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## Hundreds Gather to Support Intake Fish Bypass Alternative



### Will the Real Supporters Please Stand Up?

Hundreds of people stand and clap after being asked by Tami Christensen of Sidney to stand up if they support the Intake fish bypass alternative at the meeting held in Billings on June 30. Many of the supporters wore shirts reading "Support the Bypass Channel. Save the Farmer!"

By Jody Wells

Hundreds of members of the public gathered at meetings in Sidney, Glendive and Billings this week regarding the Intake Diversion Dam Fish Passage Project. Staff from the U.S Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Omaha District presented six alternatives to determine the future of the Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project. The public was then open to express their comments and concerns regarding the possible alternatives.

David Trimpe of the Bureau of Reclamation and Tiffany Vanosdall of the Army Corps of Engineers presented six alternatives in a new Environmental Impact Statement

(EIS), three of which were already studied and presented during meetings held in 2015 regarding an initial Environment Assessment (EA) of the fish passage project. The additional studies were added to address the injunction placed on moving forward with the preferred fish bypass project by District Court Judge Brian Morris.

The many members of the public included hundreds of residents, farmers and business owners from Eastern Montana and Western North Dakota. Several individuals stood up to publicly give their comments. The comments, emotional at times, were heartfelt pleas to save the livelihoods of farmers and not devastate the economy by implementing a costly and unreliable pumping water delivery system, a system inferior in many ways to the reliable gravity fed water delivery system that has been used for over 100 years to provide irrigation to the 58,000 acres of cropland in the area.

"You guys don't want pumps," stated Barry Rakes, from Fallon, MT at the Glendive meeting on Wednesday. Rakes is the president of the Buffalo Rapids Irrigation District that supplies water for the Fallon and Terry area farmers. Rakes described many of the issues with the pumping system they use. Not only are the pumps expensive to use

but they are not reliable, a fact that is hurting the farmers in Fallon and Terry this year. At the Billings meeting Rakes explained, "You can lose an entire crop before the pumps are fixed and running again."

Many current and former local and state elected officials spoke in favor of the fish bypass option as well. Former local politician and co-owner of Tri-County Implement in Sidney, Walt McNutt shared his insight on dealing with environmental groups in the state legislature. "They want a win-win only if you take out the dam," he said. "They won't give up and they will keep fighting you forever. They are obstructionists." A few of the other elected officials that

commented in favor of the bypass option included Duane Mitchell, Scott Staffanson, Richard Cayko, Matt Rosendale and State Senator Taylor Brown of Billings.

A few members of the opposing groups that filed that lawsuit that resulted in the injunction were also present at the Glendive and Billings meetings. The groups opposing the fish bypass alternative include the Defenders of Wildlife, Natural Resources Defense Council and Trout Unlimited. They all stated that they were not out to take away the water rights of the members in the LYIP but that they were sure the fish bypass option would not work. They sighted that no pallid sturgeon

had been proven to use a fish bypass. But recent data has shown that pallids have taken side channels and also have been able to cross to the other side of the dam using a slough.

Written comments can be submitted until July 28. The completed EIS including the comments will be presented to Judge Morris for him to determine if the injunction will be lifted. Comments can be submitted three ways: handwritten or verbal at a public meeting; email: [cenwo-planning@usace.army.mil](mailto:cenwo-planning@usace.army.mil) or by mail to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Omaha District, Attn: CENWO-PM-AA, 1616 Capitol Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska 68102.

### New Watford City Post Office anticipates opening spring 2017



Watford City has outgrown its old post office

By Tieheena Lemerond

WATFORD CITY, ND: In August 2015, the postal service announced its decision to relocate into the old S&S Motors Building. Bids for a new facility were solicited and a lease has been signed for the space at 1204 4th St. NE. Design is currently underway.

Pete Nowacki from the US Postal Service states, "We anticipate awarding a construction bid by the end of summer with occupancy of the new facility in spring 2017." The post office will still be operating out of its current location after the opening of the new facility.

Nowacki states, "Rapid population growth in the city and vicinity with a corresponding growth in mail volumes sparked the need for additional operating space for PO Boxes, delivery routes and mail processing. The current facility located at 212 2nd St. NE is 4,290 square feet. The expanded facility 1204 4th St.

NE has approximately 9,000 interior square feet, capable of housing 10 delivery routes, 3 service counters, 2,976 PO Boxes and parcel lockers to provide a secure package delivery option without having to visit the retail counter."

In the past few years, the US Postal Service has done the following:

- Opened a second full-service Post Office, Badlands Station, in Williston in July, 2014.
- Established contract postal units at grocery stores in Watford City and Sidney, MT; and a Village Post Office facility in Tioga to expand access to postal products and services.
- Installed Self-Service Kiosks (SSKs) in Dickinson, Williston and Watford City. Using a credit card, customers now have 24/7 access to many postal products and services.
- Installed additional Post Office Boxes and parcel pick-up lockers in several

locations.

- Added more than 2,000 deliveries in the region since Sept. 2013.
- Installed state-of-the-art mail processing equipment upgrades at the Bismarck Processing & Distribution Facility. The new machines include an Automated Flat Sorting Machine (AFSM), which can process as many as 13,600 pieces of flat mail (large envelopes, magazines, newspapers) per hour; and an Automated Parcel and Bundle Sorter (APBS) which can process up to 3,500 packages and bundles of mail per hour – more than three times the previous capacity.
- Established Consumer Advisory Councils -- forums for active participation by community members and postal officials -- to enhance relations and resolve residential and business customer concerns.

### Sunrise Festival of the Arts 2016

Submitted on behalf of the TBID Board

Written by Meagan Dotson

Take part in the 2016 Sunrise Festival of the Arts; this celebration of the arts has expanded to include three days of creative expression and free entertainment all conveniently located at Veterans Memorial Park in downtown Sidney!

Thursday, July 7 Montana's Shakespeare in the Parks will be wowing audiences with their talents, performing Richard the III at 6 p.m.

For the first time ever, the Billings Symphony Orchestra will be performing their highly anticipated Symphony in the Park concert right here in Sidney! The 44th Annual Billings Concert is coming east to the Anderson Pavilion and you won't want to miss it! They'll be holding an Instrument Petting Zoo at 5 p.m. and it will be the perfect opportunity for kids to try playing music on real instruments. At 6 p.m. band students will open for the Billings Symphony, followed by the Kids Conducting Contest and the child that wins will have the privilege of conducting the symphony through an entire song. The concert begins at 7 p.m. with the 'Star Spangled Banner.'

Saturday, July 9 is the traditional Sunrise Festival of the Arts from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., complete with more than 50 arts and crafts vendors, delicious food from participating non-profit organizations, the Kids Korner, Writer's Row, all-day entertainment and door

prizes, with this year's grand prize created by Featured Artist Carol Christensen. Four art classes are available that day with various times, prices, and age requirements and registration is required. Contact the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce for more information or to register at 406-433-1916. Online registration is also available at [sidneymt.com](http://sidneymt.com).

There is no admission cost for these amazing events! However, if anyone is interested in those fabulous door prizes, pick-up a \$4 button in advance at the Chamber, 909 S Central Ave. in Sidney; Stockman Bank at 301 W

Holly St and 120 2nd St SW both in Sidney; Richland Federal Credit Union, 201 W Holly St in Sidney; and Party Central, 105 E Main St in Sidney. Buttons are also available for \$5 the day-of in the park for a chance to win!

The Billings Symphony Orchestra is brought to you in part by the Tourism Business Improvement District; TBID supports events that help to grow and benefit the community by partially sponsoring projects that will bring overnight guests.







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Pick up application at 111 W. Main, Sidney, MT, or at the Sidney Job Service.



**AREA RECOVERY GROUPS**

**MONDAYS:**  
**12 p.m.** — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.  
**1 p.m. - 3 p.m.** — Grief Reovery Support group at First Lutheran Church, Watford City.  
**6 p.m.** — Al-Anon, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.  
**7 p.m.** — Fairview Alive and Kicking at Faith Alliance Church, 704 S. Western Ave.  
**8 p.m.** — AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride.

**TUESDAYS:**  
**7 p.m.** — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.

**WEDNESDAYS:**  
**8 p.m.** — Al-Anon, Sanford Room, McKenzie Co. Public Library, Watford City.

**THURSDAYS:**  
**7 p.m.** — NA meeting, MonDak Trucking office Bldg., 725 W. Holly, Sidney.  
**8 p.m.** — AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride.

**FRIDAYS:**  
**12 p.m.** — AA, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.  
**12 p.m. - 1 p.m.** - AA meeting, basement of Wilmington Lutheran Church, Arnegard.  
**6:30 - 7:30 p.m.**- 5 Stones faith based recovery meeting, Sidney Nazarene, 606 9th St. SW, Back door is open.  
**7 p.m.** — Path to recovery at Faith Alliance Church, 704 S. Western Ave.  
**8 p.m.** — AA meetings, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. Bldg, Sidney.

**SATURDAYS:**  
**9 a.m. & 7 p.m.** — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Education bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.  
**3 p.m.** - NA meeting, Straight The Path Grp, MonDak Office, 725 W. Holly St., Sidney.  
**7 p.m.** — AA 24 hour group, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride.

**SUNDAYS:**  
**3 p.m.** - NA meeting, Straight The Path Grp, MonDak Office, 725 W. Holly St., Sidney.  
**7 p.m.** — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.

# OBITUARIES

## Harold “Dean” Thogersen, 85 Sidney, MT

Funeral services for Harold “Dean” Thogersen, 85, of Sidney are at 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 6 at Pella Lutheran Church with Pastor Alton Hillesland officiating.

Interment will follow in the Sidney Cemetery under the direction of Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home of Sidney.

Remembrances, pictures and condolences may be shared with the family at [www.fulkersons.com](http://www.fulkersons.com).

Dean died on Sunday, June 26 at Sidney Health Center in Sidney

## Mildred “Millie” Shields Savage, MT

Memorial service for Mildred “Millie” Shields, 73, of Savage, will be held on Wednesday, July 6 at 10 a.m. at First Lutheran Church in Savage, MT with Pastor Neil Lindorff officiating.

Cremation has taken place under the direction of Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home of Sidney. Burial will take place at a later date.

Pictures, remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at [www.fulkersons.com](http://www.fulkersons.com).

Millie died Monday, June 27 at Sidney Extended Care in Sidney, MT.

## Ramona Raffaell, 74 Sidney, MT

Memorial service for Ramona Raffaell, 74, of Sidney was at 10 a.m., Saturday, July 2 at the Fulkerson-Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Cremation has taken place.

Remembrances, pictures and condolences may be shared with the family at [www.fulkersons.com](http://www.fulkersons.com)

Ramona died on Sunday, June 26 at her home.

## William “Bill” Heiser

Memorial services for William "Bill" Heiser will be held July 15, at 11 a.m., at Zion Lutheran Church in Fairview. Pastor Roberta Pierce and Joyce Palmer, cousin of the deceased, will be officiating.

Interment will be in the Fairview Cemetery.

Lunch will be served at the church following interment.

# Sidney Elks Lodge #1782 And VFW Post #4099 To Host Honor Ride

**4th Annual Honor Ride and Appreciation Day**  
**Submitted by Kristin Kennedy**

Sidney, MT, June 27, 2016 – The Elks Lodge BPOE #1782 and the VFW Post #4099 invites all community, military personnel, veterans and their families to attend our 4th Annual Honor Ride and Appreciation Day on Saturday, July 30, 2016.

This year we will be riding in memory of Charlie Boyer and honoring our Iraq and Afghanistan veterans. Registration will begin at 10:00am at the Sidney Elks Lodge at 123 3rd Street SW. Non-veterans will pay a \$20 fee for their Shake Ticket. At 10:45am, we will have the flag raising and dedication then depart at 11am for the 100-mile Honor Ride with stops at Sidney, the state line, Bainville, Culbertson, Fairview, and back to Sidney. The last shake, supper, and prizes will be at the Sidney VFW Post 4099 at 5p.m.

Proceeds from the Honor Ride will support the local Needy Veterans Fund which helps Veterans of Eastern Montana.

# Project Safe Send

North Dakota Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring says farmers, ranchers, pesticide dealers and applicators, government agencies and homeowners should bring any unusable pesticides to any of the Project Safe Send collections in July. “Over the past 24 years, thousands of people have brought more than four million pounds of these chemicals to Project Safe Send,” Goehring said. “It is a safe, simple and non-regulatory program that helps people safely and legally get rid of unusable pesticides at no charge.”

The program accepts old, unusable or banned pesticides, including herbicides, insecticides, rodenticides and fungicides. The collected pesticides are shipped out of state for incineration. Project Safe Send is funded through product registration fees paid by the pesticide manufacturers. “Check your storage areas for any unusable pesticides and safely set them aside for Project Safe Send,” Goehring said. “If the containers are deteriorating or leaking, pack them in larger containers with absorbent materials. Free heavy-duty plastic bags are available from the North Dakota Department of Agriculture if needed.” No pre-registration is required but consumers are encouraged to check the North Dakota Department of Agriculture’s website at <https://www.nd.gov/ndda/program/prokect-safe-send> prior to bringing pesticides to a collection site to ensure their site remains operational. Sites will only be operational until funding is depleted.

A maximum of 3,000 pounds of pesticides per participant will be accepted. Pesticide rinse water and empty containers are no longer accepted. To obtain plastic bags or more information contact Jeremiah Lien at the North Dakota Department of Agriculture at (800) 242-7535 or [jlilien@nd.gov](mailto:jlilien@nd.gov)

The collection will run from 9a.m. to 3p.m. local time at the North Dakota Department of Transportation facilities in the following cities:

- Dickinson on July 18th at 1700 3rd Ave W Ste 101
- Williston July 19th at 605 Dakota Parkway W.
- Stanley July 20 at 8250 62nd St NW

There are other locations around the state, but these three are the closest to Williams County.

This information was from the North Dakota State University Crop and Pest Report, article written by Andrew A. Thostenson, Pesticide Program Specialist.



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**RICHLAND COUNTY**

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

**Wed. July 6**  
12-1 p.m. Noon Yoga - Sidney-Richland County Library, 406-433-1917.  
6-9 p.m. - Car Night. Everyone is welcome to come and show off your cars and view the area's cars and trucks. Reynolds Market parking lot. Weather permitting.

**Thurs., July 7**  
Sunrise Festival Of The Arts Events Weekend - This event runs through July 9 starting at 6 p.m. with Shakespeare In The Park - Richard III performance. Continuing on July 8 in the afternoon with a Student/Musician Workshop; 5 p.m., Instrument Petting Zoo; 6 p.m., Student Performance, 6:45 p.m., Kids Conductor Class and 7 p.m., Symphony In The Park, Performance by the Billings Symphony. Finishing up the events weekend on July 9 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. - Sunrise Festival Of The Arts - Art vendors, art classes and various entertainment. All events taking place in Central Park, Sidney.  
4 p.m. - Teen Craft & Book Club - Sidney-Richland County Library, 433-1917.  
5 p.m. - Family Coloring Club - Sidney-Richland County Library, 433-1917.

**Fri., July 8**  
Local Professional Art On Display - Yellowstone Market Place Storefronts. This event runs through July 10.  
10:30 a.m. - Read And Play - Sing songs, play games, read books and craft with your child, ages 0-5. Sidney-Richland County Library, 433-1917.  
11 a.m.-2 p.m. - Kiwanis Pie Social - The menu includes brats, hot dogs, beans, chips and pie a la mode. Richland County Courthouse lawn.  
6-7 p.m. - Art Walk - Local Youth Art on Display. Maps available at Meadowlark Brewery, 117 S Central Avenue. Reception and refreshments served at the MonDak Heritage Center.  
6:30 p.m. - Five Stones Meetings - All are welcome to these confidential meetings to find victory over hurts, habits and hang-ups. First Church of the Nazarene, 606 9th St. SW.  
7 p.m. - Bible Seminar - Session 1: The Rise of the Early Church; Session 2: The Persecution of the Church. This seminar continues on July 9 with Session 3: A Marriage of Church and State and Session 4: Constantine's Christianity. For more information [ShadowEmpire.com/Sidney](http://ShadowEmpire.com/Sidney) or call 855-598-3906. Sidney Seventh-day Adventist Christian Church.

**Sat., July 9**  
10 a.m. - Family Friendly Fellowship Get Together. Fun bible discussions, songs, crafts, a hot pitch-in meal and yummy homemade donuts. Central Park. Free to the public and everyone is invited. Weather permitting. Please call Julia at 406-774-3309 or 406-480-5648 with any questions.

**Mon., July 11**  
7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. - Ag Appreciation Golf Tournament - 7:30 a.m., registration and breakfast; 9 a.m., tee time. Farmers and ranchers are invited to participate for free. For more information contact Vanessa Pooch, 406-489-2634 or Sidney Chamber, 406-433-1916. Sidney Country Club.

**Tues., July 12**  
2:30-4 p.m. - Summer Reading K-5th Grade - Sidney-Richland County Library, 433-1917.

**Fri., July 15**  
Fairview Old Timer's Reunion and Summer Festival - All day Fort Union and Fort Buford admission with reunion button; 5-7 p.m. - Hamburgers in the Park/Class of '65. This event continues on July 16 with a Historical Treasure Hunt and Fort Union and Fort Buford admission with reunion button all day; 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Car Show; 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Vendors in the Park; 11 a.m., Kiddie Parade; 11:30 a.m., Free lunch with button Sharbono Park, 1 p.m., Grand Parade followed by a program in the park and Beef Auction; 2 - 4 p.m., St. John's Lutheran Church anniversary open house; 4 p.m., Duck Race at the canal; 6 p.m., Community Social at Fairview School, 7- 9 p.m., free concert “Sam Platts & the Kootenai Three”; 8-10 p.m., Free Teen Swim at Fairview Swimming Pool. This event concludes on July 17 with Fort Union and Fort Buford admission with reunion button all day; 10:30 a.m., church service at Sharbono Park.

**Tues., July 19**  
7 p.m. - Music At The MonDak - Joey Leone in concert. Free and open to the public. MonDak Heritage Center. 433-3500.

**Fri., July 22**  
11:30 a.m. - Richland Red Hatters Lunch Meeting - Sunny's Family Restaurant. RSVP by July 20 call Silvia, 798-3882 or Margaret, 488-4613.

**McKENZIE COUNTY**

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone

**Thurs., July 7**  
7 p.m. - Fort Buford History Book Club - Join history buffs in an interesting discussion of this month's selected book. Free refreshments. Missouri Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center.

**Sat., June 16**  
9 a.m. - Fort Buford Sixth Infantry Living History Encampment - Historical presentation daily. 2 p.m., military drill demonstration; 3 p.m., telegraph demonstration; 7 p.m., dance featuring Sunrise Brass, period attire suggested. This event continues on July 17 with displays and talks in the barracks; 1 p.m., Fashion Show with ladies clothing, uniforms and equipment of the 1860's and 1870's.

**Sun., July 17**  
7 p.m. - Concert At The Confluence - Featuring “Chokecherry Jam” Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretative Center.

**WILLIAMS COUNTY**

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

**Thurs., July 7**  
5-9 p.m. - Summer Nights on Main: Joey Leone's Chop Shop - Live music, food vendors, kids' activities, beer gardens and a great time. Downtown Williston.

**Sun., July 10**  
6-11 p.m. - Bakken Energy Festival - Featuring Travis Tritt with Whiskey Rebellion opening the show. This festival will focus on helping raise awareness and benefit the communities disabled veterans by working with community leaders to give all 200 free event tickets. General admission \$40. Bakken Energy Fest - 520-820-7022, [bakkenenergyfest@gmail.com](mailto:bakkenenergyfest@gmail.com). Upper Missouri Valley Fairgrounds

**DAWSON COUNTY**

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Zone

**Wed., July 6**  
7 p.m. - Shakespeare In The Parks The Comedy Of Errors, Makoshika Park Amphitheater, 1301 Snyder St. Glendive, MT. For more information call 406-994-3901 or email [info@shakespeareinthe parks.org](mailto:info@shakespeareinthe parks.org).

**Sat., July 16**  
6 p.m. - Sunset Over Yellowstone, Dinner On The Bell Street Bridge, Glendive. Tickets \$45 each.

**Sun., July 17**  
2 p.m. - 61st Annual Richey Rodeo - Richey Saddle Club Grounds, Richey, MT.



# 93rd Annual Wolf Point Wild Horse Stampede to be Held July 7-9

**By Sheridan Martin**  
July 7, 8 and 9 will mark the 93rd Annual Wolf Point Wild Horse Stampede in Wolf Point, MT. The town will be full of celebration, laughter, dancing, and plenty of rodeo as they celebrate a long-time favorite tradition.  
On Thursday, July 7, 9 a.m. sign up for the Stampede Roundup Tough Enough To Wear Pink Golf Tournament held at the Airport Golf Course east of Wolf Point benefitting NE Montana Health Services Mammography Department followed by TETWP Night at the Rodeo. First performance of the 3-day PRCA RAM Ro-

deo starts at 7 PM and continues through Saturday. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. each night. Come on down and enjoy a visit to the Wild Horse Saloon as well.  
On Friday, July 8, the day will begin with the Human Stampede Run (register at Sherman Park), sponsored by FPCC Wellness Center, at 7 a.m. After the run, citizens can enjoy the Wolf Point Museum Pancake Breakfast along Highway 2, which will be running from 7 a.m. - 11 a.m. At 9:30 a.m., there will be Cowboy Church at the Marvin Brookman Stadium. From 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., there will be Art

In The Park at Sherman Park (call Wolf Point Chamber of Commerce at 406-653-2012 to register a table). At 1:30 p.m., the Wolf Point Rods & Rides Show & Shine will be held and at 2 p.m. the Stick Horse Rodeo by Miss Rodeo Montana will be at Sherman Park.  
Friday and Saturday will kick off with the "Hillbilly Heaven" themed parade beginning at 2 p.m. Cowboy Up 4 Christ will start at 3 p.m.,  
The Catholic Hamburger Stand will once again open its doors on Thursday. It will be open 24 hours a day until it closes its doors on Sunday at 3 p.m.

The Wolf Point Wild Horse Stampede will be full of great activities such as art, music and entertainment, food and rodeo. Last year, the Wolf Point community won the National Small Rodeo of the Year award for their WPRA. New to this year's Wild Horse Stampede will be Wild Pony Races, and the stampede entertainment will feature J.J. Harrison, the "Barrel Man". For more information or to purchase tickets, which went on sale June 20, call 406-653-1770.

# Williston Field Days

**By Meagan Dotson**  
Don't miss your chance to see agriculture up close! Whether you're a farmer, landscaper, or flower and vegetable gardener, there is something for you during the Williston Research and Extension Center Field Days, July 14 and 15.  
The Dry Land Field Day on will be on Thursday, July 14 located at the Extension Center, 14120 Hwy 2, Williston, ND. The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. central time, with coffee and rolls; Director of North Dakota State University Extension Service (NDSU) Chris Boerboom will be welcoming everyone at 9 a.m. and participants can choose from two tours, both beginning at 9:15 a.m.  
The Dryland Tour will cover such topics as Dryland Variety Testing and Research presented by Gautam Pradhan, Impact of Cropping Sequencing on Disease Incidence and Beneficial Soil Organisms presented by Audrey Kalil, Herbicide Update and Troublesome Weeds given by Rich Zollinger and Kirk Howatt, Cropping Sequence Study presented by Don Tanaka, Cropping Systems in Pipeline Reclamation and Compaction Issues in Pipeline Reclamation both presented by Austin Link and Chris Augustin, Spray Risk Reduction Practices presented by John Nowatzki, and NDSU Barley Research and Varieties given by Rich Horsley. There will be 2.0 Montana

private applicator credits available for attendance.  
The Horticultural Tour will include topics such as All American Selections Display Garden given by Kyla Splichal, and Five steps to a Great Lawn presented by Tom Kalb, with a question and answer session to follow.  
At noon there will be a free BBQ Chicken Lunch at the WREC Ernie French Center and attendants are encouraged to take part in trying to "Stump the Plant Doctors" by bringing in plants, leaves, branches, etc. that are diseased or damaged. The WREC staff will be available to answer questions and identify weeds, diseases, etc.  
The afternoon session begins at 1:30 p.m. with a Pulse Crop Seminar. Discussions and presentations include Production and Contracting of Peas, Lentils, Faba Beans, and Cowpeas presented by Bryon Lannoye; Dick Roland presenting the History of Cool Season Legumes in our Region; Pulse Crop Scouting by Audrey Kalil; Pulse Crop Diseases given by Julie Pasche; Weed Control for Pulse Crops presented by Brian Jenks; Pulse Crop Varieties and Breeding by Tom Stefaniak; and a Pulse Crop Marketing Outlook Discussion Panel led by Safflower Technologies Inc., Viterra, AGT Foods, and Columbia Grain.  
From 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. following the field day program, the Williston Chamber

of Commerce Business After Hours will be held at McCody Concrete, 14021 Hwy 2. This social is open to the public and encourages anyone involved in Ag Business to stop in. The evening event will be hosted by the Williston Regional Economic Development Corporation, Williston Economic Development and McCody Concrete.  
Friday, July 15 will be the Nesson Valley Irrigation Tour located 23 miles east of Williston on Hwy 1804. Rolls and coffee will be served from 8:30 to 9 a.m. Following a short welcome, the tour will begin at 9:15 a.m. Topics include the Nesson Valley Irrigation/Management Update given by Tyler Tjelde, Irrigated Variety Trial Update presented by Justin Jacobs, High Tunnel Vegetable Production presented by Kyla Splichal, Spotted Wing Drosophila Fruit Fly Research Project presented by Esther McGinnis, Pivot Irrigation Maintenance for Uniform Application given by Tom Scherer, Potato Research and Varieties given by Susie Thompson and Low Glycemic Potatoes given by Dave Sands. USDA Agricultural Research Service scientist Bart Stevens will also be discussing Cropping System Diversity Under Different Tillage Practices. There is 1.0 Montana private applicator credit available for attendance. A free lunch will follow the tour at 12 p.m.  
The Williston Research

Extension Center Field Days, lunches, and evening social are open to the public and no registration is required. For more information, contact the Williston Research and Extension Center at 701-774-4315.

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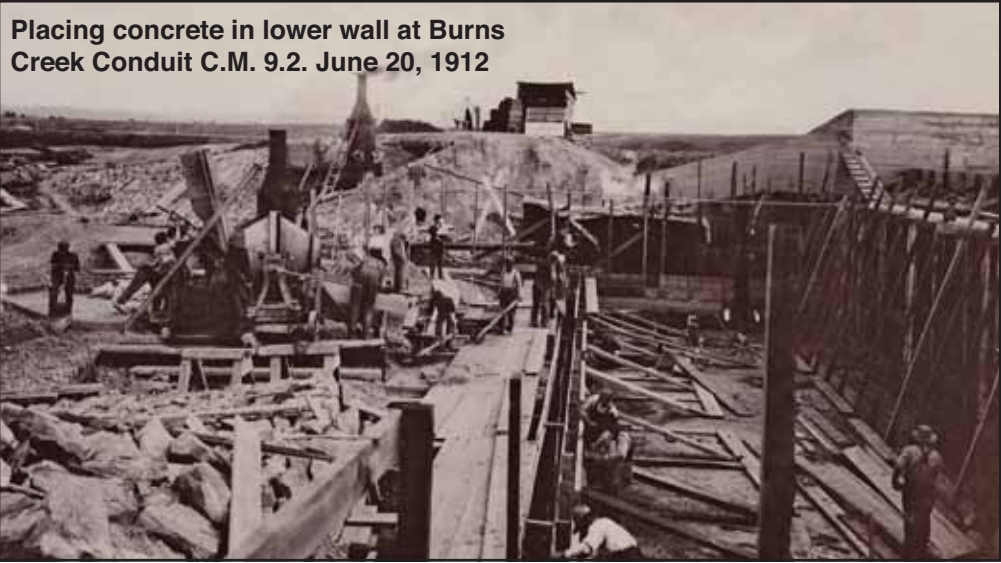
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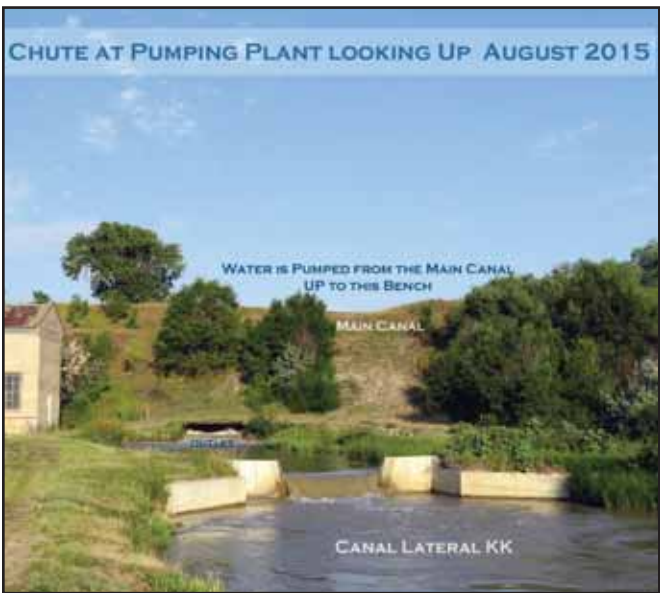
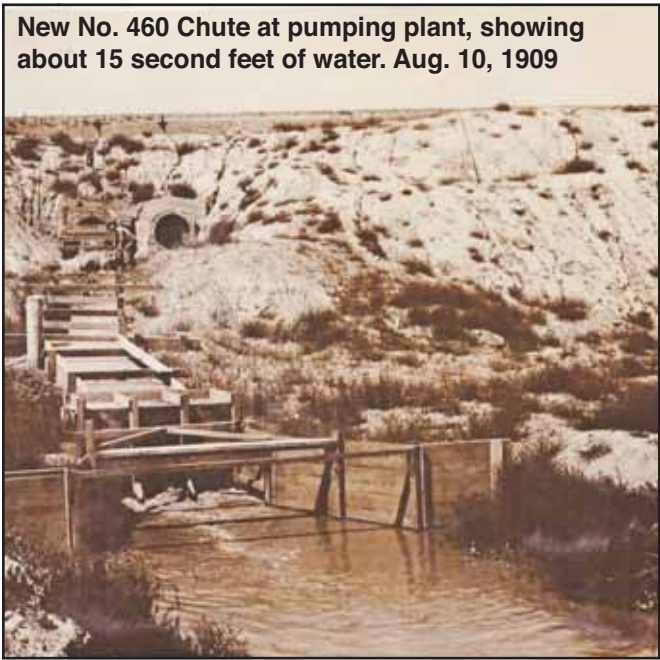
## Obstetrics & Gynecology

Sidney Health Center is pleased to welcome Lisa Ross, M.D. to the medical staff. Dr. Ross is a surgical specialist in obstetrics and gynecology.

Dr. Ross, who is American Board Certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology, provides a wide range of obstetrical and gynecological services to the residents living in the MonDak region. Her scope of practice includes routine and high risk obstetrics, office and surgical gynecology, menopause management, infertility as well as minimally invasive and advanced laparoscopic surgery.

Dr. Ross received her medical degree from Texas A&M University in College Station and Temple, TX and completed her obstetrics and gynecology residency at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital in Houston, TX. With more than 20 years of experience, she has been practicing in Montana for the last 10 years and most recently relocated from Miles City, MT.

Dr. Ross will be partnering with Dr. Malua Tambi, OB/GYN at the Sidney Health Center Clinic upon her arrival in July 2016. Wendy Wiltzen, FNP will continue to provide women's health services in this office as well. To schedule an appointment with Dr. Ross, please call the office at (406) 488-2577.





# Infantry Encampment Planned at Fort Buford State Historic Site

WILLISTON – The public is invited to the Second and Sixth Infantry Encampment at Fort Buford State Historic Site July 16-17 featuring historical demonstrations, a fashion show, and a dance. All events are free and open to the public.

On July 16 at 2 p.m. the Second and Sixth Infantry re-enactors will perform military drill demonstrations, followed by a 2:30 p.m. cannon demonstration and a 3 p.m. telegraph demonstration. A dance is scheduled for the

evening at 7 p.m. featuring Sunrise Brass. July 17 will feature a Fashion Show at 1 p.m. showcasing the styles of clothing that were common during the late 1800s, when Fort Buford was operating as a frontier plains military post.

The evening will conclude with the monthly Concert at the Confluence at 7 p.m. featuring Chokecherry Jam.

The July Scrapbooking at the Confluence has been cancelled. The next monthly Scrapbooking at the Confluence is scheduled for August 6-7.

The July Quilting at the Confluence has also been cancelled. The quilters will meet August 15-16, when they will be working on block 3 and 4 of the "Women of the Wagon Trains" series.

The Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center is located 22 miles southwest of Williston at Fort Buford State Historic Site. Fort Buford State Historic Site summer hours are daily from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Central Time. The Missouri-Yellowstone Con-

fluence Interpretive Center is open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information, contact Site Supervisor Steve Reidburn or Assistant Site Supervisor Kerry Finsaas at 701.572.9034. For more information about additional upcoming programs of the State Historical Society of North Dakota, go to history.nd.gov/events.

## Golfers To Benefit Area Healthcare

Submitted by Heather Cotter

SIDNEY, MT—The Foundation for Community Care will hold its 23rd Annual Benefit Golf Tournament on Saturday, August 27, 2016, at the Sidney Country Club. This tournament has raised more than \$350,000 to benefit local healthcare over its twenty-two year history. Golfers are encouraged to come out and enjoy a day of golfing while supporting quality healthcare in their community.

Events like the golf tournament help grow the Foundation's Endowment Fund, which

ensures stability for future healthcare needs. Annually, 5 percent of our Endowment Fund is awarded in community grants.

This tournament is one of the last of the summer and is filled with fun right from the start. Upon checking in, golfers have the opportunity to choose a gift from the pop-up pro shop as a thank you for their support of local healthcare. Once on the course, the participants have a chance to win team awards, a \$10,000 Hole-In-One Prize, and special hole prizes. One of the most popular events of

the day is the mini golf style challenge where players team up to win cash prizes. For the second year running, we will have our one-of-a-kind ball cannon, a sure fire way to get the ball on the green in one shot. Golfers will also enjoy continental breakfast, bloody mary & mimosa bar, lunch in the club house, snacks and beverages on the course, and a cocktail hour following play.

Each year golfers from around the state come to Sidney to enjoy the 18-hole scramble. Participant's skills range from first time to experienced golfers. You may

choose your own 6 person team, or sign up individually and be placed on a team. The registration deadline for the tournament is Wednesday, August 24th, spots are limited. The tournament is already filling up fast, so interested golfers are encouraged to register early.

To register for this event, please call the Foundation office at 406-488-2273. Registration forms are also available on our website at [www.foundationforcommunitycare.org](http://www.foundationforcommunitycare.org).

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## BSC honors Spring 2016 Graduates



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The 2016 commencement speaker was Major General (Retired) David A. Sprynczynatyk, who served as the Adjutant General for the North Dakota National Guard from 2006-2015. Student commencement speakers were

Kathryn (Katy) Ann Gerving, New Salem, N.D., and Marcie Marie Woehl, Mandan, N.D.

The following area students were recognized:

Jared Troutt of Sidney, Mont., with an Associate in Applied Science in Petroleum Engineering Technology and a Certificate of Completion in Geographic Information Systems Technician

Alexis Fleener of Sidney, Mont., with an Associate in Arts degree

The 2016 BSC Commencement Ceremony was recorded and is available for

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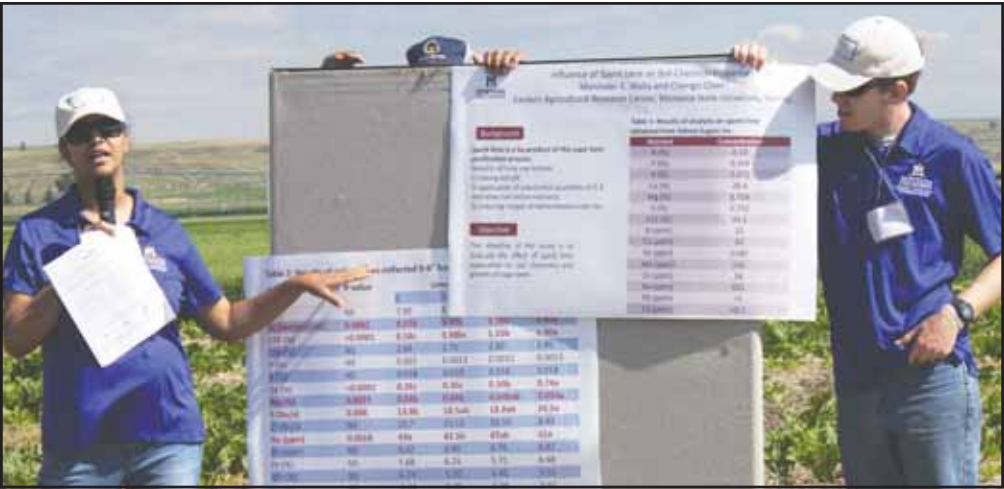
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# MSU-EARC/Extension Holds 36th Annual Field Day

The MSU Eastern Agriculture Research Center Extension held its annual field day on June 30 in Sidney. Research scientists and agronomists presented the findings on ongoing studies and also discussed issues important to local producers.

Research topics pertaining to sugar beet, pulse crop, wheat and barley production and seed varieties were presented. Strategies to defend against pests and invasive weeds were also discussed.



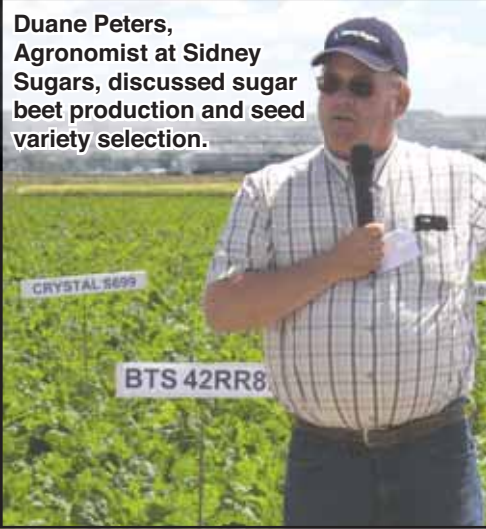
Dr. Maninder Walia, MSU-EARC Sidney, presented a study on the possible benefits of application of the sugar beet processing byproduct, spent lime, in sugar beet production.



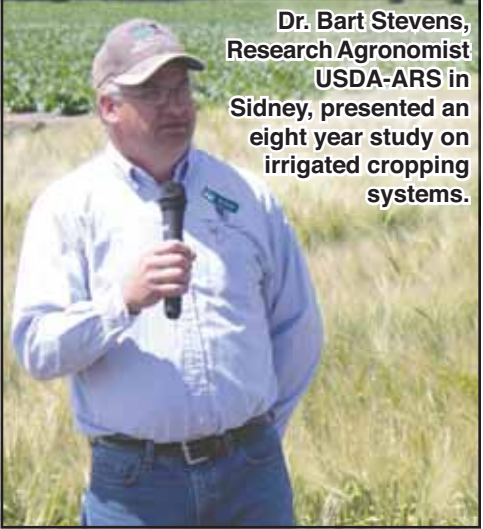
Tim Fine, Agricultural Agent at MSU Ext. Richland County, discussed the keys to controlling herbicide resistant Marestalk also known as Horseweed.



Dr. Luther Talbert, Spring Wheat Breeder at MSU Bozeman, spoke on spring wheat breeding & new varieties. He also discussed the possible hazards of an orange blossom wheat midge infestation.



Duane Peters, Agronomist at Sidney Sugars, discussed sugar beet production and seed variety selection.



Dr. Bart Stevens, Research Agronomist USDA-ARS in Sidney, presented an eight year study on irrigated cropping systems.

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<b>July 19, 2016, Miles City</b> Fort Keogh Conference Room 243 Keogh Road 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	<b>July 20, 2016, Culbertson</b> Culbertson County Building 307 Broadway Street 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
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NRCS and other conservation organizations offer different easement options that agricultural landowners can use to protect and/or restore wetlands, wildlife habitat, and agricultural resources. Workshop speakers will explain different easement options and how those can be tailored to meet the long-term conservation goals of landowners.

If you have questions about the workshops or if you require special accommodations, contact Abby Dresser at 406-544-6445 or abby.dresser@mt.usda.gov.

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# Little Buckaroos Needed to Enter Lil' Buckaroo Rodeo

**By Marcia Hellandsaas**  
Attention Little Buckaroos—ages three to five years old—you are needed in the Lil' Buckaroo Rodeo! This year's event will start at 2 pm on Saturday, July 9 in the Livestock Show Ring on the McKenzie

County Fairgrounds.  
This rodeo will feature:  
• Stick Horse Barrel Racing – Child rides his/her stick horse in a cloverleaf pattern around barrels.  
• Steer Roping—Child learns to rope a dummy steer.

• Goat Tail Untying – Child will remove a sucker tied to the tail of a goat.  
The Little Buckaroos are invited to dress western and bring their stick horses. Prizes will be awarded to all participants. This event is sponsored by the McKenzie County Fair Board.

For more information, or to pre-register your Buckaroo (encouraged) please contact the McKenzie County Extension Office at 701-444-3451.

# Enter McKenzie County Fair Open Class Show

**By Marcia Hellandsaas**  
Entry of Open Class exhibits in the McKenzie County Fair is from 1pm to 3 pm and from 6 pm to 8 pm on Wednesday, July 6 and from 8 am to 11:30 am on Thursday, July 7 in the 4-H Building on the McKenzie County Fairgrounds, east of Watford City. Judging takes place from 1 pm to 4 pm on Thursday, July 7. Exhibit books are available at several businesses in Watford City and are also on the NDSU Extension Service/McKenzie

County website at <https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/mckenziecountyextension>.  
Top exhibit in each class can receive \$10 and monetary awards will be assigned to all exhibits receiving ribbons as follows: Grand - \$5, Purple Ribbon - \$4, Blue Ribbons - \$3, Red Ribbon - \$2 and White Ribbon - \$1.  
Open Class also features a "For Show Only" area for those who wish to not have their exhibits judged. Please feel free to also share your

talents in this way.  
Special awards will again be available to award to youth and adults who excel in the art of canning. Please see the Open Class exhibit book for details.  
Every reasonable precaution will be taken to safeguard entries. Exhibits will not be left unattended during public viewing. The Fair Board and/or Extension Service will not be responsible for injuries, damage or loss to exhibits.  
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please contact 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).

# Diverse Crop Rotations

**By Meagan Dotson**  
Diverse crop rotations are not a new concept, but their benefits are being rediscovered. Dr. Audrey Kalil, Plant Pathologist at the Williston Research Extension Center and Dr. Don Tanaka, retired USDA-Agricultural Research Service Soil Scientist will be speaking on various benefits of diverse crop rotations at the NDSU- Williston Research Extension Center's Dry Land Field Day on Thursday, July 14. Kalil's presentation will focus on research investigating diverse crop rotation's ability to manage disease; Tanaka's talk will discuss the soil quality benefits that can be achieved with diverse cash crops, cover crops, and no-till practices.  
"Cash crop sequence can be carefully planned so that different plant families contribute their own unique benefits to the system. For example, crops can be selected to increase soil nutrients, break-up disease cycles, and suppress weeds," said NDSU Area Extension Specialist Clair Keene. "Having five different cash crops in your rotation is a good start."  
In addition to cash crops, cover crops can also be planted. For instance, a farmer that grows durum wheat, peas, corn, and safflower could plant

a full-season cover crop that would add needed nutrients to the soil in place of one of the cash crops or in rotation with them.  
A farmer who raises durum and spring wheat (two grass crops) could plant a short-season cover crop from a different plant family, like peas, in late summer after wheat harvest to help prevent grass-specific diseases from carrying over into the following year's wheat crop.  
Cover crops like oats or oats mixed with a legume such as red clover can help suppress weeds ahead of a cash crop like safflower or canola. Safflower and canola often don't form a complete canopy and therefore are not very weed suppressive. Suppressing weeds the year before planting less competitive crops is an excellent way to improve weed control in those cash crops.  
Over time, thoughtfully planned diverse crop rotations can reduce not only weeds, diseases, and insect pests, but also save farmers money by reducing the need for herbicides, fungicides, and insecticides—all of which are inputs that must be purchased.  
As late as the 1940s diverse crop rotation was more widely practiced than it is

today. Before 1950, most farm equipment was animal draft-powered, and farmers had to grow crops such as alfalfa, oats, and other forages to feed to their animals. As gas-powered equipment became more affordable, the need for horses, mules, and oxen on the farm dwindled, and along with it, the need to grow forages. This shift freed up farmers to grow only cash crops. Along with the switch from animal to diesel power, new fertilizers and pesticides became widely available and supplanted diverse crop rotations, enabling farmers to grow just one or two cash crops year after year.  
"The concerns of farmers and consumers are changing, and I believe this is driving the high level of interest right now in diverse crop rotation," added Keene.  
Kalil and Tanaka will both be speaking during the Dryland Field Day Tour happening at the Williston Research Extension Center, 14120 Hwy 2 (4.5 miles west of Williston). The tour begins 9:15am Central Time following coffee and rolls starting at 8:30 a.m. and a brief welcome at 9 a.m.




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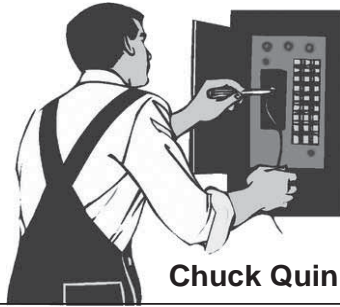


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By Jaden Cymbaluk, 2016-2017 Leadership Williston Director

Williston Community, The Williston Area Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Williston program is now accepting applications for 2016-17. Leadership Williston is a unique and unforgettable experience, designed for long-time residents and newcomers alike. Leadership Williston program is a chance to get more involved and informed about the ins and outs of our community.

The program spans approximately 13 sessions beginning in October, and ending in April with a graduation ceremony. Each day or partial day is spent learning about how

an oil rig works, how much our state offers agriculturally, the operations of tourism, and the arts, public safety, local and state government and much more.

The intent of program is to use our community as a living classroom and develop class members' leadership skills, while developing awareness of the issues and challenges that our region faces. Leadership Williston challenges the participants to influence others and become involved in our community and instills a sense of community to motivate our participants into leadership roles. Participants will tackle personal goals through Speechcraft and developing their own community service

project to make the Williston Basin just a little better for everyone.

For 20 years, Leadership Williston has provided a unique avenue to challenge leaders from all walks of life and industry in Williston. Do you have what it takes?

Important Information for 2016-2017 Leadership Williston Class:

- Deadline for applications: August 31, 2016.
- Please turn in applications to: Williston Chamber of Commerce, PO Box G, Williston ND 58802 or 10 Main St. (to deliver in person)
- Duration of the class and commitment: Early October to late April; 1-2 meetings per month; Meetings vary between half days and full days.
- Tuition: \$350 per participant
- Company must be a current member of the Chamber of Commerce

# "Brothers In Arms" Rally Benefits Independence Hall Veterans

**Submitted by Bill Holder**  
BILLINGS — Independence Hall will vibrate with the sound of motorcycles Saturday, July 9 when registration is held for the annual "Brothers in Arms" motorcycle run to Roundup. The annual rally, sponsored by the 45's Motorcycle Club of Roundup, begins at 9 a.m. Coffee and donuts will be served.

"We raise money every year to help veterans. Last year we donated the rally proceeds, \$6,000, to Independence Hall. This year we hope

to raise even more to help veterans living at Independence Hall reclaim their lives," said Lyn Ohl, 45's MC Treasurer.

Rally goers will pay \$20 to join the event that includes overnight camping, a bike rodeo, bingo and poker runs and music. The rally draws participants from across Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota and Colorado.

The .45's MC is comprised of a handful of military veterans "but who have heart and determination many times their numbers to help their vet-

eran brothers," said Bill Holder, Independence Hall director of veterans services. "We're grateful for their help."

Independence Hall, operated by Volunteers of America, is a 20-bed men's transitional living facility located at 710 Lake Elmo Drive in the Billings Heights. VOA assists the veterans with housing, employment, medical assistance and other supportive services so they can reintegrate into the community.

## Sidney Tiger Sharks

**Submitted by Marie Holler**  
Sidney Tiger Sharks took 1st this weekend in both relays and overall meet. We took 46 athletes, some veterans and some brand new to racing. They had a phenomenal day on Saturday most cutting time in all events. Then the Sharks showed up strong on Sunday, cutting even more time off their records.

An exciting end to the

meet was all the High point trophies winners.

In the 9-10 year old boys Aren Larson who also was celebrating his birthday, 13-14 year old girls Ashlynn Kessel, 15-19 year old men Ben Brodhead tied with two others. In the 15-19 year old woman girls Torey Dahl and Aubrey Kessel shared with three others from various towns.

It was a great weekend of

swimming, and I'm so excited about all the growth and time the athletes have put forth. They are highly motivated, and they all work extremely hard to improve their times week after week. This year we are focusing on crushing their greatest competitions which of course is themselves! For complete results, please visit [www.roundupweb.com](http://www.roundupweb.com)



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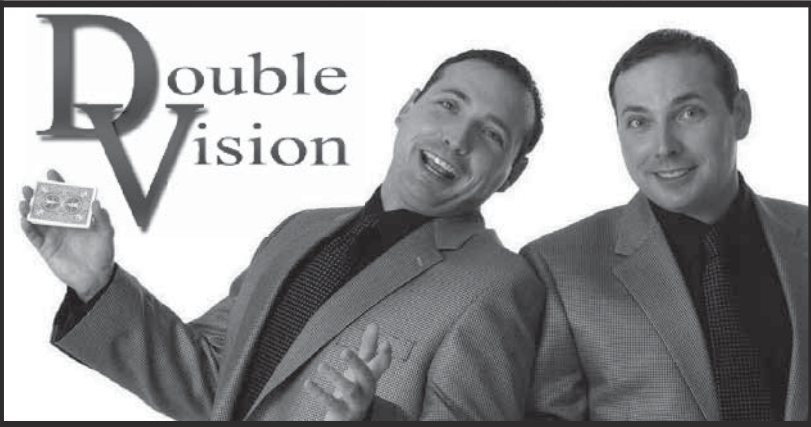
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### Friday, July 8

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### Saturday, July 9

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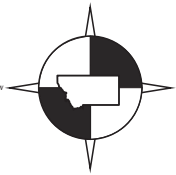
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# Keep The Ice Cream Out of Animal Exhibits

**Submitted by Jon Ebel**

Many Montanans will be enjoying summer fairs in the coming months. And, with that opportunity presents the chance to visit exhibits such as petting zoos that allow people of all ages the thrilling experience of coming face-to-face with animals.

But, those experiences do involve some health risks.

"Sometimes, even healthy animals can carry organisms

that make people sick," said Assistant State Veterinarian Dr. Tahnee Szymanski of the Department of Livestock (DOL).

Young children and persons who have weakened immune systems are at greatest risk for infection and complications from illnesses caused by Salmonella, E. coli, influenza, and others. "Livestock plays an integral part in the lives of Montanans, and we really

want people to enjoy this experience, but in a safe way," Szymanski said.

The Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) and the DOL ask that everyone do their part to prevent illnesses transmitted from animals to humans to help keep petting zoos and fairs safe. Since many of these organisms can be ingested, avoid eating or drinking around animals and always wash your

hands after petting animals or touching surfaces in the animal barns.

"Keep food, drinks, strollers and pacifiers out of animal areas," said DPHHS epidemiologist Dana Fejes. "Be sure to wash your hands after leaving the animals and before eating food."

Fejes says to follow these few simple steps to keep humans and animals healthy:

- Wash your hands after

handling animals

- Avoid touching your mouth after animal contact
- Don't bring food or drinks into animal area
- Don't bring strollers or pacifiers into animal area
- Supervise small children
- Stay away from animal exhibits when you are ill

Consult with your local health department for further guidance and questions or go to online to [www.dphhs.mt.gov](http://www.dphhs.mt.gov).

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"Together we can prevent illnesses and keep our children and communities healthy," Fejes said.



## Sidney Lions Club Award Picnic



Sidney Lions Club President Russ Markwald, from left, and Past District Gov. Craig Price, right, inducted newest Lion member Chad Williams with his sponsor Sidney Lion Raymond Carlson during the club's awards picnic at Veteran's Park June 27.



Sidney Lions Club officers for the 2016-2017 year are, front from left, Peggy Errecart, recording secretary, Yvonne Gebhardt, co-treasurer, Julia Hill, director, Sandy Christensen, director, Kelly Reisig, president and Mike Gear, tail twister; back, Russ Markwald, past president, Kim Martin, third vice president, Raleigh Peck, second vice president and Chip Gifford, first vice president. Not pictured are Enid Huotari, administrative secretary, Ron Gebhardt, co-treasurer, and Amanda Seigfreid, lion tamer (submitted by Libby Berndt).

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# OUTDOORS

## Miles City Fish Hatchery Hosts Prehistoric Visitors

**By Marla Prell, MT FWP**

The Miles City Fish Hatchery has played host to some very important and unusual visitors for the past month. Three male pallid sturgeons from the Missouri River in Montana, estimated to be up to 80 years old, have been kept in a large holding tank at the facility. They were brought there so that Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks can harvest their milt to fertilize eggs, part of the agency's efforts to bolster this endangered, prehistoric species. Hatchery reproduction and stocking of pallid sturgeon has been an annual event since 1997.

With their elongated snouts and bony armor, pallid sturgeons look something like a small, pale crocodile with fins. The visiting males are several feet long and weigh in the 30-pound range, but pallid sturgeon can exceed six feet in length and top 75 pounds. They are among the rarest and largest freshwater fish in North America.

The three males have

changed little from their ancestors that lived about 70 million years ago. What has changed, however, is their habitat. Biologists suspect that dams and other alterations to the river systems have impacted both spawning and larval development. FWP estimates that there may be only about 110 adults left in Montana's wild population inhabiting parts of the Missouri and Yellowstone rivers, so recruitment is a priority.

"We took milt from all three males, and that will go over to North Dakota to mix with eggs to spawn females," said Cory Hagemeister, FWP fish culturist at the Miles City Fish Hatchery.

Milt is the term for seminal fluid from fish. In the wild, sturgeon spray the fluid onto roe, or eggs, deposited by the females in large numbers on rocks or hard surfaces. Females swim upstream to spawn between May and July, but they only spawn every two to three years on average. Once eggs are fertilized, the

larvae drift back downstream for up to two weeks while they develop. Relatively few survive to adulthood because females are not able to spawn far enough upstream before the larvae drift into an oxygen-deprived zone at the headwaters of Lake Sakakawea in North Dakota. If the larvae do survive, the males won't reproduce until about 10 to 15 years of age, and the females 18-20 years.

The hatchery staff had two mature males lined up to harvest milt, but they were pleasantly surprised when another became available.

"The third male was caught by a 10-year-old girl while paddlefishing" at Intake Fishing Access Site, Hagemeister said. Crews were out looking for sturgeon, so the fish was brought to them and then sent to Miles City.

"He hadn't been seen since '97 in any of the spawns," Hagemeister said.

They identified the sturgeon using his electronic PIT tag. All three males are also

carrying radio transmitters.

Once the milt from Miles City is mixed with the eggs at Garrison Dam National Fish Hatchery in North Dakota, the fertilized eggs will return to Miles City. The eggs will represent nine different family groups to aid in genetic diversity, and the target for release is 300 fish per family group. By next summer the fish should be six to eight inches long, ready to release into the Missouri River in Montana. The North Dakota hatchery's remaining eggs will be used in a larval drift study on the Missouri River downstream of Fort Peck Dam taking place this summer.

"They are an interesting fish," Hagemeister said of his work with the pallid sturgeon. "I like it a lot."

With the males' jobs done - for now - they were transported and deposited back into the Missouri River Thursday. If the two hatcheries' efforts are successful and Mother Nature cooperates, a cycle that has been going on for millions of years will continue.

The pallid sturgeon is just one of several fish that the local hatchery works with in its main building and 49 ponds. The hatchery was also preparing walleye fingerlings for release last week. The facility's seasonal target is to raise 10 million walleye fry and one million fingerlings. Another tank was full of tiger muskie measuring over a foot long. The tiger muskie is a sterile hybrid between a northern pike and a muskellunge. FWP raises it for stocking to clean up ponds. Other guests at the hatchery include smallmouth and largemouth bass, channel catfish and occasionally sauger and shovelnose sturgeon.



Above: Two of the three visiting male pallid sturgeon that have been used by the Miles City Fish Hatchery to harvest milt for spawning females. The milt will go to Garrison Dam National Fish Hatchery in North Dakota, and Miles City will receive fertilized eggs to raise at the hatchery for release into the wild next summer. The efforts help to give endangered sturgeon a fighting chance to reproduce.

Bottom: The Miles City Fish Hatchery handles a lot more than just pallid sturgeon. Seasonal employees Rhonda Wagner, from left, Tori Swope and Wyatt Carda do a sampling of walleye fingerlings to determine different sizes represented before releasing them into the river.

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**Submitted by Tammy Lake**  
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The 2016 Acreage Reporting/Crop Certification Deadline is July 15, 2016 for Spring Seeded Alfalfa Seed, Forage Seeding, Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Fruit (except cherries), Vegetables, Christmas Trees, and all Spring-Seeded Crops and any other crops not required to be reported by previously announced deadlines.

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If a producer acquires additional acreage after the applicable acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 30 calendar days after purchase or acquiring the lease. Appropriate documentation must be provided to the county office.

If a perennial forage crop is reported with the intended use of “cover only,” “green manure,” “left standing,” or “seed,” then the acreage must be reported by July 15th. Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) policy holders should note that the acreage reporting date for NAP covered crops is the earlier of the applicable dates or 15 calendar days before grazing or harvesting of the crop begins.

For questions regarding crop certification and crop loss reports, please contact your local FSA office.

## Pulitzer Prize Winning Photojournalist Kim Komenich in Watford City July 14

**Submitted by Jessie Veeder**  
With special thanks to the North Dakota Humanities Council, Pulitzer Prize Winning Photojournalist Kim Komenich will be here during the 30th Anniversary of his award-winning work and the 100th Anniversary of the Pulitzer Prizes to discuss the power of journalism and how it contributes to an informed society.

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The event is free and open to the public and your spots can be reserved on EventBright at this link: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/kim-komenich-photojournalism-then-and-now-tickets-26043309239?blm\\_aid=45061](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/kim-komenich-photojournalism-then-and-now-tickets-26043309239?blm_aid=45061)

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