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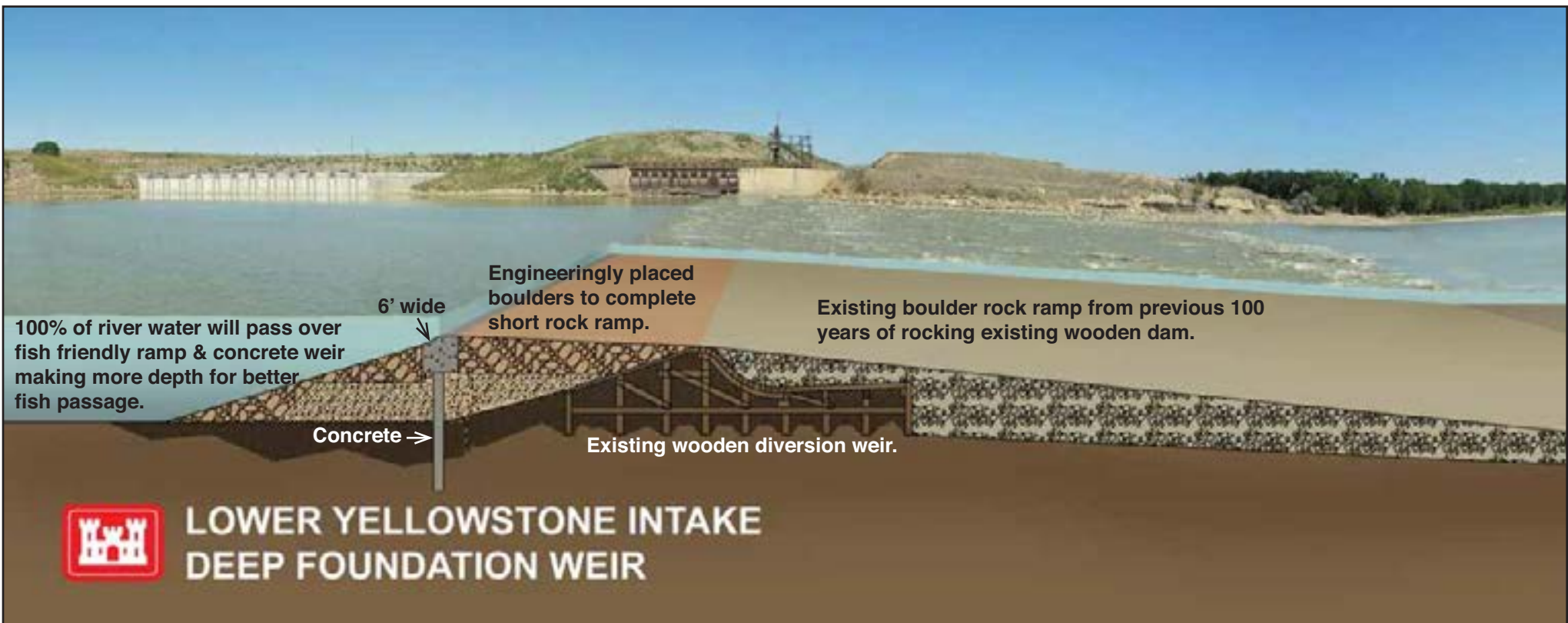
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## Public Meetings to Decide Fate of Irrigation in the Yellowstone Valley



By Dianne Swanson

Can this community afford a 1.2 billion dollar loss, every three years? That is the potential impact if the new Intake diversion plan is not approved this year.

The Endangered Species Act requires a fish passage on the Yellowstone River. Regional Montana Fish and Wildlife leaders have said they prefer a complete removal of the existing diversion dam and the return of the river to its pre 1907 state. Goodbye Sidney Sugars. Goodbye Busch Ag. Goodbye to many businesses from Glendive to Trenton that rely on agriculture.

Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project manager James Brower has been meeting every two weeks for the past year with the Bureau of Reclamation, the Corps of Engineers, Fish and Wildlife as well as other government entities to design the most reliable plan that will provide passage for the pallid sturgeon and other at risk fish, yet still provide a reliable source of water for irrigation.

After starting with 104 possible scenarios, the list was scientifically narrowed down to two. One was the original rock ramp which was cost prohibitive, had much higher maintenance costs and had less chance of biological success.

The chosen plan involves constructing a 6' wide, fish friendly concrete weir, which will cause minimal impact on the river. A gradual slope downstream, using existing rock that LYIP has placed over the last 100 years, plus a steeper engineered rock ramp upstream provide passage for all the species of fish in the Yellowstone, except the pallid sturgeon. The front of the weir will be armored with hard rock slabs about 1' thick anchored with rebar to prevent erosion or damage to the concrete, especially from ice chunks. The new design uses less concrete and rebar than the fish screens and new head works that the environmentalists wanted during the last attempt. Proper placement of the weir and proposed fish bypass provide a more natural flow of water for the fish and stops the big eddy and recurring erosion

from the existing diversion dam. "It will be the most fish friendly weir in the Yellowstone River," Brower stated.

To provide passage for the pallid sturgeon, a bypass has been developed to provide a constant flow of water without the extreme velocity that the sturgeon cannot tolerate. The critically reinforced passage on Joe's Island forms an almost natural path for the sturgeon with no trauma entering or exiting.

Brower was at the Federal Center in Denver for three days last week to test the new plan. A 1/16 scale model was built by the Bureau of Reclamation and every possible water condition was tested with large pumps.

The weir and bypass performed exactly as it should in every condition from low water to the flood conditions seen in 2011, a 150 year event, or the ice jams seen this spring. Reliable irrigation water was provided, as was greatly improved passage for the pallid sturgeon and other fish. "Everyone was excited about how well this worked," Brower said.

"This fish passage is the last chance of having the Federal Government pay instead of just the locals to achieve mandatory fish passage," Brower emphasized.

Funding is in place only for 2014 through the Corps of Engineers. If that money is not used at Intake, the dollars will go to projects on the Missouri River and the diversion dam project will revert to the Bureau of Reclamation. If that happens, any dollars spent would have to be reimbursed by the irrigators. That would be disastrously cost prohibitive.

If Corps dollars are used, flood damages to the proposed fish bypass, similar to the damaged lateral from the 2011 flood, would be covered by FEMA or another federal agency. If construction of a fish bypass is left up to the Bureau of Reclamation, if they allowed a diversion at all, irrigators would be required to cover the cost of construction and repairs, again cost prohibitive.

The Corps funding is allocated now, for fiscal 2014. Any

movement of that money to another year would require an act of Congress. "The retirement of Senator Baucus, former chair of the Senate finance committee greatly reduces the chances of any other federal funding paying for the fish passage," Brower explained.

There is no way to overstate the necessity of a strong show of support for this proposed project during the public meetings. According to Brower, a vocal contingency in Glendive has been providing misleading information, scaring farmers and taxpayers alike. Accurate information will be presented at the public meetings.

Local citizens who appreciate the stability that agriculture has brought to our valley need to take the time to attend one or both of the public meetings scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 23 at the Glendive High School and 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 24 at Sidney Senior High School.

"Removal of irrigation at Klamath Falls, OR proves that they can take away the water," Brower said. Oregon has since shut down another irrigation project and several diversion dams have been removed in Idaho and Washington as well.

Protecting the environment and endangered species is mandatory. Maintaining the lifeblood of agriculture and the business community is just as important. The new fish passage can provide for both. Please attend one or both of the upcoming public meetings to show your support for the fish friendly concrete weir and reinforced fish bypass.

For more information, please contact James Brower at 406-433-1306, or make an appointment to visit the LYIP office at 2327 Lincoln Ave., Sidney.

## Easter Egg Hunt April 19 at Good Shepherd Home

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 19th at 1pm at the Good Shepherd Home's South lawn in Watford City.

The Easter Bunny will be visiting and kids can also enjoy face painting. The event will be for children ages 0-10 with prizes for everyone.

The Watford City Lions Club is sponsoring the event.

## Annual March for Babies April 12

By Dianne Swanson

The annual March for Babies will take place this Saturday, April 12 at Veterans Memorial Park in Sidney. Registration is at 9 with the walk beginning at 10.

Family teams, company teams and individuals will be walking to improve the health of babies. Everyone is welcome to come and take part.

Following the walk, awards will be presented and lunch will be served by the Sidney Kiwanis Club.

The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. To learn more, or to contribute to a local team or individual, go to marchforbabies.org.

## TrainND Welcomes \$150,000 Gift from Statoil Towards Construction of New Williston Training Facility

By Deanette Piesek

As a part of its commitment to the Williston Basin, Statoil is pleased to announce a Diamond Level pledge of \$150,000 over three years towards the construction of the new TrainND Northwest Center in Williston.

TrainND has embarked on an ambitious \$7.5 Million capital campaign to build a 19,750 square foot state of the art regional workforce training and education center that will provide Northwest North Dakotans access to the technical skills and training they need to meet the current and future needs of the state's oil and gas industry, as well as other critical professions such as nursing, management, IT, manufacturing, and childcare to name a few.

"TrainND is extremely pleased to receive this pledge from Statoil. We are proud to have a contribution of this magnitude from a company that prioritizes our 'safety first' mantra and is very active in the community. It is our hope that others will follow suit and also make a pledge," says Deanette Piesik, CEO of TrainND.

Torstein Hole, head of Statoil's US onshore group says, "As part of our commitment to safety, the community and responsible operations in the Williston Basin, Statoil is very excited and proud to be a part of helping to bring this new training facility to life. This center will enable current and future generations to gain skills in areas critical to the growth and diversification of North Dakota's economy."

## Richey Prom



Richey held their prom last weekend. Voted prom Queen was Audrey Helmuth and Prom King was Trey Switzer.



Brittany Whiteman and Jim Whiteman enjoy the parent dance last weekend in Richey. (Photos by Janet Fatzinger)



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**Congratulations, Jim!**

Jim Jacobson is retiring from American Insurance Center (formerly West Plains Insurance). We thank Jim for his dedicated service and wish him a happy and healthy retirement.





**Do you have news or photos from McKenzie County you would like in The Roundup?**

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**Kathy Taylor in Watford City**  
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**AREA RECOVERY GROUPS**

**MONDAYS:**  
**Noon** — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.  
**1 - 3 p.m.** — Grief Recovery Support Group in First Lutheran Church, Fellowship Room, 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 Fairview 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.** — NA meeting, Fellowship Baptist Church 2181 W. Holly St. (across from the fairgrounds), Sidney.  
**7 p.m.** — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.

**WEDNESDAYS:**  
**5:00 p.m.** — Sober Life Young People's NAAA 12- step recovery group, 25 yr. old & younger, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.  
**8 p.m.** — Al-Anon, Sanford Room, McKenzie Co. Public Library, Watford City.

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

**FRIDAYS:**  
**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.** — **Watford City area Celebrate Recovery**, Assembly of God, 2117 S. Main. For help call Robert 417-296-2809 or Stephanie 417-296-2810.  
**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.  
**8 p.m.** — NA meeting, Fellowship Baptist Church, 2181 W. Holly St. (across from the fairgrounds), Sidney.

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

**STATISTICS**

**LAKE WATER LEVEL REPORT**

	Sakakawea	Fort Peck
Current Elevation.....	1836.3	2224.8
Last Week's Elev. ....	1835.7	2224.5
One Year Ago .....	1827.6	2222.5
Release For Day (C.F.S.) .....	18,000	7,100

**WATFORD CITY WEATHER DATA**

Source: North Dakota Agricultural Weather Network

Date	High	Low	Precip.
March 31.....	NA	NA	NA
April 1 .....	NA	NA	NA
April 2 .....	NA	NA	NA
April 3 .....	NA	NA	NA
April 4 .....	NA	NA	NA
April 5 .....	NA	NA	NA
April 6 .....	NA	NA	NA
YTD Rainfall .....			22.44

**SIDNEY WEATHER DATA**

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
March 31.....	26	13	0.00
April 1 .....	33	6	0.00
April 2 .....	34	14	0.00
April 3 .....	40	23	0.16
April 4 .....	49	21	0.00
April 5 .....	59	32	0.00
April 6 .....	60	33	0.00
Average YTD Precipitation .....			0.49

# OBITUARIES

## Edwin Beery, 74, of Vida, MT

Edwin D. Beery 74, of Vida, eldest son of Margaret and Newell Beery passed into Eternity on March 27th, 2014 at the Billings Clinic from complications of a worn out heart.

Eddy was born on Aug. 25, 1939 in Wolf Point, Montana. He lived and breathed the family farm and ranch from birth to death. Eddy graduated from Richey High School in 1957 and was always proud of being a Richey Royal.

Eddy will be dearly missed by his family and community. Visitation was at the Clayton Stevenson Chapel in Circle on April 1st from 3-6 pm with Masonic Services at 6 pm. The funeral was at the Richey school at 1 pm on April 2nd. with a private family burial later that evening at Prairie Lawn Cemetery near the Ranch. Memorials can be made to Redwater Manor Senior and Assisted Living Complex, Richie Community Park or to the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch of Billings, Montana.

See more at: <http://stevensonfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/edwin-beery-age-74-of-circle/#sthash.cXKntV6q.PBBERBMw.dpuf>

# Trashy Tuesdays - Fourth Year of Recycling Drives

Submitted by Dan Peters

The “Trashy Tuesday” drive will be held this coming Tuesday, April 22, 2014 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Richland Opportunities, Inc. located at 1100 Silurian Lane in Sidney. This is the 4th year of quarterly plastic, paper, cardboard and aluminum can drives. The drives are being sponsored by the Recycling Advisory Committee. The committee consists of area citizens who would like to ensure that the community has an opportunity to recycle material that cannot be recycled using the current resources. Their goal is to provide a more comprehensive and sustainable recycling program in the area. This volunteer committee consists of George Biebl, Russ Huotari, Jackie Couture, Linette and Greg Miller, Heather Luinsta, Jeff Hintz, Cindy Eleson, Leah Norby, Dan Peters, Randy Olson, Leslie Whiteman and Gary and Emily Schaff.

During this event, the materials that will be accepted are plastic bottles #1, plastic bottles #2-7, office and junk mail, newspapers and magazines, and cardboard. The committee volunteers ask that plastic bottles be rinsed and sorted into two groups, #1 and #2-7. Examples of plastic bottles include milk jugs, and laundry detergent, dish soap, and hair product bottles. As long as the container has a threaded neck which is smaller than the base, it can be taken to the drive. All paper products can be recycled with the exception of manila envelopes and bright neon paper. The office/junk mail must be sorted from the newspapers and magazines. Catalogs and telephone books cannot be accepted.

Trashy Tuesdays are scheduled the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4th Tuesday of every 3<sup>rd</sup> month of the year (quarterly) from 3pm to 7pm and the public is encouraged to recycle their material on this day. Trashy Tuesday’s drive on April 22nd is open to the public and free of charge. Please start collecting for the next drive scheduled on July 22, 2014. Because these recycling drives depend on volunteers, the committee encourages the public to recycle during the drive and become involved in assisting with recycling. If you are interested in joining the Recycling Advisory Committee or would like more information on recycling drives please contact Dan at 406-488-3341, extension #4 or [roi@midrivers.com](mailto:roi@midrivers.com). Bring your recyclables on Tuesday and “toss it our way.”

# Youth Music Showcase

Submitted by Benjamin L. Clark

Friday, April 25th at 7-8pm, the MonDak Heritage Center is proud to host a Youth Music Showcase featuring our community’s young musicians. This event is FREE and open to the public. While at the concert, take the opportunity to vote for your favorite entries in the Youth Art Show.

Our Annual Youth Art Show is now open. Come browse entries from area students and vote for your favorite. People’s Choice winners will be selected in each of the three divisions: Grades 7 & 8, Grades 9 & 10, and Grades 11 & 12. Submissions are in Drawing, Color Works, 3D, Graphics, and Mixed Media.

A big thank you to our sponsors: Sidney’s own Edward Jones financial advisors: Enid Huotari, Jerry Hughes and Nick Lonski. Thank you!

# McKenzie County Area Food Pantry

Free food assistance for you and your family. All income eligible residents in McKenzie County welcome. Open dates and times are as follows: Thursdays from noon to 2 pm, Cashwise donates food giveaway to the Food Pantry, 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month from 5 pm to 7 pm and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 2 pm to 4 pm. The Food Pantry is located in the lower level of First Lutheran Church, 212 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. NW, Watford City. For more information or to set up an appointment to visit the pantry call 701-444-3451 or [www.mcfoodpantry.com](http://www.mcfoodpantry.com).

Pantry includes a wide variety of frozen meats, canned goods, personal care items. Donations can be sent to: McKenzie Co. Food Pantry, Box 2716, Watford City, ND 58854.

# Eide Bailly Offering Free Webinar on Selling Your Business

Submitted by Carrie Wagner

Eide Bailly LLP, a regional certified public accounting and business advisory firm, will be hosting a free webinar entitled “Is It Time To Sell Your Business?” on Apr. 23, 2014, at 11 a.m. CDT. Presented by Eide Bailly Consulting Services Senior Manager John Waldock, the webinar will focus on an in-depth understanding of the sale process and strategies to maximize the deal outcome along with examination of key economic and market factors that affect the success of transactions.

To register for this free webinar, please visit [www.eidebailly.com/events](http://www.eidebailly.com/events) or contact Carrie Wagner at [cwagner@eidebailly.com](mailto:cwagner@eidebailly.com) or 701.255.8451. Space is limited, so early registration is encouraged.

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## Richland County

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

**Thurs., April 10**  
**5 p.m.** — TOPS, Crestwood NW entrance, Weigh-ins 5-5:30 p.m. Meeting 5:30 - 6 p.m.

**Fri., April 11**  
**11:30 a.m.** — Sidney Senior Citizen Center will be hosting a meal. For more info call 406-433-8077.  
**6:30 - 7:30 a.m.**— Men’s Breakfast Fellowship, Sidney Lutheran Brethren Church.  
**7 p.m.** — Froid Students & The Missoula Children’s Theatre will be performing “The Secret Garden”, Froid Public School, 408 1st St. South.  
**5:30 p.m.** — Close-Up is sponsoring 2 basketball games, Faculty vs. Intermural All Stars and Hockey vs. Wrestling, Sidney High School Gym, admission \$5.  
**5 - 7 p.m.** — Sidney Knights of Columbus 3002 Annual Fish Fry Supper, St. Matthew’s Parish Center, 310 7th St. SE. All are invited and welcome.

**Sat., April 12**  
**9 a.m.** — March for Babies, Veterans Memorial Park, Sidney. Registration 9 am with walk beginning at 10 am. Lunch will be served by the Kiwanis Club.  
**10 am** — Fun Sewing & Needle Art, Church of the Nazarene, 606 9th St. SW, for more info. call Eunice 406-488-8126. Ladies gathering for a fun day of sewing.  
**2 p.m.**— Sidney Gymnastic Club Competition, Sidney High School.  
**6 p.m.** — Walleyes Unlimited Banquet, Richland County Fairgrounds Event Center, Ticket sold at the door, \$50 per person, \$60 for couples.

**Sun., April 13**  
**1 p.m.** — Savage Senior Center cards & potluck .  
**6:45 p.m.** — Sidney Moose Lodge Bingo, Main Session 7:00 p.m.

**Mon., April 14**  
**11:30 a.m.** — Sidney Senior Citizen Center will be hosting a meal. For more info call 406-433-8077.  
**6:30 p.m.**— Sidney Moose Lodge Pinochle games.

**Tues., April 15**  
**10 a.m.** — Fred Miller of the Montana Safety & Health Bureau will address Hazard Awareness, Eastern Montana Ag. Research Center, 1501 N. Central Ave., Sidney. The presentation is free and open to the public.

**Thurs., April 17**  
**12 p.m.** —Easter Egg Hunt, Sharbono Park, Fairview.

**Sidney High School Key Club pastry sale deadline.**  
**To order contact any Key Club member or Elaine Stedman at 406-433-2330 or [estedman@sidney.k12.mt.us](mailto:estedman@sidney.k12.mt.us).**

**Sat. April 19**  
**10:30 a.m.** — Elks Lodge Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Veterans Memorial Park, (Central Ave).

**Tues., April 22**  
**3 - 7 p.m.**— Trashy Tuesday, Richland Opportunities, 1100 Silurian Lane, for more info call 406-488-3341 ext. 4 or [richland-opportunities.org](http://richland-opportunities.org).

## McKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

**Weds., April 9**  
**7 p.m.** — Softball League Men & Women slow pitch, first meeting, Golf Course and second meeting May 14 also at 7 pm at the Golf Course, for more info call Keith Larson, 701-580-8380.

**Thurs., April 10**  
**12 p.m. - 2 p.m.** — McKenzie Co. Food Pantry, in the lower level of the First Lutheran Church, 212 2nd Ave. NW, Watford City, Cash Wise food giveaway, for more info or to set up an appt. call 701-444-3451 or [www.mcfoodpantry.com](http://www.mcfoodpantry.com).  
**7 p.m.**— Pinochle, Watford City Senior Center, 205 5th St. NW, for more info call 842-3760.

**Fri., April 11**  
**7 p.m.** — **Watford City area Celebrate Recovery**, Assembly of God, 2117 S. Main. For help call Robert 417-296-2809 or Stephanie 417-296-2810.

**Sun., April 13**  
**1 - 4 p.m.** — “Kids Fun Day”, Veterans Building, Watford City, lunch from 11 am - 1 pm, \$7 per person. \$5 for kids, includes all games, crafts and jumping castles. Digital photos with the Easter Bunny can be taken for additional fee. 100% of the proceeds for the Event are going to be contributed to The Make-A-Wish Foundation for ND and The American Cancer Society.

**Mon., April 14**  
**1 - 3 p.m.** — Grief Recovery Support Group First Lutheran Church, Fellowship room, Watford City.

**Tues., April 15**  
**9 - 11 a.m.** — Watford City MOPS group meeting at the Cross Point Church (304 2nd Ave. NE) , daycare available for small fee, for more info contact Angie Hartel @ 701-842-4552.  
**5 - 7 p.m.** — McKenzie Co. Food Pantry open, First Lutheran Church, 212 2nd Ave. NW, Watford City. For more info call 701-444-3451.

**Sat., April 19**  
**1 p.m.** — Easter Egg Hunt, Good Shepherd Home- south lawn, Ages 0-10. Hunt for Easter Eggs, meet the Easter Bunny, face painting, prizes for everyone. Sponsored by the Watford City Lions Club.

## McKenzie Co. Public Library Bookmobile Schedule

<b>Tues., April 15</b>	
Alexander School	9 am - 10:30 am
East Fairview School	11 am - 12:45 pm
Cartwright Hall	1 pm - 1:30 pm
<b>Weds., April 16</b>	
Arnegard Post Office	9 am - 9:30 am
Horse Creek School	10:15 am - 10:30 am
Squaw Creek Hall	11 am - 11:30 am
Elizabeth Hatter	11:40 am - 12:15 pm
<b>Thurs., April 17</b>	
McKenzie Co. Courthouse Temp. Office	8:25 - 8:35 am
Johnson Corners Christian Acedemy	9:10 - 9:30 am
Keene Dome	9:45 - 10:05 am
Good Shepherd Home	10:40 - 11:20 am
Hillside Court	11:22 am – 12:05 pm
<b>Fri., April 18</b>	
Across from Lutheran Church, Grassy Butte 9 am - 12 pm	

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





## TP Spill

Spring is cleanup time, but cleaning up someone else's trash angered Richland County resident Georgia Peterson. She discovered the spill of rolls and rolls of toilet tissue at the intersection of Hwy 201 and CR 332 Sunday morning and hoped that whoever lost them would be back to clean up the mess. By 5:30 p.m., no one had done so. Richland County is a beautiful place to live. Let's keep it that way.



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## Sidney Students of the Month

### Seth Ullman

The SHS band department is pleased to announce that Seth Ullman is this month's student of the month. Seth is a freshman at Sidney High School and is the son of



Seth Ullman

Tim Ullman. Seth plays the trombone in symphonic band, jazz band, and is a member of the B.A. Brass, a trombone quartet. He is also an active member of the SHS drum line. Seth is a very dedicated student in the music program and is always willing and wanting to help out anyway he can, including helping organize music and setting up the band room. Currently he is working on a solo for the district music festival and will be auditioning for the Montana High School Honor Band this summer. Outside of school, Seth has played with the city brass quintet. He is always looking for ways to improve himself musically and loves playing his trombone.

### Brandon Lassey

Student of the month in the art department is Brandon Lassey. Brandon started his art career in his junior year. Brandon has an amazing talent in art. Although he enjoys the all art medium, he is especially gifted in Pen and Ink drawings. Brandon is punctual, polite, hardworking and intelligent. He has been a great participant in the art department. I enjoy having Brandon in class to share his talent. Brandon is the son of Ron and Jeannie Lassey.

### Lexi Smith

Sidney Middle School is proud to announce eighth grader, Lexi Smith, daughter of Matt and Holly Herman, as March's Student of the Month. Lexi has grown tremendously as a leader in the past three years at Sidney Middle School. She has a kind heart and car-

ing concern for others. In life, she keeps a positive attitude and is very involved. She is very musical and participates in choir, band, pep band, and jazz band. Lexi works hard to do well in school and make her parents and siblings proud and be someone to look up to. She is friendly and greets adults in the hallways and classrooms, and is willing to help out when needed. Lexi is a hard worker. In the classroom, Lexi asks for help, tries her best to understand, and teachers enjoy her enthusiasm. She has a bright smile and a good sense of humor. We are proud to have Lexi at the Middle School.



Brandon Lassey



Alexis Smith

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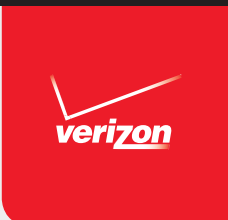


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## J'z Fashion Threadz Expands

**By Dianne Swanson**

J'z Fashion Threadz in Sidney has undergone a transformation that shoppers will love. By knocking out a wall, the beautiful spring fashions and footwear for men and women now stretch all the way to the back of the store.

With the expanded floor space comes new lines including Yest from Holland, Mi-Smash, Sno Skins, Neon Buddha, Tribal, Adam Jacobs, Pure Knit, Big Star Vintage, Elana Wang, and Element for men and women. The new spring shoes by Dansko and Allegría are here with more coming soon from Teva, Vince Camuto, Bandolino and Free Bird by Steve Madden.

In about two weeks, the

coffee boutique will be open, treating visitors to the tantalizing aroma of freshly brewed coffee. Ready to drink City Brew coffees include Northern Lights, Columbia Decaf and Zimzilla. Or order your favorite espresso, latte, cappuccino, macchiato, granada, mocha, Americano, tea or a refreshing smoothie. Hot chocolate, orange and apple juice, crèmes and Pepsi products will also be available.

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has been arranged for your comfort. Coffee beans and freshly ground coffees will also be available to purchase.

J'z Fashion Threadz has been closed for a month while carpenter Jason Jacobson has worked his magic on the dry-wall, the flooring, the counter-tops and more. Jacobson will also be redoing the exterior of the store as time and weather permit.

Expanded hours for J'z Fashion Threadz are 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

Stop by the new store at 113 East Main, or call them at 406-433-5050.

## Leadership Class Graduation April 23

Graduation for the 15<sup>th</sup> Sidney Area Leadership Class will be held at noon Wednesday, April 23 at the Sidney Elks Lodge. Businesses, former graduates and the public are encouraged to attend. Tickets are \$12 per person and must be purchased by April 18. Call 433-1916 or visit the Sidney Chamber of Commerce office at 909 S. Central Ave.

The 2013-14 Leadership class members are: Billie Taylor, 1<sup>st</sup> Bank; Jan Getchell, Sidney Sugars; Janet Cohenour,

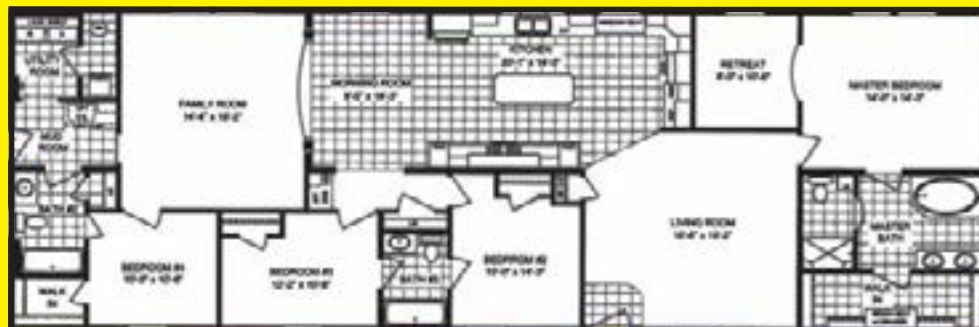
Blue Rock Products; Jordan Mayer, Interstate Engineering; Joy Barsotti, USDA/ARS/NPARRL; Kelly Reisig, Foundation for Community Care; Ludmilla Keller, Richland County Extension; Luella Schow, Security Abstract Company; Melissa Dean, Richland County Sheriff's Office; Natalie Conlin, Sidney-Richland Public Library; Robert Arrowsmith, Sidney Herald; Tyler Radke, Mid-Rivers Communication.

Members of the class have worked hard to achieve graduation. They attended seven issue days and three skills development days, plus a city council meeting and a school board meeting during the length of the class. Each class also develops a project which will be announced at graduation.

The featured speaker will be Arch Ellwein presenting "Richland County's 100 Years of Leaders". In 1910, Eastern Montana consisted of four counties. North to south, they were Valley, Dawson, Rosebud and Custer. Within 15 years those four became 18. Richland County was carved out of Dawson County in 1914. It was a time of exciting change and men and women were up to the challenge.

As actor/historian, Ellwein will share a little history, experience visiting with tourists over the past ten years and a few choice quotes from Theodore Roosevelt. Ellwein, a local radio broadcaster and educator, has performed as his historic characters over 1700 times in 16 states since 1996.

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### Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

A great service for those in need of volunteers and/or would like to provide volunteer services to Richland County and the surrounding areas. Call for more information at 433-2207. Celebrate National Public Health Week April 7-13, 2014!! Public Health in action at the community health fair!

### Community Health Fair Held Last Week

Above: A short educational presentation on preventing a million strokes and heart attacks was given during this year's community health fair by staff from the health department. The department is promoting the national Million Hearts initiative. This is a campaign that brings together communities, health systems, nonprofit organizations, federal agencies, and private-sector partners from across the country to fight heart disease and stroke. The campaign focuses on these areas: 1. Improving access to effective care. 2. Improving the quality of care for the ABCS. 3. Focusing clinical attention on the prevention of heart attack and stroke. 4. Activating the public to lead a heart-healthy lifestyle. 5. Improving the prescription and adherence to appropriate medications for the ABCS. Celebrate National Public Health Week April 7-13. (Submitted by Julie Brodhead)

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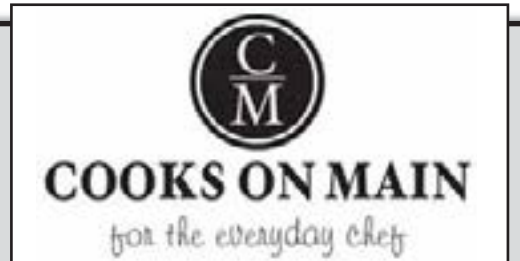
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# Land Use Regulations Series – Did you Know?

## Construction Timing

**By Marcy Hamburg, County Planner**

Richland County and its communities are seeing new construction projects from residential to industrial.

Are you thinking about a building a house, a commercial/industrial shop, etc... building on a parcel of land? Or allowing RVs, mobile homes, work units, or other forms of living units to be set up on your property? These may be subject to planning review; you will need to contact the County Planner Office to make that determination with you.

I have served as the Planner for Richland County for 13 years. Over the years Montana's land use laws have changed, so when new State laws go into effect the governing body (Board of County Commissioners) considers them for adoption at the local level.

For example, The Richland County Subdivision Regulations are reviewed every two years to ensure the reg-

ulations are in compliance with state legislative changes pursuant to Montana Code Annotated (MCA) Title 76, Chapter 3.

The influx of temporary housing and the need for more temporary housing over the past few years led County Commissioners to adopt a county-wide overlay zoning regulation adopted in October of 2013 to address the impacts of work camps.

During the past legislative session a new State law went into effect regarding buildings

for rent or lease, such as apartment buildings. Pursuant to MCA Title 76, Chapter 8 the County adopted the Richland County Buildings for Rent or Lease Regulations in September of 2013.

According to our local regulations and State law construction work is not to occur until conditional approval has been granted by the governing body. Any construction work undertaken before conditional approval may have to be redone or removed if not in compliance with the adopted standards.

According to our local regulations RVs, mobile home parks, etc. parks are not to be occupied (or leased, rented, or any other types of conveyance) until final approval is granted from the governing body.

So before you start construction or the installation of any type of units on your property, please contact the Richland County Planner Office to help you to determine if

you are required to go through planning review.

Most people may not be aware Richland County is one of the few counties in Montana that does have a building permit process. The projects mentioned above may require a building permit. Please contact the Richland County Building Inspector, Alton Hillesland for assistance at 433-2809 or at 115 2<sup>nd</sup> ST SE in Sidney.

The Richland County Attorney's office hired Compliance Officer Terry Murphy to assist the Planner Office to ensure projects are in compliance with our local regulations. You can contact Mr. Murphy at (406) 261-1681.

The County Planner Office is releasing a series of land use articles to provide information that relates to land use regulations and requirements. For more information or to inquire about these regulations please feel free to contact the County Planner Office at 123 W Main ST, Sidney, MT 59270 or call (406) 433-6886.

### Rule Changes for Septic Installers

Submitted by Stephanie Ler

The Richland County Board of Health has adopted wastewater treatment system regulations that require septic installers to obtain a certification from the Richland County Health Department.

These regulations and study materials may be obtained from the Richland County Sanitarian, located at 1201 West Holly, Suite 1, in Sidney. The certification exam is based on these regulations and the Montana Department of Environmental Quality standards for waste water treatment systems. The applicant must achieve a grade of 85% or better to receive the certification. The cost of the exam and certification is \$50. Certification is good for 1 year.

For questions or to obtain study materials, contact the Richland County Sanitarian at 406-433-2207.

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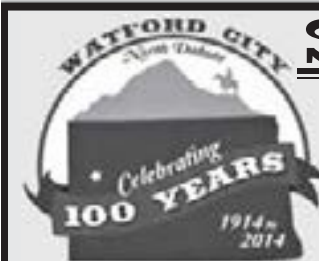
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# Groups Amend Lawsuit over Board's Fracking Rule, Oil and Gas Secrecy

Submitted By Larry Winslow

Today, the Northern Plains Resource Council and Carbon County Resource Council, a Northern Plains affiliate group, challenged the way the Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation (BOGC) does business regarding hydraulic fracturing, the controversial method of extracting natural gas being questioned nationwide for its impact on water.

The two conservation groups amended their January lawsuit claiming the "48-hour fracking warning" is inadequate to enable public participation. The groups also maintain the BOGC's February approval of an oil well near Belfry remains unconstitutional. The suit is filed in State District Court in Yellowstone County (Cause No. DV-14-0027 Sept. 3).

The "rubber stamp" process by which the Board of Oil and Gas excludes the public, is made only worse when it comes to hydraulic fracturing, the groups contend. Hydraulic fracturing, or fracking, uses millions of gallons of water and toxic chemicals deep underground to force oil and methane gas back to the surface. Across the country, fracking has polluted water wells and springs on which farmers, ranchers, and other rural residents rely. It's even been linked to earthquakes from the lubricated fractures.

"The fact that we not allowed to make comments and won't even be told when a well will be fracked is insane," said Bonnie Martinell, an organic farmer near the Belfry well site. "There is merely a 48-hour warning that a company must give to the Board of Oil and Gas staff before they can then commence one of the most dangerous and controversial practices in the world."

Energy Corporation of America (ECA) was permitted for a vertical exploratory well. If oil is found, ECA can start

fracking and drilling horizontally with just a 48-hour notice to BOGC.

Martinell pointed out that at the February 27 well hearing, the BOGC didn't ask any questions, took no time to read expert testimony that was handed in, and spent no time deliberating, but simply approved the permit without any additional conditions.

"We spoke but the board ignored us," said Martinell.

In a related development, emails obtained through the Montana Public Records Act show BOGC Administrator Tom Richmond and BOGC attorney Rob Stutz consulted with ECA's attorney John Lee in trying to prevent public participation in the original well permitting process.

"The BOGC and ECA worked together over multiple emails to ensure that ECA used the correct language that resulted in the original hearing's dismissal," said Charles Sangmeister, Northern Plains Resource Council Board member and President of Stillwater Protective Association, a Northern Plains affiliate group in Stillwater County. "Yet, the BOGC provided no opportunity for the public to resolve the technical loophole

used by ECA to prevent public comment. At the very least the BOGC should make public participation as easy as it is to get an oil and gas drilling permit."

Northern Plains leaders contend the BOGC permitting process is geared toward promoting the oil and gas industry, while Montanans' ability to participate in that process that might negatively impact their land, their water and their lives is given little consideration by the BOGC. At the February hearing, landowners went to a great deal of effort to provide documented evidence, historical data and logic to ask for further consideration and for the board to adopt conditions to protect area landowners. The board was invited to come out and look at the area to help them make up their minds but they voted on the spot to rubber stamp the permit.

"We were stunned that they wouldn't even consider what we had to say and in some cases actually rolled their eyes and mocked the landowners," said Sangmeister. "It's time this board follows the State Constitution and gives citizens a meaningful role in decisions that impact our lives."

## Public Construction Advisory

Submitted by Holly Jensen

Century Companies, Inc., in cooperation with the Montana Department of Transportation, will soon begin construction on the Missouri River – North & South project. Ongoing work will include milling and paving operations, along with guardrail, bridge and shoulder work. The work is slated to begin Monday, April 14 on US 191, with construction delays expected through late May.

This MDOT project is an 11 mile stretch located south of the DY Junction, from mile post 83.4 to milepost 94.4. The project runs from several miles north, to several miles south of the Missouri River.

Traffic delays, lane closures and reduced speed limits will be implemented to aid in the construction process and promote public safety. Motorists should plan extra time into their trips as lane closures and delays will extend beyond work hours. Motorists are also reminded to watch for work crews and equipment as well as signs indicating reduced speed and width limits.

Motorists may review the traveler information map at the Montana Department of Transportation website. For further information, please call Century Companies, Inc. at (406) 535-1200 days, or after hours (406) 535-1286.

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# Help Prevent Child Abuse: Through the Eyes of One Child

By Sarah Corbally

Looking out the window, and cautiously waiting for the moment when his father gets home, the fear begins to set in. Many reoccurring questions start to develop in his head; "What will he do this time? Was it my fault? Will it hurt?"

Fear and anticipation begin to take over while his dad's car starts pulling into the driveway. After noticing the angry look on his father's face, the fear takes over. The boy jolts for the best hiding place before the father gets to the front door. The boy slides under his bed as the door begins to open, and then the sound of heavy footsteps echo through the house mimicking the pace of his ever racing heartbeat.

His father yells, "Don't you hide from me boy. You know what's coming for you."

As the tears of fear run down his face, the shoes of his father come into view from underneath the bed.

"I hear you crying," his father yells. Then, the whole bed rises from the floor and is thrown across the room.

The little boy tries to secure himself to the floor. Then, the stiff grasp of his father's hands lifts him off the floor and slams him into the wall. Words of anger burst out of his father's mouth and eyes of fiery rage steal the very breath away from the boy.

His father pulls him off the wall and twists him around and starts to spank him over and over. He cries with every stroke, only wishing it would just stop.

This story is real.

It came to me from one of the many resilient survivors of childhood abuse who walk among us each day. He is now a college student and loving father of two young children. He wrote to me asking to tell his story, because in his words, "the best prevention is to raise people's awareness about the effects of child abuse."

Unfortunately, the lifelong effects are significant. There is mounting scientific evidence that child maltreatment and household dysfunctions are risk factors for the leading causes of illness and mortality, as well as poor quality of life in the United States.

It is estimated that our country spends \$124 billion dollars annually to address the downstream impacts of child maltreatment. These costs include loss of productivity, child healthcare costs, adult healthcare costs, special education, child welfare, and criminal justice costs.

As of March 2014, the number of children in foster care in Montana is the highest it's been in at least 14 years. The future of our most vulnerable youth depends upon all of us doing what

is necessary to prevent the eyes of one more child from seeing what too many eyes have already seen. Please consider joining our efforts by supporting your local community programs that work toward this end.

Together, let's make a child's wish come true. Let's make it just stop!

Montana children need a safe, stable family environment. Each individual in Montana can protect children who are being abused or neglected by reporting suspected abuse or neglect. To report concerns about a child's safety, call 1-866-820-KIDS (5437). Another way to help is by learning more about becoming a licensed foster parent. To learn about becoming a foster parent, call 1-866-936-7837 (866-9FOSTER) or e-mail AskAboutFosterCare@mt.gov.



## Sanford Health Announces O.P.C. mobileMED

By Sanford Health

In a step to meet the tremendous challenge of providing health care in the booming oil fields of western North Dakota and eastern Montana and after working with leaders in the Bakken, Sanford Health is introducing an innovative new service – O.P.C. mobileMED. The service will provide health care services directly in the oil fields for oil-producing companies (O.P.C.) and their subsidiaries.

The key to Sanford Health's plan centers on partnerships with companies serving the Bakken oil fields and includes deploying two mobile clinics on wheels that can move around to meet the needs of employers and one modular clinic – initially in Watford City. The project will mean an initial investment of \$2.7 million along with \$4.8 million in annual operating expenses. By being in the heart of the oil fields, Sanford Health will focus

on building and maintaining a healthy work force with convenient medical services that allow employees, who have an industry-wide 80 percent injury rate, to feel better soon and get back to work more quickly.

"With populations swelling at unprecedented speed, both energy companies and related industries are thriving, while the health care industry has struggled to figure out the best way to meet the demand," said Kelby Krabbenhoft, President/CEO of Sanford Health. "Sanford's approach is unique because we are not just another clinic providing stand-alone occupational medicine, we have the support of one of the nation's largest fully integrated health enterprises."

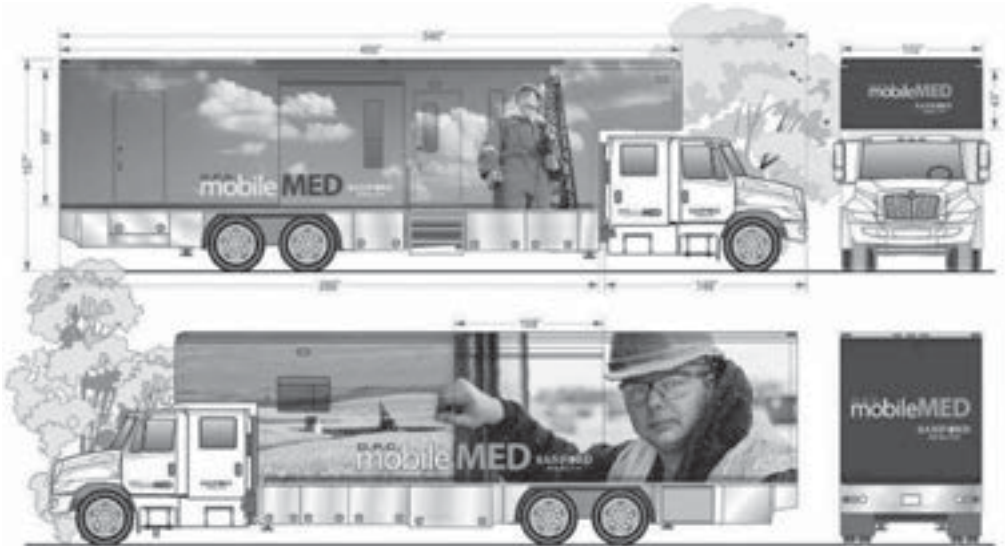
The mobile and modular clinics will provide work-related and non-work-related health care services, such as employment physicals and screen-

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The mobile medical service will provide everything from physicals to screenings to X-rays. One unit will be stationed in Watford City, N. D.

and emergency departments."

Employers interested in learning more about O.P.C. mobileMED should call (866) 310-5222 or email cindy.thompson@sanfordhealth.org.

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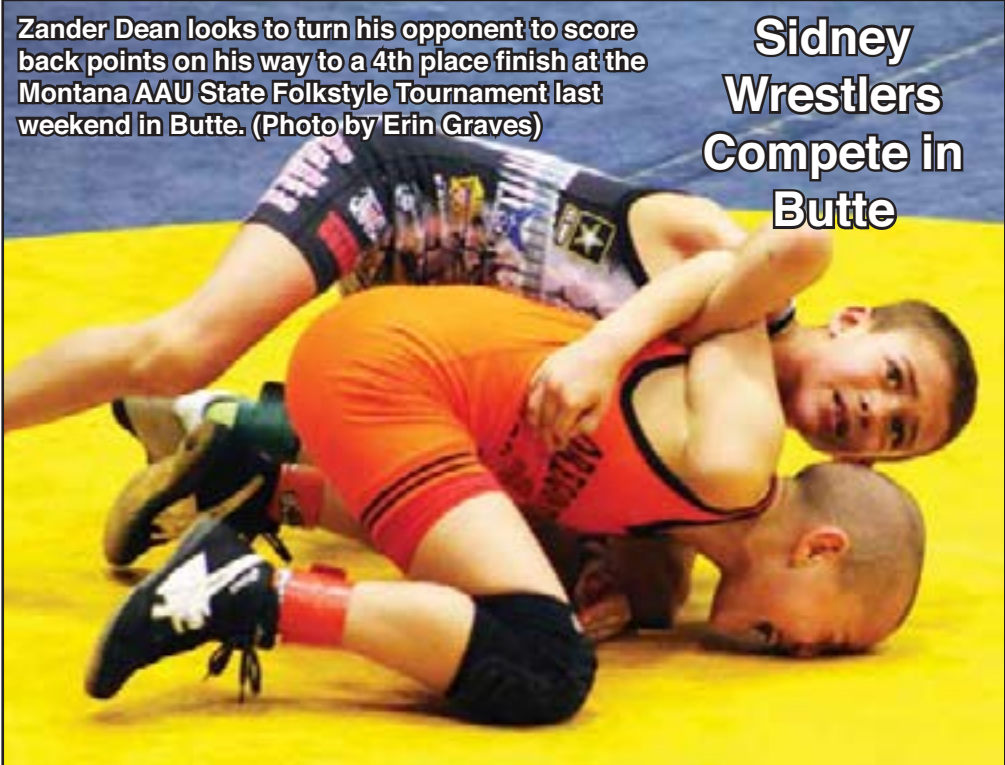
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Zander Dean looks to turn his opponent to score back points on his way to a 4th place finish at the Montana AAU State Folkstyle Tournament last weekend in Butte. (Photo by Erin Graves)

# Sidney Wrestlers Compete in Butte

Sixteen members from the Sidney Wrestling Club traveled to Butte to compete in the Montana AAU State Folkstyle Tournament last weekend. AJ Ullmer was the lone state champion winning

the School Boy 110 division. Other placers are as follows: Midget 65 - Zander Dean - 4th Midget 90 - Chance Waters - 5th Novice 85 - Logan Ullmer - 5th Novice 100 - Riley Waters - 3rd Novice 105 - Brodey

Skogen - 4th School Boy 75 - Christian Dean - 2nd School Boy 105 - Jace Winters - 3rd Elite - 138 - Brady Gorder - 4th Elite 220 - Garrett Darby - 3rd Other members attending but not placing were Reece Graves, Jaiden Gustafson, Grady Nelson, Jordan Darby, Aden Graves and Kade Graves.



Sidney's Jace Winter works for a pin at the Montana AAU State Folkstyle Tournament last weekend. (Photo by Lisa Gorder)



Logan Ullmer looks to put a wing on his opponent last Sunday at the Montana AAU State Folkstyle Tournament in Butte. Ullmer placed 5th at Novice 85. (Photo by Erin Graves)

## New Study Seeks Cost-Effective Estimate of Montana Wolves

Researchers from Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks and the University of Montana released preliminary results today of a new technique for estimating wolf numbers in Montana.

The study was developed to produce a less expensive and more accurate population assessment that accounts for wolves not actually verified in the state's annual wolf count.

Statewide wolf population estimates were derived for the years 2007 through 2012 via a mix of rigorous statistical evaluations; wolf observations reported by recreational hunters during the annual hunter-harvest surveys; and Montana's annual wolf counts.

Results generally estimate a Montana wolf population 25-35 percent higher than the verified minimum counts submitted over the six-year period.

The study's results are contained in FWP's federally required annual wolf report available online at fwp.mt.gov. That report shows Montana's 2013 minimum wolf count at 627, essentially the same as the past two years. The minimum wolf count is the number of wolves actually verified by FWP wolf specialists.

"The study's primary objective was to find a less expensive approach to wolf monitoring that would yield statistically reliable estimates of the number of wolves and packs in Montana," said Justin Gude, FWP's chief of research for the wildlife division in Helena.

The typical method used to document the state's wolf population focuses on ground and aerial track counts, visual observations, den and rendezvous confirmation and radio collaring to count individual wolves as required by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. The verified count is used to fulfill Montana's obligation to submit an annual wolf population report to federal authorities to ensure wolves are being properly managed above standards that could trigger relisting as an endangered species. Those counts must continue through Dec. 31, 2016.

"This new approach is not only good science," Gude said, "it's a practical way for Montana to obtain a more accurate range of wolf numbers that likely inhabit the state."

From 2007 through 2012, FWP and UM's Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit directed a team of 11 researchers to determine the number of gray wolves in Montana by estimating the: (1) areas occupied by wolves in packs; (2) number of wolf packs by dividing the occupied area by average territory size; and (3) numbers of wolves by multiplying the number of estimated packs by average annual pack size.

For instance, population modeling for Montana's wolves in 2012—where actual counts verified a minimum of 625 wolves and 147 packs—predicted that 804 wolves and 165 packs inhabited the state. Similar estimates are not yet available for 2013.

Gude cautions, however, that future statistically accurate estimates will need to incorporate wolf harvest locations and how the harvest of wolves by hunters and trappers influences where wolves choose to live, their territories, and pack sizes.

"Data on each of these aspects of wolf population size will give us a very solid assessment of the effects of harvest on wolf populations in Montana," Gude said.

By adding additional harvest information, Gude said specific predictions of the effects of different seasons or harvest quotas on wolf populations could provide information vital to establishing successful wolf hunting and trapping seasons in coming years.

"Perhaps the best future use of these statistical methods won't necessarily only be for monitoring and keeping tabs on wolf population numbers, but to better inform the complicated decisions that accompany the public harvest and management of wolves," Gude said.

To learn more about Montana's wolf population, visit FWP online at fwp.mt.gov. Click Montana Wolves.

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# Lunch Menus

## Sidney School

**Thurs., April 10:** Chicken fried steak, potatoes & gravy, corn, mandarin oranges.  
**Fri., April 11:** PB & J sandwiches, cheesy potato soup, fresh fruit, krispie treat.  
**Mon., April 14:** BBQ beef sandwich, coleslaw, mandarin oranges.

**Tues., April 15:** Chicken taco salad, peach cups.  
**Weds., April 16:** Hamburger gravy over mashed potatoes, green beans, pears.

## Rau School

**Thurs., April 10:** Pizza sub, salad, fruit.  
**Fri., April 11:** Soup, bread, fruit, veggies.

**Mon., April 14:** BBQ chicken sandwich, baked beans, carrot/ranch, peaches.  
**Tues., April 15:** Tacos, rice, salad, mandarin oranges.

**Weds., April 16:** Cook's choice.

## Fairview School

**Thurs., April 10:** Ham, scalloped potatoes, peas, fruit salad.  
**Fri., April 11:** NO SCHOOL.

**Mon., April 14:** Super nachos, rice, fruit, dessert.  
**Tues., April 15:** Chicken noodle casserole, green beans, fruit.  
**Weds., April 16:** Baked potato bar, broccoli, fruit.

## East Fairview

**Thurs., April 10:** Grilled cheese, salad, broccoli, apples.  
**Fri., April 11:** Sloppy joes, green beans, oranges.

**Mon., April 14:** Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, apples.  
**Tues., April 15:** Baked chicken, potato wedges, carrots/cucumbers, fruit salad.  
**Weds., April 16:** Breakfast bowls, carrots/cucumbers, oranges.

## Richey School

**Thurs., April 10:** Chicken stir fry, rice, egg rolls, fortune cookies, fruit.  
**Fri., April 11:** Cheese burger, lettuce, tomato, onion, french fries, pineapple.

**Mon., April 14:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, peas, fruit.  
**Tues., April 15:** BBQ pork sandwich, potato smiles, oranges.  
**Weds., April 16:** Chicken tenders, potato wedges, fruit.

## Savage School

**Thurs., April 10:** Beef fritters, baked beans, fries, pudding, apricots.  
**Fri., April 11:** Hot ham & cheese, curly fries, cucumbers, tropical fruit.

**Mon., April 14:** Polish dogs/sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, beans, grapes.  
**Tues., April 15:** Easter dinner.

**Weds., April 16:** Pizza, salad, veggies, pears.

## Lambert School

**Thurs., April 10:** Taco, fresh veggies, jello.  
**Fri., April 11:** Grilled cheese, tomato soup, fruit.

**Mon., April 14:** French dip, baked potato, creamed corn, apple crisp.  
**Tues., April 15:** Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, peaches.

**Weds., April 16:** Italian dunkers, green beans, pears.

## Culbertson School

**Thurs., April 10:** Pizza, salad, pineapple chunks.  
**Fri., April 11:** Tuna salad-croissants, carrot sticks, chips, peaches.

**Mon., April 14:** Beef strips in gravy with broccoli over rice, peaches.  
**Tues., April 15:** Ham slices, baby baker potatoes, green beans, pears.

**Weds., April 16:** Nachos with ground beef & diced tomatoes, refried beans, mandarin oranges.

## Froid School

**Thurs., April 10:** Beef chalupas with taco bar, applesauce.  
**Fri., April 11:** Tuna casserole, carrots, cantaloupe.

**Mon., April 14:** Chili & crackers, salad bar, dirt cups.  
**Tues., April 15:** Sausage & eggs, muffins, hash browns, orange slices.

**Weds., April 16:** Baked ham, au gratin potatoes, corn, salad, bar, apple crisp.



The Sidney 5th Grade Basketball team following the Championship game of the Wolf Point Tournament this past weekend, which the Sidney boys won vs. Froid.

Wolf Point Tournament Champions - Sidney 5th Grade Boys:  
 Back Row (L-R) Riley Waters, Ian Jurgens, Tate Weiferich, Hudson Severson. Front Row (L-R) Braden Klinke, Logan Jones, Boston Peters.



Above is the Sidney 8th Grade Basketball team following the Championship game of the Wolf Point Tournament this past weekend, which the Sidney boys won vs. Saco.

Wolf Point Tournament Champions - Sidney 8th Grade Boys:  
 Back Row (L-R) Garrison Hughes, Kolby Waterson, Bridger Larson, Trent DeJarris. Front Row (L-R) Max Peters, Alec Lovegren, Layne Swigart, Conner Larson

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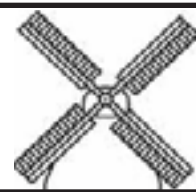


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# 2014 Mansfield Conference to Address the Plight of Human Trafficking

Submitted by Abraham Kim

Leading experts, government officials and civic leaders from around the world will gather at the University of Montana Tuesday through Thursday, April 15-17, to discuss the prevalence and challenges of human trafficking during the 2014 Mansfield Conference: "Fight for Hope and Freedom: Human Trafficking, Montana & the World." The conference will address how people can get involved in the fight against this international crisis. As many as 27 million people worldwide are trapped in modern-day slavery, and up to 17,500 people are trafficked across the U.S. each year. Human traffickers earn \$32 billion annually. In 2013, the Montana Legislature and the state Attorney General's office took action to expand local laws, strengthen enforcement and increase awareness of this issue. Despite these encouraging efforts, Montana still has more work to do. During the conference, four sessions and six workshops will feature guest speakers Lt. Gov. Angela McLean, Montana Attorney General Tim Fox, Sarah Symons of Made by Survivors, James Pond of Transitions Global, Melissa Farley of Prostitution Research and Education, Fiachra Kearney of Global Eye I Counter-Trafficking, Ethan Batstone of Not for Sale, Pralhad Dhakal of The ISIS Foundation, Brittany Vanderhoof of the Polaris Project, Thomas Kim of Justice Ventures International, Teresa Sobieszczyk of UM, Dana Toole of the Department of Justice, Cyndee Peterson of the U.S. Attorney's Office and Carla Croft of the Federal

Bureau of Investigation.

The conference will be held in the University Center and sessions also will be streamed live online. The schedule follows.

**Tuesday, April 15:**  
 Documentary: 7-8:30 p.m. UC Theater. Viewing of "Not My Life" and panel discussion with the Polaris Project.

**Wednesday, April 16:**  
 Session One: 9:20-10:30 a.m. UC Ballroom. "What is Human Trafficking? What is Causing it?" Melissa Farley; discussant: Teresa Sobieszczyk; moderator: Kimber Haddix McKay.

**Session Two: 10:40 a.m.-12:20 p.m. UC Ballroom.** "How Prevalent is Human Trafficking in the United States and Montana?" Dana Toole, Cyndee Peterson and Carla Croft; moderator: Jim Taylor. **Special Session: 1:15-2 p.m.** Available online and in the UC Ballroom via livestream. "Fighting Human Trafficking in Montana: Challenges and Opportunities." Montana Attorney General Tim Fox.

**Session Three: 2:30-4 p.m. UC Ballroom.** "Fighting Human Trafficking with Justice: National and International Fronts." Thomas Kim, Fiachra Kearney and Brittany Vanderhoof; moderator: Sally Mauk.

**Special Session: 6:10-7:15 p.m.** Available online and in the UC Ballroom via livestream. "Social Entrepreneurship - My Fight, My Journey, My Story Against Human Trafficking." Sarah Symons and Ethan Batstone.

**Session Four: 7:30-9 p.m. UC Ballroom.** "What About the Victims? Transition & Restoration." James Pond and

Pralhad Dhakal; moderator: Bob Seidenschwartz.

**Thursday, April 17:**  
 Workshops Session One: 9-10:15 a.m. UC third floor. "Human Trafficking in Montana: Trends and Resources from the National Human Trafficking Resource Center" with the Polaris Project; "Using Law Enforcement, Legal Knowledge, and Technology to Fight Human Trafficking: Domestic and International" with Global Eye and Legal Atlas; and "Fighting Human Trafficking with Legal Training and Freedom Business" with Justice Ventures International. **Workshops Session Two: 10:30-11:45 a.m. UC third floor.** "Social Entrepreneurship and Human Trafficking" with Made by Survivors; "Best Practices to Restore and Reintegrate Victims" with The ISIS Foundation and Transitions Global; and "Prostitution and Human Trafficking" with Prostitution Research and Education. **Workshops Session Three: noon-1:15 p.m. UC third floor.** "Indicators of Human Trafficking in Our Schools and Communities" with the Department of Justice and Montana and U.S. Attorney's Offices and "Human Trafficking on the Korean Peninsula" with the Korea National University of Education. Sessions and workshops are free and open to the public, but space is limited. Visit <http://www.mansfieldconference.org> <<http://www.mansfieldconference.org>> for more information and to register for a seat. The conference is co-sponsored by the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center and Soroptimist International.

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### **6th Grade Girl's (Reynolds Market)**

Back Row (L-R) Cassidy Larson, Liz Reynolds, Logan Schipmann, Maddie Peters and Maysen Mindt. Front Row (L-R) Kilee Free, Riley Thiessen, Jenna Baxter and Rae Hintz.



### **8th Grade Boy's (Seitz Insurance) Tournament Runner's-Up**

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