

November

Sheridan Schools

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Pictures - Middle School VB @ District VB Tournament	2 Sheridan Craft Fair @ the elementary school FB @ Fairview 1pm MS GBB @ West Yellowstone - gam
3	4	5 MS GBB Ennis @ 4pm	6 Adult Ed - Yoga - HS	7 1st Quarter Celebration @ 2:30pm	8 MS GBB @ Lone Peak 4pm	9 MS GBB @ White Sulphur Springs
10 Veterans Tea @ 9am	11 Juniors & Seniors Board Meeting MS GBB v @ Twin 4pm	12	13 OSHA Training Adult Ed - Yoga - HS	14 FFA Montana Ag	15 Expo - Bozeman MS GBB @ West 4 pm	16 FFA Montana Ag MS GBB @ Dubois TBA
17	18 MS GBB @ Harrison 4pm	19	20 Adult Ed - Yoga - HS	21	22 MS GBB West @ 3 pm if 3 games	23
24 Pictures Boys BB	25 MS GBB @ Whitehall 4:30 pm	26 Adult Ed - Yoga - HS	27 THANKSGIVING	28 BREAK	29	30 Thanksgiving Break

TWIN BRIDGES PUBLIC SCHOOLS November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Daylight Saving Time Ends	2 Scholastic	3 Book Fair 7am - 8pm Elections (MT room) Noon Sr class mtg 6pm Booster Club mtg	4 (Media Center) Noon BPA mtg	5 Divisional Noon FFA mtg 12:30pm School Early Out 1-7pm Parent / Teacher Conferences 4:30pm MS GBB w/ Whitehall (T)	6 VB tourney No School - Fall Day	7 MS GBB at West Yellowstone tourney
8	9 9am Assembly Veterans Day 10:15am Suicide prevention, grs 8-10 Noon Exec SC mtg 12:30pm Veterans Day Program, grs K-4 (MP gym) 6:30pm REG BOARD MTG (MT rm)	10 Noon Student Co. mtg 4pm MS GBB w/ Sheridan (H)	11 Honor Choir Noon Freshman class mtg	12 Montana State VB Noon Close-Up mtg	13 Ag Expo (Bozeman) 3pm MS GBB w/ Whitehall (H)	14 MS GBB at West Yellowstone tourney
15	16 10:15am Suicide prevention, grs 8-10 Noon Travel Group mtg 4pm MS GBB w/ Ennis (H)	17 Noon staff lunch 5-6pm Title I Night (Title I room)	18 8am Coffee w/ the Counselor Noon Safety cmtee mtg	19 First day of HS BB practice 10:45am MSU Boze rep here Noon FFA practice Noon sophomore class mtg	20 MS GBB at Man. Christian tourney	21
22	23 2nd quarter midterm	24 No School	25 Thanksgiving Thanksgiving Day	26 Thanksgiving Break	27	28 Thanksgiving Break

Thanksgiving Greetings


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A Cultural Moment

Here in Montana, Thanksgiving is celebrated with a distinctive flair that combines our rugged independence with a deep sense of community. Since Montana's statehood in 1889, our governors have followed the national trend, issuing annual proclamations that align with the presidential decree. These proclamations helped solidify Thanksgiving as a key moment for pause and reflection on our blessings. Football and stretchy pants came later.

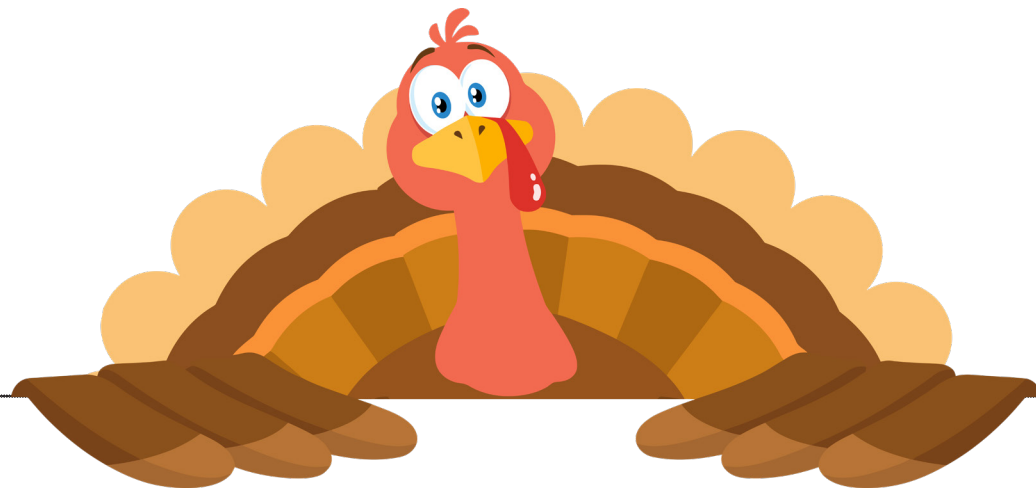
The origins of Thanksgiving can be traced back to 1621 when the Pilgrims at Plymouth Colony celebrated their first successful harvest with a feast. This event, attended by both Pilgrims and Wampanoag people, laid the foundation for what would become a beloved American tradition.

Fast forward to 1789, when President George Washington proclaimed the first national Thanksgiving Day, a gesture to acknowledge the successful ratification of the U.S. Constitution and to give thanks for our blessings. This set the stage for Thanksgiving to evolve into a national holiday. However, it was President Abraham Lincoln's 1863 proclamation, during the Civil War, that cemented Thanksgiving as a National Day of Gratitude and Unity. Lincoln's vision of a final Thursday in November aimed to foster a sense of togetherness amidst the nation's turmoil, a sentiment that still holds strong today.

Why turkey, you ask? Well, let me tell you about our feathered icon. The reasons turkey became the star, and victim, of Thanksgiving are as varied as Montana weather. For starters, turkeys were native to North America, making them a practical and readily available option for early settlers. Wild turkeys were plentiful and large enough to feed a crowd, which made them a logical choice for the big feast. Plus, unlike chickens or cows, turkeys didn't serve much purpose on a colonial farm other than as a meal. Cows provided milk, and chickens laid eggs, but turkeys? They were just biding their time until Thanksgiving. There's also the influence of Sarah Josepha Hale, the "Godmother of Thanksgiving," who campaigned vigorously for Thanksgiving to become a national holiday. Hale's romanticized vision of a Thanksgiving meal included roast turkey, and her influential writings helped solidify the bird's status as the holiday's main course. So, blame it on the abundance of turkeys, their size, and a bit of 19th-century marketing genius.

For many Montanans, Thanksgiving is a time to not only reconnect with family and friends, share stories, and enjoy a hearty meal. It's a time that emphasizes gratitude for the land we love and the history that binds us. It's a cultural moment that emphasizes unity and gratitude. It's a time when we come together, not just to celebrate the harvest, but to honor the connections we share.

The essence of Thanksgiving lies in its ability to bring people together. So, as we gather around our tables this Thanksgiving, let us remember the historical roots of this holiday and the enduring values it represents. From the Pilgrims' first feast, Washington commemorating the constitution and Lincoln's proclamation of unity, Thanksgiving remains a testament to our collective spirit of gratitude and unity. It's a celebration of who we are, where we've been, and the bonds that hold us together. So, here's to another year of Thanksgiving, Montana style.



Ruby Valley Happenings

RUBY VALLEY FFA AUCTION - November 24th - See Ad

TWIN BRIDGES CHRISTMAS STROLL - Dec 5th

SHERIDAN CHRISTMAS STROLL - Dec 6th - 5pm to 9 pm - See Ad

VIRGINIA CITY CHRISTMAS STROLL - Dec 7th - Noon to 5 pm - See Ad

RUBY VALLEY GIVING TREE - See Ad

RANCHER ROUNDTABLE - See Ad for dates, times, & subjects discussed

SPLENDID FEAST - ELLING HOUSE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! - See Ad

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 - Story time is every Tuesday at 11:00am for children 18 mos. - 5 yrs

TWIN BRIDGES BOOK CLUB meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Blue Anchor.

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GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUP - SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS - If you have questions, please contact Kathleen @ 406-596-1080 or Pastor Allen Cain @ 406-381-6677

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VALLEY KIDS - PK to 6th grade Wednesday Evenings from 4 to 6 @ Valley Assemble Main Street, Sheridan - See Ad for more information

AA MEETINGS - AL-ANON Group - Mondays @ 7 pm Christ Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall
Womens Group - Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm - Christ Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall

AWANA - EK to 5th grade Starting September 11th to December 18th - Wednesday nights 6 pm to 7:30 pm

STRENGTH TRAINING CLASSES - Monday, Wednesday, & Fridays @ 2 pm @ The Sheridan Senior Center

SOFT SERVE ICE CREAM - Every Thursday - 1 pm to 4 pm - TRMCC Activities Department Fundraiser - See Ad

TOWN OF SHERIDAN COUNCIL MEETINGS - 2nd Monday of every month - location TBA

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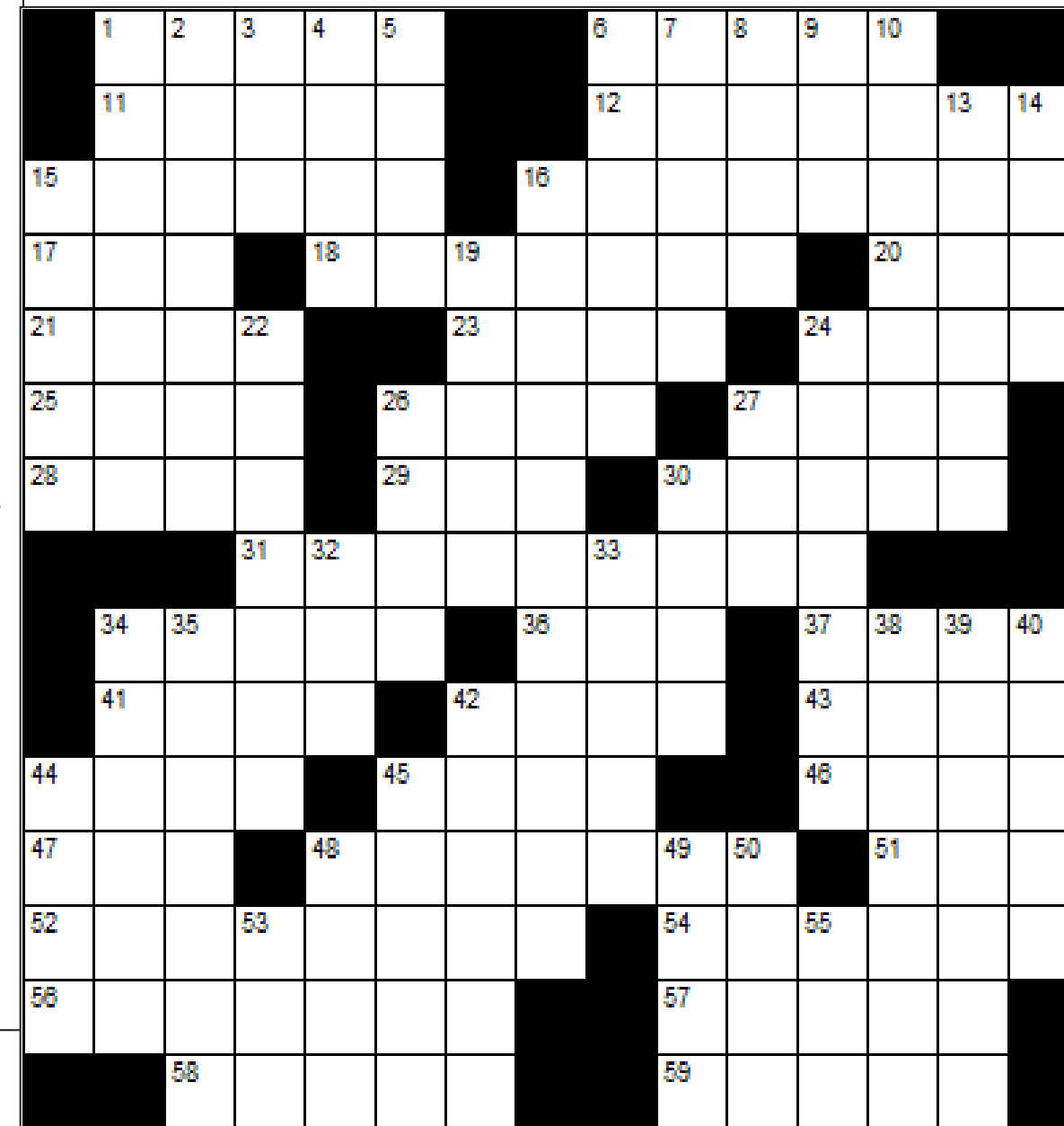
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Across

1. Diving bird
6. Not before
11. Royal
12. Breed of dog
15. Buffaloes
16. Fall behind
17. Evil spirit
18. Fate
20. Roam
21. Speaker's place
23. Circle fragments
24. Small mouthfuls
25. Beige
26. Brews
27. Barley beards
28. Fortune teller
29. Fish eggs
30. Blockade
31. Game with capsules of dye
34. Light wood
36. Car nut
37. Story
41. Duty
42. Scarce
43. Biblical garden
44. Kiddies
45. Gammons
46. Anger
47. French for "Friend"
48. Manifestation
51. Mother
52. Party-goers
54. More than one wife
56. Marjoram
57. Fatuous
58. Wanderer
59. Quizzes

Crossword Puzzle



Down

1. Pained look
2. Inhale and exhale
3. Bigheadedness
4. Orchestra
5. Otherwise
6. Area under roofs
7. Flowerless plants
8. Used to carry meals
9. Unit of energy
10. Ropes and tackle
13. Pass by
14. Slang for communists
15. Waits
16. Streetlights
19. Beauty parlor
22. Extra
24. Suffer from heat
26. Diva's solo
27. Be bedridden
30. Wise
32. Jerk
33. Explode
34. Child of the 1950s
35. Immune response trigger
38. Unyielding
39. Peas and beans
40. Foe
42. Marked by stiffness
44. Tropical root
45. Doglike nocturnal mammal
48. Criticize severely
49. Death notice
50. Not yours
53. Earlier
55. Petrol

Last Issue Answers

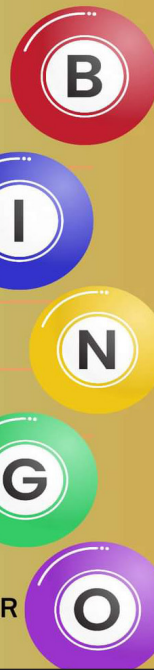


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- MONDAY November 4, 2024
- MONDAY December 2, 2024
- MONDAY January 6, 2025
- MONDAY February 3, 2025
- MONDAY March 3, 2025
- MONDAY April 7, 2025
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210 Main Street
Ennis, MT 59729
Speaker: Dr. Clain Jones, MSU Extension Soil Fertility Specialist

December 4, 2024, 5-7pm
Calving: Nutrition Management and Difficult Births
Borden Conference Room
103 West Legion Avenue
Whitehall, MT 59759
Speaker: Dr. Megan Van Emon, MSU Extension Beef Cattle Specialist

January 8, 2025, 5-7pm
Livestock and Large Carnivore Conflict Mitigation
Sheridan Senior Center
210 West Crofoot Street
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Speaker: Steve Primm, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator at Madison Valley Medical Center

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November 9th
December 14th
January 11th
February 8th
March 8th
April 12th
May 10th



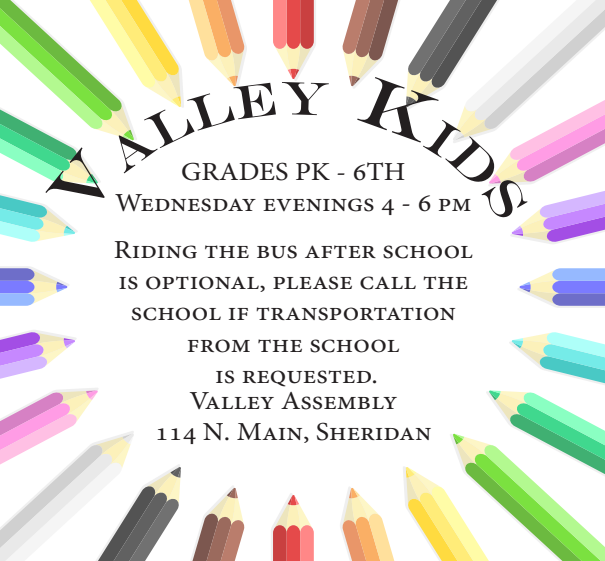
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Christmas STROLL
Sheridan, Montana
FRIDAY DECEMBER 6, 2024
5:00 - 9:00 PM

5:00 ~ Local Business Specials ALL NIGHT

- Dessert Silent Auction
- Hot Soup by SCCF
- Christmas Tree Decorating by Sheridan School Classes (1st place for best tree)
- Hot Cocoa & Popcorn by NKOTB

5:30 ~ Caroling by Girl Scouts

6:00 ~ Lighted Parade (1st place for best float)


- Hay Rides by Ruby Valley FFA
- Santa @ Opportunity Bank (after parade)



Thanksgiving

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