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Statement of facts:

Describe in detail the alleged violation(s) and cite the statute or statutes you believe have been violated. Please attach copies of documentary evidence to support the facts alleged in your statement.

If the space provided below is insufficient, you may attach additional pages as necessary.

Phase see attachmento (10 pages)

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Jesse Mullen refused to follow the letter and the spirit of Montana's campaign transparency laws in numerous ways since his campaign began through the most recent reporting period. The violations are more than technicalities. The violations strike at the core of transparency in elections. Unlike his refusal to file a campaign finance report, which he was given a pass on for rectifying, these violations are spread out as routine refusal to comply with core finance laws throughout the entire duration of his campaign. Although Mr. Mullen was transparent about his bar tab billed to donors at the Sip and Dip Lounge, Mr. Mullen was dishonest and secret about his campaign's social media ads and newspaper ads. Mr. Mullen is not just spending money without noting his expenditures, he is also collecting money beyond what the law allows without issuing refunds. They are violations that *must* be addressed promptly, as it is in the final days of the campaign, and it demonstrates a blatant and intentional refusal to comply with Montana campaign finance laws.

1. Mr. Mullen has been running ads in newspapers across multiple reporting periods without reporting any expenditures as the same.

Mr. Mullen has, for weeks and potentially months, maintained a newspaper ad in at least one publication that has not been reported across numerous reporting periods. See, Exhibit A. Had it not been for coming across these, opposing candidates and the public would have had no idea that campaign advertisements in that media market existed while Mullen maintained his silence about the expenditures. That ad attributes to his campaign account as paying for the ad, yet the campaign has not reported the ad as an expenditure—ever. It is unclear how many weeks Mr. Mullen has had an ad in a newspaper without reporting the same, or how many other newspapers he has refused to be transparent about with ads as well.

Upon information and belief, the publication charges roughly \$300/week for this size ad. As indicated by the dates on the exhibits, Mullen's existed for weeks across a multi-month period. This amounts to multiple violations of MCA 13-37-229 and related ARMS.

2. Mr. Mullen secretly spent thousands of dollars on numerous social media ads

A quick search on the Facebook Ad library shows social media ads beginning with his campaign announcement in November 2023 continuing through every reporting period since—not one reported. In total, Facebook shows Mr. Mullen has failed to report over two-thousand dollars to date—with an ad increasing that amount by the minute. See, Exhibit B. Each ad serves as a separate violation of MCA 13-37-229.

3. Mr. Mullen continues to report contributions from individuals already above the maximum, without issuing any refunds.

Mr. Mullen did not have a primary election. As such, Mr. Mullen is only eligible to receive a maximum of \$790 per individual. Yet, as broken down by *Exhibit C*, Mr. Mullen has reported a substantial number of contributions beyond the maximum amount he is legally allowed to collect without issuing any refunds. In doing so, and without ever correcting the same, Mr. Mullen has expended funds using contributions that were improperly received. The result of which has led to a matrix of substantial violations of MCA 13-37-229, 13-37-216 (1)(a)(i), and 13-37-216 (6). In addition to fines assessed for his failure to be a transparent candidate, as indicated by the exhibit C, at least \$3500 must be refunded immediately.

4. Mr. Mullen failed to properly comply with c7 requirements, and the Commissioner must ensure he doesn't skirt the laws again in the final days of the election.

A C7 was not filed in the required time period May 15-June 3rd 2024 when Mr. Mullen received a contribution in excess of the threshold amount requiring him to do so. Eventually, Mr. Mullen reported the \$1,000 received on May 20th by the Missoula County Democratic Central Committee. However, to date, Mr. Mullen has not filed the required C7. This reporting error should be noted, and should the same be occurring in the final days of the election, accountability imposed for negligent refusal to comply with MCA 13-37-226.

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people and wildlife by increasing the pace of durable conservation in the durable conservation in the Central Rocky Mountains of North America. A partnership of 29 local, regional, and national land trusts, HRI helps land trusts, landowners. and communities share ideas, connections, and technologies across boundaries to find lasting, ocally-driven solutions HRI's Carnivore Conflict Reduction (CCR) program connects agricultural producers who are interested in conflict prevention strategies with funding and technical assistance to reduce

their barriers to entry and incentivize their application and expansion. Director Bradley continued, "The Rocky

Mountain Front includes Mountain Front includes many agricultural producers that have been historically underserved. This outreach program made possible by a grant from National Fish and Wildlife Foundation will make NRCS and FSA programs more accessible programs more accessible. programs more accessible to farmers and ranchers on the Front." An outreach workshop

will be held Friday, Sept 6 at 7 p.m. at the Tribal Conference Room at 640 All Chiefs Road, Browning Three workshops will follow on Wednesday. tollow on Wednesday, Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. at Choteau Pavilion, 204 1st St. NE, Choteau, Thursday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. at Dupuyer Community Hall, Dupuyer, and Friday, Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. at Community Hall,

Cut Bank City Council tables motion to obtain Glacier Motel/Hotel property at Aug. 19 meeting

Nicole Penner Cut Bank Pioneer Press The Cut Bank City Council met on Monday, Aug. 19, via Zoom and in person at City Hall. The meeting saw discussions on claims, consent agenda items, department head reports, new business, executive reports, and committee reports, and committee reports. Mayor Kim Winchell called the meeting to order, and Councilpersons Kacie Fey, Maynard Nygaard, and John Reynolds answered the roll call.

Also in attendance were City Superintendent James Suta, City Attorney Whitney Bugni, Building Inspector Kory Sandon, Police Chief Mike Schultz, Clerk-Treasurer fill-in Jenika Sammons, and visitors Vern Thomas and Jody Campbell. Absent members were Clerk-Treasurer Donni Schultz and Councilperson Doug

Councilperson Reynolds moved to approve the minutes from the August 5 meeting, the August 15 payroll in the amount of \$113,050.21 and claims through August 16 for \$241,106.51, including warrants 62423-62513 Councilperson Nygaard seconded the motion, and Mayor Winchell called a vote on the consent agenda. The motion carried

During the department head reports, it was seed that September 2 is the preliminary budget hearing. Also discussed was a twenty-four-hour schedule that the Cut Bank Police Department will be implementing. with the plan of assessing and reporting back on the outcome at a future

During the building inspector's report, Councilperson Fey inquired about how long an address is active in the report and whether there is an expiration date on projects. Building Inspector Sandon stated there is no the project is being worked

During the new business portion of the meeting, a motion was made to accept Don Burlingame's offer to deed the City his Glacier Motel/Hotel property. Chief Schultz stated that it would be helpful for the City to be proactive in obtaining this property, and Mayor Winchell agreed that the faster the City moves on the property, the fewer back taxes will be accumulated City Superintendent Suta stated the city would get the property sooner or later. The council decided they did not want to accept the offer without more information. The motion

was tabled. Councilperson Fey moved to approve the contract with James Yeagley for the O'Reilly Auto Parts job Councilperson Nygaard seconded the motion, an Mayor Winchell called vote. The motion wa approved unanimously.
Councilperson Reynolds

motioned to approve the engagement letter with Path6nder Appraisals Councilperson Fey seconded the motion but stated that she found an appraiser who could do the job at a lower rate and with a faster turnaround, Mayor Winchell called for a vote to approve the motion. The

three votes no.

During executive reports, Campbell from the Montana League of Cities and Towns encouraged the council to consider paying off some of the City's loans, Cut Bank has eight active loans; five water and three sewert. Campbell stated that paying off or making larger payments would save the City money by lowering the amount of interest the loans accrue.

the amount of interest the loans accrue. Mayor Winchell responded that the City is attempting to move forward with the purchase of the First Interstate Building due to a time limit and that the HB 355 Crant matches twenty; five percent of the whole project cost, not just the amount of grant money. She stated she is looking into breaking the project into breaking the project into smaller projects so the match would not be as

high.

Committee Reports included a discussion about a Port Authority grant for a billboard, plans to start a Business of the Week program, and a drawing for a gift card to the featured business.

Lastly, Superintendent Suta proposed trading the water department's Dodge truck in to Northern Ford to get a new three-quarter-ton pickup truck due to the distance to service the vehicle at the Dodge dealership in Havre and the repair costs of its last

The meeting was djourned at 7:39 p.m after no more items were proposed for discussion. The next regular meeting was scheduled for Monday, Sept. 2, at Cut Bank City Hall.

Hiring, travel and more on the agenda at Browning School Board meeting

The meeting was called to order at 12:14 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 28. The Special Board Minutes of Aug. 8, Special Board Minutes of Aug. 20, Regular Board Minutes of Aug. 20 Aug. 13 and board Minutes of Aug. 13 and board agenda were approved with no changes. There was no Public Comment. The following reports were reviewed: Child Nutritions Come Conter-

Nutrition-Copy Center-Warehouse-Dalaina Grant; Curriculum and Instruction-Rebecca Rappold; Parent, Community Outreach/FIT-lrene Augare; Childcare epartment-Rose Racine; Blackfeet Language-Native nerican Studies-Robert Hall; Prevention and Wellness Department-Cinnamon Salway; Student Activities-Heidi Bullcalf; Athletic Department-Kellen Hall; Technology epartment-Travis Miller; Transportation Department-Francis Bullcalf; Maintenance/ Facilities/Security Construction-Reid

Reagan, Superintendent Report; Schedule Date for Strategic Planning Out of state travel 24-25; Presentation on BNAS Starlab aikoo-koosii (it makes the night); HR Status Report and Coaching Update.

Cook-BHS, Effective Aug. 23, and Rebecca Crawford, SPED Teacher Assistant Hiring was approved

pending successful background checks/drug tests: Emmitt Augare. BMS 7-8 Football Coach 2024-25 (\$860); Tyler RunningCrane, BMS 6th Grade Basketball Coach 2024-25 (\$860), Brandon Aimsback, BHS Assistant Football Coach 2024-25 (\$2,064); Gwenalee McConnell, Assistant Soccer Coach-BHS 2024-25 (\$2,064); Cydnie Saddleback, Math Teacher-BHS 2024-25 (\$43,944):

and Koby Harwood, 9-Month Bus Driver, Contract Service Agreements were approved pending successful background checks: Native Metal Works, Repair Flap on North Teepee at Arrowhead Stadium-BHS 2024-25 (\$1,000); Brenda Guardipee, 1st Aid-CPR Training 2024-25 (\$840); and Building/Department Mentors 2024-25 (\$1,500

was approved for the following: Callie Wood, Tristen Hannon, Nafis Fall Conference 2024-25 (\$2,308 ea.); Francis Bullcalf, Edward Burke, National Transportation in

Indian Country Conference in Durant, OK. 2024-25 (\$715.66 ca.); and Certified Staff to Tour Saskatoon Farm for MT PECK Grant in Alberta, Canada 2024

In State Travel was proved for Board Trustees, Rebecca Rappold, HSM-MCEL 2024-25.

Other Items approved: Student Attendance Agreements-Cut Bank 2024-25; Babb Elementary Parent Student HB 2024-25; Bid Opening/ Approval of Browning Elementary Bleachers 2024-25; Substitute Eligibility Roster 2024-25; Activities Handbook 2024-25; Danielle Rhinehart-Langlois-Telemental Health Svcs 2024-25 (\$44,400); Approve Ratified Browning Federation of Teachers Master Contract 2024-25 (\$718,322); NIISA
Membership Dues 2024-25
(\$3,000); Amend Impact
Aid Set Aside Policy #7130;
District Claims #93430-

Student Activities Claims: None and Additional Pays/ Payroll.

There were no Personnel or Legal Issues. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.



Browning Public School District #9 Surplus Property Resolution

July 31, 2024 SURPLUS PROPERTY DISPOSAL Browning Public School District No. 9, 129 1st Ave SE, Browning, MT 59417 WHEREAS, the trustees of Browning Public School District No. 9 declared surplus property at a board meeting on July 31, 2024; WHEREAS, the surplus property includes a 1988 Chevrolet Van, minimum bid \$300 and 2007 Chevrolet Van, minimum bid \$300 and 2007 Chevrolet Scholder School Chevrolet van, minimum bid 5300 and 2007 Chevrolet Süburban, minimum bid 5500 WHEREAS, the District would like to sell the vehicles. BIDs will be accepted by the District Clerk, Sandra Rivas, until 5:00 pm on Monday, September 9, 2024, to be opened at the regular board meeting on September 10, 2024. opened at the ber 10, 2024.

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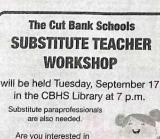
WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday Confession 10 a.m. Sunday Mays 10:30 a.m.

*Contact churches for special holiday service dates and times

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Rogers' Neighborhood once stated, "We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility. It's easy to ings after one of say, 'It's not my child, not noves, preparing my community, not my is, snow-plowing world, not my problem.' ay after the Then there are those who see the need and respond. tie Belle so we ut quickly if we I consider those people my and students heroes." This week, think providing about the communities vou may be involved in, ifts and money band had and if you don't have a community, consider worked finding one that suits your

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arents- no matter what it is, no matter how big or how small- you are contributing. So, this week be a hero, be my neighbor, be strong, be involved – be a blessing, and be blessed-and thank you all so much



Letters from A Land of Grass

Pondering Dawson Pass

By LISA SCHMIDT Rancher & Columnist

With each step, we took

One was up to a mountain

The other was back into

heritage. My friend, Colleen, and I had talked about taking this hike up Dawson Pass for three years.

Finally, on a Friday, we decided to hike it on Monday.

I woke up with plenty of time to feed my dependents at the barn and was still 15 minutes late.

Despite my attempts o sabotage our plan, we named to catch the boat across Two Medicine Lake, ig off 3 miles of the 14-

ike.
boat guide gave us a
sy lesson and related merican lore, but Dawson, Colleen's great-great-grandfather who trapped beaver, built a log cabin that still stands and guided Europeans through hat would become Glacier



Lisa Schmidt admires the vastness of the peaks in Glacier National Park and the people who explored it first.

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Cut Bank town field to be renamed during football homecoming game on Oct. 11

The time for that is approximately 11:45 a.m. A tailgate party in the football field parking out follow at noon.

lot will follow at noon. Logan Health and the Cut Bank Booster Club

By Randi Larson For the Pioneer Press As of Friday, Oct. 11, 2024 Town Field will be 2024 Town Field will be known as Kowalski Field The Cut Bank School District is pleased to announce the renaming of the football field in honor of long-time football coach Ron Kowalski Mr. Kowalski was the head coach of the Wolves for 30 years and served as an 30 years and served as an assistant for two, along with coaching track and field for 23 years. Kowalski led the Wolves to three state championships and has an overall record of state championships and has an overall record of 206-80-1 Un has an overall record of 206-80-1. He was inducted into the Montana Coaches Hall of Fame in 1991. Ron stated that he did not do this alone and asked that we also honor his faithful assistants, Dell Meuchel and Paul Schilling Dall was and Paul Schilling. Dell was an assistant for 28 years and guided the track and field program for 23 years with a state championship and three additional state and three additional sta trophies. Paul Schilling ched with Ron and coached with Ron and Dell for 13 years before becoming the head coach for fourteen years. Paul's 2005 team were state champions. Mr. Schilling is back at the helm for the Cut Bank Booster Club are sponsoring a free community lunch in the parking lot. Burgers, chips, cookies and water will be served. There will be other events and businesses in the parking lot such as HuckleBeary Creamery, Glacier Acai, face painting, a couple of bake sales, airbrush tattoos, cake pops, and Wolf Wear will be available to purchase. If you would like to set up a table at the tailgate, contact Randi Larson at 8723-5629.

The Lady Wolves Volleyball team will be in

champions. Mr. Schilling is back at the helm for the 2024 season. The official corremony for the renaming will be held at 6:30 p.m. on October 11 before the homecoming football game. Cut Bank Homecoming will be held the week of Oct. 7, with activities all through the week. The high school students will begin the week getting into the spirit with decorating the halls of the high school and beginning their float building. Student Council will be sponsoring various activities and games throughout the week for the students to enjoy. The Lady Wolves Volleyball team will be in continuous control of the students to enjoy.

Volleyball team will be in action against Chinook with three games starting at 4:15 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 10. They will be celebrating senior night for their players between the JV and Varsity game The Cross Country team will be traveling to Helena will be traveling to Helen for races that day. That evening the Student Council is sponsoring a bonfire and car smash at the Fire Hall.

Cut Bank High School would like to invite the community to participate in the festivities this year

action against Rocky Boy at 2 p.m. The Cross Country team will be celebrating The Cut Bank Chamber of Commerce will be spensoring a contest for the downtown businesse to show off their decorating skills by decorating their storefronts or windows.

team will be celebrating their senior runners and coaches between the JV and Varsity matches. Friday evening festivitie will begin at 6:30 p.m. with the dedication of the field and introductions of our special will be an of our special will be and our form of the field and introductions. skills by decorating their storefronts or windows. Some of the Art Club students that are raising money for their New York trip may be available to help with window painting. We also want to open the parade and tailgate party up for businesses or groups that may want to join us!

We will be having the parade at 1 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 11. The line-up will be hearing the West End Town Pump at 10:30. The CBHS Student Council will have a plan for the lineup order.

The parade will continue down Main Street to the East End Town Pump and disperse. Directly after the parade, everyone is invited to the football field for a Pep Raily and the Coronation of the homecoming candidates. The time for that is approximately 11:45 a.m. A tailzate party in the held and introductions of our special guests. The of our special guests. The Cut Bank Wolves will take on the Fairheld Eagles at 7 p.m. We would like to encourage the community to come and support all the high school students and activities during this fun week!

Thursday, October 10, 2024

10. 2024
4:15 p.m. Volleyball
Games vs. Chinook —
Senior Night for Volleyball
9-10:30 p.m. Traditional
Bonfire/Car Smash at
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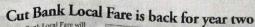
Cross Country will be ompeting in Helena Friday, October 11,

Eriday, October 11.
2024
10 a.m. Nursing Home
Visit – Band, Royalty and
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10:30 a.m. Parade line
up west end Town Pump
Grand Marshalls: Kowalski,
Meuchel, and Schilling
11 a.m. Parade
11:45 a.m. Pen Rally.

11 a.m. Parade
11 45 a.m. Pep Rally Coronation at the field
12 p.m. Tailgate - Lunch
Party, Football Field
Parking Lot Free Lunch
Sponsored by Logan Health
and Cut Bank Booster Club
2 p.m. Volleyball Game
vs. Rocky Boy (2 games)
Cross Country Senior
Night at VB Recognition of
Royalty

Royalty
6:30 p.m. Dedication of
the Field

7 p.m. Football Game Half-Time - Introduction of Homecoming Royalty



Cut Bank Local Fare will Out Bank Local Fare will open for its second season starting Wednesday, Oct. 2 inside the Marketplace on Main. Local Fare was created to give local food producers a chance to sell their goods during the off-market season. While there is a plethora of holiday shows, festivals, and fairs offered, not many are food focused. In order to grow an audience for local food producers who grow and/or produce their own foods and value-added goods, a regular market foods and value-added goods, a regular market was needed during the off farmers' market season to help small businesses sustain and develop their consumer base. Local Fare was created to fill that void as well as give established as well as give established food producers a place for the public to pick up goods in a farmers' market type setting so they can sell under the Montana food

Why the name, Cut Bank oral Fare? It's a play on Local Fare? It's a piay on words as a fair can be a place to buy goods and fare can mean food. Hence the name Cut Bank Local Fare. name Cut Bank Local I Local Fare is currently seeking niche market food vendors for the food vendors for the 2024-25 season in order to someday create a local food bub. A food bub is a place where the public can purchase locally produced foods (produce, meats, breads, grains and pulses, dairy, eggs, pickled and fermented goods, honey,

etc.). Our region could be considered a food desert, and the development of locally produced foods can help fill the void for can help fill the void for area residents. Food hubs also help develop small businesses who produce foods right in your own community where they can add a few jobs as well as help develop a local food culture. While a food hub is still a ways cut lead culture. While a food hub
is still a ways out, local
food vendors can still sell
their goods in a market
type setting during the fall,
winter and spring.
Cut Bank Local Fare
is onen twice a month.

Cut Bank Local Fare is open twice a month, on the first Wednesday of the month (3-5:30) to better serve patrons during the week and the third

on Saturdays(11:00-2:00pm). Please mark your calendars for Octobe 2nd and 19th for the start of the upcoming season.
Food vendors interested
in participating, please
email cutbanklocalfare@ gmail.com, call Jessica Seifert at 406-224-8898 or follow Cut Bank Local Fare on Instagram or Facebook for more information. Vendor fees are \$10(\$5 for students) per vendor per day to cover the cost of using space inside or using space inside
Marketplace on Main. Cut
Bank Local Fare will run
from October to May. We
can't wait to get season two
started.





Are you ready fo

Cut Bank First Friday is gearing up for its third season. First Friday class offerings in partnership with the Cut Bank School Adult Education Program aduit Education Program were created to give area residents a chance to try their hand at a variety of different classes to learn, engage and connect with one another. While larger communities have communities have art walks each first Frida of the month, Cut Bank First Friday classes were created to bring folks downtown the first Friday of the month to engage in learning a new skill. The goal is threefold: showcase skilled residents who want to share their talents with the community, share business spaces with the public who might not otherwise visit that space and get folks into downtown one night a month. Be sure to look for class offerings the first Friday of the month from

October through June. Cut Bank First Friday is still looking for instru still looking for instructors to fill the 2024-25 schedule. If anyone has a skill they feel others would be interested in, please reach out through email at oblirstfridays@gmail. com or follow on Instagram and Facebook for further information, Class sizes run anywhere from 8-20 people depending on instructor preferences and available es and available space. Each class does



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Blackfeet Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

Blackfeet LIHEAP is available to help people with energy costs by paying part of your winter energy bills for qualified households. The application period is from October 1 through April 30 of each year. Both homeowners and renters can apply.

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To qualify for LIHEAP assistance, a household must meet the designated eligibility requirements. The Blackfeet LIHEAP encourages anyone that might be struggling with their energy bills to reach out to the LIHEAP staff. We will answer any questions people may have.

We are located at 703 N Piegan Street Quar-ters 51. Applications can be picked up Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., beginning, October 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025.

Notice of Close of Regular Voter Registration and Option for Late Registration for Glacier County Voter's

Parsmant to 1.3-2-301 MCA, notice is hereby given that Regular Voter Registration for the 2024 Federal General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, will close at 5:00 pm. on Monday, October 7, 2024.

15,00 p.m. on Aronday, October 8, 2024, and ends November 4, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Late Registration states October 9, 2024, and entits November 4, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Voters can complete a Voter Registration Form between 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. on November 4, 2024, but must return form to a local Election Office to vote on Election

ay.

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Note: There is an active lawsuit regarding Montana's late registration deadline and the deadline may be subject to change.

All active and inactive electors of Glacier County are entitled to vote at said Election* for register or update voter information in Glacier County, submit a form VIA mail or visit a County Election Office.

isit a County Election Office. Inactive electors may reactivate by mailing in a Voter Registration Form before Close Inacine circuors may reactivate by maining in a Voter Registration Form before Close of Registration or appearing in person during Late Registration at a local County Election Office.

Glacier County Election Office addresses and contact numbers are:

Glacier County Courthorses 512 Feet Main St. Can Built St.

Glacier County Courthouse, 512 East Main St. Cut Bank, MT 59427, (406) 873-3607,

(406) 873-3660 (406) 873-3660 (doi: 874-3660 (doi: County Satellite Office, 503 SE Boundary St. Browning, MT 59417, (406) 873-3660 Ext. 3663

Dated this 13th day of September 24 Crystal R Cole Glacier County Elections Administrator



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Growth Through Grant and Loan requesting prop

GTA Pre-Application Submission Deadline is Thursday, October 31.

HELENA, Mont. -HELENA, Mont.—
The Montana Department
of Agriculture (MDA) is
announcing the opening
of the FY2023 funding
cycle for the Growth
Through Agriculture (GTA)
Program. Montanans
interested in innovating
or compositing agricultural or expanding agricultur businesses are invited to apply for funds through the state grant and loan

program.
The Growth Through Agriculture program
continues to help Montana
businesses and agricultural
operations add value,
scale up, and access new
markets, said MDA
Director Christy Clark
'agrounder producers, "I encourage producers, business owners, and the with innovative ideas for value-added projects to

momy. The Growth Thr Agriculture program was established by t legislature to streng and diversify Monta agriculture industry agriculture industry by developing new agricultural producer processes. GTA gra-and loans are award by the Agriculture Development Counc-consisting of seven

consisting of seven members appointment of GNA fund requires the investin of at least \$3 in mate funds for every \$1 in requirement of the seven of t

On Reservation tour, Tester Bruno's Best of the Rez stumps at Billie Jo's Big Foot

Folks began gathering around lunchtime at Billie los Big Foot Restaurant in Browning on Tuesday, Oct.

Crowds at midday aren't unusual at a local eatery, but unusual at a local eatery, but fifthe fos was closed that day, and on Monday as well. Instead, people were handed on free bags of hamburger and hotdog lunches as they waited the arrival of Senator lon Tester.

"We served more than 400 yesterday. Billie Jo Beaudry said on Tuesday. "We don't rpind doing this because of all the things Senator Tester has

Those who came lined up to have their pictures taken with the Senator, and many had personal conversations with him about their concerns and issues. Local organizer Cinda Burd-Ironmaker ericouraged folks to take advantage of early voting, which has already begun in blich has already begun in Montana. Other groups such a Western Native Voice have Jined the in the get-out-the effort, particularly on the size Native reservations. Itself was on his way to Gille Jo's from Heart Butte here hed visited with voters earlier in the day. Other way to the work of the work of the Buffalo Hide Academy at Evonemine Public Schools. ming Public Schools



Sen. Jon Tester met with folk around the Blackfeet Reservation on Tuesday, Oct. 15, including those at Billie Jo's Big Foot. Photos by John McGill



Tony and Billie Jo Beaudry and their crew cooked up lunch for all in honor of Senator Jon Tester campaigning at their restau ked up lunch for



Tester took time et and



Browning, MT 2024

Those of us still around from a long time ago. The 50s don't seem that far back, you know. There's folks from the 30s and 40s still getting along.

30s and 40s still general along.
There's even a few from the 20s still going strong. This aging business should be put in a perspective (me anyway). Surround myself in positive, my objective. That may sound like a fantasy for some and probably true.
Negative exists for sure, but choosing good wins

through and through.

Today Browning is what
it was to me back in the

day, Memories of family/ friends/experiences not far

ay. There's a similar There's a similar thinking that exists with many who I encounter.
The fact we're Browning folks says it all; our silence becomes louder.
Browning became disincerporated sometime in the recent past.
We're Browning folks and if Susan gets her way, that won't last.

For this old guy, an

For this old guy, an incorporated Browning brings back that fun reputation.

In a crazy way, it makes even louder ole Browntown's narration.

The old businesses are all gone while new ones coming up.

all gone while new observed coming up.
The old trying to let go while the new still a shrub.
Just a small window from this old guy's perspective of Browning,
Born here, raised here, heartache and happy times here, won't see this guy frowning.

Town Pump matching \$1 million for food banks

As increasing food costs and other everyday expenses push more Montanans to local food banks for help, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation is matching over \$1.1 million to help Foundation is matching over \$1.1 million to help raise \$4 million during its annual fundraising campaign for food banks, including the Nurturing Center and the Blackfeet

Food Pantry. A record 116 food banks statewide are participating this year in the "Help Those in Need" campaign, which originated in 2001.
The campaign has raised about \$52 million for Montana food banks in 22 years, including nearly \$12 million in matching grants from the Town Pur Charitable Foundation.

The campaign runs
through Nov. 30.
Locally, the Foundation
is matching up to
\$7,500 each for the
Nurturing Center and the Blackfoot Food Pantry for a community total of \$15,000, All funds raised in the community will stay

in Browning.

The money is frequently used to purchase perishable food items such as milk, bread, fruit and as milk, bread, fruit and vegetables. Also, the funds are becoming more crucial in helping many food bank organizations simply stay open through payment of rent, utilities and space for storage refrigeration and storage, refrigeration and freezing. "Our local food banks

are working at maximum capacity, serving more

Treasurer, P.O. Box 414, Billings, MT 59103

and more families dealing with rising costs of groceries and other household items," said Bill McGladdery of the Town Pump Charitable Foundation. "Please join Town Pump and our dedicated food bank partners in making a difference in the lives of our hungry neighbors by donating today at our businesses or directly to your local food bank.

your local food bank."
Donations can be made at local Town Pumps, and they also can be sent directly to the Nurturing Center at P.O. Box 3010, Browning, MT 59417, or the Blackfeet Food Pantry at 304 Medicine Bull, Browning, MT 59417.

Montana's Go among upcor

Halladay Quist, daughter of Montana Hall of Fame Entertainer Rob Quist and Founder and CEO of Montana's Got Talent, will be showcasing 15 of the best regional entertainers at the Wachholz College Center in Ralispell at 2.5 n.m. at the Wachholz Couege Center in Kalispell at 7 p.m. saturday, Oct. 26. Tickets are available online at www. WCCMT.org, or call (466) 756-1400. Participating artists were selected from video auditions from over go amplicants from every artists were selected from video auditions from over 80 applicants from every corner of the state. The 15 finalists who will be performing at the event are Drew Landry from Browning, Mandy May Blest from Anaconda, Beau Akimbo from Missoula, Benny Weag from Polson, Desiree Roberson from Kalispell, Cash Muretta from Great Falls, Max Brayley from Whitefish, Mindy Cochran and Mariah Gladstone from Kalispell from Bigfork, Cash Dean from Lakeside, Amanda Stewart from Bozeman, Pusion by Dance Flamman. from Lakeside, Amanda Stewart from Bozeman, Fusion by Dance Elements from Kalispell, Wyatt Johnson from Helena, Off in the Woods from Polson

in the Woods from Poison and Joe Martinez from Woods Bay.
Contestants for the Event include artists chosen by Blake Shelton for his team on NBC's hit show "The Voice," artists who have toured nationally and internationally dancers, aerailsists, bands, and internationally, dancers, aerialists, bands, comedians and singer/ songwriters. The artists will be competing for a \$5,000 Grand Prize, a chance to onen for a major act at Abayance Ray Concert Venue, a demo from Venue, a demo trom Beargrass Recording Studio and two tickets to next year's Under the Big Sky

Fans will have a chane to vote for their favorite artist by going to www. montanasgottalent.com montanasgottalent.com, finalists to donate for the coveted People's Choice Award. All Proceeds will towards Sartight Acade which will be an online platform dedicated to, all aspects of professio training for serious ari including andition tips promo, musical training rofessionals, perfor critiques and eventua will be able to provide online music classes rural schools in Mon who cannot afford un teachers. Halladay C the founder of Starti Academy, has been Academy, has been teacher in rural schi is developing a proj to provide a musica curriculum for all s schools in Montan

Halladay Quist, this year's Best of Flathead for her m has performed in LA. Seattle, Nash Austin. She grev Creston where the room was a roon her father's num instruments har wall in an envir

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9/1/2023	Brenda	Brumbaugh	\$250.00	\$950.00	\$160.00
4/14/2024	Melody	Cunningham	\$50.00		
5/14/2024	Melody	Cunningham	\$50.00		
6/14/2024	Melody	Cunningham	\$50.00		
3/14/2024	Melody	Cunningham	\$300.00		
8/28/2023	Melody	Cunningham	\$250.00		
7/14/2024	Melody	Cunningham	\$50.00		
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9/9/2024	Megan	Hull	\$790.00	\$1,580.00	\$790.00
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7/24/2024	Mark	Mackin	\$500.00		
11/7/2023	Mark	Mackin	\$100.00	\$800.00	\$10.00
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