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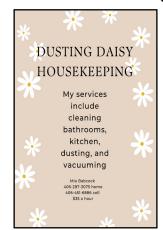


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#### Friday, July 21st: Saturday, July 22nd:

9 am: Farmers Market at City Park

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

4:00 pm: Cornhole Tournament & Axe Throwing at the Blue Anchor Bar 5:00 pm: Pasture Golf Registration at the Madison Count Fairgrounds Office Fee: \$10 per player 6:00 pm: Tee Time Prizes and Cash Awards

11 am - 2 pm: Concessions 11:30 am: Floats Line-Up 2023 Theme: Cat vs Griz 12 Noon: Parade Begins - Duck Race to follow 1:00 pm: Cornhole Tourna Blue Anchor Bar 6 pm: Alumni Dinner

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### **MADISON COUNTY IN 1912**

Madison County has rich history from the pioneer days. Mining, stock growing and farming are the three leading industries for Madison County during this time. Alder Gulch was discovered in 1863, and this area was reported to have produced more gold than any similar area in the world. The greater part of the county was a mineralized region with numerous mining camps. These camps came to be known as Silver Star, Iron Rod, Twin Bridges, Rochester, Sheridan, Virginia City, Pony, Norris and Red Bluff.

In addition to gold, silver, copper and lead ores of tungsten, iron, and manganese, pure limestone and coal could also be mined. Sapphires and Garnets were found in the placer diggings. The numerous mining districts found many good opportunities for the prospector, the miner, and the capitalist of the of various mining companies.

Some of the best bred horses, cattle and sheep in the United States were reported to have been raised in this county. King Brook, a horse born at the Larrabee ranch in the Ruby valley, established in 1911 a trotting record in the Pacific Coast races. Fine ranches and farms could be numerous, and much attention has been paid to improving the various breeds of livestock. Horses, cattle and sheep are shipped in large numbers each year and was reported to sell at prices that were proven by their quality.

Madison county contains timbered mountain ranges, long rapid rivers, extensive and fertile valleys, and is watered by the Madison, Jefferson, Ruby, Beaverhead and Big Hole rivers and their numerous tributaries. An immense quantity of hydro-electric power is available, part of which was being utilized by the Madison River Power Company which was built seven miles from Norris, a dam was built across the Madison river and had established a large plant that generates 20,000 horse power the year around. The power was transmitted to several points in the county, to Butte and Anaconda on the west, and to Bozeman, Livingston, Billings and other places on the east. At the upper Madison canyon the same company has built an immense dam and will harness a great power beside storing large quantities of water for irrigating purposes. A mountain range forms the eastern boundary, another is in the center, and a third in the western part. The chief agricultural districts are in the valleys between the ranges.

The Jefferson valley extends from the northern boundary to Twin Bridges where the river is formed and embraces in its own drainage basin and those of the South Boulder and Willow Creek a great extent of excellent farm land.

South of Twin Bridges are the Beaverhead and Ruby valleys, the former about 15 miles long and five miles wide and the latter which is about 30 miles long. The extensive area in these valleys contain many highly improved and very productive farms. The trading points are Waterloo, Twin Bridges, Sheridan, Laurin and Alder.

A part of the Willow Creek valley is in the Gallatin county but the upper portion is in Madison county and extends to Pony and Norris. South of Norris is the Madison valley about 36 miles long, and including bench lands about 5 miles wide. Development as a farming region has been delayed by the lack of railroads. Large crops of oats, wheat and hay are raised. Meadow Creek, McAllister, Ennis, Jeffers, Cameron and Lyon were post- offices for these areas which had room for at least five times its present farming population. Many excellent stock ranches are in this section. The valleys contain irrigated areas and on the benches farming without irrigation has been successful. Several projects during this time were pending that will increase the acreage of irrigated lands and some of the large ranches are being subdivided and to be sold in farm lots.

The chief crops are wheat, oats and hay with the soil through out the county is fertile and large crops are the rule. Crop reports have been gathered over the year before from many farmers in different sections; 50 bushels of wheat, eighty bushels of oats, three and four tons of alfalfa are not rare yields. Higher yields are reported: The oat crop of J. H. McDonald of Alder yielded an average of 107 bushels to the acre. Peter Simonsen of Laurin raised 60 bushels of barley per acre; and on the Jeffers ranch in the Madison valley the wheat threshed an average of 71 bushels to the acre. Potatoes are extensively grown and made very large yields. Mr. P. Carney of Waterloo had 35 acres in potatoes and the yield was 250 bushels to the acre. Mr. Carney exhibited thirteen varieties of potatoes at the Montana State Fair and was awarded the Hill trophy for the best exhibit of ten varieties or more; and at the St. Paul Land Show he won the cup for the "best individual display of potatoes." Excellent strawberries are able to be grown and are found to also be a profitable crop, and could be sold at local markets. Many orchards have been set out in the past few years and Madison county promised to become an important producer of apples. The county is sparsely settled and offers unusual advantages to the home seeker who desires to secure farming and fruit lands by purchasing at low prices.

Although the county was to be reported to have no town of more than 1,000 population, there were newspapers at Virginia City, Sheridan, Twin Bridges and Pony.

The principal place was Virginia City, the county seat an important commercial and mining center, a rich town and of great historic interest having been the territorial capital. Pony was a mining town and trading point for the Willow Creek country. Sheridan, a pretty and thriving town, surrounded by rich farm lands and near producing mines. Twin Bridges, which is situated at the head of Jefferson valley near the confluence of the Ruby, Beaverhead and Big Hole rivers and at the outlet of the valleys of those rivers. Twin Bridges possessed a favorable location at this time for growth in size with business importance and was seen to have very bright future before it.

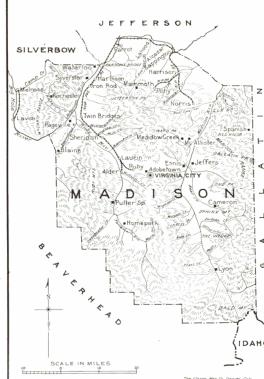
The Madison county fair, which was held every September at Twin Bridges, had many excellent home grown products displayed with some also shown at the State Fair, where Madison county always won a number of prizes.

Twin Bridges looked at installing water works, electric light plants, steam laundry, excelsior factory, grain elevator, cereal food mill, creamery and a beet sugar factory. The State Orphans' Home is located at Twin Bridges and occupies buildings that have been erected at a cost of \$ 110,000.

The Northern Pacific has a branch line extending from Whitehall to Alder and another from Sappington to Pony and Norris. An electric line from Alder to Virginia City was contemplated. The extension of the Pittsburgh and Gilmore railroad from Dillon to Twin Bridges and Whitehall was seen as a probability for the near future with the construction of a road in the Madison valley would open up a very extensive section.

The unappropriated and unreserved public lands in Madison county in 1908 were 1,527,412 acres and 1,197,152 acres in 1911. The population was 7,695 in 1900 and 7,229 in 1910.

In 1911 the Centennial valley, a large district, was taken from Madison and put in Beaverhead county.



Researched by Joetta Wetzsteon - Sources: Information taken from a Book called "Montana"

## RUBY VALLEY HAPPENINGS

TWIN BRIDGES FARMERS MARKET - Saturdays from June to September 9 am to 1 pm.

ELLING HOUSE EVENTS - The Elling House Arts and Humanity Center (401 East Idaho Street, Virginia City) presents "Max's Lane," opening Saturday, July 1, 2023 from 5 to 7pm. The exhibition showcases the photography and cinematography of Samantha Robison and features the landscapes and activities a small-scale cattle rancher in the Madison Valley of Montana. The initial screening of "108 Max Lane" will begin at 5:30 PM, July 1.The exhibition, including the film "108 Max Lane," will be on view at the Elling House Saturdays and Sundays, 2-5PM from July 1st - July 30th.

Admission to the exhibition is free, though donations to the Elling House Arts and Humanities Center are appreciated. For more information, including exhibition hours and venue details, please visit www.ellinghouse.org or contact by phone or email at 406-843-5507 or INFO@ELLINGHOUSE.ORG.

ENNIS ART EVENT: The Ennis Arts Association will hold its 27th Annual Madison Valley Arts Festival Saturday, July 29. This fun, FREE event will take place from 10 am to 5 pm in beautiful Peter T's Park, 213 Main Street in Ennis. In addition to the 60 juried artists, there will be live entertainment by the Music Bachs and Friends who sing and play Bluegrass, fiddle tunes, and cowboy songs. There will be delicious food from the Lil' Hogpit and the famous baked goods from the Presbyterian Women. Free rock painting for the kids and an EAA members' art raffle. Bring the family, invite your friends to join you for this very fun event. Check out some of the juried artists' work on the discussion page on the Facebook event page: https://www.facebook.com/events/1006472366974167 Our organization has one annual fundraiser: The Madison Valley Arts Festival including our popular art raffle. The proceeds from the Madison Valley Arts Festival allows us to give back to our community. Our community donations are to the Madison Valley Public Library, Shakespeare in the Schools, Madison County Fair Art Awards, Ennis School Science Fair Awards, and Madison Farm to Fork: Good Thyme Summer Camp. The Ennis Arts Association also awards yearly art-related Tuition Scholarships to graduating seniors in local high schools. Ennis Arts Association http://ennisarts.org/ https://www.facebook.com/EnnisArtsAssociation/ 612-722-2744

SHERIDAN FARMERS MARKET & MUSIC- July 6th through September 14th- Every Thursday from 5:30 to 7:30 pm - Main Street Park in Sheridan

**FLOATING FLOTILLA RIVER PARADE** - July 22nd at 11 am - Get your parade floats ready for the Floating Flotilla River Parade Saturday, July 22nd! Float line up is at 11:30AM, parade starts at 12:00PM!! 2022 Theme is TBD Best Float Awards: Adults: \$200.00 Youth (17 and under): \$100.00 Duck Race to follow!

SHERIDAN DAYS - July 27th to July 30th - Under the Sea! Thursday 6 pm Car Cruise @ RVB, Friday @ 6 Dinner & Beer Gardens sponsored by SCCF with Live Music by Winnie Brave; Saturday @ 8am is the Fun Run, 10 am parade, 11 am Dodge ball, 12pm is lunch sponsored by Fire Department, Kids Activities & Vendors, 1pm Horseshoes, 3pm Corn hole, 5 pm Duck Races, 6 pm Dinner sponsored by SAR & Beer Gardens sponsored by SCCF with Live music by Dan Henry; Sunday 10 am to noon Jacksons Garden Brunch, Church Service & Silent Auction.

VIRGINIA CITY ELKS LODGE 390 - Christmas in July - July 29th from Noon to 7 pm - 125Th Anniversary - August 18th - 3-10pm - August 19th - Noon - 7pm

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GRACE COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP - Laurin, Mt, will begin Cowboy Church at the tent in Nevada City, MT. Services begin at 10am, June 4, 2023 through September 3, 2023. Everyone is welcome! If you have any guestions call 406-842-5915.

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#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY EVENTS:**

SHERIDAN - Newspaper History Group - Tuesday mornings @ 9 AM. Knitting Group - Thursdays @ 2 PM CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP - First and third Tuesdays at 6 pm For more information call 406-842-7981.

TWIN BRIDGES - Thank you for everyone who filled out our survey! We are always working to make our library fit the needs of our community. Our five winners of the \$20 in Twin Bucks are: Anna Ingram, Rachelle Parsons, Betty Humbert, Lela Wendt, and Sheila Burke. Congratulations! Check in at the library for information about our summer reading program schedule. It looks to be a lot of fun! Don't forget Lego Club...There will be no meeting in May, but will pick up again in June!

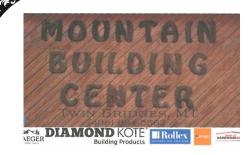
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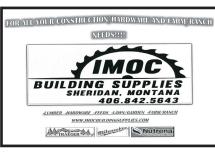
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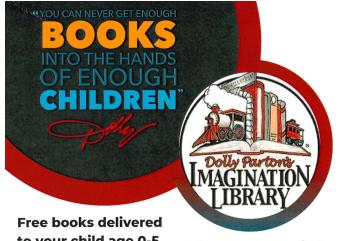












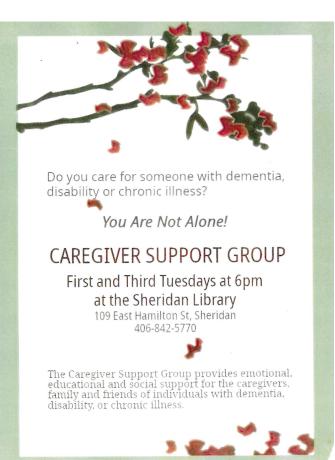
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- 19. Unhappiness
- 22. Caviar 23. Anagram of "Dew"
- 24. Ukeleles
- 26. 2nd largest country
- 29. Field
- 31. Unit of energy
- 32. On edge
- 34. Above a baritone
- 36. Clothing
- 38. Pauses
- 40. Adopted son of Claudius
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- 45. South southwest
- 48. Old-time helmet
- 50. Wine
- 51. Golf ball support 52. Sri Lanka export
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- 52. Think or believe (archaic)
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- 55. Bawdy
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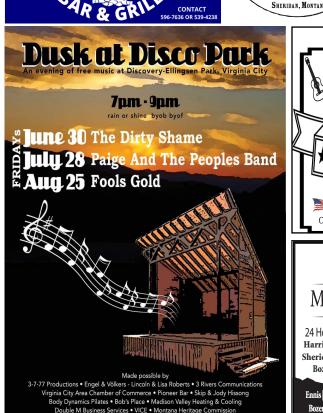
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