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Superfund Public Meeting Scheduled for May 11
 Options for soil cleanup for properties within Black Eagle are being developed
 By Steve Ackerlund

Superfund investigations of the Black Eagle residential areas and the Black Eagle Park have advanced to the point of considering cleanup options. Charlie Coleman, EPA's Remedial Project Manager, feels that enough is now known about levels of contamination, potential risks to human health, and the cleanup options under consideration that it is time to check in with the broader community, relay the progress, answer questions and seek community input. Also, the Agency for Toxic Substance Disease Registry (ATSDR), an independent scientific agency without enforcement authority, will present on their assessment of risks to public health due to remaining levels of trace metal contamination of soil from historic smelting operations. Since only a portion of the yards in Black Eagle are expected to have high enough levels of trace metals in yard soil to qualify for cleanup, the ATSDR will also provide practical advice on how to minimize exposure and remain safe when working or playing in yards. The former smelter site and possible smelter impacts to the Missouri River are also part of the Superfund investigation. EPA continues with its plans to review copious existing information about contamination levels within the smelter site in order to scope further site investigation needs. Initial efforts have also begun by the Black Eagle Technical Assistance Group (TAG) and the county to seek out an entity that might assume management responsibilities for the smelter site, currently owned by BP, for the benefit of future possible public access. According to Ellen Sievert, Great Falls-Cascade County Historic Preservation Officer, the former smelter site is rich in early settlement and Native American history and it presents wonderful opportunities for trail connectivity and other possible uses. Ellen has recently formed the Upper Missouri River Heritage Area Planning Corporation, a private, non-profit group that is seeking to establish a Heritage Area along water front within and downstream of Great Falls, and she sees the smelter site as an important part of the Heritage Area.

Historic smelter practices also included disposing of large volumes of slag, a waste product from smelting, into the river. EPA has teamed with the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) to conduct sampling of various aquatic species to assess any impacts associated with the slag. Jason Mullen of FWP presented to the TAG committee at the March meeting on their trials and tribulations in sampling a wide range of fish and aquatic invertebrates both upstream and downstream of the slag. Once laboratory testing is complete, EPA will update and extend on a prior screening-level ecological risk assessment to help inform a decision on the need for further investigation.

EPA will host the Superfund meeting on May 11 in the Black Eagle Community Center from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. The public is encouraged to attend!

This article is provided by the Black Eagle Technical Assistance Group (TAG), a non-profit group of local residents and government staff that meets monthly to track Superfund project developments in detail and provide feedback to the agencies. This past month Bruce Pollington of Great Falls and with the Rivers Edge Trail Foundation was graciously added to the TAG Board to extend representation beyond Black Eagle. If you would like to participate in TAG meetings or otherwise receive monthly notices on project details, please contact Steve Ackerlund at 406-461-6354 or steve.ackerlund@bresnan.net. For more information, hardcopies of final reports are available for public review at the Community Center or at EPA's web site (<http://www2.epa.gov/region8/acm-smelter-and-refinery>).

Cascade County Neighborhood Watch Update: April 2016

Neighborhood Watch kicks into high gear now that spring is here – so consider recruiting 4 – 5 of your neighbors to form a Neighborhood Watch! The Watch program is proven to deter crime and help folks get to know their neighbors. Black Eagle has consistently had the largest of the Watch areas in Cascade County and we want to expand it even further. If you want to update your application or add your email to get the latest in Neighborhood News, contact Terry Miller at 453-4908 or Carol Bronson at cbronson@nwgf.org or 761-5861.

Black Eagle Community Center

The many customers are enjoying the recent improvements to the Black Eagle Community Center this past year. The recent improvements at the Community Center include: updating, carpeting, and painting the meeting room, the handicapped bathroom, the bowling alley (which include a new scoring system), and a new roof.

The recent events sponsored by the Community Center have been a great success. These events include the Mardi Gras Celebration, the Super Bowl Pot luck, and the State Dart Tournament.



The dates are filling up so book graduation, birthday, weddings, anniversary, reunions, holiday parties, and events now to get the best dates.

Tuesday is family night in the bowling center. If you have a church, sports, family or other large group that would



like to have a fun night out in the middle of the week call for reservations and specials 453-4736.

Wednesday evening there is live music and dancing beginning at 7:00pm. Karaoke is every Thursday in the VFW Lounge beginning at 9:00pm.

Open bowling is on Friday evenings, Saturday and Sunday, all day and evening.

Please come and enjoy this time capsule of fun right here in the middle of Black Eagle.

Black Eagle Fire Department • 2016 Department Statistics

Call Breakdown:

In District	29
Mutual Aid	8
TOTAL 2015 Calls	37

Structure	1	Medical Emergency	21	Unauthorized Burn	1
Gas Leak	1	False Alarm	1	Smoke Detector Activation	1
Vehicle Fire	1	Outside Rubbish	1	Vehicle Accident/Injuries	1

Total Man Hours-	83.42
Average Response Time –	9 minutes 07 seconds
Average Number of Fire Responders per Call –	3.1
Average Number of EMS Responders per Call –	1.92

County Dog Ordinance

Dogs at Large

“At large” means off the premises of the owner and not under control.

No dog covered by this ordinance shall be allowed to run at large in the county, which includes Black Eagle. Violation of this shall be a misdemeanor.

Any dog found to be running at large in the county may be seized and impounded by most law enforcement officers.

MApril cleanup scheduled for May 21 and June 4, 2016

By Amber Beckner

The community-wide cleanup effort for residents, called MApril, is scheduled for *May 21 and June 4* from 8 a.m. to noon throughout Great Falls. **NOTE: There has been a date change to accommodate the Base schedule.** A Base military pick-up crew and truck will be assigned to help in Black Eagle again this year.

One of the primary sponsors, NeighborWorks, is seeking cleanup teams to work on local parks, roads, trails, and other public areas in Black Eagle. The civilian volunteers will join crews from Malmstrom Air Force Base in bagging and disposing of the winter accumulation of trash. As in years' past, the Base will provide a truck just for Black Eagle debris and haul it to the landfill.

To volunteer for a cleanup team in Black Eagle, call Terry Miller at 453-4908. Miller is recruiting team captains and team members to work on public areas of Black Eagle. Families are also urged to clean up their properties and send trash to the dump.




Roger Bridgeford, general manager of Montana Waste Systems and the High Plains Landfill, is donating dumping fees again this year; the fees can run into the thousands of dollars, a huge donation to the local cleanup effort. In addition to NeighborWorks, Montana Waste Systems and MAFB, other sponsors are the City of Great Falls, the Chamber of Commerce and the Montana Department of Transportation.

In order to accommodate loads over 50 pounds, please call 761-5861 before May 15 to schedule a special pick up.

Teams should note that the Landfill cannot take the following items:

- Batteries;
- Paint;
- Car bodies;
- Car batteries;
- Motor oil;
- Freon units;
- Large trees or branches more than four feet long;
- Debris from construction sites (such as a demolished house);
- Asbestos materials;
- Petroleum or PCB contaminated soil;
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- Sharps/ needles;
- Chemotherapy drugs;
- Unwanted or expired prescription drugs;
- Large appliances.

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2016 Newsletter Deadlines:

June 10th, and September 10th.

On Saturday, June 25th, volunteers from the American Red Cross of Montana, Black Eagle Fire Department, Great Falls Rotary Club and other organizations will install free smoke alarms and share important fire safety information with homeowners in the Black Eagle community. This event is part of an ongoing nationwide Red Cross campaign to reduce deaths and injuries from home fires by as much as 25 percent in five years.

"The Home Fire Campaign is a great way to make families aware of the importance of having working smoke alarms and practicing escape plans," says Diane Wright, Executive Director of the American Red Cross of Montana. "We installed over 270 smoke alarms in Great Falls last October and we are very excited to expand this life-saving campaign in Black Eagle." Do you need a smoke alarm? Contact American Red Cross of Montana at 800-272-6668 or visit www.getasmokealarm.org to sign up. You will need to provide your name, phone number, email and address. Red Cross volunteers can install up to 2 smoke alarms per home depending on need. Volunteers will also check your existing smoke alarm and replace batteries if necessary.

Mark your calendars!

Date: Saturday, June 25th

Time: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Location: Black Eagle

To learn more about fire safety, visit redcross.org/homefires.

For access to life-saving information on what to do for common, everyday first aid emergencies including burns, download the free Red Cross First Aid App at redcross.org/apps.

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About the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org

Blessed Sacrament Breakfast

The next breakfast at Blessed Sacrament Chapel Breakfast, 1325 Smelter Ave, will be on Sunday April 10th from 8:00am to 1:00pm. The kitchen run by Matthew Peck and crew serves the best breakfast in town with a menu of

scrambled eggs, bacon scrambled eggs, sausage, ham, French toast, pancakes (blueberry, plain and chocolate chip), hash-brown casserole, and biscuits and gravy. The cost is a free will offering.

Polenta

Mrs. Cesare Berti (memory)

- 4 Cups Boiling Water
- 1 ½ teaspoons salt
- 2 ½ Cups Corn Meal
- 1 Cup Cold Water

Mix together cornmeal into cold water in a bowl. Add boiling water and stir frequently over low heat for about 20 minutes. Turn upside down on a plate. Serves 4

Recipe Taken from the Original Black Eagle Cookbook
Cookbooks are available from Marilyn Hamer 452-2396, \$10.00.

According to the Wikipedia web site Polenta is a boiled cornmeal dish popular in Northern and Central Italy, Austria, France, Croatia, Argentina, and Switzerland. Polenta can be served as porridge or it may be cooled and allowed to solidify into a loaf then baked, fried or grilled.

Polenta has been eaten since Roman times. It was considered a peasant food in Europe and North America.

It is common to eat Polenta as a side dish with anchovy, herring, cuttlefish and tomato sauce. Polenta can also be served with cheese, butter, mushrooms, vegetables, pork and other meats. There are variations of Polenta that are made with buckwheat, yellow or white maize, potatoes, faro, chestnut flour, millet, spelt, chickpeas or barley meal.

In order to bring together the many assets in our area, a group of citizens have been working since January 2015 to explore the formation of a National Heritage Area in the Upper Missouri River area. The group is forming a not-for-profit organization and a Board of Directors was installed May 11, 2015; the first official meeting was held May 28, 2015.

The Board of Directors has defined a tentative boundary for what is being called the "Upper Missouri River National Heritage Area" as follows-all of Cascade and Chouteau Counties; additionally lands east from Chouteau County bordering the Missouri River to capture the entire Upper Missouri National Wild and Scenic River, which terminated on the east at the Kipp Bridge on US 191, and further all of the lands bordering the Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument, as well as lands along the river to the Gates of the Mountains. The not-for-profit Upper Missouri River Heritage Area Planning Corporation, Inc. (UMRHA) was created to initiate a collaborative effort to establish a National Heritage Area (NHA) based on the region's nationally significant natural, cultural, historic, and scenic resources. Receiving this federal designation would be **honorary and would not affect any public or private property rights.** It will allow access to federal funding for coordinated marketing/management by all of the entities within the defined area.

The Upper Missouri River Heritage Area Planning Corporation, Inc. is a registered Montana not-for-profit entity and the Board will soon be filing for 501(c)(3) status with the IRS.

A summary of what a NHA is and what its value is to the local economy can be found at www.nps.gov/heritageareas.

The Upper Missouri Heritage Area group meets monthly at 4:00pm on the fourth Monday of every month at the Gibson Room at the Civic Center. The next board meeting is Monday April 25, 2016. The current Board includes:

Jane Weber; Cascade County Commissioner Chairman

Lynette Scriver, United Way of Cascade County Secretary

Board Members:

Tracy Houck, City Commissioner; Ellen Sievert, City-County Preservation Officer; Ken Robison, Historian; John Taillie, Montana State Parks; Gayle Fisher, Executive Director Central MT Tourism; Lindy Hatcher, Exe, Director Central MT Tourism; Ruthann Knudson, PhD, Anthropologist, Retired NPS; Jerry Lehman, CPA/Shareholder JCCS; Gregory Gordos, City Planning; Bill Bronson, City Commissioner, Pro Bono Legal Counsel; and Ex Officio: Carol Bronson, NeighborWorks; Michael Duchemin, CM Russell Museum; Mary Sexton, Montana State Parks & Recreation Board.

We would like to invite you to join the conversation by attending the Grand Tour II Public Forum on Friday, April 1, 2016 in the Great Falls Civic Center where you will learn more about the progress being made. Please join us. The Smelter Hill property will be a important piece of this process.

The Art Higgins Memorial Park is located on Railroad Ave behind Borries Restaurant at 1800 Smelter Ave. The park groundbreaking ceremony was held in 1974. Montana Power donated the land for the park to Cascade County. The land donation was to develop a park dedicated to the memory of Art Higgins, a lineman for the company who was killed in a power line accident. Art and the Higgins family were active members of the Black Eagle community for many years. The park is owned by Cascade County. A group of dedicated volunteers has done all the development, maintenance, and upgrades to the park. The volunteers are too numerous to name over the last 45 years from when the first group of residents saw the need for a park in Black Eagle. There are families who have dedicated their lives to the development, maintenance, and future of the park, the children of Black Eagle and surrounding area. The only funding for the park over the years has come from donations and the annual 4th of July Picnic, which has been held almost yearly since 1974.

Without volunteers and coordinators the park will not have the opportunity to celebrate 42 years of a Black Eagle and Great Falls 4th of July tradition. The menu has always consisted of the polish sausage with sauerkraut, hamburgers, hot dogs, watermelon, fresh corn on the cob, along with a variety of entertainment and games for all ages. A raffle, silent auction and 50/50 tickets have also been offered with exciting prizes. Attendees have been able to cool off with their favorite beverage whether it is water, pop, or beer, and top it off with a cool ice cream treat.

For 41 years people from all over the country have come to celebrate the nicest park in the county, see old friends and make new friends. The Park Board needs community members to step up to continue the celebration into the 42nd year.

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Black Eagle-Cascade County Water and Sewer District

A public hearing, which was advertised in the Great Falls Tribune legal ads, was held during the Civic Club meeting on March 2, 2016. The purpose of the public hearing was to address a RRGL grant application through the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation for the sewer main reconstruction project. The grant application will be part of the Infrastructure Bill presented to the 2017 State Legislature. The public hearing was to gauge public support for this grant application. There was unanimous support for this grant application.

The public hearing was addressed the proposed rate increase for water and sewer service. The City of Great Falls has proposed a 10% rate increase for water and a 3% rate increase for sewer. The Board of Directors has no choice but to pass this rate increase on to the water and sewer customers in Black Eagle. The only public comment was one of understanding that the District has to pass the rate increase on. The increase will appear on the May water bill and on the November tax bills for the sewer.

The 2015 Water Quality Report will be available in April by calling 761-4408, writing for a copy to P.O. Box 1 Black Eagle, MT 59414. Copies will also be posted at the Black Eagle Community Center and the Black Eagle Fire Station.

The Board meetings for the Black Eagle-Cascade County Water & Sewer District are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Black Eagle Community Center. The meeting dates for 2016 are Tuesdays April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, August 16, September 20, October 18, November 15, and December 20. For any questions regarding board, meeting times and dates call 761-4408.

You are Invited - April 1 - no fooling!

GRAND TOUR II

Upper Missouri River Heritage Area Update
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Cascade County is blessed to have many opportunities for residents to obtain help during their time in need. The county is equally blessed with residents to assist fellow residents in need. The following is an overview of some of the organizations that assist those in need. Each of these organizations also offers volunteer opportunities for people to use their time and talents to help fellow neighbors.

Opportunities, Inc. at 905 1st Ave North Great Falls, 406-761-0310 / 1-800-253-4091, <http://gfoppinc.org>. The belief statement for Opportunities, Inc.; “We believe that everyone should have the opportunity to achieve his/her full potential with dignity and without discrimination. We believe that everyone has the right to shelter, food, medical and education. We believe that society has an obligation to care for and educate those who are unable to care for themselves”. The Agency Principles; “Opportunities, Inc. is dedicated to the principle that all people have the right to be self-sufficient in providing for their own needs without discrimination; that they have equal opportunity for education, training, employment and career advancement; and that they have just access to the necessities for physical, psychological and spiritual well-being. Opportunities, Inc. is dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other”. The organization is dedicated to “Helping low-income people, especially vulnerable population, achieve their potential by strengthening family and other supportive environments through emergency services.”

Opportunities, Inc. provides assistance to low-income individuals and families in emergency situations. These services include help with rent, deposits, utility payments, medical, dental, prescriptions, emergency temporary shelter, food, clothing, household goods, furniture, transportation and more. Youth training and employment opportunities are also offered. These include Tutoring, study skills training and instruction leading to secondary school completion, including dropout prevention strategies, summer employment opportunities directly linked to academic and occupational learning, paid and unpaid work experiences, leadership development opportunities, adult mentoring, and follow up services.

Rural Dynamics (Formerly Consumer Credit Counseling), 2022 Central Ave, 1-877-275-2227, <http://www.ruraldynamics.org>, “We get it. Dealing with finances can be stressful but you don't have to do it alone. Whether you are struggling to balance a checkbook, dodging collection calls or educating consumers who are facing both, we can help. We offer several programs that can help you on your road towards financial stability.” “We are partners in achieving financial stability. Through our programs, we work with you to identify your financial goals and chart a path to reach them. Our website is here to provide you with the tools and resources you need to thrive. We recommend that you begin by assessing your financial status.” “Take control of your debt. Your financial situation is a unique as your fingerprint”.

RDI provides Financial Coaching, Debt Management, Credit Building, Financial Education, Tax Assistance, Loan Services, Financial Training, Policy & Coalition, Bankruptcy Education, Money Management Tools, Wise use of Credit, Consumer Protection Laws and Regulations, Spending Plan Development, Building Wealth, Avoiding scams, Identity Theft, Credit Reports and Scores, How to Survive a Layoff and more.

RDI was established in 1968 to help consumers take control of their finances and rid themselves of financial stress. “We are here to help you get and stay on track with your finances.” They can negotiate with creditors and help to establish a realistic and workable financial plan.

Take Control of your Debt

NeighborWorks, 509 1st Ave South, 406-761-5861, <http://www.nwgreatfalls.org>. NeighborWorks offers a variety of services: Becoming a Homeowner, Homebuyer Education, Income Guidelines, Financial Counseling, Matched Savings Accounts, Home Purchase Financing, Mutual Self Help Owner-Built Homes, and Homes for Sale. Post-Purchase Classes that include Home Maintenance, Being a Good Neighbor, Budget/Saving Ideas, Tax Options, Home Owners Insurance, How to Read a Mortgage Statement, What is an Escrow Account, Credit Reports (How to Write Dispute Letters), Foreclosure Prevention, and Rehabilitation Loans. NeighborWorks also provides Foreclosure Counseling and they will help you understand the loan process, help talk to the mortgage company, help create a budget to bring your mortgage current, show how to avoid foreclosure scams and spot predatory lending.

NeighborWorks provides a host of volunteer opportunities in the office, and with Community Building, Neighborhood and Business Watch programs. NeighborWorks also helped to develop The Coins for a Cause to address panhandling. Operation Medicine Cabinet: Central Montana, which has a drop at the Montana Highway Patrol Office at 812 14th Street, Great Falls.

Community Revitalization has been a big part of the NeighborWorks Community Building Program in which Black Eagle is a part of. This includes MApril Cleanup, Sod and Weed and Feed Days, Community Gardens, Neighborhood Days of Service, Make a Difference Day, and NeighborWorks Week/ Volunteer Recognition/Most Improved Awards.

St Vincent de Paul of North Central Montana, 426 Central Ave West 406-761-0111 / 406-761-0870, <http://svdgreatfalls.org>. The mission statement is inspired by Gospel Values, “the Society of St. Vincent de Paul leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to the needy and suffering. Organized locally, Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. The society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes, making no distinction in those serve, because in them Vincentian see the face of Christ”. “Truly I tell you; whatever you did for one of the least of these...you did for me.” Matthew 25:40.

Black Eagle Civic Club

By Monte Marzetta

The Civic Club meets the first Wednesday of each month except for the months of July and August at 7:00 pm at the Black Eagle Community Center. We still need a Secretary / Treasurer. If anyone is interested, please call me at 453-9479. Dues are \$15.00 per year and we encourage and welcome new

Do Not Call Number

Contributed by Linda Tonkovich

SAY 'DO-NOT-CALL' to unwanted telemarketers. A national do-not-call registry has been established to address unwelcome telemarketers, with the exception of businesses with whom you have an existing relationship and certain non-profit and political organizations. Commercial telemarketers are not allowed to call you if your number is listed on the registry. Consumers may register the residential and wireless numbers at no cost, either by telephone or by internet. YOU MUST call from the phone number you wish to register. The number will be effective 31 days following your registration. Your number will be on the registry permanently. You can also remove it at any time. CALL 1-888-382-1222 or www.donotcall.gov.

Web Site Administrator Needed

Black Eagle has a web site that was paid for by the Weed and Seed several years ago and a Black Eagle resident has kept the fees up. The Civic Club needs someone to administer the web site on a volunteer basis. If you are interested, please call Dave Montgomery 453-0604 or Sarah

MApril Cleanup 2016

WE NEED YOUR HELP: Join us by coming together with your friends and neighbors for a great event to clean up **BLACK EAGLE** parks, roads, trails and other public areas in our community! This year, MApril will be held **MAY 21** and **JUNE 4**, in order to accommodate the Malmstrom Air Force Base's schedule.

CAN YOU HELP by picking up litter in your neighborhood, a park or a multiple-block area? We will provide the trash bags.

NO LARGE OR TOXIC ITEMS or electronics. Other restrictions apply. To schedule a pick up of items over 50 pounds, call 406-761-5861.

REGISTER YOUR CLEANUP TEAM & request your preferred park/cleanup area by calling Terry Miller at 406-453-4908.



Jokes

“The Old Days”

Grandpa was telling his young grandson what life was like when he was a boy. “In the winter we'd ice skate on our pond. In the summer, we could swim in the pond, and pick berries in the woods. We'd swing on an old tire my dad hung from a tree on a rope. And we had a pony we rode all over the farm.” The little boy was amazed and sat silently for a minute. Finally he said, “Granddad, I wish I'd gotten to know you a lot sooner.”

“Three Senior Pals”

Three seniors are out for a stroll. One of them remarks, “It's windy.” Another replies, “No way. It's Thursday.” The last one says, “Me too. Let's have a soda.”

Fishing Joke

Q. How do you communicate with a fish?
A. You drop a line.

Corny Football Joke

Q. What did the football coach say to the broken vending machine?
A. “Give me a quarterback.”

Homework Joke

PUPIL – “Would you punish me for something I didn't do?”
TEACHER – “Of course not.”
PUPIL – “Good, because I haven't done my homework.”

Sayings

Contributed by Linda Tonkovich

A smile is a language understood by all persons.

The right temperature at home is maintained by warm hearts, not hot heads.