

# Winnett Times

## ~Winnett Montana Community Newsletter~

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### “MUSICAL CHAIRS: New Faces in Old Places” *By Terry Lewis*

As I prepared to interview folks who have new jobs in Winnett, it occurred to me that someone must have hit the “play” button, prompting a scramble for different chairs. We do have familiar faces in new positions, but there are a few fresh players. This is an opportunity for you to “refresh” yourselves concerning the new kids on the block. Let’s begin, as I did, with the Winnett School.

Around 3:15, I lay in wait for **Kim Doman** to pull up to the school in her bus. She’s been piloting kids in her yellow rig for years, but now Kim’s added the position of school secretary to her day. From 8:30 to 1:30 you’ll find her in the office: answering the phone, sorting mail, and overseeing Infinite Campus, the computer program by which parents can access their child’s progress. She also orders materials, and arranges for substitute teachers. At both ends of the school day Kim delivers her two-legged cargo. She continues her journey, ferrying our athletes to Grass Range practices or an out-



of-town game. Next door, Superintendent **Lindsey Wilkerson**, a former music instructor, has extended her duties to include teaching choir, thus adding a touch of music to the high school schedule.



**Shana Grant**, no stranger to Winnett, was the library’s Story Hour teacher for several years. Once her three girls were in school, she taught 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade in Grass Range. Then, when Winnett’s 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade position opened, she applied and got the job, shortening her commute. Plus, it’s where her husband Jarrett teaches and her girls attend school. Shana was raised on a Winifred ranch. They worked there before Jarrett took the teaching/coaching job in Winnett. Shana’s found she enjoys the history and science 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> covers. She also is the assistant junior high girls’ volleyball coach. The Grants purchased the Mosby place. They keep horses and tried raising chickens, but raccoon invasions put an end to that. The family enjoys traveling and took an extended road trip to Florida, stopping to visit family.



**Haley Kiehl** is another familiar face around the school. She’s back as a “floating teacher”, meaning she spends her half days teaching 6<sup>th</sup> grade math and doing interventions to help elementary students over academic bumps.

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# Community Spotlight:

## *The Hollender Family*

### What details about you would you like to share?

Chelsea: I grew up in Petroleum County, my newlywed parents moved here in the 1980's to work on the Snowy Mountain Ranch. I graduated from WHS and went to MSU Bozeman to study Graphic Design, where I met Will near graduation. We moved to Northern California to accept an engineering job offer in Santa Rosa, and I pursued my Freelance Graphic Design work. We spent almost 7 years there, my mom loved visiting Northern California in the winter. In 2016 we had our son and decided we'd like to move to be closer to family. We spent a couple years in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where Will grew up and his



Family photo on the ranch: Will, Chelsea, Remy & Carter, with Paul & Sue McKenna



Will & Chelsea

family is, and had our daughter. We then moved to Montana to be back on the ranch, and are happy here.

Will: I grew up in Minneapolis, but I spent some time in Montana and Wyoming backpacking in Junior High. I decided to come back to the area for college, after a cousin had attended MSU-Bozeman. I got my Masters in Electrical Engineering and spent a year in Germany studying during undergrad. See above paragraph for the following years. ☺

### What does your job here involve?

Will: I work remotely for Keysight Technologies – an electronic test and measurement company that was originally part of HP. They are based in Santa Rosa, California. They have locations around the world, so when we decided to move to be closer to family, they OK'd working remotely. I work on equipment that is designed to test cellular devices – like phones and tablets.

Chelsea: I work half time as a graphic designer, on logos, business cards, illustrations, wine labels, packaging, brochures, etc. I've done t-shirts for The Breaks and goodies for the Winnett Bar. I'm home with the two pre-school age kiddos, otherwise.

### What brought/drew you to the Winnett area?

Both: Family and the outdoors. Also – fast internet makes it possible for Will to work remotely here.



Will with most of his parents and most of his siblings



Will making bread with their kids



# Community Spotlight Continued...

**What do you like about the Winnett Community? What do you dislike and how could that be fixed?**

Will: Everybody is friendly and community minded. The improvements being made around town are exciting. The free childcare is nice, too. (Thanks, Sue.)

Chelsea: As far as dislikes – they are pretty trivial. We miss coffee shops and events like concerts or

festivals, etc, being close. And also, food delivery!

**What are your hobbies, interests, and favorites?**

Will: Riding my bike, hiking and camping, rugby, good bread and coffee. I'm rebuilding a 1960's Honda motorcycle that was pulled from Paul's junk row.

Chelsea: Art! Camping, traveling to new places, sketching, crafting, riding, and reading. I also repurposed

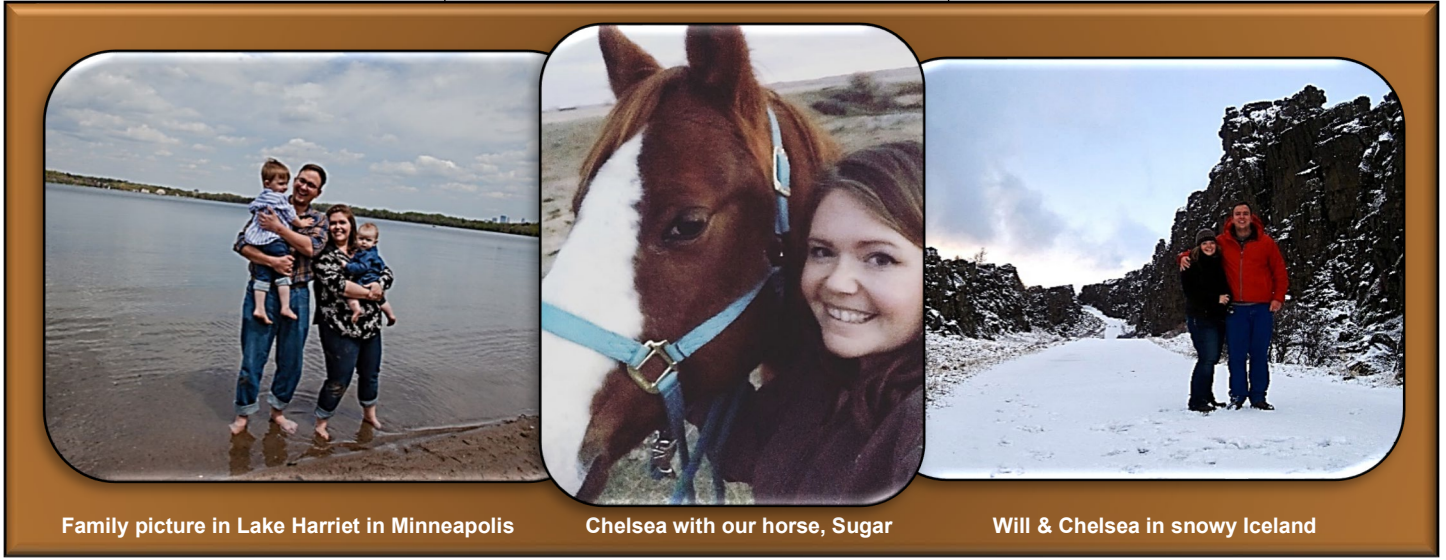
a 1960's horse trailer into a bar/event trailer with my dad this year.

**What fun fact would most people not know about you?**

We spent a snowy honeymoon exploring Iceland in November of 2011.

Will is one of 9 kids in a blended family, and Chelsea can wiggle her ears.

*By Chelsea Hollender*



Family picture in Lake Harriet in Minneapolis

Chelsea with our horse, Sugar

Will & Chelsea in snowy Iceland

## Winnett Booster Club Updates:

Thanks to amazing support from our community the 2nd Annual Winnett Booster Club Poker Run was a success. A special thanks to the following: Dave Hedman, Jenn & Katie Zimmerman, Preston & Haley Kiehl, Paul & Sue McKenna, Kevin & Lindsey Flint, and the Winnett Bar. Paula Johnston was the winner, and donated half the winnings back to the Winnett Booster Club. Judy Bevis was the winner of the 50/50. It was a beautiful evening and fun was had by all. Thanks for your support!



**Here are some upcoming events:**

- Ram Wear- available Nov. 1st
- Calendar Raffle-Jan.1st-31st
- District Tournament Room Raffle
- Membership Renewals



Judy Bevis showing her 50/50 winnings!



# Winnett School News



## Superintendent's Message:

This year, we are again putting special emphasis on our students' writing skills. In each newsletter going forward you will see one of their pieces highlighted. The 7th and 8th grade English class was tasked with writing a piece of realistic fiction. This month we would like to share with you (pg 7) a very moving piece by Shaylie Ahlgren. You can look forward in the coming months to seeing other examples of our students' writing accomplishments, from our littlest students to the biggest.

We have a number of events and fun things coming up here at the school. We'll have a couple of adult education classes in November and December to prepare holiday decorations and a Christmas concert (date TBA). We'd like to invite you to a special presentation on school finance and the basics of public school laws on Tuesday, November 16th at 6 pm in the Winnett School board room, directly preceding our regular November school board meeting. This is a time that you can hear about the state of our school finances and also about what we're required to do as a school when enrolling students, providing special education services, and being accountable to state and federal agencies. This will be a great opportunity to learn new things and ask questions.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

*~Lindsey Wilkerson*

## November Lunch menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Ham & Cheese Sliders Veggies Chips Fruit	2 Taco Salad Corn Fruit	3 Chicken Dijon Broccoli Fruit Roll	4 Pizza Salad Fruit	5 One Dish Supper Fruit Roll
8 Hot Dogs Fries Fruit	9 Super Nachos Veggies Fruit	10 Chicken Pot Pie Veggies Fruit Roll	11 Spaghetti Salad Fruit Garlic Bread	12 Chicken Mashed Potatoes Veggies Fruit Roll
15 Fish Filet Mac & Cheese Veggies Roll	16 Walking Taco Veggies Fruit	17 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Salad Fruit	18 Thanksgiving Dinner	19 Sloppy Joes Fries Fruit
22 Chicken Alfredo Broccoli Fruit Roll	23 Sub Sandwiches Chips Fruit	24 <b>NO SCHOOL</b>	25 <b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING!</b>	26 <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
29 S&S Chicken Vegetable Rice Fruit Roll	30 Hamburgers Nachos Baked Beans Fruit		<b>Proudly serving Local Beef</b>	



WINNETT K-12 SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

**MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 17, 2021. FINAL BUDGET REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS**

Visitors in attendance were Tara Murnion, Kim Doman, Kim Jensen, and Kristina Dutton.

Board Chair Debbie Hale called the final budget meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. Board members present were JR Lund, Raye Anne Lund, Cassie Brinkerhoff, and Charlie Ahlgren. Supt. Lindsey Wilkerson and Clerk Melissa Bohn were also present.

**1. Adopt 2021-2022 Final Budget**

Seek approval to adopt a total budget of \$1,338,156.98, tax requirements in the amount of \$340,517.15, and total mills of 190.67 as presented in the budget report. Last year total mills were 211.36.

General Fund	\$ 991,324.59
Transportation Fund	\$ 130,000.00
Bus Depreciation Fund	\$ 141,282.80
Retirement Fund	\$ 150,000.00
Adult Ed Fund	\$ 2,535.59
Technology Fund	\$ 14053.56
Building Reserve Fund	\$ 189,385.54

Raye Anne made a motion to approve the final budget as presented by Supt. Wilkerson and Clerk Melissa Bohn. Cassie second and the vote passed. 5-0

**2. Reports- Nothing reported**

**3. Consent Agenda**

Charlie made a motion to approve the consent agenda items 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, and 3.6. JR second and the vote passed 5-0.

- 3.1 Board minutes from July 20, regular meeting and August 9, special meeting
- 3.2 Financial Package with claim warrants #24513 - #24549
- 3.3 Student Attendance Agreements
- 3.4 Surplus Property
- 3.5 Contract for Lisa Jassak - Assistant Custodian
- 3.6 Substitute Teacher List

**4. Old Business**

4.1 JR made a motion to approve a one time bonus of \$850.00 to the classified staff out of ESSER funds for the 21-22 school year. Raye Anne second and the vote passed.

4.2 Raye Anne made a motion to approve the second reading of policies 3818, 3417, 4211, 4231, and 8121. Cassie second and the vote passed. 5-0

**5. New Business**

5.1 Cassie made a motion to approve the ESSER plan as presented by Supt. Wilkerson. Raye Anne second and the vote passed. 5-0

5.2 Raye Anne made a motion to approve the Trustee Financial Summary Report as presented by Clerk Bohn. JR second and the vote passed. 5-0

5.3 Charlie made a motion to approve Debbie filling out and sending the election form back to MTSBA. JR second and the vote passed. 5-0

5.4 JR made a motion to approve renewing the MHSA Co-op agreement for basketball and volleyball for 21-22, 22-23, and 23-24 school years. Raye Anne second and the vote passed. 5-0

**6. Personnel**

6.1 The hiring of Josh Ward for the Girl's Assistant Basketball coach was tabled.

**7. Future Agenda Items**

7.1 ARP Budget

**8. Superintendent Report**

- 8.1 Summer Projects
- 8.2 Beginning of School Year/PIR
- 8.3 Building Assessment
- 8.4 Out of Building - Supt. Wilkerson will be out of the building from August 27 through Sept. 8.

With no further business to come before the Board, Board Chair Hale adjourned the meeting at 7:48 P.M.

  
Debbie Hale, Board Chair OR  
JR Lund, Vice-Chair

  
Melissa Bohn, Clerk  
9-21-21  
Date of Approval

# Elementary News

## Kindergarten - by Oakley Lund

Hi, this is Oakley Lund bringing you the kindergarten news. So far, we have had 21 days of kindergarten! PE is my favorite. I like to play soccer. We talked about apples in science. Mrs. Jolma asked us if we thought apples would float in water. We did an experiment. I thought it would float, and it did! Then we cut it open and inside was a star shape. The apple turned brown after it was cut. We read the book Chicka Chicka Boom Boom all about letters of the alphabet going up the coconut tree. Then we made our own coconut trees and put the letters of our names on the trunk. Our pictures turned out great! Today we did leaf rubbings with different shapes of leaves. I turned a crayon on its side and rubbed it across the paper with the leaves underneath. The shapes of the leaves magically appeared! My other news is I have a new baby brother! This has been a great month.

## First and Second Grade - by Brody Ahlgren

Hello! My name is Brody Ahlgren and I'm giving you the news from the first and second grade classroom. The first grade is adding three numbers and the second grade is learning multiplication in Math this week. In Social Studies, we are learning how to be a good citizen. We are doing an egg and bread experiment this week sometime in science. We are putting the egg in salt water to see if it floats and the bread in a baggie to see if it grows germs, like mold. I am looking forward to going on a field trip this year. I would like to go bowling in Billings.



## Third and Fourth Grade

We started a novel study with James and the Giant Peach. Once we finish the novel, we will watch the movie and write a comparison essay. In math, the 4<sup>th</sup> grade is multiplying two-digit numbers with two-digit numbers and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is starting to multiply 1-digit numbers. We are almost done with our weather unit in science.

We are excited with our meet with meteorologist from Q2 news, Billings. Once the weather unit is over, we will move into a social studies unit all about Montana. We are getting excited for Halloween. Wonder what everyone will dress up as.

## Fifth and Sixth Grade

What are we most excited about? Volleyball and football! It has been an exciting and successful season for both sports. The boys are undefeated and happy that they beat Roy/Winifred this year too. The girls' volleyball team went undefeated during the season however the tournament didn't end with a win. We hope to go out on a win this Friday.

The first thing we do at school is math. Most of us are learning about decimals and others are learning about negative/positive numbers. We are studying Ancient Mesopotamia in Social Studies. So far, the things we remember the best are about the ziggurat, that the people had running water, and the ancient kings liked to brag about their conquests displaying the heads of other kings in the palace. Science has been interesting too because we are learning about cells, our organs, and how our organ systems work together. We even created a finger that showed how our tendons pull on the muscle and bone to bend the finger. For reading, we have read "Hatchet" and have started the novel "I am Malala". So far, our favorite is Hatchet. It was fun to read about all that the character had to survive which included a plane wreck, porcupine, moose, bear, and more. Some of us made a board game about the book too.

PE and Art are both going well. We really like free day on Fridays in Art. Right now, we are working on our peace posters. In PE, we just started baseball but have also played volleyball, soccer, and football. Watch out for flying bats! You shouldn't throw the bat after you hit the ball. One of us had to learn the hard way.

So, to end our news, what are we most looking forward to? Halloween and basketball season!



# Winnett – Grass Range Sports Team Photos



GRW Highschool Volleyball Team – Photo Credit Autumn Twitchell Photography



DGS-GRW Bearcats Football Team – Photo Credit Stacy Bollich



GRW Junior High Volleyball Team – Reba Ahlgren



GRW Junior High Football Team – Photo Credit Brandon Bantz

## Rango's last Ride – by Shaylie Ahlgren (8<sup>th</sup> Grade)



This was the day, and it was going to be sorrowful. I woke up at six this morning, before anyone else, and left a note on the whiteboard for Dad. I told him what the plan was and when to meet me at Black Horse Gate. When I went outside the air was crisp, and the dew was settled in little droplets in the grass. I headed off the hill and went into the barn to grab a bridle. I grabbed the navajo beaded one off of Rango's hook on the front of my saddle rack. I went out into the lot on the sidehill where the horses were and slowly walked up to Rango, scratched his forehead between his ears, and threw a rein around his neck. He was old and very well broke, so he stood still and took the bit right away. I led him over to the fence, climbed almost all the way up, and hopped on.

I was riding bareback today. We headed out the end of the lane and went by the haystack. I called my tri-colored border collie, Emma, and she came happily running down the hill. As we headed out down the creek with the tall, lush grass growing alongside it, a lot was going through my mind.

I was glad that I got to be the last one to ride him, doing so was an honor. We were going down the trail that Rango and Molly, my great Aunt, had gone on every day to check the sheep. We also went on it every day during calving season to check cows. The ruts were about a foot deep into the ground, because the soil had been worn away with each time that we had gone on the trail. All three of us, Rango, Emma, and I had memorized that ole' trail like the back of our hand. Today was going to be a very sad day and I knew it. The grass was swaying with the warm, end-of-summer breeze. The leaves had all turned to a pretty orange or yellow, and the days were getting shorter. There was a green tint shining through the old grass across the place from the rain that we got last week. The hayfields were bright green, and freckled with antelope. It was sixty-five degrees and there was a small storm brewing in the west. It was the perfect day for a ride.

We turned off the creek, and up this big, wide coulee, and there were deer speckled throughout the rolling draws draining down into the coulee. As we walked through the hayfields, and started up the hill, I let Rango eat. I was definitely starting to get sad, and I knew that I was going to miss him. We took our time, and I got off and led him up the hill, side by side, Emma, Rango and I, just how it should be. As we got the top of the big hill, at the end of the trail, I whispered quietly in his ear, "It has been a great opportunity to get to know you and to have the chance to make all of these memories with you buddy, and I am sorry that it has to end like this. You taught me everything, and I will never forget you. I love you so much buddy, goodbye, or at least until we ride again. If I could have it any other way I would." I could see it in his eyes that he knew what was going to happen, like he could feel the tension in the air. I loved that ole' boy so much and hated having to say goodbye, it was very hard to do.

Dad was there waiting, and he was going to take care of Rango once I got far enough away that I could not hear the blast.

On the way home I could tell that Emma had figured out what was happening. She knew that we had never left Rango at the end of the trail, and she had never seen me that sad. She could tell that something was wrong, and you could see the sadness in her little hitched walk. At least I still had her.

When we were about three-quarters of the way home, the sky started raining. It was a cool, refreshing rain, and I was not going to complain about it. About five minutes later, when the rain had passed and there were puddles on the ground, and a rainbow in the sky, I saw something. Right above the rainbow there was a big, fluffy cloud in the shape of a horse. There was a bright, white cloud where a horse's blaze should be, and it was in the shape of a heart, just like Rango's. I knew Emma saw it, too.



## New Faces, Old Places continued...



**Lisa Jassack** is no stranger to the school either. She's again helping out head cook Megan Nunn in the kitchen, but then she grabs her supplies to clean the elementary end of the building. When I asked her what it was like working under head custodian Ben Arnt, Lisa grinned and said, "It works great as long as he lets me think I'm the boss!"

In the high school wing, **Casey O'Malley**, the K-12 art teacher, is the only truly new player in town. Her classroom is loaded with kids' projects, shelves of materials, and her enthusiastic energy. She's from Billings, a surgical technologist who decided to pursue a yen for teaching and all things art. She got her teaching degree at MSUB; then took up her post in Winnett. Casey credits her aunt with inspiring her love of drama and speech with her Shakespeare-embellished classroom. An itinerant art teacher



during her elementary years triggered her desire to teach art. Ms. O'Malley's favorite medium is water color, though she suspects she might own more colored pencils than the art room contains. She's enjoying showing Winnett off to her frequent visitors, too.

Next, I stopped by City Hall to visit with **Janice Meabon**, Winnett's City Clerk. She finished last school year as the school secretary, moved away, and has now returned to take a new chair. Alas, it was Columbus Day, and the city and county offices were closed. I decided to interview those people by phone, but in Janice's case I was out of luck. She was swamped, preparing for the City Council meeting. I let her get back to work. Looks like we know one of her responsibilities!



**Jeremy Springer** is our Director of Public Works. He is a familiar face, having tended bar at the Wrangler in Grass Range. He's accepted the challenge of maintaining Winnett's infrastructure. During his first two months, he figures he problem-solved his way through just about every challenge the job could throw at him. Thankfully, he's been supported with advice from those who served before him. Jeremy is mechanically inclined and enjoys fabricating parts if need be; he even got the old back hoe running. He'll attend a water school soon and then a waste water training. He'll need to get his applicator's license for spraying mosquitoes, too. That done, he aspires to join the fire, ambulance, and search-and-rescue

crews. He definitely wants to maintain his AEMT status. He and girlfriend Shauna Heitz are working on Shauna's future barber shop, The Fox Lot, in their spare time. They love motorcycling and are excited about their newest passion, Bump and Run racing. Jeremy just became a grandpa, thanks to his middle son!

Meanwhile, over at the courthouse, **Krista Rowton** moved from her school secretary office to assume the positions of Deputy Clerk of Court, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, Deputy Elections Administrator. Krista likes the fact that there is always something going on; if she's not wearing one "deputy" hat, then she's donning another. Plus, she meets a variety of people seeking help with finding, filing and ferreting out information. She and her boss, **Jess Hoge**, recently attended an Elections Training in Great Falls, hosted by Montana's Secretary of State, whom they met. It focused on the new computer system that we'll use when we next vote – a much



more functional and user-friendly version. When not working, Krista keeps tabs on her 3-year-old granddaughter and enjoys repurposing furniture out in her "She Shed".

Aha, the "stop" button was punched! At last, these public servants are settled in their new chairs. Let's hope they stay put, skillfully and faithfully serving our community and students for a long time. I mean, a person can get dizzy following these job changes!





# Kid's Korner



## "Things Kids Say"

### What are you most Thankful for??



"My family & our dog, Captain"

~Gracie

"My family" ~October

"My family" ~Jesse

"Family & friends" ~Wil

"My family & pets" ~Jack

"My life" ~Virgil

Back: Jack Nowlin, Jesse Mickelson, Wil Murnion, Virgil Tholt

Front: Gracie Lang & October Freet



### Thanksgiving Words

- Cranberries
- Gratitude
- Turkey
- Baking
- Pilgrim
- Gathering
- Football
- Harvest
- Feast
- Family
- Festival
- Blessed
- Squash
- Gravy
- Cards
- Stuffing
- Cornucopia
- Thankful
- Pumpkins
- Pie

I C R T U R K E Y L N B U R I  
H Q P N A C V S T U F F I N G  
B K I C N I Z F B S K W D H P  
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I H A R V E S T D T Y F S U D  
S Q U A S H A G H E N R S C S  
X R F F T Y W F O O T B A L L

### LOCAL COOKBOOK RECIPE HIGHLIGHT

#### LEFTOVER TURKEY SOUP

Helen Stahl  
Flatwillow, MT  
nicole



- 2 or 3 c Potatoes, cut
- 2 or 3 c Carrots, cut
- 1 c Celery, chopped
- 1 Onion, chopped
- 1 can Corn (optional)
- Water

- Salt & Pepper (to taste)
- 1/3 c Flour
- 1/4 c Butter
- 2 c Milk
- 2 c Shredded Cheese
- Leftover Turkey, diced

Add potatoes, carrots, onion, celery, water, salt and pepper to a large pot and sauté. In a separate pan put the flour, butter, milk and cheese. Simmer and cook until cheese is melted. Add this to the soup, along with the leftover turkey.

# Winnett Community Calendar

## November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Methodist 1030am Baptist 11am Lutheran 4pm Mosby	8 Pet. Co. Commissr's garm Thxgiving Centerpiece adult ed class w/ Luann 4-7pm Youth Program 3:30-5:30	9 PCCC Meeting 6pm Booster Club 7pm Youth Program 3:30-5:30 Sheriff's Reserve	10 Little Ram Bball 3:30-5 Youth Group 7-9pm	11 VETERANS DAY State VBall TBT Seniors Kid's Club 3:30-5 Rimrock Readers Vol. Fire Dept 7pm	12 State VBall TBT Stock Growers Banquet	13 State VBall TBT Football Semifinals
14 Catholic Word 10am Methodist 1030am Baptist 11am	15 Youth Program 3:30-5:30	16 School Finance/Law presentation 6-7pm at Winnett School Youth Program 3:30-5:30	17 Youth Program 3:30-5:30 Youth Group 7-9pm Pet. Co. Search & Rescue	18 Seniors Kid's Club 3:30-5 ACES Board Meeting	19 Catholic Mass 4pm Football State	20
21 Methodist 1030am Baptist 11am Bazaar 10am-3pm WHS 4H meeting 4pm	22 Youth Program 3:30-5:30	23 Youth Program 3:30-5:30 PCCC Meeting 6pm Winnett Lions Club	24 WHS Midterms School Thxgiving Break	25 THANKSGIVING Seniors School Thxgiving Break	26 School Thxgiving Break	27
28 Catholic Word 10am Methodist 1030am Baptist 11am	29 HANUKKAH Youth Program 3:30-5:30	30 Youth Program 3:30-5:30				

CONFIRM day/time of meeting or event before attending. Dates/times are subject to change.

Please contact Patti at 429-5601 BEFORE WEDNESDAY to reserve a SENIOR MEAL.



# "Montana's Painter's Alliance Gathering on the Brady Ranch" *By Diana Brady*

In late September, a group of professional Montana artists gathered at the Jim and Diana Brady Ranch to capture the beauty of Petroleum County on canvas. Over the course of four days, 15 artists from all corners of Montana chose their favorite views to paint during the day and then gathered for food, drink and merriment on Brady's porch in the evenings. The Montana's Painter's Alliance, or MPA as they are known, meets twice a year in a Montana location that is chosen by the group. Paintings are done on site, or "en plein air" as it is known in the art business. Petroleum County's broad range of scenery such as rimrocks, colorful creek bottoms, old buildings and vehicles were popular subject matter. On their last evening, the artists propped their wet paintings on shelves, work benches, and garage door hinges inside the Brady's garage for all to view each other's work. These biannual paint outs are an opportunity for MPA members to reconnect socially as friends and fellow artists but also to challenge their artistic skills for professional development.

*Note: Diana Brady has been a member of MPA since 2006*



David Swanson (Livingston) painting the grain elevator



Marcia Ballowe (Great Falls) in the foreground and Jennifer McClellan (Sheridan) in the background



Rob Akey from Whitefish



A portion of the MPA paint out attendees still lingering on Brady's porch before heading home



**A N N U A L**  
**winnett**  
**craft fair**  
**& bazaar**

21 November 2021  
 Contact Brandi Iverson  
 for more information.  
 406-690-6107

WHS GYM 10AM - 3PM • LUNCH WILL BE SERVED  
 BENEFITS PARTNERS IN EDUCATION

**Attention!!**  
 The Petroleum County Community Library is actively seeking volunteers Monday through Friday from 8 - 4. Hours and duties are flexible! They are also advertising for a part-time librarian. Please contact Patti Kiehl @ 429-5601 or Ginger Moore @ 429-2001 with questions.

**Winnett Play Coming Soon!**  
 Friday, Jan. 28, 7pm; Sat. Jan 29, 7pm; Sunday, Jan. 30, 2pm matinee. Play title: "Clueless in Catscratch" starring local color!

**Winnett Community Daycare opening soon!**  
 Kelby Sandman will open a daycare with a provisional license at the Methodist Church Multipurpose Center. The provisional license allows for daycare while opening up opportunities for funding the business. More information about enrolling or working and volunteering at the daycare will follow in the Winnett Times or you can contact Kelby at (406) 301-0002

**NOV 8<sup>th</sup>:** Thanksgiving Centerpiece adult education class w/ Luann Knutson, \$25, 4-7pm  
 RSVP by Nov 1st

**NOV 16<sup>th</sup>:** School Finance/ School Law Presentation Open to all community members, 6-7 pm in the Winnett School Board Room

**Page 9 Puzzle Answers**

I C R T U R K E Y L N B U R I  
 H O P N A C V S T U F F I N G  
 B K I C N I Z F B S K W D H P  
 Z R E F E A S T W R B S Z G I  
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