

## August 2017 Ennis Chamber of Commerce Newsletter

### *It's Hot and Dry Out There!*

With the fun of summer comes warmer temperatures and dry vegetation. Montana is now experiencing its fire season with approximately 25 active fires just in our state. Wherever you decide to recreate, call the appropriate land management agency to inform yourself of potential fire restrictions. Besides fire restrictions, high water temperatures and low stream flows have also prompted fishing restrictions on specific stretches of some of our rivers. These restrictions won't ruin your fun and they are implemented with our safety and the well being of our resources in mind. Just be sure to take a moment and be informed before you head out for your summer fun. - Abi King



ENNIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTS

# THE MONTANA DREAM RAFFLE

**DRAWING WILL BE HELD AT THE ANNUAL HUNTERS FEED  
AT 6:00 PM ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2017  
PROCEEDS FUND THE CHAMBER**

**BUY YOUR TICKETS AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS IN ENNIS:**  
 ENNIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE... 201 E Main St | AGENCY INSURANCE... 111 Chowning St | BRAGGIN' RIGHTS GUNS... 202 1st St  
 ERA LANDMARK ARROW REAL ESTATE... 219 E Main St | RE/MAX MOUNTAIN PROPERTY... 130 E Main St  
 THE TACKLE SHOP... 127 E Main St | WILLIE'S DISTILLERY... 312 E Main St

Custom Carabined Glock 20 Magazine\*\* (\$300 Retail)

Green truck, 2.7" 2 Wheelie Fly Rod with Accurate Reel and a Live Package (\$1100 Retail)

2017-18 Madison Stearns Pass to Big Sky Resort & Jack Creek Road Access... (\$250 Retail)

#### QUICK LINKS

[www.ennischamber.com](http://www.ennischamber.com)

[www.southwestmt.com](http://www.southwestmt.com)

[www.visitmt.com](http://www.visitmt.com)

[www.virginiacity.com](http://www.virginiacity.com)

[www.ennismontana.org](http://www.ennismontana.org)

[www.backroadtoyellowstone.com](http://www.backroadtoyellowstone.com)

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Check out the Chamber's [event calendar](#) or [Norris Hot Springs](#), [Gravel Bar](#), and [Willie's Distillery](#) websites for details on live music every week!

**Madison Farm to Fork Farmer's Market**  
**Wednesdays, 5 PM to 7 PM** at the First Interstate Bank parking lot. Contact Caitlin Avey for more information 406-930-0795.  
**July 4, 6 AM to 10 AM** at the Madison Valley Rural Fire Department.

#### Stand Up Paddle Board, Land & Water Pilates Fitness Class

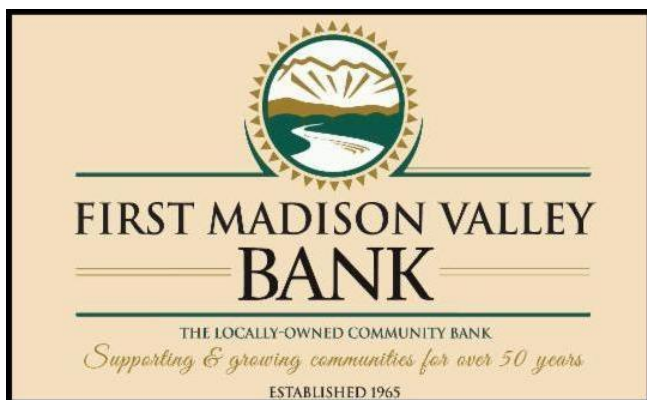
**Thursdays, 7 AM** Weather permitting. Kobayashi Beach, Ennis Lake. \$15 per class, \$25 with a rental board. 406-600-6379 to reserve your spot & get the details. [www.thewellnessnavigator.com](http://www.thewellnessnavigator.com)

#### The 19th Annual Noxious Weed Fundraiser-Madison Valley Ranchlands Group

**August 5** at the M Ranch. 6323 US Highway



## BUSINESS AFTER HOURS



First Madison Valley Bank will be hosting the August 3 Business After Hours from 5-7 PM at Peter T's Park. They will be celebrating Peter T's Park with beverages, appetizers, live music (Dave Walker) and yard games.



Making Memories with peers!

### Why is Website Speed Important?

Visitors to your website that use mobile devices expect your site to load in one or two seconds. How long does it take for your site to load, do you know? According to Google, when website visitors lose patience, you lose business. It is predicted that 70% of cellular network connections globally will occur at 3G or slower speeds through 2020, adding to site load time.

Google provides a website, Test My Site, where you can enter your site's URL and in a few seconds, Google tells you how many seconds it takes for your website to load. Here's the website address:

<https://testmysite.thinkwithgoogle.com/intl/en-us>

How did your site perform? If your site took less than 4 seconds to load, you're in good shape! If not, you might consider making some changes. First, request the free report from Google. You'll find a link to it on the test results page.



287, Norris, MT. **2:30 PM** Educational Presentation. **3:30 PM** Registration, Social Hours, and Silent Auction. 5:30 PM Dinner and Live auction following immediately. 406-682-3731

[weedcommittee@madisonvalleyranchlands.org](mailto:weedcommittee@madisonvalleyranchlands.org)

### Rainbow Valley Lodge Farm Dinner

**August 5 and 21, 6:30 PM to 9 PM** at Rainbow Valley Lodge "Backyard". For \$60 a person you will receive a four course dinner and complimentary beer and wine. 406-682-4264 [rainbowvalleylodge.com](http://rainbowvalleylodge.com)

### Ennis Town Commission Meeting

**August 10, 7 PM** at Ennis Town Hall.

### 22nd Annual Madison Valley Arts Festival

**August 12, 10 AM to 5 PM** at Peter T's Park.

### Madison Valley Medical Center Cancer Support Group

**August 15, 6 PM to 7:30 PM** for Cancer survivors, newly diagnosed cancer patients, and family and friends are welcome at Moonlight Basin Building. Contact: Lisa Brubaker 406-670-4546

### Shedhorn Sports 23rd Annual Rendezvous Sale

**August 18 to 20. Friday 2 PM to 8 PM. Saturday 9 AM to 6 PM. Sunday 9 AM to 4 PM.**

### Madison Valley Medical Center Auxiliary Home Tour

**August 19, 10 AM to 5 PM.** Tickets available at the Madison Valley Medical Center and Ennis Chamber of Commerce. For more information contact [hometour@mvmedcenter.org](mailto:hometour@mvmedcenter.org) or go to [mvmedcenter.org](http://mvmedcenter.org).

### Madison Valley Public Library Pie Baking Contest

**August 19, 12 PM.** Call 406-682-7244 for more information.

### Ennis Assembly of God Surrendered "Sole" Family Revival

**August 20-23, Sunday 10:30 AM and 6:30 PM, Monday through Wednesday 6:30 PM**

### Main Street Mingle

**August 25, 5 PM to 7 PM** at Plain Janes on Main. Fashion, Food, Fine Art, Where First Meets Main. Brought to you by Plain Janes on Main, the Pic-A-Nic Basket, and Right Angles Framing and Art Gallery.

### 8th Annual True Value Tent Sale

**August 26, 8 AM to 5 PM** at True Value. Family fun, food, and fundraising for a great cause at Ennis True Value Hardware. There will be kids games, free food and drinks along with a Regressive Dutch Auction as prices are reduced throughout the day.





website and pay with credit card via PayPal.

For 2017 we are planning a BBQ in Peter T's Park on the evening of Friday September 1, open to all with music, kids games, some vendors, fly casting, and fun followed by [The Costa Slam Fly Fishing Movie Festival](#) at Madison Theater. The MC for the event will be well renowned fly fisher-woman Hilary Hutcheson. The Madison River Foundation will be raffling off their drift boat this evening and a great time will be had by all. If you would like more information on our plans for this year, want to lend a hand, or get a movie ticket for this awesome film please give John a call at The Tackle Shop 406-682-4263.

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