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## **President Kinnison wants readers to review Whitney insert**

Editor:

Once again on Wednesday there will be an insert in The Sheridan Press. I hope that all of Sheridan will be able to gain information about the Whitney Benefits Foundation.

After Wednesday you can pick up a copy of the insert at the Whitney Benefits office at 245 Broadway. Also, please visit our Web site at [www.whitneybenefits.org](http://www.whitneybenefits.org).

For information about other foundations in Sheridan, visit [www.GuideStar.org](http://www.GuideStar.org) on the Internet.

Edward Whitney, who passed away in 1917, was an extraordinary man, and his legacy continues to live in the Sheridan community through the Whitney Benefits Foundation.

Mr. Whitney bequeathed to the foundation \$800,000 in assets. The foundation is governed by 13 volunteer trustees. In 1994 the foundation has grown to \$7.6 million.

With the leadership of the late Henry Burgess and the board of trustees, Whitney Benefits was awarded a coal settlement from the federal government on Sept. 15, 1995, in the amount of \$65 million.

With the settlement, the Whitney Benefits Foundation book assets in 1995 totaled \$72.6 million. In the last 10 years, first through the leadership of Tim Barnes and currently Kim Love, the Whitney Foundation has grown the assets to \$108 million.

However, not only has the foundation increased in assets, but Whitney Benefits has distributed over \$34 million in the last 10 years to the Sheridan community.

On behalf of the board of trustees and staff, I again invite you to review the insert in Wednesday's Sheridan Press.

**Tom Kinnison, President  
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