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## The September Round Up amount of \$169.36 went to Santa's Workshop.

Santa's Workshop was started in 1997 by Arlene Hughes, the Art Council President at the time. They serve anywhere from 70-110 children each year, and about 20 volunteers help with the event.

"Santa's Workshop was FUN! I "maded" a real snowman with a circle nose and circle eyes. Then I pounded some wood. Then I made a real live candy cane. I wish I got to make a coffee cup for my dad, because he needs to drink more coffee."

From a 4-year-old participant



# Pumpkin Patch Trivia 1) What do you call a man who practices witchcraft? 2) Who wrote the 1818 classic book "Frankenstein"? 3) What is another name for a large kettle or boiler? 4) What actress played Laurie Strode in the 1978 movie "Halloween"? 5) What percentage of Americans pretend they're not home on Halloween? 6) Which first lady was the first to decorate the White House for Halloween? 7) Which US state produces the most pumpkins? 8) What year was the song "Monster Mash" released? 9) What is having a fear of Halloween called? 10) What is the most popular Halloween candy? 11) What was the original purpose of bobbing for apples on Halloween? 12) What was the original name of candy corn? 13) Which famous magician actually died on Halloween?

BroadbandMT awarded its second annual Rural Education Scholarship to Danielle Fry, a third year preschool teacher at Lincoln Public Schools, at the 2023 Education and Literacy Institute, an annual conference of educators where the goal is to, "ensure all children thrive and have the opportunity to grow".

BroadbandMT's Rural Education Fund was created to help recruit and retain quality educators in rural schools in Montana. Each BroadbandMT member selects a teacher candidate from their rural service area and a final winner is chosen from that pool. The winning teacher is awarded \$1,500, and the scholarship is renewed for two additional years - for a total of \$4,500 over three years. Additionally, LincTel Communications is matching BroadbandMT's 2023 stipend for Ms. Fry.

Ms. Fry is a preschool teacher who also coaches basketball and volleyball at Lincoln Public School. She grew up in Lincoln—attending school there and obtaining her degree in Education at the University of Montana Western in Dillon. After she graduated, she returned to Lincoln to student teach and jumped at the chance to apply when a preschool position opened at the Lincoln School. Ms. Fry cherishes the rural school values, having been taught in one herself. The small class size is a great aspect, she says. "I have had classes that were 10, 6, and now 8 students. I get to know each of them really well. I have the opportunity to understand them on a much more personal level and in that, I am a better teacher for them". Rural schools can't be as competitive in teacher salaries as more urban school can. "If I were awarded

with this scholarship, it would help me stay in this community", said Ms. Fry.



## **Congratulations Danielle**

Thank you for all you do for our children and our community.





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