

# City of Shelby

## November 2023 Newsletter



### Dear Shelby Residents,

As seasons 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. Please remember as conditions change, please take your time and drive with caution. The city's sanding priorities begin with streets leading to the medical facility, school campus, main thoroughfares, the hills in our residential neighborhoods and then, the balance of the community. If you come upon an icy intersection, please let the city know immediately. Please call 434-5222 and City Hall staff will alert the sanding crew.

The storm drainage project is wrapping up for the season. We thank you all for being so patient during the construction process. The benefit will be so very important in the coming years and generations to come. The final phase of work will re-start in the spring.

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; great personal customer service; and competitive prices. Our local merchants work hard to provide unique products, greet you with pleasant staff and offer many free services. They support countless student/school projects and community events. They give generously to numerous causes and are the first ones to step up when someone is in need. Now, more than ever, they need our support. Christmas is just around the corner and we hope you will shop local...SHOP HOME for the holidays!

### Special points of interest:

- Snow Removal
- Shop Local
- SRTS
- Resource List
- HOME(town) Holidays
- Civic Center



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### Together We Can Make A Difference!

It's that time of year again for the Toole County Combined Fund Drive. Each year, community volunteers give of their time and energy to organize a one-time community-wide fundraising campaign. These very deserving organizations from throughout Toole County are represented in the campaign. They include the following:

Shelby Swim Team ~ Hi-Line Help for Abused Spouses ~ North Toole County Youth Program ~ Sagebrush Food Pantry ~ Toole County Crimestoppers ~ Toole County Friends of the Library ~ Recycle Shelby ~ Prairie Oasis Animal Shelter ~ Carousel Rest Area of Shelby ~ Toole County Garden Club ~ Montana Alzheimer's Association ~ American Cancer Society ~ Toole County Performing Arts & Entertainment ~ Shelby Girl Scouts and Lona's Science/Art & Hobbies.

Funds are used for your children's sports programs and youth activities, recycling in our community, food to help those in need, funds to keep the Carousel turning, pet food and supplies for the animal shelter, assistance to those affected by abuse and crime, the arts and entertainment and national organizations that research and fight devastating illnesses that affect us all. By combining these public appeals into one campaign, it makes for the best use of resources, time and energy and provides a simple method for all of us to give to so many worthwhile organizations.

Be looking for your campaign brochure coming in the mail or available at our local public offices and businesses. 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....

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### AUTUMN TREE CARE

FALL DOES NOT SIGNAL THE END of the growing season. Rather, it marks the beginning of the next phase of life. Growth is a continuous loop. Many systems are altered with the reduction of daylight, increased moisture, and cooler soil and air temperatures. Leaves are shed to replenish the soil with organic matter. Leaf and flower buds continue to develop. Roots are sloughed and new roots begin to grow under these ideal growing conditions. Many of the pests and diseases are in an inactive state. The timing is perfect.

For the fall project list, it is time to address these areas of concern:

**FERTILIZATION** – Fertilize trees by amending the soil conditions to support the renewed activity of the root system.

**PRUNING** – Prune trees and shrubs for the removal of dead or diseased limbs and twigs. With autumn leaf drop, it is easier to see cracks in the wood and structural defects in deciduous trees. Evergreens should have excessive growth removed to minimize breakage in the event of winter storms





**SNOW REMOVAL** SNOW REMOVAL...Below you will find the City of Shelby sidewalk snow removal ordinance. Unkept sidewalks cause slips and falls due to ice and snow accumulations on sidewalks. Most slips and falls are of senior citizens and most of their injuries are 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.

### • • • *GREAT THINGS HAPPEN WHEN YOU COMMIT TO SPEND AND THINK LOCAL FIRST!* • • •

- 1. **You Put Your Money Where Your Heart Is...**When you spend locally, your money stays local. You support your friends, neighbors and yourself. Money invested in local businesses helps to create a stronger, diverse and healthier Shelby.
- 2. **What Goes Around Comes Around...**Two to three times as much money spent stays in our local economy when you buy goods and services from locally-owned businesses.
- 3. **Create Local Jobs...**The majority of new jobs for your friends, family and neighborhoods are created by locally-owned businesses. Small businesses are the largest employer nationally.
- 4. **Create Collective Prosperity...**Locally-owned businesses invest more in local labor, pay more in local taxes and provide local non-profits with 250% more support than larger, non-locally owned businesses.
- 5. **Invest in People Who Invest in Shelby...**Local businesses are owned and ran by people who live in and love Shelby. They are less likely to leave and are invested in Shelby's future. Small business owners sit on local boards and lead our organizations and make local purchases themselves.
- 6. **Community Sustainability...**The public benefit outweighs public cost as local businesses help sustain a vibrant and walkable downtown.



### VOLUNTEERS - WALKING SUCCESS STORY!

The Shelby School District #14 Safe Routes to School Program is so fortunate to have wonderful people who give of their time to walk with our kids to school during Walk N' Wheel Wednesdays and Fit Fridays throughout the school year. The program has been part of the school year for 17 years providing kids the opportunity to get a little fresh air and exercise, spending time with friends along the way.

The key to success is Mr. Tom Reynolds, Shelby Elementary Health Enhancement teacher, who walks the kids over the viaduct, rain or shine each Wednesday morning during the Fall and Spring! He has been an advocate and volunteer of the program from the very beginning.

At the same time, community volunteers assist each Friday in walking with kids. A big thank you to our volunteers, Shane Adams, Lisa Clark, Gwen Heaton, Shelly Hunt, Bill Hunt, Angela Lamb, Brooke Rogers, Kristen Russell, and Tiffany Uylaki. These wonderful people lead our kids each Friday in the Fall and Spring.

SRTS also has many community advocates who contribute to the success of the program including the Sheriff's Department and SRO Officer Josh Uylaki, Shelby High athletes, Shelby band members, Logan Health- Shelby and 4-H kids and leaders as well as parents, grandparents and friends who join the kids weekly.



The Safe Routes to School Program was initiated 17 years ago, when the city was awarded funding to improve the sidewalks leading to the school campus and purchase crosswalk signage. Since that time, the City of Shelby has partnered with Shelby Elementary School, Shelby Jr. Sr. High School and the Toole County Sheriff's Department in a joint effort to encourage and educate our young people of the benefits of walking and biking to school.

Volunteers, school and community groups are key to the success of Safe Routes to School and we thank each of them for their time and energy. Programs like this continue to make Shelby a great place to live, work and raise our families.

**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 Info
Logan Health Assisted Living - Shelby	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.	Lisa Leck 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.	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.	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
Logan Health Rehabilitation Department	<b>Physical Therapy Services</b> ~ including inpatient & outpatient care, rehabilitation and therapy. <b>Occupational Therapy Services</b> ~ including inpatient & outpatient care/rehabilitation; stroke & neurological rehabilitation; fractures; wheelchair seating; and activities of daily living.	Rehabilitation Dept. 406.434.3234
Logan Health Social Services	LHS 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
Logan Health Care Center - Shelby	LHCCS 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. LHCCS 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.	406.434.3281
North Central Area Council on Aging (NCACA)	The Conrad office offers several services to residents of Shelby and Toole County. Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Health &amp; Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)</li> <li>• Free health-benefits counseling &amp; advocacy service for Medicare beneficiaries and their families/caregivers.</li> <li>• Commodity Supplement Food Program - Distribution through Shelby Senior Center</li> <li>• Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) - Contact office for application and income guidelines.</li> </ul>	Conrad office 406.271.7553 MT Help Line 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. Offices are in partnership with the North Central Area Council on Aging.	NCACA 406.271.4191 Toll Free 800.332.2272
Adult Protective Services	Specialists help protect vulnerable adults from abuse, neglect & exploitation.	Cut Bank office 406.873.2114 Toll Free 844-277-9300
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.	NCACA 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](http://www.dphhs.mt.gov) . You can also access Logan Health services at [www.logan.org/shelby](http://www.logan.org/shelby) . These sites are very easy to navigate and have a wealth of information in regard to services available, contact information and explanation of programs.



## HOME(town) for the Holidays

Shane and the Chamber hope you are looking forward to the holidays as much as they are in preparing for wonderful festive activities. It all starts with the Holiday Pie Sale on Tuesday, November 21, 2023. The location will be at the Prairie Peddler. Thank you Kelli & staff for allowing the Chamber to host the event. The Chamber will be seeking donations in the form of pie (s) to sell at this event, if anyone is wanting to help with this cause, please contact Shane at the Chamber. For all others... please stop down to the Prairie Peddler where you can purchase the perfect pie to go with your Thanksgiving Dinner!

The next exciting event will be Shop Small/Shop Local on Saturday November 25, 2023. Let's show the community support by supporting our local shops especially during the Holiday Season. The Chamber appreciates every single business that does business here in Shelby!

Next up is the Christmas Stroll that everyone enjoys. Set for Sunday December 3, 2023, the fun filled day will have a Chili Cook Off at The Griddle. If you have a great chili that you want to showcase, please contact Shane for further details!! Santa and the Grinch will be making a stop at Northtown Drug for festive pictures to be taken and later in the day, MRE will present the Parade of Lights on Main Street. Somewhere in the mix, a Christmas Movie for the family will be shown at the Elks Club! Plus much, much, much more. Stay tuned for additional fun activities in the works for the whole family to enjoy!! Thank you to all the establishments allowing the Chamber to set up activities in each location. Without your generosity this event would not be possible!!



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## CIVIC CENTER

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**Monday - Thursday: 10:00 am - 3:30 pm & 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm — Friday: 10:00 am - 3:30 pm & 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm**

The holidays are approaching & the weather is chilly but no reason to hibernate from the cold this winter. You can still enjoy that pumpkin pie & turkey dinners while staying fit at the Shelby Civic Center. We have so much to offer all ages with rooms available and classes too!! Bridger Ergenbright has a Karate class that is available for anyone in the 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th grade! This class will give this age group a chance of earning their belt through training & testing without having to travel out of town. We have some great instructors bringing back their famous classes and some instructors bringing some new ones! Besides the classes we have four other work out rooms to get your cardio & weight lifting on! When the kids need something to do, there is a whole gym floor for basketball, a Fun Zone Room full of games & a racquetball room for more cardio. The Shelby Civic Center is also available for any kind of special event you are wanting to have from birthday parties to wedding receptions. This month of November we have the Heritage Christmas party on November 17th from 5:30-8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for individuals or \$40 for a family. There will be live entertainment, a delicious dinner & a Christmas Tree auction. All proceeds will go to the Nursing Home & Assistive living Activity. Tickets can be purchased through Lisa Leck or the Heritage Center & the phone number is (406)434-3290. The Civic Center offers day passes, month passes, class passes and key fobs that give you 24hr access for purchase. Stop by, call or email Jessi with any questions, pricing or booking an event you may have!!

### MONDAY

5:30 PM • KIDS KARATE  
5:30 PM • CIRCUIT TRAINING

### TUESDAY

6 AM • HIGH FITNESS  
9 AM • BODY BASIC  
4:30 PM • ROLLER SKATING

### WEDNESDAY

9 AM • CHAIR YOGA  
12:00 PM • ZUMBA & YOGA  
5:30 PM • CARDIO KICKBOXING

### THURSDAY

9 AM • BODY BASIC  
4:30 PM • ROLLER SKATING  
5:30 PM • AB WORKOUT

### FRIDAY

9 AM • HIGH FITNESS