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## Wings of Freedom III in Sidney Sept. 7 & 8

The Wings Of Freedom III Air Show will roar into the Sidney Richland Airport, Sidney, MT Saturday and Sunday, September 7 and 8. Pre sale tickets are on sale now at the Sidney Chamber of Commerce and Sidney financial institutions. Adult tickets are \$15, students \$10, ages 5 and under free. Cost at the gate will be \$20 for adults and \$15 for students.

Headlined by Team Aeroshell, the event promises thrills and chills to last a lifetime. The southern based pilots fly AT Texan planes which were built from 1938 into the 1950s and were used as training planes for US Airmen in WWII. "Team Aeroshell is loud and in-your-face, performing right in front of the crowd. People will be thrilled," said air show committee member Alan Seigfreid.

Making its debut at the Sidney Air Show is the Shockwave Jet Truck. This is a full jet truck which will hit over 300 mph on the runway. "It's his first time in Sidney and we're excited to have him. He puts on a heck of a show," Seigfreid said.

Crowds from the last Wings of Freedom Air Show will enjoy returning crowd pleasers Jim Peitz with his aerobatic Bonanza, John Mohr with his Stearman, Phil Petrik with his T28 and Kent Pietsch with his Jelly Belly Interstate Cadet which he will land on a pickup in front of the crowd. Also returning for a thrilling performance are Gene Soucy flying his Grumman Ag Cat and wing walker Teresa Stokes.

New performers include Jeff Boerboon in his Extra 300 and Skip Stewart flying his Pitts Special. "All these performers are fantastic," Seigfried said. "This will be a great show!"

Saturday morning starts off with a fly-in breakfast hosted by the Sidney Lions Club from 7-11 a.m. The breakfast is open to the public and air show tickets are not necessary to attend. However, those without tickets will be asked to leave before the air show starts.

The Air Show committee is delighted to have the "Sky Talker" Danny Clisham as the announcer for the show. "He makes the show go," Seigfreid stated. Clisham announces air shows all over the U.S. and knows all the performers. "He's at the top of his game," Seigfreid added. Clisham is also a pilot and has won multiple awards.

Professional air boss Ralph Royce will be in charge when the show starts, after briefing the pilots and necessary staff on weather conditions, obstacles, etc. "He is the air traffic controller for the show," Seigfreid explained.

Parking will be at the Richland County Fairgrounds, just a short walk from the airport. Limited transportation will be available for those who need it. Please bring your lawn chairs, sunglasses, umbrellas and comfortable shoes. There will be concessions on the grounds as well as restroom facilities.

## Labor Day Safety

**Submitted by Richland County Injury Prevention Team  
Richland County DUI Task Force  
Programs of the Richland County Health Department**

Celebrate this Labor Day with safety in mind. As we enjoy the last weekend of the summer with friends and family and slip in one more get-a-way our law enforcement officers will take to the roads in an effort to keep us safe.

Holidays like Labor Day are particularly dangerous with celebrations and increased traffic. Do your part in keeping yourself, your loved ones and our community safe....

Always wear your seat belt and request that your passengers wear theirs too.

While driving park your cell phone.

If you choose to drink please don't get behind the wheel of a vehicle.

Getting on the bike...motor or mountain make sure you wear a proper fitting helmet...be extra diligent with traffic. Alcohol while riding doesn't mix if you "live to ride...ride to live tomorrow".

Headed to the water...remember your life jacket and don't operate a boat under the influence of alcohol. Make sure children are well supervised while splashing and swimming.

The good choices you make could save your life or the life of a loved one.



When the last plane lands, the airport returns to normal. Silver Airways is accommodating the air show and their customers to maintain flights.

Saturday evening, a special performance by Aaron Tippen with the Copper Mountain Band will take place at the Richland County Fairgrounds. Tickets are \$25 and available now at the Sidney Chamber of Commerce office and Sidney financial institutions. Tippen is friends with Team Aeroshell and loves to attend air shows and entertain the crowd.

The Air Show committee is thrilled with all the sponsors who have stepped up to make this and future shows possible. Those include Blue Rock Products; Hurley Enterprises; Kadmas, Lee & Jackson; Sidney Red-E Mix; S/L Enterprises; In memory of John Prevost; Franz Construction; KC Sand; In memory of the pilots in the Stepler and Foss Families; Walt McNutt, Tri-County Implement, Yellowstone Court; Exploration Drilling; Hi-Line Trucking; XTO Energy; Hotel Albert Lounge & Casino; Wells Fargo Private; 1<sup>st</sup> Bank; South 40/Winner's Pub; Beagle Properties; Stockman Bank; Don & Amelia Steinbeisser; Bud & Ann Groskinsky; Dave & Bobbie Roberts; Continental Resources; Jensen Agency Insurance & Real Estate; Missouri River Realty; Epic Integrated Services, LLC; Action Auto; Eagle Country Ford; Gem City Motors.

## Parenting Class for Divorcing Parents Offered

**Submitted by Marcia Hellandsaas**

Parents Forever, a parenting class for parents experiencing or considering separation/divorce, who are divorced and experiencing challenges or who have never been married and do not live together, will be held on Thursday, September 5 at the Courthouse Meeting Room in Watford City. The class will start at 4 pm and will conclude by 8 pm. The workshop cost is \$55 per person.

Skills and tools to help reduce the effects of divorce on children and parents will be introduced and practiced.

Topics discussed will be the transition process and journey, children needs, children emotional status, strengthening communication skills and planning for the future.

Pre-registration is requested prior to attending this program. Please call the McKenzie County Extension Office at 701-444-3451 or e-mail Extension Agent Marcia Hellandsaas at [marcia.hellandsaas@ndsu.edu](mailto:marcia.hellandsaas@ndsu.edu) by Tuesday, September 3 to enroll in this class.

To purchase tickets for either event, or for more information, call the Sidney Chamber of Commerce at 406-433-1916.

## 68th Annual Alexander Old Settler's Day This Weekend

**By Michele Seadeek**

What started as a community picnic after harvest season in Alexander, North Dakota, has, like so many early gatherings developed into large boisterous occasions that last for days and attract party goers and vendors alike. The annual Old Settler's Day celebration here is four days chocked full of activities that don't disappoint. During the 2012 Old Settler's Day Celebration, Alexander city management found itself having to manage the influx of visitors during a time when road construction was creating chaos. With that out of the way, this year movement to all activities should be much better.

This year the Old Settler's Day celebration will be held Labor Day weekend August 29th, 30th, & 31st. There will be a parade, honoree program in the park, an arts and crafts show, bands and dancing in the evening, a ranch rodeo, potluck dinner that includes beef BBQ (an integral part of any celebration in the summer or well, any occasion, really) and Sunday church service provided by local churches.

Alexander was founded in 1905 and was named after an early North Dakota politician, Alexander McKenzie from which McKenzie county is also named. Visitors can also check out the Lewis & Clark Trail Museum which is housed in an old school built in 1914 and The Ragged Butte Spring that has been running since the early 1900s. The museum has an unique way to view the settler's past and offers tours with a guide. For more information on the hours of the museum or to set up a tour please contact Jodi at 701.828.3857.

This years button and 1:00 p.m. Saturday program in the park is in honor of the late Kenneth and Louise Haugen, long time residents of Alexander. Tribute buttons are available throughout the festival.

For detailed information about this event see the City of Alexander's ad in next week's issue of The Roundup or call Alexander city hall at 701-828-3461.





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# Sidney Health Center Successfully Recruits A Full-Time Orthopedic Surgeon

**Submitted by Rita Steinbeisser**  
Sidney Health Center is pleased to announce the successful recruit of Andrea Barrett, M.D. Dr. Barrett will join the medical staff in October 2013 as an orthopedic surgeon.

Dr. Barrett, who is American Board Certified in Orthopedic Surgery, will be providing full-time orthopedic services to residents living in the MonDak region. As a general orthopedic surgeon, Dr Barrett treats a wide range of cases including upper and lower extremities. She has a special interest in shoulder instability and peripheral nerve entrapments.

Dr. Barrett received her medical degree from the University of Washington, School of Medicine in Seattle, WA. She then went on to complete her orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, TX. Dr. Barrett has almost fourteen years of experience, practicing the last eight of those years in Colfax, WA.

Rick Haraldson, Sidney Health Center CEO stated,

"We are thrilled to successfully recruit another orthopedic surgeon. With the addition of Dr. Barrett, we are excited to expand our general orthopedic services and offer some new procedures at Sidney

Health Center."  
Dr. Barrett will be practicing in the Sidney Health Center Orthopedic Clinic, Suite 108. She joins Dr. James Scott and Janie Darby, FNP.



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# Fall “E-rase your E-waste” Event Set for Sidney Sept. 6-7

Submitted by Beth Redlin

With summer waning and school underway, it's time to do a little fall cleaning and we'd like to help. The Richland County “Erase your E-waste” program is hosting its 9<sup>th</sup> annual fall collection event on Friday and Saturday, Sept 6 and 7<sup>th</sup> where area residents are invited to recycle their old, obsolete electronic products in an environmentally friendly fashion.....for FREE!

The collection event is being held at the Richland County Shop, 2140 W. Holly in Sidney, across from the fairgrounds. Times for the event are 3 pm to 7 pm on Friday and 9 am to 3 pm on Saturday. Please note, the county shop is available for drop offs during event times ONLY, when e-cycler employees and local volunteers will also be available to help with loading and unloading.

Acceptable items for recycling include: computers and their components, printers, cell phones, TVs, fax machines, copiers, VCRs, stereos, gaming units and more. A complete list of acceptable items and a collection form that can be filled out ahead of time are also available at the Sidney ARS website at <http://www.ars.usda.gov/npa/npa/ewaste>. Local businesses, agencies and organizations with large amounts to e-cycle are asked to make an appointment to drop off their items by calling Jackie Couture at 406-433-9422. Please leave a message.

This year the “E-rase your E-waste” committee has added a new e-cycler, Yellowstone E-waste Solutions, out of Billings, MT. “We opted to go with a new e-cycler this year, not because of any issues with our previous provider, but because we wanted to support development

of a home-grown MT e-cycling industry,” E-rase your E-waste Committee co-chair Jackie Couture noted. “Our spring event, our first with Yellowstone, went very smoothly, so we're pleased with the way things are working out. This way we can support a Montana business, and do it without impacting our primary goal which is to make e-waste recycling readily available for local residents.” Like the previous e-cycler, Yellowstone is providing their services for FREE.

The fall event is the final collection planned for 2013, Couture noted, adding that this year's spring event held last May in Sidney and Fairview brought in more than 20,000 pounds (10 Tons!) of e-waste for recycling. “We're hoping to do even better in September,” she said.

The “E-rase your E-waste” effort in Sidney is coordinated by members of the Richland County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), Richland Opportunities Inc., and volunteers with other community organizations including the RSVP program. Several local businesses, including Sidney Health Center, Lower Yellowstone REA and Sidney Sugars, have also provided aid and promotional support in the past, Couture said.



The Montana Department of Environmental Quality has also committed funds for advertising the group's 2013 spring and fall events.

The city of Sidney, the Richland County Commissioners and Sidney Health Center have also provided significant financial support over the years in addition to allowing use of the county shop for collection events, while the USDA-ARS Northern Plains Agricultural Research Laboratory in Sidney continues to provide significant organizational and promotional support.

While encouraging area residents to e-cycle, “E-rase your E-waste” organizers also noted that e-waste in Montana and North Dakota is not yet regulated and in many

instances can legally be disposed of in local landfills, although some do charge a fee. However, because of the toxic substances contained in e-waste such as lead, mercury, cadmium and heavy metals that could cause serious environmental and human health problems, Couture says many individuals and businesses opt for e-cycling where available, even at added costs. And the great thing about e-cycling, she adds, is that 98.5% of e-waste materials can be reused in some other fashion, meaning longer landfill life as well as a healthier environment!

For more information, contact Jackie Couture at 406-433-9422 or Cindy Elson at 406-488-3341.

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Saturday, May 11th: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Richland County Shop in Sidney  
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**Cost:**  
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**Saturday, May 11, 8 a.m. - Noon**

Fairview's annual City Wide Clean-up Day on May 11 will include **FREE** e-waste recycling at the city Firehall! Seniors or others needing assistance may call Fairview City Hall at 742-5616.

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**Sakakawea Fort Peck**

Current Elevation.....	1835.6	2250.0
Last Week's Elev. ....	1835.6	2225.7
One Year Ago .....	1835.0	2225.38
Release For Day (C.F.S.) .....	19,000	8,000

#### Watford City Weather Data

Source: North Dakota Agricultural Weather Network

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Aug. 19 .....	88	63.....	0.00
Aug. 20 .....	94	62.....	0.00
Aug. 21 .....	92	62.....	0.00
Aug. 22 .....	80	62.....	0.00
Aug. 23 .....	84	73.....	0.00
Aug. 24 .....	95	63.....	T
Aug. 25 .....	92	62.....	0.00
YTD Rainfall .....			13.96

#### Sidney Weather Data

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Aug. 19 .....	94	57 .....	0.00
Aug. 20 .....	92	56 .....	0.00
Aug. 21 .....	81	57 .....	0.00
Aug. 22 .....	86	55 .....	0.00
Aug. 23 .....	96	58 .....	0.00
Aug. 24 .....	90	63 .....	0.01
Aug. 25 .....	87	57 .....	0.00
Average YTD Precipitation .....			17.89

## Brodie Benjamin Gorder, 8, Sidney, MT

Brodie Benjamin Gorder was born on September 6, 2004 in Williston, ND to (Tod) Shane & Lisa (Partridge) Gorder. Brodie had just completed the second grade at Rau Elementary School and was a youth member of the Sidney Lutheran Brethren Church.



Brodie Gorder

Brodie was a mischievous, sweet little boy that enjoyed life with a smile and a twinkle in his eyes. He was very quiet when he was a very young boy and his sister Brielle would talk for him. Once he began talking, his jokes and laughter would fill a room. He loved to play on his ranch near the Yellowstone River. He spent his summer days swimming and recently canoeing with his Grandpa Tod and older siblings. He had some great vacations in his little life. He was able to see the University of Minnesota and its wrestling camp that his brother attended. He loved the Mall of America and Camp Snoopy. Brodie was able to meet Mickey Mouse in Florida during his sister's pageant. We will never forget his excitement as he hugged him and smiled. He was the shadow of his older brothers and sisters that he looked up to and he was always following their footsteps. He was a light in the lives of our family

Brodie was a member of the Forever Buds 4-H club and he just showed his first animals at the fair. He loved to play video games and often challenged many to a battle in Mario Kart that he almost always won. He enjoyed spending time at his grandparent's house and could often be found sneaking down the driveway for breakfast or dinner with Gramma and Grampa. In school Brodie liked to read and loved recess with his friends playing kickball. He was looking forward to his first year in flag football and was excited for this school year.

Brodie's favorite thing in the world was wrestling. He put on a singlet at the age of three and became a member of the Sidney Wrestling Club. He was a champion and a placer at many local and national tournaments. Brodie was always asking when the next match or trip would be. The hours spent on a bus with coaches and wrestlers from across the state were many and his coaches always commented on how quickly he was able to learn. He had traveled to Sante Fe, New Mexico twice for Grand Nationals where he placed in every style both years. 2012 was a big year of wrestling accomplishments. In this year he was a Greco Grand Nationals Champion and he was the only wrestler on Team Montana to complete a challenge and score a 5 point throw. He was also a Champion at the Big Sky State Games in Billings and he was on his first official dual team for Sidney at the Rumble on the Red in Fargo, ND. His talent and love for the sport had given him opportunities to meet people in many states and across the state of Montana at dozens of wrestling tournaments. In his short wrestling career, he had won more medals and honors than many high school wrestlers. His dream was to become a Sidney Eagle High School wrestler like his brothers and to have his name on the wall of honors. We are sure that he was destined for greatness.

Brodie was injured by an ATV accident that occurred on the family ranch and God took his little hand and walked with him to heaven on August 18, 2013.

Brodie is survived by his parents Shane and Lisa Gorder; brothers Brennan, Brady, Greyson, and sisters Jalyssa and Brielle; Grandparents Tod and Susan Gorder; Barbara Partridge; Melvin Wilson; Aunt Brandi Partridge (Jamie Lindemann); Uncle Cody Gorder (Audrey Harris); cousins Adryan Gorder; Darci Sotelo; Collin, Camri, and Hadli Lindemann.

Brodie was preceded in death by his Grandfather Stuart Partridge, Uncle Jeremy Gorder, and his beloved pup Beau.

## Notice: Yellowstone Township Zoning Board Meeting Changed to Sept. 3

The Yellowstone Township Zoning Board will meet September 3<sup>rd</sup> (Tuesday) instead of September 2<sup>nd</sup>, due to Labor Day.



# OBITUARIES

## Mona Mullin, 81, Lambert, MT most recently of Fairview, MT

Funeral services for Mona Mullin, 81, of Lambert, most recently of Fairview were at 2 pm, Thursday, August 22, 2013 at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Sidney, MT with Pastor David Huskamp officiating. Interment took place at the Richland Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home. Remembrances, condolences and pictures can be shared with the family at [www.fulkersons.com](http://www.fulkersons.com). Mona died on Saturday, August 17, 2013 at the Billings Clinic.

# EVENTS

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## Richland County

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

- Thurs., Aug. 29**  
**7 a.m.-** Business Over Breakfast- Collecting Bad Debt, Sidney Elk's Lodge. RSVP to the Chamber, 406-433-1916.  
**12 p.m.—** Savage Senior Center will host a meal.  
**12:45 - 1:45 p.m. —** Sidney Senior Citizen Center will be having a potluck lunch and cards. For more info. call 406-433-8077.  
**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., Aug. 30**  
**11:30 a.m. —** Sidney Senior Citizen Center will be hosting a meal. For more info call 406-433-8077.
- Sat., Aug.31**  
**9 a.m. & 7p.m. —** AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Education bldg.  
**10 a.m. —** Gamblers Anonymous at Millers' Corner.
- Sun., Sept.1**  
**1 p.m. —** Savage Senior Center will be hosting cards, coffee, and potluck at 1pm.  
**6:45 p.m. —** Sidney Moose Lodge Bingo, early bird at 6:45 p.m. and regular session at 7 p.m.  
**7 p.m. —** AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Education bldg.
- Mon., Sept. 2**  
**11:30 a.m. —** Sidney Senior Citizen Center will be hosting a meal. For more info call 406-433-8077.  
**Noon —** AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Education bldg.  
**6:30p.m.—** Sidney Moose Lodge Pinochle games.
- Tues., Sept. 3**  
**9 a.m —** MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meet, Sidney Assembly of God. Please contact Chris Dodds at 406-488-9467, or Brielle Larson at 406-480-0566 for more info.  
**6:30 p.m. —** Sidney Trap Club open shooting, \$5 per round of 25. Everyone is welcome. Call Leann at 480-5594 for information.  
**7 p.m. —** AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Education bldg.
- Wed., Sept. 4**  
**9 a.m.-** TBID Meeting, Best Western Golden Prairie Inn.  
**11:30 a.m.- 1p.m.-** Women of the Moose serve soup until gone.  
**12 p.m.- 1p.m.-** Parent Cafe, Sidney/Richland County Library. For more info call Nicole 406-433-4097.  
**1 p.m.-** Fairview Senior Citizens (510 Central) meet for cards with meal at local cafe.  
**7 p.m. -** Gambler's Anonymous, Miller's Corner, backroom.

## McKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

- Wed., Aug. 28**  
**8 p.m.—** Al-Anon, Sanford Room, McKenzie Co. Public Library.
- Thurs., Aug. 29**  
**8 p.m.—** AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride.

## OTHER SURROUNDING COUNTIES

**Thurs., Aug. 29 Thru Sat., Aug. 31**  
Alexander, ND Old Settlers Days.

View all monthly events on our calendar at [www.roundupweb.com](http://www.roundupweb.com).



# Family Resource Center Showcases New Materials

Submitted by Nicole Hackley

Throughout the year the Family Resource Center helps put on fundraisers such as the Parade of Trees Auction and the Kids 1<sup>st</sup> Carnival to raise money for supplies. Because of the generous support from the community at these events, this summer the Family Resource Center was able to purchase almost 30 new DVDs for the Sidney-Richland County Library. The topics range from potty training, early childhood education, managing difficult behavior in children, to families and addiction, marriage, and elderly care. These titles will help add to the expanding collection of DVDs at the Sidney-Richland County Library, which has seen an increase in DVD checkouts in the past several years. New titles include:

- Brainy Baby ABCs
- The Happiest Toddler on the Block
- Baby Sing Language Basics
- Once Upon a Potty for Him
- Once Upon a Potty for Her
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## Construction Begins on DRWA Rural Water Project

Submitted by Mandi Nay

Construction has begun on the greatly anticipated Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority (DRWA) rural water project. In an attempt to supply water as quickly as possible, DRWA has begun looking into construction in phases. The first phase is officially under construction now south of Sidney and is expected to be completed and online in September 2013. DRWA and the City of Sidney have entered into an agreement in order to supply water to the first DRWA users. The first phase is being funded by Richland County and will be turned over to DRWA for operation once completed. DRWA is very thankful to Richland County and the City of Sidney for their willingness to support and assist DRWA in providing the much needed water to rural users.

For the second phase, DRWA is working with engineers on planning and analyzing a route to service the city of Fairview and rural users in that area. Next steps include looking into alternate routes to supply water to residents along Highway 200.

DRWA would like to thank the communities and rural residents in our service area for being patient and for the continued support. DRWA is very excited to be under construction and plans to move forward on future phases as quickly as possible.

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Deadline for advertising in our September 4<sup>th</sup> paper is Noon on Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. News and Classified ads are welcome until 10 am on Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. We will be closed Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> to enjoy the Labor Day Holiday

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# State Vet Issues West Nile Advisory for Equine Owners

Submitted by Steve Merritt

Positive mosquitoes found in 8 counties: Cascade, Blaine, Hill, Lewis & Clark, Prairie, Sheridan, Phillips and Teton. Animal health officials with the Montana Department of Livestock are advising equine owners in parts of the state to be on the lookout for West Nile virus after positive mosquitoes were found in eight counties last week.

Positive mosquitoes were found in Cascade, Blaine, Hill, Lewis & Clark, Prairie, Sheridan, Phillips and Teton Counties.

While the mosquito season is winding down with fall approaching, state veterinarian Dr. Marty Zaluski said it's not too late to booster equines that have already been vaccinated.

"We know that vaccination is highly protective against West Nile, and if your horse has already been vaccinated, a booster may provide additional protection this late in the season," he said. "That's why it's important to work with your local veterinarian to develop a core vaccination program."

Greg Johnson, veterinary entomologist for Montana State University's Department of Animal & Range Sciences, said topical insecticides may provide some immediate protection.

"I'd suggest a permethrin insecticide treatment to suppress mosquito blood feeding," Johnson said. "A product like Brute pour-on (10% permethrin) can be applied as a wipe-on, while Gardstar (40% permethrin) can be mixed with water and applied as a low volume spray or a wipe-on."

A single application can provide up to seven days of protection, he said, and "using it for a couple of weeks might be enough to get you through the rest of the mosquito season."

Equine owners can also take other measures to reduce exposure:

Eliminate potential breeding sites (old receptacles, tires, and containers) and areas of standing water;

Thoroughly clean livestock watering troughs weekly;

Keep horses indoors during peak mosquito activity periods of dusk to dawn;

Avoid using lights, when possible, that may attract mosquitoes inside stables during the evening and overnight.

Zaluski said it's also important to be familiar

with signs of the disease, which causes encephalitis, or swelling of the brain, and can be difficult to distinguish from other neurological diseases like sleeping sickness and rabies. Some of those signs include:

Loss of appetite and depression;

Fever;

Incoordination or weakness of the hind limbs;

Muscle or muzzle twitching;

Convulsions;

Inability to swallow.

"If you see anything suspicious, contact your veterinarian," Zaluski said. "Developing a good working relationship with

your vet is the quickest, easiest way to stay on top of things like West Nile and other diseases."

Montana had seven cases of WNV in equines last year; prior to that, the last reported case was in 2009. Based on state and national figures, roughly one-third of the unvaccinated horses that contract the disease die or must be euthanized.

For additional information about WNV in horses, please see American Association of Equine Practitioners web site.

For additional information about WNV in humans, please see the Department of Public Health & Human Services web site.

## Williston's Brand New Dakota Landing Opens for Business Sept. 3

Submitted by Johanna Rojas

Dakota Landing, a unique residence hotel designed to meet the growing needs of the Bakken Shale housing market, will begin welcoming guests September 3. Dakota Landing is inviting the community to take an up-close look at the new property and experience what this innovative residence hotel has to offer through two events in September.

On Monday, September 9 from 4 to 6 p.m., Dakota Landing will hold a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Reception to include elected, business and community leaders. Then, on Wednesday, September 11 from 5 to 9 p.m., Dakota Landing will open its doors to the public to invite residents to tour the property during an Open House.

"Dakota Landing is proud to support one of the fastest growing cities in the nation by providing extended-stay housing accommodations for our guests that have a welcoming home-away-from-home feel," said Trevor Gayler, General Manager for Dakota Landing.

The hotel hosts 240 generously-sized single and double rooms, providing all-inclusive amenities for the diverse needs of guests, such as:

Food Service: two hot meals a day, packed bag meals, hot breakfast, lunch program, dinner buffet, vending machines.

Business Services: dedicated Business Center, meeting spaces, wireless internet access.

Recreational Services: fitness center, pool and poker tables, televisions, lounge area with TV.

Convenience Services: laundry services, ample parking with block heater hookups, on-site security, indoor boot room.

Dakota Landing, owned by Bakken Properties, LLC, is located at 5813 Jefferson Lane, Williston, ND 58801. For more information, reservations, or long-term stay options for Dakota Landing, please call 701-433-1800 or visit <http://www.dakotalanding.com>.

Trust Hospitality, LLC ([www.trusthospitality.com](http://www.trusthospitality.com)) is the sales and marketing arm for Dakota Landing. Inventory spans the globe with a base of properties in North America, the Caribbean and Latin America. At our core, each hotel is as original as a fingerprint but our values and approach are unwavering: the development of each hotel's identity includes developer and design input, with the destination in mind that is never contrived.

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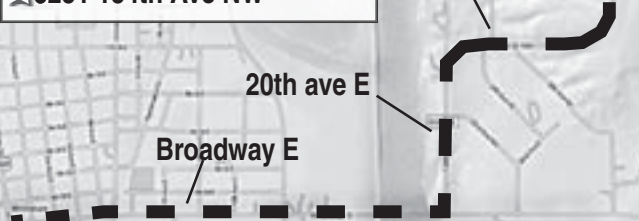
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# Celebrate the End of Summer Safely, Law Enforcement Warns Of Extra Patrols Over Labor Day Weekend

Submitted by Charity Watt

Summer is coming to an end, but before fall arrives, people will be enjoying Labor Day weekend. It is a time to enjoy the last days of summer and travel to see Montana sights. The Montana Highway Patrol (MHP) and local law enforcement agencies will be on the lookout for impaired drivers over Labor Day weekend. They will be stepping up patrols to keep everyone safe on the roadways.

“Labor Day can be a dangerous time of year on the roadways,” said Colonel Kenton Hickethier, Chief Administrator of the Montana Highway Patrol. “All of us in law enforcement want everyone to enjoy the last weekend of summer, but we want people to know we will be pulling over anyone who appears to be driving while under the influence.”

In Montana, the last three Labor Day weekends (Thursday through Monday) five people died due to impaired driving. During the same time period, there were 793 crashes. “We would like to see this number at zero this year. Drinking and driving is not worth the risk,” said Col. Hickethier.

Impaired driving is not just a problem in Montana. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), during Labor Day in 2011, a total of 138 people were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes involving drivers with a blood alcohol content of 0.08 g/dL or higher.

During traffic stops, law enforcement officers also will be on the look out for people not wearing a seatbelt. “Montana does have a seatbelt law, and we will ticket you if you are not wearing one. We want everyone in the car to wear their seatbelt because a seatbelt can protect you from serious injury or death. They are your first line of defense against unsafe drivers,” Col. Hickethier stated.

The public can help keep the roads safe for travelers. If anyone sees a driver who appears impaired, call 1-855-MHP-3777 or 911.

For interesting videos and more safety-related information, please access the Montana Department of Transportation’s website [www.plan2live.mt.gov](http://www.plan2live.mt.gov).

# Blue Buffalo Artist Work to be Displayed at MonDak Heritage Center

By Dianne Swanson

This is the fourth in a series highlighting the talented Blue Buffalo artists whose work will be on display at the MonDak Heritage Center in Sidney during the month of October.

Lynne Jordan works in oils, watercolors and pastels to bring her viewers into the world of National Parks where she spent many years of her life. She has also mastered what she calls pyrographic sculpture, her state of the art technique in wood burning and light carving on three-dimensional driftwood. This art form originally began in Russia and moved to the United States in the 1700s. Jordan has advanced this art form into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century with realism in western and wildlife subject matter.

Jordan explains her subject matter this way. “I was born and reared in western National Parks where, behind the front lines of tourist gatherings, lies a world of wild and secluded life. I spent a great deal of my childhood hiking among the hidden glens where I would sit for hours watching the private life of ‘wild’ unfold before me.

Whether I am portraying the elusive lynx, or the people that survived the hardships of the West long ago, I look for that brief moment of deep personal awareness. I want to share with the viewer the ability to move in unobserved...to sit beside the young pioneer girl as she reties the laces of her worn-out boots; to smell the breath of a bull elk on a crisp fall morning in the high country; or to share the flight of an eagle on his way home to feed his young.”

Jordan studied art at the University of Oregon, New Mexico State University and the Lesnick Art Studio in Las Vegas, NV. Her work is represented in dozens of galleries and she continues to keep up with the customers’ demand for her work. She has received numerous awards and has had many one-woman exhibitions. Jordan now resides in Boulder City, Nevada.

# Montana Make It With Wool and Win!

Submitted by Leslie McMillen

If you love to sew garments or even quilts from wool then you may be interested in the The Montana Make It With Wool contest coming up soon! The contest’s objectives are: to promote the beauty and versatility of wool fabric and yarns, encourage personal creativity, recognize creative skills and develop life skills. Make plans now to enter this exciting contest. The District 5 contest will be held in Sidney MT on Sunday afternoon October 27. The contest is open to everyone living in District 5 and includes the categories: Pre-Teen – 12 and under, Juniors – 17-24, Adults age 25 and older, Made for Others (any age), Wearable Accessories- district & state level only (any age). The garments for Juniors, Seniors, Adults and Made for Others may enter in these categories: One-piece garment, Two-piece garment, and Ensemble. Pre-Teens may enter a dress, jumper, skirt, pants, shorts, vest, sweater, shirt/blouse, jacket or a combination. First place winners in the Junior, Senior, Adult and Made for Others category advance to the state competition held during the Montana Wool Growers convention on December 6 & 7 at the Holiday Inn Grand in Billings MT. The Junior and Senior winners are eligible to attend the National Finals January 22-24 2014 in Charleston, SC. Entry forms and fees are due by October 1. For an entry form or questions please contact Leslie McMillen at 406-569-2020 or email [mcmillen82@wildrtc.com](mailto:mcmillen82@wildrtc.com) You can also download the entry form at [www.makeitwithwool.com](http://www.makeitwithwool.com) and send or email it to Leslie McMillen.





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**Saturday, August 31st**

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# USDA and DOI Highlight Successes of Protecting Bird Habitat on Private Lands

Submitted by Dan Janes

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and Interior Secretary Sally Jewell announced the release of the State of the Birds 2013 Report on Private Lands. A collaborative effort as part of the U.S. North American Bird Conservation Initiative, involving federal and state wildlife agencies and scientific and conservation organizations, the report shows how private land conservation incentives positively impact bird habitat.

“Sixty percent of U.S. land is in private hands, making the efforts of farmers, ranchers and landowners critical when it comes to creating, restoring and protecting bird habitat,” Secretary Vilsack said. “Today’s report highlights the positive impact of voluntary conservation measures for birds, including those made possible by Farm Bill programs. The need for a long-term commitment to conservation is just one more good reason why we need Congressional passage of a multi-year Food, Farm and Jobs Bill as soon as possible.”

Individuals, families, organizations and corporations, including two million ranchers and farmers and about 10 million woodland owners, own and manage 1.43 billion acres, roughly 60 percent of the land area of the United States. Private lands are used by virtually all of the terrestrial and coastal birds of the United States, 251 of which are federally threatened, endangered or of conservation concern. Many privately owned working lands that produce a bounty of food, timber, and other resources for society also provide valuable habitat for birds.

“Our nation’s most effective conservation efforts are partnerships in which federal, state and local governments work hand-in-hand with private landowners and other stakeholders,” said Secretary Jewell. “The programs highlighted in this report help build these voluntary partnerships to conserve the vital habitat of our many bird species. In addition, many of these partnerships provide direct benefits to people such as improving water quality and supporting jobs and economic growth.”

The State of the Birds 2013 Report on Private Lands shows that private lands have critical conservation value, and that landowners and managers can measure their yield not only in bushels and head and cords, but also in bluebirds, hawks and canvasbacks.

The success stories highlighted in this report demonstrate that these voluntary efforts on private lands are resulting in meaningful bird conservation results:

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP): Henslow’s Sparrow populations, which have declined more than 95 percent since the mid-1960s, have rebounded in areas through CRP. In Illinois, regional Henslow’s Sparrow spring bird counts are now about 25 times greater than 30 years ago, prior to CRP. The Illinois counties with the highest percentage of CRP acreage also have the highest Henslow’s Sparrow population gains. A recent study in the Dakotas suggested that if CRP acres were put back into annual crop production, populations of several species of grassland birds (including Sedge Wren, Grasshopper Sparrow, Bobolink and Western Meadowlark)

## Master Gardener Program Offered in Watford City

Submitted by Marcia Hellandsaas

Local individuals interested in an in-depth look at gardening are encouraged to enroll in the Master Gardener Program to be held weekly for eight Friday mornings starting September 27 and ending November 15. Sessions will be offered over the Interactive Video Network System (IVN) from 8:30 AM CT to 12:30 PM CT at the Courthouse in Watford City. Registration deadline to enroll in the course is Friday, Sept 13.

This program is offered by the North Dakota State University Extension Service and classroom training will be provided by professionals in their respective fields. Upon completion of the Master Gardener Program, participants will be well schooled in the basics of plant and soil science, perennial and annual flowers, plant pathology, entomology, and weed control, vegetable and fruit production and more.

Cost to participate in this program is \$150 with the contribution of 48 volunteer hours of sharing of the individual’s expertise in the community or \$300 without the volunteer hour contributions.

To register or obtain more information, please contact the McKenzie County Extension Office at 701-444-3451 or e-mail [marcia.hellandsaas@ndsu.edu](mailto:marcia.hellandsaas@ndsu.edu).

would experience significant population declines, ranging up to 56 percent.

Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP): The Wetland Reserve Program has restored 2.6 million acres of private wetlands across the nation. WRP-conserved wetlands provide essential breeding habitat for waterbirds such as Wood Duck and Hooded Merganser, wintering habitat for 3.5 to 4.5 million waterfowl every winter; and migratory stopover habitat for shorebirds such as Black-necked Stilt and Greater Yellowlegs.

Natural Resources Conservation Service Landscape Conservation Initiatives: The Sage Grouse Initiative has targeted Farm Bill conservation funding to enroll more than 700 ranchers and implement sustainable grazing systems that improve habitat on more than 2 million acres in 11 western states. The Migratory Bird Habitat Initiative, delivered through various Farm Bill conservation programs, is providing inland habitats for migratory waterbirds on more than 470,000 acres of private lands in eight states from Florida and Georgia to Texas and Missouri.

Chippewa Flowage Forest Conservation Easement: This Forest Legacy project, a partnership of the Forest Legacy Program, Wisconsin Bureau of Forest Management and Trust for Public Land, created an 18,000 acre conservation easement of forest, wetlands, and exceptional wildlife habitat especially

important for forest birds like Wood Thrush, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, and Black-throated Green warbler, and water birds like the Bald Eagle, Osprey and Common Loon.

Machias River Project: This project in Maine is a good example of conservation easements protecting the futures of both birds and working forests. This Forest Legacy project, a partnership of the Forest Legacy Program, Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands, The Nature Conservancy Maine Chapter, and others, protected 60,000 acres through fee purchase and easements. These acres connect to over 340,000 acres of other protected lands, creating a mega block of contiguous habitat for 28 bird species of conservation concern.

Foresters for the Birds: Helping Landowners Integrate Timber and Forest Bird Habitat Management. This project, with financial support from the USDA Forest Service, is a partnership between the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation and Audubon Vermont. Audubon biologists and over 100 foresters in Vermont and the surrounding region have begun working together to help landowners integrate timber and songbird habitat management.

The full State of the Birds 2013 Report on Private Lands is available at [www.stateofthebirds.org](http://www.stateofthebirds.org). For more information about USDA’s many conservation programs visit [www.usda.gov](http://www.usda.gov).

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# Flaring Energy

## Submitted by Montana Petroleum Report

The Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation hosted their 9th annual Teachers Workshop on Oil & Gas Resources at MSUB in Billings last month during the week of June 24th. Forty two teachers from across Montana, predominantly in Math and Science, spent a week on campus to attend workshops covering everything from geology, to hydraulic fracturing and drilling, to refining. This year represented the largest group of teachers to attend since the first workshop was offered, affording educators a comprehensive look at the energy sector.

Speakers during the week included Tom Richmond of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation, who discussed regulatory issues like those overseen by the Board; Leo Heath, Head of the Petroleum Engineering Department at Montana Tech, and former Petroleum Engineer; John Evans, former Petroleum Engineer and current Professor at Montana Tech; Geophysicist Jeff Zawilla; Geologist David Lopez; Petroleum Engineer for SM Energy and President of the Billings Chapter for

the Society of Petroleum Engineers, Shawna Bonini; and Landman for Hancock Enterprises, Jack King.

Attendees spent eight hours in the classroom on most days, but also got an up close and personal look at the industry on a series of field trips.

They traveled to Cody, WY for the day to meet with folks from Marathon Oil at the historic Irma Hotel and Restaurant. An hour long presentation on Marathon's work, including a breakdown of drilling and hydraulic fracturing given by Lindsey McCarty, Production Engineer for Marathon, was followed by a bus ride into Marathon's Oregon Basin.

Later in the week, teachers were taken three hours away to a True Oil drilling rig operated by Petro Hunt in the Red River formation south of Wibaux, where they were greeted by Jeff Herman, Operations Manager for Petro Hunt. While on site, teachers witnessed several connections (the addition of a new joint to the drill pipe), and met with the onsite geologist to view drilling samples beneath a flourescent microscope which detects hydrocarbons.

En route to and from the drilling rig, Lana Petersen from Montana Tech showed several films, offering different viewpoints on the industry. They included TruthLand, SpOILed, and Gasland, which takes an opposing viewpoint of hydraulic fracturing. That film was followed by FrackNation, a documentary which debunks claims made in Gasland.

*\*Since January, the Montana Petroleum Association has been hosting free public screenings of FrackNation to educate Montanans on the benefits of "fracking" and to put to rest misconceptions about the process.*

On the last day of the workshop, all forty two teachers made one final stop at the Phillips 66 refinery to learn about the downstream sector, including everything from the Renewable Fuel Standard and other federal mandates, to the cost of refining and how the price of gas is determined.

To conclude the workshop, teachers were tasked with creating a lesson plan for their students, and earned continuing education

credits for attending.

Hosts for the event all agreed that in addition to being the largest group ever, it was also the most inquisitive. Issues on the minds of teachers included flared gas management, preserving clean water, reclamation, Made in America drilling equipment and frac sand, land and mineral owner rights, and the social impacts that the increased population has contributed to in Eastern Montana. Along with discussing the impacts, speakers at the workshop shared with teachers a long list of opportunities that now exist in Montana for students, thanks to the recent energy revolution in the Bakken and beyond.

With a near 100% job placement rating from Montana Tech's Petroleum Engineering Department, and a shortage of workers in the field, teachers were encouraged by Petroleum Engineer and MT Tech alum, Shawna Bonini, to "make students flex their muscles a bit." Bonini stressed the importance of strong math and science skills, as well as good grades for scholarships and success in Petroleum Engineering courses.

Students who graduate

with a degree in Petroleum Engineering are practically guaranteed employment in positions with average starting pay between \$80,000 and \$150,000, plus sign-on bonuses. Several of the teachers in attendance were overheard expressing an interest in returning to college themselves to take up the trade.

Evaluation forms turned in after the workshop revealed that, overwhelmingly, teachers

had a favorable opinion of all aspects of the oil and gas sector, including its environmental impact. This fall, The MT Petroleum Assoc. and the Society of Petroleum Engineers will continue the outreach to teachers and students, giving informative classroom presentations throughout the state.

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# Preventing West Nile Virus

**Submitted on behalf of the Richland County Health Department**  
West Nile virus is a risk you can do something about. West Nile virus is now in most of the United States.

The most important way people become infected is through the bite of an infected mosquito. You can reduce your chance of getting infected by avoiding mosquito bites.

Adults are at highest risk.  
People over age 50 and people who have ever received a solid organ transplant are more likely to develop serious symptoms of West Nile virus if they do get sick and should take special care to avoid mosquito bites.

What happens if I get infected?  
A small number of people (about 1 in 150) who get infected with West Nile virus develop severe disease, called West Nile encephalitis or West Nile meningitis (inflammation of the brain or the area around the brain). Symptoms of severe illness include headache, high fever, stiff neck, mental confusion, muscle weakness, tremors (shaking), convulsions, coma, and paralysis. These symptoms may last several weeks, and neurological effects may be permanent. See your health care provider if you develop these symptoms.

Some people who become infected have symptoms such as fever, headache, body aches, nausea, vomiting, swollen lymph glands or a skin rash on the chest, stomach and back. Symptoms can last for a few days to several weeks. Call your health care provider if you have questions about your symptoms.

Most people who get infected with West Nile virus do not have any symptoms. There is no specific treatment for West Nile virus infection. There is no vaccine available for people.

What Can I Do to Prevent WNV?  
The easiest and best way to avoid WNV is to prevent mosquito bites.

- When you are outdoors, use insect repellents containing an EPA-registered insect repellent. Follow the directions on the package.
  - Many mosquitoes are most active at dusk and dawn. Be sure to use insect repellent and wear long sleeves and pants at these times or consider staying indoors during these hours.
  - Make sure you have good screens on your windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out.
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# MT Upland Game Bird Hunting Forecast

All things considered—from last summer's drought to this spring's floods—2013 should still shape up to be near to just below average in Montana for upland game bird hunters. Here's run down on the status of Montana's top upland game birds.

**Gray (Hungarian) Partridge**  
• While no formal surveys are conducted for hunns in Montana, various observations along with weather and habitat conditions suggest hunns will be average to below average this season. Observations in Regions 3 and 6 suggest average numbers. Observations from Region 5 suggest numbers will be below average and lower than last year.

**Mountain Grouse**  
• Observations in western Montana suggest average to somewhat below average numbers of all species.

**Pheasants**  
• The real bright spot is in northeastern Montana's Region 6, where pheasant numbers continue to improve and are well above long term averages. In this area, spring "crow counts"—where wildlife biologists travel specific routes to count and record the "crows" of cock pheasants to determine the size of the population—were 15 percent above the long term average. Also, consider southeastern Montana where spring crow counts in Region 7, were 40 percent below the all time high counts last year, but still 5 to 25 percent above the long term average. In northwestern Montana, favorable weather in Region 1 resulted in above average counts on the Ninepipe

Wildlife Management Area. Region 3 reported average counts for southwestern Montana. In Region 5, in the Billings area, pheasant crow counts varied and were near average to well below long-term averages. Overall, Region 5 expects a slight improvement in pheasant numbers over last year.

**Sage Grouse**  
• Statewide, male attendance at leks averaged 14.9 males per lek which is 48 percent below long-term averages, and down from 19.2 males per lek last year. The drop is likely a function of extreme drought conditions during 2012 which led to low brood survival. The drop in abundance was somewhat uniformly distributed across sage grouse range in Montana. Consequently, hunters can expect numbers to be near average to well below average in all regions. Excellent brood rearing conditions may mitigate the declines to some extent.

**Sharp-tailed grouse**  
• Region 3 reported average to below average numbers. Lek surveys and other observations in Region 6 indicate sharptail numbers will be average to slightly below average across the region. General observations from Region 5 similarly suggest below average numbers.

Bernie Hildebrand, Wildlife Biologist for the Miles City area adds, "While we are seeing broods it is hard to get a count especially on pheasants and sharp-tailed grouse because of all the vegetation. Folks can expect average to just below average upland game bird numbers across Region Seven."

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- 40% of all vehicle crashes in Montana involve alcohol or drugs
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# Dangers of Sepsis

**By Kate McInnerney**  
Mickie, a 56 year-old teacher, has a red, inflamed sore on her leg that won't go away. Today her entire thigh looks red and angry. Twelve year-old Joey was bitten by a cat, and now has streaks running up his arm. Fred is 97; he's in good health aside from occasional urinary tract infections, but the last few days he seems unusually confused and woozy. Mabel has emphysema, but has managed well until a recent respiratory infection. Today she's breathing rapidly and has the chills. Bob lives in his camper and has had abscesses on his arms, legs and toes. The sores won't heal and now he is just too tired to get out of bed. Amy's stomach is bloated even though she has not been able to eat for a week. She just sits on the couch feeling miserable.

Mickie, Joey, Fred, Mabel, Bob and Amy all have sepsis - an infection that has spread to their bloodstream.

**What is Sepsis?**  
Sepsis is a life threatening condition that kills more Americans each year than breast, lung and prostate cancer combined. It occurs when the body's response to an infection causes injury to itself - you can think of it as "friendly fire." Unfortunately, the "friendly fire" ignites a cascade of events that cause widespread inflammation. Without adequate blood pressure to deliver oxygen, the body goes into survival mode - directing blood to the heart and brain at the expense of the skin, liver, kidney and lungs. Organs begin to show signs of stress, and eventually fail. The mortality rate from sepsis doubles with each additional organ system affected. For those who survive severe sepsis and septic shock, permanent organ damage or mental or physical impairment are not uncommon.

**Who is at Risk?**  
Those most at risk of

developing sepsis are the young and old, those with a compromised immune system or chronic illness, or anyone undergoing a surgical or invasive procedure or recent treatment with a broad-spectrum antibiotic. Infections of the skin, abscesses, wounds or burns, pneumonia or respiratory tract infection, urinary tract infections, a broken bone or even a viral infection -- all of these can potentially lead to sepsis.

**What to Look For?**  
Many people with sepsis experience a fever or chills early on. The young or old may have an abnormally low body temperature. Other common symptoms are a fast heart rate, general weakness, warm skin that is sometimes accompanied by a rash or swelling, rapid breathing, feeling woozy when getting up, or not passing urine. All are signs that cannot be ignored, and if you have more than one of these symptoms you should be seen immediately for treatment.

The greatest challenge of sepsis is that there is no single test to diagnosis it -- and it is seldom the first condition a medical provider will think of. And as patients, we seldom think of it either -- after all, who isn't sporting a cut or two at any given time. But we usually do have a sense when something's just not right. According to Dr. Jim O'Brien of the Sepsis Alliance, that's when you can help simply by asking your provider: "Could this be sepsis?"

**The first hour is critical. The first 24 can be decisive.**  
Once organ systems are compromised, every hour that a systemic infection is not treated with antibiotics and fluids, a patient's risk of death rises by 7%. Diagnostic tests needed will include blood cultures and lab work. Treatment will likely include fluids to maintain or restore blood pressure and broad-spectrum IV antibiotics until the source

of the infection is identified and treated. Other medications and procedures may be necessary to support heart, lung, and kidney function.  
**How about here in Sidney?**  
Only five years ago, Sidney Health Center saw about one case of severe sepsis each month. In 2013, there have been 20 cases. Nationally, the incidence of sepsis has been rising about 10% per year. Early identification of sepsis and prompt implementation of treatment protocols could save hundreds of thousands of lives.

In response to this increase, Sidney Health Center has become more vigilant in early screening for sepsis and protocols to promptly treat the sepsis preventing progression to total organ failure.

**Conclusion**  
40% of patients diagnosed with severe sepsis do not survive. The Sepsis Alliance collects the stories of sepsis survivors, and stories written by family members of those who have died. The collection, called the "Faces of Sepsis" can be read on the Sepsis Alliance website ([www.sepsisalliance.org/faces](http://www.sepsisalliance.org/faces)).

At any time there is a chance that a local infection will become systemic and result in sepsis. Don't delay care - it could cost you much more than a doctor's bill. Until there is a definitive test available, prompt recognition of symptoms caused by sepsis is the best way to save lives. For more information, visit the websites of the Sepsis Alliance, the Surviving Sepsis Campaign, or talk to your health care provider.

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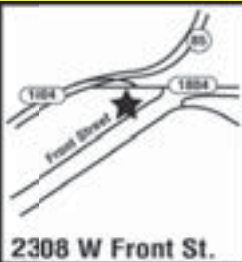
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# Excitement at the MonDak

**Submitted by Jenny Baker**  
We have a very exciting September planned! We will kick off by hosting a portable planetarium known as a Star Lab. This Star Lab comes from the Museum of the Rockies, and is a great opportunity for your students to receive a planetarium experience, while visiting the MonDak. We will begin accepting appointments on August 19th 2013. Museum members will be the first to get placed. School slots are available from September 3rd-14th. If you are a teacher who is interested ,please feel free to call and reserve your spot as they will be filling up fast. I am sure there are others out there interested in our traveling planetarium show. We will be offering two family nights the 12th and13th of September from 5:30-8:30, each program runs about 20-25 minutes. As with all of our family fun days this event is free to the public, all we ask is that you come and have a great time.  
Also I am happy to announce that our MonDak Munchkin program will be starting up again for the first session of the year, this will start on September 23rd and go till October 4th. Classes will begin at 10 am again and will be on Mondays and Wednesdays. This class is only two weeks long, but will give your children a sneak peek into what our other classes are all about. This class is for ages 3-5. For more information on the fun educational opportunities here at the MonDak Heritage Center please feel free to call or email Jenny Baker at [jbaker@richland.org](mailto:jbaker@richland.org) or 433-3500.

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# Williston Summit September 3-5

**Submitted by Barb Peterson  
Williston Economic Development**

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"The Williston Summit will be a tremendous opportunity to develop a "Bakken Network" and to learn more about the growth in the region and future plans and investments in and around the community of Williston," says Tom Rolfstad, Director of Williston Economic Development.

Wednesday's seminars will feature some of the most sought after experts in their particular fields and include growth projections (oil production, pipeline, electrical power production, community growth trends and population); major new investments in railroad facilities; business opportunities in the Bakken; city and county planning processes; community development (health

care, education, planning, transportation, parks and rec, downtown); investment opportunities; and retail expansion in the Williston area.

"While the Bakken is making the country energy independent, we are busy building a community that will not only handle the quantity of people required, but to also do this in a fashion that will provide the quality of life that families seek in locating into a new community", says Rolfstad.

Registration and a social/get acquainted mixer will be held Tuesday at 5 p.m. at the Williston Brewing Company. A full day of seminars will be held Wednesday at the Grand Williston Hotel and Conference Center followed by a dinner at the Williston Brewing Company.

Participants will also have an opportunity to play in a networking scramble golf tournament on Thursday at the nationally ranked "Links of North Dakota". The registration deadline for the tournament is August 27<sup>th</sup>. The tournament has active sponsors at every hole.

The Williston Summit is an invitation only event. To request an invitation, send an email with information about your business or organization to [annk@ci.williston.nd.us](mailto:annk@ci.williston.nd.us).

# No Paddlefish Tag Lottery in 2014

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department has decided to wait at least a year before developing a lottery to issue tags for the paddlefish snagging season.

While legislation passed in 2013 allows the Department to use a lottery system to issue paddlefish tags if and when needed, Game and Fish Department fisheries chief Greg Power said that after full review of the 2013 paddlefish season, and considering ongoing research on the paddlefish population, biologists have determined that a lottery is not necessary in 2014.

"However, this ongoing paddlefish population assessment may still result in a number of changes to the 2014 paddlefish season," Power said. "If there are pending regulation

changes, we will solicit public input later this fall, including at Game and Fish advisory board meetings."

Since the first snagging season was authorized in 1976, Power said Game and Fish has managed paddlefish snagging on the upper Missouri and Yellowstone rivers by allowing an unlimited number of participants. Because of growing interest and participation by snaggers, coupled with a declining paddlefish population, Game and Fish established an annual harvest cap to limit the harvest.

The first cap, set in 1996 with Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, was 1,500 fish per year in each state. The two agencies reduced the cap to 1,000 fish per year in each state in 2003.

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# Living History Weekend at Fort Union Begins Aug. 31

Submitted by Loren  
Yellow Bird

Living History weekend August 31 through September tells the story of the Northwest Company's purchase of Fort Union from the American Fur Company.

The setting for this year's Last Bell Tour is based on events that occurred from June 17 through September 17, 1865 through the eyes of the employees from Chouteau and Company. A series of changes were experienced during this time and the fort re-enactors, staff and volunteers will bring this story to life. This will set the stage to give the visitors that view from the past.

Saturday's Last Bell Tours begin in the upper parking lot, where visitors assemble. Tour leaders will orient visitors and escort them through the fort where they will be confronted by a series of period scenes. Beginning at 8 p.m., six tours of 20-25 people each will be conducted through the trading post at 15-minute intervals. Tours will begin at 8 p.m., 8:20 p.m., 8:45 p.m., 9 p.m. and 9:20 p.m. The fort will be illuminated by candlelight, lanterns and fireplaces.

The Last Bell Tours are only a part of Living History Weekend; August 31 to September 2, when the area muzzleloaders, staff and other re-enactors become engages (laborers), clerks and traders, Indian Warriors, and Metis women. Besides living in the fort, re-enactors eat meals cooked out behind the Bourgeois House on a wood-burning stove.



Fort Union's Trade House will be open every day throughout September, staffed by living history interpreters. Stop in at the visitor's center to get the latest updates on our changes or any upcoming events, or visit our website at [www.nps.gov/fous](http://www.nps.gov/fous) or on Facebook.

Fort Union is open from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. CDT daily at Fort Union until Labor Day, and 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the winter. Fort Union Trading Post is located 24 miles north of Sidney, Montana and 25 miles southwest of Williston, North Dakota, via Highway 1804. While here, visitors are encouraged to tour the reconstructed fort, trade room and bourgeois house. Fort Union is free of charge to visit.

For more information on Fort Union Trading Post National Historic Site, contact the park at 701-572-9083.

The Doug Rau family would like to thank our many friends and relatives who provided words of comfort and brought food for the family; those who provided music for the service; Pastor David Meehan, the Ebenezer Church Ladies' Fellowship for the great meal and to those who sent cards, flowers and memorials. Special thanks to Don Cook, Lori Dowse, REA, Picture Perfect, the Sidney Elks Lodge and the wonderful staff at Fulkerson Funeral Home. God Bless all of you.



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Alan MacDonald with long bow elk harvest.

Below: Watch where you step! Kendal Kallevig nearly stepped on this rattlesnake.



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# The Land We Manage For You

**By M. Jeff Hagener, Director FWP**  
Montana has much to offer. We have abundant wildlife, clean water with lots of fish and a slower pace of life that has disappeared elsewhere.

Yes, Montana has much to offer and plenty of people who want to take us up on that offer. That's why Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks works hard at maintaining the Montana lifestyle. FWP, through its land management practices, attempts to preserve natural areas, working landscapes and abundant opportunity for those who enjoy the outdoors.

To ensure we are performing our mission, Governor Steve Bullock asked FWP to assess its land holdings, and evaluate the operation and maintenance of its properties, management priorities and good neighbor policies. Basically, Gov. Bullock has asked FWP to better explain

what we are doing and why with the land we manage. Montana is big state of which FWP oversees a tiny fraction: 448,000 acres in conservation easements; 18,178 in fishing access sites; 365,271 in wildlife management areas; and 38,901 set aside in state parks. Under state law, FWP pays taxes on these lands equal to the amount that a private landowner would pay. In 2012, for instance, FWP paid more than \$767,000 in property taxes to Montana counties. That total of 879,350 acres managed by FWP sounds like a lot, but it represents less than one percent of Montana's total 94.1 million acres. The land FWP controls falls into two main categories, land owned (fee title), and conservation easements. In each case, agreements are struck only with willing sellers and every property's value is appraised by licensed land

appraisers. Fee title land comes in several forms like fishing access sites and state parks. The majority, however, is wildlife management areas, WMAs. WMAs primarily serve as wintering areas for big game, lands on which mule deer and elk can survive the winter without human pressure. That helps not only wildlife, but sometimes neighboring ranches, too, that don't want their livestock competing with big game for forage. Conservation easements are a totally different ballgame. Although FWP's land acquisition stretches back 70 years, changes to the state's population and economics in the 1980s led the 1987 State Legislature to pass House Bill 526, now called "Habitat Montana". The legislation directed FWP to protect important habitat that is threatened, primarily by working with private landowners using

conservation easements. Just like fee title sales, conservation easements are voluntary legal agreements only made with willing sellers. In the case of conservation easements, however, FWP typically pays a landowner 40 to 45 percent of the value of the property. In return, the landowner agrees to keep the land in traditional agricultural use, employ agricultural practices that benefit wildlife, and forgo agreed upon development opportunities. In addition, most easements provide public access for hunting. Landowners still own the property which typically continues to stay in agricultural

production. Owners can sell or pass it on to heirs. But the title carries the agreed-upon terms of the easement, which are negotiated to remain with the land forever. Money to fund Habitat Montana comes from hunting license fees—none comes from the state's checkbook, commonly referred to as the general fund—and amounts to about \$4 million a year. Over the past 35 years Habitat Montana has protected and enhanced several hundred thousand acres of wildlife habitat. Conservation easements serve purposes as varied as keeping sage brush communities intact for sage grouse and connecting wildlife corridors for big game migration. Whether through fee title ownership or conservation easements, land tied to FWP must be managed carefully taking into account, wildlife stewardship, private land ownership and the public's desire to hunt and fish. Include the foundation of being a good neighbor and FWP faces challenges, lots of them. Whatever the obstacles, FWP's bottom line here is conserving wildlife habitat and providing a place for people to hunt, fish and enjoy this state far from the hectic bustle that has infected too much of America.

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opportunities." Hagener said FWP has already hosted a number of public meetings around the state to gather comments and provide information on the season setting process. Additional meetings are scheduled Thursday, Aug. 22, at FWP regional offices in Billings, Bozeman Great Falls and Miles City beginning at 6 p.m. Hagener noted that FWP further encourages agricultural producers to offer ideas on hunting regulation adjustments they'd like FWP to consider.

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The North Dakota Sportsmen Against Hunger program is again accepting donations of goose meat taken during the early Canada goose season.

Much like the popular SAH deer donation program, hunters can bring in their goose meat to participating processors. However, hunters must remove the breast meat from the birds before processors can accept them.

Hunters can clean their geese at home prior to delivery to a processor, but breast meat brought from home without a wing or head attached to the meat, must be accompanied by written information that includes the hunter's name, address, signature, hunting license num-

ber, date taken and species and number taken.

Hunters may also deliver geese directly from the field to a processor, but identification must remain attached to the bird until in possession of the processor.

Since no goose carcasses or feathers are allowed inside processing plants, hunters must be able to ensure proper disposal and clean-up of carcasses.

"We have a number of locations across the state that will handle goose donations," said Ann Pollert, Executive Director of North Dakota's Community Action Partnership, which sponsors SAH as part of its effort to serve low-income families across the state. "We found out last

year that goose meat is very popular with our clients, so we're hoping hunters will again be willing to share some of their birds."

The list of participating processors is available on the North Dakota Game and Fish Department website at [gf.nd.gov](http://gf.nd.gov).

Hunters interested in donating are encouraged to call processors before dropping off geese, to have a clear understanding of how goose breasts will be accepted and the processor's hours of operation, Pollert said.

For more information, visit the CAPND website at [www.capnd.org](http://www.capnd.org), or contact Pollert at (701) 232-2452.

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# Agencies Prohibit Hunting Over Bait

Hunters are reminded that hunting big game over bait is prohibited on all state owned or managed wildlife management areas, all U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service national wildlife refuges and waterfowl production areas, U.S. Forest Service national grasslands, and all North Dakota state school, state park and state forest service lands.

The governor's proclamation relating to chronic wasting disease also includes a provision that prohibits hunting big game over bait on both public and private land in deer units 3E1, 3E2, 3F1, 3F2 and 3C west of the Missouri River.

In addition, any firearms, equipment or accessories used by hunters on Private Land Open To Sportsmen acreage may not be left unattended and must be removed when the hunter leaves the area. This includes, but is not limited to, guns, blinds, stands, baits, scents and decoys. This means a hunter cannot place bait on PLOTS prior to or during the season and leave it there. Any bait would have to be brought to the PLOTS with the hunter the same day and taken out with.

Hunting over bait is defined as the placement and/or use of baits for attracting big game and other wildlife to a specific location for the purpose of hunting. Bait, in this case, includes grain, seed, mineral, salt, fruit, vegetable nut, hay or any other natural or manufactured food placed by an individual. Bait does not include agricultural practices, gardens, wildlife food plots, agricultural crops, livestock feeds, fruit or vegetables in their natural location such as apples on or under an apple tree, or unharvested food or vegetables in a garden.

# Donations Sought For 'Hunters Against Hunger' Game Processing

Anyone purchasing a Montana hunting license will now have an opportunity to also make an on-the-spot donation to Hunters Against Hunger.

"A new Montana law allows individuals to make a contribution that will help nonprofit groups process donated wild game for free distribution by Montana food banks to help feed people in need," said Ron Aasheim, spokesman for Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks in Helena.

When one purchases or applies for a deer, elk, antelope, or bison license or permit the license provider will ask if he or she wishes to donate to Hunters Against Hunger, Aasheim said. FWP will begin to dispense the contributions next year to authorized nonprofit groups, like food banks, to help pay for butchering and distribution of processed game.

The minimum donation is \$1. Donations can also be made along with online hunting licenses purchases. Visit FWP on line at fwp.mt.gov. Click "Buy a License."

# Deer Archery Season Opens Aug. 30 In ND

North Dakota's deer archery season opens Friday, Aug. 30 at noon, and bowhunters are reminded that deer bow licenses and accompanying tags are only available through electronic purchase this year.

Bowhunters can buy a license online at the State Game and Fish Department website, gf.nd.gov; by calling (800) 406-6409; or at license vendors in counties that are linked to the Game and Fish Department's online licensing system.

In counties that are not on the Game and Fish system, deer bow licenses will not be available at the usual license vendors. Hunters who purchase bow licenses online should allow for several days to receive their tag in the mail.

County auditors and all their authorized license vendors that are part of the Game and Fish Department electronic licensing system are: Adams, Barnes, Benson, Bottineau, Bowman, Burleigh, Cass, Dickey, Grand Forks, Grant, McIntosh, Mercer, Morton, Ramsey, Ransom, Rolette, Sargent, Stark, Steele, Stutsman, Walsh, Ward and Williams.

Bowhunters must follow all regulations of the managing agency when using tree stands on public hunting areas, including displaying the owner's name, address and telephone number on tree stands left unattended on Game and Fish wildlife management areas.

In addition, hunting big game over bait is prohibited on both public and private land in deer units 3E1, 3E2, 3F1, 3F2 and 3C west of the Missouri River.

The archery season is open through Jan. 5, 2014. Hunters should refer to the 2013 deer hunting guide for season information and regulations.

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# No-Wait Nonresident Deer Hunting Licenses Going Fast

With fewer than 300 no-wait nonresident deer combo hunting licenses left for sale, out-of-state hunters still hoping to trek to Montana this fall need to move fast.

The first-come first-served nonresident deer combination licenses sell for \$565 and are good for archery and general rifle season deer hunting in most districts. The license also includes season conservation, fishing, upland game bird licenses and the hunting-access enhancement fee.

There also are a number of nonresident big game and elk combo hunting licenses still available. Montana's big game combination license sells for \$954 and the elk combination license for \$804.

While supplies last, the licenses can be [purchased online](#) or over-the-counter at any Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks office.

Montana's nonresident big game combination hunting license allow one to hunt for deer and elk and includes season conservation, fishing, upland game bird licenses, and the hunting-access enhancement fee. The elk combo includes all of the same opportunities but doesn't include a deer hunting license.

## Few MT Fall Turkey Surplus Permits Available

Some over-the-counter surplus licenses for deer B, elk B and fall turkey permits are still available in a few areas.

Surplus licenses are those still remaining after Montana's recent special hunting license or special permit drawing. The left-over licenses or permits are sold on a first-come first-served basis. "B" licenses are for hunting antlerless deer or elk and fall turkey permits must be used with a valid turkey license.

Surplus fall turkey permits are available in a couple areas, 375-50, valid in Gallatin County and a portion of Madison County east of the Madison River and 385-50 which is valid for Park County.

The licenses or permit may be purchased online at fwp.mt.gov, then click "[Buy a License](#)"; or from any [FWP license provider](#).

Hunters may possess a total of seven deer B licenses in any combination via drawing, over-the-counter, or surplus purchase. The [list of available licenses](#) can be viewed online at fwp.mt.gov.

Montana offers more than 160 hunting districts with more than 1,000 different opportunities to hunt for deer and elk with a bow and arrow or a rifle – and all with just a general hunting license. During the archery season, archers also need a \$10 bow and arrow license.

Depending on the hunting district [regulations](#) residents and nonresidents can hunt antlered mule deer buck, either-sex mule deer, antlered white-tailed deer buck, either-sex white-tailed deer, brow-tined bull elk, spike bull elk, either-sex elk, or antlerless elk.

A general license "cheat sheet" is available online at fwp.mt.gov. Click "[General License Cheat Sheet](#)" for details on all of Montana's general license fall hunting seasons, regulations, and specific season dates by hunting district.

Montana's deer and elk archery seasons run Sept. 7 – Oct. 20. The general big game rifle season runs Oct. 26 – Dec. 1.

For more information visit FWP's website at fwp.mt.gov. Click "[2013 Nonresident Deer & Elk Licenses](#)".

Deer and elk are found throughout most of Montana. Hunters enjoy nearly 35 million acres of National Forest and other public land, as well as 8 million acres of land made available through the [Block Management Program](#). Hunters must follow all regulations and obtain permission to hunt on private property.

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# FWP Seeks Comment On 2013-14 Waterfowl Seasons

Montana's Fish & Wildlife Commission is seeking comments on the state's 2013-14 waterfowl seasons.

Among other things, FWP commissioners are seeking comments on a split season for geese in the Central Flyway and on both ducks and geese in the Pacific Flyway.

Proposed dates for the Central Flyway are: ducks, Sept. 28-Jan. 2, and geese, Sept. 28-Jan. 5 and Jan. 10-14, with the goose season closed Jan. 6-9. Proposed dates for the Pacific Flyway for both ducks and geese are Sept. 28-Jan. 5 and Jan. 10-14, with both ducks and geese closed Jan. 6-9.

"The split season would provide an extra weekend of hunting, when more people are able to hunt, in exchange for giving up a few weekdays in January, and would also run the season a bit later into January," said Ron Aasheim, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks' spokesman in Helena. "Hunters may see success pick up a bit after the second opening, after a few closed days."

The proposed second opening, Jan. 10, is a Friday. The proposed first opening date—Sept. 28 this year—has traditionally been the Saturday closest to Oct. 1.

Under federal guidelines, 105 days are available for general waterfowl hunting in the Pacific Flyway, while in the Central Flyway 97 days are available for ducks and coots and 105 days for geese, Aasheim said.

The annual May breeding population survey in the traditional survey areas in Canada and the U.S. found a slight decrease in breeding ducks of 10 primary species, but still 33 percent above the long-term average. Mallards were similar to last year and 36 percent above the long-term average.

Changes proposed in bag limits this season in keeping with those allowed under the federal framework include an increase in the canvasback daily bag from one to two, a decrease in the scaup daily bag to three, and an increase in the Pacific Flyway white goose daily bag limit from 10 to 20. The possession limit for ducks and geese in both flyways is proposed to increase from two times the daily bag limit to three times the daily bag, as allowed by the federal framework.

Here is a run-down of the proposed seasons and bag limits for 2013-14:

### Pacific Flyway

- Youth Waterfowl Season—Sept. 21-22
- Ducks and coots—Sept. 28-Jan. 5 and Jan. 10-14 (closed Jan. 6-9); exception: scaup, Sept. 28-Dec. 22
- Ducks: Daily limit of seven ducks or mergansers; possession limit three times the daily limit. Daily bag limit can't include more than: two hen mallards, two pintails, three scaup, two redheads, and two canvasbacks.
- Coots: 25 daily and in possession.
- Goose season: Sept. 28-Jan. 5 and Jan. 10-14 (closed Jan. 6-9)
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### Central Flyway

- Youth Waterfowl Season—Sept. 21-22
- Duck and Coot Season—Sept. 28-Jan. 2
- Ducks: Daily limit of 6 ducks or mergansers; possession limit three times the daily limit. The daily bag limit can't include more than five mallards, no more than two of which may be hens; two redheads; two hooded mergansers; three wood ducks; three scaup, two pintails; and two canvasbacks.
- Coots: 15 daily; possession limit 3 times the daily limit.
- Goose Season—Sept. 28-Jan. 5 and Jan. 10-14 (closed Jan. 6-9)
- Geese: Dark-five daily; possession limit three times the daily limit. White-20 daily, possession limit three times the daily limit.
- Tundra Swan (500 permits only)—Sept. 28-Jan. 2
- Falconry— Ducks and coots: Sept. 21-Jan. 5. Geese: Sept. 28-Jan. 5 and Jan. 10-14
- For more information, call: 406-444-2612. Final approval of the proposed 2013-14 late season migratory bird regulations is scheduled for Aug. 29 via a FWP Commission conference call.
- For online information on the federal duck and wetland report, visit flyways.us.

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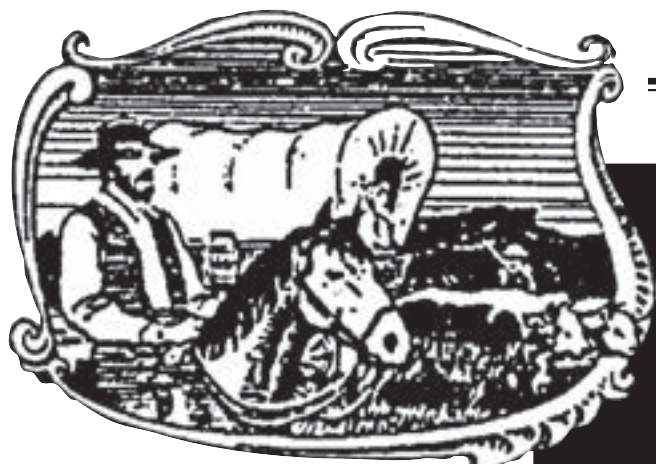
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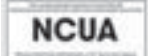
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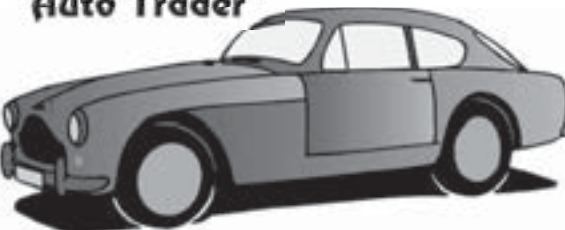


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# Lunch Menus

**Richey Schools**  
Thurs., Aug. 29: Deli sandwich, mac & cheese, fresh fruit.  
Fri., Aug. 30: Spaghetti, green beans, bread.  
Mon., Sept. 2: NO SCHOOL.

**E. Fairview School**  
Thurs., Aug. 29: Chef's salad, tortilla chips, black bean salad, carrots, bananas.  
Fri., Aug. 30: Chicken enchilada casserole, rice, corn, peaches.  
Mon., Sept. 2: NO SCHOOL

**Savage School**  
Thurs., Aug. 29: Super nachos, refried beans, mandarin organes.  
Fri., Aug. 30: Scalloped potatoes/ham, carrots, whole wheat bread, pears,pudding.  
Mon., Sept. 2: NO SCHOOL  
Tues., Sept. 3: Country fried steaks, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas/carrots, whole grain bread, applesauce.  
Wed., Sept. 4: Chili, carmel rolls, cheese sticks, pineapple.

**Lambert School**  
Thurs., Aug. 29:Chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, fruit cock-tail, bun.  
Fri., Aug. 30: Slush burger, peas, carrots, celery, strawberry short-cake.  
Mon., Sept. 2: NO SCHOOL

**Culbertson School**  
Thurs., Aug. 29: Turkey, gravy, stuffing, peas, carrots, peaches.  
Fri., Aug. 30: Chicken tender strips, french fries, mandarin oranges.  
Mon., Sept. 2: NO SCHOOL

**Rau School**  
Thurs., Aug. 29: Sloppy jos, gems, green beans, mixed fruit.  
Fri., Aug. 30: Pizza sub, salad, fruit, brownie.  
Mon., Sept. 2: NO SCHOOL

**Froid School**  
Thurs., Aug. 29: Stromboli, au gratin potatoes, peas, fruit.  
Fri., Aug. 30: Poor boy sandwich-es, chips, baked beans, fruit.  
Mon., Sept. 2: NO SCHOOL.

**Sidney School**  
Thurs., Aug. 29: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, tossed salad, bread-stick, peaches.  
Fri., Aug. 30: Corn dogs, mixed vegetables, pineapple tidbits.  
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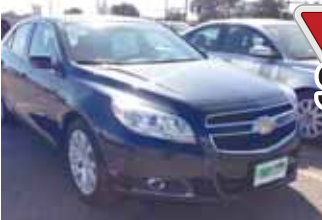











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
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
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
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
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
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