



CITY OF SHELBY

November 2020 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 drive with caution. The City's 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.

You may have noticed equipment and a work crew at Meadowlark Park. A skatepark is being built as a gift from Montana Pool Service, a charitable foundation started by Pearl Jam bassist, Jeff Ament. We couldn't be more excited for this wonderful gift to the kids and families of Shelby and the surrounding area to enjoy for many years to come.

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 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. Now, more than ever they need our support. Christmas is just around the corner and we hope you will shop HOME for the holidays!

Special points of interest:

- Home for the Holidays
- Shop Local
- Think Local
- Snow Removal
- Resource List
- Civic Center

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:

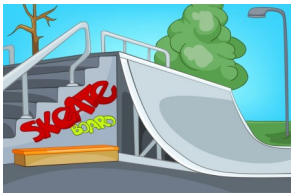
Shelby Swim Team ~ Sunburst Swim Team ~ Center for Mental Health ~ Hi-Line Help for Abused Spouses ~ North Toole County Youth Program ~ Sagebrush Food Pantry ~ Toole County Crimestoppers ~ Toole County Friends of the Library ~ Recycle Shelby ~ Prairie Oasis Animal Shelter ~ Carousel Rest Area of Shelby ~ Toole County Garden Club ~ Alzheimer's Association ~ American Cancer Society and Toole County Performing Arts & Entertainment.

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 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!

A SKATEPARK FOR SHELBY!!! What began as an email from former Shelbyite and current coach of the University of Utah Utes Men's Basketball Team, Larry Krystkowiak has become an incredible gift to the City of Shelby!



"My friend, Jeff Ament, who is bassist for the band Pearl Jam is very interested in building a skatepark for Shelby and he asked if I could reach out to you," wrote Larry. The City's message back..." What an awesome surprise. Thank you so much for thinking of Shelby! We love our community and would love to see another amenity our kids and families can enjoy!"

Jeff Ament's charitable foundation, Montana Pool Services has been building skateparks all over Montana for nearly three decades. Jeff's efforts began in 1992 when he helped pay to re-sheet several Seattle skate parks where he was living at the time. Ament then focused his efforts on his home state, Montana. Having grown up in the small town of Big Sandy himself, Jeff knows first-hand how beneficial an outlet skating can be in a young person's life. Montana Pool Service now, not only

collaborates with the rural communities of Montana to bring them skate parks, but also provides scholarships for young people in those towns hoping to further their education and pursue opportunities that would be harder to take advantage of.

His mission reads, "I love Montana. Especially the small towns, the open space, the clean air, lakes, rivers, the mountains, the great plains, the forests. Our goal is to build small world class skateparks in every town in Montana that will have us. Connecting youth and the youthful adults of rural Montana to the rest of the state and world through skateboarding. In the process, teaching them to be creative, tough, artistic, tolerant, active and everything about the fantastic feeling of freedom of rolling on a skateboard." *Jeff Ament*

Montana Pool Service has contracted with Evergreen Skateparks to build the park at the old tennis courts in Meadowlark Park. The project is slated to take about 6 weeks to complete.

"I'm fired up! I love the idea of helping the community and surrounding area. The swimming pool, baseball fields, tennis court, basketball gyms are where I spent so much time as a kid and I am hoping the kids (and adults) can enjoy a skatepark of this magnitude. Jeff is the man...I'm just along for the ride." LK

What a ride!



Home for the Holidays

Our local merchants are gearing up for the holiday season which will be here before we know it. Plans have not been finalized, but the merchants are planning several seasonal events. Marias River Electric is also planning the annual Light Parade.

Stay tuned for details and store hours throughout the season as the holidays draws near. Our merchants are our family, friends and neighbors who provide wonderful merchandise, great service and support our community throughout the year. Please think HOME for the holidays!

10 REASONS TO

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!

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.



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.

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.	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.	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 Rippenburg 406.450.4776
North Central Area Council on Aging	The Conrad office offers several services to residents of Shelby and Toole County. Services include: • 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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CIVIC CENTER

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The Shelby Civic Center is welcoming everyone to get out of the cold and bring your workouts to our facility! We have so many exciting things getting ready to happen for everyone! Soon we will be open for the season on weekends for families to enjoy roller skating and Movie Night again! This will be a fun opportunity for anyone that wants to have a Private Birthday Party or just a private Movie Party! Coming the middle of November in the weight room is a 8 man jungle gym machine that should be a great addition to the Civic Center! We invite anyone and everyone to come join the Civic Center any time! We offer day passes, class passes, monthly passes and key fobs that give you 24hr access to the facility! Our class schedule is as follows:

Monday

8:30 am • High Fitness
10 am • Tai Chi
4:30-5:30 pm • Roller Skating

Tuesday

Open Gym

Wednesday

10 am • Tai Chi

Thursday

7 pm • High Fitness

Friday

Open Gym

Saturday (Coming Soon)

Roller Skating
Movie Time



Office Hours: 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