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Admission is \$1 adults, kids 12 & under free. All proceeds support the Depot Foundation's indispensable collections, services, and programs.

The Livingston Depot Foundation is a nonprofit organization committed to enriching the lives of residents of Livingston and surrounding communities and tourists to the Yellowstone area.

Located in the heart of downtown Livingston at 200 West Park Street. Additional information can be obtained by visiting www.livingstondepot.org.

An Evening of Music and **Community for Park County** Kids

The Living Life Fund, held at the Park County Community Foundation (PCCF), is throwing a benefit concert and silent auction on February 15, 2025 at the Livingston Elks Lodge located 130 S. 2nd Street. "Music for the Heart of Park County" will raise

funds for granting to local nonprofits working to empower Park County's kids by fostering mental health and resiliency through outdoor experiences and mentorship opportunities. Doors for this Valentine-themed event open at 6 pm and local musicians Marcedes Carroll, Blake Brightman, and Rancho Deluxe begin performing at 6:30 pm.

Climbing poverty rates, housing challenges, and seasonal depression during the long winter months can intensify mental health challenges among Park County residents. In 2023, philanthropist Greg Johns created the Living Life Fund at PCCF to provide opportunities for youth recreation, camaraderie, and mentorship to combat these factors.

"I've been visiting Paradise Valley



for nearly 30 years and recently retired, making Park County my home. When close friends lost their 14-year-old to suicide, I discovered how prevalent suicide is in Park County. I knew something needed to be done for the kids in our community," said Living Life Fund creator Greg Johns.

Dozens of local businesses have generously begun donating useful items and experiences to the silent auction. Tickets – \$25 in advance and \$35 at the door –can be purchased at the Park County Community Foundation website: https://www.pccf-montana.org/newsevents/nonprofit-event-calendar.html/ calendar/2025/2 100% of the proceeds benefit the Living Life Fund, held at the Park County Community Foundation

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The Park County Community Journal is seeking help from our followers to continue its mission: promoting positivity in the local community. We do this by publishing stories about the people, organizations, businesses, and events that represent Park County, often times at request, and most importantly, to shine light on what makes

this community special.

We promote local businesses and encourage their support; honor non-profit organizations dedicated to philanthropy; celebrate our vibrant arts community by showcasing its contributors and their work; praise the achievements of students and children in sports and

education; recognize major developments in municipal and county government; and cover local events to spur participation and advance the concept of community.

Knowledge as power, though a cliché, is undeniably true, and our intention is to inform readers about the community so as to inspire positive change through mutual support and understanding.

The *Journal* currently publishes 2,000 copies weekly for distribution throughout Park County. In response to incoming tourists, this number will rise in the early spring to 2,500 and to

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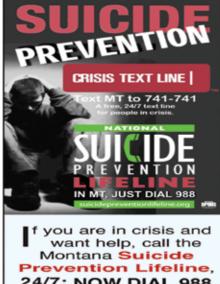
John "Jay" Quincy Adams Doolittle

John "Jay" Quincy Adams Doolittle Jr., 86, of Pray, Montana, passed away peacefully in his sleep on January 7, 2025, with his loving family by his side.

Jay was born on January 24, 1938 to John Q.A.Doolittle and Mary Arthur Batcheller in Albany, NY. Jay grew up in Menands, NY, and graduated with honors from St. George's School in Middletown, RI, where he also played varsity hockey and varsity tennis. He went on to study at Williams College and graduated with honors in 1961 with a double major in French and English. He also earned a Master's Degree with honors in French from Middlebury College in 1962, a degree with honors in Contemporary French Literature from the Sorbonne in Paris in 1962 and finally, a degree with highest honors from l'Institut des Professeurs de Français from the Sorbonne in 1969.

Jay met his wife of 58 years, June Dallery, on the Castel Felice, a ship headed to France, on June 18th, 1965. The ship hit a storm, leaving all of the 1300 passengers in their rooms, with the exception of Jay and June who, upon seeing that they were the only two passengers who'd arrived for dinner, decided to dine together. In a Titanic-like setting, they had the bar to themselves and enjoyed an entire orchestra playing just for them. It was a wonderful evening, and exactly one year later, they were married. Jay and June moved to Middletown, RI, where they raised their three children; John, Andrew, and Lauren.

Jay returned to St.George's School to teach French from 1962-1968 and served as the head of the Modern Language Department from 1969-1972. He was then hired as the Director of Admissions and Financial Aid where he served until 2003. Jay was a tireless advocate and pioneer for diversity. Each year, he visited schools in the U.S. and in many other countries, recruiting students from a variety of cultural and economic backgrounds. Jay took a sabbatical in Gardiner, Montana in 2003-2004 before returning to teach



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English at St.George's from 2004-2006. He also coached varsity hockey and tennis, the two sports he loved the most. During Jay's tenure at St.George's, he also served first as Director, then as Vice-President and finally as President of the Secondary School Admission Test Board, (SSATB.) In 1987, he was awarded the Bretnall Award, given each year to a leader and educator who made significant contributions to the field of admission. Jay also served as a trustee for the New School in Middletown, RI, from 1979-1983.

When Jay and June retired to Pray, Montana in 2006, Jay continued to fill his life with reading, writing, storytelling, fishing, gardening, games, sports, travel, and a love of all Boston sports teams. Jay's biggest accomplishment will always be the ways in which he loved his family. Through his published and unpublished short stories, his letter writing, his yearly storytelling in Canada, through family summer drives across the country to Montana, and on pack trips into the Montana wilderness, through family adventures, foraging, hunting, gathering and fishing the Yellowstone River, through his attendance at all of his children's countless sporting events and theatrical and music performances. through his readings and writing with the grandchildren, through his wisdom in the garden and on the river, through his toasts at all of our holiday gatherings, his wedding speeches, graduation speeches, and lectures about sports, through his love of our countless pets (especially his dogs Willis and Papi), through our talks on the deck over coffee or shucking peas, through his love and knowledge of family history and his listening, love and care, we all learned so much. Everything he shared with us



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he did with a sense of humor and with a sense of what is right for the world, but most of all, with love.

Jay was predeceased by his brother, Hiland G.B. Doolittle, Jr. and his sister, Mary Arthur Beebe. He is survived by his brother Peter Doolittle of Cropseyville, NY. Deeply committed to his family, Jay is also survived by his loving wife, June Doolittle. He will be greatly missed by his three children, John Doolittle and his wife, Erica Doolittle, of Averill Park, NY, Andrew Doolittle and his wife, Laura Doolittle, of Pray, MT, and Lauren Doolittle and her husband, Todd Weldon, of Shrewsbury, MA. Jay, also known as "PapaDoo," will be forever cherished and remembered by his five adoring grandchildren, Jackson, Hunter and Isabella Doolittle, of Averill Park, NY, along with Daisy and Lila Doolittle, of Pray, MT.

A celebration of Jay's life will be held at a later date. To leave condolences for Jay's family, please visit https://www. franzen-davis.com/obituaries.

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Governor Gianforte Announces Winners of the 2024 Youth Hunting Story Contest

Governor Greg Gianforte today announced the winners of the 2024 Governor's Youth Hunting Story Contest.

"Hunting is a vital part of Montana's legacy, connecting generations through respect for the land and wildlife,"

Gov. Gianforte said. "The Youth Hunting Story Contest celebrates this tradition. It's inspiring to see so many young hunters submit stories about carrying it forward and I'm thrilled to invite the ten winners to the State Capitol to celebrate."

Gov. Gianforte created the Youth Hunting Story contest in 2022 for Montana youth and apprentice hunters between the ages of 10 and 17.

To enter the contest, resident hunters submitted a story of no more than 500 words about their hunt and a photo from their hunt. Eligible entries included harvesting any legal game, furbearer animals, or birds in Montana.

The governor will recognize the ten winning hunters in the State Capitol this month. Winning hunters will receive prizes from Stone Glacier, Sitka, J2 Taxidermy, Kenetrek, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association, Murdochs, and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

"Thanks to our prize partners, there are some great prizes for our winners to aid them as they continue hunting for years to come," the governor said. "I thank Stone Glacier, Sitka, J2 Taxidermy, Kenetrek, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association, Murdochs, and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for their generosity and helping us celebrate these young hunters."

The winning hunters are below:

- Ambreigh Morris of Baker (10 years **old)** for the story of her first deer hunt with her uncle.
- Amelia Saylor of Wilsall (14 years **old)** for the story of her deer hunt in her new hometown.
- Hannah Smith of Bozeman (14 years **old)** for the story of her first little "forkie"

Hays Darr of Bozeman (10 years

where he was "excited as a dog with a big pile of beef jerky."

old) for the story of his first bird hunt,

- Jacob Reddish of Lakeside (16 years **old)** for the story of his first solo hunt.
- Layton Arnold of Belgrade (14 years **old)** for the story about saving money for seven years to buy hunting equipment for his first elk hunt.
- Malena Altschwager of Corvallis (13 years old) for the story of her deer hunt with her dad.
- Noah Wheatley of Deer Lodge (13 years old) for the story of how special his deer hunt was with his dad.
- Remuda Seymour of Dillon (12 years old) for the story of her new family tradition of eating cherry pie after hunting.
- Wyatt Mosher of Jefferson City (15 years old) for the story of his first antelope hunt on a Block Management Area and on state land.

New Resident of Park County, Amelia Saylor (Age 14) of Wilsall was one of the 2024 Winners, Here is Her Winning Story

Hi, my name is Amelia Saylor. My family just moved to Wilsall this Fall, and I wanted to share the story of my first mule deer. It all started at the trailhead at 5 am. It was opening day.

It was just my Dad and I in the mountains. It had snowed the other day but most of it had melted so it wasn't too cold. As we began, my Dad said that we wouldn't hike too far (heard that one before), but as the sun came up we kept hiking farther and farther. We kept going over hill after hill, just wanting to see around

the corner. Until, before we knew it, we were 5 miles back in! We went up off the trail to gain some elevation and see if we could see anything. My Dad kept telling me that it looked like really good mule deer country. So we glassed and glassed and had some breakfast. We saw some mountain goats, the kids were really fluffy and bounced along down the shale shoot. They were fun to watch. After a while the wind started to pick up and it started to



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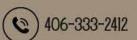
get cold, so we decided to keep hiking. We went down a really steep hill with no trail, and I kept thinking how hard it would be to hike back up from there. When we got to the bottom we had to cross a raging creek with a little waterfall. When we got past the creek there was this big field that looked too good not to have something bedded in it. We didn't make it far into the field when my Dad turned around and whisper yelled 11Shooter buck!11 At

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- January 23rd 3 pm Early School Release
- January 24th 4 pm JH Boys **Basketball against Sleeping Giant** Middle School
- January 25th 1 pm High School Basketball against Twin Bridges
- January 28th 4 pm High School Boys Basketball at Sheridan, 4:15 pm Elementary/JH Boys basketball against Twin Bridges
- January 29th 2 pm Shields Valley Interlocal Spelling Bee

- January 30th 4:15 pm Elementary/JH Boys Basketball against Big Timber
- January 31st 11 am Elementary/ JH Boys basketball at White Sulphur, 2:30 pm HS Basketball against White Sulphur
- Shields Valley Mobile Pantry Second Friday of every month. Wilsall 10:45 am until 11:45 am Located in the parking lot at Wilsall Dance Hall Clyde Park in the parking lot at the High School from 12:30 pm to 1:15 pm. For more information and to

join the program go to https:// livingstonfrc.org/get-food/foodpantry.html or call 406-222-5335.

If anyone has any news, events, etc. please let me know at Shieldsvalleynews@gmail.com

Living Life Fund

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PCCF can help residents define their philanthropic vision and match that with suitable organizations or projects. PCCF can assist by setting up a fund, like the Living Life Fund, to support a particular organization or cause. PCCF receives your donation, handles tax receipts, and processes payments to disburse the funds back into the community. Any other donors interested in the cause can also donate to the fund. Conversations with donors who are interested in making an impact on a specific issue in Park County are welcomed. For more information on ways to give, please contact: Tricia Erikson | tricia.erikson@pccf-montana.org | (406) 224-3920.



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First Interstate Bank Donates \$100,000 to the 4 Ranges Wellness Center in Livingston

The 4 Ranges Wellness Center campaign has received a significant boost with a generous \$100,000 donation from First Interstate Bank. This contribution supports the construction of the nearly 40,000-square-foot facility in Livingston, which aims to enhance the community's mental and physical well-being.The state-of-the-art wellness center, expected to open in the winter of 2026, will feature aquatics facilities, a gymnasium, fitness areas, a walking/jogging track, and versatile program spaces.

As the first comprehensive wellness facility of its kind in Park County, the 4 Ranges Wellness Center will be a yearround hub for recreation, health, and community-building, serving individuals and families of all ages.

"First Interstate Bank is proud to support the 4 Ranges Wellness Center," said Ryan Anderson, President of First Interstate Bank in Livingston. "This facility represents a meaningful investment in Livingston's future, creating a space where people can connect, grow, and thrive. Supporting the health and vitality of our communities is at

the core of our mission, and we're honored to play a role in bringing this transformative resource to Park County."

The project has been made possible by a robust public-private partnership, with private contributions funding construction and local residents supporting operational costs through a newly established tax. With over \$22.6 million raised towards the \$23.5 million goal, this latest donation brings the vision of the center closer to reality.

"This donation from First Interstate Bank exemplifies the community spirit that is driving this project forward," said Grant Gager, Livingston City Manager. "The 4 Ranges Wellness Center will be a cornerstone of health and connection for our residents, addressing critical needs while fostering a stronger, healthier community."

The 4 Ranges Wellness Center will not only preserve vital recreation and wellness programs but also provide new opportunities for residents to stay active, develop skills, and build connections year-round. Its anticipated impact spans improved mental health, youth engagement, and a strengthened local economy.

To learn more about the 4 Ranges Wellness Center or to join the campaign, visit 4ranges.org

About First Interstate Bank

First Interstate Bank is a community-focused financial institution dedicated to serving the needs of the places it calls home. With a strong commitment to supporting health, education, and economic development, First

Interstate partners with local organizations to create lasting, positive change.

About the 4 Ranges Wellness Center

The 4 Ranges Wellness Center is a visionary project designed to address the critical

4 Ranges Foundation and members of First Interstate Bank stand with \$100,000 that First Interstate Bank donated on Friday toward the Livingston Wellness Center and the 4 Ranges Community Foundation. Pictured L-R are First Interstate Banks' Shann Scott, Angie Tinsley, Ryan Anderson, and J.C. Murray (far right). Foundation members are Sally Epps, Maggie Tarr, Chase Rose, and Andrew Field

mental and physical health needs of Livingston and Park County. Offering comprehensive facilities and programming for all ages, the center is set to become a vibrant hub for community connection and well-being.

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3,000 by summer 2025. Park County depends on tourism to thrive, and the newspaper has a role in sharing information with visitors about what our community has to offer through advertising and editorials on businesses and events. In addition to compensating staff, this increase in printing is expensive (\$0.45 per copy; total annual printing expenses amounting to roughly \$50,000 contingent upon need), but our goal is to help the community flourish without placing a burden on our readers.

Up until now, the newspaper has been free of charge—a service provided to the community not intended to generate income through our consumers, much like a non-profit organization. Our desire is to continue this tradition via advertising fees, the Journal's current business model, and by exploring new avenues for raising money to fund operating expenses without shifting costs to readers. For example, we are currently working alongside non-profit organizations like Prospera and Park

Local to consider and develop new strategies for increasing revenue, such as adjusting advertising rates for local businesses through the cool season. However, as we are not technically a non-profit organization, our options are somewhat limited.

We are therefore asking you to please consider the value of our newspaper to this community and to support our cause by making a donation that will be used to extend our outreach and impact to locals and visitors alike. Donations may be made once or on a recurring basis, if possible. Because we are not a charity organization, your gifts are not tax-deductible. However, any donation, small or large, helps us in our effort to shape this community for the better. Even just two dollars each from a few thousand individuals would be extremely helpful in keeping this newspaper free as we continuously strive to benefit the community.

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NFIB's National Index Records Expectations of Main Street Entrepreneurs the Highest Since 1983

Is the five-year drought of good small business news finally over? Today's release of the latest Small Business Optimism Index from the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) would lead everyone to believe it is, with the net percent of owners expecting the economy to improve rising 16 points from November to a net 52% (seasonally adjusted), the highest since the fourth quarter of 1983.

Additionally, the percent of small business owners believing it is a good time to expand their business rose six points to 20%, seasonally adjusted. This is the highest reading since February 2020.

"Finally, some good news for small businesses nationally," said Ronda Wiggers, state director for NFIB in Montana. "Our state has done a great job in being an

oasis away from much of the turbulent federal policy winds these past five years. We would really benefit from state and federal policies in sync."

NFIB's monthly Small Business Optimism Index is the gold standard measurement of America's small business economy. Used by the Federal Reserve, Congressional leaders, administration officials, and state legislatures across the nation, it's regarded as the bellwether on the health and welfare of the Main Street enterprises that employ half of all workers, generate more net new jobs than large corporations, and gave most of us the first start in our working life. The Optimism Index (aka Small Business Economic Trends report) is a national snapshot of NFIB-member, small-business owners not

broken down by state. The typical NFIB member employs between one and nine people and reports gross sales of about \$500,000 a year.

From NFIB Chief Economist Bill Dunkelberg

"Optimism on Main Street continues to grow with the improved economic outlook following the election. Small business owners feel more certain and hopeful about the economic agenda of the new administration. Expectations for economic growth, lower inflation, and positive business conditions have increased in anticipation of pro-business policies and legislation in the new year."

Additional Highlights from Latest NFIB **Small Business Optimism Index**

· The net percent of owners expecting

higher real sales volumes rose eight points to a net 22% (seasonally adjusted), the highest reading since January 2020.

• A net 6% (seasonally adjusted) of owners plan inventory investment in the coming months, up five points from November and the highest reading since December 2021.

Keep up with the latest Montana small business news at www.nfib.com or by following us on X at @NFIB MT.

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the same time,

I looked up and saw this buck running away from us! I didn't really care about how big he was because I didn't want to shoot a big mule deer for my first time anyway. My Dad got the .338 Lapua ready while I got my earmuffs out of my backpack. (I was totally unprepared!) I told my Dad that he should just shoot it because I thought that it was going to run away and I just wanted to put meat in our freezer. But my Dad urged me to the gun anyway and the buck soon stopped and looked

back at us. I laid down and got set up on the gun while my Dad ranged him-250 yards! We dialed the scope. I took the shot. He kicked a little bit and just stood there for a second. I asked if I should shoot him again, but then he rolled down the hill! My Dad gave me a big hug and we went to find him. He was an old, backcountry 3 by 4 with a lot of character. I helped my Dad cut him up and then we loaded the meat on our packs and began the 5.3 mile hike back to the truck!

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The Blue Slipper Theatre is Holding Open Auditions for Old Times

Auditions for *Old Times* by Harold Pinter, directed and designed by Marc Beaudin is January 20th and 21st at the Blue Slipper at 7 pm. We welcome you to join in.

Cast: 2 women, 1 man, 30s through 50s, of similar ages to each other. No preparation is necessary. Audition sides will be provided. First produced by the Royal Shakespeare

Company in June 1971, and hitting Broadway later that year, Old Times has continued to enrapture audiences and critics alike. The Independent called it one of Pinter's "most haunting and unnerving pieces," and named it as one of the 40 best plays ever written. The Daily Telegraph described it as, "haunting stage poetry of memory and desire."

Deeley and his wife Kate are visited by

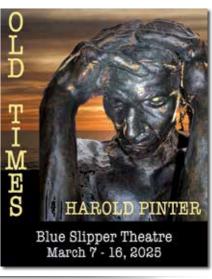
Anna, a mysterious friend of Kate's from long ago. What begins as a trip down memory lane quickly becomes something more, as long-simmering feelings of fear and jealousy begin to fuel the trio's passions, sparking a seductive battle for power.

A review in The Guardian notes: "One reason Pinter's play is so resonant is that it exposes the way we shape the past according to the psychological needs of the present. Deeley, a thriving film-maker, and his wife Kate are visited in the country by the latter's onetime flatmate, Anna. What follows is a fierce battle for possession of the withdrawn, cryptically private Kate. The weapons used include snatches of popular song, physical intimacies and, above all, memory."

This production is Beaudin's 10th time directing at the Blue Slipper, with favorites being *No Exit, Proof and Dracula*.

"The first play I ever directed was Pinter's Betrayal, in 2000," he says. "I'm excited to return to his work after nearly a quarter century of honing this craft. What I love most about Pinter is his genius with subtext: the surface of the words is just the tiniest bit of what's happening below that surface, in the unspoken and unspeakable depths of our psyches. He leaves us questioning everything we think we know.

Livingston's Blue Slipper Theatre is an all-volunteer nonprofit theater that is a destination for exhilarating performances, inspired plays and powerful theatrical experiences.



Livingston Film Series Presents:The Making of Will the Circle Be Unbroken, Volume Two

The Shane Center Dulcie Theatre invites you to join them for a screening on February 23rd at 7 pm.

What started as a music video concept for the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band evolved into a 1989 full-length film documenting the all-star session for Will the Circle Be Unbroken, Volume Two.

Will the Circle be Unbroken, Volume Two won three Grammys and the 1989 CMA award for the Album of the Year and Music Video of the Year.

Produced by Joanne Gardner and Rosanne Cash, the film captures the band in the studio recording their groundbreaking project. Select clips will show performances by Johnny and June Carter Cash; Jerry Douglas; Emmylou Harris; Bruce Hornsby; Jimmy Martin; New Grass Revival; John Prine, Earl Scruggs: Roy Acuff, John Denver, Chet Atkins, Randy Scruggs: Ricky Skaggs: and others.

Producer Joanne Gardner recalls, "It was a joyful studio. Each day the

musicians came ready to create and collaborate. We were honored to be in the room with it all. Being live made everyone really stay on top of their game. It felt like a family reunion on many days and there was always a lot of humor and laughter. The film crew were able to capture the conversations in addition to the music, which is what makes this so special. Many of the artists from this project are gone now: Johnny Cash, all of the Carter Sisters, Earl and Randy Scruggs, Vassar

Clements, Chet Atkins, Levon Helm, Jimmy Martin, John Denver, Roy Acuff, and Roy Huskey. Jr."

36 years later *Will the Circle Be Broke Volume Two* is still living evidence of the power of music. The filmmaker will answer questions after the screening.

The Dulcie Theatre and lobby are equipped with a UV air filtration system.

Livingston Film Series is generously sponsored by Marilyn Clotz & Mary Ann Bearden and Donald B. Gimbel.

Livingston Songwriter Festival Announces Slot for Local Writer at October Festival

The Livingston Songwriter Festival has announced a unique opportunity for Livingston and Paradise Valley Songwriters. They will be holding one spot for their 2025 festival and are currently accepting applications to be a paid songwriter. Paid Songwriters are professional singer-songwriters that play in the pubs and restaurants during the festival. All performances are in a songwriter round format with two to three songwriters. Songwriters will play four to five shows during the festival. Songwriters are recruited at other festivals, by reputation, live shows, finalists from the Rocky Mountain Songwriters annual songwriting contest, referrals, and direct inquiries.

The deadline for submitting is January 24, 2025. The festival does not book songwriters through bookers or management companies. If

you are interested in playing the festival you are encouraged to send us your information digitally at info@rockymtnsongwriterfestivals.org. Your information should include your bio, a digital file of your current cd, links to your web page, social media (Instagram & Facebook), YouTube videos and Spotify.

The festival staff will look at your tour schedule, awards, other festivals you may have played, your mastery of your instrument, liner notes on your CDs, the number of followers on your social media pages, number of monthly listeners on Spotify & Apple Play and YouTube videos. The festival website notes, "We appreciate your understanding that we get hundreds of requests from songwriters to play our festivals. If we are interested in booking you, we will contact you. We only contact songwriters we are interested in

booking, and due to the number of applicants do not contact songwriters when we don't plan to book. Thank you for your interest."

Mike Booth is the executive director of the Rocky Mountain Songwriter Festivals, a nonprofit organization based in Red Lodge. The Oct 2-4, 2025 festival will be held in many venues across historic downtown Livingston.

Mr. Booth's co-producers for the Livingston festival are John Lowell and Joanne Gardner



Lowell with Mighty Fine Time Live Events. More information on the festival is available at www. Livingstonsongwriterfestival.org

The Shane Center Presents Kicks Off Season with Kristen Grainger and True North

The Shane Center Presents will kick off the 2025 season with a show from award-winning song crafter Kristen Grainger and her band True North. A songwriter whose star continues to rise, Kristen Grainger was named, alongside Brandi Carlile and Dolly Parton, one of the Women Who Wrote Our 2020 Soundtrack by The Bluegrass Situation.

Kristen won first place in the 2020 USA Songwriting Competition (folk), and she has won or been a finalist in national songwriting contests at Telluride Bluegrass Festival, Wildflower Festival, Merlefest, and Kerrville New Folk. Prior to becoming a full-time musician, Kristen served as vice president of Willamette University in Salem, Oregon, and speechwriter for two Oregon governors.

Kim Ruehl of No Depression says of the band, "True North plays tunes so smooth they bring to mind bluegrass-pop artists like Alison Krauss and Union Station, as well as old country legends like Hank Williams."

"We're delighted to be kicking off the 2025

Season with Kristen Grainger and True North "

Season with Kristen Grainger and True North," said Shane Center Executive Producer/Artistic Director Russell Lewis. "This is a very eclectic season and features some excellent music. Tickets are already on sale and we're looking forward to seeing everyone at the Dulcie Theatre for the show."

True North includes Dan Wetzel on guitar and octave mandolin, Martin Stevens on mandolin, octave mandolin, and fiddle, and Josh Adkins on bass – and everybody sings. The

band showcased at SXSW in 2022 on the USA

Songwriting stage, and Kristen continues to earn more national songwriting honors, most recently at Common Ground on the Hill and Hope Rises, a tribute to excellence in social change songwriting curated by Noel "Paul" Stookey of Peter, Paul & Mary.

An accomplished singer-songwriter who toured nationally as a solo artist, Dan Wetzel is also a luthier who handcrafts musical instruments, including those used in performance, that look and sound beautiful. His superb skills as a vocalist and on guitar, both flat-pick and fingerstyle, give True North's songs their fat sound and driving groove.

sound and driving groove.

Martin Stevens grew up in the Old Time
Fiddlers contest community, winning several
state and regional championships during his
childhood. Martin's first two bluegrass groups,
Athena and the River City Boys and Molly Adkins
and Martin Stevens, performed for several years
at bluegrass festivals in the Pacific Northwest.
A silky-voiced singer and stellar fiddle and

mandolin player, Martin was a co-founder of the

Bluegrass Regulators, releasing two albums and performing all over the country, most notably as

one of the IBMA showcase artists.

Josh Adkins cut his teeth, musically speaking, alongside Martin in the Bluegrass Regulators. A multi-instrumentalist and vocalist of considerable skill and versatility, Josh delivers a solid bass groove that is anything but mundane. A monster musical talent, Josh's superpower is his knack for arrangement, finding the missing piece, vocally or instrumentally, that best showcases the song.

"Kristen and the band do compelling original songs. I can't think of a better way to spend a winter's evening than listening to these four play their music," added Erika Adams, Executive Director of the Shane Center for the Arts. "We want to thank Walter & Regina Wunsch and SPECTEC for sponsoring this show and hope to see you there."

Tickets are available at www.theshanecenter. org. All shows this year will begin at 7:30 pm. The Shane Lalani Center for the Arts is located at 415 E. Lewis in Livingston, MT 59047. The box office can be reached at 406-222-1420.

Guide to Throwing an Epic Super Bowl Party in 2025

If this is your first time hosting the big game, you might be feeling a bit overwhelmed. What do you even do? What is a Super Bowl party anyway? What are you supposed to eat or do?

You may notice that some businesses never say "Super Bowl." They call it the "Big Game" instead. Why can't you say Super Bowl? As a normal person, you can still host a Super Bowl party, but

because the name is technically trademarked, businesses aren't supposed to use it. Don't worry though, the NFL isn't likely come after your

Let's break down everything you need to know to throw a fun Super Bowl party for your

Super Bowl Party Ideas for Adults

From making the Super Bowl food to coming up with fun games, there's a lot to do. Being the host with the most is no easy task! Are you

ready for the challenge?

If so, we've got plenty of Super Bowl party ideas for you broken up into different categories so you can start planning ahead. If you're nervous about even making appetizers, don't worry. Now might be the perfect time to take a few cooking classes so you're all ready for the

Let's break down some ideas so you and your guests can have a blast!

1. Make a Custom Party Beverage- Have you always wanted to make your own designer custom cocktail for a party? Sure, Super Bowl parties may generally feature beer, but that doesn't mean that you can't include your own fancy drink. Consider taking mixology classes to learn how certain liquors pair with mixers. You can even make two drinks (in team colors, of course) so both sides get their own drink.

2. Design Fun Invitations - Nice invitations are uncommon for casual parties now due to most people using social media to invite their friends over, but we think there's something charming about a paper invitation. Design custom invitations resembling football tickets or team jerseys and send them to your friends for an extra special

3. Encourage Over-the-Top Team Spirit -How should you dress for a Super Bowl par-

ty? If you're any fun, you should go as over-thetop as possible. Encourage your guests to do the same! Jerseys, face paint and even socks in team colors should all be part of the party

dress code. It makes everything more festive and exciting when everyone is willing to play along and get silly with it.

- 4. Set Up a Betting Pool Don't let the only friendly (or not-so-friendly) competition be between the players on the field. If you're up for a bit of risk, set up a betting pool between your guests. You can bet money or fake money if you want something lower-stakes. Keep bets reasonable so everyone can enjoy the party stress-free, but there's still something at stake to keep the party interesting and engaging.
- 5. Do Super Bowl Predictions Evaluate your intuition by making Super Bowl predictions. Have guests predict game outcomes, the MVP and the scores. You can also make predictions about the commercials if you want a bit more to compete on.
- 6. Offer Prizes for Games Later in this article we're going to discuss some entertaining Super Bowl games you can play at your Super Bowl party. We recommend offering prizes to winners to up the stakes and make the party just a bit more interesting. The prizes can be small trinkets, like stickers or keychains. They don't have to be anything too serious!

Super Bowl Party Food

Can you say Super Bowl Party without talking about Super Bowl food? What are the top 5 Super Bowl party foods, anyway? It's not that easy to judge. There are so many delicious foods you can serve on the day of the big game. It can also be fun to set your Super Bowl party up as a potluck. That way, everyone can bring something to munch on and share!

We've come up with a few simple and popular football party food ideas so you can pick and choose the ones that work best for your guests.

1. Classic Game-Day Snacks - Everyone

loves the classic game day snacks we've all come to expect at Super Bowl parties like chips and dips, wings, sliders and pizza. They've become classic elements of any game day dining table. We recommend having a variety of chips and dips for guests to mix and match. Pair some tortilla chips with salsa and cheese. Serve potato chips with sour cream and onion dip.

2. For wings and pizza, it can be incredibly gratifying to make your own, however, you can also task people with bringing in their favorite types. This way, everyone can mix and match wings and slices. There's something comforting about chowing down on a greasy slice of pizza while your favorite team dominates the game; or consoling if they're losing.

3. Team-Inspired Food

- Serve dishes representing the competing teams' hometowns if you're willing to get a bit creative. For example, you could serve Kansas City BBQ if the Kansas City Chiefs make it to the big game, or Philly cheesesteaks if the

Philadelphia Eagles make it.

- 4. Finger Foods Are you trying to do something a bit more elevated for your game day food? It can be a lot of fun to serve more "elegant" little treats, especially if you have a more put-together party. We recommend making things like mini quiches, deviled eggs, meatballs and other finger food ideas for your quests. If you're feeling extra fancy, you can serve a variety of little finger sandwiches. This also gives you the option to serve things that suit more diverse palates.
- 5. Charcuterie Boards Charcuterie boards continue to trend, and for good reason. They're absolutely perfect for snacking. There's typically something on a well-made board for everyone. You can have everyone bring in their own ingredients to build out the board. You want a variety of cured meats and cheeses, as well as tasty vessels for those meats and cheeses. Tiny toasts and crackers all make perfect vessels. You can also get some fruits and vegetables, as well as tasty spreads like jams and mustards. This way, every bite is unique.
- **6. Sweet Treats -** Do not finish your game day prep without considering a few sweet treats. Who doesn't want a tasty dessert after a full meal of greasy and savory snack foods. Consider some festive touchdown-themed desserts like football field brownies or team-colored cupcakes. Don't be afraid to go a bit over-the-top with your colors and designs.

For even more fun gift and party ideas, check out other experiences happening on Classpop! https://www.classpop.com/magazine/ super-bowl-party

by: Caylie Herrmann, ClassPop!.com

Recipe by Cheeseburger Soup Carla Williams Ingredients 1 pound ground beef.

- 3/4 cup onion, chopped.
- 3/4 cup carrots, shredded.
- 3/4 cup celery, diced.
- 1 teaspoon dried basil.
- 1 teaspoon dried parsley.
- 4 tablespoons butter, divided. 3 cups chicken broth.
- 4 cups potatoes, peeled and
- 1/4 cup flour.
- 2 cups Velveeta cheese, cubed.
- 1 1/2 cups milk.
- 3/4 teaspoon salt.
- 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon pepper.
- 1/4 cup sour cream.

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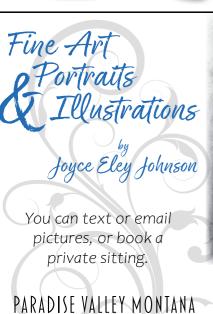
- 1. Brown beef, drain and set aside. Sauté vegetables in 1 tablespoon butter until tender. Add herbs while cooking.
- 2. Add broth, potatoes, and beef.



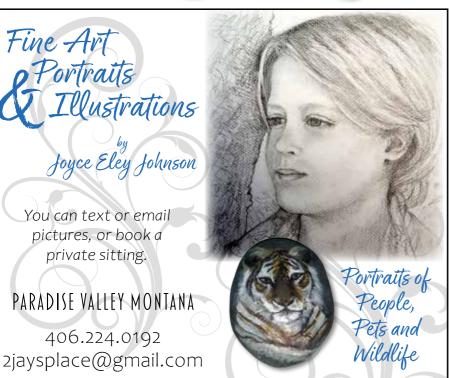
Boil then simmer for 10-12 minutes until potatoes are

- 3. Melt 3 tablespoons butter. Cook with flour for 3-5 minutes. Add to soup, bring to boil, and cook for 2 minutes.
- 4. Reduce heat. Add cheese, milk, and seasonings. Cook until cheese melts. Remove from heat and stir in sour cream.





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Meals for Jan. 20th - 24th

Monday, Jan. 20th -CLOSED

Tuesday, Jan. 21st - Chicken noodle soup, crackers, fruit, milk

Wednesday, Jan. 22nd -Hamburgers on bun, fries, baked beans, fixings, fruit, dessert,

Thursday, Jan. 23rd -Pulled pork on bun, coleslaw, fries, fruit, milk

Friday, Jan. 24th -Fish tacos, coleslaw, fries, fruit, dessert, milk



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The 1969 Snow Princess will be announced at the 4th Annual Park County Jayeee Snowmobile Rally Feb. 22-23. Here's zeven of the nine Livingston Junior High misses who will compete for the title this year. Left to right, Mary Ann Mosness, Bonnie Kallestad, Rhonda Siring, Cinny Collins, Kerrie Sullivan, Vale-

rie Mann and Buttons Greear. Not pictured are Heana Indreland and Sherrie Mitzkus. The Park County Jaycees are in charge of the Snow Princess contest and a lot of other projects in connection with the Snowmobile rally, site of which will not be announced until the time nears next month. (W. Chezik News photo)

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Antlers Grocery - later the High School Grocery on Callender - between Yellowstone and 5th across the alley from West Side school - presently there is a patio on the alley where 4 present-day duplexes were built by Claude Hookham in the early 1970's- replacing the large 3 story apartment house on the corner



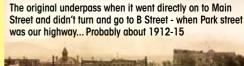
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The original underpass when it went directly on to Main Street and didn't turn and go to B Street - when Park street was our highway... Probably about 1912-15



The second art deco High School on Callender and 5th
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History of CPR - PART 2

by Nwrse Fill

Human physiology has been misunderstood time and time again through the millennia because only until recently there were limited ways to make observations about the truth of the matter. As humans watched other humans pass, the most obvious change was the loss of breath and so almost all of the initial efforts in reviving someone were usually aimed at restoring air to the body. This evolved over time to all manner of approaches to get a victim to artificially breathe. Whether it was draping someone over a walking horse

or hanging them upside down the goal was to get the patient breathing again.

Even in the late 1800s when we saw the beginnings of what looked very similar to current chest compressions the focus was on breathing and not on the heart. In 1868, John Hill at the Royal Free Hospital described three lives saved by a compression technique that could very well have come out of our modern CPR books. The hand placement was very near identical to modern recommendations.

However, an obvious difference was that John Hill observed 12 compressions a minute whereas modern standards dictate compressions at 100-120 times a minute.

The heart is beating continuously.
It pushes blood forward in the network
of vessels by contracting to expel the
contents of its chambers into the body and
lungs. When the chambers are relaxed

they are open to receive more blood that is returning back to the core. This fills the chambers which are ready to contract again sending its payload forward once more to vital organs and tissue.

Chest compression mimics this natural process. When a rescuer pushes down on the chest the heart is squished and, thanks to one-way valves in the heart, the blood moves forward. When the pressure on the chest is released the heart is allowed to fill again so that the next compression can move more blood forward. As the rescuer rapidly repeats these two steps, oxygen left in the blood stream circulates to the heart muscles and brain to help revive the

lifeless. But it must be done correctly and quickly or the attempt will fail.

Even though John Hill's observations were intriguing and looked like CPR compressions, the technique probably only assisted breathing based on how slowly the compressions were applied.

In 1901, after almost three decades of research on cardiac arrest treatment

in animals, the first man was resuscitated by internal cardiac massage. A patient undergoing abdominal surgery suffered cardiac arrest and the surgeon accessed the heart through the ribs and massaged it internally. The patient made a full recovery after a little more than a minute of cardiac stimulation.

Another successful resuscitation with internal heart massage was

performed in 1902. And in 1909 the technique began to gain traction with 48 attempts documented in that year. Ten of those 48 patients survived.

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Even though there was some recorded success with external chest compressions at the same time in history, the internal approach with direct heart massage was the leading and preferred technique for the first half of the 1900s. It was reported to have approximately 25% success rate (no data found for long-term survival rates).

External compressions made a come back by accident when William Kouwenhoven, an electrical engineer, was researching cardiac defibrillation and observed that external compressions could maintain adequate circulation despite a heart that was in a lethal rhythm. In 1960, he reported (after many years of research) that external compressions had saved 14

out of 20 human patients. He made the bold claim that external compressions could be a public tool for all lay persons to help save lives.

Along side of Kouwenhoven's research of external compressions and defibrillation were Drs. Elam, Safar, and Gordon making big strides in providing evidence for rescue breathing and its efficacy. It was proved that the breath coming out of one person could indeed provide enough oxygen for the victim receiving the rescue breaths. The concept of rescue breathing also began being taught to healthcare professionals in hospitals.

It was only three years later, in 1963, that the AHA formally endorsed CPR. And the rest is history.

It is really easy to take for granted the strides we have made in our society and none more than medical advancements. CPR is a great tool and has saved lives. It is an impressive feat of research, trial, and error. However, everything in medicine has its limitations. Never forget that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Next week: Part 3. The history of the rest of CPR.







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Seven Valentine's Day Date Ideas

(Family Features)
If you're feeling
pressure to plan the
perfect Valentine's
Day date, it may be
time to veer away
from tradition. While
flowers, chocolates
and dinner for two
is a classic, thinking
outside the box
can make for just
as romantic of an
experience.

Consider these simple date ideas to reduce stress and make your day extra special.

Take a Dance Class

Learning something new together can be a great way to bond with your significant other. Research dance studios in your area and book a lesson for a night out. Many studios offer new or first-time discounts and typically have a variety of lessons available from ballroom to salsa, cha cha and more. If dancing isn't really your thing, consider another skill-building class you can do together like pottery, cooking or painting, for example.

Recreate Your First Date

Take a trip down memory lane and go back to the beginning of your relationship by recreating your first, or a favorite, date. Whether you went bowling, mini golfing, to dinner and a movie or something else entirely, reliving the past can be a special way to connect and show your partner how



Photo courtesy of Unsplash

much you care.

Plan an Indoor Picnic

If it's too cold outside for an actual picnic, clear some space in your living room and throw down a blanket. Pack a basket of finger foods like sandwiches, cheese and crackers, fruit, a bottle of wine and dessert for a romantic meal for two in the comfort of home.

Book a Staycation

A getaway doesn't have to mean going far from home. Become tourists in town by booking a night at a nearby hotel and visiting some local landmarks you've been wanting to check out or haven't experienced in a while. A simple break from routine can make for an enjoyable escape, even if you're only a few miles from home.

Schedule a Photoshoot

If the last time you had your photo professionally taken was on your wedding day or a family vacation, hire a photographer for a couples photo session, and use it as an opportunity to create fun memories together. Many photographers offer mini sessions, which only take 15-30 minutes, leaving time for a night out afterward. For an inexpensive option, have a friend take a few casual pictures or use a selfie stick to help document your date.

Cook Dinner Together

Restaurants are often booked up on Valentine's Day, so try something different this year and make a special home-cooked meal together. Whether you make a tried-and-true favorite or whip up something new, like a heart-shaped dish, you'll bond over the experience while creating a tangible (and hopefully tasty) reward once the

oven timer dings. Then dim the lights, play some soft music and light some candles to create a romantic ambience while enjoying dinner together.

Go On a Road Trip

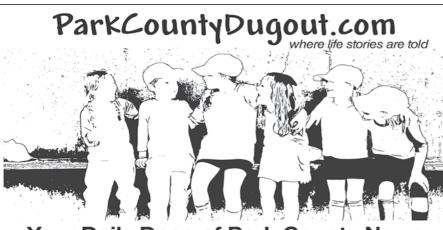
Take a day—or a weekend and venture to a destination you haven't been before on a romantic Valentine's Day getaway. Even if traveling far away isn't possible right now, exploring a town or two over allows you to check out new restaurants, stores or other attractions and get out of your comfort zones.

Find more ideas for celebrating Valentine's Day at eLivingtoday.com.





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CAREER ASSISTANCE - Livingston Chamber of Commerce and Job Services of Bozeman are collaborating to provide on-site career and employment services once a week in Livingston, MT at the Chamber. Workforce consultants will be available Tuesdays from 9 am to 3 pm in the Chamber's Conference Room at 303 East Park Street. Contact Leslie at the Livingston Chamber of Commerce (406) 222-0850 or Ellen at Job Service Bozeman (406) 582-9237 for more information.

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Mondays-Fridays

DAILY COFFEE WITH FRIENDS! Open to all ages 9:15 am to 12:15 pm. Free. Park County Senior Center, 206 S. Main St., Livingston. ParkCountySeniorCenter.org

January 18 - AAUW MEETING - The Park County Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will hold its next meeting at 9 am at WarmStone Fireplaces and Design at 116 B St. in Livingston. Current members and interested community members are invited to attend.

January 22 - RANCHER ROUNDTABLE will take place at Park County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall at 5:30 pm. Guest speakers will discuss cattle health and biosecurity. Please RSVP to the Park County Extension Office at 406-222-4156 or park@montana.edu by January 20th.

January 22 - TROUT UNLIMITED PINTS FOR PURPOSE

Come socialize and enjoy a beer while supporting your local chapter of Trout Unlimited. A portion of beer sales will be generously donated to Joe Brooks Trout Unlimited by Neptune's Brewery, 119 North L Street.

January 25 - GEL PRINTING WORKSHOP - Join local artists Kathleen McPherson-Glynn and Chris Miller for a hands-on workshop in Gel Plate Printing. Learn to create unique prints by layering colors, textures, and patterns on paper, perfect for collages, cards, or framed art. Explore new techniques in a fun, supportive environment! 12 noon - 3 pm, Livingston Center for Arts and Culture, 119 South Main Street, Livingston. Register online at https://www.livingstoncenter. org/art-classes-and-workshops-1.

January 27 - CRAFT MOVIE NIGHT - This unique series invites community members to gather with us and combine their love for crafting and cinema in a welcoming and creative setting at the historic Empire Twin Theatres. Attendees are invited to bring their stitching, knitting, or other portable craft projects. Craft Movie Night welcomes all, from sea-

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soned crafters to anyone looking for an enjoyable night out. Admission is \$10. Presale tickets are available now at cactus-blossomcollective.com. The film for this night is Meet Me in St. Louis starting at 7 pm. For additional information, please get in touch with Emily Johnson at director@empiretwintheatre.com.

February 6 - CAREGIVER RESPITE RETREAT at MSU Extension Park County. Caregivers are invited to attend this free event from 1-3 pm. Join caregivers from around the area to engage in hands-on activities designed to help you recharge. Call 406-222-4156 or email park@montana.edu to RSVP by February 3rd.

February 7 - NIGHT TO SHINE Night to Shine and the Tim Tebow Foundation with the Livingston Christian Center presents a worldwide celebration event. At this "Red Carpet" event, all guests are Kings and Queens and will be welcomed by a friendly crowd and paparazzi, sparkle stations, gifts, catered dinner, dancing and a crowning ceremony. A sensory room is also provided. This will be a night to remember! For more information or to register special guests (Ages 14+): www.livingstonchristiancenter.com.

February 15 - FOR THE LOVE OF PARK COUNTY - An evening of music and community for the county we all love! Join us for a silent auction and live music from Marcedes Carrol, Blake Brightman and Rancho Deluxe at the Elks Lodge, 130 S. 2nd St., Livingston. Doors will open at 6 pm, music starting at 6:30 pm. Tickets can be purchased early for \$25 from Find.PCCF-Montana.org/LivingLife or at the door for \$35.

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Livingston Fire Rescue is a unique fire department nestled in the mountains of Southwestern Montana with one of the most advanced EMS systems in the state. We are a growing city situated along the Yellowstone River with our own unique challenges in the Montana rural/urban interface. We offer structural fire suppression, all-hazard rescue response, advanced EMS (Critical Care Paramedic and Community Paramedic services), technical rescue opportunities, airport ARFF, HAZMAT, and wildland response teams. Come join our team and live and work in one of the most beautiful places in America, Less than one hour from Yellowstone National Park and the Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport. For outdoor enthusiasts this is an amazing destination for hiking, hunting, fishing, skiing and other outdoor winter or summer sports The job posting and forms

Maintenance 1 Water Department

The City of Livingston is hiring a fulltime Maintenance 1 team member in the Water Department under Public Works. This entry-level role involves tasks related to the maintenance, repair, and installation of the City water system and infrastructure. The position offers competitive pay, excellent benefits, and opportunities to learn and develop technical skills in various Public Works areas. A valid U.S. driver's license and the ability to obtain a Class B CDL within six months are required. The job posting

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Understanding Winter **Pet Health Risks**



(Family Features) While some dogs prefer to be outdoors regardless of the weather, the cold and often snowy and icy conditions winter brings can pose serious threats to their health.

Much like the well-publicized challenges of keeping your four-legged family members healthy during the warmer weather, it's important for pet owners to be aware of the unique threats that can arise during colder conditions.

Recognizing Cold Weather Hazards

Winter weather can pose various hazards to pets, including frostbite and hypothermia. Dogs left outside for extended periods, particularly those with short coats or pre-existing health conditions, are at greater risk. It's essential to limit exposure to extreme cold, provide adequate shelter and recognize the symptoms of winter-related

Signs of hypothermia include shivering, lethargy and pale gums. Frostbite may present as discolored, cold skin, particularly on extremities like ears, paws and tails.

Protecting Your Pet's Skin and Paws

Cold, dry air can cause pets' skin to become dry and flaky. Regular grooming and moisturizing can help maintain their skin's health. Consider using pet-safe moisturizers and avoid bathing them too frequently, as it can strip natural oils.

Additionally, be cautious of salt and de-icing chemicals, which can irritate dogs' paws and skin. Protect their paws by using booties or applying a pet-safe balm to help prevent cracks and irritation caused by ice,

salt and cold surfaces. If not covering paws, always clean them after walks to check for any signs of injury or discomfort and consider using pet-safe ice melters.

Adjusting Diets for Winter

During the winter months, dogs may require a different diet to maintain their energy levels and body heat. Consult with your veterinarian about adjusting your fourlegged friend's food intake, especially if his or her activity level changes. Monitor your pet's weight and adjust feeding portions as needed to prevent obesity or malnutrition.

Also ensure your pet has access to fresh water, as dehydration can still occur in cold weather. In fact, warm water may encourage pets to drink more.

Keeping Pets Safe Indoors

If your winter pet safety plan includes keeping your dog indoors more often, ensure you provide him or her a warm and comfortable place to rest. Avoid placing your pet's bed near drafty windows or doors, cold tile floors or uninsulated areas.

Also be mindful of potential hazards such as space heaters, fireplaces, holiday decorations and chemicals such as antifreeze, which is toxic to dogs. Keep them out of reach to prevent burns or accidental ingestion.

If you notice any unusual behavior or symptoms, contact your veterinarian immediately. Early intervention can prevent severe complications and ensure your furry friend remains healthy throughout the winter months. Find more tips to help keep your pets happy and healthy all year long at eLivingtoday.com.

FWP Seeking Applicants for North-Central Montana Citizen Advisory Committee

Great Falls - Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks is seeking applicants to fill volunteer positions on the northcentral Montana (FWP Region 4) Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC).

The CAC is a general advisory committee that provides input and feedback to FWP on diverse issues, from wildlife and fisheries management to access, state parks, outdoor recreation, and law enforcement. The committee is designed to have a membership that represents a variety of north-central Montana communities and natural resource interests.

The function of Region 4 CAC is to:

- Provide a forum for ongoing, twoway communication
- Help FWP identify emerging issues Provide advice and perspective on

resource and management topics Assist FWP with creating ideas on regional and statewide issues

FWP welcomes applications from anyone with an interest in natural resource issues and outdoor recreation. Applicants must live in FWP Region 4, which includes Cascade, Chouteau, Fergus, Glacier, Judith Basin, Lewis & Clark, Liberty, Meagher, Pondera, Teton, and Toole counties.

The panel of volunteers typically meets four times per year in Great Falls. Members serve two-year terms and can reapply when their terms expire. Meals and travel expenses are provided.

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by James Kozlik

What keeps us from moving forward with our creative attributes? Maybe it's the fear of criticism. That's easy to recognize, since inherently we have it within our own thought forms. When you read a book for instance, do you read with a critical eye or an open heart? The critic in me wants to give a novel a chance, like the first 50 pages. My mind lies in wait to find fault with the author's written word. I know some people who will read the ending first to decide if it's worth reading. Then there's others who think, I can write like that, even better! I invite you to send in a short story, especially one that might have some relevance to our locale area or Montana in general. It might even be something that involved you. I'd love to post your musings. Send inquires to jakozlik@ amail.com

Back to the story...

When They Leave

I am feeling pretty good about being here and the fact that there is some communication going on and that I am being asked to help. After being solo for so long on this trip, there is something to be said about being accepted into a community so spontaneously.

Aditya must be trying to get as much help out of me as he can. He knows that I will be taking a bus out of here to my next destination. What is my next destination anyway? And what is it I am looking for? I came to India for travel and adventure. I have had plenty of that. But even though I have been to ancient temples, and listened to Japas, and the sounds of India watched yogis and generally have had a good time—there is something missing. I'm missing.

I have read so much about the mysteries, and spirituality of India, and vet I haven't found it. Not that I know what to expect, or when and how I will experience it, if I ever do.

Oh, there's Unique, waiting for me, waving as if I am coming home, as if I was her child. That smile is so beckoning. She ducks into the house and returns with a glass of water as I come through the gate.

"Namaste, Ammaji."

She smiles again, and says, "Namaste Ji."

"Name Harry."

She bobs her head, "Harry, et?" I point to the fire pit and respond,

The sun has set over the mountains to the west. And there is still a small flame in the pit. We have finished dinner and are sitting cross-legged on a mat next to the fire. I have started a pot of hot water and we have two cups for some tea of Tulsi leaves and ginger. It's quiet, except for some distant voices and child laughter in the distance. I was hoping to see Karan or Saadhana. But they must be with their families.

As I start to put some more wood on the fire, Unique Motions no.

But I hold up my hand and say, "more water, I get water."

" Niti? Woder?"

"Yes."

I get up and go to my room and come back with a basin, a hand towel and my pillow. She is looking at me with a furrowed brow. I place the pillow behind her at the end of the mat and motion for her to lie down. I am not sure how she might be taking this jester, and I do not know the culture of how a man might treat a woman.

Caregiver, that's what I am now. Anyway, I grab my foot and start massaging it. Then point at her foot, then my chest and then point to her. Does she understand? Sure doesn't look like it.

"Shavasana," I point to her. She nods and lies down. I fill the bowl with the rest of the hot water and soak the hand towel. I gently start washing her feet. She gets up on her elbows and looks at me. I smile and motion for her to lie down. She smiles and lies down again. I start giving her a foot massage. I am feeling so much gratitude and not really knowing why.

Of course, I'm grateful that I have been offered a room to stay, and I am grateful for the day, for finding this village and meeting some children that speak English. Maybe I am feeling love. Love towards others. Her eyes are closed and I am loving the sweet smile on her face and notice her facial muscles relaxing. And I feel the love of her presence and the atmosphere of being by this fire as the stars start to appear overhead.

I take in my surroundings now. It is dark out. The village is totally quiet. I am feeling at peace. I gently nudge Unique and she opens her eyes, gives me a smile and takes my hand as I pull her to an upright position. We stand and I walk her to her room. She points to a small table on the outside of her entry and there is a "torch" (flashlight) so I turn it on and she gives me a look,

> "Namaste, Harry." She shuts the door.

I get my pillow and go to my room. I have the matches and light one to give me just enough light to find and light a candle...

Look for the Writers Column in the next Community Journal. If you have a short story to tell and can lace it with some Montana folklore, send a short script to jakozlik@gmail.com. Follow us at: Inspiredbookwriters.com

