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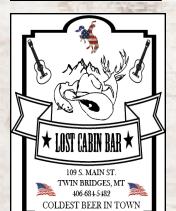
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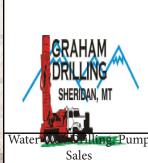






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MINING ON BIVENS GULCH AND THE TOWN OF BAGDAD

A few places which were the scenes of mining rushes and fabulous wealth in gold had short but prosperous lives, such was the fate of Bagdad, located in Bivens Gulch.

Late comers to Virginia City in 1863, found all of the good placer ground taken. This led many to start prospecting in other likely looking gulches. All of the creeks coming out of the Tobacco Root mountains showed promise of placer gold. One of the better looking ones was Ramshorn Creek. Gold was found in paying quantities in the gulch and soon many men were working the area. Others coming late branched off into other gulches and Bivens was prospected with great success and the gravel was rich. In fact, next to Alder Gulch, Bivens Gulch was the next richest for the size of the gulch. The gold in Bivens Gulch was much coarser than that found in other areas and many of the nuggets brought from \$1,000 to \$1,200, with gold at \$16 to \$18 per ounce!

As in Alder Gulch, the usual means of extracting the gold from the gravel was used. Panning of course was always first, to be followed by sluice boxes and rockers. After some strikes of great surface richness were exhausted, enough low-grade ore bodies were found to keep the area active for a number of years later. Bivens Gulch did not have any low-grade deposits to sustain any major operations. A peculiar fact about Bivens Gulch was that the veins of quartz carrying values were very small but extremely rich. Miners would follow these small veins by using small drifts to hold expenses at a minimum. The object was to drift along the vein and hope to run into a "pocket" or "kidney" where the vein expanded and a great deal of gold ore would be found at that place. Several of these strikes were made at various times, producing large returns. The Weidner brothers ran into such a pocket at one time. A more recent strike was made by Earl Everetts. A great deal of specimen gold was preserved from this pocket. Other miners had some success in following the small rich veins. Most of the placer mining action took place in Bivens Gulch between 1863 and 1875. For many years after 1875, however, a number of individuals worked placer ground with moderate success. Possibly the best known placer miner to continue was Henry Hoist, a brother of Mrs. Emma Pomrenke. Mrs. Pomrenke and Henry were both born in Bivens Gulch in the mining community of Bagdad. Mrs. Pomrenke was born in 1875 and lived in theRest Home in Sheridan until she was 100-plus years old! The town of Bagdad of the early 1860's was in the Ramshorn Mining District, about eight miles up Bivens Gulch above where the Bivens road joins the Vigilante Trail. The town boasted a store, a saloon, a blacksmith shop, a meat-wagon route, a public school and a cemetery. In those days Bivens Gulch was next to Alder Gulch in richness of gold nuggets often running \$1000.00 to \$1200.00 in value. The little town did not have a Post Office, so they had to go to Cicero, another small town to get their mail. Cicero was later renamed

Information from "Pioneer Trials and Tails".

RUBY VALLEY HAPPENINGS

CHECK OUT OUR NEW COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR AT BEACONBUSINESSCTR.COM

SHERIDAN PUBLIC LIBRARY: 11 a.m. Author reading: LuAnnRodd at Sheridan Public Library: Rodd will read and discuss the writing of her book, "Maddie McDowell and the Rodeo Robbery." Her book is written for ages nine through 12, so please bring your children listen to the author read from the book and tell how she developed her story. Call the library at 842-5770 with questions.

SPICE CLASS: October 5th at 7 pm at the Twin Bridges Senior Center and October 6th at 7 pm at the Sheridan Senior Center.

RUBY VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH: Ruby Valley Bible Church, 97 Duncan District Rd, Sheridan: Ladies' prayer 2:30 pm Wednesdays, Truthseekers youth group Thursdays 7pm, dinner served.

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LOST CABIN BAR: Monday: Open Pool Table 5-7 - Tuesday: Music Trivia 6:30 - 8 - Wednesday: Whiskey Wednesday (discount flights and tasters) - Thursday: First Thursday of Month Ladies Night - Friday: Red (Remember Everyone Deployed) Friday. Come in or Call for details - Every Monday thru Friday Happy Hour 5-6 - Check our FB page for weekend specials @lostcabinbar

COTTONTAIL OBSERVATORY EVENTS: Falcon Astronomy Club 7 thru 12th grades, meeting in Montana room of Twin Bridges School. starting at 7PM to 9PM. The last scheduled Public Night of 2021 will be on October 9th starting at 7:30PM at the Observatory. Check Web Site at Cottontailobservatory.com for directions or call 406 842-7722.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS: Sheridan School Board Meeting: October 12th at 7 pm - Twin Bridges School Board Meeting: October 12th at 7 pm

MADISON COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING: 9:30 a.m. every Tuesday at 103 W Wallace St Second Floor Virginia City, MT 59755

PUBLIC LIBRARY EVENTS: SHERIDAN - Newspaper History Group - Tuesday mornings at 9 AM. Knitting Group - Thursdays at 2 PM. For more information call 406-842-7981. | TWIN BRIDGES -. Come join us at the Twin Bridges Public Library for our fall/winter story time sessions. They will be held on Wednesday's at 10:30 am for ages 18 months to 5 years, beginning October 13, 2021. Please join us for reading, games, music, and crafts. See you there! | VIRGINIA CITY - Thompson Hickman - Story and Craft every Tuesday at the Meeting Hall on Idaho Street, VC at 10:30 a.m.

TWIN BRIDGES HELPING HANDS: Twin Bridges-MT Helping Hand Food Pantry, we aim to End Hunger in Montana. We are located above the town's Library. Pantry is open every Wednesday 11-2 or call for an appointment. Have on Hand canned fruits, vegetables, soups, sauces, jams, jellies, more. Boxed or bags of rice, beans, dinner helpers, pasta, dry milk, some meat. Toiletries. Adult pads/pull ups. Laundry items. Cleaning supplies. Dog, Cat food and Litter. If you don't see what you would like us to carry, please let us know. 596-1978 & 233-9616

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Presenter Info

Officer Gomez is a pro-active police officer working in the eastern region of Idaho. He worked for the Meridian Police Department, serving as the Student Resource Officer of Mountain View High School, for many years and now works for the Boise Sheriff's Office Officer Gomez works and deals with social media issues on a daily

Our youth are being educated by their peers & the Internet on the topic of social media every day. Parents are giving their kids devices which enable predators to contact them 24 hours a day in their own homes and at school. What education do we have on the dangers of

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TOPICS COVERED IN THE TRAINING

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ACROSS

- I. Hooks
- 6. An abandoned calf
- 10. Frosts
- 14. Poplar tree
- 15. Amazes
- 16. No
- 17. Install (2 words)
- 18. Focusing glass
- 19. Radiate
- 20. Vote
- 22. Was a passenger
- 23. Buddy
- 24. Challenged
- 25. Exposed
- 29. Bottle up
- 31. Energize
- 33. Be out of line with
- 37. A hard metallic element
- 38. Knife or gun
- 39. Bothers
- 41. Bloat
- 42. Distort
- 44. Former spouses
- 45. Refute
- 48. Construct
- 50. Rectal
- 51. A toy blowgun

- 59. Send forth
- 60. Blackthorn
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53. Lacquered metalware

54. Black, in poetry

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- I. Shocked reaction
- 2. Cain's brother

- 56. Bristle
- 57. Chooses
- 58. Pueblo brick

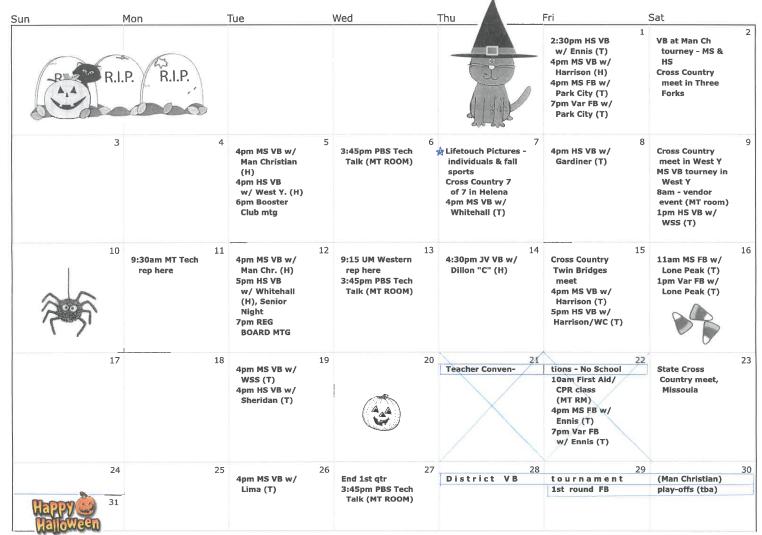
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- 63. Group of cattle

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- 5. Old photo color
- 6. Heat until oxydation
- 7. Raised an anchor
- 8. Resembling a tooth
- 9. Anagram of "Sees"
- 10. Gain favor
- II. Hue
- 12. Lyric poem 13.
- Stitched
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- 24. Plunges 25. Baroque composer

- 26. Dwarf buffalo
- 27. Bones on your sides
- 28. Castrate
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- 52. Smell
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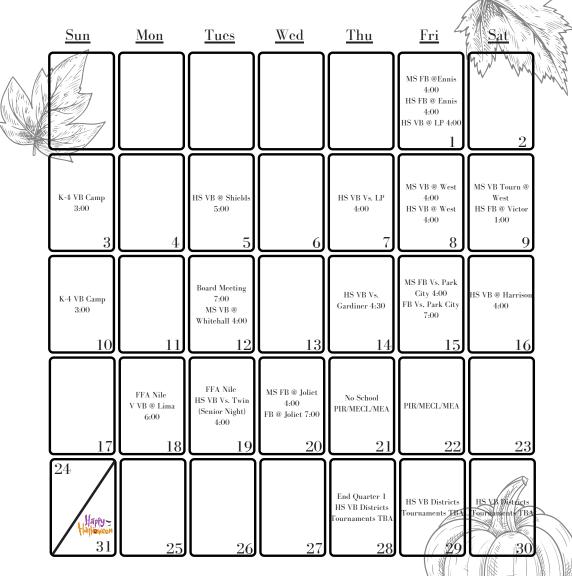


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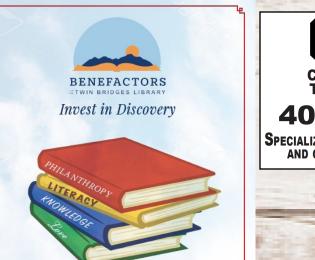
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