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Sen. Welborn's Weekly Review HELENA

Over the past couple weeks, we have been working on the funding stream for the Habitat Montana. I would like to take a few minutes to elaborate on the program and it's importance to Ranchers, Hunters & Anglers.

In 1987 the Montana Legislature directed Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks to establish a statewide wildlife habitat system to better conserve "our wildlife resources and pass them intact to future generations." This program, has turned out to be one of the most successful conservation and public access programs in the West. Habitat money comes from a small fee on hunting licenses (92 percent of the funding comes from nonresident hunting license fees) FWP can also obtain conservation easements from willing landowners. The beauty of the conservation easement approach is that private landowners continue to own their land while the easements protect habitat and ensure recreational access.

According to a group of ranchers in a recent op-Ed, "Habitat Montana has been a win-win for recreation, timber and livestock management for over 30 years." How it works, a willing landowner must step forward. Landowners may want a conservation easement to keep the family ranch as a viable operation. In some cases, they no longer want to own the lands but want the lands they've nurtured for a lifetime available for wildlife and public access. Proposed lands have to pass extensive analysis, two votes by the Fish and Wildlife Commission and have broad public input and support.

The continued stewardship of working landscapes are the cornerstone of the Montana economy, and yet our state needs to adequately support that stewardship. We look forward to working together. Our natural resources sub-committee is working with the long range sub committee on shoring up Habitat Montana funding to help reach these shared goals. Again, these are license dollars, collected from hunters and anglers, that fund these easements, however its our duty as a legislature to give that spending authority.

In 2017, I sponsored the budget amendment that preserved Habitat Montana from the sharp knife of some Senators that wanted to see the program go away. Since that time, it has again become a much more popular program, and has become a tool for more public hunting opportunity, in addition to being a useful tool in preserving open space and working landscapes that are vital to clean air, water, and healthy wildlife populations.

As we work through the budget process, I stand committed to make sure that FWP is using their funding in a way that preserves wildlife habitat, while keeping both private and public lands ranching, a viable part of the working landscapes here in Montana.

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Applications for most species – deer, elk, antelope, deer B, elk B, antelope B, moose, sheep, goat, bison, bear, turkey – can be made beginning March 1.

Hunters and anglers can buy licenses and apply for permits on the FWP website beginning at 5 a.m.; click on "Buy and Apply." Most FWP offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The licensing call center will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. from March 1 through April 1; after April 1, the hours will return to 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The call center can be reached at 406-444-2950.

Remember, if you're applying for a special license or permit, you will need to have a valid email address.

Spring wolf trapping class

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks will offer an online wolf trapping certification class on March 24, from 6 to 9 p.m. The class is required for trappers.

To register for the class, please visit the FWP website follow the link "Wolf Trapper Education & Certification."

Because of current COVID-19 restrictions, the class will be online via Zoom. Students will be sent the Zoom address for the class after they register.

Letter to the Editor

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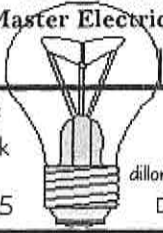
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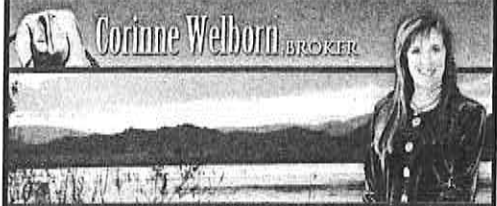
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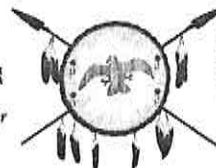
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2/20 Sat	Wrestling @ Columbia Falls	Columbia Falls	1:00 pm
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	(moved from 2/13)	Overlook Trail	10:00 am
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2/22 Mon	Girls Basketball - Divisional Play-In Game	T B A	

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Tiara Gilham of MSU-Northern, is the Frontier Conference's Women's Basketball Player of the Week.

Gilham is a 5-foot-10 senior forward from Browning, Mont.

MSU-Northern split their home series with (RV) Montana Western. The Skylights lost Saturday 75-58 and edged the Bulldogs 72-70 on Sunday.

Gilham averaged 19 points, six rebounds and one steal per game. She was 15 of 28 from the field and 7 of 8 from the free throw line.

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Also nominated and listed in alphabetical order; Paige Holmes of Montana Western.

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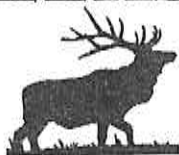
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Health Board

By: MJ

At the Feb 3, 2021 Health Board meeting one of the topics for discussion was for the future health and developing strategies for the betterment of community. It appears that much of the time was spent on rehashing past discussions on mask wearing.

NOTE: Governor Gianforte has lifted the mask mandate. The mask issue at the Health Board level is now a mute issue. The board took several meetings to argue about yes mask or no masks. At the January meeting Mayor Klakken presented empirical evidence that mask may or may not be useful and the majority of board discounted his information presenting their own. The board was unable to find common ground on should we or shouldn't we wear masks. Would boards representing the community be able to find an agreeable starting point for discussions if they set an overall "goal" of how they will work together?

Governor Gianforte stated that Montana had made significant progress vaccinating and will continue to provide incentives to protect the health and safety while emphasizing personal responsibility. He stated he trusted the people of Montana will work together and look out for each other in combating the public health and economic pandemic.

The community is starved for factual information and it seems to me that the Board of Health personnel are the group in the position to distribute the data. Data that would support the individuals in knowing how to help themselves and their families for protection in the future. Without actual factual data people get to the point where they start doubting what they are hearing and the society starts to divide. We are seeing this already in our little community.

It is not about being right or wrong, it is about finding the best solutions for citizens of Beaverhead County. Give us the proven facts and figures as of today and let us decide what we need to do. Don't tell us what to do, just give us the information and the majority of people will make correct decisions. Trust goes a long way in solving problems.

Questions: 1) Is there any adverse problems with wearing mask long term? 2) How long can the vaccine be kept before dispensed? 3) Do you get the shot if you have had COVID-19? 4) What happens if you have had the virus and did not know you had it, should you



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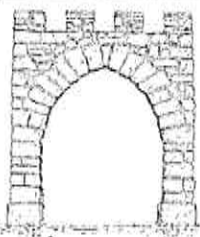
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get a shot? Is there a test you can get to see if you have had the virus before you get the shot? 5) How long does the vaccine shot protect you? Is it factual that the vaccine only protects (3-4 months)? 6) Can the current vaccines give you Covid-19 and why or why not? 7) How do we know which vaccine to take; Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna's and what is the difference between them? 8) Is there anyone who should not get the vaccine? Question: Would it be possible for the City/County Health Board to give input on the above questions?

Question: Do humans have a weakness? It seems they easily see other's behaviors and problems but not their own. It may be said that we are blind or almost blind when it comes to looking at ourselves.

Several fishing access sites in southwest Montana closed due to flooding

The Ennis, Valley Garden and York's Islands fishing access sites have been closed temporarily due to flooding.

Ice jams have caused water, ice and debris to flow into the sites, creating dangerous conditions, including the possibility for trees to fall. These sites have been closed until flooding conditions subside and FWP staff are able

to make the necessary repairs to roads and other infrastructure.

The Ennis Fishing Access Site is a half mile southeast of Ennis, and the Valley Garden Fishing Access Site is about two miles northeast of Ennis — both are on the upper Madison River. The York's Islands Fishing Access Site is about four miles north of Townsend on the Missouri River.



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9:00 A.M.	Updates on County Projects Public Comment Action on Previous Meeting Minutes Public Comment Public Comments on Subjects Under County Jurisdiction Not on Agenda
9:30 A.M.	Discussion & Action ~ Joint Resolution LC3331 ~ Urging Congress to Remove Hidden Pasture from Further Wilderness Study Area Public Comment
10:00 A.M.	Discussion & Action ~ Preliminary Plat Approval ~ Nissan Lane Minor Subdivision Public Comment
11:00 A.M.	Treasurer's Report & Cash Report Presentation ~ Cathy Huckle Public Comment
12:00 P.M.	RECESS for lunch
1:30 P.M.	Unfinished Business ~ Other Topics of Discussion Public Comment
2:00 P.M.	Legislative Update Public Comment
4:00 P.M.	Payment of Invoices Public Comment
5:00 P.M.	ADJOURN

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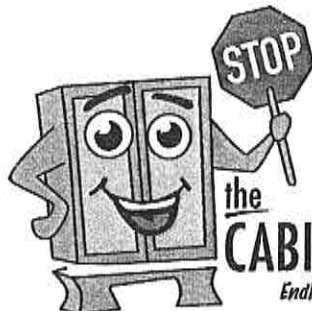
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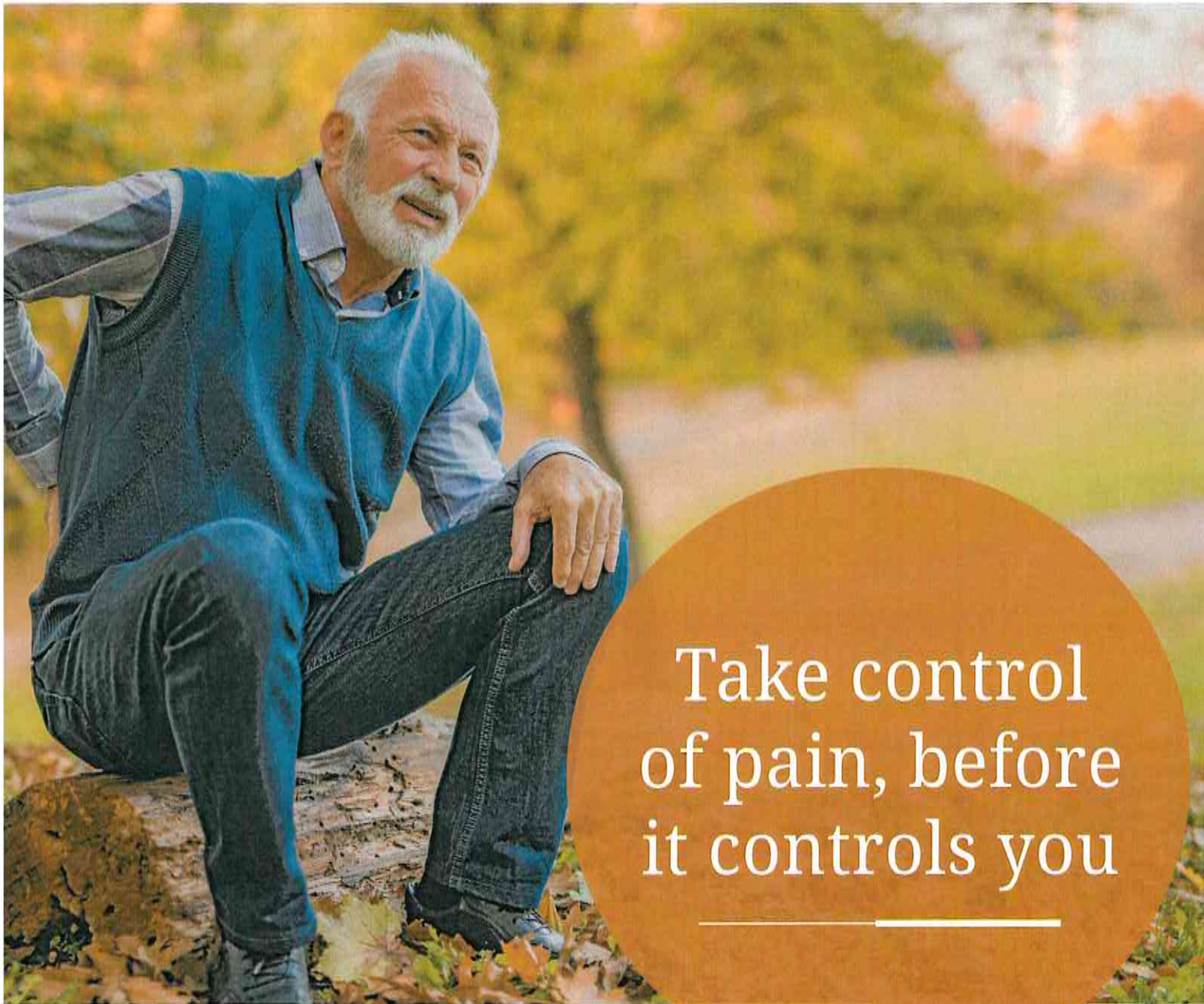
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Barrett Hospital & HealthCare invites applications for our Nutritional Services Representative position. The Nutritional Services Representative shares responsibility of all food services for the organization. This includes preparing morning, noon, or evening meal trays for patients, residents, employees, and customers of the cafe and occasional caterings, as well as maintains kitchen work areas and restaurant equipment and utensils in clean and orderly condition. As part of an integral team, the Nutritional Services Representative ensures that kitchen work areas, restaurant equipment, and cafe are maintained, cleaned, and in orderly condition. Incumbents must have a passion for team work, customer service excellence, and enjoy working with the public. This position shares both Cook and Dietary Aide functions. Minimum Qualifications: High school diploma, GED or equivalent required. Candidates with one to three months related experience or equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered. This position is a Full Time position and is eligible for the full benefit package.

MAINTENANCE MECHANIC

Barrett Hospital & HealthCare invites applications to fill a Maintenance Mechanic position to join our Facilities/Maintenance team. The Maintenance Mechanic maintains and repairs equipment, machinery, physical plant, mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems for all campus buildings. The Maintenance Mechanic works with external contractors to ensure proper operation of facilities and equipment, responds to maintenance requests promptly and provides all other assigned duties, as necessary. The successful Maintenance Mechanic candidate will possess a high standard of integrity and excellent customer services skills. Minimum Qualifications: High school graduate, GED or equivalent required. Preference will be made for candidates who possess a college degree, have two years related experience or training; or equivalent combination of education and experiences. Third-Class Boiler/Engineers License, required. This position is a Full Time position and is eligible for the full benefit package.

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Barrett Hospital & HealthCare invites applications to fill a Medical Technologist/Clinical Laboratory Scientist position to join our Laboratory team. The Medical Technologist/Clinical Laboratory Scientist oversees patient specimen collection, processing, testing, and reporting. The Medical Technologist/Clinical Laboratory Scientist assures quality control, quality assurance, maintenance of analyzers and monitoring of accuracy and precision. The Medical Technologist/Clinical Laboratory Scientist must be proficient in analyzer and instrument operation, quality control, calibration and maintenance. Successful candidates must have a passion for customer service excellence, team work and enjoy working with the public. Minimum Qualifications: Candidates must possess an active Montana Clinical Laboratory Scientist certification or ability to obtain licensure within 15 days of hire. One to two years of clinical post degree training is preferred. This position is a Full Time position and is eligible for the full benefit package.

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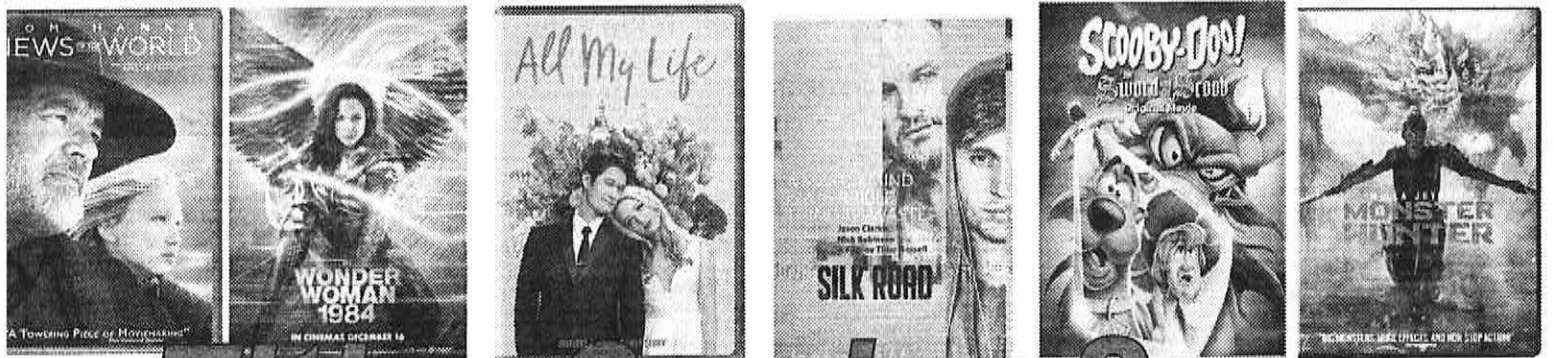
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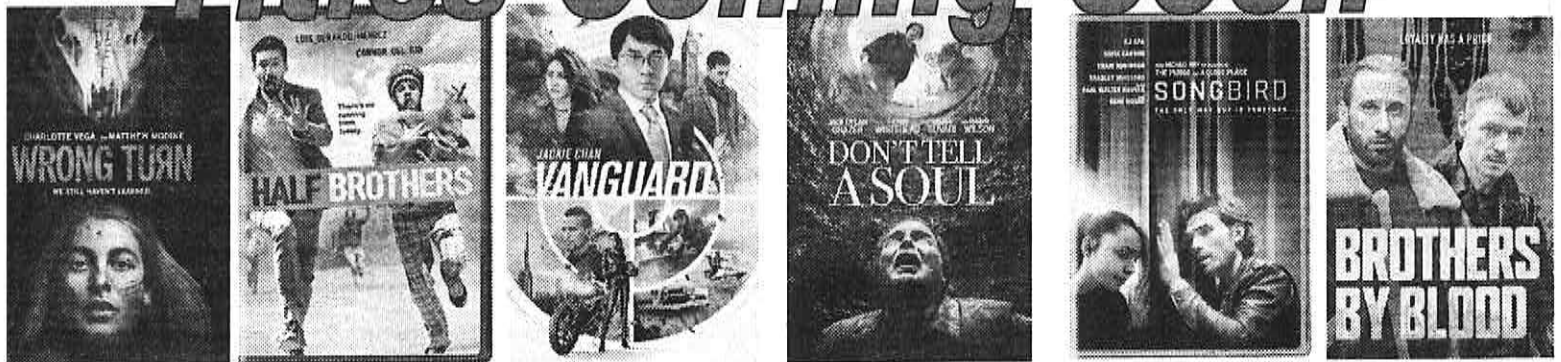


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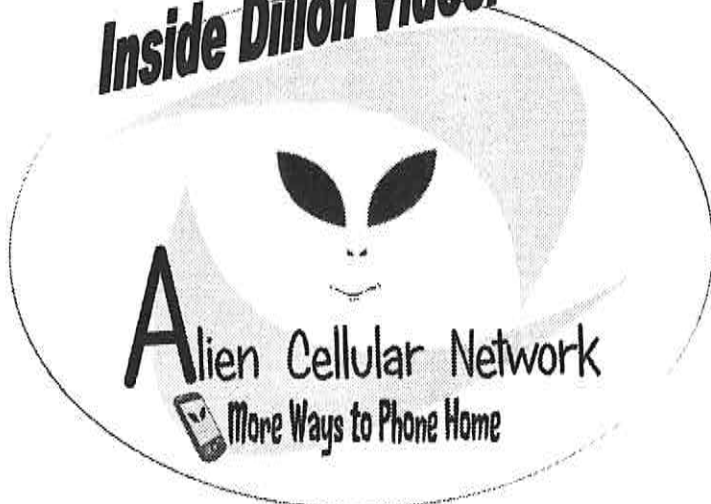


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