

Fairgrounds restrooms work planned by county

By Elaine Spicer
Beaverhead County Fairgrounds will soon have new restrooms, as Road Manager Richard Miller brought plans for the building to the commissioners for discussion Monday. The intention, according to Commission Chair Garth Haugland, is to have the Anaconda Job Corps construct the walls and ceiling of the building, after the concrete slab is poured and plumbing run to the site. A master plumber will then hook up the plumbing.

Miller also discussed concerns over dust on Stone Creek Road, with the speed of vehicles traveling on the road part of the talk. Haugland noted the county is possibly looking at instituting a reduced speed limit on the road. He also commented that use of Magnesium Chloride for dust abatement will most likely occur earlier this year due to low precipitation and, thus, high dust concerns.

County Attorney Marv McCann and Deputy County Attorney Wally Congdon visited with the commissioners on the topic of cloud seeding. A bill has been introduced in the Montana House of Representatives to allow cloud seeding in Montana, as state statute currently does not allow the procedure. Haugland noted entities in Idaho have already proceeded with cloud seeding. "We discussed what the implications would be if the legislature allowed cloud seeding in Montana. The western counties have the advantage of taking the moisture from the eastern counties, if it works," said Haugland. "It certainly is occurring to the west and south of us."

The attorneys also discussed two area roads in view of legal issues, including Stevenson Road and Jeff Davis Road. Both are ongoing projects, said Haugland, and the attorneys are considering their legal advice as to how to proceed on those road issues.

Courthouse Facilities Manager Chris Kraft brought to the table the issue of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Kraft described recent conversations with a consultant. He was authorized to conduct a full site review of all county buildings with the consultant, according to Haugland.

A one-lot minor subdivision, Mussard Minor, received preliminary plat approval. The subdivision is located approximately one mile northeast of the city limits of Dillon, off of Highway 41, and would create one 4.66 acre residential tract from an existing agricultural parcel. It is located north of and adjacent to the Rebach Minor Subdivision and the Evergreen Farm Lots Survey.

According to Haugland, the planning board discussed the development at length, particularly

in relation to the access road. A variance was issued in order to allow use of an existing right-of-way as access, as it does not meet the county's minimum 50-foot right-of-way width for access on

local roads. The access route would also need to be extended, with additional footage added to access the property itself.

The commissioners signed a resolution requesting Governor

Brian Schweitzer and the Montana State Legislature to "take the necessary steps to protect both the health and safety of the Montana cattle herds and Montana beef consumers from actions by

the United State Department of Agriculture to relax the United State import restrictions for countries known to be affected by Bovine Spongiform Ecephalopathy disease".

Tax help here

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance provides help in preparing tax forms, and has arranged three days of each week for help for low income families, individuals and others.

Paul Pilgrim will be available at the Dillon Public Library Tuesdays from 6-7 p.m., Carol Higgins from 2-6 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturday's from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the library, and Larry Leif in the basement of the University of Montana Western Library on Mondays from 8 a.m. to noon.

Call Carol Higgins at 683-2542 for information about the VITA program.

Doer of Good Deeds Award-- Lima High Class of 2005



Doer of Good Deeds

The Lima High School Class of 2005 receives the first-ever "Doer of Good Deeds Award" from Beaverhead White Hat Coalition President Stan Smith at the recent Beaverhead Chamber Appreciation Social. The students were commended for their selfless donation of hard-earned senior trip moneys to Lima teacher Karla McGraw, who is facing breast cancer.

Lima students win good deeds award

The Beaverhead White Hat Coalition presented its first annual "Doer of Good Deeds" foundation award for 2004 to the Lima High School Class of 2005 recently. The presentation was held at the Chamber of Commerce Appreciation Social.

A unique plaque made of wood carved with a cowboy hat was presented to the entire class. Special certificates were presented individually to each member of the senior class. Each award read as follows: "The Beaverhead White Hat Coalition proudly recognizes the Lima High School Class of 2005. In appreciation of unselfish acts of kindness and personal sacrifice toward others. You are a testament to the strong character and great potential of the people of Beaverhead County. Your good deeds have made a difference in our community. The legacy of the White Hat Coalition will be in its expression of gratitude."

Of the Lima students, who donated their hard-earned senior trip funds to an area teacher facing breast cancer, White Hat Coalition President Stan Smith said, "the folks of Beaverhead County are very proud of our young people from Lima. Their actions represent the best of our values as Montanans and as Americans."

Smith continued, "all of you have our highest esteem. On behalf of the citizens of this county, I congratulate all of you on your upcoming graduation. I share in your hopes for a bright future full of great achievements as you enter the world outside Lima

and Beaverhead county. You have already achieved our sincere admiration and thanks."

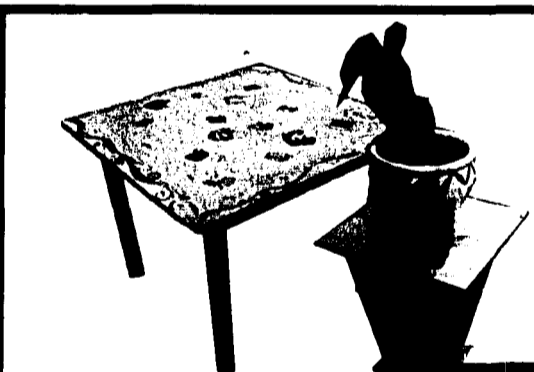
The award was created as a way to encourage the community to look for ways to become better neighbors and friends, said Smith. "Our goal is to remind folks that a good deed toward another can in turn bring good to all. It is not so much the acknowledgment of one person as it is the culture from which we come."

Smith said the award not only recognizes the deeds of the young people to whom it was given, but that it "reaffirms the character of our community. The strong mores we are raised with are essential to the backbone of our country. Even the smallest endeavor to maintain the best of our customs can make a difference."

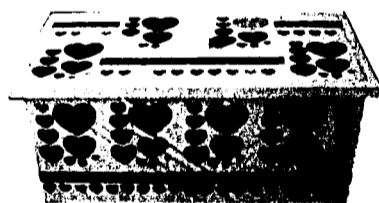
Criteria for nominating an individual for the annual award are:
• Any person or persons not working on behalf of any organization or charity or political gain whose good deed or deeds genuinely brought good to one or many
• A positive example of unselfish behavior during the twelve months from January to December of each year

Eight more nominations for the award were received, all of whom are no less important to the community, said Smith. They all deserve honorable mention. They are:

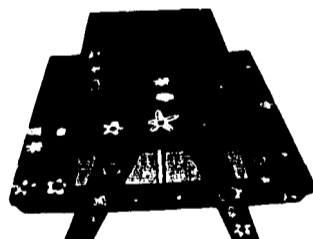
Art Christensen, Linda Lucero, Shanna Sunderlin and Randon Grose, Elwood and Frances Stratton, Rosemary Griffin, and Jim Brunzell.



Table, planter decorated and signed by preschool classes.



Toy box decorated and signed by the fourth grade.



Picnic table decorated and signed by the second grade.



Picnic table decorated and signed by the third grade.

Take one of us home, please!

The Dillon Elementary Educational Foundation is hosting a potato dinner and auction to raise money for art supplies in our schools. The students have been working very hard on these items and you can take one home... if you have the winning bid!

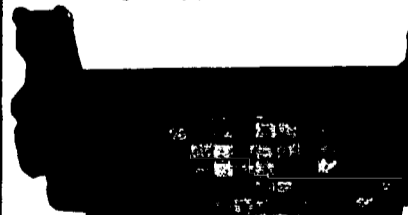
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Parkview Elementary Cafeteria

\$5 per person - \$15/family (immediate family members only)

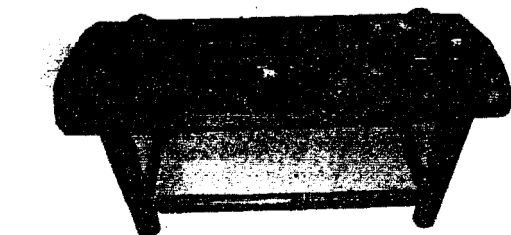
These items can be viewed in the windows at Womack's Printing until Feb. 14. Take the opportunity to see these wonderful pieces of art decorated by the students of District 10! And don't forget to come to the dinner & auction!



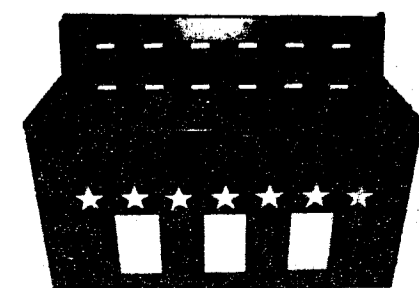
Outdoor planter decorated and signed by the seventh grade.



Planter decorated and signed by the eighth grade



Bench decorated and signed by the fourth grade.

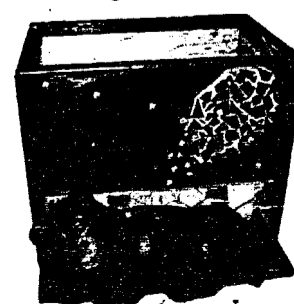


Bench/sest decorated and signed by the fifth grade.

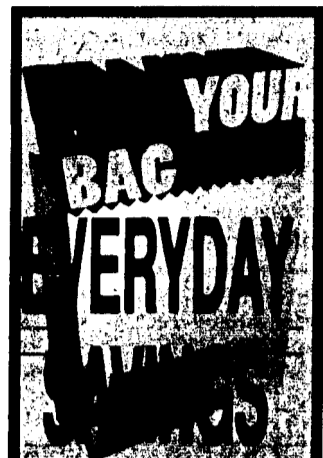
Rocking chairs (2) decorated and signed by Mrs. Parke's and Ms. Samson's classes



Wood or paper box signed by the sixth grade.



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