

Deputy back home after stabbing, prayer vigil held in Malta

by The Phillips County Sheriff's Office

On the 27th of July at approx 3:09 a.m., Phillips County Dispatch received a call from a motorist stating he saw a young man walking down the middle of the highway wearing only underwear. When the man refused a ride, the motorist gave him a sweatshirt and continued on his way. The motorist called 911 as soon as service was available.

Deputy Alan Guderjahn was dispatched to the area but initially could not find him. Guderjahn traveled several miles south and then north again. After stopping at a vehicle he identified as that belonging to Ambrose Mecklenburg. Guderjahn continued north on Highway 191 until he saw a male walking down the highway which he recognized as Mecklenburg.

Deputy Guderjahn stopped and spoke with Mecklenburg offering him a ride to town, but the offer was refused. While speaking with Mecklenburg, Mecklenburg pulled a knife and attacked Guderjahn with a taser which was ineffective. Guderjahn was forced to deploy lethal force by discharging his firearm which resulted in the death of Mecklenburg.

After receiving several cuts and stabs to his head, arm,

and torso, Deputy Guderjahn attempted to render first aid to himself, but because of the quantity of cuts, their location, and the amount of blood loss he was unable to until other motorists arrived. When the first deputy arrived on scene, he loaded Guderjahn into his patrol vehicle and met the responding ambulance transferring care to them.

The scene was secured by Sheriff Moran and Deputies. Due to this being an officer involved shooting the State of Montana Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation was immediately contacted by

Phillips County Sheriff Scott Moran. Agents later arrived on scene and took control of the investigation. Mecklenburg was transported to Billings for an autopsy by the Fergus County Coroner who will also conduct the Coroner's Inquest into the death.

Deputy Guderjahn was transported to the Phillips County Emergency Room then flown to Great Falls for treatment of his wounds. Guderjahn was released on Thursday the 28th of July and returned home. The Division of Criminal Investigation and the Fergus County Coroner's Office continue to investigate the incident. Evidence has been collected and interviews are being conducted.

Sheriff Moran would like to personally acknowledge and thank Dave Engen of Billings,

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Phillips County Sheriff's Deputy Alan Guderjahn.



Get well wishes for Phillips County Sheriff's Deputy Alan Guderjahn last Wednesday during a prayer vigil held at Front Street / Veteran's Memorial Park.

by Mark Hebert markpcnews@gmail.com

Nearly 60 people showed up to Malta's Front Street Park on Wednesday evening following an incident earlier that day which left Phillips County Sheriff Deputy Alan Guderjahn in the hospital and in which 20-year-old Ambrose E. Mecklenburg lost his life.

Candles were lit for the victims and a prayer circle was formed before Malta resident Kelly McCann started the ceremony. "Thank you for coming out in the rain tonight to honor our injured and our lost," McCann said. "Today we meet to send out prayers and positive thoughts to Deputy Guderjahn who now lays injured in a hospital in Great Falls and to thank him for the physical sacrifice he's made in selflessly defending us."

McCann said he hoped that Deputy Guderjahn and his family are able to move forward from the incident and able to heal and find peace in the days to come.

"It is also important for us to understand that to the creator, all life is precious," McCann continued. "We need to remember that all of us, even our Lord Jesus Christ, had a mother and today a life was taken and a life was lost and our prayers go out to the young man who died."

Following a moment of silence, Pastor Joe Haney led a prayer. "Heavenly Father, we want to come before you today and our prayers ascend to you, oh Lord, we are reminded of the family who lost a loved one and we pray for them that you will comfort them and are near to them. We pray for our brother who has fallen and just ask that you, oh Lord, continue to give the doctor's wisdom as they deal with his injuries. Lord we pray that Alan would heal from the inside out and also heal from the stress that comes from an injury that has happened like this."

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Quick response saves burning home in Malta

by Mark Hebert markpcnews@gmail.com

Larissa Allery was the down the block from her home in Malta last Wednesday night, babysitting for a friend when she got a frightening phone call.

"I got the call at 11:26," Allery told the PCN on Thursday. "My boyfriend called me and said there was a fire at our house."

Allery was told by officials that the

fire was started when a ceiling fan near the back of the trailer home that had been disconnected arched and started the blaze. She said the firefighters at the scene had to poke holes all along the roof looking for hotspots and had the entire fire contained in about 90 minutes.

"They all responded very quickly," Allery said. "They were called right away and a lot of people showed up. There were ambulances, EMTs, firefighters... I just want to thank them

all very much."

Allery said her boyfriend, Dan Anderson, was home alone in the house when he heard a loud pop. He went to the back of the trailer, to a room her father used to live in, to investigate the noise and found the smoke everywhere and both the floor of the home and the ceiling were on fire.

"He called 911 and said that in about

Debit card numbers hacked in Malta and beyond

Dozens of Malta residents woke up last Wednesday and found purchases from a Missoula Walmart on their bank statements. Problem is, none of them were in Missoula to make said purchases.

Over a two-day span, stolen debit card numbers were used to make purchases at the Missoula Wal Mart store. Phillips County Sheriff Scott Moran has contacted the Missoula Police Department and Walmart for transaction information and videos. Moran told the PCN on Thursday that local banks are supplying the Sheriff's Office information which he is forwarding with the Walmart records to the FBI as he receives it and that the FBI is assisting in the investigation.

Moran said that the hacked debit cards weren't isolated to Malta and towns across the eastern part of the Hi-Line were also having the same problem. If you have had your debit card illegally used, you are encouraged to have a complaint form signed at the sheriff's office as soon as possible.

PHILLIPS COUNTY FAIR

See you there

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4
10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Registration: 4-H - Steel Building. Weigh scale opens at 10:00 a.m.
2 p.m. Weigh Scale Closes for Animals to be weighed
4 p.m. Judging will take place in the following order: Swine Showmanship and Market Swine

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5
7 a.m. 4-H/ First State Bank Breakfast
8 a.m. Judging will take place in the following order: - Beef Showmanship, Market Beef, Breeding Beef
10 a.m. - 2 p.m. 4-H Interview judging begins - Steel Building
12 p.m. Judging of Sheep Showmanship, Market and Breeding then Breeding Goats
3 p.m. Small Animal Judging - Cats, Dogs, Rabbits then Poultry
2 p.m. - 8 p.m. Steel building open to public when judging is finished
7 p.m. Sawyer Brown/ Forgotten

Highway Concert
Following the Concert, Street Dance with Forgotten Highway

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6
7 a.m. 4-H/ First Security Bank Breakfast
8 a.m. Round Robin Showmanship
9:30 a.m. 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale
10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Steel Building Exhibits open
12 p.m. AMX Races
6 p.m. Demolition Derby
Street Dance to follow Demo Derby

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7
7 a.m. 4-H/ Independence Bank/ CHS Breakfast
11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Steel Building Exhibits open
2 p.m. Parade of Champions before

See Fair events, Transit schedule page 8A

7 Day Forecast: Sun with a bit of clouds this week for the Phillips County Fair.



Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
H: 79° L: 51° Rain: 0% Wind: W 28	H: 82° L: 54° Rain: 0% Wind: WNW 8 MPH	H: 89° L: 59° Rain: 0% Wind: ESE 15	H: 87° L: 59° Rain: 0% Wind: ESE 16 MPH	H: 88.5° L: 57° Rain: 20% Wind: ESE 11 MPH	H: 83° L: 54° Rain: 40% Wind: NE 9 MPH	H: 82° L: 56° Rain: 10% Wind: WNW 11 MPH
Record High: 103°, 1983 Record Low: 40°, 1978	Record High: 102°, 1964 Record Low: 34°, 1904	Record High: 105°, 1949 Record Low: 39°, 1977	Record High: 108°, 1983 Record Low: 38°, 1898	Record High: 108°, 1949 Record Low: 41°, 1942	Record High: 102°, 1970 Record Low: 37°, 1985	Record High: 101°, 1940 Record Low: 37°, 1985

OPINION & EDITORIAL

Water closet chronicle

by Parker Heinlein
Outdoors columnist

The property on Fort Peck Lake that my wife and I bought last year included a cabin, a dock and assorted outbuildings. Foremost among them is an outhouse.

It's grandfathered into the covenants. I can't move it or tear it down and rebuild it, but I can sure use it.

I've always enjoyed the outhouse experience and it certainly beats leaning up against a tree.

There's a one-holer up on the border at an old homestead I visit a few times every fall. It's miles from anywhere, yet offers a civilized sit-down to the needy passerby. There's always toilet paper hidden inside under an empty coffee can. I leave a fresh roll if it's running low.

When I used to hunt up the West Boulder I always started the day with a trip to the outhouse at the campground there. An older Forest Service model, it has but one small, screen window that lets in little light. Usually arriving there before dawn, I'd prop open the door so I could see what I was doing.

I did the same thing with my outhouse at the lake until the crowds began arriving this summer.



When Barb and I stayed at the cabin last winter the water was turned off so we couldn't use the inside facilities. But because nobody was around, we'd leave the outhouse door open and enjoy the view while we took care of business.

Now that it's summer we're more discreet. We close the door.

Besides offering a seat with a view, our outhouse at the lake also provides a place to visit. It's a three-holer, however, we haven't yet found a trio that's comfortable sharing that setting.

And there's only one padded toilet seat. Plop down over one of the other two holes and you risk splinters in your backside.

Although I can't change the exterior, which is clad in old corrugated tin roofing, I plan to do a bit of work on the inside, add a couple of toilet seats and maybe hang a painting to give us something to talk about when we're packed inside.

We haven't had any critters in the outhouse that we know of, but the privy at the boat ramp less than a mile away has a sign on the door cautioning users to check for rattlesnakes before stepping inside. I always expect something to bite me when I'm in an outhouse anyway so I always look in all the corners before sitting down. If there's a snake inside, I'll head for the house.

As much as I like my outhouse, I'm positively giddy over indoor plumbing.

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Heavy heart at the PCN this week

His Own Drum
by Mark Hebert

It was hard to get out of bed and come to work on Thursday morning. It was a rough week in Phillips County and the thought of having to report on the tragic things that have taken place in our community recently left me lethargic and depressed.



At big media outlets, the idea is to get the news - good or bad - out as fast as possible. I received several calls on Wednesday morning from reporters looking for information, photos and quotes. At first, I was hesitant to help these folks in their quest. It seems like more often than not, the only time we hear from the media in larger locations than ours is when something bad is happening

or has happened. That's the news, I suppose, so after some inner struggle, I assisted these reporters because at the end of the day, whether you like it or not, the news was going to be reported with or without me and at least this way, I knew the information I was providing was accurate and responsible.

Unlike media outside of Phillips County, I am more accountable making sure that facts are reported and done so delicately. It's not often that you will be standing in line at Albertsons with the publisher of the Great Falls Tribune (and how would you know if you were) but I am in that store (sometimes several times per day because I am always forgetting things) shoulder to shoulder with this paper's readership. I have a responsibility to error on the

side of caution because I not only report on our community, but also a member of it. The news of Wednesday's horrific incident will be reported, but I ask that the readership of this paper to have patience and understanding if said news lags a bit.

I am so thankful that Deputy Guderjahn is recovering from his wounds and is back in Phillips County with his family. I am thankful that no one was injured following a fire at a local residence on Wednesday night in which local firefighters, the sheriff's office and local EMTs arrived rapidly.

My heart aches for the family who lost their son and brother after the incident Wednesday morning. I can't imagine having to deal with something like that.

Shortly after hearing of the stabbing and shooting on

Wednesday morning, I got word that Gary Taylor of Saco passed away. Condolences to the Taylor family. In the brief time I knew Gary, he was a friend and a mentor, never afraid to mince words and always full of positivity even if he wasn't feeling well.

The news of Gary's passing was followed by more bad news on Thursday afternoon as a friend was diagnosed with cancer and will soon go to surgery to hopefully get rid of the disease.

I don't know if I can handle any more bad news folks. Luckily, I am a part of the community I report on and I have you all to lean on in this time of need. If you need anything from me, or just someone to lean on, you know where to find me. This is a loving and charitable community and I am proud to live here.

Proud of the PCN staff

Play Ball!
by Pierre Bibbs

Last week our editor was out of town, which can be a daunting task for anyone that has little to no experience being an editor of a small town newspaper.

A lot goes into making a weekly newspaper when you have only a few reporters that have to help with every aspect of a newspaper.

But I have to say I am really proud of our staff. Everyone stepped up, including Evie our intern who wrote her first column in this very space last week.

Sarah and Deb were very proactive and for that I am grateful.

Though I stink at certain details during communication, we ran like a well oiled machine and it seemed as though we didn't miss a hitch.

We even hit our deadline to get the paper in head on.

Then Tuesday afternoon hit and due to circumstances out of anyone's control the paper got here a little late.

By a little late, I mean two hours late.

Two hours late meant that we weren't able to get every paper out Tuesday night.

The girls were great last Tuesday not only staying after regular work hours to get the papers ready for delivery.

I had no idea that they would stay and get the job done. I expected to be labeling the papers that night even after attending a three hour City Council Meeting. But the PCN ladies really surprised me by getting it done.

I lost a little sleep that night knowing that many readers wouldn't be getting the papers at the time that has become so normal.

The events that have happened around our community have been more than tough. My thoughts and prayers go out to everyone affected by those events.

It is crucial that we support our code enforcement and know that all life is precious.

I pray that this great country comes to an understanding and that the division that has been amongst us ends so we can set the tone for the rest of the world.



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Obituary

Gary Lawrence Taylor

Gary Lawrence Taylor, 68, passed away July 25, 2016 at his home south of Saco from complications of his illnesses. Gary was a life-long resident of the Saco community. Gary was born in Glasgow, Mont., on June 23, 1948 to Florence and Lawrence Taylor. On June 23, 1973, the rancher married the school teacher, Vivian Baquet, in Choteau, Mont.



Gary attended Saco School graduating in 1966 and then attended Northern Montana College majoring in business. Before finishing his degree, he returned to the ranch when his father became ill. He continued working on the ranch for most of his life. He liked the cattle and made several of them his pets. After many years on the ranch, he leased the place and became the owner and operator of Saco Auto and Ag. He took great pride in providing humor and words of enlightenment to those who stopped by.

In 2010, he started another chapter of his life. He was diagnosed with a paralyzed diaphragm due to injuries sustained by a motorcycle accident many years prior to the diagnoses. Also at this time, he was appointed as the Phillips County Justice of the Peace. Following the appointment, he was elected and served

for four years. During this time, he formed many friendships with the officers, his clerk, Debra Peigneux, and the people in the courthouse. He also formed many friendships with fellow Justices of the Peace throughout the state. Gary took great pride in serving the community in this role.

Gary served on the Phillips County Youth Probation Board for many years. He was honored to work with Clark Kelly and the other members of the board in trying to make a positive difference for the youth of Phillips County.

As a teenager he began playing the guitar and singing with a band. He worked with many local musicians and appreciated a good song and a good guitar player. He considered it an honor to play for weddings and funerals. He also liked playing for church. He continued playing his guitar for his own enjoyment and enlightened his grandchildren with many songs. His guitar was by his chair and many hours were spent strumming while watching TV. Gary was a prolific poet and song writer. Those people, who received one of his poems or songs, usually enjoyed his wit and unique sense of humor.

Gary was also an inventor. He always wanted to make work easier and would make inventions to do this. While working at Saco Auto and Ag, he designed, built, welded, and manufactured lots of tools and items for himself and others. Whatever he

made, we always knew it was built to last. For his mid-life crisis he purchased a Honda Goldwing Bike. He cruised many miles on his bike from Glacier Park to Sturgis to Buffalo, Wyoming to Washington and numerous places in between. He especially enjoyed traveling with his biker buddies. He finally was able to convince Vivian to ride with him and they took a few trips together, too. He called her "His Waterwoman". Every time she rode they encountered rain. After he developed health issues, he sold his bike and purchased his "Ranger." This became his mode of transportation through the hills, entertaining the grandkids and trips to town for mail, food and conversation (not gossip).

Gary is survived by his wife, Vivian, who he loved and appreciated for the care that she provided. He is also survived by his daughters, Shyla (Carter) Clausen of Malta, Lara (Joel) Smith of Glasgow, and son, Jered (Mandy) Taylor of Bigfork. His grandchildren whom he adored are Payton, Connor and Kendall Clausen, Riley and Annika Smith and Nicholas Taylor. He is survived by two nephews, Paul and Stacy Johnson, and numerous cousins. Preceding him in death were his parents and his sister, Carol Johnson.

Service for Gary was on Friday, July 29, 2016 at 11 a.m. at Saco Lutheran Church in Saco, Mont., with inurnment to follow at Grandview Cemetery. Bell Mortuary is in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be left at bellmortuarymontana.com.

Agnes Laurene (Hasler) Young

Agnes Laurene (Hasler) Young, age 94, passed away on Sunday, July 10, 2016, at the Phillips County Hospital of natural causes. A memorial service was held Thursday, July 14th, at 2 p.m. at the Kirkwood Funeral Home in Malta, Mont.



Agnes was born on February 24, 1922, in Whitetail, Mont., to John and Bernice (Wiltfong) Hasler. She grew up in Whitetail, Mont., and later the family moved to Malta where she met and later married James L. Young on August 28, 1940.

Jim and Agnes ranched south of Malta all of their married life where they raised their eight children. Agnes loved reading her Bible and attending church at the Malta Assembly of God. She enjoyed cooking, sewing, gardening, canning, and life on the ranch. She made the best pies and angel food cakes, all from scratch. Agnes always welcomed company, family and friends into her home and loved having all the "little ones" around her.

Agnes is survived by her Sons: Gary (Donna); Bob (Mary Lou); Roland (Twila); and Todd (Sonia), all of Malta; Daughters: Loretta (Tom) Anderson of Malta; Wanda

(Danny) Snow of Kentucky; and Twilla (Sid) Hughes of Missouri; Son-In-Law, Clyde (Anna Jane) Knudsen. A blessing of 36 grandchildren; 55 great grandchildren; and 4 great-great grandchildren; Brothers, Thomas (Connie) Hasler of Fort Benton and Floyd (Ann) Hasler of Lewistown; Sister, Anna Young of Ohio; Sisters-In-Law, Laura (Bud) Hasler and Lucille (John) Hasler; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her Parents, John and Bernice; Husband, Jim; Daughter, Anna Jane (Clyde) Knudsen; Brothers, Bud (Laura) Hasler and John (Lucille) Hasler; Sisters, Violet Hasler and Juanita (Bud) Young; and Grandson, David Knudsen.

Condolences may be sent to the Agnes Young Family, P.O. Box 513, Malta, MT 59538.

Whitewater News

by Helen Austin
PCN Correspondent

"Welcome home" to Ike Hellie who is back from Hi-Line.

Happy birthday to Pat Murdock who had a party at North 40 on Sunday. It was well attended and we enjoyed cake and ice cream. Janet Murdock, Judy and Cliff Rustad and Diann Leibel were among the guests at the party.

Late congratulations to Marrisra Green Wahl on winning at the Jean Green Golf

Tournament. Congratulations to Tova Anderson and sister who won a signing award at the Milk River talent Contest. Great!

Gale and Challise (my daughter and granddaughter) were here. We ate at the North 40 to celebrate Gale's birthday. Challise spent the night with me. Then I "cornered her" and she played piano and sang for me; so talented.

Congratulations to Erika Nagy (Pastor Bob's youngest girl) and Jeremiah LaBrie on their Swim Team meet awards. Great! Lu Bessell worked at the museum recently.

Bon voyage to Becky Anderson and Jessica (daughter) who went to Poland

with the Catholic Church to see the Pope. Chris DePuydt of Saco went also. Hope they return safely.

It's been watching the Democratic Convention on TV. Michelle Obama was awesome and congratulations to Hillary Clinton for being the first woman to be nominated for president! What an accomplishment.

Hope to see you all at the Phillips County Fair.

Note: The North 40 Café will be closed over fair weekend (Fri, Sat and Sun.) Another note, The Phillips Transit buses make trips to the fair and rides are free. Enjoy the fair (see schedules on page 8A this week.)

Card News

Card News

Malta Duplicate Bridge Club on Monday, July 18, Malcolm Clouse and Keith Stine captured first place. Second was awarded to Margo Rush and Lois Goodheart.

Wednesday winners were Keith Stine and Madelyn

Anderson. Lois Goodheart and Byron Ereaux came in second.

Monday, July 25, saw Byron Ereaux and Keith Stine tie with Margo Rush and Bonnie Millar for first place.

At the Club Championship game held Wednesday afternoon, Les Solberg and Byron Ereaux came in first. Second was awarded to Bonnie Millar and Keith Stine.

Our club desperately needs more bridge players. If

interested, please call Margo Rush at 654-2666 or Keith Stine at 654-2212.

Whist
On Tuesday, July 26, Malcolm Clouse took first place with 50, Nancy Soennichsen was second with 46 and the traveling prize was awarded to Jerry Depute.

Pinochle
On Thursday, July 28, Clarence Jacobson captured the first place with 6,410, Nancy

Soennichsen was second with 5,870 and the traveling prize was awarded to both Roy Baeth and Kevin Stevens.

Hi-Line Whist
On Tuesday, July 26, Clara and Lois won the first game 14-11 and then Curt and Pearl took the second by a score of 16-8.

On Friday, July 29, Curt and Pearl won the first game 15-8 before Clara and Mary won the final game by a 16-5 tally.

Dodson News

by Eldora Henry
PCN Correspondent

Rain, rain, and more rain! We shouldn't complain—some places would love to share with us—but maybe let's have a break? Wednesday was another wet day with two big

storms of hard wind and rain. Prayers and good wishes for his recovery are sent by the community to Alan Guderjahn, as he was wounded in the line of duty as an officer.

Nellie Sherman of Butte came to visit Dora Henry on Thursday. They visited with others that she knew when she was Dodson's superintendent for six years. They enjoyed seeing Mark and Seresa Pankratz and Jan Edmister on

Friday evening and having dinner at the Pankratz's on Sunday evening. They enjoyed lunch with Terri Cole, Bonnie LaBrie and Polly Solberg on Monday.

Jan Edmister called at Dora Henry's on Sunday. Polly Solberg attended church in Harlem with Orvin Solberg on Sunday. Congratulations to Wink and Terri Cole on the new grandson born to

Kelly and husband. Birthday greetings go out to Bea Cole, Molly Minugh, Corky LaBrie and Randy Dolphay. Congratulations to Edmund and Gloria Mortenson on their wedding anniversary.

An optimist is someone who tells you to cheer up when things are going his way.

Have a happy week and enjoy the Phillips County Fair this week!

Phillips County Museum News

by Lori Taylor
P.C. Museum Curator

Thank you for attending the 1st Annual Antiques/Collectibles Sale and Quilt Show. It was a success with many people finding treasures to buy. Thanks to the vendors who participated. A special thank you to those who shared their quilts and wall hangings.

We continue to have visitors from across the U.S. and Canada. Our hours are Monday through Saturday 10 - 5. Stop in and visit our many displays. Enjoy the upcoming 101st Phillips County Fair in Dodson.

Phillips County Dining Guide



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Come out and support our community with this fundraiser. There will be lots of food for sale and fun for the entire family. Donations are accepted.

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Briefly

Malta Senior Meals

Thursday, Aug 4th - Hot hamburger
Friday, Aug 5th - Sweet/sour chicken
Tuesday, Aug 9th - Roast beef

Do you have a August birthday - sign up when you sign in for dinner - you could be the winner of the 10 dinner certificate.

MHS Summer Band

8-8. On Monday, August 8 the Malta High School Summer Band will begin in the Malta High School band room. Questions call Erik Engebretson at 301-1258.

P.C. Historical Society

8-8. The Phillips County Historical Society will be meeting Monday, August 8, starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Phillips County Museum. Everyone welcome.

Malta Parks and Rec meeting

8-8. The Malta Parks and Rec meeting will be held on Monday, August 8 starting at 6:30 p.m. at Malta City Hall.

Alcohol Sales and Service Training

8-10. The Phillips County Coalition for Healthy Choices is sponsoring a Responsible Alcohol Sales and Service training Wednesday,

August 10, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the lower level of the Phillips County Coalition for Healthy Choices Building. Registration is required; please call Carol Smith or Sonia Young at 654-2378.

Walleyes Meeting

8-11. On Thursday, August 11, the Malta Walleyes will hold their monthly meeting starting at 7 p.m. at Stretch's.

MT Veteran Affairs

8-18 On Thursday, August 18, Judy or Steve, service officers for Montana Veteran Affairs, will be at Malta City Hall from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. If you would like to apply for benefits with the VA please come at the appointed time and bring a copy of your

discharge/separation (DD214) papers with you. Call 406-265-4225 if you are interested.

Malta Trails Meeting

8-9. On Tuesday, August 9, Malta Trails Inc. will hold their monthly meeting at Stretch's starting at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome.

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Counseling Corner...

Why Parent-Teen Communications Often Fall Short

From the American Counseling Association
Team Up For Success In Creating A Healthier Life

As a parent you want to be there for your teenager. You try to learn what's happening in his or her life and try to help with problems or uncertainties he or she may be facing. But despite your best efforts, most of the time you are rebuffed. Responses ranging from stony silence to outright hostility leave you wondering how you have failed so miserably in connecting with your own child. The problem, however, may not be your fault but just the simple fact that parent-teen communications are inherently complicated. One reason is simply that it's not easy to be a teenager. There's a variety of unsettling biological, psychological and emotional changes that are all part of a teen's normal developmental process. Pile on top of that the pressures of school, extracurricular activities, maybe a part-time job, and then the anxiety of college or a career in the near future, and it becomes easier to understand why the open communication you enjoyed with your pre-teen has become much more challenging. Teenagers may often feel that their parents just can't understand all the changes and pressures they are facing. These feelings may be reinforced when parents react negatively to teens seeking to separate more from their parents and be more independent. While we all want our children to grow up and be responsible adults, it can be confusing to deal with as our teens take their first tentative steps in that direction. This same process is also hard on the teen's side. He or she is anxious about sharing feelings of insecurity or uncertainty, about admitting mistakes, since it will just make him or her look weak, immature and not ready for the freedoms so badly desired. There is no quick fix for any of these communication issues, but it's important not to give up on the effort. While many of your communication attempts will likely seem inadequate, every now and then you will break through and have a meaningful discussion. As importantly, your attempts to stay connected are active demonstrations of your love and concern. Look for opportunities to let your teens know you're trying to understand and sympathize with all they are facing. Offer positive feedback when it's deserved and let them know your trust and respect is being earned. It takes work to open up communication, but it is worth the effort.

"Counseling Corner" is provided by the American Counseling Association. Comments and questions to ACACorner@counseling.org or visit the ACA website at www.counseling.org

Community churches host Bible School

This past week, three Malta churches came together to host Vacation Bible School to an average of 75 children each day. The volunteer staff voted on a mission project that the VBS children could help support. "Operation Heal Our Patriots" is a ministry of Samaritan's Purse designed to strengthen the marriages of wounded and injured members of the U.S. Military. The project includes a week long wilderness retreat at Samaritan Lodge Alaska providing physical and spiritual renewal to wounded veterans, active duty service members, and their spouses. Community Church, Grace Fellowship, and Lighthouse Baptist Fellowship worked together to provide a well rounded Vacation Bible School that enabled our Malta children to be a part of a much bigger mission field. Operation Heal Our Patriots (OHOP) is the only program of its kind

for wounded military service members and their spouses. The ministry to military couples extends beyond their stay at Samaritan Lodge Alaska. Ongoing aftercare connects couples with military chaplains and churches in their local communities to create a system of support upon their return home. OHOP is open to current and former military service members who were wounded or injured in combat or combat-related activities after Sept. 11, 2001. Couples interested in participating can submit applications online. The application process opens February 1st of every year. All expenses, including accommodations, airfare, and activities are covered by Samaritan's Purse through donations. According to Samaritan Purse web site, a few facts given since 2012, over 500 couples have participated in



Local children donating to Operation Heal Our Patriots in Malta. Courtesy photo.

The program and another 150 couples are expected to attend this summer of 2016. In a few short years the program has seen 203 individuals make commitments to Jesus Christ, 233 have been baptized, and 227 couples have publicly rededicated their marriages to God. The boys and girls this week raised \$641.00 to send to

Samaritan's Purse on behalf of the Heal Our Patriots project. There was a contest each day where 2 gallon jars were used to deposit their coins or bills. One little boy was heard saying, "That's all the money I have". Samaritan's web page is SamaritansPurse.org.

MDT proposes project for U.S. Highway 2

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) would like to notify the public and seek comments on a proposal to micro-surface about 8.1 miles of U.S. Highway 2 between Dodson and Malta in Phillips County. The project begins east of Dodson at reference post 458.6 (east of the railroad overpass) and extends east for 8.1 miles ending west of Malta at reference post 466.72. Proposed work includes micro-surfacing to fill ruts, seal and cover, centerline and shoulder rumble strips, delineation, and pavement markings. The purpose of the project is to extend the life and service of

the existing pavement. The project is tentatively scheduled for construction in 2018, depending on completion of all project development activities and availability of funding. No new right-of-way or utility relocations will be needed. For more information, please contact Glendive District Administrator Shane Mintz at (406) 345-8212 or Project Design Engineer Kevin Gilbert at (406) 444 6230. Members of the public may submit written comments to the Montana Department of Transportation Glendive office at P.O. Box 890, Glendive, MT 59330-0890, or

online at: www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/comment_form.shtml Please note that your comments are for project UPN 9000. Alternative accessible formats of this information will be provided upon request by contacting the Office of Civil Rights, P.O. Box 201001, Helena, MT 59620; (406) 444-9229; fax (406) 444-7243, or e-mail to aflesch@mt.gov. Those using a TTY may call (800) 335-7592 or through the Montana Relay Service at 711.

Chamber, PCH team to offer CPR training

by **Dina Meneely**
Malta Chamber

We at the Chamber are excited to partner with Phillips County Hospital to promote the Montana Cardiac Ready Community program. This program strives to educate our community and collaborate

with stakeholders including EMS services, hospitals, community leaders and the public to enhance the essential elements of the cardiac arrest Chain of Survival. One aspect available to all of you is FREE Hands-Only CPR training for your business

or organization. This will not certify your employees in CPR but will educate them in the newest techniques. Heart attacks most commonly occur before 10am on Monday mornings - how many of you have employees or customers in your businesses

at that time? This training can provide assistance, in this critical situation. Follow this link to complete the survey and request PCH contact you to schedule Hands Only CPR Training. <https://goo.gl/forms/vYFigI8PvMLPpPEy1>

Public comment sought for ice fishing contests proposed for next winter

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks is seeking public comment on ice fishing contests proposed for the 2016-2017 winter season. Participants must comply with state fishing regulations, including daily and possession limits. Applications for ice fishing contests may be approved, approved with conditions, or denied by the FWP Fisheries Division in Helena. Conditions placed on contests may help to minimize fish mortality, regulate harvest, reduce user conflicts and/or require additional access site maintenance when needed.

Information on the proposed fishing contests can be found on the FWP Fishing Contest webpage, <http://fwp.mt.gov/fishing/whereToFish/contests/>, or by calling 406-444-2449. All comments must be received on or before Aug. 26. Comments may be mailed to FWP Fisheries Division, Attn: Fishing Contests, P.O. Box 200701, Helena, MT 59620-0701, or emailed to fwpfish@mt.gov. Proposed 2016-2017 Ice Fishing Contests Northeastern Montana, Region 6

Feb. 11 Glasgow Chamber Ice Fishing Derby - Fork Peck Reservoir - Dredge Cut Pond
Feb. 11 Hell Creek Ice Fishing Tournament - Fork Peck Reservoir - Hell Creek Bay
Jan. 28 Murph's Ice Fishing Tournament - Nelson Reservoir
North Central Montana, Region 4
Jan. 28-29 Broadwater Lions Perch Derby - Canyon Ferry
Jan. 21 Central Montana Perch Derby - Eastfork Reservoir
Jan. 14 Valier Area Development Ice Fishing Derby - Frances Lake
Jan. 21 Willow Creek Fishing Derby - Willow Creek Reservoir
South Central Montana, Region 3
Jan. 15 Hebgan Lake NAIFC Qualifier - Hebgan Lake
Jan. 28 Stan Shafer Memorial Ice Fishing Derby - Clark Canyon Reservoir
Northwestern Montana, Region 1
Jan. 21-22 Bull Lake Ice Fishing Derby - Bull Lake
Feb. 18 Canyon Kids Christmas Fund Fishing Derby -

Lion Lake
Feb. 1-25 Perch Pounder - All R1 Lakes
Jan. 28-29 Fisher River Valley Fire/Rescue Winter Fishing Derby - Thompson Chain of Lakes
Jan. 14-15 Kalispell Ice Klassik - Smith Lake, Church Slough
Mar. 18-19 Rainbow on Lake Koocanusa - Lake Koocanusa
Feb. 11 Ryan Wagner Memorial Ice Fishing Derby - Murphy Lake
Jan. 21 Sophie Lake Fish Derby - Sophie Lake
Dec. 31 Sunriser Lions Family Fishing Derby - Smith Lake
Feb. 18 Snappy's Lake Mary Ronan Perch and Salmon Derby - Lake Mary Ronan
Feb. 11-12 The Lodge at McGregor Lake Fishing Derby - McGregor Lake
Feb. 4 Perch Assault - Lake Mary Ronan - Lake Mary Ronan
Jan. 7 Perch Assault - Lower Stillwater Lake - Lower Stillwater Lake
March 4 Perch Assault - Smith Lake - Smith Lake


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YESTERDAY'S PHILLIPS COUNTY NEWS MEMORIES

Compiled by Mark Hebert

100 years ago August 3, 1916
Hinsdale men held for rustling
 Three brothers known generally as Ottenstroer boys and their step father Charles W. Smith were arrested and brought to the county jail yesterday charged with grand larceny and C.W. Smith with receiving stolen property, in connection with the disappearance of cattle in the north country near Baylor. Jack Teal, deputy sheriff stationed at Hinsdale, was instrumental in running down the men and placing them under arrest and locating the bunch of cattle in which were found stolen stock.

Sunday, Deputy County Attorney Wm. Ruffcorn with Sheriff Powell and Deputy Teal and other members of the sheriff's office went to the Smith place and apprehended Frank Ottenstroer, and the others were taken yesterday morning after trying to elude the officers, one of whom stopped only after when a heavy caliber rifle was leveled at him.

Upper Whitewater News
 Crops look much better here since the big rain.

There was a dance at Stommens last Saturday evening.

S. A. Simonson's crew finished roadwork Monday evening. It seems to help some for the road boss to have a Ford.

The American Society of Equity of Whitewater will give a picnic at the River Bridge August 12. Everybody welcome.

75 years ago July 31, 1941
Southwick sells dairy business to Henderson
 Fred Southwick, who has operated a dairy here for 14 years, has sold his interest in the business to Harry Henderson of Malta, also owner of a dairy close to town. Mr. and Mrs. Southwick plan to take a much needed rest and may do some traveling later in the year.

At the Phillips County Fair
 One of the free circus acts with the C.F. Zeiger United Shows will be seen on the midway at the fair this season is Capt. Smith's high diving horses, diving from a lofty pedestal into a large tank of water. No other act in America like it! The Zeiger show will have a big carnival prelude opening on Thursday and Friday this season. This is something new for the Phillips County Fair - don't miss it! The Zeiger Shows travel by railroad and carries a trainload

of carnival equipment.

50 years ago August 4, 1966
Malians attend Institute
 Eugene Vennes and Mike Lang have been selected as youth scholars to attend the annual meeting of the American Institute of Cooperation at the Colorado State University at Fort Collins, Colo.

Vennes is representing 4-H Clubs and is being sponsored by the Equity Co-op of Malta. Representing the FFA chapter, Lang is also sponsored by Equity Co-op of Malta. This is the first year the local cooperative has sponsored students to this institute.

Cub Scouts camp in backyard
 A den mother is accredited with sleeping "under the stars" with her Cub Scouts. Mrs. Doug Hoverson and den chief, Jim Dancer, along with scouts Bernal Anderson, Gary Knudsen, Jim Carlson, Vincent Dancer, Mike Allena and guests, April Allen and Debbie Kaufman, rolled out their sleeping bags in Hoverson's backyard Saturday night after enjoying a barbeque.

25 years ago August 3, 1991
NRA Rodeo, LeRoy Van Dyke highlights 76th Fair
 ANRA rodeo, country music talent contest, a performance by country singer LeRoy Van Dyke and the crashing and crunching of a demolition derby highlight the 76th Annual Phillips County Fair, Thursday through Sunday, Aug. 1 - 4.

ATV juvenile take deputies on city chase
 A 17-year-old juvenile pled guilty before Justice of the Peace Gayle Stahl Monday to citation for eluding an officer, minor in possession, no registration, no protective headgear and no motorcycle endorsement.

The plea came after the teenager led Phillips County Sheriff's Deputies on a chase through Malta streets and alleys at about 1:40 a.m. Saturday.

In the pursuit, officers drove their patrol cars at speeds of 40 miles per hour and the suspect reached a speed of 60 miles per hour before being apprehended.

Cars savaged by vandals
 Mary Knox, a licensed

practical nurse at Good Samaritan Nursing Home, walked to the rear parking lot about 1 a.m. on July 24 to take a break only to discover that a vandal or vandals had given her car some pretty savage history.

Knox said the 1984 Ford Escort had every window smashed, all four wheels were slashed and the side mirrors were ripped off along with other damage.

10 years ago August 2, 2006
Delores isn't going to be as competitive this year... competitors breathe a sigh of relief
 Delores Andrews certainly doesn't live up to her name, which means "sorrows" in Spanish - demonstrated by her sense of humor and her love of bright and beautiful flowers.

"My parents couldn't decide on a name for me, so my grandmother got a book of baby names and went down the list," Delores recalls.

Delores has been entering her flowers and vegetables at the Phillips County Fair for the past 20 years, with enviable results.

"I've won at least 100 blue ribbons and lots of reds and whites," she said.

But the competitors who have fallen to Delores in the past can breathe a sigh of relief this year - the weather and other obligations have forced her to limit her entries.

"Some years are better than others, but this is the worst year ever for me," Delores said. "I haven't checked to see if I have any vegetables worth entering and my petunias are the only thing I am thinking of entering."



Attending the Summer Reading Program ice cream party were (l to r) first row: Kaylee Bishop, Reba Doucette, Parker Mortenson, Pierce Mortenson, Raina Mortenson, Macy Knudsen, Blake Solberg; Second row: Grace Doucette, Emelina Doucette, Riley Mortenson, Juila Meisdalen, Ian Meisdalen, Michael Knudsen, Jace Bishop, Caleb Meisdalen; Back row: Rose Doucette, Tessa Lulloff, Magahn Johnson, Matthew Johnson, Phil Doucette, Logan Rummel, Alex Nast and Rose Nast. 2006.

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C.F. Zeiger brings his high diving horses to the 1941 Phillips County Fair.



Eugene Vennes, left, and Mike Lang. 1966, Feigel Photo.



by Sarah Osmundson
 Grapevine questions were answered by vendors and thrill seekers on July 23rd at the HGRH first Annual Antique & Collectible Sale and Quilt Show
 Question A: What was your favorite quilt?
 Question B: What did you think of the HGRH?
 Question C: How far did you travel as a vendor?
 Question D: What did you think of the turn out?



Terri Cole and Patty Vaughan

A: Terri - the Crazy quilt Mary Smith donated because it was so old and the Barbara Cowan quilt.

B: Terri - it's a compliment to the people who work here. They really have done a lot of work.



James Sexton

C: Virgelle Merc Antiques of Virgelle, Mont. I had never been to Phillips County.

D: It's been pretty good. Better earlier and not so much later.



Esther Kolczak

C: Avante' Vintage Jewelry of Malta. Owner Ava Ginter said she has not travelled outside of Malta, yet!

D: It's been going wonderful. The wind has been a bit of a challenge but other than that it's been beautiful.



Bonus Information:

1: Warren Taylor entertained with music.

2: H.G. Robinson was an area Beaver Creek rancher until 1950.

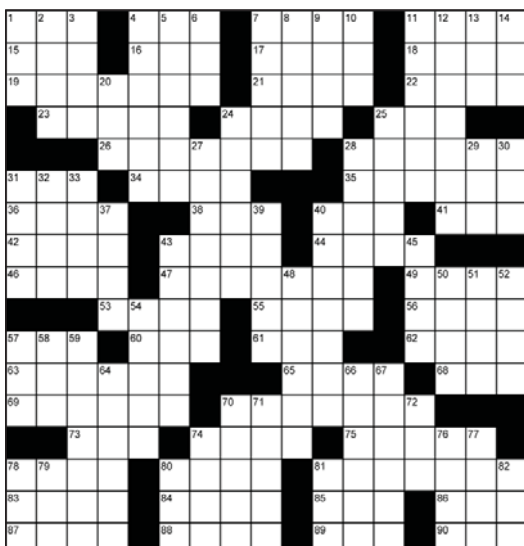
3: The 1903 H.G. Robinson House may be toured by appointment through the Phillips County Museum.

PHILLIPS COUNTY NEWS CROSSWORD

Questions in bold are local or from last week's headlines.

ACROSS

1. Brand of dispensable candy
4. Flightless bird
7. Do-nothing
11. Casing
15. Thai
16. Rend
17. Belief
18. Famous cookies
19. Motions
21. Loiter
22. Slough
23. Eastern religion
24. Angel's head ring
25. Central processing unit
26. Slight
28. Trimmed
31. Boxer Muhammad
34. George Bernard
35. Spring holiday
36. Yummy
38. Attack
40. Male
41. Artful
42. Unite in alliance
43. Path
44. Yucky
46. Sledge
47. Omelet (2 wds.)
49. Note
53. Sports channel
55. Comedian Griffith
56. Greenish-blue color
57. American Cancer Society (abbr.)
60. Bitty
61. Regret
62. Visionary
63. Lower vertebrae
65. Stink
68. Gender
69. Beautifies
70. Vowed
73. Furniture wood
74. Ill
75. Skims over
78. Reserve Officers Training Corps.



80. Irrigators elect to hold off on #2 rebuild
81. Gelded animal
83. Suffer
84. Cow
85. Compass point
86. Darken
87. Posttraumatic stress disorder
88. Stare
89. Lysergic acid diethylamide
90. Choose

DOWN

1. School group
2. Every
3. Type of pasta
4. Eats away

5. _____ recalls tower building years
6. United Parcel Service
7. Spring flower
8. Grown-up
9. Nought
10. Talk
11. School's buildings and grounds
12. Quantities
13. Sun's name
14. Eastern Standard Time
20. Lodge
24. Chopping
25. Grump
27. Italian dish
28. Swell
29. Moray

30. Parch
31. Alack's partner
32. Put to sleep
33. Island
37. Dr. Jekyll's "partner"
39. Wood
40. Crime
43. Biblical outcast
45. Song by the Village People
48. Hardened
50. Potato sprouts
51. Female horse
52. Black gem
54. Posh
57. Wing
58. What a cow chews
59. Evens
64. Supported
66. Exit
67. Reeled
70. Liable
71. Pariah
72. Pa
74. Cheese
76. Prank
77. Nip
78. Tap
79. Halloween mo.
80. Dekaliter (abbr.)
81. Stiffen
82. Greenwich Mean Time



IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Lu Besel

What do you do?

Spear headed the first Annual Antique and Collectible Sale and Quilt Show at the H.G. Robinson House

Favorite Part of the first event:

Very pleased with number of quilt entries and the number of vendors who came.

The attendance has been good.

Idea for 2nd Annual event:


Would like to make it a Highway 2 Hi-Line event for several towns.

Favorite Item for Sale:

I just liked them all. It gave the P.C. Historical Society a chance to earn some money too.

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Disney's Mary Poppins flies into the Fort Peck Theatre

A perfect evening for the entire family, the world's most famous nanny flies into town, as only Fort Peck Summer Theatre can do it. Loaded with tapdancing, magic and special effects, get ready to hum along to all your favorite tunes, as Disney's classic film comes alive on stage for the first time at FPST!

Starring as Mary Poppins and Bert are Glasgow native Quinn Vaira and FPST Artistic Director Andy

Meyers. This will mark Vaira and Meyers' 17th appearance together, having most memorably at FPST played opposite each other as Mrs. and Mr. Bucket in Willy Wonka, Marian and Harold in The Music Man, and Fiona and Shrek in Shrek.

2 sets of young actors alternate in the roles of Jane and Michael Banks: Kaylin Poirier of Saskatoon, Canada, Ali Kuka of Glasgow, Kaitlyn Miller of Nashua and Chloe Sutter of Miles City.

Mary Poppins is directed and choreographed by Heather Adams, founder and director of Downtown Dance Collective in Missoula, whose previous FPST credits include Always...Patsy Cline, The Music Man and A Grand Night for Singing. Alicia BullockMuth returns as musical director, and to play the Bird Woman.

Performances are July 29-Aug. 14: Fridays & Saturdays at 7:30 pm, with Sunday matinees at 4:00 pm.

Please allow yourself extra time to get the show on time as there is road construction between Glasgow and Fort Peck as well as between Nashua and Fort Peck.

For tickets or reservations, the Fort Peck Summer Theatre Box Office at (406) 526-9943 will open at the top of the season. Tickets can also be purchased at the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce located at 313 Klein Ave. (in the Plains Plaza) in Glasgow.

Fire
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an hour or hour and a half the fire was out," she said. "It's mostly smoke and water damage, but the holes in the roof go all the way to the living room and the kitchen." Allery said beside the

damage, much of her late father's possessions – including a file cabinet – were saved from the fire by the quick action of responders. Allery and Anderson are the only people who live in the home now. Anderson suffered some smoke inhalation, but other

than that suffered no injuries. Allery said that after 911 was called, Dan did what he could to stifle the fire and when he began choking, the couple's neighbors, Jacy and Shane Stolem, showed up to help until the emergency crews arrived. As of last Thursday, the home was not livable because of the smoke and water damage and Allery said that neighbors and friends, Kesi Sandvick and Jeret Kienemberger, have offered the couple a place to live until they figure out how to proceed.

"The trailer is still salvageable, but there is a lot of damage," she said.

Allery and her family moved the trailer in from the Hi-Line Trailer Court shortly

after that facility closed and have been at the current location on South 7th Ave West in Malta since around 2003. Though the damage to the home is troubling, Allery again stressed that having the community's support in her time of crisis has meant the world to her. Allery said that normally when a trailer home catches fire it is burned down rapidly, but again thanked the quick response from emergency crews which helped avoid a total loss of the home.

"I just want to thank the community and everybody who showed up and helped for how fast they were and what a good job they did," she said. "I'm just glad that my Dad's stuff was saved."

Malta High School Schedules/Practices/Handbooks /Open House/Fees

Impact Baseline for all MHS students participating in fall sports (football, cross-country, volleyball, cheerleading) will be held Wednesday, August 10th and Thursday, August 11th. Times will be 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Call the MHS office 654-2002 to schedule a time.

Malta High School student schedules are available Wed. Aug., 10th and Thurs. Aug. 11th 1:00 -- 4:00 p.m. each day.

Middle School Schedules will be available Wednesday, August 10th starting at 1:00 p.m. Key Club Tours for the Middle School are Wednesday, August 10th and Thursday, August 11th 1:00-4:00 p.m. Meet at Middle School Office.

First day of school, Wednesday, August 17th
High School Students: Report to 1st period class at 8:15 a.m.
Middle School Students: At 8:10 a.m. report to following rooms 6th Graders room 109, 7th Graders room 102 and 8th graders room 110.

School Doors open at 7:30 a.m. School Breakfast served 7:30- 8:10 a.m. in cafeteria. Friday dismissal time is 2:45 p.m. All School offices close at **3:00 p.m. Fridays.**

HS Football practice starts Monday, Aug. 15th, **4 p.m.** at HS practice field
HS Volleyball practice starts Monday, Aug. 15th, **4 p.m.** HS gym
HS Cross-Country practice Monday, Aug. 15th, **9 a.m.** meet at the elementary school HS Fall Cheerleader practice Monday, Aug. 15th, **4 p.m.**

MS Football team meeting Wednesday, August 17th after school in room 110.
MS Girls Basketball team meeting Wednesday, August 17th after school in room 107
1st practice for Middle School fall athletics is Thursday, August 18th

All MS & HS athletes must have a physical prior to their first practice. Turn in signed physical form to the office.

FEES: HS participation fee is **\$60.00.** MS/HS students mandatory activity ticket is **\$25.00.** 2015-16 activity tickets prices are: Family \$175.00/ Adult \$65.00 /All Students \$25.00. All MS/ HS students must purchase their activity ticket by **Thursday, August 25th.**

Malta Public Schools Web Page -www.malta.k12 .mt.us
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Are recommended for students entering grades 6 - 12 who have not had them in recent years. A tetanus booster is good for 10 years and seniors will need them before they go to college.
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The Federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 has required school districts to notify parents of students attending schools that receive Title I, Part A funds, that parents may request the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teacher(s). Parents may write to Mr. Kuehn at the central office to get this information. Any questions, please call Mr. Kuehn at 654-1 871.

MS/HS OPEN HOUSE TUESDAY, AUGUST 23rd 6:30-8:00 P.M.

Guderjahn
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Mont.; John Isadorski of Joliet, Mont., and especially Brant Harrell of Worden, Mont., who stopped and rendered life saving aid to Deputy Guderjahn. Without their quick actions, the outcome could have been very different for Deputy Guderjahn.

Sheriff Moran thanks the citizens of Phillips County, and all the other law enforcement agencies for

their prayers, support, and offers of assistance during this difficult time. He also asks that the citizens have patience with the investigation and the release of information. More details of the incident and investigation will be released when the Coroner's Inquest is completed. Moran asks to please keep Deputy Guderjahn and family, as well as the family of Ambrose in your thoughts and prayers.

Loring News
by Dixie Stordahl
PCN Correspondent

The summer is speeding by! We have been fortunate up here in the Loring country with so much rain, but no hail and no flooding. The crops look fantastic to me however I must qualify that with I am no expert!

I traveled to Ekalaka this weekend and saw huge fields of sunflowers and corn. They looked beautiful!

Cary Woodruff and Klara of the Great Plains Dinosaur Museum and I took in the Dinosaur Shindig in Ekalaka sponsored by the Carter County Museum. On Friday evening we were guests at a

pitchfork fondue with about a hundred other paleontologists, diggers, and local people. Cary was a featured speaker on Saturday, speaking about how the Sauroopod neck was similar to a pivot irrigation system in mechanism. The Museum had many activities for children and adults during the day and then a bat walk at sunset, followed by a street dance. On the way home we stopped at the Interpretive Center in Fort Peck and drove across the dam.

I have called a few of our neighbors and no one has anything they want to have put in the news, not even a kite flying event! I am thinking that they are all busy with getting entries ready for the Phillips County Fair this coming up weekend! Good luck everyone!

Until next week! Have a safe week and wonderful fair experience!

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF SACO SPECIAL ELECTION
Notice of Close of Regular Voter Registration and Option for Late Registration
Notice is hereby given that regular* registration for the TOWN OF SACO SPECIAL ELECTION to be held on September 20, 2016 will close at 5:00 p.m., on August 23, 2016. This election is by mail ballot only. No polls will be open.

*NOTE: If you miss this regular registration deadline, you may still register for the election by showing up at the county election office up to and including on Election Day. Between noon and the close of business on the day before Election Day, you can complete and submit a voter registration card, but you will need to return to the local election office on Election Day to pick up and vote a ballot.

Ballots will be automatically mailed to Active Electors only. If you are a registered voter and do not receive a ballot, contact the Phillips County Election Office at 654-2423 to update your information as necessary and receive a ballot.

Persons who wish to register and who are not presently registered may do so by requesting a form for registration by mail or by appearing at the county election office. If you have moved, please update your registration information by filling out a new voter registration card and submitting it to the county election office.

DATED this 29th day of July, 2016
Marian S Ereaux, Phillips County Election Administrator
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PUBLIC NOTICE

United States Department of the Interior
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
Fort Belknap Agency
158 Tribal Way, Suite B
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July 26, 2016 In Reply To: Real Estate Services 4600

Notice of BIA advertisement 17-01 for Fort Belknap Agency and bid advertisement 17-02 for Turtle Mountain Public Domain for farming and farm-pasture leases. SEALED BIDS will be received until 10:00 a.m., local time September 8, 2016. Copies of bid advertisements will be available at the Fort Belknap Agency, Superintendent's Office and Real Estate Services Office each weekday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Agency is closed on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

/s/ Acting - Jo Jimmy Snow
John St. Pierre - Superintendent
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MONTANA SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, PHILLIPS COUNTY

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., a corporation,
Plaintiff,
vs.
THOMAS MCKEAGE, ERNEST MCKEAGE, B. F. MCKEAGE, MYRTLE UTTER and OLLIE BELL BETHEL, heirs of John Mckeage, deceased; MAY CAVANAUGH, JUNE ANITA CAVANAUGH and HAZEL MAE JACOBSON, heirs of Arthur Cavanaugh, deceased; EDWARD V. BETHEL; J. H. BRASS; and PHILLIPS COUNTY OIL AND GAS COMPANY, a corporation,
Defendants.
Judge John C. McKeon
Case No. DV-1944-3497

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Morris Brenden, Trustee of the Edward Bethel and Agnes B. Bethel Trust, dated June 23, 2006, Robert E. Hall, Thomas M. Hall, Pamela R. Eckert, Patrick Paul Utter, Vernon Leo Smith and Lorna M. Johnson collectively "Movants", have recently filed herein a "MOTION FOR ORDER QUIETING TITLE TO OVERRIDING ROYALTY INTEREST" (the "Motion") in which Movants request the Court quiet title to all claims of the other defendants named in the caption above in and to a 2.50% overriding royalty interest ("ORRI") carved out of Federal Oil and Gas Lease Serial 057645, Great Falls which covers the following described lands in Phillips County, Montana, and that title to the ORRI be permanently vested in Movants:
Township 32 North, Range 33 East, MPM
Section 10: Lots 6, 9, 10, 11 and 12
Section 12: SW¼NE¼, Lot 7
Section 15: SW¼SW¼, E½NW¼

For further information, the Motion, as filed, may be examined in the office of the clerk of the above Court. Hearing upon the Motion will be held in the courthouse at Malta, Montana, on September 12, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. at which time all interested persons may appear and object to the Motion.
Dated July 12, 2016.
LEE LAW OFFICE PC
/s/ Brian D. Lee

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION FOR THE TOWN OF SACO

Notice is hereby given that a Special Election for the TOWN OF SACO will be held September 20, 2016 to approve additional mills to raise \$20,000.00 to permanently fund mosquito control.

This Special Election for the TOWN OF SACO will be conducted by mail ballot only. Ballots will be mailed to all eligible registered voters September 1, 2016.

DATED this 29th day of July, 2016
Marian S. Ereaux, Phillips County Election Administrator

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Meeting

The Saco School Board of Trustees will meet August 9, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Saco School for the purpose of considering and adopting the Final Budget for Saco K-12 School District 12A & B. The meeting of the Trustees may be continued from day to day until the final adoption of the District's Budget. Any taxpayer in the District may attend the meeting and be heard for or against any part of the budget. This notice is given per the requirements of MCA 20-9-115.

For further information, please contact Mandy Sunford, Business Manager/ District Clerk, Saco Public School 527-3521.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearings

The Malta City Council will conduct two public hearings on August 9, 2016 at 5:20 p.m. and 5:25 p.m. in the council chambers of City Hall. The purpose of the public hearings is to receive public comment(s) on the annual street maintenance assessment and the annual street lighting assessment for 2016/17. Persons and/or agent(s) may appear in person or send written comments to Mayor Jones, PO Box 1300, Malta, MT 59538 no later than 5 p.m. August 9, 2016.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitewater School Board of Trustees, District 20D will meet

August 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Superintendent Office. The purpose is to consider and adopt the Final Budget for the 2016-17 school year. The meeting of the Trustees may be continued from day to day until the final adoption of the District's Budget. Any taxpayer may appear and be heard for or against any part of the budget. Meeting held pursuant to 20-9-131.

Michelle Math
Business Manager/District Clerk
(Published by Phillips County News 7/27, 8/3/2016)
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PUBLIC NOTICE

All interested persons are invited to review and request further environmental processing of an FCC application proposing the following telecommunications antenna structure at: US-191, Loring, Phillips County, Montana, N 48 49' 53.282"W 107 50' 35.796", Sec. 31-T36N-R30E, 854 File Number A1042616, 199' SST with no lighting required. The application may be reviewed by entering the 854 file number at this website: www.fcc.gov/asr/applications. Interested persons may raise environmental concerns by filing a "Request for Environmental Review" with the FCC within 30 days of this posting. Instructions for filing requests are contained on the following website: www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest. The FCC strongly encourages requests to be filed online; however, written requests may also be sent by mail to the following address:
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Resolution #1516-04
RESOLUTION REGARDING PROPERTY ABANDONED, OBSOLETE, UNDESIRABLE OR UNSUITABLE FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES OF THE DISTRICT

The Trustees of School District No. 12 A & B have determined that the following real and personal property of the district, located at 321 Hwy 243, Saco, Montana, is obsolete, unsuitable or not needed any longer for school purposes of School District No. 12 A & B.

Old Welding Machine
Old Copier Machine
Large Older TV
Desktop OptiPlex 755 Dell Computers

The subject property is obsolete, unsuitable or not needed any longer for school purposes.

As provided in § 20-6-604, MCA, the Trustees of School District No. 12 A & B hereby resolve to sell or dispose of the property identified above.

The Trustees of School District No 12 A & B further resolve that notices of the resolution shall be published on July 27, 2016 and August 3, 2016, in the Phillips County News newspaper.

This resolution shall become effective 14 days after publication of the second notice identified in the immediately preceding paragraph, unless appealed to the district court by a taxpayer in compliance with and as provided in § 20-6-604, MCA.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees of School District No. 12 A & B this 28th day of June, 2016.

If you would like to come take a look at any of the Obsolete Items stop by the school and take a look and place bid.

Donni Linn, Board Chair, School District No. 12 A&B
Attest: Mandy Sunford, Business Manager/District Clerk

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..... Asking \$165,000

Malta City Council meeting recap

by Pierre Bibbs
pierrepcnews@gmail.com

The Malta City Council hosted two public hearings last Tuesday, July 26, with only a handful in attendance. The council approved changes to the City's Water Project, approved the Malta Skatepark's Safety Rules and closed on two loans associated with the Water Project.

The council's first Public Hearing, Malta Mayor Shyla Jones read the council and attendees the First Reading of Ordinance #447, which is an amendment to ordinance #397 repealing section 13.04.075 or vacation rates.

The changes to #397 means that during times lot owners don't use or stop using water for months at a time will not be able to utilize the reduced water rate of \$5 a month, with a \$75 fee to turn the water back on because the vacation rates will not exist under the new water rates.

"We determined with doing our new rates we weren't going to do vacation rates anymore," Mayor Jones said. "So we have to repeal this ordinance."

The meeting continued after no regular public comments were voiced.

Michele Turville of Bear Paw Development announced that Water Project Loan was closed with the

reception of two deposits both worth \$76,443.00 from the Department of Natural Resources.

"I received the confirmation from Dorsey and Whitney saying that the city confirmed the receipt of funds from the DNRC," Turville said. "We are officially closed."

Mayor Jones confirmed that payments toward the loan for the Water Project will start in January. The new water rates will affect users starting July 21, 2016.

"The girls are working diligently to make sure that everything gets changes in the computer system," Mayor Jones said.

The Council motioned to accept the first TCEP grant payout of \$284,306.63. The grant paid for 60-percent of the construction on roughly three blocks to Helena Sand and Gravel for their work on the City's Water Project.

The motion to accept the TCEP grant check was made by Councilperson Bonnie Wiederrick and seconded by Councilman James Sintler. The council unanimously agreed.

Mayor Jones announced a needed \$28,930.80 change to the Water Project. The change order will come out of the contingency money already in the contract with Helena Sand and Gravel.

Though the city planned on

the contractor finding many hidden sewer service lines, they had no idea how many lines would be hidden due to the fact the lines weren't reported during installation many years ago. The new work order to change those lines will be paid for by the City's contingency fund.

"There was no way to really contract it, so of course they are finding some," Mayor Jones said. "We knew they were going to but there was no way to write it into the original contract. We have a contingency out there so this will come out of the contingency money."

By the time of the meeting, Helena Sand and Gravel estimated to find 30 sewer service lines but more might be found throughout the remainder of the contract.

A unanimous decision was made to accept the changes to the work order after a motion was made by Councilman David Rummel and seconded by Councilman James Sintler.

The second public hearing was a needs assessment hearing for a possible Community Development Block Grant. The maximum amount that the City could apply for would be \$450,000.

"That program is geared toward helping people with low to moderate income (LMI)," Turville said. She added that

in the 2010 Census, the City of Malta was at 62-percent LMI making the City eligible for the grant.

Turville fielded suggestions from the public as to what Malta and Phillips County needs. Any suggestions made were written down for consideration.

"We are going to give it to the City Council and Phillips County Commissioners because this is going to help them in their planning with their budgets," Turville said. "It is federal money. It is administered by the Department of Commerce."

The categories of CDBG includes fixes, changes or additions to any public facility, economic development (job creation and retention) and housing programs.

Closed to 30 suggestions were made which included a possible Senior Center, Community Center, a bigger work facility for Malta Opportunities Inc., a facility for The Phillips Transit Authority, better weed control, a school bus barn for Malta Public Schools, a dog park and Weather Station / Webcam for more accurate weather reporting for Malta.

Malta has already started the planning for a Phase II water project so they will be putting in an application to CDBG for that next water improvement phase.




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Foundation to raise funds for new pool hold first meeting

by Mark Hebert
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A total of 14 concerned Malta citizens showed up to Malta City Hall on Thursday evening - and one via conference call - in the first meeting to form a non-profit foundation to help raise funds for the construction of a new pool for Phillips County.

In order to gain non-profit status with the State of Montana, the first things needing to be decided upon at the Thursday meeting was a name for the foundation as well as the election of officers. A brainstorm session was held and the first name decided upon for the foundation was "Funding Our Future for the

Hi-Line." In the off chance that the first name was not available for non-profit status, the second name of "Next Generation Funds for the Hi-Line" was also decided upon.

Before deciding on the two potential names for the foundation, it was decided to leave the word "pool" out of the name so that once formed, the foundation would be able to donate money to other future projects not associated with the new pool.

Following the choosing of names, Suzanna Stenberg was picked as the foundation's president, Jenifer Anderson as Vice President and Mary Oxarart as secretary. Several people were also picked to sit on the foundation's board of directors. The first foundation

meeting was hosted by Malta Mayor Shyla Jones, but Jones said going forward she would take a backseat at future meetings and let the new foundation officers lead the way.

At the outset of the meeting, Mayor Jones informed those in attendance that Malta's Tom Golik brought a donation to her for the new pool and said that he would continue to bring checks until a new pool was built, or he was dead, whichever comes first.

Next up for the foundation will be deciding on a mission statement and the writing of bylaws. The group also discussed forming an endowment which would help pay for future maintenance on a new pool.

Current Malta City Pool manager Natalie Judd was in attendance at the night's meeting and has scheduled the foundation's first fundraiser, a pool party which will include the Salsbery Bros. slide, which the boys have donated for the event. That event will be held on Friday, August 12, with the slide and pool available from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. and a Family Fun Night from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. (see the advertisement for the event on page 3A of this week's PCN.)

The next pool foundation meeting will be held at the Lucky Bullet Hole in Malta on Thursday, August 18, starting at 7 p.m. The public is both welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Fair events, Transit schedule
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the rodeo - Horse winners
2 p.m. Open Rodeo
3:30 p.m. 4-H Trophy Presentation
4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Exhibitors may pick up property in 4-H Building

Phillips County Transit Fair Schedule

The Phillips County Fair is once again providing FREE transportation to and from the fairgrounds. (A \$1/person gate admission to the fair which will be collected when you load the bus. All children under 14 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.)

The pickup and drop off location will be at the First State Bank parking lot in Malta or all Phillips Transit at 406-654-7555 to schedule a pickup.

All times are approximate and depend on the number of riders and time of events.

Day	Leave Malta	Leave Fair
Thu.	1 p.m.	7 p.m.
Fri.	7:15 a.m.	9 a.m.
Fri.	1 p.m.	4 p.m.
Fri.	5:30 p.m.	10 p.m. (after final show)
Sat.	7:15 a.m.	9 a.m.
Sat.	11 a.m.	4 p.m.
Sat.	5 p.m.	10 p.m. (after Derby)
Sun.	12 p.m.	5 p.m. (after Rodeo)

*All times are approximate



Above: Chanel Lett and DeeDee Johannesen take to the air near the footbridge crossing the irrigation canal in Malta on Saturday afternoon while Jase Galt cheers them on.

August 2016 Back to School Schedule, mark your calendar!

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In the
Phillips County News



Co-Ed Softball League Week 2 Recap

by Pierre Bibbs
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On Tuesday, July 26 the Malta Co-ed Softball League held its second week of its four week season. On that day Anderson/Yeadon took down Young's Floor Covering 9-6 and Judd/Thompson defeated Malta Recreation 12-4. The R & G Feeders had a bye week.

Anderson/Yeadon had 16 singles, two doubles, four triples and CJ Bishop hit a home run. Young's had 11 singles, one double and two triples.

Judd/Thompson had 16 singles, three doubles and one triple. Malta Rec had seven singles and two doubles.

The league was scheduled for yesterday as R & G was scheduled to play Malta Rec and Judd/Thompson and Anderson/Yeadon were set to clash.

All games will be played on Tuesday night at Trafton field starting at 6:30 p.m. except for the end of season tournament which is on Monday, August 15.



Photo by Pierre Bibbs

Ella Yeadon approaches second base as her husband Dean Yeadon makes a double play in an earlier game.

Shores wins DinoDuck Race

by Mark Hebert
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Some 400-rubber ducks meandered down Malta's stretch of the irrigation canal on Saturday afternoon as this year's DinoDuck Race came off without a hitch.

Anne and Kris Boothe let the ducks loose from the bridge on Central Ave/ Highway 191 bridge at 4 p.m. sharp and 45-minutes later, volunteers Dan "Boone" Lundstrom, Mark Boothe and Jason Snellman fished them out at the finish line with their nets. Bringing up the rear of the duck race - assuring no lame ducks were hung-up in the weeds and left behind - were Caleb Meisdalen and Julia Meisdalen in their kayaks.

Malta's Danny Shores had the winning duck and won himself \$250. Dennis Broadbrooks of Malta had the second place duck and won \$100 and Dale Kaasa, also of Malta, had the third place duck and won \$50. Shores bought his first place duck at Westside Self Service earning that local business a \$100 prize.

The Great Plains Dinosaur Museum's (GPDM) DinoDuck Race not only awarded prizes to the "fastest" ducks, but also those that brought up the rear. A total of four \$25 prizes were awarded to Tammy McNamara, Shyla Bergos, John Rothie and Kraig Nordahl of Saco.

The traditional "duck boards", offering numbered ducks for adoption for the fee of \$5 are available at most taverns and businesses in Malta. The dinosaur twist to the race is in honor of the Hadrosaur or "Duckbill Dinosaur", Montana's state fossil and locally discovered dinosaurs such as Leonardo, Roberta, Peanut, and Elvis.

Boothe said part of the reason for holding the race later in the summer this year, as opposed to First State Bank Car Show weekend, was there were so many events held in the first week of July. She said the delayed race date didn't affect the amount of ducks bought and thanked everyone who bought ducks to help support the GPDM.



Photo by Mark Hebert

Aidan Wiese, Sidney Meeks and Kari Koss sit atop their steeds following the Horsemanship VI competition at the 4-H Horse Show at the Milk River Pavilion on Saturday in Malta.

4-H Horse Show kicks off County Fair

by Mark Hebert
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Each year for at least the past 15, the 4-H Horse Show at the Milk River Pavilion in Malta has been the unofficial start of the Phillips County Fair.

This Saturday, a total of 14 contestants participated in 18 different events at the 4-H Horse Show and according to 4-H Administrative Assistant Ann Shettel, there were plenty of fresh faces displaying their horses on the day.

"We had some seniors graduate and we have a lot of new, first year (contestants) this year," she said. "We have six in Horsemanship 1, which is our first year class."

Contestants range in age from eight to 18 and those at the Pavilion on Saturday were Arena Niebur, Morgan McEwen, Elly Anderson, Brylee French, Addy Anderson, Gracie Anderson, Aidan Wiese, Kari Koss, Tova Anderson, Brett Wiebe, Lela Domire, Sidney Meeks and Charlee Rhodes.

Shettel said of the 18 events, four aren't project classes, but rather held for fun.

"We do that because they have been doing so much in trying to get their patterns right and we thought we would give them something else to do," she said.

Right before breaking for lunch, Koss, Wiese and Meeks took to the arena to compete in the Horsemanship VI event.

Meeks, 13, has been in 4-H since she

was eight and was pleased with how Saturday was progressing.

"I won Showmanship," she said. "And then I got reserve in Horsemanship."

Meeks rides a horse named Snickers who is nine, the only horse she was showing on the day. She said she was to compete in two more events on the day and was most looking forward to Ranch Horse Trail Class.

"You get to go through fun little things like a bridge and through the carwash," she said. She explained that the carwash was a tarp cut-up to look like the water one

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Courtesy Photo

Malta's Kayla Ottinger poses with Chicago Bears wide receiver and Havre native Marc Mariani at a NFL Play 60 Football Camp held on Tuesday, July 12 in Havre.

Ottinger siblings recall NFL Play 60 camp with Mariani

by Pierre Bibbs
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Carson and Kayla Ottinger were a couple of the few kids that traveled ninety miles west to Havre in order to participate in an NFL Play 60 Camp hosted by Chicago Bears wide receiver and former Havre High standout Marc Mariani.

Not only did they go to camp but Kayla received an autographed Bears baseball cap with the signatures of Mariani and Bears quarterback Jay Cutler, who was not at the camp.

"My mom found it on Facebook," Carson said.

But simply going to camp wasn't in the question. Their mother Katie made sure they took care of one of their main chores this summer.

"If you get your 4-H pig book finished we will go to NFL Play 60 in Havre," Katie said.

Carson has been a Marc Mariani fan since his father Eric told him he was from Havre. Though Carson is a fan of Mariani, he is a Denver Broncos fan. Mariani spoke about beating Denver in the first game of the NFL preseason on Thursday, August 11.

"He said that they would defeat them the first game," Carson said. "He told everybody."

It was Carson and Kayla's first time meeting Mariani.

"He was tall," Kayla said.

"He was very good with the kids," Katie said. "I think he was a little bit of a perfectionist."

Weather for the camp started off perfect and right after the

See NFL Play 60, page 3B

Phillips County News Athlete of the Week

Mathew Hunter

Fourth Grade, Malta Grade School

- Favorite Hobby:** Art.
- Favorite Movie:** Batman V. Superman.
- Define you as an animal:** A bobcat.
- Favorite meal after a meet:** Puppy chow.
- Favorite dessert:** Cookie dough ice cream.
- Favorite thing about summer break:** Getting to hang out with friends
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- One thing on a desert island:** My family.



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Responsible Alcohol Sales and Service Training set for Aug. 10

The Phillips County Coalition for Healthy Choices is sponsoring a Responsible Alcohol Sales and Service training Wednesday, August 10, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the lower level of the Phillips County Coalition for Healthy Choices Building at 101 S. 7th St West. (The Old St. Mary's School) The training

is free of charge. The "Let's Control It" course, approved by the Montana Department of Revenue, teaches participants how to make a reasonable effort to reduce underage alcohol sales and over service. The course involves outlining Montana's alcohol laws, minimizing server liability,

recognizing false identification and identifying underage persons, drink equivalency activities, and effective customer evaluation techniques. Registration is required; please call Carol Smith or Sonia Young at 654-2378.



Courtesy Photo from FWP

Photo of a Sage grouse. Hunting season for Sage Grouse starts Thursday, September 1 and ends Friday, September 30.

Golf League Results and Pairings

MEN'S Week 14 pairing, Week 13 Results

Name	Hcp	Points	Name	Hcp	Points
EREAUX, COHEN	4.87	14.50	Sub #16 DEMARIS, L	5.84	19.50
SIMSER, TREVOR	7.07	18.50	ANDERSON, SHANE	11.41	19.00
LULLOFF, BILLY	8.82	22.00	MATH, BOB	10.97	22.00
TOLLEFSON, RJ	18	8.00	KUEHN, KRIS	11.94	30.50

WMN'S Week 11 pairing, Week 10 Results

Name	Hcp	Points	Name	Hcp	Points
Galt, Barb	6	15.50	Heikers, Janae	14	12.50
Muth, Brianna	17	9.00	Moore, Cheryl	15	0.00
Cole, Sascha	17	16.50	Sutbrock, Elena	20	11.50
Anderson, Jeri	20	16.00	Pankratz, Jessic	28	12.50

FWP information Bureau Chief

Expanded opportunities for sage grouse hunting will be offered this year in Montana as bird populations have rebounded well after two years of favorable spring weather conditions. Though the brief decline and subsequent bounce back of sage grouse numbers can likely be attributed to weather and normal cycles in bird populations, the population numbers and quick rebound are encouraging, said Catherine Wightman, wildlife habitat and Farm Bill coordinator for Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks.

"These kinds of population cycles are normal, what we're hoping to do with our habitat conservation efforts and monitoring work is to keep the dips in population from being so dramatic," Wightman said.

Sage grouse season opens Sept. 1 and runs through the month, closing Sept. 30. The bag limit is two birds with a possession limit of four.

Sage grouse populations struggle with habitat fragmentation, impacts from energy development and the conversion of sagebrush steppe habitat to cropland. However, decades of efforts at monitoring sage grouse and conserving their habitat in Montana has paid off. In 2015 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service decided the bird didn't warrant listing on the Endangered Species List because of ongoing habitat conservation work in Montana and throughout their range.

Under the FWP Sage Grouse Conservation Plan, adopted in 2005, FWP will recommend to the Fish and Wildlife Commission sage grouse hunting season closures when populations dip below 45 percent of their long term average. However, before 2014 the Commission had yet to use that rationale to close sage grouse hunting in the state.

In fact, the plan outlined conditions for closing hunting, but didn't have provisions for when hunting would be re-opened. When the hunting season was closed in 2014, the Commission approved conditions for the season to be re-opened. One of the conditions being that sage grouse lek counts were higher in one year than the long-term average. That condition was met this spring, Wightman said. Leks are locations where sage grouse males conduct their mating rituals, which is comprised of strutting, fanning tail feathers and making popping noises with their bulbous air sacs.

Weather watching conditions play an important role in sage grouse numbers from year to year, particularly during the time when sage grouse hens are incubating eggs in the nest and when the chicks are first hatched, she said.

"After they hatch, they're so vulnerable," Wightman said. "They can walk, but they're downy little fuzz balls walking through the sagebrush. They can't fly and they don't have adult feathers to insulate them."

After several years of wet springs with flooding and hail, the juvenile recruitment was way down in 2013 and overall numbers dropped to some of the lowest since 1980.

However, one good year of recruitment made all the difference.

Weather was favorable for sage grouse in the spring of 2014, so while the overall number of adults were down, the crop of new birds was really good. The males born in the spring of 2014 were displaying on the leks in 2015. This year lek counts in all three FWP sage grouse management areas were above the long-term trends by an average of 17 percent statewide.

Counting leks For trend data and management decisions, biologists count displaying male sage grouse during the mating period on leks around the state. The birds return to the same leks year after year, and while there are hundreds around Montana, FWP biologists focus on 88 for their counts that influence management decisions, Wightman said.

While some may be concerned that sage grouse hunting is re-opened, especially considering the effort FWP, the state and landowners have made and continue to make in ensuring populations numbers remain within naturally fluctuating ranges to keep the birds off the ESA, the fact is hunting has little impact on bird numbers.

In the past 16 years, FWP biologists have collared about 1,300 adult birds in areas where hunting was allowed. So far only nine of those birds have been killed by hunters, said John Vore, FWP game management bureau chief.

"That's a very low number," he said. "The effects of hunting, at least in Montana, are very minimal."

Additionally, though the Montana management plan allows for a more standard hunting season with a bag limit of four birds, the Fish and Wildlife Commission, with recommendations from FWP staff, decided on a conservative season structure with a two-bird bag limit and a season only open from Sept. 1 - Sept. 30.

The conservative approach seemed prudent considering the sage grouse in Montana and the rest of the region will have another ESA review in 2020.

Still, Montana's sage grouse success story is one worth applauding.

"We're the only state in the West that's completely open for sage grouse and we have the longest hunting season," Wightman said.

The continued focus from a management standpoint will be on habitat conservation and making strides toward maintaining stable long-term trends - to especially try and keep the numbers during the low years from getting too low, if possible. The fact is you can still have good years in terms of population, but have declining numbers over all.

"Conservation of habitat is important so we can ensure the long-term trends of the populations are stable," she said. "We aren't trying to get back to the sage grouse populations of the 1960s, but we think we can maintain a steady population by maintaining good habitat and that's the goal."

Sage grouse hunting open again in Montana for month of September

MEN'S Week 14 pairing, Week 13 Results

Name	Hcp	Points	Name	Hcp	Points
STILES, CRAIG	3.02	23.00	WEBB, GORDON	3.13	24.50
SIMSER, ROSS	8.4	32.50	HOWELL, GARY	6.98	24.50
REICHEL, CURTIS	15.82	24.50	NEVRIVY, JIM	10.52	23.00
PAUL, JUSTIN	17.24	15.50	HENDERSON, PHILLI	18	15.00

WMN'S Week 11 pairing, Week 10 Results

Name	Hcp	Points	Name	Hcp	Points
Webb, Kate	10	9.00	Stiles, Kay/Del	11	17.00
Cummings, Gail	15	17.00	Kienraberger, K	13	17.50
Simonsen, Gale	19	6.50	Waters, Rhonda	18	15.50
Ereaux, Nelle	25	2.50	Fried, Shannon	24	18.50

Event #10 Results

Event	Hcp	Points	Event	Hcp	Points
1 Tin Cup	61.5	Low Gross: Barb Galt 39	7 Bishop Building, Inc.	45.5	Closest to the Pin #7: Elene Sudbrack
2 PC Title	59.5		8 Independence Bank	36.5	
3 Blades	59.5	Low Net: April Ost 29			
4 Hitchin Post	54.5	Jessica Pankratz 29			
5 First Security Bank	54				
6 First State Bank	52	Long Putt #4: Lynne Nevry			
7 Bishop Building, Inc.	45.5	Closest to the Pin #7: Elene Sudbrack			
8 Independence Bank	36.5				

Top Point Team: PC Title

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NFL Play 60
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campers and parents enjoyed a taco lunch, it rained.
"When the rain started, you could see this look of terror on his face," Katie said. "All of sudden when the activities started, thunder went CRACK! But he kept on going. He saw the look in the kids eyes and they were still playing, so he said let's go!"

Carson didn't know what to do when the rain started, but soon he started playing again.

"I just ran where the other kids ran," Carson said.

Kayla being younger was a little afraid. "We ran to the car," Kayla said.

They participated in several drills including red light-green light. Though that game doesn't sound really intense, playing in the rain muddy field was a sight to be seen.

"It was wet and I fell," Carson admitted.

Kayla won her hat with a bit of luck.

"My name got drawn," Kayla said.

Kayla also took a photo with the Bears receiver that made it on Mariani's Facebook page.

Playing catch with Mariani was Kayla and Carson's favorite part of camp, though both didn't catch any of his throws.

"I missed it," Kayla said pointing to where the ball hit her on the shoulder. Carson said the ball was too wet.

The Phillips County 4-H Horse Show was held July 30th at the Malta Pavilion.

- Senior Horse Showmanship** – 1st Place, Kari Koss (trophy sponsor, First Security Bank), 2nd Place Aidan Wiese
- Advanced Junior Horse Showmanship** – 1st Place Sidney Meeks (trophy sponsor, Todd and Carol Smith), 2nd Place Brett Wiebe, 3rd Place Arena Niebur
- Beginning Junior Horse Showmanship** – 1st Place Tova Anderson (trophy sponsor, Bill and Corky French), 2nd Place Brylee French, 3rd Place Morgan McEwen
- Miniature Horsemanship, Level One** – Grand Champion, Grace Anderson (Dunbar Brothers)
- Horsemanship Level One** – Grand Champion, Morgan McEwen (Tom and Lorraine Watson), Reserve Champion, Gracie Anderson (Noel and Sharon Emond)
- Horsemanship Level Two** – Grand Champion, Tova Anderson (North & South PC Grazing Districts), Reserve Champion, Lela Domire (First State Bank)
- Horsemanship Level Five** – Grand Champion, Brett Wiebe (Oxarart Cattle Company), Reserve Champion, Danie Rhodes (Scott and Barb Waters)
- Horsemanship Level Six** – Grand Champion, Aidan Wiese (Hammond Ranch), Reserve Champion, Sidney Meeks (Cross Country 4-H Club)
- Colt to Maturity, Yearling** – Grand Champion, Brett Wiebe (Phillips County News)
- Green Horse, Level One** – Grand Champion, Danie Rhodes (Three Stand Ranch), Reserve Champion, Charlee Rhodes (Tri-County Insurance)
- Green Horse, Level Three** – Grand Champion, Brett Wiebe (Dunbar Ranch)
- Ranch Horse, Level One** – Grand Champion, Kari Koss (Rocky Road 4-H Club)
- Ranch Horse, Level Two** – Grand Champion, Sidney Meeks (Hardware Hank), Reserve Champion, Danie Rhodes (TeePee Ring Ranch Inc)
- Ranch Horse, Level Three** – Grand Champion, Charlee Rhodes (Margaret Demarais), Reserve Champion, Aidan Wiese (First Security Bank)
- Fun Classes**
- Bareback Pleasure Class, Beginning (1st and 2nd year members)** - Morgan McEwen- Received a 4-H bucket sponsored by the 4-H Horse Program and a Sweatshirt sponsored by Westside Self Service
- Bareback Pleasure Class, Advanced (3 years or more in program)** – Charlee Rhodes - 4-H Horse Bucket sponsored by 4-H horse program and sweatshirt sponsored by Milk River Honey
- Trail Class, Senior Division** – Kari Koss received a feed bag sponsored by Glasgow Stockyards.
- Trail Class, Advanced Junior Division** – Sidney Meeks received a feed bag sponsored by Art's Furniture
- Most Improved 4-H Horse Member** – this is voted on by the horse leaders. Very tough decision this year. Top recipient was Arena Niebur. She received a plaque sponsored by Pete and Thelma Jaynes and Russ and Julia Cebulski Families in memory of Arthur Warren. She also received a t-shirt sponsored by Equity Coop Association. Honorary member this year was Brylee French who received a 4-H bucket from the 4-H Horse program and a t-shirt sponsored by Equity Coop Association.
- Best Overall Horse Project** – This is voted on by the Horse judge, Bailey Remmich from Hinsdale. The recipient was Brett Wiebe. She received a plaque sponsored by Pete and Thelma Jaynes and Russ and Julia Cebulski Families in memory of Arthur Warren.

Thank you to our horse leaders for all of your volunteer hours spent with these youth, Sarah Barnard, Kendra Green, Cathy Rhodes, Liz Pierce, Janni Wiese, Paul and Kayla Warren, Jeri Underwood and Barb Wiebe.

Horse Show
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would drive their car through. She said she and Snickers had been practicing the carwash portion of the event and things had gone a little rocky.

"She was scared of it, but she has gotten over it," Meeks said. "Hopefully she will be okay with it today."

Meeks will next take Snickers to the Rodeo this Sunday, an event she has been participating in since she was three. When she was just starting out, a good time for her would have been at about the minute mark. Now, her times are down in the 17 or 18 second range.

Wiebe, 13-years-old, had participated in two events before the lunch break and was excited about how her day had went up to that point (she would go on to compete in two

more events during the day.)

"I got second in showmanship and Grand Champion in Horsemanship V," she said.

Wiebe is in her fifth year of 4-H and has won the horsemanship category each year she has competed except for one.

"I wasn't sure how I was going to do," she said of the performance on Saturday. "When I do my pattern, my horse gets a little hot and doesn't want to stand still and kind of doesn't cooperate. So I didn't know what she was going to do."

Wiebe said that here horse, Bunny who she has owned since the steed was five, did indeed get hot and was being ornery, but everything worked out in the end.

"I have used a couple of different horses, but Bunny is probably my favorite," she said.

Wiebe said she enjoys learning new things on her horse and felt she would do well in the final three events of the day, but was looking forwarded to one event more

than others.

"I'm looking forward to (Ranch Horse) Trail because I like going through obstacles and my colt (Cady) hasn't been trotting very well," she said.

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Some things I know for sure: Mark Slade was loved by so many and we thank you for celebrating him in so many wonderful ways. Thank you to Malta Lutheran Church and Kirkwood Funeral Home for keeping our focus on the goal of Jesus Christ. We are thankful for the Malta and Whitewater women who nourished our bodies and blessed our hearts. The gifts of flowers, money, hugs and prayers are literally overwhelming our hearts. My family and friends are above par on and off the fairway. Our journey has changed, but I have the best of Mark, Mya Frances Slade. There have been some rough spots, but all of you, especially our family and friends, my co-workers, Mya's Day Care crew and Jesus School people have foreseen our needs and met them with so many strokes of kindness and compassion. We appreciate all of you who have helped us along this tough course.
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Thank you

A big thank you to everyone who took the time to come to our 60th Wedding Anniversary party. Thanks for the cards, plants and flowers, and the special gifts. Thank you to our kids for putting it all together and doing all the work...good job! The picture board Milissa did was awesome. It was a memory making weekend!

God Bless all,
Glenn and Judy Flatt



Photo by Pierre Bibbs

The Local Advisory Council met to discuss ways to help with mental health. Pictured in the back row Left to Right: Pierre Bibbs, Janice Reichelt, Jennifer Strzelczyk, Terri Skiff, Gail Stahl, Bruce Christofferson, Clark Kelly and Ned Mangis. Front row: Jennifer Marshall, Janice Roberts, Jenny Tollefson, Sonia Young and Tasha Hines.

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A Call to Mental Health Awareness

The Local Advisory Council for Mental Health and Addictive Services sponsored a Mental Health Awareness Meeting last week at the Great Northern Lodge. Among things discussed were a need for action, a new court appointed 24-7 program, potential grants and other concerns brought up by local departments within the county.

"The whole purpose of the Local Advisory Council is to improve or extend mental healthcare in the region we live," Council member Janice Reichelt said. "But we can't do it without knowing what areas are really problem areas and what you want us to work on."

Reichelt went on to say that is grant money out there to help communities that need help in the realm of mental health problems.

"They want to decrease the suicide rates and get people stabilized and functioning to the best of their ability," Reichelt said.

Reichelt opened the floor for improvement suggestions from the organizations and people present at the meeting.

Some of the suggestions included decreasing the wait time of persons and alcohol treatment, providing help to sufferers of mental and physical pain, improved crisis prevention, a suicide prevention program, improved children to adult transition program and there was an expressed need for a coordinator for the local ambulance service and a general concern about the welfare of the nursing home residents and staff.

Among the attendees was Jennifer Marshall, a first sergeant with the U.S. Army and registered nurse who has been in public health with the military for the past 26 years. She has recently accepted a position with Phillips County Home Health.

"We are the eyes and ears for behavioral health for soldiers," Marshall said. "Thinking outside of the box is my specialty."

Terri Skiff, who is treasurer of the Local Advisory Council also shared her concerns. "I just believe that Phillips County needs more mental healthcare," Skiff said. "I

believe in it. I know we need help all the way from elementary school, junior high and all the way on up."

Jennifer Strzelczyk, is a therapist with Altacare of Montana, a program that helps children at Malta schools.

"My big concern in Malta is after a kid turns 18 or 19 and Medicaid or insurance runs out, where do they go for mental health services," Strzelczyk said. "I really would like a local mental health clinic. Kind of like a day treatment program. A place where people can go and get the help they need and people can connect them to services."

Janice Roberts, a member of the Local Advisory Council since its beginning ten years ago, brought attention to those suffering from mental issues due to physical pain. She shared a personal experience that involved her son, who has honorably served in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"Through his deployments, we've become very educated as to what happens to people who endure combat drama," Roberts said. "There have been many issues in his recovery. We learned about a pain relief clinic in Billings Mont."

She shared an invaluable resource, the Yellowstone Naturopathic Clinic, who works with sufferers of chronic pain. The number to reach the clinic is 406-259-5096.

"There are other naturopathic clinics in Billings but this one does have a pain relief program," Roberts said.

Sonia Young, represented both the Phillips County Coalition of Healthy Choices and the Montana Tobacco Use Prevention Program Grant, which is sub-granted under Havre's Help Committee and Hi-Line Boys and Girls Club.

Reichelt brought attention to the fact the past grants have been used for studying mental health issues in our county, but the aim is for the group to be more proactive in future endeavors.

County Nurse Jenny Tollefson was present representing the Phillips County Health Department with Tasha Hines.

"A big part of public health should be the mental health of people," Tollefson said. "We've been having

some issues with teenagers and suicide all over Montana. Its way higher than it should be."

Tollefson mentioned that the County Health Department has recently received a grant to not only help with mental health but also suicide prevention.

"It is a problem in our county and in other counties," Tollefson said. "With this new grant we applied for this fiscal year, there will be some money for me to do some suicide prevention education in the community."

Tollefson mentioned that she wasn't sure about the particulars of the classes, but they are fighting to bring in more resources.

Phillips County Justice of the Peace Gail Stahl echoed the need for action in Phillips County. Stahl also introduced a program that can help those who struggle with alcohol related problems.

"As of last week, we are going to have in Phillips County, what we call 24-7 to control some of the drinking," Stahl said.

The program will be for those who are charged with an alcohol induced partner-family member assault, driving under the influence or any other alcohol related charge.

"They come into the sheriff's office twice a day, twelve hours apart and they have to blow (on a breathalyzer)," Stahl said.

The program will cost the user four dollars a day.

"Two dollars will go to the program and two dollars will stay at the P.C. Sheriff's Department," Stahl said. "It does not cost us any money to bring the program in."

The Council also discussed the possibility of A.C.E. or Adverse Childhood Experience training as a resource for Phillips County in the near future.

If you are suffering from mental health issues and need support, the Montana Warm Line is another resource that can be reached at 1-877-688-3377. The email address for the program is programs@montanamentalhealth.org.

A follow up lunch meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 17.



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Aeryn Ator, a four-year-old in town visiting her Nana, takes a trip down the Salsbery Bros. water slide during Crazy Days on Saturday in Malta. The slide was hosted by the MHS Senior Class of 2017.