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Neighborhood NEWS



Who is Representing You?: *Election Results*

The 2004 national election boasts the highest voter turnout since 1968 with a turnout of close to 60% of eligible voters. Bozeman also saw a large increase in the number of residents participating in the election process. The following list provides names of those chosen by a majority of voters to represent them. For additional information on voting, election laws, the responsibilities of elected officials, and general statistics—visit the Secretary of State website at <http://www.sos.state.mt.us/>.

House Districts

HD 63—Bill Warden
HD 64—Larry Jent
HD 65—Brady Wiseman
HD 66—Christopher Harris
HD 67—John Sinrud
HD 68—Scott Sales
HD 69—Jack Wells
HD 70— Roger Koopman

Senate Districts

SD 33—Bob Hawks
SD 34—Joe Balyeat

Governor / Lt. Governor

Brian Schweitzer / John Bolinger

Secretary of State

Brad Johnson
State Auditor
John Morrison

Public Service Commission

Bob Raney
Superintendent of Public Instruction
Linda McCulloch
Montana Supreme Court Justices
#2—John Warner #5—Jim Nelson
#6—Brian Morris

County Commission

Joe Skinner
Clerk of District Court
Jennifer Brandon
U.S. House Representative
Denny Rehberg
President
George W. Bush



city projects

Code Corner: *Parking in the Yard*

Parking in the side and front yards violates Bozeman Municipal Code 18.50.110. The front yard is considered the space between the house and the street (with the exception of a driveway). A side yard is the area between the house and property line and extends from the front of the house to the back of the house. The most common violation of this code occurs when residents attempt to store their recreational vehicles—boats, trailers, campers and RVs—or if a property cannot provide adequate parking for the number of residents living at the location. This code is important for maintaining attractive neighborhood appearances and to maintain access for emergency services.



Leaf Clean-Up: *The Race is On*

The race against Mother Nature has begun! Our annual fall leaf and street clean-up will continue until the end of November, if weather permits. The efforts are expected to continue until the end of November if weather permits. The clean-up will begin on the south side of town at South Wallace and move west on parallel streets finishing at South 23rd Avenue. The second phase of the cleanup will begin on Grant Street and move northward on parallel streets, ending at Tamarack. The final phase of the clean-up will begin at North Broadway and move west to North 22nd Avenue on parallel streets..

If you live *inside* these boundaries—you are asked to rake your leaves into the gutters and not to bag them. If you live *outside* of the boundaries—you must bag your leaves and call 582-3200 to schedule a pick-up or drop off yard waste at the City landfill free of charge.

Swim Center Holiday Hours

The Bozeman Swim Center will operate with special hours during the upcoming holidays.

November 25 & 26—Closed
 December 24th—Close @ 1pm
 December 25th & 26th—Closed
 January 1st, 2005—Open 12-4pm

Thanksgiving Garbage Collection

The City garbage collection crews will not be working on Thursday, November 25th so they can spend Thanksgiving with their families. The landfill will also be closed.

Garbage collection will be a day late for the remainder of the week.

Noxious Weed Management:

Don't Stop at Voting

Voters supported a state constitutional amendment for a permanent trust fund for noxious weed management. The money allocated to the fund will be used for weed control efforts which will likely include chemical and biological control mechanisms as well as outreach and research. *Many voters wondered why this had to appear on the ballot.* The primary reason for the ballot was to insert a mechanism allowing the money in the fund to be spent on the weed management program. It will now require a 3/4 super majority of legislature to use the money for other purposes.

The impacts of noxious weeds on agricultural land has been studied and well-documented, however, the spread of noxious weeds along our city's trail system, waterways and neighborhood spaces is a growing concern as well. Work is being done to educate residents on how to identify and handle noxious weeds and provide the opportunity to participate in neighborhood weed pulls as well as city wide efforts.

If you are interested in helping to organize these events or to be added to a volunteer list—contact Michael Plummer at 581-5982 or email at pipes8273@hotmail.com.

Information about identifying noxious weeds in our community can be found on the Montana Weed Control Association website at <http://www.mtweed.org/>.

UpClose: *Study Commission will take a look at local government*

Voters elected five citizens to the Bozeman City Government Study Commission on November 2nd. **Julia Haggerty, Brian Close, William Hayward, Loren Olsen and Bill Wyse** will comprise the commission. The purpose of a study commission is defined by Montana Law as being "to study the existing form and powers of local government and procedures for delivery of local government services and to compare them with other forms available under the laws of the state."

These newly-elected citizens will work together to gather information, compile their findings and provide recommendations for possible changes to how our government is organized, structured, and the powers allocated to staff, elected officials and advisory boards.

Previous Study Commissions have used a variety of ways to collect information including questionnaires and interviews with city staff & former commissioners, telephone surveys; public hearings, written correspondence and focus groups. They have considered a formal role for neighborhood councils and the structure of how we elect officials.

Spotlight

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Lindley Park Neighbors Get Organized!

On October 25th, residents of the Marwyn Addition near Lindley Park attended a neighborhood potluck and meeting at the Lindley Center. Neighbors shared their favorite recipes and worked together in small groups to discuss neighborhood assets, identify neighborhood boundaries and share their interests about future development in areas around their neighborhood.

By the end of the evening the group had identified street contacts, an Inter-Neighborhood Council representative, a Flyer Designer and a Newsletter Coordinator. Their efforts are sure to maintain the special sense of place they share while providing the City Staff and Advisory Boards with an efficient and easy way to communicate with residents in the future.

Residents should expect an upcoming newsletter and neighborhood survey!
Way to go Lindley neighbors!

Bozeman Creek Neighborhood Association

Friends of Bozeman Creek Capital Campaign—A BCNA-endorsed capital campaign to acquire public open space along Bozeman Creek between Kagy and Ice Pond Rd with the help of Gallatin Valley Land Trust. Community members and businesses can make tax deductible contributions to conserve some of the last remaining open space along Bozeman's only stream corridor. If you would like to make a contribution or to learn more about the campaign to turn the Bozeman Creek conservation vision into a reality—please contact KC Cassidy at 586-5303.

NW Energy Floodplain Development Permit—The BCNA, GYC and several community members endorsed an appeal to the floodplain development permit granted to NW Energy in 2003. The County Commission voted to grant the appeal and construction on the project has ended. The NWE Corporation has not sought to be annexed into the City at this time.

New Hyalite View Network

Sanitation Division Request— Sanitation Superintendent, Mark Kottwitz, is asking NHV residents to assist crews in efficient pick-up during the winter months. Please set your garbage totes on the opposite side of the driveway as the mailbox. The tote should be set on the curb, not in the gutter or street. This will help out snow removal crews during the winter months. If you have questions—call 582-3200.

Bear Aware during Hunting Season— In recent months, NHV residents have reported several bear sightings around their neighborhood. Residents are being asked to keep their garbage totes indoors until the day of pick-up. This is especially important if you are disposing of animal remains during hunting seasons. Be smart and take precautions!

Northeast Neighborhood Association

NENA Fairgrounds Group—The subcommittee is focused on helping residents stay informed about the proposed 6,000 seat amphitheater at the fairgrounds. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend their monthly meetings beginning at 6:30pm at Grandma's Ice Cream Parlor (403 W. Main). For current information about the group's work—visit the website at www.pablocasa/fairgrounds.htm and for additional information contact Betsy Centa at 522-1502 or email to northeastfairgrounds@hotmail.com.

Downtown Parking Garage—At a recent City Commission meeting, the basic design of the garage was discussed and the concept to stretch the garage across Black Avenue, causing a tunnel and creating a park space, has been eliminated. The design team will continue work on a plan similar to the original plan. Residents interested in reviewing the design that will be submitted to the Commission should plan to attend the public meeting at the Emerson Cultural Center on December 9th at 7pm. For more information—contact Tracy Oulman at 582-2258.

Holiday Social!

Please join a celebration honoring our community and neighborhood accomplishments in 2004!

The public is encouraged to attend a holiday social at the

historic

Lehrkind Mansion

(719 N. Wallace)

Tuesday & December 14th

6:30—8pm

Please bring along a dish or dessert to share...and a neighbor!

For more information-

Call 582-2258!

NorthWest Network

West Babcock Special Improvement District—Residents met with City staff and neighbors to discuss the possibility of establishing a Special Improvement District (SID) for West Babcock. The City Commission will vote on the Resolution of Intent Monday, November 22.

Southeast Neighborhood Association

Neighborhood Character Template—Representatives from the southeast neighborhood have been hard at work developing a neighborhood character letter to use as a template to communicate with property managers and landlords in their area. A draft is expected to be available for neighborhood review by January and feedback will be welcomed. If you would like to be added to a list to review the document—please call 582-2258.

Neighbor Needed

The Community Alcohol Coalition is seeking a member of the community to act as a "neighborhood voice" on their board. The CAC meets once a month for 90 minutes and the position being filled is asked to bring a perspective that represents the impacts of alcohol on Bozeman's neighborhoods. If you're interested—call 582-2258.



Thank You Terri Pilotte! - Residents in the southeast have come to count on Terri each Christmas season to help the neighborhood with their luminaries display. This year, despite an injured foot, Terri and her family have managed to deliver order forms to all the residences in the Westridge area and prepare for another successful year of candlelight. Thank you to Terri for her commitment and hard work to make this special event occur again this year!

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Murdock, John Vincent,
Jennifer Smith-Mitchell.

Fundraiser for KGLT!

On Saturday, November 13th, KGLT will hold the second annual Naked Negative Show in the ballroom of the Baxter Hotel. The evening will include a photography show, appetizers and live music. The Naked Negative Show helps raise money for the college radio station while providing established and amateur photographers with a venue to display their recent works. The cost of admission is \$5 and the event will begin at 7pm.

Santa Calling...

The Recreation Department and the Bozeman High School National Honor Society will be helping Santa send letters and make phone calls. If your child would like to receive a letter and/or phone call from Santa, please call the Recreation Department at 587-4724, December 1st—13th between 830am and 5pm. Leave information about your child to help Santa jog his memory. Phone calls will be made on December 18th beginning at 10am. This is a free program!

COMPUTER RECYCLING EVENT!

Saturday • November 20 • 8am - 3pm

Gallatin County Fairgrounds • Building #3

Outdated, unwanted and broken computers and other electronic equipment not disposed of properly are considered hazardous because they contain metals and other materials that can harm humans and the environment. By the end of 2004, experts estimate there will be more than 325 million obsolete computers in the U.S., many destined for landfills, incinerators or hazardous waste exports. By 2005, one computer will become obsolete for every new one put on the market and more than 63 million personal computers are projected to be retired! (National Safety Council Study)

- **Save our landfill space!**
- **Protect our local water resources!**
- **Conserve our natural resources and reduce pollution!**

Be a part of the solution by bringing unwanted computers to the Computer Recycling Event.

For more information—
call 582-3145!



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Gallatin County
Residents!