

# MELSTONE MONTHLY

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## STATE BOUND

Both the Broncs and the Lady Broncs are bound for Great Falls for the Class C State Basketball Tournament. At the divisional tournament, the girls had to face their fears and play the toughest team in the division, Roberts. They played with all their hearts, overcame their fear and defeated the Lady Rockets. It was one of the best games of the tournament. Meanwhile, the Melstone boys had to play a challenge game Monday night back in Miles City against the Jordan Mustangs. You want to talk about exciting! The challenge game came down to the wire. The game was nothing short of a nail biter. Melstone Broncs came out on top after playing overtime. This meant both the girls and boys were getting ready for the next level of basketball, state in Great Falls! This is super exciting for the Melstone School and community.



## Melstone Bar and Café



St. Patrick's Day Buffet

Sunday March 17th



Corned Beef with all trimmings

11 am to 3 pm \$20.00 a plate

## Melstone Bar and Café

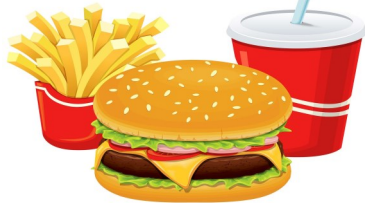
Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday March 28th @ 4 pm

infant- 5th grade



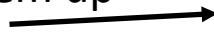
**Melstone  
Bar & Café**



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**Open Tues-Sun**

**LOST KEYS?**

Contact the school  
if you wish to pick  
them up



**Keggie Koulee 4-H  
Blood Drive**

**Date : Monday. March 25**

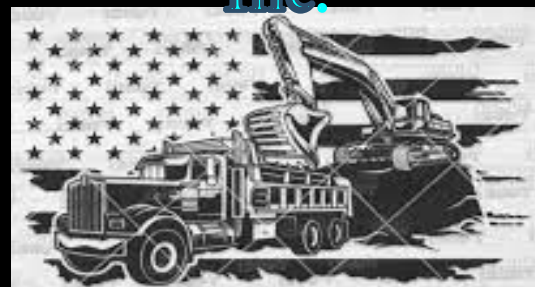
**Time : 2:00—6:00pm**

**Location : Community Center**

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Excavating  
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**SKIP TRIP**

**March 13th**

**Wednesday**

**Dress warm!!!**

**Riddle of the month: You see a  
boat filled with people. It has not  
sunk. But when you look back,  
you don't see a single person on  
the boat. Why?**

**December's Answer: Silence**

# BOYS BASKETBALL SCORES

BY TREY MEREDITH

February 2 @ Lavina	Melstone vs Broadview-	W	73-55
February 3 @ Melstone	Melstone vs Custer	W	51-42
February 9 @ N.Cheyenne	Melstone vs N.Cheyenne	W	50-49
February 10 @ Melstone	Melstone vs Harlowton	W	55-32

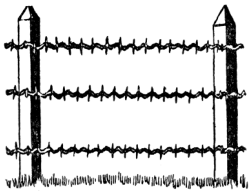
Melstone Broncs finished 1st in the 5-C district with a record of 9-1. The scores down below are the district tournament scores. Because the Broncs took 1st in the conference the first 2 seeds got bye games to go straight to semi finals.

February 16 @ Lockwood (District Semi-Finals)	Melstone vs Broadview- Lavina	W	53-27
February 17 @ Lockwood (District Championship)	Melstone vs Harlowton	L	47-42

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# Should Driver's Education be Mandatory?

By Michael

“In recent years, access to Student Driver Education has been a limiting factor in obtaining a learner’s permit for many new drivers. To alleviate this hardship and help young Montanans start learning to drive safely, Attorney General Austin Knudsen has instructed MVD to provide a solution to help student drivers obtain a temporary learner’s permit. Under the new guidance, students can start the licensing process at 15 through self-study and behind-the-wheel practice with a parent or responsible adult. These changes are in accordance with [§ 61-5-105\(b\), MCA.](#)”

Should Montana require everyone to undergo a driver's education course before getting their license? Driver education provides students time to understand the rules of the road, Promotion of Defensive Driving Techniques, Awareness of Risk Factors, and the chance to understand certain situations on the road. Driver ed allows students to learn from a certified instructor, making learning more accessible and safer. Also, driving in the Driver Ed car lets people know you are a new driver, and the instructor has an extra brake to help prevent accidents from new drivers. Here are a few examples of things you will cover in Driver's Ed: Right of Way (When pulling up to a four-way stop), road signs, the safe distance you have to keep from other vehicles, wearing a seat belt, never drinking and driving, only change lanes through hashed or "broken" lines, and always stop before pedestrians. You will also cover situations where an emergency vehicle goes by you (ambulance, firetruck, or police car). You will cover what to do when your tires hydroplane and accelerator gets stuck to the floor. Being prepared to handle situations on the road allows you to drive as safely as possible.

Mandating Driver’s Education reflects a proactive approach to promoting road safety and protecting drivers and pedestrians. It equips individuals with the knowledge, skills, and awareness necessary to navigate traffic safely.



# **Double Check Your Cup**

You are holding a cup of coffee when someone comes along and bumps into you or shakes your arm, making you spill your coffee everywhere.

Why did you spill the coffee?

“Because someone bumped into me!!!

Wrong answer.

You spilled the coffee because there was coffee in your cup.

Had there been tea in the cup, you would have spilled tea.

Whatever is inside the cup is what will spill out.

Therefore, when life comes along and shakes you (which WILL happen), whatever is inside you will come out. It's easy to fake it, until you get rattled. So we have to ask ourselves...”what is in my cup?”

When life gets tough, what spills over?

Joy, gratitude, peace, and humility?

Anger, bitterness, victim mentality and quitting-tendencies?

Life provides the cup, YOU choose how to fill it. Today let's work towards filling our cups with gratitude, forgiveness, joy, words of affirmation, resilience, positivity; and kindness, gentleness and love for others.

## **7M– Trucking**

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**Matt McCleary**  
**561-0768**

**Best of Luck to Girls and Boys  
Basketball**



**Go Broncos!**

**From Cates and Seamsters**

# AN EARLY GOODBYE

Francesco Frigenti was an exchange student who was also a great friend. Cisco had to leave early because of medical issues. The high school kids came together and held a surprise going away party for Cisco. They had cupcakes and gifts for him. On Francesco's last school day here, all of the high school students gave him hugs and waved him goodbye as he left to fly back home to Italy.





# SENIOR NIGHT



Gage, Delaney, and Michael

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***"Need cattle or hay hauled?"***



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## PUFF PASTRY GLAZED APRICOT TWISTS



**Ingredients:** (17 ounce) package frozen puff pastry (thawed according to package directions) 1 cup apricot jam, melted (melt just enough to make spreading easy) 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar 2 tablespoons whipping cream (unwhipped) 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice

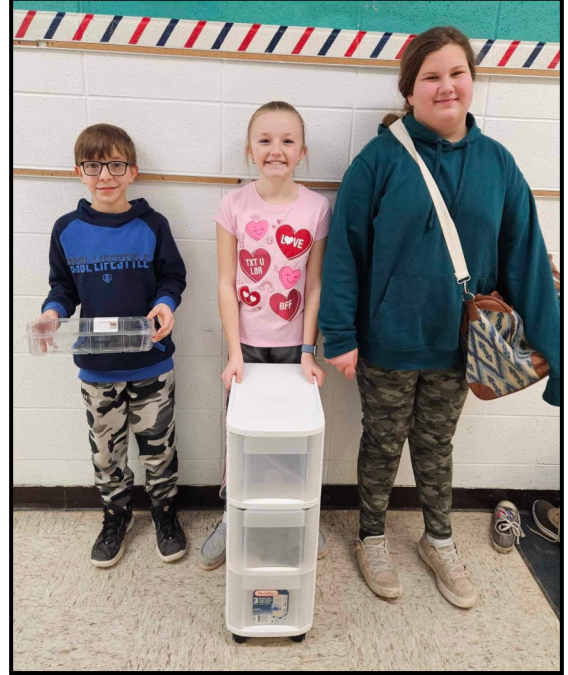
### Steps:

1. Set oven to 400 degrees.
2. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper (you will most likely need two baking sheets for 16 pastries).
3. Roll out one puff pastry sheet onto a lightly floured surface into a 12x10-inch rectangle, then cut in half lengthwise (I use a pizza cutter for this).
4. Cut each half crosswise into four 5x3-inch strips (for a total of 8 strips).
5. Spread each strip with about 1/2 tablespoon apricot jam, then fold the strips in half lengthwise to form 1-1/2-inch wide strips.
6. Twist each strip 3 times, then place on the parchment-lined baking sheet.
7. Repeat with the remaining puff pastry (you should have 16 pastries when done, you might have to use two baking sheets).
8. Bake for about 15-20 minutes.
9. Transfer the twists to a rack
10. In a small bowl whisk together confectioners sugar, whipping cream and lemon juice; brush over the warm pastries.



# Spirit Week-Monday

February 12th- Anything but a Backpack Day





# Spirit Week– Tuesday

February 13th- Cowboys Vs Hippies





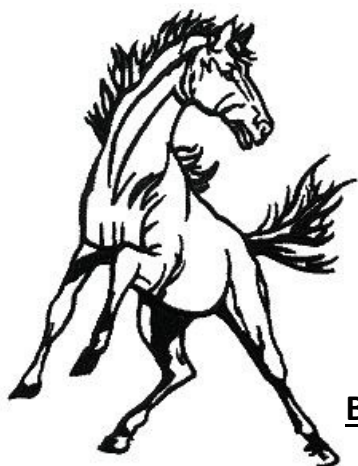
# Spirit Week– Wednesday

February 14th– Show your LOVE Day





# Spirit Week Winners



100th day– Teeka, and Kolt

Backpack– Karlee, Kyle, James and Maggie

Hippies vs Cowboy – Ashley, Case, Kellen,  
Hennessy, Luke, and Yazmine

Valentine's– Keelyn, Gus, and Emma C.

Blue/Gold– Payson, Gabe, Gabby, Gus, and Jade





# SCHOOL SPELLING BEE



5th and 6th grade top five spellers front row from left to right: Jett (Pistol), Ashley, Karlee, Ellie, and Keelyn.

7th and 8th grade top spellers back row from left to right: Brooke, Emma, Macy, Cheylynn, and Aunika.



## COUNTY SPELLING BEE



The qualifying students took an online, multiple choice spelling bee test. Melstone is the host for next years County Bee and it is planned to be, in person, in the evening, how a traditional County Bee usually is held. Macy Meredith was in a tie breaker for a three way tie. She ended up placing third. Reese Thatcher( 4th Grader) of Round-up is the winner and will go on to Bozeman to the State Bee. Congratulations to Macy and good luck to Reese!



### Melstone Mercantile



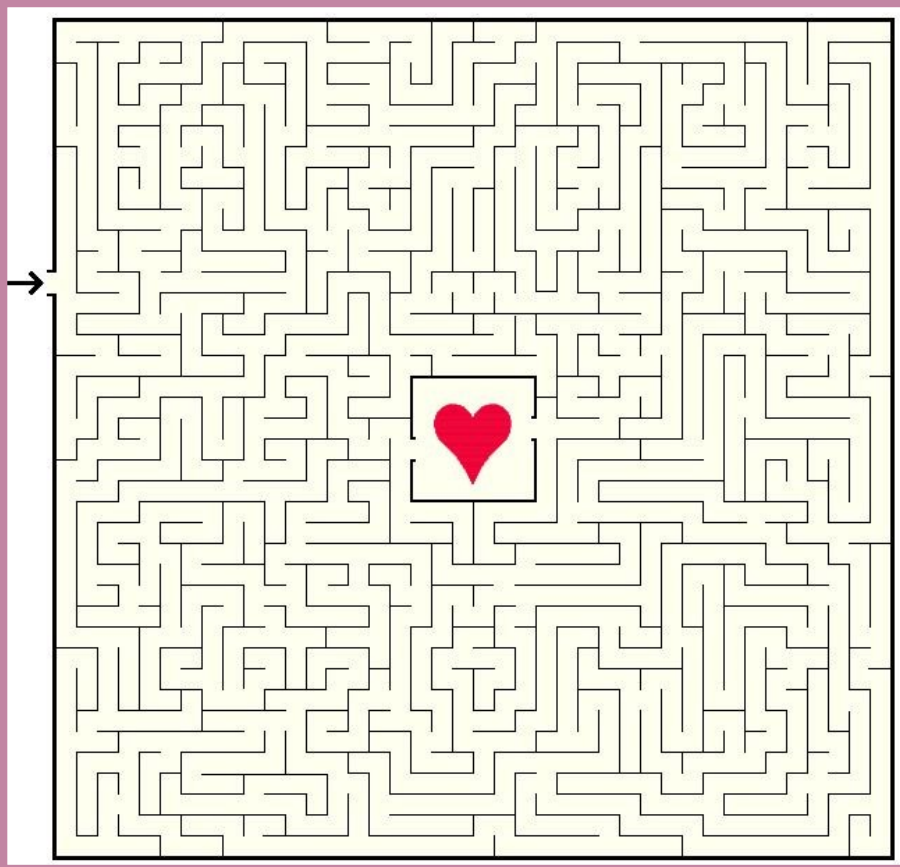
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Mon-Sat. 7am-6pm Sun. 9am-3pm









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# GREBE

— RANCH —

MELSTONE, MT

Go Get 'Em Broncs

# Box Tops

*BY: Ryker Roskelley*

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**Questions?**

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Word Search Crossword Puzzle:

## Happy Valentine's Day

Color each item you find it's word.

C	D	U	P	L	A	K	W	A	D	E
F	R	D	N	C	A	N	O	S	V	K
E	A	D	M	A	I	L	B	O	X	Y
B	C	G	I	F	E	D	L	A	T	D
R	B	A	L	L	O	O	N	S	O	P
U	C	H	O	C	O	L	A	T	E	G
A	F	O	D	L	J	O	N	C	D	I
R	D	C	A	N	D	Y	M	T	K	F
Y	R	E	D	R	O	S	E	R	D	T
D	A	T	E	D	D	Y	B	E	A	R
C	U	P	C	A	K	E	H	B	A	W



CHOCOLATE/



TEDDY BEAR/



MAIL BOX/



LOVE!



CUPCAKE/



BOW/



RED ROSE/



CARD/



FEBRUARY/



BALLOONS/



GIFT/



CANDY



# March 2024



Sun

Mon


Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

					1	2
					Divisional Basketball	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				State Basketball		
10	11	12	13	14	15 H.S. Track starts	16
State BPA	No School		Ski Trip		School day Last	
17	18	19 Music Festival	20	21	22	23
Saint Patties Day		MSU-Billings Cissel Hall Melstone performance @ 1:45pm Public welcome	Kids club			
24	25	26	27 science fair/ art show Parent Teacher	28	29	30
					Easter Break	
31						