

Sidney Chamber Of Commerce Prizes Awarded For Stroll & Parade Winners

The holiday season commenced in Sidney on Friday night, Nov. 25, with the annual Christmas Stroll and Parade of Lights.

Prizes were awarded in the Soup Contest, held at Restorx, by a People's Choice ballet. Tying for first place was Katy Daley with White Chicken Chili, and Ethel Schultz with Nefla. Both received \$75 in Chamber Bucks.

The Parade of Lights awards were selected for three categories. Chosen for Best Use of Theme was Anchor Drilling, Best Use of Lights to the USDA, and Most Creative to Peggy Ann Strupp. All contestants are members of the Sidney community.

> Right: Parade of Lights "Best Use of Theme" award winning float by Anchor Drilling. See more Christmas Stroll pictures on page 16.



Sidney Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast Set For Sunday

The Sidney Kiwanis Club is hosting a Pancake Breakfast this Sunday, Dec. 4 from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, West Main, Sidney.

Come and enjoy pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, juice and coffee for just \$6 per adults. Kids 12 and under eat free.

All proceeds will go to ROI to fund their new recycling truck.

SHS BPA Sponsoring Children's Shopping Event Dec. 3

"Watford City Celebrates A Patriotic Christmas – Honoring Heroes" This Christmas Season

Watford City's Christmas theme this year is "Watford City Celebrates A Patriotic Christmas – Honoring Our Heroes". Red, white and blue lights adorn Main Street trees.

Wake Up Santa, sponsored by the Chamber and the National Honor Society will be Saturday, Dec. 3 at 10 a.m. at the Watford City High School Commons Area. Photos with Santa will be \$5.

\$250 in Watford City bucks to be given away each Monday in December for a total of \$1000 given away. Watford City bucks can be spent at all Chamber businesses.

Christmas loans are available at First International Bank and Trust and Dakota West Credit Union through Dec. 2. Christmas dollars can be used at all Chamber businesses until Dec. 31.

The Sidney High School BPA will be sponsoring a Children's Shopping Event Saturday, Dec. 3 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Children will be allowed to shop for members of their family at a minimal charge. Gift choices will be available for all ages and members will assist the children with their shopping and wrapping.

City/County Planning Board Meeting Set For Dec. 6

A City/County Planning Board meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m.

The meeting will take place at the Richland County Extension Office Conference Room, 1499 N. Central Ave., Sidney.

To obtain a copy of the Planning Board Agenda or for more information please contact the Richland County Planner Office at 406-433-6886. There will be a coloring contest for kindergarten through 3rd grade and an essay contest for grades 4-6.

Free movies are being offered at Six Shooters Movie Hall at 1 p.m. on Saturdays, Dec. 3, 10 and 17.Tickets for the movies are free. Concessions will be available for sale. This Saturday's movie is "Polar Bear Express". Parents are encouraged to enjoy the free movies with their children. Movies will be supervised, so parents can also drop their children off and use that time to shop Watford City businesses.

Kids Shopping Night will be held Monday, Dec. 12 from 3:30-7 p.m. This event allows children to shop without mom and dad's help. Mom and Dad can help their child make a list of who they need to shop for and how much money to spend and then bring their child to their favorite store. At each participating store a clerk will help the child select, purchase and wrap their purchases.

From Dec. 12-23 a different person in the community is chosen each day to be the "Merry Christmas Elf" and give away \$25 in Watford City bucks. All you have to do is be the first person that day to wish the Merry Christmas Elf a "Merry Christmas".

Everyone is also encouraged to register for daily and weekly prize drawings offered at many of the local businesses. The Chamber also uses those names to select winners of

Peoples Congregational Church To Hold Annual Bake/Plant Sale & Auction Dec. 3

Peoples Congregational Church, 405 10th Ave. SW, Sidney, will hold its annual Bake/Plant Sale and Auction Saturday, Dec. 3.

The Bake/Plant Sale starts at 9:30 a.m. with the auction to follow at 10 a.m.

There will be all kinds of home-baked goodies and the auction will have a wide variety of handcrafted items that would make wonderful gifts for Christmas.

Everyone is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.



Thanksgiving Donations

Every year, the Richland County Tavern Association purchases the ingredients for Thanksgiving dinners which are then boxed up by Reynolds Market and distributed to needy families by the Salvation Army in Sidney. This year, 19 dinners were donated. Pictured are (L to R): Reynolds Market assistant manager Loren Kutzler, Joel Kleinsasser, Cattle-ac, Bob Burnison, Salvation Army; Ray Johnson, South 40 and Winner's Pub; and Randy Davis, Sidney Elks Lodge.



ABATE Participates In Toy Drive

The Yellowstone Chapter of ABATE (American Bikers Aiming Towards Education) looks forward to participating in the 18th annual toy drive. This community project collects new toys or cash donations to buy new toys for those who face financial hardships this holiday season. ABATE, along with the Christmas Coalition and Gifts from the Heart, last year gathered over \$3000 worth of toys for distribution among 141 families with a total of 358 children. The money for these toys came from donations from individuals, companies and businesses.

Interested people who would like to help can make donations or they can purchase a nice gift or two for children from the ages of zero through 18 years old. All gifts must be unwrapped, but people can also donate wrapping paper if they wish.

All donations will assist our local friends and neighbors in need, as the recipients of the gifts must reside in Richland County.

Those who wish to donate cash may make donations to ABATE Toy Drive, c/o Maria Hodge, PO Box 62, Crane, MT. People who purchase toys and would like pickup service may call Maria Hodge at 406-480-3597.

ABATE members thank all those who support this worthwhile endeavor during this season of giving.

Educational Series Focuses On Investments

MSU Extension is offering a series of webinars called Solid Finances focusing on financial topics and providing consumer friendly educational materials free of charge to all who want to participate. The next set of sessions will focus on investments.

Wednesday, Nov. 30 from noon-1 p.m. will be the first of four sessions at the Richland County Extension Conference Center, 1499 N. Central Ave., Sidney.

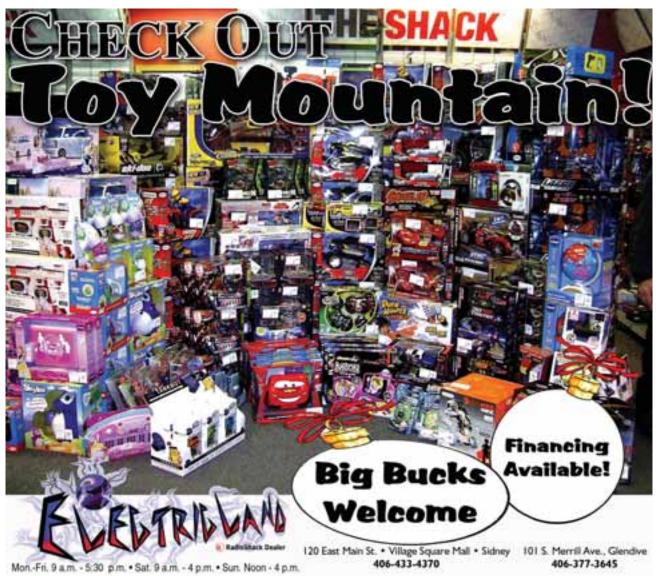
This session will help participants build an understanding of various types of investment risks that investors face every cay. Investment risks covered will include: interest rate risk, inflation risk, currency risk, liquidity risk, sociopolitical risk, management risk, credit risk and fraud.

Three future sessions will focus on personal risk tolerance and asset allocation, mutual funds and mortgages; refinancing and reversing.

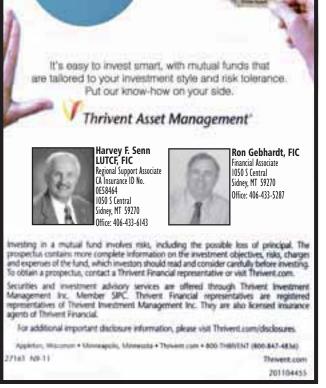
A webinar is a presentation, transported over the web and watched on a com-

puter or large screen. You can view the webinar at Richland County Extension, a host site, or on your personal computer. To sign up as an individual go to www.msuextension.org/ solidfinances/. Previously recorded sessions, printable resources and webinar schedule may be viewed at this site. Call Richland County Extension at 406-433-1206 for more information.









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A Merry Culbertson Christmas

By Jaimee Green

As the candy cane resumes its place temporarily on the top of the food pyramid and community members watch to see who will be the first to hang up their festive Christmas lights, plans are underway to celebrate a growing Culbertson tradition; the annual Christmas open house. The evening of merriment offers community members the opportunity to take in a local concert and visit fellow community members over a hot cider and tasty treats.

This year's event is taking place on Dec. 19, in downtown Culbertson with events beginning at 4 p.m.

The Lion's Club is hosting their free stew feed at the senior center from 4-6 p.m. as a way of thanking the community for their support of the Lion's Club each year. "Most of our efforts focus on youth and the community has always supported us in everything we try to do. This is something we do to show our appreciation for their support," said Edward Darr, a Lion's Club member.

He said preparations for the meal will begin as early as 9 a.m. and involve about a half a dozen people assisting throughout the event. Last year over 150 people were in attendance.

The Lion's Club does many charitable projects throughout the year including a Palm Sunday dinner, handing out flags to elementary students, a spring track meet and putting up and taking down the holiday lights downtown. First Community Bank is opening its doors from 4-6 p.m. and serving coffee, cider, meat and cheese trays and other goodies as their way of thanking the public for their dedicated patronage. "The bank employees sponsor this event every year as their way of saying thanks to their customers for their patronage. It is our hope that people will enjoy the free stew feed and then come over to the bank for dessert," said Wayne Hendrickson, branch manager. They will also be giving away bags filled with banking supplies such as calendars and calculators.

Culbertson School will be hosting their annual Christmas concerts and this year's theme is "Christmas Carols". Grades 5-12 band, choir and music classes will be performing on Dec. 1 in the school gymnasium at 7 p.m. On Dec. 19, at 7 p.m. kindergarten through 4th grade will perform their Christmas program in the old armory.

As part of the Lion's Club's participation in the open house activities, members will be handing out goodie bags for the children immediately following the concert.

Students involved in Culbertson school's Explore America program will be giving the elves up at the North Pole some competition as they will soon be mass producing their holiday cookies as part of their annual fundraising efforts. They are selling lefsa for \$8 per dozen as well as Christmas cookies. Small trays are \$18 and large trays are \$25. Trays are also on sale at the concert. To place an order, contact Linda at 406-787-6241.

Hurlbert Joins Stockman Bank As Vice President, Correspondent Banking Officer

Bill Hurlbert has joined Stockman Bank of Montana as vice president, correspondent banking officer. He will develop and maintain transactional and lending relationships with various community and regional banks. These relationships include fed funds lines, purchases and sales of loan participations, direct lending to correspondent bank customers, as well as bank stock loans and other loans to the banks and their owners.

"Stockman looks forward to expanding our longtime tradition of service to banks across the region," said Bill Coffee, CEO of Stockman Bank. "Bill Hurlbert is a great addition to our team and brings a strong banking background that will assist

cludes consumer and commercial lending, loan collection, branch administration and bank management. He recently served as senior vice president for a regional bank in Seattle, with oversight of their commercial banking department for the entire state of Washington.



Born and raised in Montana, Hurlbert earned his Bachelor of Science degree in business with an emphasis in marketing, finance and management from Montana State University Bozeman.

As a correspondent banker, Hurlbert will be a valuable resource to the continued growth of Stockman Bank. He resides in Bozeman and is located at Stockman Bank Kagy, 1815



S. 19th Ave. He may be reached at 406-556-4116.



our correspondent banks." Hurlbert brings over 33 years of banking experience to the position, which in-

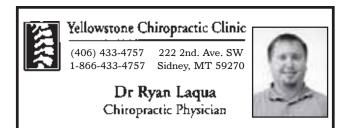
Bill Hurlbert

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JERRY STORDAHL BENEFIT SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2011 THE MIDWAY (BACK ADDITION) IN WILLISTON



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Jerry was diagnosed with a rare cancer called Mantle Cell Lymphoma in July. He has been doctoring at the Mayo Clinic and is now in need of a bone marrow transplant. This will take place in Rochester, MN starting later in December & he will need to stay for about 6 weeks.

There is a need for auction items, so if you are able to assist please call Carol - 406-478-0670 or Karen - 701-770-1700. Donations can also be sent to the "Gerald Stordahl Benefit Account" at Western Cooperative Credit Union in Williston.



Your Sidney owned MMA fight promotion. Thanking local sponsors for past support while looking forward to seeing you at our Spring 2012 fights!

Luke & Joan Gendron

Introducing "The Sharing Clothesline" Event In Watford City Dec. 8

"The Sharing Clothesline" event is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 8 from 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m. at the Watford City Civic Center.

The Sharing Clothes Line is a non-profit event involving a community of caring moms who would like to share their children's gently used clothing and household goods to help those in need within Watford City and the surrounding areas.

Greytak Calendars Are Now Available

Once again Greytak Calendars can be purchased through your local MSU Extension Office or financial institution.

Don Greytak, Havre MT, is celebrating over 25 years of drawing rural life. These realistic portraits portray rural life and will help one appreciate the history of farm and ranch families and how they lived. Many of the scenes in the yearly calendar include youth, farming and ranching, and other memorable moments in time.

Profits from the sale of each calendar benefit Montana 4-H youth, club and county programs, Montana 4-H Foundation funded programs, agriculture students and other agriculturally related student organizations in Montana. Calendars can be picked up at the Richland County Extension Office, 1499 N. Central Ave. or at your local financial institution at a cost of \$10.

OBITUARIES

Lucy May Angel, 67, Sidney, MT

Funeral services for Lucy May Angel, 67, Sidney, MT, are at 10 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Sidney, with Bishop Bart Stevens officiating.

Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, under the direction of the Fulkerson Funeral Home, Sidney.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Lucy died on Saturday morning, Nov. 26, 2011, at her sister's home in Sidney.

Austin Meyer, 3, Sidney, MT

Funeral services for Austin Meyer, 3, Sidney, MT, are pending in Bozeman, MT. Cremation will follow the services.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Austin died on Sunday, Nov. 27, 2011 at the Sidney Health Center.

Louis Frison, 80, Sidney, MT

Funeral service for Louis Frison, 80, Sidney, MT, is at 10 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 1, 2011 at the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Sidney, with Pastor David Huskamp officiating

Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home, Sidney.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com

Louis died on Sunday, Nov. 27, 2011 in Sidney, MT surrounded by his family.

STATISTICS

Lake Water Level Reports Fort Peck Sakakawea Current Elevation 1840.1

All items will be offered FREE OF CHARGE. Clothing will range in sizes infants to teens.

Household items will vary. Any monetary donations will be given to the community Food Pantry. Hope you can donate or attend. Please contact Angela Smith at oldskoglund74@ yahoo.com or Jeanne Homiston at homistos@ hotmail.com with any comments or questions.

A list of items needed:

***High Priority: winter coats, scarves, hats, mittens, snow pants, snow boots, blankets, sheets, slippers, long underwear, warm pajamas!

*All sizes of children's clothing ages infants to teens. Please have clothing laundered with no stains or holes in fabric.

*Shoes all sizes. Please have shoes cleaned and in good condition.

- NO used undergarments!
- *Toys clean and gently used.
- *Books, gently used.
- *Baby Items in good condition.
- *Kitchen and dining Items in good condition.
- *Misc. Home Goods

All items that do not find homes will be donated to the local second hand store.



SEND US YOUR EVENTS!

THE ROUNDUP: PO Box 1207, 111 West Main, Sidney, MT 59270 406-433-3306, Fax: 406-433-4114

Email: classads@esidney.com

Richland County

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone. Wed., Nov. 30

- 7 p.m. Gambler's Anonymous, Millers' Corner back room.
- Thurs., Dec. 1
 - 12 p.m. Sidney Kiwanis Club meeting, Elks Lodge. 5 p.m. — TOPS, Crestwood NW Entrance, Weigh-ins
 - 5-5:30 p.m., meeting 5:30-6 p.m.
 - 6:30 p.m. Pinochle, Moose Lodge
- 8 p.m. NA meeting, Millers' Corner banquet room. Fri., Dec. 2
- 4-8 p.m. St. Matthew's Craft Bazaar, 310 7th St. SE. Sat., Dec. 3
 - 9 a.m. Peoples Congregational Church Annual Bake/Plant Sale & Auction, 405 10th Ave. SW.
 - 9 a.m.-2 p.m. BPA Children's Shopping Event, Sidney High School Cafeteria.
 - 10 a.m. 4 p.m.- St. Matthew's Craft Bazaar, 310 7th St. SE. Lunch will be available.
 - 12:30 p.m. CPR & First Aid Training, Sidney Health Center classroom. pre-register, 488-2510.
 - 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.— AA meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church Education bldg., 214 S. Lincoln.

Sun., Dec. 4

- 7 a.m.-1 p.m.- Sidney Kiwanis Club pancake Breakfast, Masonic Hall, W. Main.
- 1 p.m. Christmas Tree of Remembrance Service, Fulkerson Funeral Home Chapel, 315 2nd St. NW.
- 7 p.m. AA meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church Education bldg., 214 S. Lincoln.
- Mon., Dec. 5
 - 12 p.m. AA meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church education bldg., 214 S. Lincoln.
 - 6:45 p.m. Bingo, St. Matthew's Parish Center multi

Benefit Dinner & Auction

Saturday, Dec. 10 Sidney Moose Club Dinner & Silent Auction 5-7 p.m. Live Auction starts 7:30 p.m.

Please join the family and friends of Luke and Joan for the benefit to help them with medical and travel expenses. Joan had to have brain surgery in February and Luke had surgery in July, finding out he has stage 4 cancer and is needing to travel to Denver for his treatments.

Anyone wanting to donate items for the Auction can call Billie Sue Dybas: 943-4031 Robyn Johnson: 798-3686 Marcy Hamburg: 776-2465 Money donations can be made at Wells Fargo Bank to Joan Gendron Benefit.

Last Week's Elev	2237.29	1840.6
One Year Ago		1842.7
Release For Day (C.F.S.)	10,000	28,500

Watford City Weather Data

Source: North	Dakota Ag	ricultural Weather Ne	twork
Date	High	Low	Precip.
Nov. 21	29	1	0.00
Nov. 22	43		0.00
Nov. 23	48		0.00
Nov. 24	64		0.00
Nov. 25	57		0.00
Nov. 26	45		0.00
Nov. 27	38		0.00

Sidney Weather Data

Source: MS	U Eastern Agricu	Itural Research	Center
Date	High	Low	Precip.
Nov. 21		3	0.00
Nov. 22	43		0.00
Nov. 23	57		0.00
Nov. 24	58		0.00
Nov. 25	49		0.00
Nov. 26	43		0.00
Nov. 27	50	17	0.00
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purpose room.

Tues., Dec. 6

7 p.m. — AA meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church education bldg.

McKenzie County

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CST Zone.

Wed., Nov. 30

6:15 p.m.— Farm/Ranch Transition Workshop. Courthouse meeting room.

7 p.m. — Pinochle Card Party, Senior Citzens Center.

8 p.m. — Al-Anon, Sanford Room, McKenzie Co. Public Library.

Thurs., Dec. 1

8 p.m. — AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride.

Fri., Dec. 2

8 p.m. — Al-Anon, Sanford Room, McKenzie Co. Public Library.

Sat., Dec. 3

10 a.m. — Wake Up Santa, WCHS Commons Area

1 p.m. — Free Movie, "Polar Bear Express", Six Shooters Movie Hall.

Tues., Dec. 6

1-4 p.m. — Dining With Diabetes, Courthouse Meeting Room.

See all monthly events on our calendar at



All About eReaders

Thirty-five people joined Becky Hayes at the Sidney-Richland County Library for "All about eReaders", a Tech Tuesday about the different types of eReaders available and how to use them to download books from Montana Library2Go, a statewide catalog of over 10,000 eBook and audio book titles. If you're thinking about an eReader for Christmas, you can join us for another session of "All about eReaders" on Dec. 13 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the library. Call the Library for more details at 433-1917, or visit us online at http:// www.richland.org/spl. Look for the "eReader How-Tos" link for step-by-step instructions and comparisons of the different models!

Marketing Assistance Loans

A Marketing Assistance Loan (MAL) is available for producers who share in the risk of producing the crop.

To be eligible, a producer must maintain continual beneficial interest in the crop from harvest through the earlier of the date the loan is repaid or CCC takes title to the commodity. Once beneficial interest in a commodity is lost, the commodity is ineligible for loaneven if the producer regains beneficial interest. Commodity loan eligibility also requires compliance with conservation and wetland protection requirements; beneficial interest requirements, acreage reporting and ensuring that the commodity meets Commodity Credit Corpora-



quality standards.

For commodities to be eligible, they must have been produced by an eligible producer, be in existence and in a storable condition and be merchantable for food, feed or other uses as determined by CCC. The quality of the commodity in farm storage

tion minimum grade and must be maintained throughout the term of the loan.

Producers do not have to participate in the Direct and Counter-Cyclical and/or ACRE Programs to be eligible for commodity loans. Violating provisions of a marketing assistance loan may trigger administrative actions, such as assessing

liquidated damages, calling the loan and denial of future farm-stored loans. The most common violations are removing or disposing of a commodity being used as loan collateral without prior authorization and providing an incorrect quantity certification.

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Bovine Connection Set For Dec 1-2

By Lois Kerr

This year's Bovine Connection, scheduled for Thursday and Friday, Dec. 1-2 in the meeting room at the MSU EARC and Extension building, 1499 N. Central Ave., Sidney, promises to provide an interesting program, complete with a variety of pertinent information for cattlemen and agribusiness people. Committee members have worked hard to provide a quality program for those who attend. Richland County Extension Agent Tim Fine points out that people will certainly benefit by attending this year's proceedings.

"The committee has obtained top notch, nationally known speakers for this event," Fine remarks. "We will offer a diverse program that includes everything from genetics and nutrition to people management to the generation gap to the discussion of the promotion of free market principles."

He adds, "We will cover a lot of topics during the twodav event."

The Bovine Connection event begins with a 9:30 a.m.





registration and welcome on Dec. 1 in the meeting room. Presentations begin at 10 a.m., with Steve Dittmer, Ag Freedom Foundation. talking on preserving free market principles. At 10:30 a.m., Bill Price will talk on global trade, followed at 11 a.m. by Charlene Rich, Montana Beef Council, discussing the new agricultural alliance made up of farmers and ranchers.

Following a noon lunch, presentations continue with John Paterson, Montana State University, discussing cattle response and behavior in relation to mineral supplements. A talk on implants will follow, and the day's educational sessions will end with an extremely important talk by Curt Pate, NCBA, on stress free livestock handling.

The Thursday session of the Bovine Connection will finish up with a banquet held at the Country Club beginning with a social at 5 p.m., followed by dinner at 6 p.m. Steve Dittmer with the Agribusiness Freedom Foundation will give the address following dinner.

The Friday, Dec. 2 session of the Bovine Connection convenes at 9:30 a.m. Friday morning at the Extension office meeting room. At 10 a.m., Robin Thorstenson, Bismarck State College program manager and trainer, will discuss the power of persuasion. At 11 a.m., Jim Robb, Livestock Marketing Information Center, will talk about the market update and outlook. Willy Altenberg will finish the morning sessions with an A.I. industry update.

Following a 12:45 p.m. lunch, the afternoon session will lead off with a discussion on DNA testing, followed by the return of Thorstenson to talk about generational issues. Bill Bowman, AGI president, will wrap it all up and tie together the information presented at the two-day session.

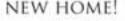
"We have an excellent program lined up," Fine concludes. "I invite all cattle people, cattle industry people, and those interested in the cattle business to attend this two-day event."

The Bovine Connection proceedings will cost participants \$40 per individual or \$75 per couple. Tickets may be purchased at the Richland County Extension office. This fee includes two days of proceedings and the Thursday evening banquet.

Anyone wishing to just attend the banquet may purchase a banquet ticket for \$25 per individual. These tickets are also available at the Extension office.

Richland Co. Real Property Taxes & Mobile Home Taxes Due Nov. 30

The Richland County Treasurer would like to remind taxpayers that the first payment of 2011 real property taxes and second payment of mobile home taxes are due by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 30.



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For your convenience, payment drop boxes are located at the west end of the alley by the library and in the courthouse lobby. Credit card payments are accepted online at www.officialpayments.com. A convenience fee is charged for online payments. Tax payments postmarked or brought to the Treasurer's office after 5 p.m. on Nov. 30, 2011 will be assessed penalty and interest charges according to MCA 15-16-101. Please call 433-1707 with any questions.

BPA Selling Holiday Goodie Trays

BPA of Sidney will be selling a large assortment of holiday cookies, candies, bars, etc. Delivery will be the week of December 19, 2011. Cost is \$25 for 12" tray and \$35 for 16" tray. Payment is due upon delivery. Orders may be mailed to: BPA, c/o Elaine Stedman, Sidney High School, 1012 Fourth Ave SE, Sidney, MT 59270. Orders can be called in at 433-2330 or emailed to Elaine Steadman @ Sidney.k12.mt.us.

Sidney Area Receives \$43,172 Through **Thrivent Choice Dollars**

Thrivent Choice lets members show their care for our community.

ney area have now received \$43,172 through the Thrivent Choice Dollars[™] program since its inception in July 2010. Approximately nine Lutheran organizations in the Sidney area have benefited from the good will of Thrivent Financial members.

The program allows eligible Thrivent Financial for Lutherans' members to recommend how a portion of Thrivent Financial's charitable funds are distributed. Nationwide, nearly \$50 million in funding has been directed to 18,000 Lutheran congregations and organizations through the program.

"Seeing Thrivent Financial members influence how charitable dollars are given to the community where they live, work and play is rewarding," said Harvey Senn, LUTCF, FIC who serves the Sidney area. "Hearing the stories about how the funding is making a difference in the lives of so many validates the success of Thrivent Choice."

In 2010, Thrivent Financial and its members contributed, raised and donated more than \$135 million to help congregations, communities and nonprofit organizations. Thrivent Choice is one of many ways that Thrivent Financial gives back. To learn more about the Thrivent Choice program, visit www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice.

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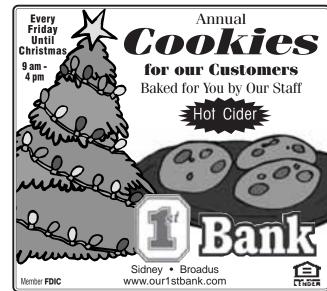
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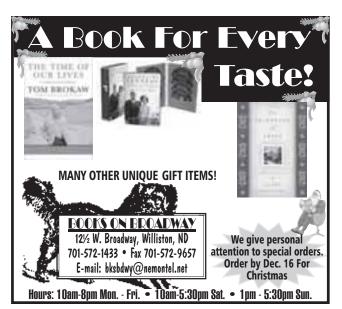
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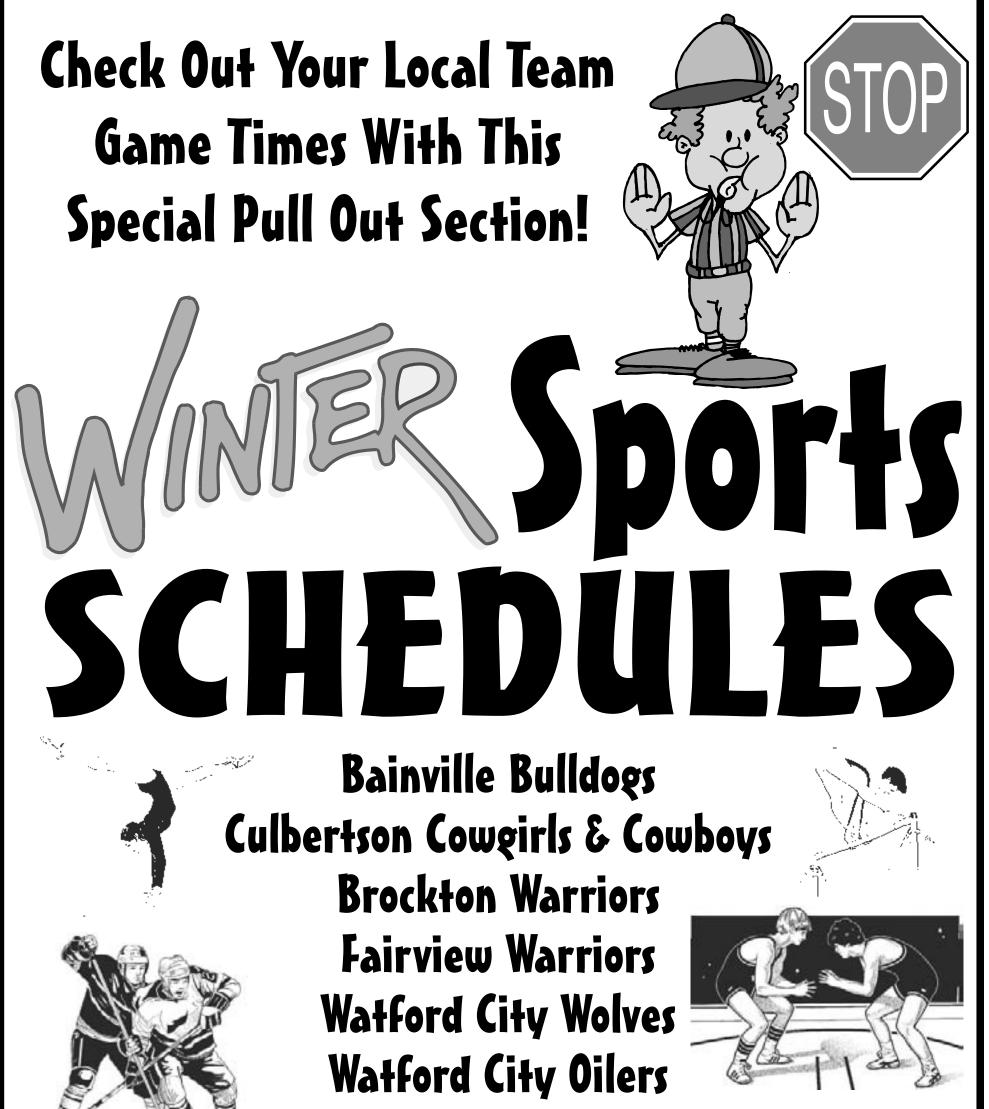


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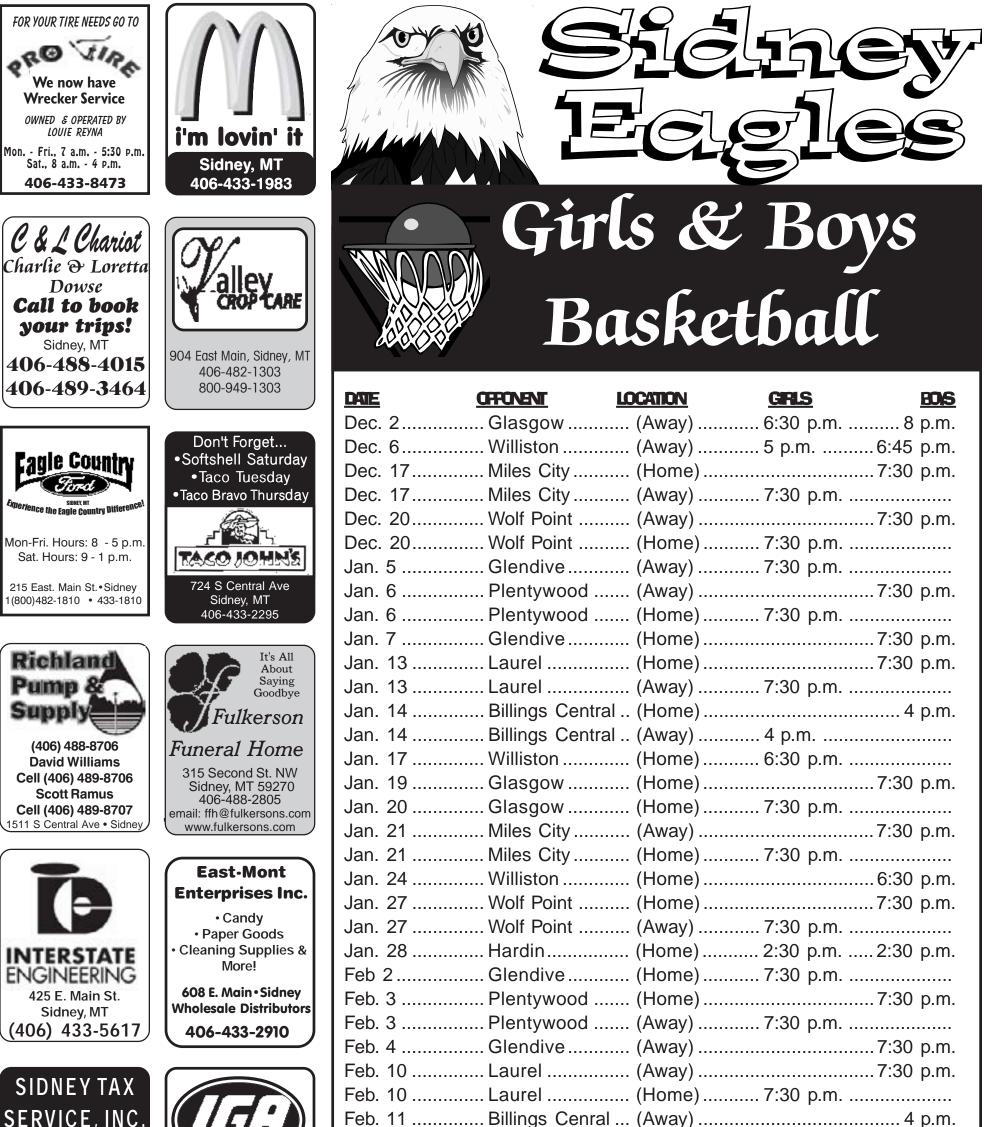




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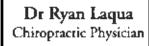
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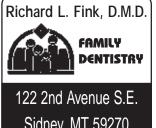


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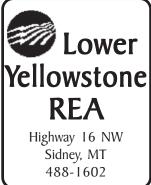




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25-27 Jr. Gold Home Tourney
26 Girls U19 (A) Bottineau, 1:45 p.m.
Girls 12U (A) Bottineau, 12 p.m.
Bantams (H) Crosby, TBA
27 Girls 12U (A) Minot Wolves, 11:15 a.m.
29 Jr Gold (H) Dickinson, 6:30 p.m.
DECEMBER
2-4 Girls U19 (A) Bozman Jamboree
Girls12U (A) Bozeman Jamboree
Bantam (A) Minot Tourney
Jr Gold (A) Moose Jaw Tourney
2 Peewee (H) Bismarck Senators, 6 p.m.
3 Mites Cross Ice Games w/Termites, 8-10 a.m.
Peewee (H) Bismarck Rangers, 10:30 a.m.
4 Squirts (H) Williston Orange, 12 p.m.
Peewee (H) Bismarck Capitals, 10 a.m.
9 Girls U19 (A) Miles City, 6 p.m.
10Girls U19 (H) Watford City, 5 p.m.
Girls 12U (H) Hazen, 1 p.m.
Mites Cross Ice Games w/Termites, 8-10 a.m.
Peewee (A) Watford City, 2 p.m.
Jr Gold (H) Watford City, 7 p.m.
11 Girls U19 (H) Bottineau, 2 p.m.
Girl 12U (H) Bottineau, 12 p.m.
Squirts (A) Williston Black, 4 p.m.
16-18Girls U19 (A) Bismarck Jamboree
17 Mites Cross Ice Games w/Termites, 8-10 a.m.
Bantams (H) Mandan, 11 p.m.
18 Peewee (H) Williston, 2 p.m.
Bantam (H) Williston, 3:45 p.m.
20 Girls U19 (H) Dickinson HS, 6:30 p.m.
23 (All) ALUMNI GAME, 7 p.m.
30 Peewee (H) (non-league) Crosby, 5 p.m.
Jr Gold (H) Crosby, 7 p.m.
31 Girls U19 (A) Watford City, 11 a.m.

JANUARY

6-8 Girls U 19 (A) Fargo Tourney, TBA
Peewee (A) Grand Forks Tourney, TBA
6Bantam (A) Watford City, 6 p.m.
7 Mites Cross Ice Games w/Termites, 8-10 a.m.
Jr Gold (H) Fargo Flames, 7 p.m.
8 Bantam (A) Hazen, 12:45 p.m.
13-15 Girls 12U (A) Mandan Jam @ Dickinson, TBA
13 Peewee (A) Crosby, 4 p.m.
Bantam (A) Williston, 7 p.m.
14 Mites Cross Ice Games w/Termites, 8-10 a.m.
Squirts (A) Williston Orange, 11 a.m.
Bantam (H) Minot Wolves,1 p.m.
Jr Gold (H) Mayport, 7 p.m.
15 Peewee (A) Williston, 1 p.m.
Bantam (H) Minot Wolves, 3 p.m.
Jr Gold (H) Langdon, 11 a.m.
20-22 Girls U19 (A) Jamestown Valley City Jam, TBA

Peewee (A) Fargo Tourney, TBA
20Jr Gold (A) Dickinson, 6:30 p.m.
21Bantam (H) Hazen, 2 p.m.
Jr Gold (H) Grand Forks, 7 p.m.
22 Bantam (H) Watford City, 2 p.m.
24 Girls U19 (A) Dickinson HS, 6:30 p.m.
27 Girls 12U (H) Williston, 7 p.m.
Bantam (A) Mandan, 6:15 p.m.
27-29 Squirts (A) Williston Tourney, TBA
28 Girls U19 (H) Bismarck, 11 a.m.
Mites Cross Ice Games w/Termites, 8-10 a.m.
Peewee (H) Minot Wolves Gold, 1:30 p.m.
Bantam (A) Bis Americans, 11:30 a.m.
29Gilrs U19 (H) Crosby, 4 p.m.
Girls 12U (H) Minot Wolves, 12 p.m.
Peewee (H) Minot Wolves Maroon, 2 p.m.
Bantam (A) Bismarck Governors, 9 a.m.
FEBRUARY
3 Girls U19 (H) Miles City, 7 p.m.
4 Mites Cross Ice Games w/Termites, 8-10 a.m.
Jr Gold (A) Langdon, 5 p.m.
5 Girls U19 (A) Glasgow, 2 p.m.
Girls 12U (A) Glasgow, 10 a.m.
Peewee (H) Watford City, 2 p.m.
Jr Gold (A) Mayport, 11 a.m.
10-12 Girls12U (A) Minot Tourney, TBA
10 Squirts (H) Williston Black, 6:30 p.m.
Bantam (A) Crosby, 7 p.m.
11 Peewee (A) Minot Wolves Maroon, 5 p.m.
Bantam (A) Minot Wolves Maroon, 3:15 p.m.
12 Peewee(A) Minot Wolves Gold, 2:15 p.m.
Bantam (A) Minot Wolves Gold, 12:30 p.m.
17Girls 12U (A) Hazen, 7 p.m.
Peewee (H) Crosby, 6 p.m.
Jr Gold (A) Fargo Flames, 7 p.m.
17-19 Squirts (A) Minot Tourney, TBA
18 Girls U19 (A) Bismarck, 11:30 a.m.
Jr Gold (A) Moorhead, 2 p.m.
19Jr Gold (A) Grand Forks, 11 a.m.
24 Peewee (A) Bismarck Senators, 6:30 p.m.
Jr Gold (A) Watford City, 7 p.m.
25 Girls12U (A) Williston, 12:15 p.m.
Bantam (H) Bismarck Governors, 10:30 a.m.
26 Girls U19 (A) Crosby, 1 p.m.

..... Bantams (H) Bismarck Americans, 10:30 a.m. Jr GOld (A) Crosby, 4 p.m.

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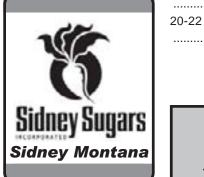
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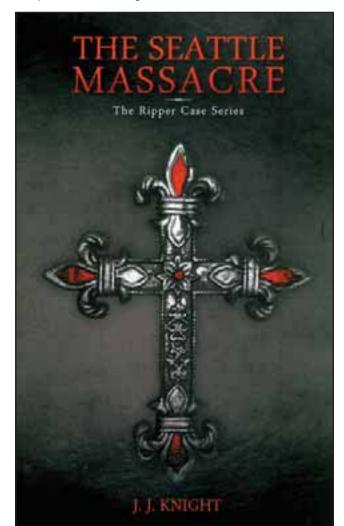
Fairview High School Graduate Publishes Boo

Fairview High School graduate Joshua Knels has published a book, The Seattle Massacre, through iUniverse publishers. Knels, currently at Bismarck State College studying English as a major with a minor in psychology, started writing this book a year ago, and he says this book is the first of seven in his fictional Ripper series.

"This is a series of books that pits a serial killer against

homicide detectives and eventually the FBI," Knels says. "This is a work of fiction, not based on a true story. I will have seven books in this series, but I also plan to write other series based on characters from the original work."

Knels began writing seriously at the age of 15. He feels compelled to write, and a year ago, following a vivid dream, he began working on The Seattle Massacre. "This



book was inspired by a dream, where the main character approached me and told me he had a story to tell me," Knels says. "I started to write the story, and it quickly became an obsession."

Knels loves writing and along with his college classes he carves time out of his busy schedule each day to write. "I make time to write every day," he says. "I spend three hours a day writing during the weekdays, and on weekends I spend from five to eight hours each day to work on my book. I am very dedicated to this.'

With the publication of his first book, Knels feels his hard work has been well worth the effort. "I feel like I've accomplished something," he remarks. "Growing up, I didn't feel like I was worth much, but this book has really boosted my confidence."

The Seattle Massacre is available through Amazon. The book will also be available through Barnes and Noble by Christmas.

Knels has started work on the second book of the series, Trails of Blood. He expects this book will be released this coming summer.

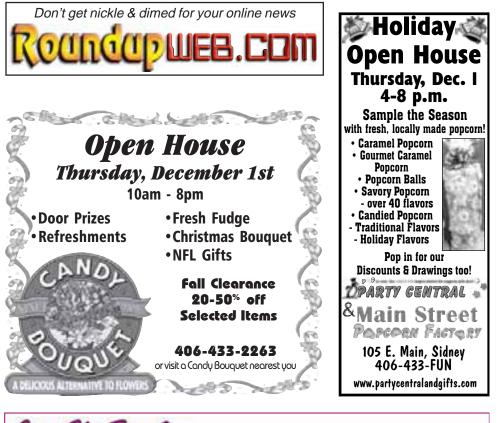


Joshua Knels



Watford City Oilers Open Season

The Watford City Oilers traveled to Sidney for the first games of the season as they participated in the Holiday tournament. The Oilers won their game against the Rangers but were defeated by Moose Jaw and Prairie Storm. Above: Oiler Goalie Kalden Heggen gets some help defending the goal from teammates Davis Zubke and Daniel Marmon against Prairie Storm. (Photo by Kathy Taylor)



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Sidney Chamber's Christmas Stroll 2011

The Sidney Christmas Stroll was held Friday, Nov. 25. Above Sidney High School dancers (L-R) Megan Johnson, Chelsey Shirk, Taylor Thiessen and Sheridan Sundheim entertain the crowd.



Teah Conradson (middle) says hi to her mom, Billie Conradson as Lizzy Gangstad (left) and Alexis Dynneson (right) help lead a miniature horse owned by KC's Miniatures.





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Ethel Schultz (right) offers Allison Berka (left) her Nefla soup at the soup tasting held at Restorx.



JCPenney Store Holds Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The newly remodeled basement at JCPenney opened last Wednesday with a ribbon cutting ceremony and Open House. Gathering for the occasion were (L to R): JCPenney employees Jennifer Good, Kathy Findley,



Fusion Fight Night

The Fusion Fight League held "Fusion Fight Night" last Saturday at the Richland County Fair Event Center. Above: Sidney Fighter Levi Johnson (left) connects with the chin of Grassy Butte, ND, fighter Chaston Lee. Johnson was the winner by injury default. Go to roundupweb.com for more photos.

Chamber ambassadors Enid Huotari and Pam Wilcoxon, JCPenney employees Sondra Obergfell, JCP Manager Cathy Roberson, Vicki Laursen, Chamber ambassador Colleen Topp, JCPenney employees Mary Williams, Patty Kneeland, Carmen Latka, Sidney Chamber Executive Director Wade VanEvery and administrative assistant Iwona Patnaude.





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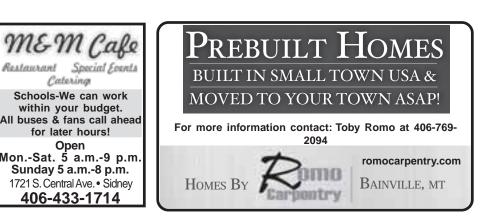
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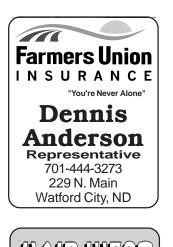








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Dec. 13, 15, 17	Rough Rider Tourney	(Killdeer)	ТВА	
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Dec. 20	Hazen	(Away)		7 p.m
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Feb. 14	Parshall	(Home)	7:15 p.m	
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Feb. 20, 21, 23	Region 8 Tourney	(Williston State Col	lege) TBA	ТВ/
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Dec. 9-10	Carrington Dual/Tourney	(Away)
Dec. 13	Sidney	(Home) 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 15	Stanley & New Town Triangular	(Away) 5:00 p.m.
Dec. 16-17	Dickinson Tourney	(Away)
Dec. 20	Killdeer	(Away) 7:00 p.m.
/	Bismarck Rotary	
Jan. 10	Williston	(Home) 7:00 p.m.
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NOVEMBER

25-27 Jr Gold (A) Sidney Tourney, TBA 26 Girls (A) Bismarck, 1 p.m.

DECEMBER

2 PeeWee (H) Bismarck Capitals, 6:30 p.m. 3. PeeWee (H) Bismarck Senators, 5 p.m. 4...PeeWee (H) Bismarck Rangers, 2 p.m. Bantam (A) Crosby, 3 p.m. 10 PeeWee (H) Sidney, 3 p.m. Bantam (H) Minot Maroons, 1 p.m. Jr Gold (A) Sidney, 8 p.m. Girls (A) Sidney, 6 p.m. 16 PeeWee (A) Williston, 7 p.m. Bantam (H) Williston, 7 p.m. Girls (A) Bismarck Hamboree, TBA 17 Bantams (H) Mandan, 6 p.m. Jr Gold (A) Grand Forks, 2 p.m. Girls (A) Bismarck Jamboree, TBA 18 Bantam (H) Hazen, 2 p.m. Jr Gold (A) Langdon, Noon Girls (A) Bismarck Jamboree, TBA 30Girls(H) Sidney, 7 p.m.

JANUARY

6 Bantam (H) Sidney, 7 p.m. Girls (A) Miles City, 7 p.m. 7 PeeWee (H) Minot Gold, 3 p.m. Bantam (H) Minot Gold, 1 p.m. Girls (A) Glasgow, 1 p.m. 8 PeeWee (H) Minot Maroon, 2 p.m. Bantam (A) Williston, 2 p.m. Jr Gold (H) Fargo Flames, Noon 13 Jr Gold (H) Mayport, 8 p.m. Girls, (H) Bismarck, 6:30 p.m.

Peewee (A) Crosby, 11 a.m. Bantam (A) Mandan, 4:30 p.m. Jr Gold (A) Crosby, 7 p.m. Girls (A) Crosby, 5 p.m. 29 ... Bantam (A) Bismarck Americans, 1:30 p.m. Girls (H) Glasgow, Noon

FEBRUARY

4 Bantam (A) Hazen, 2 p.m.
Girls (A) Bottineau, 1:30 p.m.
5 PeeWee (H) Sidney, 2 p.m.
11 Mites (H) Crosby, 1 p.m.
Squirts (H) Crosby, 3 p.m.
Peewee (H) Crosby, 11 a.m.
Bantam (A) Bismarck Governors, 2:30
p.m.
Jr Gold (H) Crosby, 7 p.m.
Girls (H) Crosby, 5 p.m.
18 PeeWee(A) Bismarck Senators, 1:30
p.m.
Bismarck Rangers, 8 p.m.
Jr Gold (A) Fargo, TBA
19 PeeWee (A) Bismarck Capitals, 11 a.m.
Jr Gold (A) May Port, 11:30 a.m.
24 Bantam (H) Bismarck Governors, 6:30
p.m.
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2-4 PeeWee, Jr Gold, Girls (A) State @

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14 PeeWee (H) Williston, 1 p.m. Bantam (A) Minot Maroon, 2:30 p.m. Jr Gold (H) Langdon, 5 p.m. Girls (H) Bottineau, 3 p.m. 15 Bantam (A) Minot Gold, 1:15 p.m. 20 Jr Gold (H) Grand Forks, 7 p.m. Girls (Jamestown) Valley City, TBA 21 PeeWee (MAYSA) Minot Maroon, 12:45 p.m. Girls (Jamestown) Valley City, TBA 22 PeeWee (MAYSA) Minot Gold, 12:15 p.m. Bantam (A) Sidney, 2 p.m. Girls (Jamestown) Valley City, TBA 27 Girls (H) Miles City, 7 p.m. 28 Mites (A) Crosby, 1 p.m. Squirts (A) Crosby, 3 p.m.

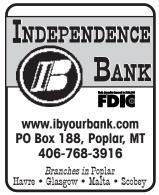
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	Dec. 3	Saco/Whitewater	(Glasgow)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Dec. 6	Brockton	(Home)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
1	Dec. 9	Westby/Grenora	(Home)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Dec. 10	Nashua	(Wolf Point).	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
J	Dec. 16	Bainville	(Bainville)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Dec. 17	Fairview	(Home)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Dec. 20	Savage	(Savage)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Jan. 7	Circle	(Circle)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
1	Jan 13	R&L	(Lambert)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Jan 14	Froid/Lake	(Med Lake).	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Jan. 20	Fairview	(Fairview)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Jan 21	Savage	(Home)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
J	Jan. 27	Brockton	(Brockton)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Jan. 28	Bainville	(Home)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Feb. 3	Circle	(Home)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Feb. 4	Froid/Lake	(Home)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.
	Feb 10	R&L	(Home)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.







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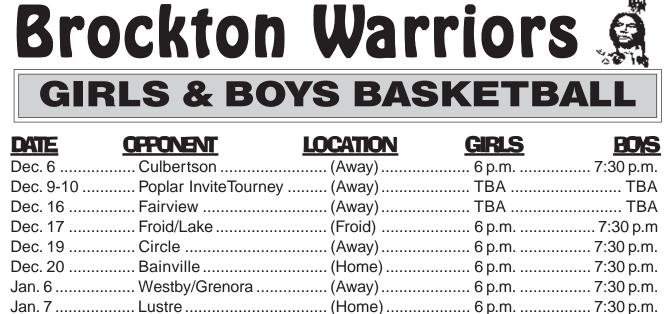












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	Feb. 4	Savage	(Away)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.	Fort Peck
	Feb. 5	Lambert/Richey	(Home)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m.	Usuatas
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	Feb. 23-25	Divisional Tourr	ney (Wolf Point)		TBA	PO Box 667
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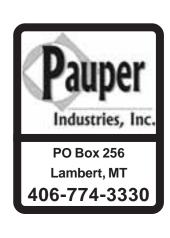
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<u>DATE</u>	OPPONENT	LOCATION	<u>GIRLS</u>	BOY
Dec. 3	Circle	(Circle)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Dec. 9	Savage	(Savage)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Dec. 10	Bainville	(Bainville)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Dec. 16	R&L	(Froid)	6 p.m	7:30 p.m
Dec. 17	Brockton	(Froid)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Dec 19	Plentywood	(Plentywood).	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Dec. 20	Westby/Grenora	(Med Lake)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Jan. 6	Fairview	(Med Lake)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Jan. 13	Westby/Grenora	(Westby)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Jan. 14	Culbertson	(Med Lake)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Jan. 17	Plentywood	(Med Lake)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Jan. 20	Savage	(Froid)	6p.m	7:30 p.n
Jan. 27	Fairview	(Fairview)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Jan. 28	Brockton	(Brockton)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Feb. 3	Bainville	(Froid)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Feb 4	Culbertson	(Culbertson)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Feb 10	Frazer	(Froid)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Feb 11	Richey/Lambert	(Lambert)	6 p.m	7:30 p.n
Feb. 13-18.	District Tourney	(Sidney)	TBA	ТВ
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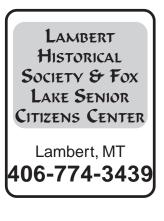
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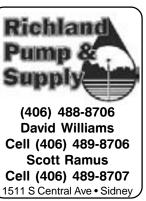
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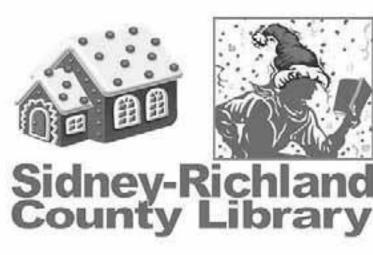
Sidney-Richland Co. Library Wants To Know "What's Your Favorite Story" In Holiday Gingerbread Contest

What's your favorite story? The Sidney-Richland County Library wants to know, but there's a catch, you'll have to show them, in their Holiday Gingerbread Contest. Use their theme of "Tell us your favorite story in gingerbread" to inspire your gingerbread creation or come up

with your own idea. Your imagination is the limit, so build a doghouse, birdhouse, castle, train depot, skyscraper or anything else you can think of. Entries will be displayed in the Library during December, adding a little holiday flare to the shelves, and the best creations will win fun prizes.

So how do you participate? Easy! First, get the rules from the Library or their website (http:// www.richland.org/spl) and get your entry form back to them as soon as possible so they can plan their display areas. Next choose whether you'll work in one of their individual categories: Child (8 & under); Youth (9-14); Teen/ Adult (15 & up); or if you'd rather build your gingerbread with a friend (groups & families are welcome).

Then it's time for the fun part, choose your creation and build it. Your gingerbread



house will have to be entirely edible, except for the base, which shouldn't be any larger than 18"x18". Bring your creation to the Library starting Nov. 28, and definitely before our final judging begins on Dec. 19! The longer your entry is in the library, the more time you'll have to get votes from patrons and guest judges. They'll give out prizes in each age category, as well as honoring the People's Choice, Most Creative Creation and Best Representation of a Story.

Dec. 20 from 4:30-6:30 p.m., the Library invites everyone, community members and participants alike, to join them for a special Holiday Open House with cider and cookies. They'll view all of the entries, introduce our guest judges, and unveil the winners. All of the contest details and the full rules and entry form are available on our website (http:// www.richland.org/spl) and in hard copy at the Library. Feel free to call 433-1917 with any questions, and may the best gingerbread architects win!



Watford City Basketball Scrimmage The Watford City Wolves opened their season with a scrimmage. Watford City's Ried Brown puts up two points in a scrimmage against Shilo before the

Ried Brown puts up two points in a scrimmage against Shilo before the Thanksgiving break. (Photo by Kathy Taylor)



Please Joins us for the 2011 Bovine Connection Thursday, December 1st and Friday, December 2nd

At the Conference Center in the Richland County Extension/ EARC building; 1499 N. Central Ave. Sidney.

Both days will begin at 10:00 a.m. MST and will include lunch. Agenda items are still being discussed but will include internationally known speakers and cutting edge topics including;

Curt Pate, Cattle Handling Expert-Using the "Bud Box" system for low stress cattle handling. Bill Price with Global Beef Consultants- What is the global demand for our beef? Jim Robb with the Livestock Marketing Information Center-2012 Marketing Outlook Charlene Rich, Executive Director of MT Beef Council-The newly formed Agriculture Alliance and how it benefits our producers

Steve Dittmer, Agribusiness Freedom Foundation-the 2012 election and why it REALLY is the most critical election in our lifetime

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Featured Speaker: Steve Dittmer with Agribusiness Freedom Foundation will discuss the GIPSA Rule; What it would do and how; why politics and economics are important to the beef industry and how they affect it, and more.

> For more information contact Tim Fine at the Richland County Extension Office. Phone: 406-433-1206. Email tline@montana.edu





Basketball

Thursday, Dec. 1

Watford City boys at Heart River, 8 p.m

Friday, Dec. 2

Sidney at Glasgow, girls 6:30 p.m., boys 8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 3 Watford City boys at Minot Ryan, 6

- Froid/Lake at Circle, girls 6 p.m., boys 7:30 p.m.
- Fairview vs Nashua at Glasgow, girls 3 p.m.; boys 4:30 p.m.

Bainville vs Westby/Grenora at

Westby, girls 6 p.m., boys 7:30 p.m. Culbertson vs Saco/Whitewater at

Tuesday, Dec. 6

6:45 p.m.

- boys 7:30 p.m.

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Friday, Dec. 2 Sidney Invitational, 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3 Tuesday, Dec. 6

Sidney at Dullum qualifier in Dickinson

Hockey

Friday, Dec. 2

- Bismarck Capitals Peewee at Watford City, 6:30 p.m. Sidney Girls U19 at Bozeman
- Jamboree Sidney Girls 12U at Bozeman
- Jamboree
- Sidney Bantam at Minot Tourney Sidney Jr. Gold at Moose Jaw Tourney Bismarck Senators Peewee at
- Sidney, 6 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 3
- **Bismarck Senators Peewee at** Watford City, 5 p.m.
- Bismarck Rangers at Sidney Peewee, 10:30 a.m.
- Jamboree
- Jamboree

- 12 p.m.
- 10 a.m.
- Jamboree

MSGA Annual Convention, Trade Show To Be Held In Billings, Dec. 15-17

Stockgrowers Association (MSGA) and Montana CattleWomen (MCW) Annual Convention and Trade Show will meet at the Holiday Inn Grand Montana, Billings, on Dec. 15-17. The convention will offer opportunities for attendees to learn tips to improve their ranch or business, find out about new products available for their animal health and ranch supply needs at the trade show, and for members to weigh in on policy discussions. Members who attend convention will be eligible to win a Ford super duty truck from the Montana Ford stores.

Speakers will include Bill Donald, National Cattlemen's Beef Association president and Gene Carlson, Big Sky Little League All-Stars manager, with Rocky Erickson, Northern Ag Network. The Pfizer Cattlemen's Colleges will be held on Dec. 17 featuring Gary Brester, Montana State University agricultural eco-

The 2011 Montana nomics professor, and Larry Gran, Pfizer Animal Health. Brester will conduct two economic workshops. Gran will talk about utilizing modern technology to help commercial cattlemen select bulls for their ranch.

> A major component of the convention is the setting of new policy and the review of past policies to guide the association through its dayto-day work. The policy process will begin on Thursday, Dec. 15 with the Beef Production & Marketing and Membership Development & Services committee meetings. The Land Use & Environment and Tax, Finance & Ag Policy committee meetings will be on Dec. 16. The Second Reading of Resolutions will be held on the morning of Dec. 17, with reports from each committee. The final reading, and an up or down vote on resolutions, will occur at the MSGA Business Meeting on the afternoon of Dec. 17. Resolutions that make it through the entire

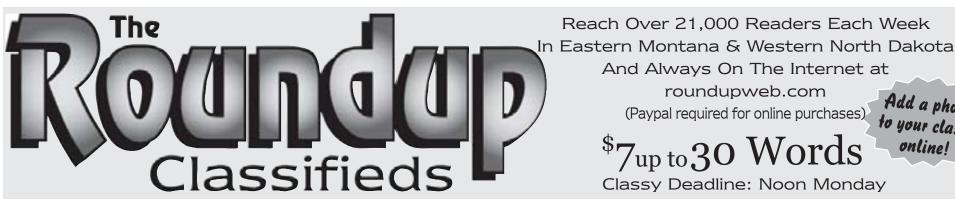
process will become association policy.

MSGA membership will be voting for new MSGA board of directors as Don Griffin, Ismay; Jason Camp, Belgrade; and Kraig Meeks, Geraldine, end their terms on the MSGA board.

MSGA and Montana Ford stores have teamed up to give a Ford super duty truck to one lucky member who attends convention. The drawing will be held on Saturday during the Grand Finale Banquet with Justin Mills emceeing the banquet. To be eligible for the truck drawing, you must attend convention, be a current Rancher, Stocker/Feeder or Young Stockgrower member, and fill out the truck entry form.

To learn more, please call the MSGA office at 406-442-3420, or visit www.mtbeef.org. If you would like to reserve a trade show booth or sponsor part of the convention, please contact the MSGA office soon as there are limited spaces open.





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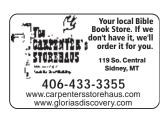
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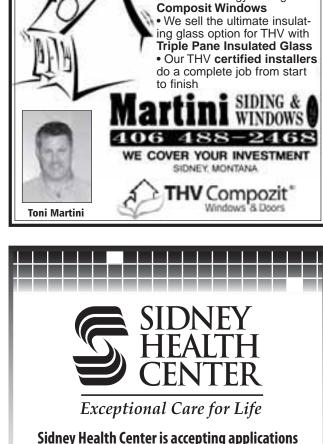
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Board Of Livestock To "Carefully Weigh" Decision **On 12-Day Milk Rule**

Following a hearing examiner's proposed decision regarding the State's 12-day milk labeling rule, the Montana Board of Livestock on Monday said it will "carefully weigh all possible options" before making any rule changes.



"It's important that we give this issue due process," said Montana Board Chair and Hobson rancher Jan French. "We want to thoroughly review all of the available information and issue a decision that is fair and in the best interests of Montana's milk consumers."

According to the State's existing administrative rule (Administrative Rules of Montana 32.8.202[b]), "no grade-A pasteurized milk may be put in any container marked with a sellby date of more than 12 days after pasteurization." That rule was challenged in 2008 by Core-Mark International, a Spokane-based wholesale distributor that provides retail products, including milk, to convenience stores.

Core-Mark sued the Board of Livestock and asked a federal court to declare the state's 12-day labeling rule unconstitutional. The company and the Board of Livestock later agreed to settle the federal case by holding a public hearing and an evidentiary hearing on whether to retain, amend or repeal the 12-day rule. Core-Mark seeks to replace the State's present 12-day sell-by date with a sell-by date to be chosen by the processor of the milk.

A hearing examiner in the evidentiary hearing recently recommended that the Board repeal the 12-day rule and not adopt any rule that includes a sell-by date. The hearing examiner also recommended that the Board repeal its present rule and adopt a rule allowing milk processors to set their own dates for milk freshness, using such terms as "best by" or "best if used by".

French said the Board, which meets every two months, doesn't have a time frame on making a decision.

"We want to be thorough," she said. "It might take some time, as there is a mountain of information to review from both hearings."

The previous hearings produced nearly 1,100 pages of oral testimony, legal briefs and scientific evidence regarding the shelf life of milk products

NDSA President Responds **To Proposed Livestock Competition Rule**

"The North Dakota Stockmen's Association (NDSA) is pleased that the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has decided to postpone action on its proposed livestock competition rule as it relates to the beef industry," states Jason Schmidt, North Dakota Stockmen's Association president, Medina.

"Cattle producers want good prices, fair practices and the freedom to operate our businesses without unnecessary government intrusion. We support value-based marketing and were very concerned with the proposed language that would have hindered these profit opportunities for producers."

"The NDSA thanks USDA for taking into account the opinions of thousands of family farmers and ranchers who offered input at various listening sessions as well as through the public comment period.