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Greetings Gentlemen,

Extended thanx for opening your doors to your Ravalli public to visit with Rep. Gianforte.

As a follow-up to my local concerns expressed during that meeting, and FYI, Big Timber is having their annual parade, rodeo, and other events on Saturday June 27th. The DAR and SAR are going to be a part of the parade submitting two floats. One with the new USS Montana submarine and the other with a mockup of a Revolutionary War Army camp. The parade starts at 2PM and the staging for it starts at the high school. The parade will go down the main street of Big Timber which is McCloud St. As you are aware, Stevensville City Counsel, by contrast, has closed its doors to the public and has removed the public from their "public" meeting held in the "Public Library." They have shut down the annual Creamery Picnic, Flag day, and any 4th of July activities - a remarkable difference from the protocol you Commissioners set. But, perhaps the city of Stevensville is beyond your jurisdiction...

Also, on this July 4th, at Fort Missoula, (yes, even Missoula County) SAR & DAR accepted an invitation from the Historical Museum to engage with "signing of the Declaration of Independence" and a static display of a of a Revolutionary War Army camp and other interactions beginning ay 9AM.

I am working with a teacher in Ravalli County who will be teaching the "Constitution and Revolutionary War" next school year. She will dress as the Queen of England and some of our uniformed Sons of the American Revolution members will be making presentations.

Perhaps seeing what others around us are doing will influence Ravalli County towns including Stevensville to return to being a "full" Montana town, like our potential "full" county fair, rather than mimicking New York or California and eating from the Governor's pig trough... until he can be replaced.

(I hope this doesn't look like an article for our newspapers.)

*Joyfully,*  
TC



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