



City of Shelby

November 2019 Newsletter

Dear Shelby Residents,

As seasons quickly change, the City gears up for new projects and priorities for the benefit of the community. A first priority for the city crew is servicing equipment and stockpiling sand in anticipation of winter conditions. With snow already on the ground, the crew has done a great job addressing changing weather conditions.

This fall the City was able to complete Phase II of the storm water drainage project on the north side of Shelby thanks to grant funding from the Montana Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant Program. Work continues on Phase I of the storm water drainage project along Roosevelt Highway and will continue into the 2020 construction season. The waste water cell project has also wrapped up. The City anticipates completing the water line extension project east this fall and has initiated the invitation to bid on a portion of the water wellfield project and rail safety improvements project with hope of startup this fall.

With the beginning of cold, hazardous conditions, we hope you drive with caution. Our sanding priorities begin with the streets leading to the medical center, school campus, the hills in our residential neighborhoods and then, the balance of the community.

Most important, we hope you remember to shop local this holiday season. Shelby is very fortunate to have unique, charming retail shops. Local businesses have a wonderful selection of products and services; tremendous personal customer service; and competitive prices. Our merchants work hard to provide unique products, greet you with a pleasant staff and offer many free services. They support countless student projects and community events. They give generously to numerous causes and are the first ones to step up when someone is in need. Christmas is just around the corner and we hope you will consider shopping Shelby first. Our local merchants are the foundation of a strong community. They are our neighbors and friends. Please support Shelby and shop home for the holidays as together we can continue to make Shelby a great place to live, work and raise our families.

Special points of interest:

- Snow Removal
- MDOT Tow Plow
- Carousel
- SRTS Volunteers
- 2020 Census
- Hometown Christmas
- Reasons to Shop Local
- Civic Center Schedule
- Chamber Update
- Champions Park
- Resource List

TOOLE COUNTY COMBINED FUND DRIVE . . . *Together We Can Make A Difference!*

The Toole County Combined Fund Drive serves to provide funding to twenty very deserving organizations throughout Toole County. Your generous support helps fund the following:

Shelby Girl Scouts • Shelby Swim Team • Toole County Youth Soccer • Shelby Baseball Association • Hi-Line Help for Abused Spouses • Multiple Sclerosis Association • NTC Youth Program • Sagebrush Food Pantry • Toole County Crimestoppers • Toole County Friends of the Library • Recycle Shelby • Prairie Oasis Animal Shelter • Relay for Life • Center for Mental Health • The Carousel Rest Area of Shelby • Toole County Garden Club • Alzheimer's Association • Toole County Performing Arts & Entertainment

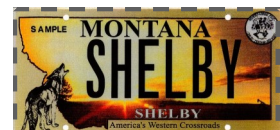
You, as a resident of Shelby and Toole County ARE THE TOOLE COUNTY COMBINED FUND DRIVE! It was organized by you~ composed by you ~ to serve you. It is guided by people you know and respect. By combining these public appeals into one campaign, it makes for the best use of resources, time and energy and provides a simple method to give to so many worthwhile organizations.

Please be looking for your campaign brochure coming in the mail soon. Your generous support sustains and grows these vital community organizations. We hope you will thoughtfully consider your contribution and give generously to all or specific organizations within the campaign as....**Together we can make a difference!**



HELP WANTED! The City has added another feature on our **Shelby Montana** Facebook page. In addition to THIS WEEK IN SHELBY and updates, the City will now post local job openings and career opportunities. If you are an employer looking for help, please contact Lorette Carter at shbcdc@3rivers.net or call 434-5222 to provide details. The City will post HELP WANTED as needed, so please check the page for new opportunities.

CHECK OUT THE CITY OF SHELBY LICENSE PLATE
WHEN IT'S TIME FOR YOUR PLATE RENEWAL!



SNOW REMOVAL

Below you will find the City of Shelby sidewalk snow removal ordinance. To date, we have experienced several slip and falls due to ice and snow accumulations on sidewalks throughout the city. We note that only approximately 30% of the sidewalks in our community are being shoveled in compliance with our ordinance. Most of the slip and falls have been senior citizens and some of the injuries have been extensive.

We ask for everyone's cooperation in shoveling their sidewalks in compliance with our ordinance.

The City of Shelby will enforce the ordinance following the enforcement provisions as follows:

9-4-1 KEEPING SIDEWALKS CLEAR:

A. It shall be the duty of the owner of any premises within the limits of the municipality to keep the sidewalk of and abutting his premises clear of more than one inch of snow, any amount of snow pack, any amount of ice, any amount of slush, any amount of mud, and all other threats to safe foot travel and to prevent the accumulation of same.

B. A property owner shall have twenty-four hours after a snow storm ends to clear the sidewalk of snow greater in depth than one inch.

C. A property owner shall have twenty-four hours after snow pack, ice, slush, mud, or other threats to safe foot travel accumulate to remove the snow pack, ice, slush, mud, or threat.

D. In the event that snow or ice cannot be reasonably removed due to possible damage to the sidewalk or it is otherwise largely impractical to remove, the owner shall put on the sidewalk sand or other abrasive material in such an amount and manner to make foot traffic reasonably safe. The owner shall maintain that condition until weather permits the removal of the snow or ice.

9-4-2 FAILURE TO COMPLY: Upon the failure of the owner of any premises to keep the sidewalk abutting his property in compliance with 9-4-1, SMC, the City of Shelby shall have the right to remove such snow, snow pack, ice, slush, mud, and other threats to safe foot travel and assess the cost thereof against the property abutting the sidewalk.

9-4-3 NO NOTICE REQUIRED: The City of Shelby is not required to provide any notice to the owner of the premises abutting a sidewalk before it exercises its rights under 9-4-2, SMC.



ONE DRIVER, TWICE AS MUCH SNOW!

The Montana Department of Transportation has deployed a new "Tow Plow" for I-15 north and south of Shelby as snow hits our region. The tow plow is a steerable trailer-mounted plow that is pulled behind the snowplow truck. The plow can be rotated to one side of the truck, doubling the plow width of the snowplow truck. This gives the snowplow operator the ability to move snow efficiently and safely from **two lanes of roadway in one pass**.

What that means for drivers in our area is to **SLOW DOWN** and **STAY BEHIND** the snowplow. Here's what else drivers should do:

- Allow at least 5 car lengths between your vehicle and the snowplow;
- Periodically, the plow operator will pull to the side of the road, retract the plow wing or rotate the tow plow out of the way and allow vehicles to pass. Just remember, the road behind the plow will be the safest place to drive.
- Be particularly aware of icy conditions on surfaces such as bridge decks and entrance and exit ramps.
- Turn on headlights and turn off cruise control settings.



With the tow plow, our local snowplow operators can clear twice as much snow! This makes for increase efficiency – reducing manpower and equipment. It also provides for safety improvements due to improved snow removal times and it environmentally and financially benefits our State from using less fuel.

Currently, there are tow plows operating in the Helena, Butte, Bozeman, Billings, Miles City, Missoula, Kalispell and Great Falls areas so as you travel the State this winter – please watch for the tow plow and **SLOW DOWN** and **STAY BEHIND** the snowplow!

The Carousel Continues to Seek Support!



The Carousel Rest Area of Shelby is very grateful to those who have generously stepped up to help support the Carousel. To date, donors include Brice & Diana Kluth, A.N. Deringer Inc., Laurel Welker, First State Bank, KW Insurance, McDermott family, Sue Brandt, Best Western Shelby Inn & Suites, City of Shelby, Shelby Tourism Business Improvement District and most recently, Marias Veterinary Clinic and Shelby Paint & Hardware. Through their generous support the Carousel is getting a little closer to their goal to finance the completion of exterior siding and help sustain the Carousel during quiet months.

The Carousel still needs our support. Can you help? Please send your donation to the Carousel Rest Area of Shelby, Box 285, Shelby or contact the Carousel at 424-8444 or email - carouselrestareaofshelby@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEERS - KEY TO SUCCESS OF THE SRTS PROGRAM

The Shelby School District #14 Safe Routes To School Program is so fortunate to have wonderful people who give of their time to walk and bike with our kids to school during Walk n' Wheel Wednesdays and Fit Fridays throughout the school year. Special thanks to Tom Reynolds who walks over the viaduct, rain or shine Wednesday mornings each Fall and Spring. A big thank you also to our volunteers: Lisa Clark, Sanna Clark, Bill & Shelly Hunt, Angela Lamb, Emily McDermott, Jeanne McDonough and Wilma Steiner. These wonderful people lead our kids Fridays during the program. Thanks also to the Sheriff's Department, Shelby High student athletes, band members and school organizations as well as the parents and friends who join the kids weekly. The Safe Routes to School Program



has been going strong for over 12 years, making safety improvements to the sidewalks leading to the school campus, partnering with local law enforcement, and encouraging and educating our young people on the benefits of walking and biking to school.

Volunteers really are the key to the success of Safe Routes to School and we thank you for that. Programs like this continue to make Shelby a great place to live, work and raise our families.

EVERY PERSON COUNTS...Beginning in March, the 2020 census count will take place across the country. The US Constitution requires a population count every 10 years. The count provides the basis in reapportionment of House of Representative seats which Montana is very close to gaining another seat. The count also provides critical information in the distribution of \$675 million federal dollars and as a guide to planning for communities' critical public services which include roads, schools, hospitals, fire, emergency response and hundreds of other programs.



The 2020 Census count will offer 4 ways to respond. You will be able to access the census through secure internet or respond by phone. You will also be able to receive a paper form through the mail or through an in-person interview. Your personal information will be confidential and cannot be shared with law enforcement.

The 2020 Census is important to us and our community. When the time comes, please do your part and be counted.

EVERY PERSON COUNTS!!!

A HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS IN SHELBY!

The Shelby Merchant Association hopes the community will join them for **A Hometown Christmas in Shelby!** Merchants will kick off the holiday shopping season on Saturday, November 30th with Shop Small Saturday. Individuals businesses will provide in-store specials and offerings throughout the day.



On Sunday, December 8th, the merchants will partner with the Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce for the annual Christmas Stroll. Member businesses will offer goodies or music by local singers and instrumentalists during store hours ~ 1 – 6:00pm. The Chamber will also host the annual appreciation chili feed at the Coyote Club from noon to 5:00pm that day, with the Marias River Electric Light Parade to follow at 6:00pm.

Coyote Classic Weekend follows with the merchants hosting "Browse & Brunch" Saturday, December 14th with member merchants offering delicious tasty treats throughout the day.

Family Weekend follows on December 21st & 22nd with a special kid's matinee on Saturday and Christmas Classic on Sunday!

Be looking for additional details and store hours throughout the holiday season as the holidays draw near.

The Shelby Merchant Association is proud to sponsor these activities that make Christmas extra special for our community. The merchants invite you to enjoy all the free events and ask you to shop locally this Christmas season. Our merchants are your family, friends and neighbors who provide wonderful merchandise, great service and support our community throughout the year. Please make it a HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS IN SHELBY!

10 reasons to shop local

10. Local stores carry locally produced/crafted products that support local Ag producers, artists and craftsmen.
9. Local business owners contribute to local fundraising and charitable efforts. Our local businesses contribute thousands of dollars each year to school projects, fundraising efforts and charitable gifts to those in need.
8. Local businesses provide a majority of jobs in our community. Shelby is built on the numerous small employers who provide good job opportunities.
7. Local businesses support other local businesses. Businesses support one another as they know the value of investing in our community.
6. The business community is reflective of our community's unique culture. Main Street reflects our unique and charming appeal. Shelby is one-of-a-kind!
5. Shopping local keeps our money local which pays wages, utilities, taxes and reinvestment in our community.
4. Local businesses provide expertise and product knowledge. Local businesses know their products and they know our needs as customers.
3. Local businesses provide great customer service. They know us and truly appreciate our business. Who else would go the extra mile for us?
2. Local businesses invest in our community and care about the future of Shelby.
1. My hometown, Shelby, is more important than a cheap item found on-line or in the bigger cities! Think LOCAL!

CIVIC CENTER

November is here and weekend events are being booked all the way from birthday parties to the Rib Tickler Dinner on the 16th! If anyone is wanting to book an event at the Civic Center, please call our office or come in to get it scheduled. Winter came faster than usual this year but no need to stay at home and wait for spring to come to continue a healthy way of living. We have all you need and much more at the Shelby Civic Center to keep hitting those target goals you always wanted. The civic center has so much to offer individuals as well as families. We currently offer roller skating, workout classes, racquetball, a teen room, basketball, two cardio rooms and a weight room that can help anyone achieve their end results. At the Civic Center Office you will be able to purchase anything from a day pass, class passes, monthly passes to key fobs that will get you 24 hour access to our facility! This is our current information of class schedules and office hours:

CLASS SCHEDULES

MONDAY:

HIIT Workouts/Weight room classes with Darcy White from 12pm-1pm

TUESDAY:

HIIT Workouts/Weight room classes with Darcy White from 12pm-1pm

Roller Skating from 4pm-6pm

Spinning Class with Tressa Tokerud from 5:30-6:30pm

WEDNESDAY:

HIIT Workouts/Weight room classes with Darcy White from 12pm-1pm

THURSDAY:

Hit Workouts/Weight room classes with Darcy White from 12pm-1pm

Yoga Class with Rosanne Balasabas

CLASSES STARTING IN NOVEMBER:

Tai Chi Classes with Barbara Standley Schiffner

Aerobics Classes with Ariel Weishaar



SUMMER (JUNE-AUGUST) CIVIC CENTER OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday: 10am-3pm

Friday: 10am-2pm

FALL/WINTER (SEPTEMBER-MAY) CIVIC CENTER OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday: 12pm-7pm

Friday: 12pm-6pm

699 Park Ave • 434-5114

shelbyciviccenter@shelbymt.com



The Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association will once again be hosting the Christmas Stroll to kick off the holiday season. The Stroll and Chili Feed are scheduled for Sunday, December 8, 2019. The Shelby Appreciation Chili Feed will be held at the Coyote Club from noon – 4pm. It is open to all Shelby residents, and it's FREE!

Our upcoming host for Chamber After Hours is T&T Creations on Tuesday, November 12th at 5 PM. We still need hosts for December through May. These events are open to the public, include refreshments, door prizes, a 50/50 Drawing, and are informative and fun!

The 2019 Chamber Coupon Books are now half price (\$10) for the rest of this year. You can purchase them at the Chamber Office at 100 Montana Avenue. The 2020 Coupon Books will be available around the first part of December. They will again cost \$20 each – with a \$5 discount if you buy two books at the same time. The public can purchase them at the Chamber Office and from the Shelby High School FFA Club and Wrestling Teams. The following Chamber Members will also be selling them: US Bank (Becky Austin), Crissy Bauman, Spa 30, and Shelby Paint & Hardware. The Coupon Books are a great holiday gift, they fit nicely into a stocking, and they offer hundreds of dollars of savings throughout the year! It's not too early to start making your list... and checking it twice – and the Shelby Chamber of Commerce encourages you to SHOP LOCALLY. Please remember how much our local businesses do for our town. They support local fundraising efforts for our students, athletes, yearbook ads, 4-H animal sales and so much more! Watch for their extended hours during the holiday season and please SHOP SHELBY!

Champions Park Nearing Completion, but Needs Community Support!

Dubbed "The Fight That Won't Stay Dead"- the Champions Park Committee and City of Shelby are diligently working to bring history alive completing Champions Park which commemorates the infamous Dempsey-Gibbons World Heavyweight Championship fight held in Shelby on July 4, 1923.

Champions Park, is an outdoor interpretive museum which features a smaller scale version of the original arena with a full size ring holding life-size iron silhouettes of Jack Dempsey, Tommy Gibbons and the referee. Six interpretive signs voice the story of the events leading up to the infamous day including "The Set Up", "The Money", "The Fighters", "The Main Event" and "The Con". In addition, four heritage signs tell the story of homesteading on the HiLine, the coming of the railroad, the discovery of oil and the infamous fight.

Original plans for the park included donor bricks and stones to finance development. Fortunately, grant funding and commitment of the City and Champions Park Committee moved construction to this point, with just the lighting and monument sign to be completed. Generous donors who committed funds for a brick or stone have not been forgotten. The City and Champions Park Committee are now working with Eagle Scout candidate, Kaden Haight in the creation of a monument sign for Champions Park using the donor bricks and heritage stones, but we hope to include many more donor bricks and heritage stones. If you would like to donate to Champions Park, personalized bricks are available for purchase. In addition personalized field stones can also be purchased with all donations going to complete the park.

Kaden would like to begin his Eagle Scout project in early spring, so a deadline of December 30, 2019 has been set to make a commitment to Champions Park and order a brick or stone. To honor a special person or loved one; recognize your farming/ranching operation; or preserve your family's name in history, please call Lorette Carter at (406) 434-5222 or email her at shbcdc@3rivers.net.

The legend of Shelby, Montana lives on in Champions Park commemorating the 1923 fight, the historical events leading to the fight and the fortitude and strength in the survival of the community. Please help bring Champions Park to life with the purchase of a donor brick or heritage stone.

At times, we all need help. Our parents, family members and elderly friends especially need care and guidance as they make decisions regarding their health, housing, finances and day-to-day matters. This comprehensive list gives you, your family or caregivers resources to consider.

Agency/Entity	Programs/Benefits	Contact Information
Marias Heritage Center	This modern facility has 38 retirement and state- licensed assisted living resident apartments. Studio, one and two bedroom apartments are available. The facility offers 24-hour individualized care and security & call systems. Activities are offered daily and transportation is available.	Jessica Brusven 406.434.3290
Marias Manor	Spacious one bedroom apartments with a manager on site. Adjacent to the Shelby Senior Center and close to Marias Medical Center.	Sonia Harris 406.434.5661
Crossroads Housing	One and two bedroom units for residents 55 years and older. A short walk to the Shelby Senior Center and Marias Medical & Health Care Center.	Sonia Harris 406.434.5661
Shelby Senior Center	In addition to nutritious meals served at the center, meals can be delivered to homes. The center also provides respite care for caregivers and homemaker care to help seniors with light housekeeping and small home projects.	Senior Center 406.434.2992
Marias Medical Center Rehabilitation Department	Physical Therapy Services ~ including inpatient & outpatient care, rehabilitation and therapy. Occupational Therapy Services ~ including inpatient & outpatient care/rehabilitation; stroke & neurological rehabilitation; fractures; wheelchair seating; and activities of daily living.	Rehabilitation Dept. 406.434.3234
Marias Medical Center Social Services	MMC provides a social worker to assist families with financial, medical and mental health issues as they relate to the patient. The social worker is available to assist with Medicaid applications, can answer Medicare questions, and is available to assist with financial assistance for prescriptions. The social worker can also assist with your discharge needs.	Brenda Gilmore, BSW 406.434.3281
Marias Care Center	MCC provides 24-hour skilled nursing care that is individualized for each resident. They offer spacious private rooms and strive to make the care center as home-like as possible. MCC has professional staff that are available for the transition from home to the care center or vice versa. Their professional staff will assist with financial, medical and mental health issues as they relate to their loved one.	Mallory Riphenburg, MBA 406.434.3280
North Central Area Council on Aging	The Conrad office offers several services to residents of Shelby and Toole County. Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Health & Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) Free health-benefits counseling & advocacy service for Medicare beneficiaries and their families/caregivers. • Commodity Supplement Food Program Distribution through Shelby Senior Center • Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) Contact office for application and income guidelines. 	Conrad office 406.271.7553 Toll Free 800.551.3191
Ombudsman Program	The Ombudsman Program is responsible for advocating on behalf of long-term care patients. This includes individuals living in nursing, board and care, and other assisted living facilities.	Conrad office 406.271.4191 Toll Free 800.332.2272
Adult Protective Services	Specialists help protect vulnerable adults from abuse, neglect & exploitation.	Cut Bank office 406.845.3076 Toll Free 800.551.3191
LIEAP- Low Income Energy Assistance	Applications for assistance are available from the North Central Area Agency on Aging. The office is located at 311 So. Virginia, Suite #2 in Conrad. Contact them for more information on income guidelines.	Contact 406.271.7553 800.551.3191
Energy Share of Montana	If you don't qualify for LIEAP or need further assistance with your energy costs you can apply for Energy Share.	Opportunities Inc. 406.761.0310
Weatherization Assistance	If you qualify for LIEAP assistance, you also qualify for weatherization services.	Opportunities Inc. 406.216.3055

If you have access to a computer, please go to the Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services ~ www.dphhs.mt.gov . You can also access Marias Medical Center services at www.mmcmmt.org . These sites are very easy to navigate and have a wealth of information in regard to services available, contact information and explanation of programs.



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