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MSU Film School Mending the Line

The Shane Lalani Center for the Arts presents their Livingston Film Series (LFS) featuring the MSU Film School and the film, Mending the Line. The event is on Thursday, May 9th at the Dulcie Theater starting a 5 pm.

Showtime at **5 pm:** Talented filmmakers from the MSU Film Grad School will be

sharing their master's degree films for the first time on the big screen at the Dulcie. Four films will be offered: Sparks by Jackie Ratlif, (Wild)life by Andrew Mott, HoldFast by Jack Lacalle, and Model Citizen by Kristopher Chinander. You will marvel at the creativity and technical skills of these young filmmakers. Who knows? You may be watching the creation of the next Spielberg!

Barbeque at 6 pm: Join the LFS team in celebrating nine months of great films/ events as they transition to their new pavilion, the beginning of a new season of Thursday night concerts with a summer BBQ—free brats or burgers!

Film at 7 pm: LFS is proud to present Mending the Line. The words, "There's more great literature written about fly fishing than



any other sport," comes early in *Mending the Line,* and it's true! Norman Maclean's A River Runs Through It is probably the most famous book-to-movie example of this, but there are libraries more. Why? That's an interesting question. And why fly-fishing inspires such passionate advocates is another. Mending the Line, sensitively directed by Joshua Caldwell and written by Stephen Camelio, tells the story of two veterans, one young and one old. A Marine wounded in Afghanistan (played by Sinqua Walls) is sent to a VA facility in

Montana where he meets a Vietnam vet (played by Brian Cox), who teaches him how to fly fish as a way of dealing with his emotional and physical trauma. They find healing for their combat traumas in fly fishing and in their unlikely friendship.

Join LFS for some good films, great food, and local personality Rob Bankston. The Dulcie Theater is at the Shane Lalani Center for the Arts in Livingston, at 415 East Lewis Street. (Mending the Line is rated R for language.)

Livingston Film Series is generously sponsored by Marilyn Clotz, Mary Ann Bearden, and Donald B. Gimbel. Don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions. Call 406-222-1420, or visit www. The Shane Center.org

Block Printing Pop-Up Club Inspired by Earth Day

Livingston Center for Art and Culture was thrilled to host the Community School Collaborative with a captivating **Block Printing** Pop-Up Club on April 20th. The event, led by Traci and Jamie Isaly, provided an enriching experience for attendees of all ages

Twelve Sleeping Giant Middle School students were among the enthusiastic participants who embarked on this creative journey.

During the workshop, participants had the opportunity to carve linoleum blocks with intricate patterns inspired by Earth Day, including trees, animals, flowers, and more. They brought their designs to life by inking the blocks and printing them onto hemp fabric squares. Each participant crafted their set of yard flags and a



perfect for spreading Earth Day messages. All necessary supplies were provided, ensuring an accessible and

enjoyable experience for all involved.

The event was a celebration of creativity, fun, and the planet we call home! Participants had the opportunity to unleash their artistic flair while making a positive impact.

Thank you to all who joined CSC for the Earth Day Fun at Livingston Center for Art and Culture!

Livingston's ACE Hardware Achieves Highest Level of Recognition

from ACE Hardware Corporation for Exemplary Performance

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Help Restore Young Racer's Stolen Dream

Lauren Kostoff is asking the Livingston community to help a local 6-year-old who's dreams were crushed by theft. The little boy in the photo was in Great Falls for a dirt bike race Saturday. For the first time in his young racing career he finished first and took home a trophy! On Sunday, he wanted to race again, but his dirt bike was stolen. Lauren is trying to raise \$3,500 to replace his race quality

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Here is the link to the fundraiser which has already raised more than \$600, https://www. gofundme.com/f/help-restore-young-racers-stolen-

On Facebook many people have reached out to Lauren saying they have spare bikes the boy can borrow until a new one can be bought. The bike was stolen from a truck parked at the Great Falls Holiday



Sunday, May 5, 2024

Symphony Storytime with a Cellist Offered at Bozeman Public Library

Area parents are encouraged to bring their young children to a dynamic, fun, and entertaining Symphony Storytime with a Cellist at the Bozeman Public Library's Community Room during their regular Toddler and Preschool Storytime on Wednesday, June 12th, at 10:15 am.

The free Bozeman Symphony program, especially designed for children ages 3 to 5, features Bozeman Symphony Principal Cellist Chandra Lind accompanying Music Director Norman Huvnh as he reads a storybook. Following the story, Lind will also play a

brief piece highlighting the cello.

The goal of Symphony Storytime is to encourage a love of music, literacy, and discovery, according to Education and Community Engagement Coordinator Cierra Wallace. Collaborating with various community partners, the Symphony wants to expose children to diverse stories, cultures, authors, narrative styles, readers, instruments, music, and musicians.

For more information, visit

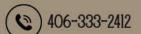
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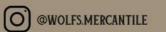
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OP-ED FORUM

by Ann Hallowell

Vote FOR R-001 and R-002

A vote FOR R-001 and FOR R-002 is a vote for your voice to be heard. No out-of-town consultants, special-interest groups, or commissioners telling you they know better than you how you should use your land. Yes; your land not theirs. Did they pay your property tax for you? Certainly not. It's pretty clear—your land—your decisions.

We have all been getting quite an earful from Mr. Davis in these pages on county budget woes and on the wonders of the county growth policy. While I appreciate Mr. Davis's energy for his subject, I wish, when he seems to think the growth policy has been so instrumental and effective in guiding our future, that he had been coming to county planning board meetings over the last seven years to know the real story.

I wish, too, that he could have been using his considerable business skills to help guide so many of the county commissioner decisions which have resulted in our great budget deficit. Where was he when one and a half million was spent last summer on machinery we didn't have the manpower or skilled employees to run—so it sat for six months at the side of the road while loan payments accrued? Where was he when the county applied for a walking bridge over the Yellowstone from the dog park for a cool \$12 million.Thankfully that one failed.But I bet it hurt our reputation as a county when asking for grants for serious and necessary projects.

According to the budget preamble of that time, those roads were in bad shape 11 years ago when our commission chair came on board with the county. Unfortunately, bad budgets are the state of normal here. Many commissioners have stirred this pot over the years with many individual agendas.

I hope Mr. Davis will actually apply his talents to looking into the real causes of budget woes and the possible solutions for our county.

Our 2017, so-called, long-range-plan growth policy that he gushes about has never guided our future. It was guided straight into a closet, onto a shelf to collect dust for the last seven years. Precisely what the MT Dept of Commerce says not to do. Keep it simple they say. Has a single one of its 198 plus pages ever been turned over?

No one knows

If Mr. Davis had been at past planning board meetings, he would know that people have, over the years, asked to see reports of the goals and objectives in the rhetoric of our growth policy that have actually been completed. People have even requested PIR's (public information requests). These have all gone unanswered despite a previous commissioner replying to such a request at a candidate forum that the public simply had to post a PIR. Apparently, not so.

Many individuals and special interest groups have made a wide variety of requests over the years about planning aspects of our county—to no avail. Good ideas and bad have flowed under the bridge. The county planning department head replied in a public planning meeting that there didn't have to be such reports of progress on the goals and objectives. The county planning department was under no obligation to make such reports because the growth policy was not regulatory.

The 2017 growth policy was dead on arrival. We just didn't know it then. It was written by Missoula consultants with local city-centric over-sight. People who shared neither our strong respect for property rights nor our visions for our families. This was then followed by a commission only decision for adoption-not a vote by the people effected by said growth policy.

Only one growth policy goal in all this time comes to mind as completed. The amending of a special-interest group's housing plan to the growth policy. Unfortunately, this was accomplished under great public protest, both to the plan and to the vote of a commissioner whose membership in that very group was a conflict-of-interest. Not a good day for the county.

Ravalli County has not had a growth policy since repealing theirs sixteen years ago. This has not hampered them in receiving grants from a myriad of Federal and State agencies. They have 41 citizen-initiated zoning districts allowing very local control. Park County has only five. No new citizen-initiated zone has managed to get through the planning department since 2004. Our application process has been re-written to hog-tie citizens with good intensions.

Our planner has called citizen-initiated zones too much work to manage because they are individualized one from the other. (That's the point!) No local control by the people here; just bureaucracy and a king-of-the-mountain mentality.

This is precisely why the citizens have turned to our truly American solution, the citizen vote. We have learned that, only through a vote by the citizens can we truly have local control. The people we elect and/or employ soon forget they work for the people. So, there are no guarantees of citizen-centric plans.

This is why we have chosen the citizen initiative process, gathered signatures and placed referenda on the ballot for the June 4th election. R-001, to Repeal the current growth policy, and R-002, to adopt a future growth policy only by a vote of the people in the district affected.

It all comes back to responsibility.
County government is true only to itself and its unending appetite for expansion.
Citizens are responsible for their homes, their lands and their families.

Vote FOR your voice to be heard. Vote FOR R-001 and FOR R-002.





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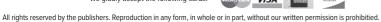
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Book Launch Tour Celebration

Wheatgrass Books will host a celebration for Mark Sullivan's *All The Glimmering Stars* book launch tour on Thursday May 9th at 6 pm.

As many as 300,000 child soldiers are currently being forced to fight around the world. The UN deems it a global security issue because radicalized, militant, dehumanized children grow up to be radicalized, militant, dehumanized adults. One of the most egregious episodes in modern history was Joseph Kony's 30-year reign of terror in Uganda, southern Sudan, and Congo as his Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) kidnapped as many as 37,000 boys and girls, turning the males into fearsome, soulless soldiers and the girls into slaves,

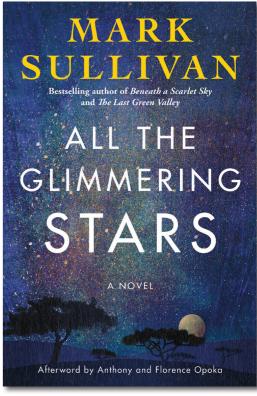
sexual and otherwise. Two of those young people Anthony Opoka and Florence Okori escaped and survived to later bear witness at the LRA war crimes trial in the Hague. Their harrowing and triumphant story is the basis for #1 New York Times bestselling author Mark Sullivan's historical novel, ALL THE GLIMMERING STARS (Lake Union; May 7, 2024).

Mark Sullivan is the acclaimed author of more than twenty novels, including the #1 Amazon Charts, Wall Street Journal and USA Today bestseller *Beneath a Scarlet Sky*, and the #1 New York Times bestselling *Private* series, which he writes with James Patterson. Mark has received numerous awards for his writing, including

the WHSmith Fresh Talent Award, and his works have been named a New York Times Notable Book and a Los Angeles Times Book of the Year.

"The true story behind ALL THE GLIMMERING STARS was brought to me by a former squadron commander of SEAL Team 6 and the former CIA chief in Uganda, both of whom were so stunned hearing it they came to believe that if properly told it could help end child soldiering throughout the world," Sullivan says. "In an earlier life I was a Peace Corps volunteer in Africa, and I responded to the tale and the cause immediately. I went to Uganda and spent weeks with Anthony and Florence. I came away also believing that their story brought to life in a novel could have a dramatic impact on the way kids in war zones are treated. To that end, I wrote the novel with the intention that it would not only grip readers with a remarkable story well-told, but also contribute to End Child Soldiering, a non-profit that works to prevent kids being forced into combat and to rehabilitate youngsters who have already suffered that tragedy." - Mark Sullivan

Wheatgrass Books is located at 120 N. Main St., in downtown Livingston. The free



event begins at 6 pm, and a book signing and reception will follow.

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Door Manners and Why They Really Matter!

Recently I was out of town, and no surprise, traveling with my dogs. I was at a hotel and the pups and I were heading outside for the last potty break before bed. We left the hotel room and were heading towards the outer door when another dog was coming towards us only a few feet way. The owner had not even made it through the door. This dog was large and even if he weren't, the owner still would have had a hard time controlling any size dog from a few feet away. This is why entering and exiting through doors with your dog is important.

When we walk through a doorway, it is important that the owner go first. As a pet owner, it's your responsibility to make sure there is nothing harmful on the other side of the door. Training your dog for a doorway routine and sticking to it is essential to their safety! Every time you and Fido go through a doorway follow the routine

My personal preference is walking up to the door, I swing the door open, while my dog sits and stays, I walk through the doorway and then call the dog. As you progress in this control exercise, you can begin by having the dog walk calmly next to you while walking through the doorway or slightly behind you is best. And in some cases the doors won't stay open so you will need to walk through together. Control! Slow and steady, don't be in a hurry when training this. Practice this going both in and out of places. Your

by: Kylie Purcell

Kylie has been actively training Livingstons dogs since 2009. She began teaching dog obedience with the late, great Jo Sykes, and the rest is history!

Montana Dog Company is proud to offer retail, 24-hour self dog wash, dog training, and so much more. Kylie has competed with North American Dog Agility Council for over 25 years and with many different breeds of dogs. Even though training is her passion, she enjoys the outdoors with her husband, toddler, and baby boy. Livingston is her home and she is here to work for you and your pup! Contact her today!

own doors at home are great, don't just do the doors that lead outside, practice on the doors that go into bedrooms, bathrooms, everywhere.

Once you have training success with doors at home, go to a public place and practice. Again, you have to be consistent with this—but it is easy to train! Some of my favorite commands for this training are: Behind (this means the dog will walk directly behind me), I teach this by using the leash to maneuver him behind me. Wait (this is a modified stay, think of it as just a pause). Ok (this is the release word), instead of the come command, saying ok and continuing movement.

This is an exercise any and every dog can benefit from. At some point in that pup's life whether they are going to the vet clinic or hardware store, they will meet a door and possibly another dog. Having this established routine will set them up for success! Remember stay positive, reward with lots of praise and constructive commands, and keep your training sessions short (15 minutes twice a day). Happy Training!

To submit your questions Text or call 406-333-1980 or email kylie@montanadogcompany.com

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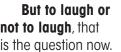
Make Em Laugh!

by Joyce Johnson

The post war humor and talent of 1950s Donald O'Connor was made immortal in his famous

classic "song and dance" of this column title. You can search it on

YouTube and watch this ageless goofy performer. I laughed til I almost cried.There was a subtle sadness beneath the laughter because gone is that best of Hollywood wisdom and creative talent within that joyful,



positive humor.

Much is going on that ain't funny. But just try to hold back laughter say for example in church or a courtroom, or any public place. The giggle cork pops and the bubbly gets all over the place. Been a long time since I've rolled on the floor laughing til I cried, or, cried til I laughed actually. You? In the 50s, comedy series on TV were prime time. Funny actors were loved and adored: Laugh In, MASH, Carol Burnett, Happy Days, and the ingenious satire of George Carlin just off the top of my mind. Our freed world seemed to stimulate the birth of the individual, and different (and funny) views on life were actual antidotes. We at present have the bold fear-busting satire reborn in JP Sears.

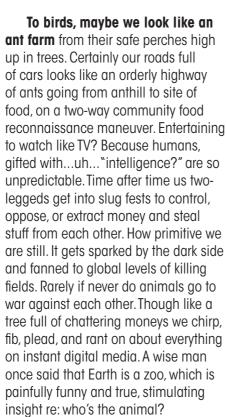
We once laughed at ourselves.

Even politicians smile at this great funny quote of the Indian Guru: "Politics are like a tree full of chattering monkeys."

But I think of trees as the homes of birds who ingeniously and joyously welcome the dawn of spring and the sunrise with chirping, trilling song. The whole flock, each member, gets a few seconds of solo, then trios, interspersed by choirs of multi-level harmony celebrating the new day of life-giving light. My one time guest from Hong Kong was awakened by dawn's birdsong and was enchanted because she was not used to hearing it in the great Asian metropolis.

I like to imagine how the birds see us "hoomans" from their, in more

> ways than one, higher view. They watched a kind old man put an extension ladder against the truck of the cottonwood tree and who climbed up about 30 feet to rescue someone's young cat who clung terrified when it stopped and finally looked down at how far it had come. We held the ladder.



Make Em Laugh! is a tool I guess. A refreshing, free, hugely healing, roomclearing, game-changing choice of





reaction to things. Like my husband, Ron, very serious on the inside and a foolish, incurable punster on the outside, (or is it the other way around? Shrug.) He puns people until they loose composure. But their smiles and laughter is so beautiful to poke. Deploy free, non-violent "funny stuff" now and then, all of you. Look for it, wait for it, but start with laughing at yourself. One chuckle at a time.

We are free to choose a path, and stick to it,... until it doesn't pan out or until another view appears to be more true. Thus we strive, thrive and grow, I find. A sailor sees bad weather coming on the horizon, and responds from many choices: trims the sails until the wind is captured just right; or changes course; or folds the sails, turns and runs with the wind; dumps ballast to be lighter and to stay afloat—on the turbulent sea of life.

The 37th Psalm of David offers another view. Enjoy your freedom to interpret

this best of our wise prose, from a very old and far-seeing prophesy, and it's divine humor, joy and hope.

For evil men will be cut off, but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the land. A little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look for them, they will not be found. But the meek will inherit the land and enjoy great peace. The wicked plot against the righteous and gnash their teeth at them; but the Lord laughs at the wicked, for he knows their day is





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Community Journal - 6 Health and Wellbeing Sunday, May 5, 2024



I Have Essentials Oils, Now What?

By Dalonda Rockafellow

So you made the investment in yourself and your family and now you have a supply of essential oils to detoxify and fix what ails you. Do you even remember why you bought that certain oil? It sounded good when it was presented to you or you read about it, but now you have them sitting in front of you and you aren't sure which one to grab for that smooth, glowing skin or that headache that is coming on, or to soothe those anxious feelings inside, or to help you get to sleep, etc.,

Maybe you do remember what they are for, or which one to grab when an ailment comes on... BUT do you know how to use them? How many drops? Do I dilute or not? If so, with what do I dilute them with and how much?? Where do I apply them? How often do I apply them? Can I ingest them? I can't ingest them? It's a vicious cycle, but I assure you, I am here to help and offer a suggestion or two.

In this article I'm going to cover the top 10 basic doTERRA essential oils, how to use them and some other ideas to help you get started, engaged and reaching for your oils on a regular

Lemon is made from the rind of the lemon itself. It is refreshing in your water (a drop or two) and helps to cleanse & detoxify your body. It is very uplifting, so put some in your diffuser or inhale a drop directly from the palms of your hands. It is also good for digestive help. Drink some down with a little water or dilute and apply directly to your belly. Lemon is photosensitive, so don't apply to an area that will get direct sun. Lemon is a wonderful disinfectant. Add drops to a spray bottle with water and use to disinfect countertops.

doTERRA's Lavender is a therapeutic grade essential oil and has many, many uses. It is a sleep aid, so apply to the

bottoms of your feet before bed, add to a diffuser at your bedside and/or add a drop to your pillow case. It also is very calming, so add 10 drops to a 10ml roller bottle, fill with fractionated coconut oil (FCO) and apply to your heart, wrists, behind your ears and on the palms of your hands and inhale deeply a few times and feel the stress melt away. It is a natural pain reliever, so use that roller bottle that you just made and apply to wherever it hurts. It is a natural histamine, as well. Place a few drops under your tongue for almost instant relief.

Peppermint is a very versatile essential oil, too. It is very energizing, like Lemon, so add some to that diffuser. You could also add a drop to your palms in the afternoon and inhale deeply for that much needed pick-meup! When you feel a headache coming on, dilute a drop or two in some FCO and apply where it hurts. This works well for sore muscles, as well. Peppermint is great for digestive issues. You could simply add a drop or two to a little water and swallow it down. Use Peppermint for hot flashes and fevering. Add some drops to a spray bottle with distilled water, shake well and apply to area of concern.

Tea Tree is great for the skin and any issues that you may have with it; cuts, scrapes, blemishes, canker or cold sores, hives or rashes and warts. Use also for athlete's feet. Apply directly to area of concern. Add several drops to your shampoo to help with hair growth and dandruff. Tea Tree is helpful with sore throats (add a few drops to some water and gargle then swallow when you are done) and ear infections (apply, diluted around, but not in your ears).

Frankincense is the king of all essential oils, and like Lavender, has many uses. Its top use is for cellular health. Ingesting Frankincense for cellular health is the best way to use it. I suggest a drop under the tongue or to the roof of your mouth each morning. You could also add 2-3 drops to a veggie capsule and swallow it down. Frankincense is a great oil to reach for for brain health. Make a roller bottle, as mentioned above and apply where your neck meets your skull. This oil is also very calming and can be used for mental or physical reasons, such as skin conditions. Add a drop to your daily face cream to improve wrinkles and skin health.

Oregano works well against antibiotic-resistant bacteria. Take in a veggie capsule to help get the oil deep into your system. Take internally to support healthy immune, digestion and respiratory function. Oregano is a powerful cleansing agent. Add drops to a spray bottle with water. Add to water and gargle for a sore throat. Use for Athlete's Foot, inflammation and joint pain, apply directly to area of concern.

The Breathe blend is good for any breathing difficulties you may have. Simply diffuse, inhale from the bottle or directly from the palms of your hands. It is also great in a diffuser to open up the airways, as well as at nighttime for sleep. Use, diluted, directly on your chest for constricted breathing. Enjoy a more energized day and restful sleep with this blend.

DigestZen is great to take internally to help reduce gas and occasional indigestion. Use while traveling for motion sickness. You would simply

under the nose or add a few drops to water and drink. Other uses are food poisoning, queasiness and stomach upset. Use DigestZen for any issues from the mouth to the bum.

On Guard is your natural defense to stay healthy when seasonal threats are high. For immune support, add 2-3 drops to a veggie capsule each day. Diffuse at home or the office to purify the air. Dilute in a spray bottle to disinfect door knobs, telephones, and all community surfaces. Gargle with a few drops and water for oral health.

Deep Blue is soothing and cooling and is used for muscle and joint aches and pains. Use before and after exercise or a hard day's work. Massage diluted onto growing kids' legs before bedtime. Deep Blue blend is great for bruising and broken bones. The oils in this blend are very healing.

What do I mean by diluting? You could put a quarter size amount of FCO or any carrier oil you choose and a few drops of your chosen essential oil. Mix well then apply to the area of concern. A roller bottle is another option for dilution. Put 10-20 drops of essential oil into the roller and fill the rest of the way with FCO. You now have a quick and easy way to apply your oils

Should you use essential oils diluted or undiluted? It depends... most essential oils are safe to use directly, but not on children, the elderly or people with sensitivities. There are a few "hot" oils that should always be diluted. These include Deep Blue, Wintergreen, Oregano, and Cinnamon, to name a few I always recommend that you start with diluted oils then you could experiment to see what works best for you. If a sensitivity appears, simply apply FCO, to

dilute the oil on your skin and take note. Can you ingest doTERRA essential oils? Yes, if they have a supplemental fact on their label. Most of doTERRA's oils are safe to consume.

How do I consume them? A drop under the tongue, a few drops in a little bit of water, drops in a veggie capsule... these are all useful ways.

What happens if I get essential oils in my eyes? DO NOT USE WATER. Use a little bit of any kind of carrier oil, my suggestion is FCO directly in the

I would love to help you better understand your essential oils and answer more questions you may have. I am offering to consult with you in person or over the phone, complimentary, about any and all oils that you may have (even ones that are not doTERRA brand). These tiny bottles are truly full of miracles for all of your ailments and concerns. I personally think everyone should be using them Remember to put your essential oils where you use them. I have mine all over my house; bathroom, bedside, desk, kitchen, reading chair, etc. Thank you for joining me!!

Dalonda Rockafellow has been using and educating about health and doTERRA essential oils for 10+ years. She maintains a website and has an active Facebook page; Lavender, Lemon & Learning that she uses to keep people up to date on the benefits of using CPTG (Certified Pure Tested Grade) essential oils for their health and well-being. You can contact her at dalonda@biqskyoils.com or mydoterra. com/dalondarockafellow.

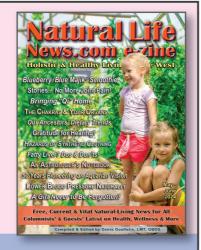
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Don't Believe Everything You See

by Nurse Jill

Americans have been fascinated by medical drama since Dr. Kildare in the 1930s. Perhaps people are mesmerized when they watch a team fight for the life of another human. Or perhaps there is a little bit of satisfaction in virtually sharing the medical victory with the heroes on the screen. Or perhaps there is just curiosity about the unknown of the medical world.

However, just as Hollywood has put their own dramatic spin on romantic love they have also twisted the world of medicine to garner interest in their product. And just as you wouldn't get all your relationship advice from RomComs it is equally wise to not believe everything you see in your favorite medical drama.

There are four things to watch out for when watching medical dramas that may negatively impact your understanding of the medical world.

First: The rarest diseases. It seems that many popular series scour the medical texts for the rarest of rare medical situations. Then they take you on a wild ride of crazy symptoms and wonky test results only to arrive at a one-in-a-million diagnosis. These stories are extremely fascinating but it can develop a strong sense of "what if" in the subconscious. "What if I, too, have that extremely rare disease?!"This can

lead to some fear of even the littlest twinge.

You have to keep perspective. Two symptoms in common with a Hollywood tale is not necessarily a strong indication of a parallel problem. Many symptoms are applicable to many illnesses. A symptom on TV that leads to discovery of one specific problem does not mean that same symptom always signifies that same problem.

Second: The do-it-all doctors.

Most medical dramas show the main character doctors doing a lot of tasks. Starting IVs, doing surgery, doing radiology tests, going to the patient's house to look for clues... this is a severe misrepresentation of the true collaboration that takes place in the

There are a lot of roles in the medical world and each one is specialized. A doctor that would take out your appendix would not also fix your broken bone. A doctor that guided a specialized radiology test would not also start your IV. A hospital takes many different types of staff members to carry out all the necessary skills to take care for patients. Radiology techs, nurses, respiratory therapists, physical therapists, nursing aides, environmental services... these are just a few of the roles that support people healing. Each person has practiced their specialized skill for countless hours. If a doctor

refers you to someone else for a certain task trust that they are sending you to someone who is practiced in that skill. One doctor can't do it all.

Third: The code. When someone's heart stops and healthcare providers leap into action to provide life-saving measures, it is called a "code." In medical dramas the codes that they portray often have more drama than life-saving in them. They will also often have incorrect treatments for the situation presented. When the drama shows a flatline heart rhythm during a situation and then the characters proceed to grab the paddles and administer a shock they are demonstrating incorrect practice.

All healthcare providers that have a possibility to encounter these emergency situations are specially trained in advanced life saving algorithms that guide their actions. The algorithms are science-based and very clear in what to do. Many codes look somewhat similar because of these algorithms.

Fourth: The quick turnaround. Many of the characters in these shows are run through the medical ringer with serious health problems and/or trauma. Then they have a quick turn around. Regardless of how much they have endured, by the end of the show they are up and talking and well on their way to getting out of the hospital.

While some medical issues are resolved fairly quickly, a lot of issues take a significant amount of time to clear up. In real life, to be as sick as what these shows present often times means days to weeks or even months of recovering. Sometimes it is even a lifetime of a chronic condition.

There have been some studies done on whether or not you can actually learn something helpful from these types of shows. The results aren't conclusive and are somewhat conflicting. As a healthcare worker who has engaged with folks whose understanding of the medical world is influenced by Hollywood, I am urging you to watch with skepticism. Enjoy the story and be entertained but make sure you keep your own symptoms in perspective. When you do go to the hospital let all the staff at the hospital serve you in their own specialty. Let your healthcare providers educate you on reality, including during emergent situations. Be realistic in your expectations for your own return to health.

Americans will likely continue to be fascinated with the fictional medical world and Hollywood will likely continue to create content that entertains but make sure you're getting your facts from the healthcare workers who help you in real life and not from the actors who play doctors on TV.



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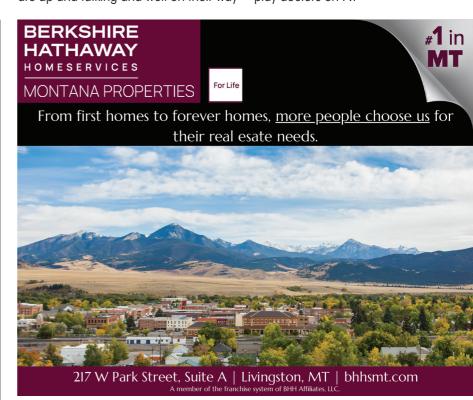
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ASPEN Revives Lunch and Learn Series

Hannah Wilson, Foundress OH Hi Collective Talks Gender and More

ASPEN recently held its annual End the Silence event at the Depot and now looks forward to meeting regularly, in person, with members of our community for its Lunch & Learn series. On Tuesday, May 14th, from noon until 1 pm in the community room at the city-county building, ASPEN invites the public to gather and enjoy free lunch and a talk with Hannah Wilson, PhD, LCPC-S, CST.

Some Livingstonians may be familiar with Hannah from her previous work at Community Health . Partners. Hannah founded ÓH Hi

Collective in Bozeman and is the owner of Prickly Peach Sex Therapy there. She is an AASECT **Certified Sex** Therapist and Sex and Relationship Educator. Hannah is a foremost expert on wideranging topics, and her approach, according to the OH Hi website,

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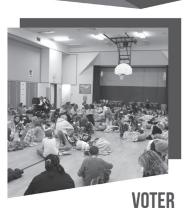
and confusion out of what may be uncomfortable or unfamiliar conversations. Education and accurate information are part of the therapy and training available there and what ASPEN hopes to bring to the Lunch & Learn May 14th.

aims to take shame

The talk with Hannah may take

different directions with an engaged group, but the main topic will be facts about gender. The lunch is intended for those who want to expand their understanding and to be part of an open, inclusive conversation.

In order to prepare lunch and the meeting space, ASPEN asks those interested in attending the Lunch & Learn to RSVP to info@aspenmt.org by Friday, May 10th. Questions and requests for more information may be sent to the same address.



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urrent state funding does ot provide for the growing needs of the district

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WHY ARE WE ASKING?





ELEMENTARY TECHNOLOGY LEVY

Current elementary tech levy was set at a fixed amount and has not increased in 21 years

- · Create and implement a sustainable replacement
- schedule for 1 to 1 student devices (grades K-8)

 Deploy upgraded device management software



HIGH SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY LEVY

Current high school tech levy was set at a fixed amount and has not increased in 21 years

- Implement 1 to 1 student devices
- Upgrade Career and Technology Education (CTE) computer labs
- · Upgrade wireless network
- · Sustain software purchases
- Replace obsolete technology- average age of student and staff desktop computers is 12 years



ELEMENTARY TECHNOLOGY LEVY

This displays the annual and monthly breakdown for the ax increases for the **Elementary District Technology Levy**This levy will run for **10 years**. \$100K Home | \$300K Home | \$600K Home

s the annual and monthly breakdown for the for the **High School District Technology Levy** This levy will run for **10 years**.







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RECIPE CORNER

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Ingredients

42 ounces strawberry pie filling 8 ounces cream cheese, softened 1/4 cup sour cream ½ cup powdered sugar 1 teaspoon vanilla extract 15.25 ounces white cake mix. It is best to pick one that doesn't have pudding mix in it, check the

label to be sure. 1 cup salted butter, cold

Instructions

- 1. Preheat the oven to 350°F.
- 2. Spread the strawberry filling into the bottom of a 9×13-inch baking dish.
- 3. In a medium bowl, use a hand mixer to combine cream cheese, sour cream, powdered sugar, and vanilla extract until smooth and combined. 4. Drop spoonfuls of the cream
- cheese mixture over the strawberry 5. Sprinkle the cake mix evenly
- over the first two layers. 6. Slice very thin pats of butter and
- spread over the entire top of the dry

cake mix. Cover as much of the cake mix as possible. Cold butter is much easier to slice and to maintain square pats for covering the top of the dump

- 7. Bake for 40 minutes or until the topping is browned and the strawberry filling is bubbling around the edges.
- 8. Allow dump cake to rest for 15 minutes before serving it.

Side Note:

You may end up with a few dry cake mix spots on the top. This is normal and is just where the butter did not saturate into the cake mix. If you prefer, you can add additional pats of butter over the dry area. Check the dump cake after about 30 minutes to determine if the melted butter missed any areas. The dump cake is made correctly and tastes delicious even with some dry spots on the top. Do try to cover as much of the top as possible with butter. The pats of butter need to be VERY thin to cover the whole top of the cake.

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Now is the ideal time to buy some special chocolates. Yes, Mother's Day is May 12th, but even if you don't celebrate that day, how about special chocolates for yourself?

The La Chatelaine Chocolat Co. store in Bozeman is the perfect place to find highquality chocolates and other French treats. When you're there, ask about their charming afternoon tea or chocolat

chaud (hot chocolate) and enjoy a peaceful moment wrapped in the scent of chocolate.

Wlady Grochowski and his wife, Shannon, owners of La Chatelaine, each have a long, love affair with French cooking

Wlady described his grandmother's house in France as a place where chocolate was always flowing. "We had access to chocolate any time, and usually before dinner

we could have a piece of chocolate. She baked chocolate cakes, and all summer we stayed with her and made jams and cooked other things."

When Wlady needed to make ends meet after he moved to Bozeman, he successfully sold desserts by word of mouth.

Shannon is selftaught. When she was about 10, she told her mother she wanted to

bake a cake, so her mother bought a cake mix. But Shannon was determined to make it from scratch. Later, while she attended university in Bozeman, she sold tarts at the farmers market to help pay for school. Now she produces lovely French pastries at La Chatelaine.

In 2005, Wlady and Shannon met, and it was inevitable that they decided to make chocolates for a living and thus pursued specialized training in France and San Francisco.

As they worked out of rented kitchens in Bozeman, business picked up pace, beginning with a newspaper ad and their first wholesale order at Joe's Parkway Market. Soon they needed their own space, then outgrew that, and in 2013, they settled into their current shop on Rouse Avenue.

They wanted a French name for their business, "something elegant," Wlady said, "so we came up with Chatelaine, which means the lady of the castle. We thought it would be a good representation of our French-inspired chocolates."

This vision of La Chatelaine is evident when you see the chocolates lined up. "They are of many shapes, sizes, and colors because we wanted to create an elegant box with chocolates that look like jewels."



Wlady and Shannon Grochowski.

Wlady loves his job. "Working with chocolate is extremely rewarding. It's very temperamental, you cannot rush the process. You need to put it at the right temperature to work with it. If it's too hot, it doesn't work, if it's too cold, it doesn't work, because there's a chemical reaction that happens during tempering. It keeps you on your toes. There's always something happening with chocolate."

For Wlady, working in a successful chocolate business means he can see his

> family in France around retreats he and Shannon run. He also enjoys sharing his knowledge of chocolate at a workshop during each retreat. "We teach how to do a ganache and how to do chocolates at home, by hand. That's how we started, that's how we learned. We made everything by hand."

Each French countryside retreat in Jewel-like chocolates will delight. Burgundy is limited to six people so that a

personal experience is assured.

"We don't tell too much to our clients because we want them to be surprised," Wlady explained. But he did say each person is picked up at the train "because we don't want them to worry about anything during the five days they are with

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In addition, Wlady and Shannon will teach you how to make chocolates and French pastries so you'll be able to recreate a bit of France in your own home kitchen.

The La Chatelaine shop is delightful, but you can also order online at chatelainechocolate.com. My experience has been fast delivery.

For information about the French retreat, go to

frenchcountrysidecompanion.com. If you have any questions, email

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Looking Back

Hearing the Lyrics Wrong?

How many of us have heard a song and even sung along but got the lyrics wrong? Take for instance, Jose Feliciano's famous Spanish-language Christmas song, "There's flees on my dog..."

I remember, as a young girl, singing Christmas songs in church and not understanding why Joseph's name changed to "Round John Virgin." You know, we are looking at the nativity scene while singing, "Round John Virgin, mother and child." Then there's Elton John's, "Hold me closer, Tony Danza," or how about Credence Clearwater Revival's "There's a bathroom on the right," and Bob Dylan's "Knock, knock,

with Lindie

knockin' on Kevin's door." "Give me summer lovin'" by the Spencer Davis Group is another song I misunderstood for years.

And then, probably the most misunderstood lyric of all time (and borderline inappropriate), from 1973, which made absolutely no sense, but this is what we thought we heard: "Blinded by the light, wrapped up like a douche, another runner in the night," by Manfred Mann's Earth Band.

What are some misunderstood lyrics that you have sung that come to mind? Can you think of any?



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Park County American Association of University Women (AAUW) is sponsoring a County Commission Candidates Forum Monday, May 13, 2024 from 6:30 to 8 pm in the Community Room of the City-County Building (414 East Callender St.) The five District #3 candidates have been invited to participate. The public will have the opportunity to ask questions. The two District #2 candidates will proceed to the general election ballot in November and have been invited to sit in the May Forum audience. Also invited to sit in the audience are the uncontested candidates for Clerk of District Court and County Auditor.

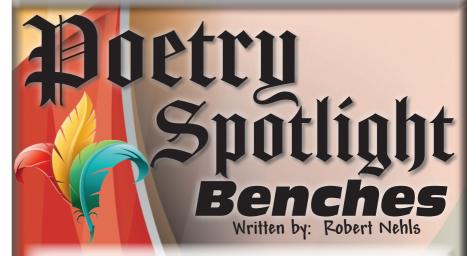
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Benches beckon those, that shuffle softly through the ruins, of decisions they have made.

Sitting in the silence, in the fog of their regrets and grief, that never seems to fade.

The sun is shining brightly, on the benches in the park, it glistens through their fallen tears.

As they sit among the ashes, of the solitude and thoughts, of all their wasted years.

Now there's one among them, with her smile and her stories, that can lift a troubled soul.

Picking up the pieces, of their broken dreams and lives, as she tries to make them whole.

She's an angel sent from heaven, with music in her voice, that seems to sing their song.

The broken souls on benches, that were silent in their sorrow, gather strength to sing along.

For an instant they can feel, the happiness and joy, that long ago gave reason to go on.

With tears that once were full of fear, now falling with the hope and dreams, of a bright new dawn.

The angel's wings enfold them, as they feel the love of God, that can guide a shattered soul.

Moving slowly from the emptiness, they rise up from the benches, with the faith that they'll be whole.

Now the benches sit in idleness, with great anticipation, of the lonely broken hearts.

Beckoning the shattered souls, that somehow drift to benches, and the love that God imparts.

And the benches that were empty, now are filled with heaven's music, as the angel sings their song.

While the never ending circle, of the silent souls in sorrow, gather strength to sing along.



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Endangered Species and the American West **Lecture with Dan Flores**

The Yellowstone Gateway Foundation & Museum are pleased to announce a free lecture and book signing by awardwinning author Dan Flores on May 16, 2024 at 7 pm at The Shane Center. The lecture, "Endangered Species and the American West" reflects Flores' latest book Wild New World: The Epic Story of Animals and People in America, winner of the 2023 Rachel Carson Environment Book and 2023 Phi Beta Kappa Society Ralph Waldo Emerson Award. This lecture is the first in a series of lecture events planned for the next year titled:The Epic Story of Humans, Wildlife and Landforms in Park County: A Guide for Stewardship of our Ecosystem.

Dan Flores. PhD, is the Hammond Professor Emeritus of the History of the American West at the University of Montana, Missoula. He is the noted author of *Coyote America, a Natural*

& Supernatural History and American Serengeti: The Last Big Animals of the Great Plains. Dr. Flores was a significant contributor to the recent Ken Burns documentary on PBS: American Buffalo. He addresses the history of human and wildlife interactions in America and the potential for a more responsible stewardship of our ecosystem.

This free public lecture is presented by The Yellowstone Gateway Museum & Foundation in association with Elk River Books & Lectures, The Park County Community Foundation, The Park County Environmental Council, Sal and Carol Lalani, Yellowstone Forever, and The Tom Miner Association. Please join us for a fascinating lecture. Visit www.parkcounty. org/Yellowstone-Gateway-Museum, Facebook or Instagram for updates. Call 406-222-4184 for details.

Opportunity Bank Partners with FHLB to Award \$40K in Grants

to Organizations Supporting Affordable Housing in Montana

Opportunity Bank of Montana, a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines (FHLB Des Moines), is pleased to announce the award of \$40,000 in grants to four Montana nonprofit organizations. Each nonprofit will receive \$10,000 to support initiatives in community development and affordable housing.

The funding was part of a matching program with FHLB Des Moines. For every dollar provided by Opportunity Bank, FHLB Des Moines provided additional support, maximizing the impact of the grants. These grants are part of a larger effort by FHLB Des Moines to return a portion of their income to the community, with the aim of supporting housing and local development initiatives across its district, which includes 13 states and three U.S. Pacific territories. Numerous organizations across this district have benefitted from these efforts. The recipient nonprofits are leaders in addressing crucial community needs, including affordable housing, economic development and community improvement. Over the next few weeks, grants will be formally presented at a series of upcoming events as funds are

distributed. "We truly appreciate FHLB Des Moines

and the Member Impact Fund. This partnership enables our contributions to stretch further, enhancing our support for our communities," said Laura Clark, President and CEO of Opportunity Bank. "Montana thrives on the strength of its communities. As a Montana-born community bank, we believe that quality, affordable homeownership is crucial for healthy communities. Through this partnership, we are continuing our mission of contributing to strong futures for Montanans."

Organizations receiving grants to support affordable housing or community development needs in Montana include:

- Gallatin Housing Impact Fund -NeighborWorks Montana - \$10,000
- Homeword \$10,000
- NeighborWorks Great Falls \$10,000
- Human Resource Development Council of District IX Inc. (HRDC) -\$10,000

"We are thrilled to see grants from our Member Impact Fund having a direct, positive impact on the communities in which our members help advance affordable housing and community development needs in a meaningful way," said Kris Williams, President and CEO of FHLB Des Moines, in a release.

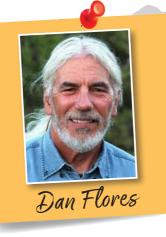


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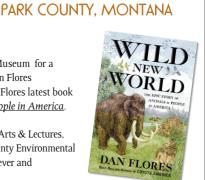


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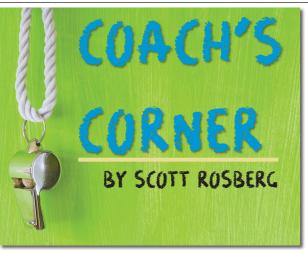


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Built to Code

I try to make it a habit not to eavesdrop on other people's conversations, but sometimes it's unavoidable. A while back, I was in the locker room at my health club, and I overheard a conversation that an architect was having with someone on the phone. When there are just two of you in a small locker room, and one of you is talking on the phone, it's hard NOT to hear what is being said.

He was obviously talking about some building project that he and the other person were working on. In the course of the one minute or so I heard of his side of the conversation, I heard him say something about how some aspect of the building needed to be "built to code."

My first thought was that I'm sure someone out there who hears that kind of statement would immediately complain about regulations and codes and all those kinds of things that restrict builders and workers and anyone who has codes and regulations

to follow from just winging it and doing things however they want to do them. My second thought was, "Thank God there are regulations for them to follow, so they don't just wing it and end up killing someone because they didn't follow proper procedures and protocols."

Now this post is

not going to be about building codes or the pros and cons of regulation. This post is about the third thought that entered my head after hearing that conversation. "What if we had a rule like this in coaching? What if we had to make sure that the

work we did in helping young people have an athletic experience had to be 'up to code'?"

As is often the case with the deregulation crowd and those who believe we have way too many codes and rules and regulations that we have to live by, I imagine some of you are reading that thinking sarcastically and cynically, "Oh great—another area where someone wants to regulate us, wonderful!"

While I am not a very political person, I do see the need for certain codes of conduct in a variety of places in our lives. Should we not have speed limits? How about laws? I get that there can be WAY too many codes and regulations in place in a lot of industries, and I don't profess to be able to argue for keeping or doing away with them. I just know that in certain aspects

of all walks of life, having regulation and codes for behavior are good things.

Well, why shouldn't we have something like this for coaches? I understand that it would be darn near impossible to monitor a lot of what I will be talking about here, so logistically it would be really hard to ever do such a thing. And of course, what regulations and codes do we establish? Who gets to determine those? Who does the "enforcing" of them? Still, I do believe that we should at least put in front of coaches the concept that they must be "up to code" when it comes to dealing with the young people in their care.

So what are some ways that coaches could be "up to code"? As I sat trying to come up with an answer to that question, a variety of elements that could make up such a code came to mind. While they came to mind in no particular order, and there are many more that we could continue to add to the list, I was able to look at the list and compile them into a bit of an order here.

I grouped them into five categories:
Coach Training, Sport-Specific
Knowledge, Teaching, Caring, &
Character. Here are some ideas I
have on creating a code of conduct
for coaches based on these five major
areas.

coach Training - Coaches need to get training in how to coach. They also need training in how to coach their particular sport. They also need to be committed to their own personal development as leaders, teammates, and colleagues within a team. While they want their players to learn all that they can to perform on the team, they themselves must be willing to learn all that they can, too, to be able to lead their teams. This goes for sport-specific training as well as the general elements we will discuss in the next sections.

Sport-Specific Knowledge - While they must know the general elements of how to coach, they must also know their sport's specific elements that need to be taught and developed. Ultimately, their competence when it comes to the specifics of their sport is going to play a huge role in their success.

Teaching - Coaches need to be master teachers. This is not to say that they have to be classroom teachers in the literal sense of the word. However, coaches need to be able to teach a variety of elements to their players in the way that master classroom teachers teach their classes. They must prepare for practices and games much like teachers prepare for classes. Lesson plans are a teacher's guide through each day's classes. So too, practice and game plans are a coach's guides through practice and games. Finally, coaches must learn the value of possessing strong communication skills. Their ability to communicate clearly and succinctly with their players will have a major impact on their teams' success. They must also understand the importance of listening as quite possibly the greatest of all of the communication skills. But knowing how to communicate well is only half the battle. Coaches need to then communicate well with others. The main groups with whom they must communicate are their players, their players' parents, and their fellow coaches. By communicating well and

often, coaches set themselves up for building great relationships with the people involved in their programs.

Caring - Coaches must care about their players as more than just players. They must get to know them as people and be there for them in whatever ways their kids need them. Coaches must become "positive-demanding." They must be as positive as they can be as much of the time that they can be. However, they must also be demanding of their players. They must push their players to be their best and hold their players accountable for their actions. But they should never be demeaning towards their players while they are demanding of them. Their demands must be made out of love and respect.

Coaches need to have compassion for their players. There are many situations that exist in their players' lives that the coaches know nothing about, but that are affecting the player in a big way. Coaches need to find out what they can to help better understand what the players are going through and what they (the coaches) can do to help them. Kids won't care how much you know until they know how much you care.

Character - Of all the elements that coaches must have in place to be "up to code," good character and integrity are at the top of the list. If they don't have these, all the things mentioned above won't matter because without good character, coaches will never be considered "up to code" for young people to look up to and learn from.

Coaches must possess and display proper ethics in all situations. They must demonstrate the ability to treat people fairly and consistently. They must also demonstrate respect—for their players, other players, other players, other coaches—both in their own program and out, officials, administrators, parents, game workers, and even the facilities in which they coach.

Coaches must have discipline and work to instill discipline in their players and teams. They need to teach kids to have a competitive drive and spirit, while at the same time recognizing the fine line between competition and temper, anger, and frustration. A competitive spirit helps players battle and do all they can to succeed; temper, anger, and frustration cause players to fold under the pressure, thereby helping opponents and hurting their own teams.

Ultimately, if we had to try to distill the concept of getting coaches "up to code" down to one sentence, it would come down to this: Coaches need to do all they can to provide kids the opportunity to have a positive athletic experience whereby they learn, grow, develop, and compete in a caring, compassionate, character-based environment.

I hope all coaches will do all that they can to live in such a way that they are "up to code" in the way it is explained in that statement. Imagine the athletic experience that kids all around the world would have if every coach out there tried to coach using those concepts.



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31 "A very high price to pay for maturity" (Tom Stoppard)

34 Acquire through merit

35 Bank link

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38 Speaking point?

39 Little devil 40 Pitcher's stat.

41 Requested in exchange for a kingdom (Shakespeare)

42 Locale of the Viminal Hill

43 Prohibition

44 Colombian cash 45 Artificial waterway

46 Matinee favorite

48 "Chop-chop!" 50 Magic

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- 61 Rocky debris at the base of a hill
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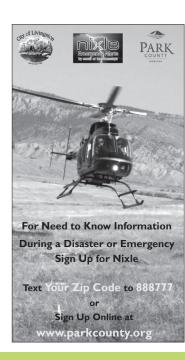
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