

# WINNETT TIMES

Winnett Montana Community Newsletter

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## Winnett Times News & Updates

Hard to believe that we are closing in on the end of 2023! This December *Special Edition Winnett Times Newsletter* is the **25th issue** since the WT newsletter project took hold in the spring of 2021. We are wanting to get Volume 3, Edition 1 started off *evenly* with the January/February 2024 edition – hence the reason for this single December 2023 issue. The newsletter team had discussed skipping an issue, but we felt it necessary to get out a newsletter in December and an opportunity to get in several important articles that had to sit on the back burner due to previous space. As you can see, this edition will not include a Feature or Community Spotlight. The 1st edition of Volume 3 will be back to the regular format with a Feature and Community

Spotlight article in the Jan/Feb edition. **Thank You** again to all our wonderful sponsors of this community newsletter - whether you have donated one time or are a regular monthly *self-subscriber*. Your support means so much. Also, **Thank You** to the entire Winnett Times staff/authors and Winnett School for consistently providing quality articles, content and photos. Without your unyielding dedication we wouldn't have a newsletter. **On that note** - we are always looking for additional help in writing articles and providing help with content. Also, if you have an idea for a Feature or Spotlight article, please reach out via email. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy & prosperous New Year 2024!

~Trish Smith

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Thank you to all who contributed to the production of this edition!



Kim and Leo Tarplee spent countless hours preparing this master piece last December and Lions Club Members helped get the nativity scene setup.

# WINNETT SCHOOL NEWS

## DECEMBER LUNCH MENU

- 4th: One Dish Supper, Salad, Fruit, Roll
- 5th: Crispy Chicken Wrap, Veggies, Fruit
- 6th: Super Nachos, Corn, Fruit
- 7th: Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli, Fruit, Roll
- 11th: Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Fries, Fruit
- 12th: Tater Tot Casserole, Green Beans, Fruit, Roll
- 13th: Corn Dogs, Salad, Fruit
- 14th: Christmas Dinner
- 18th: Pigs in a Blanket, Fries, Fruit
- 19th: Tacos, Corn, Fruit
- 20th: Chicken Strips, Fries, Fruit, Roll
- 21st: Lasagna, Salad, Fruit, Roll



*Menu Subject to Change*  
*Salad Bar, Milk & Breakfast Served Daily*



Veterans Day Program

Photo Credits: Nicole Tholt



Missoula Children's Theater came to Winnett Oct 30-Nov 2nd to put on the play *CINDERELLA*. All of the lead roles were done by elementary and JH students (aside from MCT staff). They only had 4 days to practice, and all the kids did a wonderful job entertaining the community!

Photo Credit: Nicole Tholt

## Historian teaching the students about the history of beads and Fur Trade in Montana



Historian Sherwin Smith traveled over from Choteau Montana to give presentations to the Winnett School students (5th-12th grade). He covered the history of the fur trade in Montana from 1800 to the 1870's, and the history of beads and bead making from 135,000 years ago to the 20th century.

Photo Credit: Kenzie Smith



# ELEMENTARY NEWS

## MRS. THOLT'S 3RD & 4TH ROOM

How it is December already?!? It feels like we just performed in the Veterans Day Concert. We are just about ready to do our second round of state wide testing. This is a new program where we take 5 shorter tests through out the year, instead of one really long test at the end of the year. Wish us luck. Of course, we are really excited about Christmas.

## MRS. JOHNSON'S 1ST & 2ND ROOM

It's been a busy month! We've been adding and subtracting two digit numbers, as well as comparing and measuring. We've been reading up a storm focusing on blends and digraphs. We always enjoy reading and putting up feathers on our turkey for every book we've read. We had a fantastic time putting on Cinderella with the MCT and loved showing our patriotism in the Veteran's Day program!

## MRS. MURNION'S PRE-K ROOM

The Early Kindergarten students have been busy little elves! In December our theme was "Gingerbread" where we made gingerbread houses, and worked on letters in our last name. We ended the month with the theme "Christmas" where we made ornaments, decorated cookies, and created shapes with gumdrops and toothpicks. In science we learned about our "5 Senses", and for social skills we worked on "Helping & Giving". Mr.Tholt was kind enough to take the boys to the shop and work on a special project. They got to sand their boards down, and use special ink and a heat gun to burn their names onto the board. The boys were very proud of their work and loved learning in the shop with Mr. Tholt.

## MRS. KIEHL'S 5TH & 6TH ROOM

The 5th & 6th class had their Expedition Yellowstone trip in November. The kids spent four fun filled days hiking, exploring, learning about animals, landscape and rocks. They learned responsibility cooking & cleaning and made many new friends from another school. Thank you to all the Chaperones who went along with the group!



## MRS. GRANT'S ROOM KINDERGARTENERS

**Would you rather be one of Santa's Reindeer or Santa's Elves?**

The majority of the Kindergarten class would want to be Santa's Reindeer with no hesitation.

**What is your favorite part of Christmas?**

Toys! We get presents! Getting presents. Opening presents. Seeing Santa and getting gifts! Guess we really aren't too surprised by their answers.

**What do you think Santa is going to bring you this year?**

- Ben** - game boy
- Charli** - all the toys even the expensive LOL camper
- Joni** - a big unicorn robot that walks
- Tirion** - Minecraft chest
- Varian** - a toy
- Carter** - not sure what he will bring!





# 2023-2024 WGR Basketball Schedule

\*SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*



	VS	Location	GJV	BJV	GV	BV
Thurs. December 7	Fergus Tip-Off	Lewistown			10:00am	2:30pm
Fri., December 8	Fergus Tip-Off	Lewistown				7:00pm
Sat., December 9	Fergus Tip-Off	Lewistown			8:30am	
Fri., December 15	DGSG	Geyser	3:00pm	4:30pm	6:00pm	7:30pm
Sat., December 16	TCT	Hobson	2:00pm	3:30pm	5:00pm	6:30pm
Tues., December 19	Roy-Winifred	Winnett	3:00pm	4:30pm	6:00pm	7:30pm
Wed., December 20	Jordan	Winnett	3:00pm	4:30pm	6:00pm	7:30pm
Thurs., December 21	GFCC	GFCC	3:00pm	4:30pm	6:00pm	7:30pm
Fri., January 5	Centerville	Centerville	3:00pm	4:30pm	6:00pm	7:30pm
Sat., January 6	GFCC	Winnett	2:00pm	3:30pm	5:00pm	6:30pm
Fri., January 12	Highwood (Boys)	Highwood		4:30pm		7:30pm
	Cascade (Girls)	Highwood	3:00pm		6:00pm	
Sat., January 13	Belt	Grass Range	2:00pm	3:30pm	5:00pm	6:30pm
Fri., January 19	DGSG	Winnett	3:00pm	4:30pm	6:00pm	7:00pm
Sat., January 20	TCT	Winnett	2:00pm	3:30pm	5:00pm	6:30pm
Thurs., January 25	Jordan	Jordan	2:30pm	4:00pm	5:30pm	7:00pm
Sat., January 27	Roy-Winifred	Winifred	2:00pm	3:30pm	5:00pm	6:30pm
Fri., February 2	Centerville	Grass Range	3:00pm	4:30pm	6:00pm	7:30pm
Fri., February 9	Highwood (Boys)	Winnett		4:30pm		7:30pm
	Simms (Girls)	Winnett	3:00pm		6:00pm	
Sat., February 10	Belt	Belt	2:00pm	3:30pm	5:00pm	6:30pm
February 14-17	Districts	Great Falls High				
February 21-24	Divisionals	Four Seasons in GF				
March 6-9	State	Four Seasons in GF				



# FOOTBALL/VOLLEYBALL SEASON WRAP UP



GRW Volleyball Team at the Divisional Tournament



1st match at the Divisional Tournament against Bridger.



Celebrating after their win against Harlowton at Districts

The Lady Rangers placed 4th in Districts and went on to play in the Divisional Tournament.



JH Vball Team after their Tournament



The JH team placed 2nd after a hard match against DGSG in the Championship.

**Volleyball All Conference 5C Standings**  
**1st Team:**  
**McKenzie Smith (OH)**



5th & 6th Graders last game of the year. They beat Lewistown's 6th grade team 30 to 12.



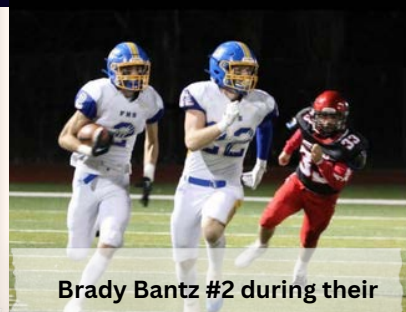
The JH Football team(s) had a great season & were nearly undefeated - just losing one game to Lewistown's 8th grade 11 man team.



Fergus Eagles Football: They lost to the eventual state champs (Dillon) in the semifinal playoff action. Dillon went on to beat Columbia Falls in the State Championship Game.



Jace Dunkel #4 during their game against Lockwood



Brady Bantz #2 during their game against Glendive



JV Football Players with Brandon Bantz #6 Hazen Arntson, #23 Trey Jassak, #11 Jace Bantz

**Class A Football All Conference Standings**  
**Defense - 2nd Team and Offense - Hon. Mention:**  
**Brady Bantz (CB)**

# Petroleum County Endowment Fund 2023 Recipients

The PCEF was started in May of 1999 under the Central Montana Foundation umbrella. It has continued steady growth with memorial and planned giving donations and today the fund stands at \$159,359. Interest from the endowment fund, plus a yearly \$3,000 donation from the Central MT Foundation, has allowed granting of \$97,540 to projects and \$31,170 to scholarships in the last 24 years!

The current committee, consisting of founding members Jim Johnke and Jolene Shaw, along with Debbie Hale, Joan Murphy, Carol Schaefer, Gari King, and school representatives operate under vision and mission statements of:

## VISION:

To be recognized as a trusted philanthropic leader in Petroleum County by helping to build a strong, vibrant, and sustainable community through the power of everyone's giving.



Laura Nowlin represented ACES for the Sweet Peas Daycare and 55 Main. Reba Ahlgren represented P.I.E. for the Missoula Children's Theater. Bill Cassell accepted for the Sheriff's Department, for uniforms and bulletproof vests.

Photo Credit: Carol Schaeffer

## MISSION:

To provide leadership to develop, connect, and distribute resources to strengthen and support Petroleum County through purposeful grant and scholarship programs that address community needs.

This year's combined project funds were granted to; the Sheriff's dept. for uniforms and bullet proof vests; PIE for Missoula Children's Theater; and ACES, for daycare and 55 Main building.

2023 alumni scholarship recipients included: Brandi Lang, Haylie Stahl, and Katie Zimmerman. The 2023 H.S. senior recipient was Shani Browning.

Besides the PCEF, Petroleum County has many organizations that can benefit from planned giving and donations. It helps both with essential needs such as the ambulance service and volunteer fire dept., along with community projects and ventures. Thank you for past donations and any future funds that may come to our great community!

Written by Diane Ahlgren

Winnett School Alumni essays were submitted by the scholarship recipients. Their essays are showcased on the next two pages...

**Question: How can Petroleum County, and other rural areas of Montana, work to sustain and grow our community so that young people want to or are able to come 'home'?**



Brandi Lang

This is such a difficult question, there are so many factors that are specific to each family, enterprise and area. But, first things first, let's keep family ranches and family businesses in the family. What are these young families coming home to and for? In all likelihood people who are not from here are not moving here. The primary influx of population to our county are the sons and daughters of Winnett Public Schools. They are looking to raise their children in the places where they grew up, with the village that is Petroleum County helping to foster them along the way. How do we keep the ranches and businesses solvent and able to be passed on? Here is where each family's situation comes in to play. Everyone is different and unique, but all have the same goal. First, and this is a tough one, we have to get the on-site generation to invest in their own retirement. If this is not happening then the generation that is moving home is starting at a disadvantage. The idea that each generation needs to purchase the whole ranch or business, even at a discount, is one of the reasons that these family enterprises are becoming less sustainable and are being bought out by larger or corporate entities. Trying to finance just the land at current prices would cripple any young person with debt that will last a lifetime. Never mind trying to purchase the cattle, equipment and improvements. In many cases this debt is piled on top of staggering college loans. The idea that the ranch or business is the whole of the on-site generation's retirement has to stop.

The second and potentially more important thing that needs to happen is that the on-site generation needs to treat these ranches like they are the business that they are. Farm and ranch enterprises get away with being family first operations rather than business first operations. If the on-ranch generation wants their young families to come home they need to create an environment where the upcoming generation can see the success and the rewards in a real & tangible sense; a profit & loss sheet. Being able to put reality in black and white is a tremendous advantage for families who are looking to transition the business. Many young families wanting to come back to Petroleum County will likely still be dual income. One of the upsides to COVID was the leap into tele-commuting and virtual video chats. This alone has already allowed some young families to move home.

Along with these suggestions, there are many other ways to entice young people to return to their roots. A supportive community and a great childhood experience can foster a desire to return home. An active and vibrant school with invested educators can be a draw for a young family with kids. Great local businesses; bars, cafes, and grocery stores that have anything and everything you'd need would make life easier. And local amenities to keep you busy and active, the pool and community center, can't hurt either. In many ways Petroleum County is succeeding; there are available jobs, there is action and excitement in town, the school has great teachers and fun sports teams. Perhaps, all the younger people need to do in order to return, is to live in an urban area for a while before they recall how great Petroleum County really is.



In 2019, a woman was diagnosed with cancer in a tiny rural town somewhere in America. The treatments were painful, days were sometimes difficult to live through, and she and her husband struggled to cover the constantly accumulating hospital bills from the treatments. Not a month after her diagnosis, people in her community took notice and held a benefit auction to help her cover the bills and show their support. Countless people from in and around the town donated everything from clothing to food to furniture for buyers to purchase and give back to the woman. The local cafe, the chosen venue for the benefit, was packed the night of the auction. There was barely standing room in the little restaurant, and thousands of dollars were donated by the locals of the town.

That night, those people demonstrated true community. Everyone who lived in the town gathered together to support one of its beloved members and make the world just a little bit better of a place.

Does this story sound familiar? It should, because that community was Winnett, Montana. It was on that night that Winnett was a community where people had each other's back and stood as one, a community that a young person would want to come back to. For Winnett, being there for each other comes naturally. What they do not realize is that sustaining that care for one another is what sustains their community. As long as Winnett continues to uphold that value, young people will want to come back and establish their families and their roots there. While these general good

feelings draw people back to the community, there will need to be economic and educational structures to be able to keep them there. Because Winnett is a primarily agricultural community, opportunities for economic growth are best offered in the agriculture industry. Whether this means mentoring the

next generation so they can continue on the legacy or providing them with opportunities to create their own agriculture business, a focus on agriculture as incentive for young people will be critical in promoting their return.

With families coming back will also come the need for a good education for their children. Simply put, this means Winnett School will be required to pay teachers more and establish more higher learning courses. Pay increases will increase interest in the positions Winnett has offered and will incentivize more people to establish themselves in the community as either teachers or parents. It will also equip the children with the skills, they need to pursue their goals and continue the legacy that Winnett has built thus far.

For families to truly fall in love with Winnett and wish to come back, community members will need to set an example. Citizens must take pride in their communities and make young people realize that Winnett is a community built on caring for the land and caring for each other. If the people of Winnett do not practice pride in their community, young people will find no desire to live in the area, nor will they want to live with people who are not proud of where they come from. Young people want that sense of community and want to feel pride when they tell someone where they are from.

Although Winnett is already practicing many of these ideas, they must grow their dedication towards these goals if they wish for the community to grow. Winnett has demonstrated its dedication to the community through the construction of the Petroleum County Community Center, its support of individuals going through hard times, and its support of local businesses. Now it must focus on maintaining these practices and achieving greater goals as a community for there to be room for the next generation. It will be through this unity that Winnett will be able to grow and become a community that young people will be proud to return to and raise their family in.



Sustaining and growing a community is a complex multifaceted challenge that requires a combination of social, economic, and cultural strategies. Today, our small community keeps using these strategies which are only going to bring young people back into the community. Here are some suggestions on how we could sustain and grow our community to attract more young people.

The first suggestion is to create more job opportunities and support them. By creating job opportunities, young people would be able to work around the community rather than out of the community. Since I have decided to become a dental hygienist, I want to open up a dental office in our community. The only way that this would thrive would be for everyone to support me. Investing in local business would encourage more young people to move back as they would see that they could bring their career fields into our small community and would get the support that they would need.

The second suggestion is to keep a strong sense of community. Sometimes, when I come back, I don't feel that I fit into the community anymore as some people are extremely open and others aren't. We can keep this sense of community by doing events throughout the summer for different causes. With the Petroleum County Community Center now officially finished, I believe that our sense of community is only going to grow and allow young people to gain that sense of community. The community center is a great spot for community engagement, promoting local history and culture, and creating a sense of community pride and ownership. By creating this spot, young people can talk to others within the community and allow their voices to be heard.

The third and final suggestion would be to improve our infrastructure. Healthcare, education, transportation, and internet connectivity are four huge factors in any young person's life. While I want our small community to stay in a more older traditional way, young people today want communities to be more modernized. Our education system is very good, but there have been times throughout my college career that I feel I didn't learn what I was supposed to in college. When I come back, I'm going to really try and be a participant in the school as I would be able to let faculty know what kids are lacking in our high school when we go to college. Healthcare and transportation are two big factors of infrastructure, but at the moment we don't have enough people in our community to really build on this. When we start having more people move into our small community, these are two things we need to consider expanding on. The last one is the internet and a lot of young people stay connected to family and friends through their phones. Living where we do, we are kind of closed off from the rest of the world which can be good and bad. Making sure that there is a strong internet source is definitely something that we have, but can expand on in more local places.

Overall, creating a vibrant and sustainable community requires a long-term commitment, collaboration, and a willingness to adapt and innovate. By implementing these three suggestions and continuing to listen and engage with young people, we can create a community that is attractive and welcoming.



Photo Credit: Sig Pugrud

# CARROLL GRANT FUND

The Lawrence and Kathleen Carrell Grant fund was established to provide financial assistance for projects and people in the area. Projects that will benefit educational, medical, essential services, civic and cultural projects are eligible and priority is given to projects that will benefit the most residents of the county and the surrounding area.

The first round of Carrell DAF Grants was awarded in January 2023. The Winnett School was awarded \$2,500 towards the expense of a gym shot clock. Mental Resilience for Volunteer Emergency Medical Services (MRVEMS) was awarded \$4,000 as financial support to provide individual trauma therapy for volunteer ambulance and fire providers in the area. The third award was \$5,000 to Winnett ACES to support the printing and postage costs of the Winnett Times newsletter. The Town of Winnett was awarded \$8,700 towards the Winnett park facelift and upgrading playground equipment. \$16,800 was awarded to the Winnett Swimming Pool to purchase a pool cover, replace posts in the pool fence, place an emergency exit bar on the gate and do electrical work. ACES was awarded a \$20,000 grant to help offset expenses of the Petroleum County courthouse renovation project.

The second round of grants were awarded in July of 2023. The Shamrock 4-H Club was awarded \$1,400 towards buying a log splitter to use to split and deliver fire wood as a fund raiser for their group. Winnett ACES received \$5,000 to assist the Sweet Peas Daycare through the first year of operations. \$10,000 was awarded to the Winnett Fire Dept to assist in the purchase of extrication equipment for assisting with their calls to auto wrecks. Winnett School received \$16,000 to provide the elementary classrooms with Newline interactive smart boards. The 55 Main Building remodeling project being spearheaded by ACES was awarded \$25,000 to assist in construction of Phase 3 of the project.

The next round of grant will be awarded in July of 2024. Any applications will need to be in by July 1, 2024. Anyone interested in applying for a grant can direct questions to the Carrell Grant Fund committee at 406-429-7801 or email [carrellgrantfund@gmail.com](mailto:carrellgrantfund@gmail.com). Applications can be picked up at the courthouse from Jess Hoge.

Additionally there were five scholarships awarded to Winnett graduates towards their college education. Those scholarships are available to non-traditional students as well as traditional students. Contact Winnett Schools for further information regarding future scholarships.

This has been another example of the Carrells' generosity and desire to provide opportunities to the people of the area.

Written by Diane Ahlgren



# COMMUNITY EVENTS



Harvest Dinner



Classroom full of barn quilters, taught by Laura Finkbeiner



Bingo at the PCCC, using new technology



Cat/Griz Watch Party



Winnett Arts & Crafts Bazaar



Photo Credit: Lance Olson

# JUST FOR FUN

Help the Elf reach the North Pole

*Christmas Toffee Crackers*  
Aka - Christmas "Crack"



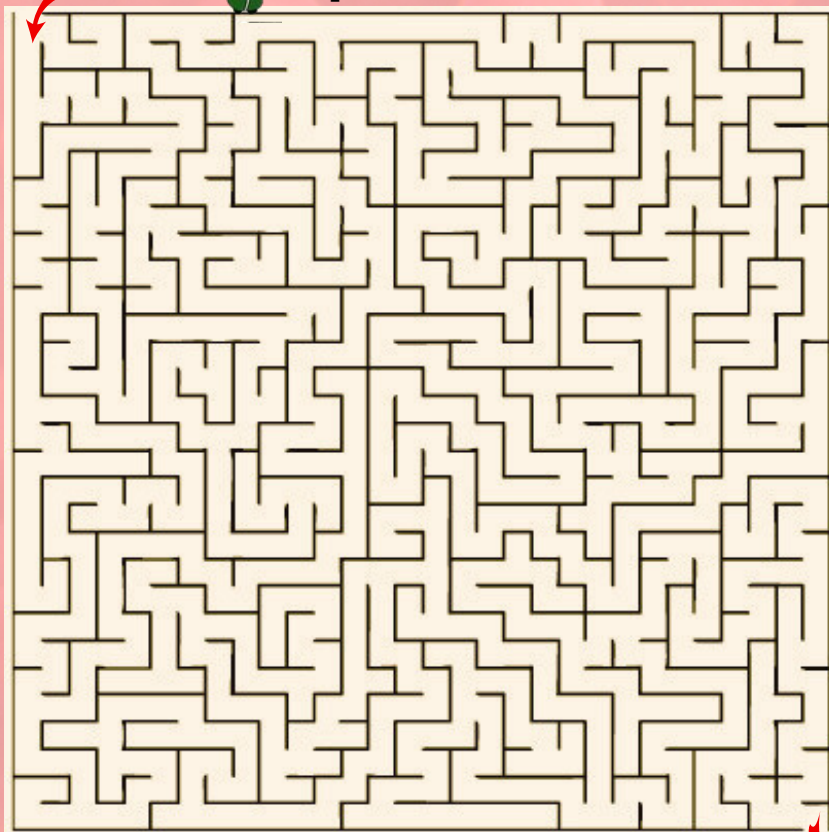
### Ingredients:

- 50 saltine crackers
- 1 cup (2 sticks) salted butter , cubed
- 1 cup light brown sugar , packed
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
- ½ - 1 cup M&M's , or chopped nuts or sliced almonds

### Instructions:

- Preheat the oven to 325°F. Line a large jelly roll pan with aluminum foil and spray with nonstick cooking spray.
- Line the bottom of the pan evenly with saltine crackers.
- In a medium pot, combine the butter and sugar over medium-low heat. Stirring constantly, bring to a rolling boil and cook 3 minutes, or until bubbling and amber in color. Remove pan from heat and pour evenly over saltine crackers. Spread brown sugar mixture with a knife—it doesn't have to be perfect because it will spread as it bakes.
- Bake 7 to 9 minutes. Remove pan from oven and sprinkle chocolate chips over the top. Once melted, spread evenly with a spatula. Sprinkle M&M's (or nuts) over the top and place in the freezer 15 minutes, or until hardened.
- Let sit 15 minutes on the counter. Flip over onto a cutting board and remove the foil. Break into pieces.

Storage: Store in an airtight container up to 2 weeks.  
Freeze: Keep these in an airtight container or freezer-safe bag in the freezer up to 3 months.



### Christmas Alphabet Wordsearch



ANGEL BETHLEHEM CAROLING DECEMBER EXCHANGE FROSTY GRINCH  
HOLIDAY ICICLE JESUS LIGHTS MISTLETOE NATIVITY ORNAMENTS  
POINSETTIA REINDEER SANTA VACATION WREATH YULETIDE

\*\*Answer Key on on back page\*\*

### Holiday Trivia

1. What popular Christmas song was actually written for Thanksgiving?
2. Which one of Santa's reindeer has the same name as another holiday mascot?
3. What was Frosty the Snowman's nose made out of?
4. According to the song, what did my true love give to me on the eighth day of Christmas?
5. How many gifts in total were given in "The Twelve Days of Christmas" song?
6. Three of Santa's reindeer's names begin with the letter "D." What are those names?

Holiday Trivia Answers:  
1. Jingle Bells 2. Cupid 3. A button 4. Eight maids a milking 5. 364 6. Dancer, Dasher, Donner

# December Community Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Methodist 1030am Baptist 11am Lutheran 4pm (Mosby)	4 Youth Program 3:40-5:30 Pet. Co. Commissr's 9am	5 PCCC Board Meeting 8am PCCC Annual Meeting 1pm - Open to public	6 Youth Program 3:40-5:30 ACES Meeting 6:00pm Youth Group 7-9	7 SENIORS BBall in Ltown, GV & BV 10am & 2:30pm	8 No School	9 Catholic (Mass) 5:30pm Christmas Stroll 6:00-8:00pm
10 Catholic (Word) 10am Methodist 1030am Baptist 11am 4H 1pm at Kings, party at PCCC after	11 Youth Program 3:40-5:30	12 Youth Program 3:40-5:30 Booster Club 5pm Ambulance Sheriff's Reserve	13 Youth Program 3:40-5:30 Youth Group 7-9 Town Council 5pm	14 SENIORS Kids Club 3:40-5:30pm Rimrock Readers 7pm Vol. Fire Meeting 7pm School Christmas Concert 7pm, PreK-12 <sup>th</sup>	15 No School	16 Catholic (Mass) 5:30pm
17 Methodist 1030am Baptist 11am Baptist Christmas Program 6:00pm	18 Youth Program 3:40-5:30 Pet. Co. Commissr's 9am	19 Youth Program 3:40-5:30 School Board 7pm	20 Youth Program 3:40-5:30 PCCD Meeting 5pm Crafting w/ Neighbors Pet. Co. Search & Resc.	21 SENIORS BBall vs GFCC in GFCC 3-4:30-6-7:30	22 No School	23 BBall vs TCT in Hobson 2-3:30-5-6:30
24 Catholic (Word) 10am Methodist 1030am Baptist 11am <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	25 No School <b>CHRISTMAS</b>	26 No School Lions Club	27 No School	28 No School SENIORS	29 No School	30
31 Catholic (Word) 10am Methodist 1030am Baptist 11am						

Please contact Patti at 429-5601 BEFORE WEDNESDAY to reserve a SENIOR MEAL  
**CONFIRM day/time of meeting or event before attending. Dates/times are subject to change.**

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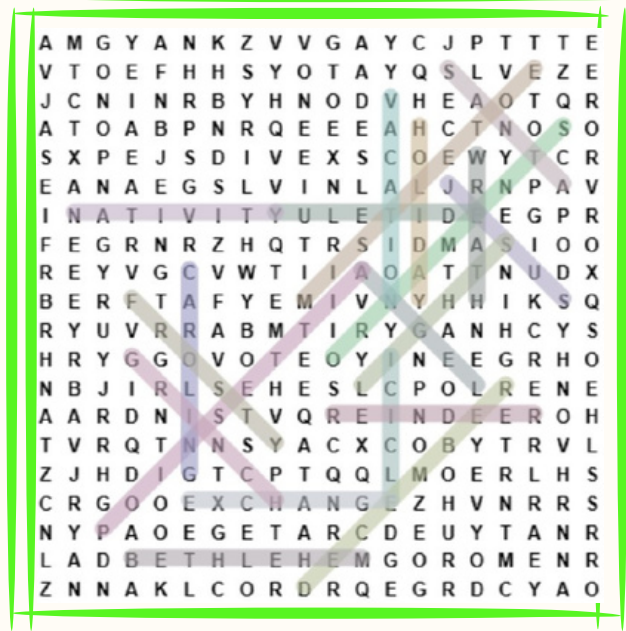
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Trudy Zaborski

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