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Todd Donovan of Kremlin captured the sunset shining like stained glass through a weathered church structure north of Kremlin. This stunning photo claimed 2nd place in Triangle's 2022 Photo Contest.

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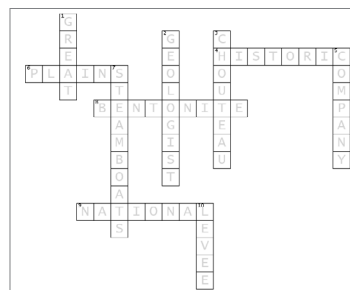
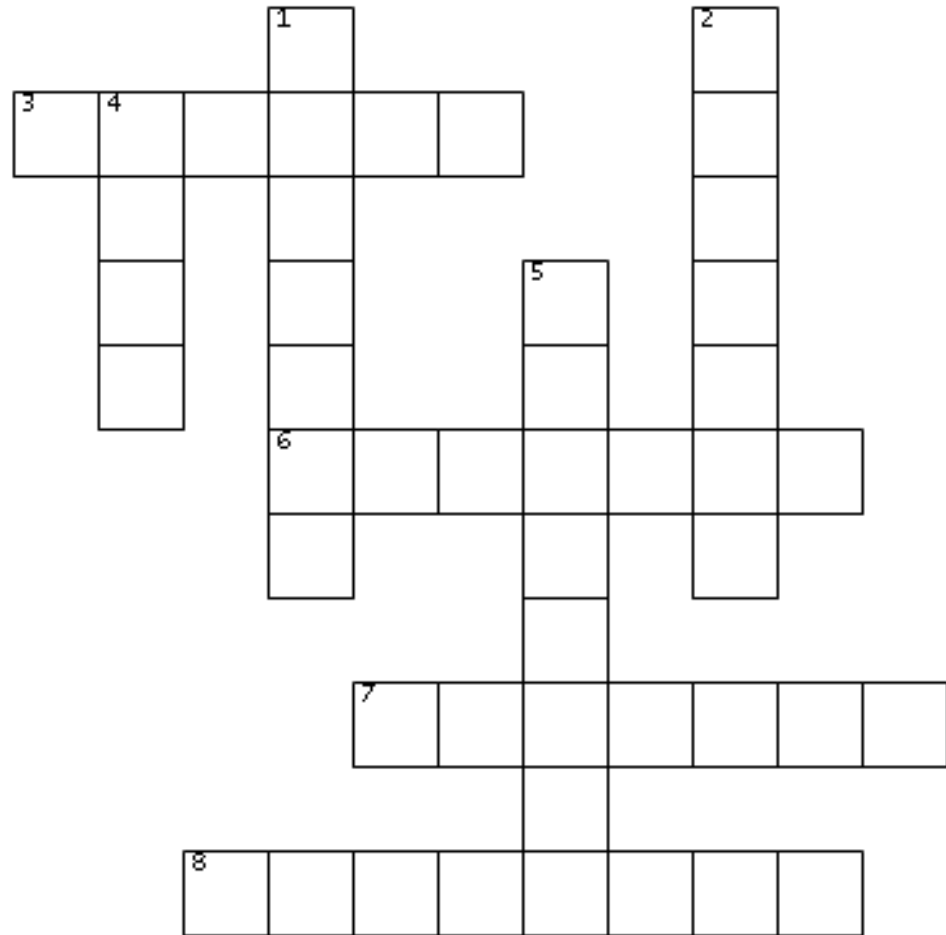
# HARLEM CROSSWORD

## ACROSS

3. Harlem is located in \_\_\_\_\_ County.
6. Great Northern \_\_\_\_\_ officials chose the name of a European city, in this case Haarlem, in the Netherlands.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Bardanouve, born in Harlem, served in the Montana House of Representatives from 1958 to 1994.
8. A.A. Cecil platted the \_\_\_\_\_ in 1889.

## DOWN

1. Harlem's \_\_\_\_\_ is located three miles north of town.
2. The Fort \_\_\_\_\_ Indian Reservation is just south of Harlem, across the Milk River.
4. Harlem is located along the High \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Harlem's Elementary and Junior/Senior High are known as the \_\_\_\_\_.



## ANSWERS

For the January/February  
Community Fort Benton Crossword

# COOK'S CONNECTION

## DISHING UP MONTANA'S BEST RECIPES

**Thank you to everyone who has shared their recipes, keep them coming!** If you have a favorite recipe of any kind that you would like to share, we would love to have it.



## EARN A FREE GIFT JUST FOR SHARING!

*Photocopy, print or type your favorite recipe and send it in one of the following ways:*

Mail to Newsletter, PO Box 1220,  
Havre, MT 59501

E-mail [newsletter@itsTriangle.net](mailto:newsletter@itsTriangle.net)

## RECIPE

### California Pasta Salad

From HCE/Triangle Cooking for a Cure Cookbook

#### INGREDIENTS

1lb. think spaghetti, broken into 1-inch pieces  
3 large tomatoes, diced  
2 medium zucchini, diced  
1 large cucumber, diced  
1 medium green pepper, diced  
1 large red onion, diced  
2 cans (2 ¼ oz each) sliced ripe olives, drained

1 bottle (16 oz) Italian salad dressing  
¼ cup grated Parmesan or Romano cheese  
1 Tbsp sesame seeds  
2 tsp. poppy seeds  
1 tsp paprika  
½ tsp. celery seed  
¼ tsp. garlic powder

#### DIRECTIONS

Cook spaghetti according to package directions; drain and rinse in cold water. Place in a large bowl; add remaining ingredients. Toss to coat. Cover and refrigerate overnight.

## RECIPE

### White Texas Sheet Cake

From HCE/Triangle Cooking for a Cure Cookbook

#### INGREDIENTS

1 cup butter or margarine  
1 cup water  
2 cups all-purpose flour  
2 cups sugar  
2 eggs, beaten  
½ cup sour cream  
1 tsp. almond extract  
1 tsp. salt  
1 tsp. baking soda

#### Frosting:

½ cup butter or margarine  
¼ cup milk  
4 ½ cups confectioners' sugar  
½ tsp. almond extract  
1 cup chopped walnuts

#### DIRECTIONS

In a large saucepan, bring butter and water to a boil. Remove from the heat; stir in flour, sugar, eggs, sour cream, extract, salt and baking soda until smooth. Pour into a greased 15-in.x 10-in. x 1-in. baking pan. Bake at 375° for 20-22 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool for 20 minutes. Meanwhile, for frosting, combine butter and milk in a saucepan. Bring to a boil. Remove from the heat; add sugar and extract. Mix well. Stir in walnuts; spread over warm cake.

## RECIPE

### Spicy Pork Tenderloin

From HCE/Triangle Cooking for a Cure Cookbook

#### INGREDIENTS

1 to 3 Tbsp chili powder  
1 tsp. salt  
¼ tsp. ground ginger  
¼ tsp. ground thyme  
¼ tsp. pepper  
2 pork tenderloins (about 1 pound each)

#### DIRECTIONS

Combine the first five ingredients; rub over tenderloins. Cover and refrigerate for 2-4 hours. Grill uncovered over medium-hot heat for 15 minutes per side or until a meat thermometer reads 160°.



# COMMUNITY PROFILE: HARLEM

Considered the heartbeat of the Milk River Valley, Harlem is home to nearly 800 people along Montana's hi-line. Harlem is a small town in North Central Montana positioned just north of the Little Rockies and adjacent to the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation.



While visiting Harlem, be sure to stop into the Clothing Company. In 2004, the Clothing Company was started as just that – simply a clothing company selling t-shirts and sweatshirts. After a few years, the screen printing part of the business took off. Today, the store provides a great, local option for customized screen printing, embroidery and vinyl lettering. The Clothing Company is truly a one-stop shop for your business or personal customized needs.

Dugan's Tire & Service has been serving the hi-line for 25 years. Dugan's provides a full array of services and products including tires, oil changes, battery options and brakes. Stop in and say hello to the crew!



The neighborhood Albertson's can be found on Main Street in Harlem. The butcher's block has a great selection of seafood and meats for residents and features an assortment of fresh produce.

The Bank of Harlem is a branch of Bank of Bridger, N.A. The Bank strives to tailor its services to its customers whether you need help with a debit card, online banking, or even changing your address. The Bank of Harlem is sure to meet all your banking needs.

EZ Mart convenience store has been a staple of the Harlem community since 1994 and is a great stop along Highway 2. Beyond the typical convenience store offerings, EZ Mart boasts a wonderful food court featuring, pizza, sub sandwiches and Mexican cuisine that is made fresh daily. You can also try your luck at the EZ Mart Casino or utilize the laundromat services. When visiting the EZ Mart, you are sure to be met with a smile and great customer service.

Another great option for all your car care needs is CarQuest just off Highway 2. CarQuest offers a variety of services including battery and wiper blade installation as well as oil changes.

Be sure to stop in and say hello to all the friendly faces in Harlem as you travel across the state!



# CEO MESSAGE

Thank you to our members and employees for another great year. Our employees go above and beyond for you, our members. This is evident by the number of members who shared kudos for employees who go above and beyond. Thank you for letting us know when you are satisfied with the services you receive from Triangle.

Triangle has also been in our communities hosting Meet & Greets at local basketball games and other community events. These events have been a great opportunity for us to continue to be part of our local communities as we hear directly from you at these events. Please make sure you stop by and visit us at these events.

We are proud to be part of the communities we serve and the impact we are making in those communities with scholarship opportunities, economic development opportunities and improving technology through Triangle's fiber network.

Winter has put a halt to our Fiber to the Home construction projects. The Moore and South Malta exchanges were upgraded to fiber in 2022. Due to boulders and weather, we were unable to complete our Big Timber town and the Whispering Pines projects and have had to move them into the 2023 construction season. The scheduled 2023 Fiber to the Home projects in 2023 will be South Chester, Geraldine and additional projects around Big Timber. The Hays and Lodgepole fiber upgrades are on hold until the Ft Belknap Indian Community Council gives Triangle the needed Right of Way to complete the entire existing service area of Hays and Lodgepole.

As always, stay healthy and stay safe!



Craig Gates  
General Manager/CEO

**MONTANA-SIZED BEEF!**

A stylized silhouette of a cow is formed by various beef cuts, including: CHEEK, TONGUE, NECK, CHUCK, RIB, SHORT, TENDERLOIN, TOP, SIRLOIN, BOTTOM, SIRLOIN, BRISKET, PLATE, FLANK, SHANK, and ROAST. The cow is wearing green boots.

**A Chance to win a Free quarter 4-H beef!**

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# AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM (ACP)

The Affordable Connectivity Program is a Federal Communications Commission program that helps connect families and households struggling to afford internet service.

## THE ACP BENEFIT PROVIDES:

- Up to \$30/month discount for internet service.
- Up to \$75/month for households on qualifying Tribal lands.

## A HOUSEHOLD IS ELIGIBLE IF A MEMBER MEETS AT LEAST ONE OF THE CRITERIA BELOW:

- Has an income that is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.
- Participates in certain assistance programs such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC or Lifeline.
- Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations.
- Is approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including

through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision in the 2019-2020, 2020-2021, or 2021-2022 school year.

- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year.

## THREE-STEPS TO ENROLL:

1. To apply, go to [AffordableConnectivity.gov](https://AffordableConnectivity.gov) or print out a mail-in application.
2. Once your application is approved, contact Triangle at 1-800-332-1201 with your Qualifying ID Number.
3. Complete the forms the customer service representative emails you to select Triangle as your provider.

If you are having issues with Triangle Communications regarding an ACP-supported service or having difficulties enrolling with Triangle Communications, please contact our office or stop by for assistance. Additional discounts may be available through the Federal Lifeline program. Members may qualify for and receive assistance from both federal programs.

For more information, contact the FCC's Consumer Complaint Center at 888-CALL-FCC (888-225-5322) or visit [consumercomplaints.fcc.gov](https://consumercomplaints.fcc.gov).

## AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

helps low-income households pay  
for Broadband service



learn more at [www.itstriangle.com/acp-info](https://www.itstriangle.com/acp-info)



# TRIANGLE COMMUNITY SUPPORT

As a cooperative, Triangle Communications (Triangle) is proud to be part of the communities we serve. Triangle is making an impact on our communities through scholarship opportunities, community events, and by providing improved technology through our expanding fiber network.

Each year, Triangle offers up to 37 high school and six college scholarships for \$1,000 each. The deadline to apply is April 1st. If you know a high school senior in Triangle's serving area, please encourage them to apply.

Through Triangle's Technology in Education Program, monetary support is awarded to schools and youth groups in the Triangle service areas. Funds can be used to purchase technology equipment, supplies, services, training or to improve efficiencies achieved by enhancing or upgrading current technology. Schools may apply for up to \$1,500 each school year.

To learn more about these opportunities and apply online, visit the Education Support section of the Community page at [www.itstriangle.com](http://www.itstriangle.com).

## TRIANGLE MEET & GREETs

Triangle Communications employees have been attending High School Basketball games across our serving areas. The meet and greets are scheduled for games where both schools are in Triangle's service area. We have enjoyed meeting with our members and cheering on our member student athletes.



## THOUSANDS IN SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED EACH YEAR!



### EARN \$1,000 OR MORE!

**Triangle \$1,000 Scholarships**  
Up to 37 high school & 6 college scholarships. Applicant must be a subscriber or a dependent of a subscriber.  
**Due April 1st.**

APPLY TODAY at  
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# SCAM OF THE WEEK:

## REAL FACEBOOK PAGE, FAKE FACEBOOK SUPPORT

Facebook pages are typically used by organizations and public figures to connect with their community. Anyone can make a Facebook page, even cybercriminals. Using social media, cybercriminals spoof brands and organizations to trick people into trusting them. In this recent scam, cybercriminals use real Facebook pages to impersonate Facebook itself.

The scam starts with a fake email that looks like it's from Facebook. The email states that your account has been deactivated and will be deleted in 48 hours unless you click a link. If you click the link, you're taken to a real Facebook post from a page named "Page Support" that uses the Facebook logo. The post directs you to click another suspicious link that takes you to a fake login page. If you enter your login credentials, you'll

give cybercriminals access to your Facebook profile and the ability to scam your friends and family.

Don't be fooled! Follow the tips below to stay safe from similar scams:

- Watch out for a sense of urgency in emails. Phishing attacks rely on impulsive actions, so always think before you click.
- Remember that this type of attack isn't exclusive to Facebook. Cybercriminals could use this technique on any other social media platform.
- If you receive an urgent notification, verify that it's legitimate. Navigate directly to the organization's website or official app to view details.



# PROTECT YOURSELF FROM SPOOFING CALLS

Have you ever answered a phone call or text because you know the name on the caller ID only to find out that is not the person on the other end? The caller starts asking you for personal information and to identify that your number is an active line. They might start pressuring you for information. This is called spoofing. According to the FCC, "Spoofing is when a caller deliberately falsifies the information transmitted to your caller ID display to disguise their identity."

Scammers take advantage of victims by playing on their fears. Hang up if you suspect a call is a scam. Scammers also spoof mobile numbers using them to text scams. The FCC has recently received reports of COVID-19 text scams. Be wary of texts advertising a COVID-19 cure, free testing for COVID-19 and pharmacy scams.

Here are a few tips to avoid being spoofed:

- Scammers can spoof phone numbers, emails, and texts.
- Be suspicious. Scammers will try to pressure you, use intimidation, or make the offer sound too good to be true.

- Do not respond to calls or texts from unknown numbers or emails if they seem suspicious.
- Do not click on links in text messages.
- Be suspicious of offers asking for insurance or doctor information.
- Do not let anyone pressure you to share information or to make a payment immediately.
- If the caller says they represent a company or government agency. Hang up and call the number on your account statement or check their website.
- Scammers target seniors so make sure you warn parents and grandparents.

If you have been a victim of a spoofing scam, report it to the FCC on their website, [www.fcc.gov](https://www.fcc.gov).

# SWAP AND SHOP

Welcome to our Swap and Shop! Feel free to post and find classifieds from other members!

Check out the current version online at [www.itstriangle.com/swap-and-shop](http://www.itstriangle.com/swap-and-shop)! Ads submitted online are usually added within **2 to 3 business days**. Due to print deadlines and space available, some ads may appear in the next magazine.

**Triangle Communications is offering the following items for sale to the public:**

## **Continental Conti Hybrid Tires For Sale**

6 each Continental Conti Hybrid HS3 225/70R19.5 tires. \$600 for a set or \$100 per tire. Only driven 10 miles. Call 406.394.2879 for more information.

## **Hankook Smart Flex Tires For Sale**

14 each Hankook Smart flex DH 35 225/70R19.5, 4 each Hankook Smart flex AH 225/70R19.5. \$600 for a set of 6 or \$100 per tire. Driven approximately 5,000 miles. Call 406.394.2879.

## **Pirelli Scorpion ATR Tires For Sale**

8 each Pirelli Scorpion ATR 265/70R17. \$400 for a set or \$100 per tire. Only driven 10 miles. Call 406.394.2879 for more information.

## **2015 GMC Sierra 3500 SLE For Sale**

One ton crew cab with 4-wheel drive, gas engine with 183,000 miles. Asking \$22,000. Can be sold with fiberglass utility service body \$4,500.

## **2013 GMC Sierra SLE For Sale**

Crew cab diesel with 4-wheel drive. Has 230,00 miles. Needs new injection pump/injector. Comes with fiberglass utility box and pickup box. Asking \$8,000. Call 406.394.2879 for more information.

## **Fifth Wheel Hitch For Sale**

Fifth wheel hitch in great condition. Manufactured by RBW Industries, model LR-1000. Asking \$200, call 406.945.3651.

## **John Deere For Sale**

John Deere 60 wide front. Call 406.326.2287.

## **Farm Equipment For Sale**

CIH 9280, 5500 hrs, very good 24.5-32 tires. CIH 1680 Combine 4500 hrs, very good 30.5-32 tires. CIH SRX 160 Sprayer with 1600 Gallon tank, 134' booms, 10x70 swing away auger. Call 406.398.5593 or 406.265.0937.

## **John Deere Single Hitch\***

John Deere Single hitch for 9400 or 9450 Grain Drill. Asking \$200, call 406.292.3680.

## **Restorable Vehicles**

Many older model restorable vehicles. Call 406.395.4611 to see.

## **Miscellaneous Household Items**

Monarch electric and wood cook stove, solid teak wood dining table and chairs with casters, old banjo needs tuning and heavy water heat radiators (2) 6 footers and (1) 3-footer. Call 406.395.4611.

## **Boat and Motors for Sale**

11-foot aluminum boat with 2 outboard motors, a 6hp two-stroke outboard motor, and a 2 hp two-stroke outboard motor. Includes fuel tank and oars. Best offer, call 406.669.3333 (no texts, landline only please).

## **Dutchman 5th Wheel Toy Hauler**

Two slides, generator, microwave, roof air, 10-foot walled-off garage with tie-down rails and awning. Turn key with dishes, silverware, pots and pans, and some blankets. Stored inside, non-smoking and very clean older owners. Or without any extras. Asking \$28,900 offers or will possibly consider trades. Call 406.265.0990.

## **1985 Versatile Blade**

1985 Versatile 5000 blade, 35.5 ft. Asking \$2,500, call 406.378.3212.

## **Misc Items For Sale**

Weight Bench with weights, \$300; Older piano; Bull Frog Hot Tub, needs repairs, \$200, call 406.378.3212.

## **Tin Lizzie Sewing Machine**

Tin Lizzie 18 Long arm sewing machine and 10-foot Gracie frame, \$5500 or best offer. Call 406.292.3663.

## **Steel Headache Rack**

Steel headache rack for full-size Chevy pickup truck. Steel stock pen with full wood floor that fits full-size pickup bed (up sliding gate). Please call to inquire and schedule to view. Reasonable offers are encouraged, Call 406.390.3522.

## **RYOBI Miter Saw\***

10" RYOBI Compound Miter saw in excellent shape. Call 406.759.5551.

## **Farm Equipment For Sale**

CIH 1680 Combine 4500 hours near new 30.5x32 tires. CIH SRX 160 sprayer 134ft booms, sprayair 10x70 swing away auger, two 30ft Honey Bee Heapers 1280 mount, CIH Trimble 750, E-Z Steer. Call 406.398.5593 or 406.265.0937 for pricing and more information.

*\*indicates photo available to view on the website version.*

Swap & Shop is a classified advertising section of the Triangle Communications and Hill County Electric websites and newsletters. It is maintained as a service to customers and communities wanting to buy, sell and announce non-commercial items. To have an ad included, simply enter all the pertinent information on the online form. An administrator will review the information within two business days and if approved, the ad will then appear. It will stay online for 60 days unless you notify us to remove or change it. It will also appear in any of the newsletters printed during that 60 day window. Triangle reserves the right to abbreviate ads and if the section is full, we will display ads on a first come, first-served basis. If you're unable to enter your ad online you may mail or e-mail it to us using the contact info inside the front cover of this magazine. Happy swapping and shopping!

# MAKING SURE YOUR PAYMENT IS APPLIED CORRECTLY

Each day Triangle receives large number of payments. Once the payments are opened and sorted by company, the bill statements accompanied by checks are run through a machine which reads the statement and the check. This process allows us to post payments to our members' accounts quickly.

Here a few other tips to making sure your payment can be processed quickly:

Enclose the payment stub with your payment.

- Please **DO NOT** staple, tape or paper clip your payment to the payment stub. Staples and tape can cause problems with the machine and those payments must be processed separately.
- If there are special instructions for your payment(s), please make note on the payment stub or write a note on a piece of paper but DO NOT attach to the stub.
- Please use blue or black pen. Other colors can not be read by our payment processor.

- Phone, Internet and mobile phone payments can be paid with one check, but please send the payment stubs or write all the account numbers on the memo line on your check.
- If you are paying an amount different than what is on the stub, please be sure to write the amount you want applied to the account on the stub.
- Hill County Electric payments must be paid by a separate check.



## MYSTERY PHOTO AND TELCO QUIZ

**WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE NEXT MONTH.**

Due to the mix up with the Nov/Dec KYC Mystery Photo and Telco Quiz, four winners were drawn this month. Congratulations to Rose Schindler, Tammy Fortney, Kay Miller and Bret Peigneux who were randomly drawn to receive a \$25 credit on their next Triangle bill.

Try your luck with this issue's quiz and mystery photo shown on the right.



### TWO CHANCES TO WIN!

1. What is spoofing according to the FCC?

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2. Mystery Photo (right):

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My Name: \_\_\_\_\_

My Triangle Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Yes!** I want to receive e-mail notifications about special events or deals in my area.

My e-mail address is: \_\_\_\_\_

*Entries must be received by February 15, 2023 to be eligible for the drawing. Please return this slip with your payment or mail to: Newsletter, Triangle Communications, PO Box 1220, Havre MT 59501. You can also submit your answers at [www.itstriangle.com/telco-quiz](http://www.itstriangle.com/telco-quiz).*





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