



Tammy's Top Ten on Tuesday November 7, 2017

- 1. It's Election Day!** Hopefully by the time you receive this, you have returned your ballot. If not, there's still time. Just stop by the Exhibition Hall at the Fairgrounds before 8 pm today.
- 2. Mermaids Among Us!** The GFHS Drama Department will be presenting the *Little Mermaid* musical for six different showings: November 9-11 and November 16-18, all at 7:30 pm except for November 18 which will be a matinee at 1 pm. The shows will be presented on the stage of the beautiful Great Falls High School Auditorium. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for students, & \$6 for children under 10.
- 3. Winter Weather Awareness.** In case you haven't noticed, winter has arrived! That means we all need to be very careful driving in our neighborhoods and around our schools. There are *Winter Weather Tips* and *Winter Safety Tips* on the Student Safety webpage: www.gfps.k12.mt.us/students/safety. There's also a whole section on how GFPS handles school disruptions. There's even a Refrigerator Note that you can print off so you have the information at your fingertips. Check it out!
- 4. Good Luck, Lady Bison!** They will be representing the Electric City at the State Volleyball Tournament this week in Bozeman. You can check out the bracket here: <http://www.mhsa.org/page/show/2173436-post-season-tournaments>. We wish the girls, coaches, parents and fans safe travels and a great tournament!
- 5. Making Music.** Congratulations to all the bands, choirs and orchestras that just finished their fall concerts! I hope you had a chance to attend one or more of these wonderful shows. Speaking of wonderful, the CMR and GFHS marching bands combined at the crosstown halftime for an excellent patriotic show! Congratulations to all! Next up, holiday concerts!
- 6. It's College Application Week.** This week, most Montana colleges either waive or defer application fees in an effort to help seniors apply to some type of post high school program including certificate programs, two-year programs, and four-year degree programs. You can find out more about this as well as a variety of other future focused information for high school students and their parents in the fall Visions Newsletter: www.gfps.k12.mt.us/sites/default/files/2017VisionsDraft.pdf.
- 7. Thank You, Veterans.** For 98 years, Americans have remembered those who served our country in uniform on November 11, first as Armistice Day, and then, since 1954, as Veterans Day. In this 99th year of commemoration, GFPS extends its most sincere appreciation to both Veterans and Military Families. Just two weeks ago at the crosstown football game, GFPS rededicated Memorial Stadium in the memory of those who served our country in time of war and paid the ultimate sacrifice for their service, with special thanks to all Veterans. Memorial Stadium was originally dedicated on Armistice Day in 1930 in the memory of ten former GFHS students who fought in WWI and died in service to our country. GFPS thanks the 150 Veterans who joined us on October 27 for the rededication ceremony.
- 8. Truck Raffle Fundraiser a Huge Success!** The GFPS Foundation raised a total of \$120,490 to support GFPS students. \$66,918 will be presented to student groups and organizations as they receive \$6 from each ticket sold. The remaining \$53,572 is retained by the Foundation for Discovery Grants and other educational opportunities. Doug Egan was the winner of the 2018 Toyota Tacoma, donated by City Motors. The winner of the \$1,000 gift certificate donated by North40 was Jim Britton.
- 9. C.M. Russell Documentary Viewing.** On September 9th, over 1,000 Russell fans attended the World Premiere of the Montana PBS film, *C.M. Russell and the American West* at the Mansfield Theatre. If you missed it, you can view the Montana PBS broadcast of it over three nights: Monday-Wednesday, November 13-15, from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. This is a great opportunity to learn more about this famous Montanan while sitting in your own easy chair!

10. Board Meetings: The next regular Board meeting is on Monday, November 13 at 5:30 at the District Office Building, 1100 4th St. S. The agenda and supporting information will be posted this Thursday, November 10 at this link: <http://www.gfps.k12.mt.us/content/meeting-agendas>. Of note will be the appointment for the vacant trustee position.

I hope you enjoyed my Top Ten on Tuesday! The next release is scheduled for November 21, 2017.

Take care. Be well. Stay safe.

Tammy L. Lacey
Superintendent

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