

## In brief

### Tribune's home makers school is Thursday

The Dillon Tribune's Home Maker's School will be this Thursday, at 7 p.m. at the Beaverhead County High School auditorium.

"It's going to be an informative, fun event and we are expecting a good crowd," Susie Bramlette, advertising manager of the Dillon Tribune, sponsor of the event, said.

Homemaker Schools of Greendale, Wisconsin, will present the cooking demonstration at the Beaverhead County High School auditorium Thursday, September 25. Betsy Kern, a home economist, will conduct the show for the second year in Dillon.

There is no charge for the program. The two-hour cooking clinic includes on-stage demonstrations of food preparation, new food products and kitchen shortcuts, along with lots of prizes.

Each person attending receives a free cookbook, and a gift bag with coupons and gifts. Dozens of free prizes, including bags of groceries, will be given away at the program as well, Bramlette said.

### State Board of Housing plans hearing here

The Montana Board of Housing will hold a public information meeting Friday morning at the Forest Service Center, 420 Barrett, at 8:30 a.m. The meeting will be followed by its regular monthly business session, which is also open to the public.

Tom Welch, president of Pioneer Savings and Loan in Dillon, is a member of the Montana Board of Housing, appointed by the governor.

### Immunization clinic closed

The Beaverhead County Immunization Clinic has announced it won't be open Wednesday, Oct. 8.

### Homeowner skills classes start to help home ownership

Special classes, designed to help people build skills toward becoming successful homeowners, are being scheduled for Sept. 30, Oct. 2, Oct. 7 and Oct. 9.

The class includes seven courses covering finding affordable mortgage credit, budget management and credit counseling, home selection and maintenance and the building and real estate processes.

Course leaders are community providers of these services, coordinated by the national Affordable Housing Network and Habitat for Humanity of Southwest Montana. The course is required for Tullamore and Habitat affordable homebuying programs.

For information, call 782-9268

## Weather

### The Week In Review

Date	Hi	Lo	Pcpt.
Sept. 16	62	40	--
Sept. 17	74	39	--
Sept. 18	73	45	--
Sept. 19	61	30	--
Sept. 20	66	28	--
Sept. 21	63	35	--
Sept. 22	70	49	--

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### At the carnival

Kitty Griffin of Parkview Acres Convalescent and Rehabilitation Center in Dillon helps Cheyanne Pentze, 2 1/2; Jacob Pentze; and D. J. Lemieux fish for "ducks" during the fun day and carnival celebrating National Rehabilitation Awareness Week. Paul Stewart Photo

## Sidewalk signs part of project

By Paul Stewart

Observant Dillon residents may have noticed that over the summer, a new kind of street sign has appeared. In and around the city, the sidewalks adjacent to storm drains are "posted" with the instruction, "Dump No Waste, Flows To Stream."

The message, boldly proclaimed in white lettering, is delivered courtesy of Dillon City authorities and Bureau of Reclamation official Steve Morehouse, who were pleased to jointly sponsor the curb stenciling project as a way of protecting area rivers streams, and waterways.

"The effort," explained Morehouse, "is part of the Bureau's region wide environmental education program to remind people that whatever flows down into storm drains is also carried out into our lakes and streams."

Morehouse got the idea after a visit to Billings, where he noticed similar sidewalk markings. He approached Mayor Wilson and Director of Operations, Dan Linscott, offering stencils, environmentally-friendly paint, wire brushes, orange safety vests and rubber gloves.

In exchange, Wilson provided

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## Liner woes updated

By Paul Stewart

Unable to confirm that the City of Dillon will incur no additional costs over the faults in the new sewer system, Mayor Jim Wilson has written to the members of the City Council updating them as to the current status.

On September 3, Councilperson Marty Brenneke made a motion that demanded a Geosynthetic Clay Liner (GCL) which meets contract specifications, be installed. It also demanded that it be installed without additional engineering or construction costs to the City, that it meet all manufacturers specifications, and that it conform to the Montana DEQ leak standards.

The motion came in response to the discovery that the existing liner had failed leakage tests.

Leaking more than 1000 times the amount allowed under state regulations. Questions concerning responsibility for the failure were raised at the September 3 meeting, but the general opinion of the council was that installation should proceed as quickly as possible. Reading an earlier letter to the council, Wilson stressed, "I know for certain that the City is not at fault nor are we responsible to correct the situation."

In response to a question requesting what steps would be taken to facilitate the installation, Wilson stated that the first step would be to obtain a guarantee from CETCO, the manufacturer of the GCL that the liner would meet state leakage requirements. If the guarantee could not be furnished, Wilson replied to another

question, then the City would have to look at alternatives which could entail additional costs. Asked whether these costs might be borne by the City, Wilson indicated that it was too soon to answer such questions. More important now he argued, was obtaining the guarantee from CETCO. He gave a similar response when asked if the city would take legal action against these deemed liable for any additional costs.

In his latest letter to the council Wilson, dated September 19, Wilson informed them that CETCO had provided a warranty that was very general and did not address the area of the Council's September 3 motion dealing with leakage standards.

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## Yes, the bridge is coming

By Paul Stewart

County Commissioner Spence Hegstad, answering criticism as to the year long delay in rebuilding the Kidd Bridge, said that the bridge would be operational by November 30.

County authorities had recently been the subject of harsh words by some local residents over the repair of the bridge which was damaged over three years ago by an area rancher.

Early in 1996, the commission considered a petition submitted by Blake Huntley, the rancher in question, not to repair the bridge and abandon the county road which crosses it. The road, leading into the Ashbough Canyon, and crossing private property formerly owned by Huntley, is used by hunters and recreationists as an access point onto public land. In mitigation Huntley at the time suggested building another road

which would provide the same access, but would take a different route. The road would be funded by the \$28,000 paid out by Huntley's insurance company to repair the bridge.

At a subsequent public meeting hunters, fishermen, and public land access groups expressed vociferous opposition to the closure of the road. They argued that

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## Army band, chorus to perform in Dillon

By John Barrows

The U. S. Army Field Band and Soldiers' Chorus of Washington, D.C. will be in Dillon on Saturday, Oct. 11, for a free concert at the Straugh Gymnasium at Western Montana College.

The internationally famous band is the official touring musical representative of the U. S. Army.

The band is under the control of Army's Chief of Public Affairs at the Pentagon. Known as the "Musical Ambassadors of the Army," the Field Band travels thousands of miles each year on three major concert tours, and is considered by music critics to be of the most distinctive musical organization's now appearing before the public.

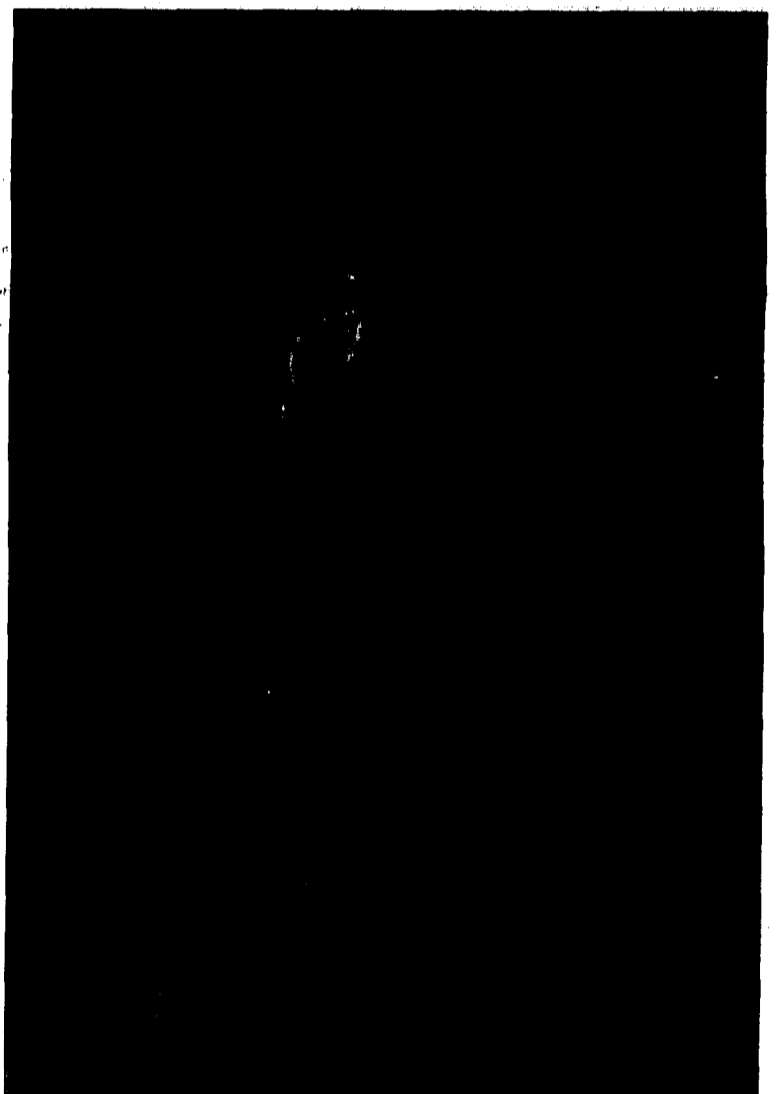
Accompanying the band is the Soldiers' Chorus, also of Washington, D.C.

The chorus has been featured with several noted symphony orchestras, including the National Symphony Orchestra and the Boston Pops.

Together, the band and chorus boasts a staff of over 100 performers and a number of support personnel as well.

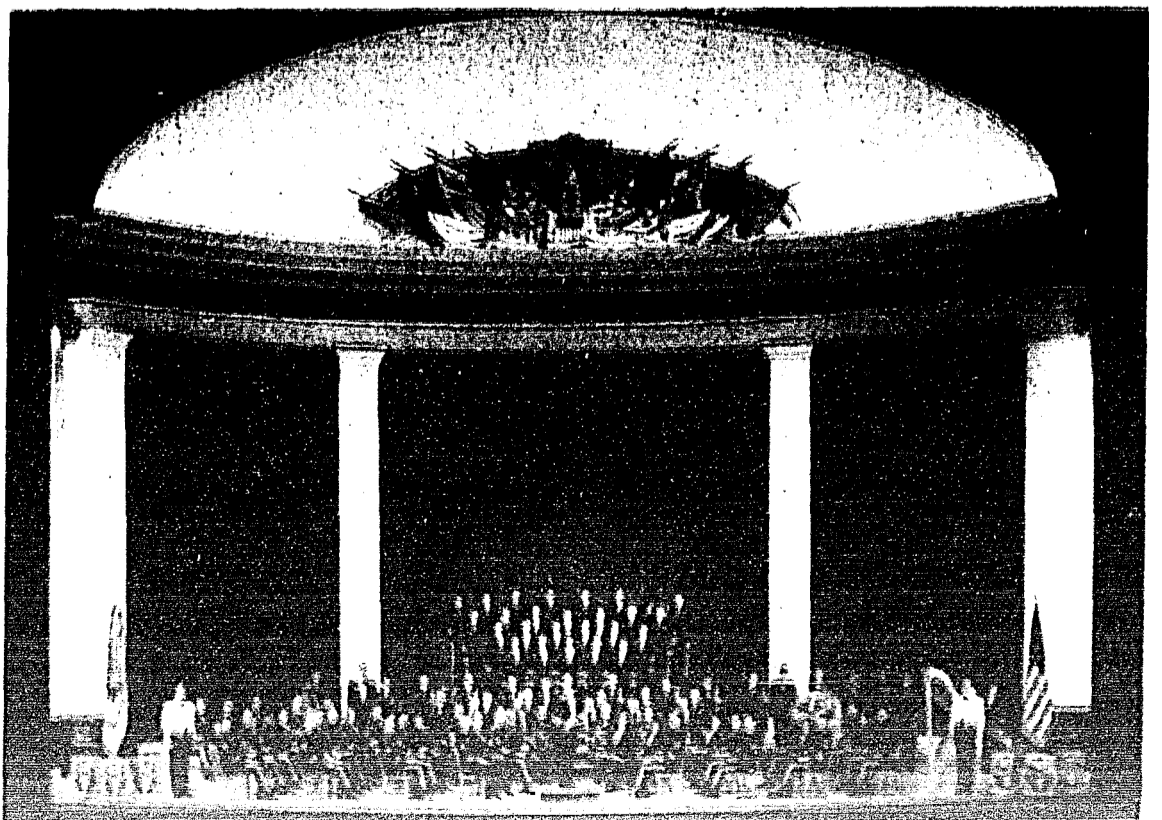
The concert is free to the public, although tickets are recommended. The free tickets are available, starting Thursday, Sept. 25, from the Dillon Tribune, Beaverhead County Chamber of Commerce, Western Montana College Campus Bookstore, and The Bookstore in Dillon.

Their Dillon appearance is sponsored by the Dillon Tribune, with the assistance of Western Montana College, Beaverhead Post No. 29, American Legion, and KDBM AM-FM.



### Watch the signs

Bureau of Reclamation Manager Steve Morehouse points out one of the many signs stenciled on Dillon sidewalks, reminding people that the storm drains flow to the river. Paul Stewart Photo



### To perform here

The U. S. Army Field Band and Soldiers' Chorus will perform in Dillon Saturday, Oct. 11, at the WMC Straugh Gymnasium. Their appearance here is being sponsored by the Dillon Tribune and Western Montana College.