

# 2020 WHITEHALL FRONTIER DAYS



FRIDAY, JULY 24 AND SATURDAY, JULY 25  
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# Hometown History: Frontier Days this week

It's once again time for the annual Frontier Days celebration in Whitehall.

The annual event is scheduled for July 24 and 25 in downtown Whitehall.

While the event may look different in 2020, organizers have been working hard to put together an event that can bring the community together, while still utilizing social distancing.

The Chamber will be enhancing cleaning and sanitation at events and asks those partner entities who sponsor events, as well as the general public, do the same.

The event will kick off Friday, July 24 with Vendors on Legion from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Historical tours are scheduled for 1, 3, and 5 p.m., the Chamber/Golden Sunlight Mine Barbecue is set for 4 to 6 p.m. at the GSM Pavilion. Bingo is scheduled for 6:30, also at the pavilion.

A busy Saturday is scheduled to start with Vendors on Legion from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Barrel Racing at the Rodeo Grounds at 8:30 a.m.

The annual Mark Jordan Horseshoe Tournament is set to start at 9 a.m., and the "Home-

town History" parade will take place at 11 a.m. on Legion Avenue.

The Museum Gab Fest will take place from Noon to 4 p.m., Historic Tours are scheduled at the Jefferson Valley Museum at 1, 3, and 5 p.m., and the Ranchers Roundup is slated for 6:30 p.m.

A free movie is slated for the theater at 1 and 4 p.m.

As a final note, please consider giving 2-4 hours of your time over this weekend to ensure these events happen! This year will require more volunteers than ever to comply with the plans we have submitted to the Jefferson County Health Board. You can commit a small portion of your day and then enjoy the festivities with your friends and family. Masks and gloves will be available for all volunteers and will be required for certain duties at certain events.

The Whitehall Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors would like to thank our members, our community, and our county for their support at this time.

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The parade is always a hit at Frontier Days. File photo



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# FRONTIER DAYS

JULY 24 & 25

## FRIDAY

VENDORS ON LEGION 10AM-5PM \*

HISTORIC TOURS 1/3/5/7PM \* CHAMBER BBQ 4PM-6PM~GSM PAVILION

BINGO 6:30PM~ GSM PAVILION \* HISTORIC TOURS 1/3/5PM~MUSEUM

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\* VENDORS ON LEGION 8 AM-5PM

## SATURDAY

BARREL RACE 8:30AM~ RODEO GROUNDS \* ANNUAL MARK JORDAN HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT 9AM

"HOMETOWN HISTORY" PARADE 11AM~LEGION \* MUSEUM GAB FEST 12-4PM

HISTORIC TOURS 1/3/5PM~MUSEUM \* RANGERS ROUND UP 6:30PM

FREE MOVIE 1PM/4PM~ THEATER

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# HOMETOWN HISTORY

**Schedule is subject to change**

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The Whitehall Frontier Days parade is fun for all ages. Ledger photo by Melissa Jenkins

## Parade slated for July 25

With a theme of "Hometown History" the 2020 Frontier Days parade is scheduled for Saturday, July 25 at 11 a.m.

Whitehall Chamber Past President Melissa Jenkins said organizers wanted to pick a theme that could highlight the rich history of Whitehall.

"I think this theme has a wide variety of different ways to showcase that. It should make for some interesting and awesome floats," she said.

The Grand Marshals of the 2020 Fronteri Days parade are the volunteers of the Jefferson Valley Museum.

While the deadline has passed, late entries will be accepted, but will be put at the back of the parade.

There are four categories in this year's parade are commercial/business, non-commercials, animal and youth. The parade route will proceed west on Legion from D Street to Stanley and disband across from Family Dollar. The parade will not make a return trip down Legion.

Please email the chamber at whitehallchambermt@gmail.com for more information.

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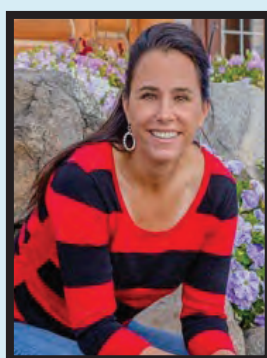
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## 2020 Schedule of Events

### Friday, July 24

10 AM to 5 PM - Vendors on Legion  
 1, 3, 5 PM Historic Tours, Museum  
 4 PM to 6 PM -- Whitehall Chamber/Golden Sunlight Mine BBQ @ GSM Pavilion  
 6:30 PM -- Bingo @ GSM Pavilion

### Saturday, July 25

8 AM to 5 PM -- Vendors on Legion  
 8:30 AM -- Barrel Racing @ Whitehall Rodeo Grounds  
 9 AM -- Annual Mark Jordan Horseshoe Tournament  
 11 AM -- Hometown History Parade on Legion Avenue  
 Noon to 4 PM -- Museum Gab Fest  
 1, 3, 5 PM Historic Tours @ Museum  
 1 & 4 PM -- Free Movie @ Star Theater  
 6:30 PM -- Ranchers Round Up Rodeo @ Rodeo Grounds

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4603. They will be our BINGO callers once again. We are still looking for a few volunteers to help out. If you are interested please contact us. Simple duties include collecting money, BINGO cards and handing out prizes. Disclaimer: COVID-19

symptom checks are required of all volunteers.

## Tickets available for 2020 Frontier Days Ranchers Roundup Rodeo

Tickets are currently on sale for the 2020 Whitehall Frontier Days Ranchers Roundup Rodeo.

The rodeo is scheduled for Friday, July 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the Whitehall Rodeo Grounds.

According to Chamber organizers, a limited amount of tickets will be sold, so they are encouraging local residents to purchase tickets.

The cost for tickets is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids. There is no cost for children under 8.

To purchase tickets please visit the chamber at 501 N. Whitehall Street, call 406-287-2260, or email whitehallmtchamber@gmail.com



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The Jefferson Valley Museum is hosting the annual “Gab Fest” and Historical Tours During Frontier Days

# Museum offering variety of activities

by Arlene Weber  
Museum Board Secretary

To help celebrate the Jefferson Valley Museum’s 25th year, a variety of activities are planned for the remainder of this season. Starting on July 20th and through September 1st, visitors can enter a contest to name the Jefferson Valley tortoise fossil. The large fossil is believed to have been unearthed south of town during plowing in the early to mid-twentieth century. A prize will be awarded to the person whose name suggestion is selected. The prize will be announced at a later date.

During Frontier Days, the museum will host their annual Gab Fest; but this year it will be under the guidelines set forth by the county health department. Most of the Gab Fest will be held outdoors (weather permitting) where people have extra room to spread out and the number of visitors inside the museum at any one time will be controlled. The historic tours will be offered on Friday and Saturday afternoon of Frontier Days at 1:00, 3:00, and 5:00 p.m. each day. The cost is \$5.00 per person, per tour and money from ticket sales will be donated to Whitehall Public Transportation to help cover the cost of using one of their vehicles. Tickets can be purchased at the museum beginning Monday, July 20th between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. There is a limit of 10 guests per tour and each person will be asked to wear a face covering while on the bus. This year the tour will include some of the historic homes and buildings in town along with a visit to the old Whitehall Cemetery and a walking tour of the current Whitehall Cemetery. Participants will have a chance to learn more about many of the people who helped settle our valley and grow the town of Whitehall.

The museum board met on July 2nd and is still considering when to hold the postponed annual meeting. If it can be held, an August or September date is likely. Also discussed at the board meeting was how the museum could be involved in helping to develop a Western Heritage Center in Whitehall. Tom Harrington and Leonard Wortman attended the meeting and explained plans for a center that will focus on Cowboy/Cowgirl life and rodeos.

The museum, located at 303 South Division, is open for exploring our area history Tuesday through Sunday from noon to 4:00 p.m. and the office is open on most Mondays from 1:00 PM to 3:30 or 4:00 p.m. The final day of the 2020 season will be Tuesday, September 15th. Only volunteers staff the museum and local people who would be interested in helping are encouraged to stop by the office and learn more about where help is needed.

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# Organizers hoping Frontier Days can be leader in ‘new normal’

Organizers of Frontier Days believe Whitehall has the opportunity to be a leader in demonstrating the new normal. As one of the first communities to hold a large-scale event, there is a lot of pressure for positive outcomes. As a community, let's join together and show Montana what we are made of!

Current announcements include some cancellations. Certain events

seem difficult to social distance at, have at-risk populations as the main participants or require more than sponsoring groups are able to commit to at this time. We hope to see all of these events come back in 2021 and ask that you continue to support everyone who has to make these difficult decisions. Currently, Rocky Mountain Bank BBQ on Friday is cancelled. The Whitehall Chamber

of Commerce/Golden Sunlight Mine BBQ will move to Friday in the early evening and will be followed immediately by BINGO. Friday is a great day to see the Vendors in the Park and visit your local businesses and support them. This will be a quiet and laid-back day. The Fireman's Breakfast for Saturday has been cancelled. Horseshoes and Vendors will both be in the park Saturday and

then we will see the parade happen and can again visit vendors, but the Jefferson Valley Art Show and the Rod Run are both cancelled. When you are done browsing the Vendors as need to beat the heat before you attend the Rodeo, stop in to one of our local businesses to cool off while you see the great things they have to offer!



Chamber Board member Kara Osborne volunteers at last year's Chamber/GSM BBQ. This year's event has been moved to Friday at 4:00 p.m. File photo



Horseshoe action is set to begin Saturday at 9 a.m. File photo

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