to transfer Montana All-Alcoholic Beverages License No. 43-644-0446-001 to be operated at THE BETSY SPORTS BAR, 217 Broadway St, Townsend, Broadwater County. The public may protest this license transfer in accordance with the law. Who can protest this transfer? Protests will be accepted from residents of the county of the proposed location Broadwater County, residents of adjoining Montana counties, and residents of adjoining counties in

GURNETT CREEK ENTERPRISES, LLC (ChasePatrick Ragen and

another state if the criteria in 16-4-207(4)(d), Montana Code Annotated What information must be included? Protest letters must be legible and contain (1) the protestor's full name, mailing address, and street address; (2) the license number 43-644-0446-001 and the applicant's

name GURNETT CREEK ENTERPRISES, LLC; (3) an indication that the letter is intended as a protest; (4) a description of the grounds for protesting; and (5) the protestor's signature. A letter with multiple signatures will be considered one

protest letter.

What are valid protest grounds? The protest may be based on the applicant's qualifications listed in 16-4-401, MCA, or the grounds for denial of an application in 16-4-405, MCA. Examples of valid protest grounds include: (1) the applicant is unlikely to operate the establishment in compliance with the law; (2) the proposed location cannot be properly policed by local authorities; and (3) the welfare of the people in the vicinity of the proposed location will be adversely

and seriously affected. How are protests submitted? Protests must be postmarked to the Department of Revenue, Office of Dispute Resolution, P.O. Box 5805, Helena, Montana 59604-5805 on or before June 17, 2024.

What happens if the transfer is protested? Depending on the number of protests and the protest grounds, a public hearing will be held in Helena or Townsend. All valid protestors will be notified of the hearing's time, date and location. Hearings typically are scheduled within 90 days. A protester's hearing

testimony is limited to the grounds in the protester's letter. Following the hearing, the Department of Revenue will notify the public whether the license transfer is approved or denied. How can additional information be obtained? The cited MCA

statutes are online at leg.mt.gov/bills/mca toc/. Questions may be directed to Hunter Heffley, Compliance Specialist for the Department of Revenue's Alcoholic Beverage Control Division, at 444-4324 or Hunter.Heffley@mt.gov.

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May 24

Dee Gannon MT43 News Correspondent

The criminal docket in Judge Christopher Abbott's courtroom on Friday, May 24 is as follows:

Kyler Stewart had his bond reduced to \$1,500.

Brian Whitticar appeared on a Petition to Revoke. Because he was arrested Thursday night, 5-24, with a blood alcohol content of .295 (way over twice the legal limit), he is in custody and will be back in court

that there are new violations: 1) theft of a vehicle, 2) criminal possession of dangerous drugs 3) criminal possession of drug paraphernalia. He is returning to court on May 31. Margaret Austin has been Sentenced for a DUI.

She received a five-year suspended sentence. She has been accepted into inpatient treatment for 13 months.

Status Hearing on June 28. Julie Humphries is number 11 in line for treatment

Kyle Mostad is in Federal Custody. He will have a

in Galen. A Status Hearing is set for July 26.

Steven Barnes is Sentenced according to a Plea Bargain, 10 years suspended Montana State Prison (85 days credit time served) and 5 years MSP suspended to be served consecutively. He will be under Adult Patient and Parole for 15 years. In that time, he is to maintain (and pass) all programming suggested by AP&P.

City Council Sets Water Rate Increases

Linda Kent MT43 News Staff Reporter

Townsend's City Council approved a resolution to increase residential water rates by \$35.23 per month in June and again in September. The increases would support the estimated \$17 million cost of replacing the city's main water tower with a much larger storage unit to meet current and anticipated water use needs in the community.

A public hearing on the increase will be held Tuesday, June 18, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

The proposed increases would raise the current

residential water charge from \$20.57 per month to

\$55.80 in July, then \$91.03 in September. Commercial Damien Duffy had an Initial Appearance on a Petition rates will increase by a multiplier of the new base to Revoke a 5-year suspended sentence. It is alleged residential rate, dependent on the size of the service line. The council voted to increase rates in two phases to lessen the immediate impacts to local water users. The two-step rate increase also provides the council with some flexibility to reduce the overall total if project

bids come in lower than the anticipated price. Once a bid is selected, the city will need to determine how long of a bond term it will seek. Longer bond terms mean lower monthly costs, but greater overall long-term cost for the project to water users. Bidding for the estimated \$17 million projected is

expected to begin in June, with the successful bid to be awarded in July. Work could begin as soon as the

While the price tag of the successful bid will have the greatest impact on the total increase in water rates, the council will also be exploring bond rate and term options to minimize the rate hike to the extent possible.



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Call the restaurant with any questions. Happy Dining!



American Legion Hall

Dates and times may vary due to events, seasons or holidays.

The Betsy Sports Zone Commercial Bar Deep Creek Pizza

Special Event with Food:

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Bread and Butter Cafe

205 Broadway St, Townsend

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(406) 266-3025

Dining Hours:

7:00AM-2:00PM

211 Broadway, Townsend

(406) 266-3611

Dining Hours:

Bunkhouse Bar & Grill

217 Broadway, Townsend

Wed - Sat 3:00PM - 12:00AM

Takeout placed only in person.

www.betsysportszone.com

Closed Sun, Mon & Tues

(406) 266-0001

Dining Hours:

(406) 266-5302 Dining Hours: 10:00AM - Close Closed Sunday and Monday | Grill off at 10:00PM

8846 US-287, Toston

101 Broadway, Townsend

(406) 266-9956 Dining Hours: 10:00AM - 2:00AM Closed Thanksgiving & Menu available onFacebook

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(406) 980-8400 Please call on business hours Drinks and Pastry Hours: Mon - Fri 7:00AM - 3:00PM Sat 8:30AM - 2:00PM Closed Sunday

303 N Front St, Townsend

415 Broadway Ste 2, Townsend

(406) 266-0002 Dining Hours: 11:00AM - 8:00 PM www.deepcreekpizzaco.com, Facebook and Instagram Closed Sunday

Fishtale Tavern

209 Broadway St, Townsend (406) 266-5582 Dining Hours: 11:00AM - 11:00PM Daily Specials: Facebook l Bar hours may vary

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(406) 266-5459 Dining Hours: 7:30AM - 8:00PM Every Day Menu: fullbellidelimt.com

209 S Front St, Townsend

Mint Cafe

305 Broadway St, Townsend

(406) 266-3867 Dining Hours: Tue & Wed 8:00AM - 2:00 PM, Mon & Thur 8:00AM - 8:00PM Fri 8:00AM - 9:00PM Sat 7:00AM - 9:00PM Sun 7:00AM - 8:00PM Menu:

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TB's Diner

316 N Front St, Townsend, (406) 266-0099 Dining Hours: 7:00AM - 8:00PM Specials: Facebook

Broadwater Area Restaurants

Contact MT 43 News, Monday- Friday 10AM -2PM, if you would like to talk about how to add your dining location and open hours to our paper! 406.266.0086

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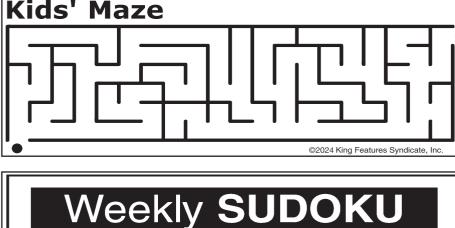
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OUR WALK IN FAITH

Elkhorn Community Fellowship

126 N Cedar St. Townsend

Pastor Eric Crusch (406) 949-0183

Sunday: 11:00am- Services

Wednesday: 4:00 - 5:30pm Team KID for K - 5th Grades

6:00 - 7:30pm Youth Group for 6 - 12th Grades

Faith Baptist Church

5 Jack Farm Rd. Townsend

Pastor Mike Wenzel (406) 266-4219

Sunday: 10:00am Sunday School | 11:00am Morning

Service | 6:00pm Evening Service

Wednesday: 7:00pm Bible Study & Prayer

Holy Cross Catholic Church

101 S Walnut St. Townsend

Parish Contact (406) 266-4811

email: office@holycrossmt.org

Sunday: 3:30pm - 4:15pm (or by appt.) Reconciliation 4:30pm- Mass | 5:30pm (during the school year) Dinner

with 6:00pm Religious Ed for all Grades

Adult Education Programs found on holycrossmt.org

Monday: 9:00am Mass | 9:30am Adoration

Tuesday: 9:00am Mass

Mountain Valley Church (of the CMA)

110 E Street Townsend

Pastor Eric Krueger (406) 465-5895

MountainValleyChurch.org

Sunday: 10:00am Services with Nursery, Kids and Youth

Last Thursday of the month: 6:30-8:00pm The Rock

Youth Ministry: K-3rd Grades and 4th-Senior High |

Parent Bible Study Livestream: Facebook.com/mountainValleyChurch406

Life groups meet weekly. Call for more information.

Radersburg Baptist Church

7 Main St. Radersburg

Pastor Richard Summerlin (406) 410-0458 Sunday: 9:45am Sunday School | 11:00am Worship

Set Free Christian Fellowship

318 Broadway St. Townsend; PO Box 1163 Pastor Carol Bergstad (406) 461-2181

Sunday: 9:30am Service | 7:00pm Set Free Recovery

Seventh Day Adventist Church

200 N Cedar St. Townsend

Pastor Ney Khut (269)-362-5768

Saturday: 9:30 Service | 10:30am Bible Study

Synod

301 N Cherry St. Townsend

Sunday: 9:30am Services

ELCA meet.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

916 Broadway St. Townsend

Bishop Matt Graham (406) 266-4255

Meeting | 10:40am Sunday School

For Family History Center appointment call Director, Rebecca Mitchell, (406) 980-0270

Wednesday: 6:30pm Youth Activities

Townsend United Methodist Church

200 N Cedar St. Townsend

Sunday: 9:00am Services

| 10:00am Services

Grades | 6:15 - 8:00pm Youth Group for 7th–12th Grades

Weedy Words





A weed, a simple plant, can

become confusing and complicated when you start using words like invasive, introduced, exotic, native, non-native, naturalized or noxious to go with it. These words have distinct meanings that can be very important to the management and

identification of these plants. Let's start with the definition of a weed. A weed is simply a misplaced plant. It's a plant in a place where it is not

wanted. It could be a dandelion in your lawn. It could be wild oats in a wheat field. It could be a daisy in the middle of your vegetable garden. Basically, any plant could be a weed if it's growing where you want it to be. However, they often earn the name 'weed' though because they are often troublesome to nature by competing with the desirable plants for nutrients, water and light.

The next weedy word is an invasive plant. An invasive plant is also a weed, but a weed is not necessarily an invasive plant. Invasive species are plants that are not native. Another name for non-native plants is exotic or alien plants. These words can be used interchangeably. Basically, it is a plant that is in an area where it does not naturally exist. Invasive species are further defined under Federal Executive Order 13112 to be a species "whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health." Dandelions are a classic example of a weed. Dandelions are also an invasive species. They are native to Europe and Asia. Americans spend billions of dollars each year trying to control dandelions in their lawns causing a major economic impact.

Let's take a quick sidebar to define a native species, also called an indigenous species. There are lots of different definitions of 'native'. A generally accepted definition is that native plants are plants that grew naturally in the environment prior to the settlement of European immigrants. However, it is important to note that even within a plant's native country, it can become invasive. An example of this is the plant palmer amaranth. Palmer amaranth is native to the southwest U.S. and northern Mexico. However, it has been transported across the United States via crops and is a very serious invasive plant in other areas of the U.S. Some states have even designated it a noxious weed, which we

plant world. This is also a non-native plant that was introduced outside of its native range. Many common crops are great examples of non-native species that were intentionally introduced to produce food or fiber. Wheat originated in the Middle East and is now a major crop in Montana through genetic breeding. Some introduced plants live among us without any negative impacts on the environment, but others can become serious issues escaping their bounds to become invasive plants.

Some introduced plants even become naturalized. This means that the plant reproduces and disperses on its own once in a new environment. An example of a naturalized plant is smooth bromegrass. It was imported from Hungary in 1884. It is now well established across the United States in mountain pastures and forests. The USDA even considers it a native grass in some areas.

The last term to define is noxious weed. A noxious weed is a plant that has been identified by a government body to be harmful to the environment, animals or human health. Noxious weeds are regulated and monitored by the government, and control or management of these weeds is required by law. In general, noxious weeds are non-native and invasive. The state of Montana has 36 plants designated as noxious weeds. Many of these may be familiar names including spotted knapweed, leafy spurge, houndstongue and Canada thistle. Additionally, Broadwater County has named six additional plants as noxious weeds including musk thistle, black henbane and burdock.

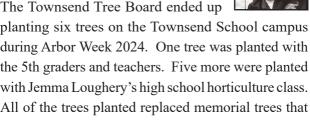
Noxious weeds affect more than 7.6 million acres in Montana and have many detrimental effects on the environment. They cause major ecological and economic impacts by displacing desirable or native plants, altering ecosystems, decreasing land value, and decreasing forage available for wildlife and livestock. Management of noxious weeds is extremely important.

MSU Extension in Broadwater County is an excellent resource for the identification and control of all types of weeds. Additionally, the Broadwater County Weed District is a resource for managing noxious weeds. Earlier this year, the Weed District started a cost-share program for control of noxious weeds in the county. Contact the MSU Extension Office in Broadwater County at 406-266-9242 or the Broadwater County Weed District at 406-266-9243.

Tree Board Completes Planting for Arbor Day/Week

Patrick Plantenberg

Tree Board Chair



were planted on the campus and lost due to new school construction. The trees planted replaced trees planted for Terry Frost, Kris Rains, Brett Toney, the Rains family, and for Levi Groth.

So far in 2024, the Tree Board has received a \$7,500

Thursday: 7:00pm Bible Study

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church ELCA

Council President Margie Urich (406) 599-9848

Second Tuesday of the month: 6:00pm Women of the

Bible Studies meet weekly. Call for more information.

Sunday: 8:30am Choir Practice | 9:30am Sacrament

Wednesday: 6:00 - 9:00pm Family History Center Open

Pastor Mele Moa (406) 266-3390

TownsendUMC.org

Trailhead Christian Fellowship

20 Trailhead View Dr. (5 mi. north of Townsend)

Pastor Mark Roelofs (406) 266-4406 Sunday: 9:00am Sunday School and Christian Education

Wednesday: 4:25 - 5:50pm Awana Program for K- 6th

An introduced species is another common term in the

grant from Graymont and an \$850 Tree City USA grant to help pay for the 2024 trees to be planted in Broadwater County. This grant money allowed the Tree Board to purchase a total of 192 trees in 2024.

Thank you to Graymont and Tree City USA for these

generous donations. During Arbor Week, the horticulture students also helped bolt a Hot Wings maple tree together at 400

windstorm. The tree was temporarily strapped together by the owners, JB and Monica Howick. Monica asked the Tree Board if they wanted to do the surgery as part of a training class for the horticulture class. This is the

second tree the high school students have had a chance

N. Walnut. The tree split on an upper crotch during a

to save in Townsend.

SENIOR

Carrot and Celery Sticks

SR. CENTER MEALS June 3 - June 7

516 2nd Street, Townsend MT 406-266-3995

Monday, June 3

Beef Stroganoff Egg Noodles German Vegetables Carrot Raisin Salad Whole Grain Bread

Tuesday, June 4 Fish Patty on a Bun

Fruit Cocktail

Green Peas Coleslaw Mandarin Oranges

Wednesday, June 5 Chef Salad

Whole Grain Bread Pineapple Dessert

Thursday, June 6

BBQ Chicken Breast Wild Rice Key Largo Vegetables Garden Salad with Beans

Whole Grain Bread

Applesauce Friday, June 7 Cabbage Rolls

Mashed Potatoes Green Beans

Whole Grain Bread Apricot Halves





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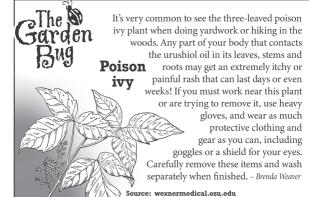
In small towns, everybody knows everybody. This can be good and bad, if you do something bad the whole town finds out soon! However, if you know most everyone around your small town, you are never alone. People wave to you just walking down the street, they may stop and ask you how you are if you have been sick, they will tell you all about the cold they have. A short walk can become an hour's marathon. You do learn all about the folks of your town, whether you want to or not.

In a big city "unless" you go out of your way to talk to someone, they won't respond. Even then you will get a vacant stare like "Why are you talking to me? I don't know you; you could be planning to murder me". In a small town, most everyone looks you in the eye when they speak to you. A city? Those folks won't look at you at all, never mind actually look you in the eye.

I see every day around here, people stopping to help one another. In a city if you need help with something you have to hire it done. City folks most times don't even know their neighbors, AT ALL! They hide in their little apartments, or big brownstone buildings watching out their windows "from behind their curtains" to watch the world go by. I have needed help with moving things several times, (hey, I'm old, ok?) I even had a guy stop behind my truck where I was trying to lift a massive, heavy box of apples into my truck. He jumped out and asked me if I needed a hand, and he helped me load the box. Good neighbors are all around us in small towns.

Folks driving around town will wave at a second's notice. People in a city will stare straight ahead, not daring to look out their windows! (Somebody might want something EEK.) City dwellers are a sad lot, they think because they have money or social standing they can't trust others. Caution is fine as long as you don't take it to the extreme and hide from the world. Most times trust must be earned, and many times that takes a leap of faith. The old saying is: "Trust, but verify". Although, if you do an online search on everyone around, you have serious problems.

In "our" small town Spring has sprung, get outside and enjoy each other's company as well as do some yard work. That rat's nest you have been neglecting all year NEEDS some love! I really need to train my Squirrels to take care of the lawn, it IS their carpet they should do some of the work around here. Enjoy our spring folks and celebrate the small-town feeling. Remember: the crazy people in the park, MIGHT be on their cell phone and not just talking or screaming at the empty air.



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(E)BITUARY

Herman Hankins

Family of Herman Hankins

Herman F. Hankins, 77, passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 19, 2024. Cremation has taken place and Herman requested that his ashes be spread on top of Square Butte Mountain, this will be done at a later date.

Herman's wishes were for receptions to be held at the Broadwater Post 42, 211 Broadway, Townsend, MT on Friday, June 7, 2024, from 3-5 pm and at the VFW Clubhouse, 1411 Main Street Fort Benton, MT on Saturday, June 8, 2024, from 3-5 pm. Please visit Herman's online memorial to send a card or leave a message of condolence for his family at www.bentonfh.com.



Herman Hankins Photo Credits: Herman Hankins Family

He was born August 16, 1946, in Fort Benton to Arba and Peggy (Clark) Hankins.

Herman was a Navy veteran; did various jobs; was an owner of businesses and a Member of Teamsters. His favorite pastimes were trapping and shooting pool. He won many championships, trophies, and awards.

Below are some excerpts from an article written by Curt Synness, Helena, MT:

"Herman "Herk" Hankins ranks among the Capital City area's all-time iconic pool players. Hankins possessed a smooth, powerful stroke, a solid bridge, and an encyclopedic knowledge of the angles. He has eyes like an eagle, hands like a brain surgeon, and the guts of a burglar. Herk mastered most of the sport's most difficult shots, including jumps and masses, and he could play all the games, 9-ball, 8-ball, 14.1 straight pool, one pocket, bank shot, etc.... Herman ran the table over a thousand times over the years, with lifetime PRs of 8 consecutive table runs in 9-ball and an 82-ball straight pool run."

Surviving him is daughter, Lorraine Hankins; stepsons, William Turner and Richard Turner; sister Peggy R (Ed) Romano and brother Roy R. Hankins.

Herman is preceded in death by his parents Arba and Peggy (Clark) Hankins; son, Loran Hankins; brother, Arba Allen Hankins and sister Betty Gertrude Hankins.



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Letter of Support for Ric Holden

Dear Editor,

The upcoming election for the Eastern Montana 2nd U.S. Congressional seat has nine candidates vying for the Republican nomination. I am endorsing Ric Holden.

Ric Holden and I both graduated from Absarokee High School in 1980, so I have known him for many years. He holds a degree in Business Management from Montana State University - Bozeman, with double minors in Business Finance and Business Marketing. During college, he served in the US Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps.

Ric and his wife Jan have been married for 41 years. As a dedicated Montana rancher, Ric purchased their ranch on the banks of the Yellowstone River between Terry and Glendive in 1990 and has been ranching for 33 years. He is deeply involved in agriculture, raising sheep, cattle, corn, alfalfa, and small grain crops.

In his political career, Ric served in the Montana State Senate, earning legislative A ratings from the Montana Stockgrowers, Montana Farm Bureau, Montana Woolgrowers Association and the National Rifle Association. He also served as Chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee and Vice Chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee. Ric is committed to supporting and improving the lives of Montana families. Throughout the time I have known him, his skills and knowledge have proven invaluable to his community and state.

Ric is intelligent, compassionate, and dedicated to Montana. He understands that a strong and healthy agribusiness sector is crucial for a robust Montana economy, benefiting everyone. He is reliable, willing to tackle all issues, and ready to put in the necessary hours as a congressman.

I have great respect and admiration for Ric's intelligence and dedication to working for Montana's agricultural families and the state as a whole. Montana is fortunate to have a candidate of his caliber and dedication, bringing fresh perspectives to the national level.

Join me in voting Ric Holden for Eastern Montana 2nd U.S Congressman on June 4.

Mark Branger

Billings, Montana

Dear Editor:

As a congressional candidate I am always getting asked the question, what are you going to do about the rising costs of electricity in Montana? I must go back to the years that I spent in the state senate. I recall very clearly when the liberal politicians decided to attack Montana's natural resource industries in earnest. The year was 1995 and the state legislature was in session. I believed that our state needed jobs for our children. I was pitted against those that sought to close all mining, including coal production.

Here we are in 2024 and we need more electricity, and the same liberal forces are seeking the closure of all coal mining in Montana. The Obama and Biden administrations have successfully sought the closures and dismantling of the power plants in Billings and Sidney. Montana has the largest recoverable coal reserves in the U.S. representing 30% of our nation's coal. About 45% of our electricity is produced by in-state coal-fired power plants. I see this as a good thing.

The power plants continue to run even on below-zero

days when the wind is dead calm with no hope of generating electricity from a wind turbine. Our coal is of the clean-burning variety. The power plants now have filters on the exhaust stacks that just basically

If you want to see your power bill go down, then support policies that will allow our coal miners to mine coal and let our power plants generate clean electricity for Montana. That is what I will support as your congressman. Geologists told us back in the 1990s that we have 2000 years of coal reserves in Montana. We should not let our coal go to waste. Let's produce electricity with a proven product and generate so much electricity that we should not have to worry about a shortage. Power companies need to control costs and examine their operations so that they are not bilking families to enrich their shareholders. Your bills will go down if we can generate electricity by using our Montana natural resources. It will take a change in mentality, but it can be done.

Ric Holden

Candidate for Montana's 2nd Congressional District

Letter of Support for Ric Holden

I support Ric Holden for candidate for the second congressional district in Montana.

Ric, being a native Montanan, has successfully built from scratch a working farm and ranch operation near Glendive with his wife, Jan, of 41 years, while raising three children. After graduating from Absarokee High School, Ric continued his education at MSU Bozeman and served in the Air Force Reserve. He served in the state legislature for 12 years.

Early on Ric felt the duty to protect the Montanan way of life, one of hard work and honesty, by standing up for his fellow man to ensure fair and just opportunities for all. Ric's clear vision for our country's greatness yet untapped and hindered by big government, will use down-home common sense and will do all he can to achieve these goals. His solid conservative voting record leaves no doubt he will represent Montanan in Washington DC with honorable unyielding efforts.

His strong ethical Christian values have guided him throughout his life sharing his home with foreign exchange students and his land with fellow sportsmen through the block management program since its inception.

I've personally known Ric for over 60 years and can attest to his strong character of sound moral integrity who stands behind his word.

I stand with Ric Holden as he earnestly and diligently strives to help fix the problems facing our state and country. He will make Montanans proud as he focuses on keeping this great nation exceptional.

Richard Moser

Bridger, MT 59015

Dear Editor,

As the primary election is fast approaching, I would like to inform everyone that I am running for the Clerk of District Court but my name is not on the primary ballot in June. It will be on the November ballot.

I will be out visiting with everyone, but if I miss you please feel free to reach out to me at audreyplymale 11@ gmail.com if you have any questions or concerns.

Don't forget to vote or turn in your ballot by June 4, 2024.

Thanks,

Audrey Plymale

Candidate for the Clerk of District Court

Broadwater County Commissioners Agenda

Daylene Hansen

Administrative Assistant

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bulletin board), on our website at www.broadwatercountymt. com, in the window of the Flynn Building at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting, and in the local MT43 Newspaper. Monday, June 3, 2024

10:00 AM Public Hearing, Bill Jarocki, County Administra-

tive Officer, Presentation of Preliminary County Budget 10:10 AM County Department Preliminary Budget

3:00 PM Working Meeting with Bill Jarocki, County

Administrative Officer, regarding projects and deadlines.

This will be in the Commission Office

Wednesday, June 5, 2024

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

10:00 AM Public Hearing, Bill Jarocki, County Administrative Officer, Proposed Solid Waste Budget and **Finance Strategy** 10:20 AM Discussion/Decision, Resolution For The Es-

tablishment of Fees for Processing Petitions to Abandon a County Road and Petitions to Discontinue a Street Or Alley In An Unincorporated Town Or Townsite 10:25 AM Discussion/Decision, Ruby Taylor, Public

Health Director, Task Order Number 25-07-1-01-105-0, **Strengthening Public Health Workforce**

10:30 AM Discussion/Decision, Broadwater Rural Fire **District Bylaws** 10:35 AM Discussion/Decision, Lease #5935, Between

the Department of Revenue and Broadwater County 10:40 AM Discussion/Decision, Nichole Brown, Community **Development and Planning Director, Stites Boundary**

Items for Discussion / Action / Review / Signature

- Consent Agenda Certificate of Survey review

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Broadwater County Commission Meeting on June 10th

Trust Board Meeting on June 11th at 11:30 AM

- Broadwater County Planning Board Meeting on June
- Broadwater County Solid Waste Board Meeting on June 11th at 6:00 PM
- LAC (Mental Health Advisory) Meeting on June 12th Broadwater County Commission Meeting on June 17th
- at 10:00 AM City/County Parks & Recreation Board Meeting on June 17th at 6:00 PM
- Broadwater County Three Forks and Townsend Districts Mosquito Board Meeting June 18th at 4:00 PM Broadwater County Noxious Weed Board Meeting on
 - June 18th at 7:00 PM Broadwater County Airport Board Meeting on June
 - 19th at 6:00 PM Broadwater County Fair Board Meeting on June 20th
- Broadwater County Commission Meeting on June 26th at 10:00 AM

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

County, Rodeo Association Agree to Lease After Contentious Negotiations

Linda Kent

MT43 News Staff Reporter

The Broadwater Rodeo and Fair Association signed off on a new, five-year lease agreement for the county's fair and rodeo grounds on May 22, paving the way for this year's rodeo and fair to move forward as planned.

"I hope that everybody understands that we want to see this happen, too," Commission Chair Darrel Folkvord said. "We know this is a benefit to our community. We know the heritage involved and all of those who have worked over the years to create this... Please don't think we're taking that lightly. The contracts that we're trying to put in place are, from our perspective, in the best interest of the county."

The process was anything but easy.

Commissioners signed a version of the lease at their May 8 meeting, with at least nine versions of the contract floated at one point or another. However, long-time association member Vince Thompson told the commission, "This agreement was signed without the rodeo association ever seeing the May 8 agreement. And it was sent out to a number of groups and the association did not see it, so negotiations on this agreement were not handled correctly. We were not given a chance to see if the concerns we had [raised] were in the agreement."

Speaking to the commission, Denise Thompson, a longtime rodeo association leader, also emphasized the often unnecessarily difficult process of communicating changes to the agreement, with multiple drafts of the agreement being circulated without clear indication of which was the most current. The parties were back and forth on the documents for three months.

More upsetting to many of those who spoke at the meeting was the commission and county attorney's office's apparent disregard for or lack of understanding of the county and association's decades-long working relationship. Rodeo Association Director Jessica Graveley told commissioners that beyond the money brought to the community through rodeo events, the rodeo grounds

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are a symbol of the community's way of life.

Over 60 years, at its own expense, the association has built and maintained much of the infrastructure – from the arena and grandstands to the ticket booth and fencing – that allow events to take place throughout

Also of concern was the inclusion of a "Termination of Convenience" clause, that would allow either party to end the lease for no reason on 180 days' notice. Vince Thompson told the commission that such a clause puts the association in a difficult position when it comes to the improvement and maintenance work the group does each year.

County Attorney Cory Swanson told the association that the county has "no intention of kicking [the rodeo association] out and dispossessing" the association from the fairgrounds and the decades of improvements members have made.

Additionally, the Rodeo Association Secretary has held responsibility for scheduling for all events, Lisa Larson told commissioners, including acting as first point of contact when the grounds have been needed for emergency use.

"It saddens me greatly to see the work, the dedication, and the love of our community go down the tubes each time we have to come in front of the commission to ask to recess our lease agreement," Larson said. "An agreement that was originally a 99-year lease that has gone to ten-year leases and now to a possible 5-year lease."

Vince Thompson said the association's directors agreed to sign off on a lease dated May 17, and exercise the amendments clause to ensure an agreement was in place so planned events could move forward. The updated lease includes mediation clauses as well as assurances that the rodeo association will be a party to county growth planning around the fair and rodeo

The commission, Swanson, and members of the rodeo board will work toward refining the lease to better address the existing relationship between the county and the association at the facility.



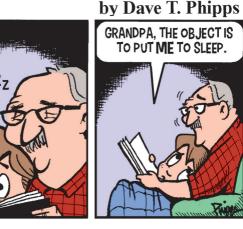
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A few years ago, Darrik Carraway, who was manager of Whittaker Guns in Kentucky back then, invited us for a turkey hunt. Not wanting to come empty-handed, I made up a fairly large batch of sausage. I had no idea what we'd do with it, but Darrik's dad, Doug, was an avid barbecuer. He'd shot a turkey that morning, and as soon as he heard the word 'sausage' had a plan: cubed and brined turkey breast, sausage, on skewers, cooked on his Traeger grill. Doug was a genius. There were no leftovers!

If you don't have a Traeger, or its kin, the good news is you can just grill these kabobs, over medium heat (about 350-400°F). Some advice? Put the sausage together in advance. So let's start with that.

Hot Brats

Makes 1½ pounds

Ingredients

- 1½ teaspoons baking soda, dissolved in
- 3 tablespoons cold water
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 12 ounces ground venison 12 ounces ground pork fat
- 2 bay leaves, broken into crumbs
- 4 cloves garlic, chopped

- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1 teaspoon dried leaf thyme
- 1 teaspoon white sugar
- 1 ½ teaspoons non-iodized salt
- ½ teaspoon white pepper
- ½ teaspoon red pepper flakes

Preparation:

1. Stir the baking soda and water together in a stand mixer bowl. When the baking soda is dissolved completely, stir the beaten the liquids just to get the mixing started, then set the



shield in place to keep the meat in place.

2. Mix on medium speed for 2 full minutes, or until the mix hangs tight to the mixing blades as in the photo. It's shaped like a wasp's nest, and will hang there 10 minutes or more, not 1 teaspoon falling off. In scientific terms, 2 minutes mixing plus egg & baking soda have broken down the meat protein so it bonds to the fat.

Put the sausage into a resealable bag and chill or freeze until your turkey is ready.

Assembling and Cooking:

- 1. To brine the turkey breast, cut into $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2" chunks and place in a bowl with 2 cups cold water, 2 tablespoons salt and 2 tablespoons brown sugar, cover tightly, then refrigerate 24 hours. Pre-heat your Traeger or grill, assemble the kabobs, rolling the sausage into balls the same size as the turkey chunks, and cook.
- They won't take long, but do turn them several times, until a meat thermometer reads 165°F. Just turn them when light grill marks are visible, side to side to side, and use that meat thermometer often.
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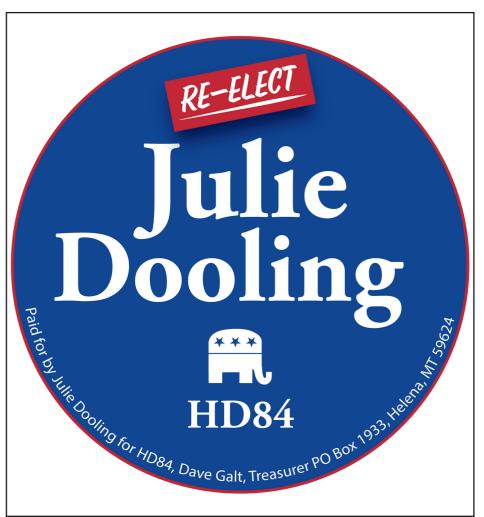
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May 30

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Doings of a Week

Jack Lacey, the gentlemanly, polished, female heartbreaker mixologist in the Townsend House emporium, put on a new front this week. Nobody knows where he got it, but just the same, he has it.

Chas. Kanouse went to Madison county Tuesday, via the automobile, with a land buyer who is looking over some farming property Kanouse has in that county

Doc and the Dog

The Opinion man has noted since he has been in town that any time you want to find Dr. Gilham first find the dog and you have found Doc. The other day a stranger in town was looking for the doctor and asked a passerby where he could be found at that time, he was told to look around and when he found a Chesapeake pup – not a houn' variety – lurking around on the sidewalk the doctor would be in easy distance. He walked a block, saw the dog, stepped in to the first door and found the doctor.

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Personal News

Harold Slater and a group of boys who hiked in to the Tizer lakes above Crow Creek last week-end following the closing of school, departed for his home in Lewistown.

Miss Helen Connors, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J.S. Connors, and other members of her family here for the past three weeks, expects to go into Yellowstone Park Saturday to commence summer operations. Miss Helen is head auditor for the Yellowstone Transportation Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Carson and little daughter, Helen, spent the week-end in Valier visiting Mr. Carson's sister, Mrs. James Tidyman and family.

Five young people of Townsend took part in a piano recital at the Placer Hotel in Helena Monday evening, pupils of Javin and Justine Pfeiffer. They were Ann and Pat Ragen, Shirley Sautter, Norma Morris, and Louise Kieckbusch. Their parents accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Hilderbrand and daughter, Dorothy, of Helena were out from Helena for Sunday spending the day with Mrs. K. Huth. Miss Dorothy will depart for Los Angeles Thursday where, on the 15th, she will be wed to Louis Houston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Houston of Townsend.

1968

Townsend Water Tower Photogenic

At the Film and TV Awards Banquet held at Montana State University in Bozeman Emmanuel R. Quintero received the trophy for the best color photography with his photo of the Townsend water tower. Quintero, a major in Film and TV at MSU, is married to the former Mary Lee Etzwiler.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Sprout attended the Varsity-Alumni football game at Western Montana College in Dillon Friday evening. Their son, Dale, played for the varsity.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Graham and family moved to

Helena Saturday where they will make their home. Allen Lundborg and Tom Ragen left Friday for

Portland where they will be joined by Bob Lundborg of Chalis, Wash. and all will enjoy some spring skiing at Timberline Lodge, Mt. Hood.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Whaley hosted a family gathering Sunday in honor of their niece, Mrs. Robert Wells and daughters of Tulsa, Okla. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Whaley of Canyon Ferry, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Barraugh and daughters of Helena, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Huth and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Huth and family, Mr. and Mrs. Heinie Huth and family, Brad Lane, Mrs. Henry Huth and Bill Huth.

Mrs. John Ragen, Patti and Danny left Friday to

join Mr. Ragen and Ed Ragen at Assiniboine Downs, St. Charles, Manitoba, Canada where they will be for the summer with their race horses.

1996

"...the glory of their spirit"

Driven indoors by rain, members of Townsend veteran organizations and the public gathered Monday at the American Legion Club to pay tribute to meanings of Memorial Day that run deeper than barbecues, family outings and a holiday from the work week. "We must remember those who never had the chance to celebrate because they paid the ultimate price during wartime," said Rep. Gay Ann Masolo (R-Townsend), keynote speaker for the second year in a row for the ceremony. "They never got a chance to go camping, boating, fishing and have barbecues on Memorial Day."

In history's 128th observation of Memorial Day, Masolo also reflected on the spirit of faith demonstrated by those who came home from wars. She quoted the words of Capt. Gerald Coffee, expressed to his church after he had been held as a Prisoner of War for seven years in Viet Nam. "Faith was really the key to my survival all those years. Faith in myself to simply pursue my duty to the best of my ability and ultimately return home with honor. Faith in my fellow man, starting with all of you here, knowing you would be looking out for my family, and faith in my comrades in those various cells and cell blocks in prison, men upon whom I depended and who in turn depended on me, sometimes desperately. Faith in my country, its institutions and our national purpose and cause...And, or course, faith in God – truly, as all of you know, the foundation for it all..."

Masolo encouraged the group to recognize the efforts it took to make America what it is today. "You don't see people standing in line to get out of our country – only to get into our country."

Following the ceremony, members of the Color Guard gave a presentation at the Broadwater Center Nursing Home.



Our Fallen Veterans Honored on Memorial Day

Janet Wagner

American Legion

American Legion - Post 42 honored our fallen veterans this Memorial Day May 27, at 11:00 am at Memorial Park on Broadway in Townsend, MT.

Many Townsend residents attended. The residents of the Billings Clinic transitional care facility came over to the park, enjoyed the beautiful weather and joined us in honoring our veterans.

Larry Westfall, our Post 42 commander led the ceremony. Post Chaplain Holly Hendrickson and Auxiliary Chaplain Judy Lund, led prayers and spoke the names of Post and Auxiliary members who have passed since 2023 Memorial Day.



Post 42 American Legion Commander Larry Westfall and Post Chaplain Holly Hendrickson at the podium during Memorial Day services.
Photo Credits: Sharon Doig

Sen Daines' office was represented by Eliza McLaughlin. Eliza read a heartfelt letter from Senator Daines. Townsend Mayor, Vickie Rauser, gave a very profound speech. Jane Gillette, our State Representative and Post 42 member shared her military history and gave honors to those who have given their lives for our freedom.

Johnny Kougioulis and Channel Stevens sang the National Anthem.

The Post honor guard performed a rifle salute and taps were played.

Many thanks to the Post, Auxiliary and SAL members who consistently make our events run smoothly and honor our veterans, their families and our community.

A free/donations taco bar lunch was provided by Post 42, Mark Boaz and Dave Corner, with Post and Auxiliary volunteers served, up a great meal.



Channel Stevens and Johnny Kougioulis perform the national anthem during Memorial Day services at Memorial Park on Monday. Photo Credits: Sharon Doig

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The sign was hung Friday, May 24, making the office location change official. Photo Credits: Brenda Phillips

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Feel free to come by, check out our new location and say hello!