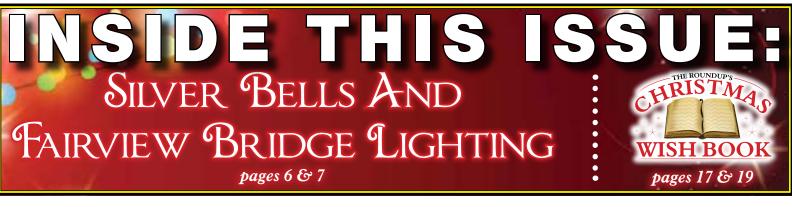
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Watford City Chamber Keeping Christmas Spirit Alive With Festive Events Watford City will be



The 2021 Watford City's Parade of Lights was well attended as residents lined the streets to see this years entrants. One of the favorites was NDDOT's truck disguised as Rudolph. (Photo by Kathy Taylor)

looking festive this year with tons of Christmas events happening throughout November and December.

McKenzie County 4-H Junior Leaders are having their Annual Spudfest Friday, Nov. 25 at 4:30 p.m., at the Watford City Civic Center kitchen. Orders for spuds can be made after 4:30 p.m. by calling 701-570-4472. They are moving it to Main Street near Door 204 at 6

Watford City Chamber of Commerce's Annual Parade of Lights will be lighting up the city Friday, Nov. 25 at 6:30 p.m. The parade will head up the hill to Park Ave., left on Park Ave. to Main Street. Right on Main to 5th Ave., right

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Silver Bells Craft & Vendor Show, Saturday, Nov. 26

By Dianne Swanson

A delight for the senses awaits visitors to the Silver Bells Craft and Vendor Show from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Fairview High School with lots to see and do for adults and kids.

It's a perfect time to get that family photo taken and the Art Club can get that taken care of for you!

Learn the art of cookie decorating from a pro. Allison's Cookie Jar will be conducting two adult classes. You must pre-register for a class.

Let the kids create a treasure while you shop! The Children's Crafting Corner hosted by the Honor Society will keep them busy.

Enjoy the sounds of Christmas with the Sunrise Brass, and savor a hot drink or treat from the Explore America kids.

Over 30 vendors will help you decorate, do your Christmas shopping or pro-

vide dessert for dinner. Those attending include: Wayward Quilters: Mobile quilt shop outside the entrance; JC Creations: antler art, leather accessories and so much more; Paul & Joan Eldridge: metal yard art, upcycled seasonal decorations; Steve Schwartz, Conrad: products made of old wood; Devin Dahl: Vintage cast iron cookware. handmade pot holders; In The Mittel, Glendive: engraved items, wooden items, do-it-yourself items, ornaments and more; Side Effect Designs: epoxy tumblers, car fresheners, wooden holiday signs; Unruh family: custom tumblers, fun crafts; Cheryl Fields, Miles City: arts and crafts; Randi Logan: homemade cards, journals and other paper crafts; Mclaryn O'Neal: faux leather earrings, vinyl signs, home décor, wine bottle decorations; Missy Shields: tied blankets, oven towels, decorated rocks and golf balls; Faith Oakland: Warrior blankets, handmade bags; Bonnie Bengry: quilts, Christmas stockings, ornaments, scrapbook items; Betty Lee: blankets, rugs, scrubbies, ornaments, toys, pot holders; Billie Buxbaum: handmade 18" doll clothes, table runners, quilted runners, purses, plates, other sewn items; Tonya Gerbracht: LuLaRoe clothing; Badlands Clothing Company: men's and women's

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clothing, accessories and

giftware; Daphne Johnson:

fine art western paintings,

children's books; Jaclyn

Sidney Chamber Christmas Stroll Nov. 25

Submitted by Kali Godfrey, Sidney Area **Chamber of Commerce** & Agriculture Executive Director

about time traditional Sidney Christmas Stroll and Parade of Lights. Friday, Nov. 25, is the date for the 23rd annual kick-off to the holiday season. The Sidney Chamber of Commerce in partnership with sponsors including ONEOK, Kraken Resources, Dasinger Oil Properties, Cape Air, Thrivent, Johnson Hardware & Furniture and Reynolds Market invite the community to stay in town, shop local and enjoy the festivities.

The "early bird" shoppers will benefit from getting to the local stores between 6-11 a.m. to find the Sidney

Chamber "elves on shelves". There are six of these mischievous little elves in various sizes hidden around town. If you find one, turn it in to the stores register for instructions on how to redeem your prize. Prizes range in value from \$20-\$500. All prizes must be redeemed at the Holiday Soup Contest

from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. A Holiday Soup Contest hosted by RestorX and sponsored by Mimi's Kitchen Co. will be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the RestorX shop. Chef Amy McIntyre, Mimi's Kitchen Co., will be the judge. Contestants are invited to serve one type of soup for the soup contest. Contestants will only have access to one electric outlet and must have enough sam-

Alexander Celebrating 2nd Annual Christmas Stroll Dec. 1

The Alexander Activities Club will be hosting their 2nd Annual Christmas Stroll from-5-9 p.m. Dec. 1 on their Main Street

Christmas shopping, Photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus, hot cocoa, food, hay rides and Comet clothing for sale on Main Street and in the fire hall. All funds go back to the junior high and high school classes for activities for the year. Vendors are welcome to use the QR code or call 701-

770-7207.



ples to serve 150. Samples sizes are 2 oz. All utensils and serve ware will be provided. Please register for the Soup Contest by calling the Sidney Chamber today, 406-433-1916. Prizes will be awarded.

Meanwhile right around the Soup Contest we'll have Cookie Decorating with Santa hosted by Big Sky Cookie Co. all along their street. This festivity is free for children and Santa and Mrs. Claus will be on site for any pictures.

The Sidney Police Department in partnership with the Montana Special Olympics host the Polar Plunge also conveniently located right across the highway from the Soup Contest and Cookie Decorating at City Hall. The Police Officers gather contributions to support the Montana Special Olympics while also taking the plunge. The public can also sign up to jump in the ice water tank. Call the Sidney Chamber for more information or to register.

Starting at 1 p.m. there will be a showing of "The Grinch" at the Centre Movie Theatre. Santa will also be enjoying the show.

Free open skating courtesy of Dasinger Oil Properties will start at 3:30 p.m. and last until 5 p.m. at the Richland Ranger Hockey

Finally, the Parade of

Lights will head north down Central Ave. at 6:30 p.m. Parade line-up starts at 5:30 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for the best floats. Per tradition, the Cutting Edge Dance Sunrise City Rockettes will perform a Christmas routine to a Frank Sinatra remix in front of RestorX mid-way through the parade.

The Sidney Chamber of Commerce is grateful to all the consumers that shop local for the holiday season and every season. Sidney is home to over 50 retail shops and you really can find something for everyone on your gift list.

Increase In Catalytic Converter Theft Comes To Richland County

By Jaymi Mozeak

According to various news outlets such as CBS, NBC, ABC, and even the Wall Street Journal, catalytic converter thefts are on the rise nationwide. Recently. it has been hitting Richland County.

According to Richland County's Undersheriff, Bob Burnison, a few oil field work trucks have lost their catalytic converters to theft just outside of Sidney. There have been a few reports of vehicles inside city limits having the part stolen as well. While converter thefts have been a

problem in the area off and on for a while, these latest thefts have been within the last two to three months. The catalytic converter is part of a vehicle's exhaust system so the sound can immediately alert drivers of the theft upon starting the vehicle. Stolen catalytic converters are usually sold for the rare metals inside them. The vehicles most prone to catalytic converter theft varies depending on where in the nation the thefts are occurring, but Undersheriff Burnison said, "The thieves here seem to go after pickup

trucks, probably because they are fast and easy to get underneath.'

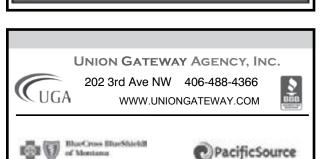
According to the National Insurance Crime Bureau's website, www.nicb.org, the following things can be done to discourage or stop catalytic converter theft. A catalytic converter anti-theft device can be installed. These are available from various manufacturers and can provide some security from theft. Fleet trucks should be parked in an enclosed area that is secured, well-lighted. locked, and alarmed. Park personal vehicles in a garage or driveway, if possible. Consider installing motion sensor security lights. While lights may not provide complete security, some thieves may think twice, and opt to leave the area, and your car, untouched. Whether in the garage or outside in the driveway set the alarm on your vehicle if equipped. Ask your local mechanic or muffler shop if they can etch your vehicle's VIN on the converter and spray it with highly visible high-heat paint. Doing so enables the NICB and law enforcement to track the converter which

could lead to the arrest of catalytic converter thieves.

Report catalytic converter thefts to local law enforcement. The Richland County Sheriff's Department and Sidney Police Department along with law enforcement around the county are trying to put an end to these thefts. The NICB advises drivers to contact their insurer to report catalytic converter thefts and determine what should be done for the vehicle.



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AREA RECOVERY GROUPS

12 p.m. — AA Monday Noon Group, Matthew House Office, 416 2nd St. NW, Sidney, MT.
1 p.m. - 3 p.m. — Grief Reovery Support group, First Lutheran Church music room, Watford City.

7 p.m. - Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT. 8 p.m. — AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression,

Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

7 p.m. — AA Welcome Home Group, Sunny's Family Restaurant, 102 E. Main St., Sidney, MT, Central Avenue Entrance.

7 p.m. – 24-hour Women's AA group meeting, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663. 7 p.m. - Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of

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7 p.m. – Al-Anon Meeting, Presbyterian Church, 316 4th Ave. NE, Watford City, ND.

8 p.m. — AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

6:30 - p.m.- 5 Stones - Faith Based Recovery meeting, Sidney First Church of the Nazarene, 606 9th St. SW Back door is open. 7 p.m. – Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of

God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT. **7 p.m.** – AA Welcome Home Group, Sunny's Family

Restaurant, 102 E. Main St., Sidney, MT, Central Avenue Entrance. SATURDAYS:

7 p.m. – Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT.
7 p.m. – AA Welcome Home Group, Sunny's Family Restaurant, 102 E. Main St., Sidney, MT, Central Avenue Entrance.

7 p.m. – AA 24 group meeting, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Hotline/Info 701-609-SUNDAYS:

7 p.m. - Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT.

7 p.m. — AA Welcome Home Group, Sunny's Family Restaurant, 102 E. Main St., Sidney, MT, Central Avenue Entrance.

STATISTICS **LAKE WATER LEVEL REPORT** Current Elevation......1832.6 Last Week's Elev.1833.1 Release For Day (C.F.S.)15,000

SIDNEY WEATHER DATA

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date		High	Low	Precip.
Nov.	14	24	13	0.020
Nov.	15	14	2	0.012
Nov.	16	30	14	0.020
Nov.	17	19	1	0.012
Nov.	18	22	1	0.009
Nov.	19	32	19	0.004
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Total 2022 YTD Precipitation14.255				
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OBITUARIES

David Kemp, 83 Sidney, MT

David passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2022, at Village Heath Care, Missoula, MT.

Graveside Services for David will be planned for spring of 2023 at Fairview Cemetery, Fairview, ND. More information will be available at a later date.

Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT is assisting the family.

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

Lower Yellowstone Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. Toy Drive

The Lower Yellowstone Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. (American Bikers Aiming Toward Education) of Montana is a nonprofit organization promoting motorcycle education, safety and awareness. This organization is involved in various community activities.

As the holiday season approaches, they are looking forward to their 28th annual toy drive. This community project collects new toys or dollar donations to buy new toys for those who are less fortunate. They have been working with the Christmas Coalition and Gifts From The Heart for the last 23 years. Last year because of the generosity of the people in this community, they gathered toys to be dispersed among 193 families, totaling 518 children. They raised much of this money through donations from area companies, businesses and individuals. The continued support of the sources is what keeps this toy drive going. Now they are asking for a tax-deductible contribution that will make a world of difference in the life of a child.

Any amount donated will be a blessing to a family in need. Please mail donations to ABATE TOY DRIVE, PO Box 62, Crane, MT 59217 or Stockman Bank-ABATE, 301 West Holly, Sidney, MT 59270. Pick-up arrangements can be made by calling Maria Hodge at 406-480-3597.

Your continued support in this worthwhile endeavor during the Christmas Holiday is truly appreciated.

Richland County Taxes Due Nov. 30

The Richland County Treasurer would like to remind taxpayers that the first payment of 2022 Real Property taxes and the second payment of 2022 mobile home taxes are due by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2022. Payments and payment coupons may be mailed or brought to the Richland County Treasurer, 201 West Main, Sidney, MT 59270. Office hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. For your convenience there is a payment drop box located in the alley behind the Courthouse. Any payments postmarked, dropped in the drop boxes or brought to the Treasurer's office after 5 p.m. on Nov. 30, 2022 will be assessed penalty and interest charges according to MCA 15-16-101. Please call 406-433-1707 opt. 1 with any questions.

DPHHS Reminds Montanans About Food **Preparation Safety Prior To The Upcoming** Holiday Season

State and local public health officials are reminding Montanans about ways to stay healthy when preparing and consuming food during the upcoming holiday season.

So far in 2022, there have been 25 gastrointestinal illness outbreaks reported in Montana in numerous counties. Twenty-three of these outbreaks were caused or suspected to be caused by norovirus. Norovirus is the most common cause of gastroenteritis outbreaks in Montana and the United States, and people with norovirus infection experience symptoms of diarrhea, vomiting, nausea, and stomach pain.

Foodborne illnesses are often caused by consuming food that is undercooked, has not been stored or washed properly, or has been contaminated by another food item or a sick food handler. Additionally, every year there are many foodborne illnesses that are never linked to an outbreak or never reported to providers and public health.

According to Rachel Hinnenkamp, Department of Public Health and Human Services epidemiologist, raw meat such as chicken, beef, and oysters may contain bacteria such as Salmonella, Shiga toxin-producing E. coli, and Vibriosis. "These foods should be cooked thoroughly to avoid causing illness," she said.

Additionally, some groups of people are more likely to become seriously ill, including children under five, pregnant women, adults aged 65 and over, and immunocompromised individuals. Staci Evangeline, Food and Consumer Safety Section, emphasizes that people should follow the four steps of food safety to avoid illness.

These steps are:

· Clean: wash hands, utensils, and surfaces often when

 Separate: separate germ-spreading raw meat, poultry, seafood, and eggs from cooked food and produce.

 Cook: use a food thermometer to make sure foods are cooked to an internal temperature that kills germs. "Improving and Protecting the Health, Well-Being and Self-Reliance of All Montanans."

· Chill: refrigerate perishable foods and leftovers within 2 hours. Refrigerated products should be kept at or below 41° Fahrenheit.

However, Evangeline says if there's ever a question whether food is safe for consumption, always stick to this basic message: "When in doubt, throw it out," Evangeline said. "It is also important to remember not to cook for others while you are ill, as this can spread illness to the people who are consuming your food."

For more information, visit the Montana DPHHS website at https://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/cdepi/diseases/ foodborne.

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RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

Wed., Nov. 23 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mitch Melberg - Let It Bee Exhibit -Features images of honeybees he cares for at the Oh Honey Apiary. Through Dec. 3. Miniature Art Show Art Show - Through Jan. 14, 2023. - MonDak Heritage Center, Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. For more info call 406-433-3500, e-mail mdhc@richland.org. more into call 406-433-3500, e-mail mdhc@richland.org. 5 p.m. doors open - 4th Annual Ryland Christensen Memorial Cornhole Tournament - Games begin 7 p.m., 2 people teams, \$25 entry fee per team. All teams must be registered by 6 p.m. Free will donation chili & cinnamon roll feed, 50/50 ticket sales, silent auction items & full bar. Richland County Event Center. 7 p.m. - Community Thanksgiving All Faith Worship - Peoples Congregation Church, 405 10th Ave. SW. Thurs.. Nov. 24

Thurs., Nov. 24 2-5 p.m. - **Annual Thanksgiving Dinner** - Free food, football, fellowship & fun. Sidney First Church of the Nazarene. For more info call 406-488-1956 or 406-480-

Fri., Nov. 25

1-3 p.m. - Louise Rehbein "90" Birthday Celebration

- Public invited. Sidney Moose Lodge.

Sidney Christmas Stroll & Parade of Lights:
6-11 a.m. - Elf of the Shelf Hunt, Chamber Member
Businesses; 11 a.m. - Polar Plunge, Sidney City Hall;
11 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Holiday Soup Contest; 11 a.m.-1

p.m. - Cookie Decorating with Santa, Big Sky Cookie Company; 1 p.m. - Movie with Santa - "The Grinch", Centre Movie Theatre; 3 p.m. - Open Skating - Richland Ranger Hockey Dome; 6:30 p.m. - Parade of Lights, Starting at Western Choice Cooperative. Sat., Nov. 26 - Holiday Happenings Fairview 10 a.m.-3 p.m. -Silver Bells Craft Show - Fairview High School - Fairview Community Foundation Festival of Trees & Wreaths - 1-5 p.m. Silent Auction -Double

Barrel Saloon & Casino - 3-5 p.m. Picture Booths - 5:30 p.m. Live Auction - 5 p.m. - Free-will hot dogs & cocoa, live reindeer - 7 p.m. - Fireworks & Lighting of the Bridge.

Sun., Nov. 27

8:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. - Breakfast - Open to the public. Sidney Moose Lodge.

1 p.m. - Bingo - Open to the public. Sidney Moose Lodge.

Wed., Nov. 30

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. - **WOTM Soups** - Open to the public. Enchilada soup. Sidney Moose Lodge. 5 p.m. - **2022 Real Property Taxes & 2nd Payment**

of 2022 Mobile Home Taxes Are Due - Payments & payment coupons may be mailed or brought to Richland Co. Treasurer, 201 W. Main, Sidney, MT 59270. Office hours 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon.-Fri. Payment dop box located in the alley behind the courthouse. Any payment after 5 p.m., Nov. 30 will be assessed penalty & interest charges according to MCA 15-16-101. For more info call 406-433-1707 opt. 1.

Fri., Dec. 2, 4-8 p.m. & Sat., Dec. 3, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. St. Matthew's Craft Bazaar - Lunch will be available, 310 7th St. SE. For more info contact Kelly, 406-489-1059 evenings.

Sat., Dec. 3

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Sketching in Pencil & Paint with Debra Keirce & Maria Bennett Hock - All skill levels welcome, ages 12 & over. \$95 members; \$105 non members, includes use of all supplies. MonDak Heritage Center. To reserve your spot call 406-433-3500 or email MDHC@richland.org.

Thurs., Dec. 8 6:30 p.m. - Sunrise Women's Clinic It's A Wonderful Life Fundraising Gala - Pam Tebow, featured speaker. Sidney Event Center. For more info call 406-433-7772.

1:30-3 p.m. - MonDak Christmas - Pictures with Santa, bake sale & art project. MonDak Heritage Center.

ROOSEVELT COUNTY

Events in Froid unless otherwise listed.

10 a.m.-2 p.m. - Christmas Bazaar - Lunch served by Froid FFA Chapter. Froid Community Center. For more info call Erica, 406-480-0925 or Kaitlyn, 406-480-9551

MCKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone

Fri., Nov. 25 Starting at 4:30 p.m. - McKenzie Co. 4-H Junior

Leaders Annual Spudfest - Enjoy a fresh baked potato with delicious toppings. Watford City Civic Center Kitchen. At 6 p.m. on Main St. near Door 204. Orders can be made after 4:30 p.m. by calling 701-570-4472. 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Merry & Bright Parade of Lights - Main street. - Parade of Lights - Main street. - Parade of Lights - Main street. Ornament Craft - A free craft for all ages hosted by Long X Arts Foundation. Door 204.

Thurs., Dec. 1 5-9 p.m. - Alexander Christmas Stroll - Shopping, photos with Santa, hot cocoa, food, hay rides & more featured along Alexander's Main Street.

5 p.m. check in - **Jingle Bell Jog** - Races start 5:30 p.m. Holiday costumes encouraged. Registration fee \$30. Rough Rider Center, 2209 Wolves Den Parkway. Sat., Dec. 3

6 p.m. - Arnegard's Christmas Tree Lighting - Chili, cookies, desserts, & hot chocolate. Sing Christmas carols & hang an ornament on the tree. Nelson Park. For more info call Meg Carter, 907-252-6640. Sat., Dec. 3, Dec. 17

10 a.m.-12 p.m. -Teddy's Kids Camp - Ages 5-8, siblings are welcome. Parents please join your little adventurer. McKenzie County Heritage Park, 904 2nd Ave. SW. For more info call 701-842-6434 or 701-609-Sun., Dec. 4

4- 7:30 p.m.-La Posada 2022 Hispanic Christmas Celebration - Watford City Civic Center Gym. Registration Deadline Dec. 5

Light Up Watford City - Deck your home with lights, lawn ornaments, wreaths & more & you might win a cash prize. Homes must be decorated by Dec. 7. To register email the Watford City Area Chamber of Commerce, wcchamber@restel.com: Subject: Light Up Watford City; Include: Name, address, phone number.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone. Fri., Nov. 25

6 p.m. - Christmas , Now & Then Holiday Lights Parade - Main Street Williston.

Mon., Nov. 28

5:30 p.m. - City of Williston Christmas Tree Lighting Corner of 26th St. W. & 2nd Ave. E., near Pizza Hut. Tues., Nov. 29

8:30 a.m. - Williston Area Chamber of Commerce Coffee & Conversation - Topic is Small Business & Entrepreneurs. Community welcome to join. Caffeinated.

5-8 p.m.--Williston Economic Development Holiday Party. - You're invited for some holiday cheer to celebrate this special time of year. River's Edge Bar & Grill, 1002 2nd St. W.

Dawson County Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Zone

Fri., Nov. 25 7-8 p.m. - **Light Parade** - Glendive, MT. Sat., Dec. 3

5-8 p.m. - Send Off Party For Miss Montana Alexa Baisch - Dinner, silent auction, 50/50 raffle. A chance to see Alexa's gown & talent costume & hear about her journey so far. Ğunner's Ridge Bar & Grill.

Miss Richland County Teen Volunteer, Grace McPherson, Continues **To Serve The Community**

By Jaymi Mozeak

July 10-16 young women and girls from across the state of Montana gathered at the Dawson County High School auditorium in Glendive. It was the 2022 Miss Montana Volunteer Program.

Grace McPherson, a junior at Fairview High School went to the pageant this summer with Liliana Johnson, Lily Jones, and Brynlee McNally. Grace did not win at the Miss Montana Volunteer Pageant but, contestants who do not win a state title may take a regional one so that they may stay in the program. She came home with the Miss Richland County Teen Volunteer title. This year, her platform is Spinal Cord Injury Awareness. She has a ton of projects she's currently working on and helping with, like helping out at the nursing homes in the area. She also works with others to organize awareness events to warn against diving into untested bod-

Winter Management Of

Herd **Bulls**

By Marley Manoukian, **MSU Richland County**

Extension Agent Now that the snow and cold temperatures have arrived, it is time to consider how you are managing your bulls for the winter and if the current management is

meeting their requirements. If you haven't already, examine bulls and determining if they need to maintain their current condition or gain some weight back that they might have lost during the breeding season. Mature bulls can get by on an all-forage diet, however, young bulls that are still growing need to be fed to reach 75% of their mature body weight by the time they are two years old. For instance, if you purchased a 1300 lb. yearling bull this past spring and he lost 100 lbs. during the breeding season, he now weighs 1200 lbs. If his mature weight is 2000 lbs., he will need to reach 1500 lb. (2000×0.75) by this spring and needs to gain 300 lbs. by the time he turns two.

It is important that thin bulls gain condition, it is also important that bulls are not overfed. Fat layers around the scrotum can cause issues with temperature regulation, which can negatively affect both semen production and quality. Foot problems and structural soundness issues can also arise in bulls that are overfed.

It is important to provide your bulls with a year-round mineral supplement, as minerals like selenium, zinc, manganese, and copper, as well as Vitamins E and A are all important for reproduction and can prevent sperm

Lastly, ensure bulls have protection from severe weather, as frostbite can also negatively impact proper temperature regulation.

If you have any questions regarding winter management of herd bulls, contact the Richland County Extension office at 406-433-1206 or marley.manoukian@montana.edu.



ies of water. 2021's Miss Montana Volunteer winner. Brielle Gorder is a relative of Grace and encouraged her to participate in June.

According to the Miss Montana Volunteer Program website, www.missmontanavolunteer.org, the Miss Montana Volunteer Program is driven by a single goal; empowering the young women and girls of Montana. They strive to build productive relationships and make a positive impact with all of

their pursuits and they are volunteers working to educate and inspire their next generation of volunteers. The competitors stand to acquire more than a little scholarship money whether they win or not. A contestant will quickly learn a lot of skills that are needed to compete in the program. The girls will need to learn to present and work with people, skills that will take them far once they enter the workforce. They also gain a lot of friends

and acquaintances among the contestants. McPherson said, "I highly encourage everyone to try it out and join. I never imagined myself joining a pageant. It changed my life."

Miss Richland County Teen Volunteer, Grace McPherson, is currently working on and helping with many projects.













Mon - Fri: 9 am - 6 pm

Sat: 10 am - 4 pm

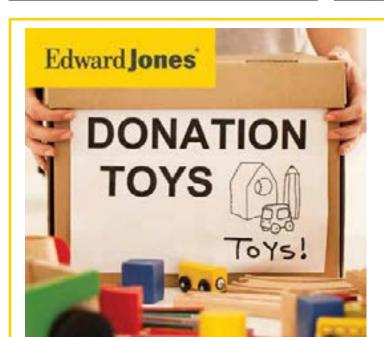
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For more information, contact your Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

Edward Jones cannot accept gift cards, cash or checks as donations.



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302, MCA, the Board of

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District No. 2 & 7, intends to

take action on the following

matter at a Board Meeting

to be held on the 1st day

of December, 2022, at 7:00

The possible employment

of a Paul Vojacek who is

related to Shawn Conradsen

and Wayne Quinnell by

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(marriage) within the second

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Wed., Nov. 30: Chicken patties on buns. Normandy veggies, mandarin oranges.

Savage School Thurs., Nov. 24: No school, Fri., Nov. 25: No school.

Mon., Nov. 28: Chicken strips. Tues., Nov. 29: Roast beef.

Wed., Nov. 30: Tacos. Rau School

Thurs., Nov. 24: No school, Fri., Nov. 25: No school.

Mon., Nov. 28: Chicken pot pie, vegetable, fruit, salad bar. Tues., Nov. 29: Tater tot

hotdish, vegetable, fruit, salad bar. Wed., Nov. 30: Lasagna

casserole, vegetable, fruit, salad bar. Froid School

Thurs., Nov. 24: No school, Fri., Nov. 25: No school. Mon., Nov. 28: Chicken strips, baby baker potatoes,

veggies, fruit.

Tues., Nov. 29: Beenie weenies, cornbread, veggies, fruit.

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Bainville School Thurs., Nov. 24: No school, Fri., Nov. 25: No school. Mon., Nov. 28: Egg or tuna salad sandwiches, celery, tropical fruit.

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Richey School Thurs., Nov. 24: No school, Fri., Nov. 25: No school. Mon., Nov. 28: Spaghetti & meatballs, corn, cookies. Tues., Nov. 29: Orange

chicken, rice, stir fry veg-

Wed., Nov. 30: Macaroni & cheese, hot dogs, peas,

<u>Culbertson School</u> Thurs.. Nov. 24: No school. Fri., Nov. 25: No school. Mon., Nov. 28: Chicken sandwiches, fresh broccoli, fruit cups.

Tues., Nov. 29: Tater tot casserole, mixed vegetables, peaches.

Wed., Nov. 30: Sub sandwiches, cottage cheese, pears.

Lambert School Thurs., Nov. 24: No school, Fri., Nov. 25: No school. Mon., Nov. 28: Chicken patties, mashed potatoes,

corn, fruit. Tues., Nov. 29: Cheeseburger casserole, peas, fruit.

Wed., Nov. 30: Ham & turkey subs, chips, fruit.

Fairview School Thurs., Nov. 24: No school, Fri., Nov. 25: No school. Mon., Nov. 28: Cajun chicken pasta, green beans, fruit, garlic breadsticks.

Tues., Nov. 29: Lasagna, veggie, fruit. Wed., Nov. 30: Breakfast for lunch, pancakes, sau-

sage. <u>Alexander School</u> Thurs., Nov. 24: No school, Fri., Nov. 25: No school. Mon., Nov. 28: Beef or chicken stroganoff, green

beans, dinner rolls. Tues., Nov. 29: Super nachos. Wed., Nov. 30: Chicken

breast or baked cod, rice pilaf, broccoli with cheese. **Watford City School**

Thurs., Nov. 24: No school, Fri., Nov. 25: No school. Mon., Nov. 28: Chefs choice. Tues., Nov. 29: Asada fries

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Shop Small Power Hour Held Nov. 15

Submitted by Kali Godfrey, Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Executive Director

The Sidney Chamber of Commerce continues to host Community Power Hours on the third Tuesday of each month. November featured a special Shop Small message from local business owners Marci Cundiff, Montana Bare Cave; Megan Garza, The Rush; and Marissa Eberling, Badlands Clothing Company. Forty-five community members showed up at the Richland County Extension Office to hear the stories of

the presenters, find out about the current challenges and new opportunities and to support these local businesses.

Cundiff spoke on the expansion of Montana Bare Cave and expressed her gratitude to Don and Roger Byer for choosing her business to rent her current location. "They felt that retail was important for downtown Sidney and the location has been perfect for us," stated Cundiff. Cundiff went on to explain the challenges of expanding post-pandemic and trying to grow her inventory amidst several shipping crisises.

Cundiff also spoke on the toll of Amazon stigma - "people assume that Amazon is going to guarantee them the best price on products when in reality, I can sell it at a cheaper price. If people would look local first, they would be surprised at the affordability." Despite the challenges, Montana Bare Cave is thriving in their new location on Main Street. "Sales have been up 30% in November" Cundiff reported. A growing inventory of baby and children's products have hit the shelves just in time for the holidays but a huge variety of gifts suitable

members to deck their home

with lights, lawn ornaments,

wreaths, and anything that

will help bring holiday cheer.

Cash prizes will be award-

ed to houses awarded as

Chamber choice, classic

Christmas, or Clark Gris-

wold. Registration deadline

is Dec. 5. Judging will take

place Dec. 7. Saturday, Dec.

3 at 10 a.m., the Running

Free Organization will host

their second annual Santa

Walk/Run at Six Shooters.

This will be a 5k and 1 mile

run; cost is \$30 for adults

and \$15 for children. The

first 100 adults are guar-



Pictured (L-R) Megan Garza, Marissa Eberling and Marci Cundiff. (Photo submitted)

Watford City Keeping...

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on 2nd St. NE, right on 4th Ave., and a left onto Main Street. The parade will end on Park Ave. with fireworks. This year a panel of three judges is judging the floats and the prize will be a traveling trophy and \$150 to the winners in two categories; overall outstanding entry presenting and illustrating the parade theme, "Merry & Bright" and overall outstanding entry presenting the best use of lights.

The Long X Arts Foundation is hosting the Parade of Lights Make & Take Ornament Craft Friday, Nov. 25 at 6:30-7:30 p.m, at Door 204. Coffee will be served at 204 N. Main St. There will be free pipe cleaner and beaded ornaments for kids to make.

Small Business Saturday Vendor and Crafts Fair is scheduled at the Boulder Ridge Community Building, 906 Park Ave W. See Santa, have lunch and shop.

The Long X Arts Foundation is hosting a Gnome Hugging Light-Up Tree class at the Rough Rider Center. You will be making a gnome and tree that forms a heart. ** Clip-in Light kit and 1

pack of multi-color pin lights included. **It's a take-homethe-night-of painting project, no firing necessary. Register online at www.longxarts. com. Cost is \$60 per/person.

The Rough Rider Center will host a Jingle Bell Jog Holiday 5k run Friday, Dec. 2 at 5 p.m. There will be prizes awarded to first male and female finishers and best costume. There is a \$30 registration fee for adults and \$20 fee for youth; register at http://www. roughridercenter.com.

Saturday, Dec. 3 children 5-8 years old are invited to learn about young Teddy Roosevelt at the Heritage Park at Teddy's Kids Camp, 904 2nd Ave. SW.

Saturday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. a Christmas Fest will be held at the Rough Rider Center Convention Hall. Get pictures with Santa, shopping, Christmas crafts, food, fun, and

more.Admission is \$5. Sunday, Dec 4, 4-7:30 p.m. The Hispanic Advocacy North Dakota would like to present the second annual La Posada-a Hispanic Christmas Celebration at the

for anyone in your family can be found at the Montana Bare Cave. Cundiff ended her presentation by announcing that Montana Bare Cave will be permanently expanding Watford City Civic Center. their business hours to be There will be carols, a live open on Sundays from 1-4 show, piñatas, music, food p.m. Cundiff added that High vendors, and door prizes. Caliber Sports is one of her The Watford City Chamber favorite local stores to shop of Commerce is also hosting for the holidays. its Light Up Watford City competition. The Chamber encourages community

Megan Garza, co-owner of The Rush announced that Nov.16 would be the 24th anniversary of The Rush and told the story of her family-owned business. Garza is the third generation to run the popular coffee stop and spoke on her favorite aspect of owning the small business - working with her best friends and family. While The Rush does have some products available for holiday shopping, the bulk of their holiday sales is in gift cards. While gift cards might seem like a quick gain in profits, Garza's grandmother taught her that those are the dollars that sustain the business in the first months of the new

iday parties as well as treat trays and coffee travelers for celebrations. Garza explained that spending money locally is a revolving door that continuously benefits the community. The Rush is very integrated into the community and prioritizes giving back with a special concentration on the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention - Montana Chapter, the Foundation for Community Care and Boys and Girls Club of the MonDak. Garza closed her presentation by plugging one of her favorite local stops for Christmas Shopping -Merge. "I like to keep an active lifestyle and Merge carries several name brand clothing lines of activewear. These are clothing lines you'll find at bigger stores such as Scheels, but you will not find them cheaper than the Merge's prices, in fact you might pay a higher price if you end up shopping in North Dakota.

Marissa Eberling concluded the Shop Small Power Hour explaining how **Badlands Clothing Company** - a mobile shop specializing in affordable clothing for both men and women in a wide range of sizes. Eberling sets up "pop-up shops" next to The Coffee Stop almost every Saturday and Sunday during the summer months (for more details, events are posted on www.badlandsclothingco. com.) You can also find her all around Montana at vendor shows and pop-up shops with other businesses. Eberling expressed frustration in recent inflation stating she was able to buy a wholesale sweater for \$10 in 2020 but it has since inflated to \$27 per item. Eberling discussed her experiences owning and operating her own business. "Sometimes you start working when your feet hit the floor. Time management is key while not only managing Badlands Clothing Company, but also working full time at Sidney Sugars." When asked what her favorite local shop to do Christmas shopping was, Eberling answered that she enjoys shopping for the little ones in her family at the



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Fairview Christmas Ornament Features Lighting Of The Bridge By Dianne Swanson

The Fairview Chamber of Commerce is delighted to present a new, limited edition Christmas ornament designed by Fairview native Jeremy D. Krieger who is also a chamber member. The inaugural ornament from the Jeremy Dean Collection features the Lighting of the Bridge, an annual event organized by the Fairview Chamber. "With it being a Chamber event and me having ties to the fireworks and the first show, it was just fitting to be the first one,"

Krieger explained. The golden collectible ornaments will go on sale for \$15 each at the Silver Bells Craft Show Saturday. Nov. 26 at the Fairview High

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Each year the ornaments will feature town history and/or events. "I love the history of our town and while doing some research. the idea popped into my head," Krieger said about the ornament idea. "Fairview is home and we have a great community. I guess this is my way of honoring and preserving history."

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Silver Bells...

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Damm: hand-designed jewelry and accessories; Marcie Sundheim Hoffman, Minnesota: vintage spoon rings, spoon necklaces, bracelets and copper spinner rings; Rachel Derry: Montana agate and silver jewelry, dream catchers, antler jewelry and crafts; Jeremy Dean: photography prints, Chamber memorabilia, 2022 Jeremy Dean collectible ornament featuring the Fairview Bridge, new Fairview Logo stickers; Scentsy, Color Street Nails, Pink Zebra, Avon, Pampered Chef, Norwex products will also be available.

Food! Food! Food!

Ruth Wagler, Dagmar: Tastefully Simple; Natalie Ferdinand: chocolate bombs; Cowgirl Creations: homemade baked goods and canned items; Brittany Eckart, Bainville: homemade lefse and baked goods; Church of God, Sidney: homemade tortilla chips, salsa, and a variety of pies; Yak-Attack: coffee and treats.

Support your local school groups too! FFA is taking orders for Christmas wreaths, Honor Society is selling chocolates and Explore America will be selling quilt tickets and serving breakfast and lunch at concessions.

Don't forget to purchase the new Fairview logo stickers and the beautiful new Chamber holiday ornament featuring the Fairview Bridge!



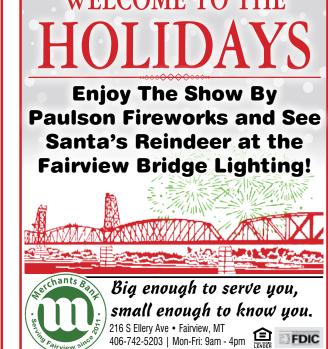


















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Live Reindeer, Santa, Fireworks, All At Lighting Of The Bridge Saturday, Nov. 26

By Dianne Swanson

It's a day full of fun, shopping, and awe-inspiring fireworks! And it's all in Fairview on Saturday, Nov. 26.

The huge lighted ornaments are back at Sundheim Park! See live reindeer, visit with Santa and enjoy some

hot chocolate and a hot dog served up by Explore America all beginning at 5 p.m. The incredible fireworks show starts at 7 p.m. For safety reasons, the Fairview Chamber requests that no one be on the bridge after 6 p.m. Saturday night.

The first Lighting of the Bridge and fireworks show took place the evening of Nov. 20, 2009 when hundreds of people flocked to Sundheim Park to take in the show sponsored by the Fairview Chamber of Commerce as part of their Silver Bells

celebration. The event was organized in 2008 but because of weather conditions, it was pushed off a year. The first event had 15 huge lighted Christmas ornaments spanning across the bridge, but a lack of electricity made this a bit tricky. The deco-

rations were subsequently moved down into the park but the fireworks, shot off by Paulson Fireworks, Watford City, remained on the bridge.

The lighting of the bridge is commemorated in the first of a series of collectible ornaments by Jeremy

Dean which will be available at the Silver Bells Craft and Vendor Show.



















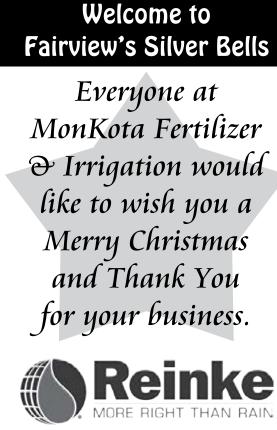
















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2022 McKenzie Co Community Foundation Grantees Announced, Hellandsaas Honored



2022 Grantees

Pictured from left, Teale Wold; Daniel Stenberg; Sandy Rieker; Marcia Hellandsaas; Heather Wisness; Sara Fitzpatrick; Krystal Wold; Karoline Jappe; Jan Dodge; Melanie Smith; Ty Skarda; Arron Turnquist; Doug Rolfson and Maria Borkowski. (Photo submitted)

Submitted by Daniel Stenberg, McKenzie County Community Foundation, chair

Each year the McKenzie County Community Foundation provides grants to organizations doing charitable work in McKenzie County. This year they are awarding \$12,517 towards area projects.

2022 Community Foundation awardees include: Long X Arts Foundation for their Missoula Children's Theater program; Benefit Fund of McKenzie County Healthcare Systems to-

wards the purchase of a NuStep exercise machine in the Horizon Assisted Living Facility; Watford City Park District for a 3-day remote control car camp; McKenzie County Heritage Association's Teddy's Kids Camp and Tater Tots; Trap, Neuter Rescue Foundation's spay and neuter the strays efforts; Badlands Gymnastics for their 2023 Blast in the Badlands gymnastics meet; Bakken Oil Rush Ministry for their 2022 Thanksgiving Gathering; and Running Free's Santa Run and Sui-

Since its establishment in 2010, the McKenzie County Community Foundation has awarded nearly \$60,000 in grants to area organization. It is set up as a permanent endowment through the North Dakota Community Foundation. Contributions to the Foundation have ranged from \$50 to \$25,000, and are fully tax deductible as a 501c3 charitable contribution. Earnings from the fund are given as grants each year to local organizations. The next time grant applications will be accepted is in September

2023

Marcia Hellandsaas was a part of the launch of the McKenzie County Community Foundation in 2010 and has served as the local committee chair since then. Hellandsaas is handing over the reins to Daniel Stenberg this fall but will continue

Hellandsaas Honored

Marcia Hellandsaas (right) was a part of the launch of the McKenzie County Community Foundation in 2010 and has served as the local committee chair since then. Hellandsaas is handing over the reins to Daniel Stenberg (left) this fall but will continue to remain on the advisory committee.

to remain on the advisory committee. Other local advisory committee members include Ty Skarda (Vice Chair), Desiree Sorenson, Jan Dodge, Doug Rolfson, Sara Fitzpatrick, and Teale

Wold. Learn more about the community foundation by visiting with any of the committee members or this webpage: https://www.ndcf. net/mckenziecounty

Christmas Tree Lighting In Arnegard Dec. 3

By Jaymi Mozeak

Saturday, Dec. 3, at 6 p.m., the Arnegard Park Board will be having their annual Christmas tree lighting.

On that night, the people of Arnegard are welcome to come to Nelson Park with their ornaments for the 23-year-old Blue Spruce that is decorated every year. There will be chili, cookies, hot cocoa, and other deserts for the decorators. They will get to sing carols and decorate the tree. This has been a tradition for six years. It was started to bring a little of the Christmas spirit

so prevalent in surrounding towns to Arnegard. It has also become a fundraiser for the park board. Funds raised will go towards the care and future replacement of park equipment. Currently, the Christmas tree lighting is the only Christmas Celebration to be put on by the city. Ornaments may be handmade, store-bought, brand new, or a treasured antique. They will not be turned away.

Having been planted in 1999, the tree will be around for decorating for many years to come. According to the USDA's Southern Research Station's website, www.srs.ds.usda.gov, Blue Spruce or Colorado Blue Spruce trees are slow-growing, long-lived trees that can live up to 600 years or more. No one has taken it upon themselves to measure the Christmas tree in Nelson Park, recently. According to www.arborday.org, Blue Spruce trees grow to be 50-75 feet tall at maturity and 10-20 feet wide. There will be plenty of room for decorations. Arnegard Park Board member Meg Carter said, "Come join us! Come out and have some fun."



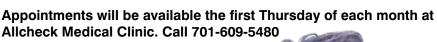
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Dakota Territory Gun Collectors Gun Show to Be Held At McKenzie County Sportsman's Club

By Jaymi Mozeak

On Friday, Dec. 9, Saturday, Dec.10, and Sunday, Dec. 11, the Dakota Territory Gun Collectors Association will be having their gun show at the McKenzie County Sportsman's Club. Come to buy, sell, trade, or just look!

This will be the first year that the gun show will be held at the Sportsman's Club range. In 2021 it was held at the Rough Rider Center. Friday will be 4-8 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Admission is \$10 per day. There will be free parking. Concessions will be available. Help will be provided for unloading and loading. No handguns are allowed to be carried by anyone but security personnel. Illegal martial arts weaponry is prohibited. There will be over 190 tables available. The tables are eight feet long

and are \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members. Set up is 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Friday. Tables not occupied by 4 p.m. Friday will be resold. There will be 24-hour security. Heather Stabler said, "We are excited to host

this event for the NDGCA. If all goes well, this will be a yearly event at the new location. Most tables will be gun related with a few archery tables to compliment the lineup. If you're looking for a table, reach out."

For table reservations or more information, contact Heather Stabler at 701-651-2585 or 701-978-8129. The McKenzie County Sportsman's Club is located at 2306 - 121X Ave. NW, Wat-

Festival Of Trees & Wreaths Saturday, Nov. 26, Fairview

By Dianne Swanson

Fairview is indeed the place to be on Saturday, Nov. 26 as the Fairview Community Foundation hosts its annual Festival of Wreaths and Trees at the Double Barrel Saloon.

Support the community and take home a beautiful tree or wreath starting with the silent auction from 1-5 p.m., followed by the live auction at 5:30 p.m. Bring

the family for a picture with Santa and Mrs. Claus, or the Grinch, from 3-5 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

The Fairview Community Foundation has hosted this fundraiser since 2016 with all proceeds going to local worthwhile causes such as scholarships, multiple projects at the schools including playground equipment at Westside and band instruments at Eastside, the

ambulance service, fire department, police department, ipads for nursing home residents during Covid, the food bank, Old Timers Festival inflatables, Trick or Treat in the Park, Sundheim Park repair, the volleyball court at Sharbono Park, and lots

Anyone wishing to donate a decorated tree or wreath may contact Marsha at 406-480-0349.

SHS Speech, Drama & Debate Team Competed At Circle



Pictured are back row, Nicholas Jorstad, Oliver Slade, Thaylan Fisher, Emma Pust, Kyle Pust, Colten Dahl, Kenny Damm and Keaton Burke; front Audrey Oprica, Monica Steinbeisser, Kylee Burnison, Emma Cundiff, Brooke Watson, Cedar Hovde, Mackeijan Gonzalez, Josie Simonsen, Amber Brown, Ivy Cross and Cayla Hanson. (Photo submitted by Christy Pierce)

Submitted by **Christy Pierce**

The Sidney High School Speech, Drama & Debate Team competed in Circle this pass Saturday. Bringing home 1st place trophies in both Drama and Speech/

Debate. The Drama Team: Dramatic Solo: 4th Emma

BAR & GRILL

Cundiff, 7th Cayla Hanson; Humorous Solo: 5th Cedar Hovde; Pantomime: 2nd Kylee Burnison; Dramatic Theatre: Amber Brown and Emma Pust.

The Speech & Debate Team: Lincoln Douglas Debate: 1st Colten Dahl; Public Forum Debate: 1st Thaylan Fisher and Audrey Oprica,

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2nd Kenny Damm and Ivy Cross, Impromptu Speaking: 1st Mackeijan Gonzalez; Extemporaneous Speaking: 1st Oliver Slade, 2nd Kyle

Pust; Informative Speaking: 5th Noah Thiel.

The Team will be heading to Shepherd after the

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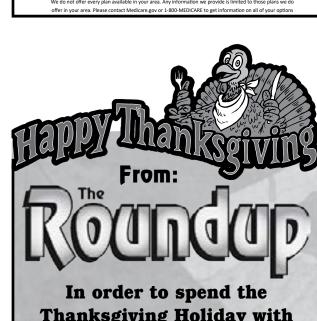


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Bergman Retires After Serving 48 Years As Ag Research **Agronomist/Safflower Breeder In MonDak Region**

started his long time ag career 48 years ago with the Montana State University's Eastern Agricultural Research Center, Sidney, as a research agronomist/safflower breeder in 1973. He served in this position until 1980 when he was named Superintendent of the MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center, Sidney. In 1994, he became the co-director of both the Williston Research Extension Center and EARC, Sidney. He continued in this position until December 31, 2011 when he retired from the MSU university system and became the director of the WREC overseeing dryland and irrigated crop research and the pure seed production.

In 1990, following the Chernobyl nuclear plant explosion and release of radioactive materials Bergman was contacted by the U.S. government for he and fellow EARC Chemist Dr. Charles Flynn to go to Belarus to collect rapeseed seed samples to extract the oil and meal to be tested for radioactive compounds. Only certain centers in the U.S. had the analytical equipment and expertise to do the testing, Dr. Flynn and Dr. Bergman collected the rapeseed samples in Belarus and brought the samples to Sidney for oil extraction and testing. The results showed that the oil was free of radioactive compounds but the meal was not. So Belarus could grow the rapeseed on contaminated land and use the oil for biodiesel



Jerry Bergman

and return the meal to the soil as an amendment as the Belarus scientists had suspected. Later three Belarus scientists came to the MSU Sidney research laboratory to be trained on the laboratory equipment which was provided for them by the USA and shipped to Belarus for their continued research. "The Belarus scientists were very good scientists but lacked the technical equipment for conducting the needed research. They were not early risers," said Bergman.

In 2002, he and his son, Mike, formed Safflower Technologies starting out with contracting safflower and other specialty crops in Fairview and Billings. Safflower Technologies International Company now contracts safflower and other specialty crops in five states: North and South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming and Idaho.

The elder Bergman

has served as International Chairman of the International Safflower Conferences which was held at the Williston NDSU Research Extension Center in 2001 as well as in Bari, Italy; Istanbul, Turkey, and Hyderabad, India. In Hyderabad, he was the guest of honor.

Bergman will be moving to Sidney and plans to stay around to promote ag however he can, with the Williston Economic Development Board and the Richland Economic Development Board.

"I want to continue to support the Sidney USDA and MSU Research Centers and the Williston NDSU Center in their joint mission to improve MonDak agriculture. Together the research units have over 20 scientists to conduct research for the MonDak region which encompassed over 30 million

When asked about his future plans, he jokes, "Just help around the house".

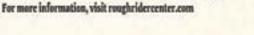


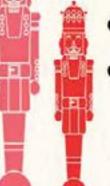
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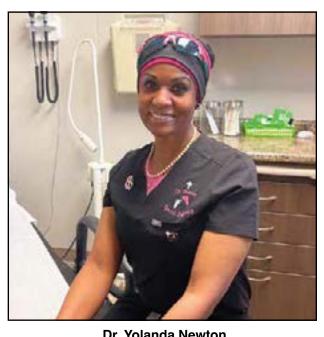


Dr. Yolanda Newton, OBGYN, To Provide Women's Health, **Labor & Delivery Services**

Released by McKenzie **County Healthcare**

Systems, Inc. Watford City - Dr. Yolanda Newton, OBGYN, has joined our team and will spearhead women's health and obstetric services. MCHS has not had an obstetrics department in over 25 years, so it is with great excitement that this service line is deployed! Dr. Newton is no stranger to North Dakota having served with Great Plains Women's Health Center in Williston from 2013 to 2017. Returning to North Dakota from North Carolina, Dr. Newton served as both an OBGYN Nocturnist and Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Regarding her move to Watford City, Dr. Newton said, "I am both glad to be back in North Dakota and excited to lead the Obstetrics Department! I'm passionate about women's health and look forward to what I can offer here." Among Dr. Newton's strengths are minimally invasive gynecologic surgery through advanced laparoscopy and the natural birthing process. Dr. Newton is a board certified OBGYN who "channels her inner midwife".

Pete Edis, CEO, states. "Nationwide, there is a short supply of OBGYNs. We are so fortunate to have landed a provider of Dr. Newton's caliber that will not only be joining our medical staff but will also be a member



Dr. Yolanda Newton

of our community. She is upbeat and excited and will fill a critical role in our growing community." Labor & delivery services will begin on Tuesday, Dec. 6. The obstetrics wing offers a beautiful and calming environment where one to one nursing care is provided to mothers in labor, a unique caveat for a critical access hospital. Care will be provided by board certified obstetricians and pediatricians. Michelle Bomer, Interim OB Director, said, "The birthing experience...it's YOUR experience. We want it to mirror expectations for each mother, providing a comfortable and positive journey surrounded by caring and seasoned professionals."

Spacious, private rooms adorn the wing with a dedicated nursing station. MCHS offers a jacuzzi tub for those seeking relaxation during labor. Additionally, epidurals will be available. For mothers who prefer to be more mobile, we offer remote monitoring. The baby's well-being can be monitored

while mom is up and moving. Appointments for women's health services with Dr. Newton can be made by calling 701-842-3771. A grand opening to celebrate the opening of labor & delivery services will be held on Thursday, Dec. 1 from 1-4 p.m. Please join us for tours and refreshments! Labor & delivery services will officially open on Tuesday, Dec. 6.





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Mid-Rivers Increases Available Scholarships To \$93,000 For Area Students

Submitted by Nicole Senner, Member

Communications Director Mid-Rivers Communications is offering \$93,000 in scholarship funds for Eastern and Central Montana students.

The Mid-Rivers Fund for Education, funded by unclaimed capital credits from members, has awarded over \$560,000 in scholarships to area students. In 2023, Mid-Rivers will award 36 competitive and 18 drawing scholarships.

Scholarship categories reflect the mission and values of the Cooperative and its members. This year's scholarship program has three categories:

 Dawson Community College/Miles Community College Scholarship - In support of local educational institutions, up to six (6) \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded to students attending Dawson Community College (DCC) or Miles Community College (MCC).

• Mid-Rivers Higher Education Scholarship - Thirty (30) \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded to students pursuing or continuing their

higher education at any other institution in technical, undergraduate, or graduate programs.

· Mid-Rivers Annual Meeting Drawing - Eighteen (18) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded through a drawing of eligible students in attendance at the 2023 Mid-Rivers Annual Meeting. The date and location for the 2023 Annual Meeting are to be determined and will be announced in early 2023.

Competitive Scholarships will be awarded based on how well each student's application addresses the following priority areas:

· Demonstration of specific plans and an authentic desire to live and work in the Mid-Rivers Service Area in the future.

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· Grade point average and ACT/SAT test scores. · Ability to communi-

Eligible applicants for all categories include graduating high school seniors entering freshman year at a college, university or technical school; and current college, university and technical school students planning to continue studies in the fall. All applicants must be enrolled as full-time students for the Fall of 2023. Previous scholarship winners (competitive or drawing, and in any year) are ineligible. Applicants must have a parent or guardian who is a member of Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. with active telephone or Internet service and a completed and approved membership application. Applicants unsure of membership status should contact Mid-Rivers as soon as possible (at least 30 days in advance of the deadlines) at 1-800-452-2288 to verify

eligibility. Competitive applications must be completed online and are now available at www.midrivers.com. Applicants unsuccessful in the competitive scholarships are eligible and encouraged to enter the drawing for scholarships at the Annual

The completed form(s)

and all required attachments must be submitted online by Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. Mountain Time. Only complete applications will be considered. For complete guidelines and online application form, please

visit www.midrivers.com/ scholarships/.

Be Antibiotics Aware: Smart Use, Best Care

U.S. Antibiotic Awareness Week is November 18-24

By Montana DPHHS

Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) officials are urging Montanans to be aware of the importance of appropriate antibiotic use during U.S. Antibiotic Awareness Week Nov. 18-24.

This is an annual observance that provides participating organizations in the state's Antimicrobial Stewardship Program an opportunity to raise awareness about antibiotic use to combat the threat of antibiotic resistance.

DPHHS officials state that while antibiotics are a common treatment for numerous bacterial infections, they are not always the

"Antibiotics do not treat the viruses that cause colds, flu, or COVID-19," said Erika Baldry of the Infection Control and Prevention/ Healthcare-Associated Infection Section (ICP/HAI) for DPHHS. "We recommend asking your healthcare provider about the most appropriate treatment for you or your loved ones' illness. If antibiotics are not needed, ask about the best way to feel better while your body fights off the virus."

DPHHS said there's several steps patients, caregivers, families, and healthcare professionals can take to improve antibiotic prescribing and use. Some simple steps to take include only prescribing antibiotics when necessary and for only the shortest effective duration, completing the entire prescribed antibiotic course, and only using antibiotics prescribed to you.

Other steps that can be taken to reduce antibiotic resistance include being current on all vaccines, washing hands, keeping wounds clean, and managing chronic conditions such as diabetes.

Baldry said when antibiotics aren't needed, they can cause side effects and lead to antibiotic resistance. "Resistance to antibiotics does not mean that the body is becoming resistant; rather, it means that bacteria develop the ability to defeat the antibiotics designed to kill them," she said.

Some resistant bacteria may be very difficult to treat and can spread to other people. According to the Centers for Disease Control, each year in the U.S., more than 2.8 million individuals get infected with antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

DPHHS conducts testing at the Montana Public Health Laboratory (MTPHL) for antibiotic resistant organisms submitted by Montana hospitals, specifically carbapenem-resistant organ-

Carbapenems are a type of antibiotic and organisms resistant to these types of antibiotics are a public health concern. If an organism is carbapenem-resistant, that can limit the antibiotic options for treatment.

Antibiotic-resistant germs, including new and emerging resistance, can spread within and between healthcare facilities. These germs can cause infections in patients, called healthcare-associated infections (HAIs), and can spread to the community or environment (soil, water).

So far in 2022, 68 carbapenem-resistant organisms were submitted to the MTPHL. Out of the 68 specimens identified this year, two were identified as carbapenemase-producers making them very difficult to treat due to their capability to be resistant to many different

In 2021, a total of 63 carbapenem-resistant samples were submitted and one carbapenemase producer was identified.



Guns and Hoses



The Sidney Jaycees held their annual Guns and Hoses Dodgeball game Saturday as a fundraiser for the Sidney Police Department and Richland County Fire Department. The fire department lost and chose Mario Winski (shown) to be put in a bite suit to participate in a demonstration with K-9 Ringo.who is owned by Officer Gomke, Sidney Police Department. The fundraiser raised \$500 which the fire department and police department chose to donate to the Richland County Food Bank.





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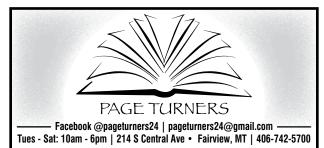




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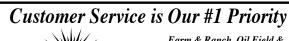




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Sidney Health Center Offers Interventional Pain Management With Addition Of Dr. Christine Hoglund

Sidney, MT (Nov. 17)
- Sidney Health Center is pleased to announce the successful recruitment of Dr. Christine Hoglund. Dr. Hoglund joins the medical staff as an Interventional Pain Management Physician with 20 plus years of experience and recently started seeing and treating patients with acute and chronic pain in Sidney.

As an interventional pain management physician, Dr. Hoglund treats acute and chronic pain through a well-rounded, multidisciplinary approach to improve daily functionality and overall health. This is accomplished with a medical evaluation directed toward identifying the source of pain. Commonly treated conditions include back and neck pain, neurological conditions, sciatica, sports and industrial injuries, fibromyalgia, arthritis, and joint pain to name a few.

Unlike traditional pain management, interventional pain management uses minimally invasive procedures to intervene and disrupt the signals of pain. Typical procedures include epidural steroid injections, joint and bursa injections, trigger point injections, radiofrequency ablation procedures, spinal cord stimulator trials and nerve blocks.

These types of procedures have proven to be very effective at identifying and treating the source of pain. Once a definitive diagnosis is established, a rational treatment plan can be formulated for more long-term pain relief. Having a better understanding of the pain generator helps patients participate in managing their pain.

The goal of interventional pain management is to decrease chronic pain, promote long-term wellness and improve functionality through a multidisciplinary

approach. Chronic pain is often treated and managed using a combination of minimally invasive techniques with complementary and alternative medicine such as physical therapy, chiropractic techniques, acupuncture, and massage therapy.

Through a team-based approach, Dr. Hoglund works closely with referring physicians, providers, chiropractors, psychologists, physical therapists, and departments across the or-

management services with the addition of Dr. Hogland," stated Jennifer Doty, Sidney Health Center CEO. "She brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in helping people manage their pain so they can achieve their highest level of health and well-being."

Prior to opening her practice in Sidney, Dr. Hoglund worked at CHI St. Alexius Health/Mercy Medical Center in Williston, ND for more than nine years.

She is excited to return to working in the area and serving patients living in the MonDak region.

Dr. Hoglund graduated

Dr. Hoglund graduated from University of Colorado in Boulder, CO and went onto get her medical degree from Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, CA. She completed her residency in Anesthesiology at Jackson Memorial Hospital through the University of Miami in Miami, FL. Following residency, Dr. Hoglund completed a Fellowship in Pain Management at Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center through West Virginia

University in Morgantown,

To find out more about scheduling an appointment, please call Sidney Health Center's Orthopedic and Interventional Pain Management Clinic at 406-488-2277



Dr. Christine Hoglund

ganization to manage pain in a variety of ways. This new service line is a great addition to the radiology interventional procedures offered by Dr. Leszek Jaszczak and rehabilitation therapy programs. In fact, chronic pain management was identified as a desired service by 38% of the area residents who responded to the Community Health Needs Assessment in March 2022.

"We are excited to expand our interventional pain

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Community on Giving Tuesday Nov. 29



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Submitted by, Elaine Stedman, CEO SafeCare Provider Boys & Girls Clubs of the MonDak Richland County Unit

"Giving Tuesday is a global generosity movement unleashing the power of radical generosity. Giving Tuesday was created in 2012 as a simple idea: a day that encourages people to do good. Since then, it has grown into a year-round global movement that inspires hundreds of millions of people to give, collaborate, and celebrate generosity." (givingtuesday.

Giving Tuesday is traditionally part of the holiday season and is highlighted on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving. Giving Tuesday focuses on giving back to organizations that make our communities, nation, and world a better place for all.

The nonprofits of Richland County encourage residents to take time this holiday season to support the causes that help make our community thrive. Each nonprofit has a variety of ways to support their mission, including monetary donations, volunteer time, in-kind contributions, or simply sharing the mission and good works of the nonprofit.



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By Jaymi Mozeak

With Halloween over and Thanksgiving just around the bend, the holiday season is coming up fast. Williston businesses and the Williston Downtowner's Association are ready with several fun and exciting events to make this season one to remember.

There are several events planned, starting Black Friday. The Holiday Lights Parade is on November 25. Besides the parade, there are lots of fun activities at the James Memorial Art Center. Also, the weekend after Thanksgiving the small businesses in town will have a ton of sales for Black Friday, Small Business Saturday, and Cyber Monday. From November 26-December 31 will be Spring Lake Park Lights Drive. December 1-5, Entertainment Inc will be putting on their production of Christmas Cafe at the Old Armory. Tickets can be purchased at www.entertainmentinc.org/Tickets. On December 2, the Community Builders Reindeer Games will be held at the Arc from 5-9 p.m. On December 3 they will have their Festival of Trees. The Festival of Trees is a ticketed event and not open to the general public. December 4 is going to be the Upper Missouri Relay for Life Jingle Jamboree with carnival games and activities for the whole family. It will also be at the Arc. December 9 will be the Downtowners Association's Holiday Stroll. During the Stroll, Main Street will be closed from 5-8 p.m. with lots of fun family activities.

This year, the Williston Chamber of Commerce is offering the "Loyal to Local Holiday Passport". It is meant to encourage the community to shop locally during the holiday season. "Loyal to Local Holiday Passports" can be obtained at participating businesses. The customer must visit at least five or more businesses with at least \$275 or more worth of confirmed purchases to be eligible for the Grand Prize Donations drawing. Participating businesses will confirm purchases by stamping the customer's passport during the original transaction. The customer will then fill out their passport and return it to the chamber to be eligible to win prizes. The chamber is looking for donations to purchase a few 'Great' Grand Prizes. They would advertise these donations on their website and social media to encourage people to shop or eat locally.

For more information on these events and more contact Janessa Storlie at 701-570-7652, the Arc at 701-572-9272, or check out the Arc, Spring Lake Park Lights Drive, and Williston Chamber of Commerce Facebook pages or What's Happening Facebook Group.

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The Holiday Season City Of Williston To Host Begins In Williston Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony On Nov. 28





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Above: The Community Christmas Tree in transit. (Photos submitted)

Left: The Community Christmas Tree at its destination at the corner of 26th St. E. and 2nd Ave. W.

Submitted by Mitch Melberg, City of Williston **Communications Director**

Williston, ND - The annual Community Christmas Tree lighting continues a treasured holiday tradition that was re-introduced in

Each year, a tree is chosen from the list of homeowners who have chosen to donate their tree. Oftentimes, the trees used are donated because they have grown too large and pose a potential threat to the home itself or nearby power lines.

This year's Community Christmas Tree comes from 205 11th St. E., donated by Brady Vickers.

A Colorado Spruce around 60-feet tall and weighing around 12,300 pounds, the tree was moved on Monday, Nov. 14 to its holder on the corner of 26th St. E. and 2nd Ave. W.

Vickers said the tree was planted in the early 70s by his grandfather, making it a little over 50 years old. Having seen storms take down similar trees in the area, Vickers said he'd become concerned with the tree and its location, worrying it might someday fall over, either onto his house or into neighboring power lines.

"It was kind of a tough decision, because that tree has been in my life since I was a child," Vickers said. "When the opportunity came for it to be the City's Christmas Tree, we felt like that would be a fitting way for the tree to end its life, so to speak."

Vickers said the tree was going to have to come down eventually, so he is glad that rather than simply being taken down, it was able to become part of a community tradition.

With the tree in place, the community is invited to the 8th Annual Community Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Monday, Nov. 28 at 5:30 p.m.

This project was made possible by Basin Concrete-Trucking, 11 Bravo Property Services, LLC., City of Williston Public Works, Alliance Consulting, TNT Fireworks, Williston PD and Williston FD. Drone footage will also be captured by Alliance Consulting.

There will be a bonfire, refreshments sponsored by Alliance Consulting, holiday music, a short ceremony, and a fireworks show sponsored by TNT Fireworks.

In addition, the community is invited to participate in the third annual Community Christmas Tree Ornament Contest! Individuals are encouraged to get creative and make their best ornament to hang on the tree for a chance to win a

The contest is open to all ages with the following age groups:

- Under 6
- 7-10
- 11-14 15+

Beginning Monday, Nov. 28, individuals can place their homemade ornaments on the tree. Contest participants have until Friday, Dec. 9 to place their ornaments.

To successfully enter the contest, individuals must:

- · Take a picture of their ornament on the Community Christmas Tree OR a picture of them placing their ornament on the Community Christmas Tree
- Submit pictures via Facebook Messenger to the City of Williston (@cityofwilliston) OR the Williston Community Library (@willistoncommunitylibrary) OR email to communications@ci.williston.nd.us
- Include their name and age AND a name for the ornament

· Place their ornament by Friday, December 9

Two winners from each age group will be selected on Monday, Dec. 12. All submissions will be showcased on the City of Williston Facebook and Instagram pages.

Individuals are reminded that ornaments will be outside, so make sure they can withstand the elements if you want them back. A future timeframe will be provided for those who would like to retrieve their ornaments, if desired. The Community Christmas Tree will stay up until the end of December. Individuals are also invited to place ornaments on the

tree without participating in the ornament contest. For more information on this story, please contact Mitch Melberg, Communications Director, at 701-713-3800 or

mmelberg@ci.williston.nd.us.

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USDA Requests Public Input On Implementation Of Inflation Reduction Act Funding

Washington - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is asking for public input through a Federal Register request for information on implementation of more than \$19 billion provided by the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will use the investments provided through IRA-funded conservation programs to support farmers and ranchers in adopting and expanding climate-smart activities and systems. NRCS asks for

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Sidney, Dec. 10

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setting up on Friday, Dec. 9 from noon-6 p.m. and clean up

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comments on how to target program benefits, quantify impact, and improve program delivery and outreach, especially for underserved producers. Comments are due Dec. 21, 2022. NRCS will identify immediate changes that can be made in fiscal year 2023 and will continue to identify and adopt additional changes in future years.

"Agriculture is at the forefront of the nation's effort to address climate change, and we want to hear from people on the ground how to implement our programs to maximize climate benefits, promote equity and assist all producers," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "From climate-smart agriculture, to supporting healthy forests and conservation, to tax credits, to biofuels, infrastructure and beyond, this legislation provides USDA with significant additional resources to lead this historic charge."

The Inflation Reduction
Act provided unprecedented
funding levels for several of
the existing programs that
NRCS implements. The
increased funding levels
begin in fiscal year 2023 and
rapidly build over four years,
totaling these additional
amounts:

• \$8.45 billion – Environmental Quality Incentives

• \$3.25 billion – Conservation Stewardship Program

• \$4.95 billion – Regional Conservation Partnership Program

 \$1.4 billion – Agricultural Conservation Easement Program

• \$1 billion – Conservation Technical Assistance

NRCS is asking for public input on to how to best maximize benefits for climate mitigation, including targeting practices and programs that provide quantifiable reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, NRCS is requesting feedback to help identify strategies and provide recommendations on how to maximize, target, monitor, and quantify improvements

to soil carbon, reductions in nitrogen losses, and the reduction, capture, avoidance, or sequestration of carbon dioxide, methane or nitrous oxide emissions associated with agricultural production. NRCS is also seeking ideas for how to further streamline and improve program delivery to increase efficiencies and expand program access for producers, especially underserved producers.

Public comments should be submitted through the Federal Register notice by Dec. 21, 2022. If you have questions, contact NRCS. IRA.Input@usda.gov.

More Information

On Aug. 16, President Biden signed the Inflation Reduction Act into law. It is a historic, once-in-a-generation investment and opportunity for the agricultural communities that USDA serves. The Inflation Reduction Act will help producers stay on the farm, prevent producers from becoming ineligible for future assistance and promote climate-smart agriculture by increasing access to conservation assistance. In October, USDA took action using Inflation Reduction Act funds to immediately provide relief to qualifying distressed borrowers whose operations are at financial risk while working on making transformational changes to loan servicing.

USDA has already provided nearly \$800 million in assistance to financially distressed borrowers and

has outlined steps to administer up to an additional \$500 million in payments.

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in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit usda.gov.



Harvest Festival Winner

Judy Conradsen was The Roundup's Harvest Festival drawing winner for 2022. Conradsen won gift cards from Neu's Super Valu, Craig's Meat Processing, Gem City, Footers and two round trip tickets on Cape Air. She registered at Healthy Smiles.

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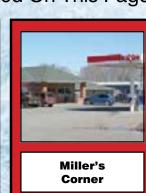


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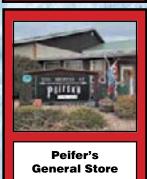
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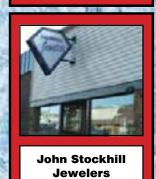
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32nd Annual Miniature Art Show Opens At MonDak Heritage Center

Submitted by Nikki Bailey, MonDak Heritage

Center Executive Director The 32nd Annual Miniature Art Show will be on display through Saturday, Jan. 14 at the MonDak Heritage Center. One of the best and most anticipated art shows of the year, the Miniature Art Show highlights artists from around the world who work in the miniature format! The artists are restricted to creating works no larger than 5" x 7" and many produce work far smaller, sometimes as small as a postage stamp, with amazing detail.

This year's show features over 30 entries from artists from across the United States! Entries include acrylic, pencil, oil, watercolor, sculpture, and mixed media pieces. The miniature arts pieces are judged by a local artist who understands composition, originality, and artistry. Using these three criteria, prizes are awarded to the top three entries. The winners will be announced by the second week of the

Miniature art is fine art with a century's old history. The miniature art form traces its roots back to book paintings and illuminated manuscripts in the 3rd century. Techniques such as stippling, hatching and pointillism are sometimes only discovered under magnification. Miniature art today expands beyond portraits and embraces a wide variety of subject matter, media and techniques.

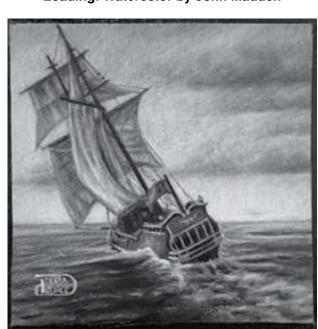
Miniature art is extremely detailed work with exquisite color and strength of composition rivaling that of larger paintings. A compositional guide requires each piece be no more than 1/6th scale of the actual subject. A fine miniature piece can be magnified many times and still meet fine art standards. This demonstrates the great skill and discipline artists must have to work miniature. Miniature art, with its minimal space requirements and wider affordability, places original fine art within reach of art lovers and collectors.



Bull Dozer: Acrylic by Linda Rossin



Loading: Watercolor by John Madden

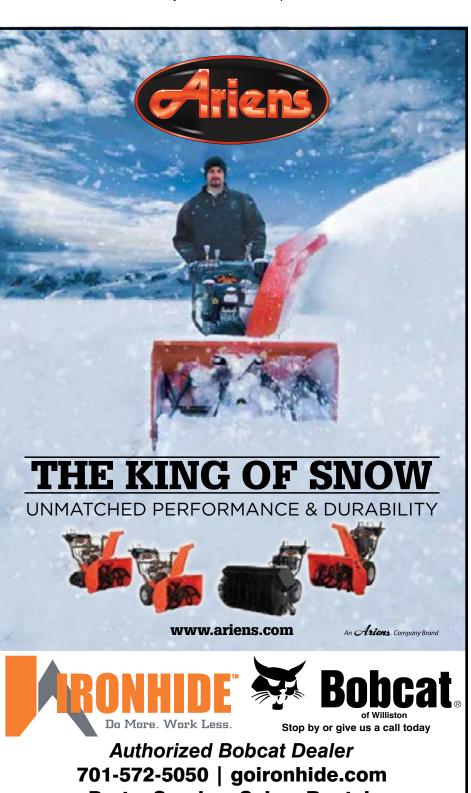


Sail Away: Charcoal by Debra Keirce

Nearly all of the artwork is for sale and any piece would make a great gift.

The MonDak Heritage Center is open Tuesday-Friday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

and Saturday from 1-4 p.m. Admission is free. For more information call 406-433-3500 or e-mail mdhc@richland.org.

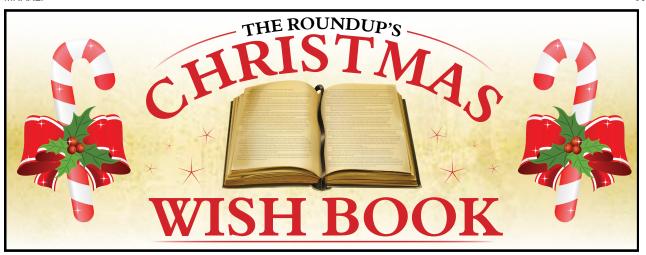


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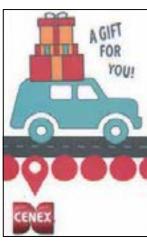
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Nationwide Egg Shortage Impacting Local Grocers

By Jaymi Mozeak

Friday, Nov.11, a mother from Bainville went to Walmart in Williston looking for eggs for her holiday baking and there were none, not even the expensive, organic brands. Monday, Nov. 14, she drove to Sidney with the same result at the grocery store. There just were no eggs.

This was predicted, to a degree. Preppers from across the nation have been spouting their warnings for years that we need to be more self-sufficient as individuals and families. The reason varies from person to person, but the message is the same, stock up and be self-sufficient cause you might not always be able to get food at the stores. In the summer of 2021, after the May 7 cyberattack that left several gas stations on the East Coast without gasoline and the May 30 cyberattack on JBS Foods, the world's largest meat supplier, a resident of Sidney even went to city hall in an attempt to have chickens legalized in city limits with the same message, we might not always be able to get food at the stores.

The reason is simple, supply and demand. As Sam Simard, The Market Dairy Manager, Sidney, stood in front of a partially empty egg case, on Nov. 17, the day of his most recent egg delivery he said, "Demand is up, supply is down, and the price is high. The eggs I got this morning will all be gone by tomorrow. As soon as the word gets out." Carolina Sanchez, Reynolds Market Dairy Manager, Sidney, stood in front of their recently filled egg case, on Nov. 18, and said, "We are having to stock three to four times a day. I use several different distributors, but they have limits on how much can be purchased by stores at a time." Both agreed the biggest cause is Avian Flu. In January 2022, HPAI was found in wild birds, and in Feb., it was found in domestic poultry. Simard said, "Millions of laying hens had to be killed." Marley Manoukian of Richland County's MSU Extension agent agrees. She said, "It is spread by wild birds. It was first found in Montana flocks in April 2022 and North Dakota in the summer." According to the CDC's website, www.cdc.gov, as of Nov. 18, 46 different states have had



ESM2: Dairy Manager, Sam Simard, stands in front of the egg case at The Market, Sidney the day of their extra egg delivery. He said, "They'll be gone by tomorrow." (Photo by Jaymi Mozeak)

HPAI cases in poultry in the US but, according to www.liv. mt.gov, as of Nov. 18, there have been no cases of HPAI in Montana east of Billings, no wild cases in Richland County, and no cases in poultry west of Tioga, ND.

That mother from Bainville eventually did find eggs for



Dairy Manager, Carolina Sanchez, in front of the egg case at Reynolds, Sidney their regular freight day. She says, "We have to restock three to four times a day." (Photo by Jaymi Mozeak)

her family but it was tough and she paid way more for them than she would have just a year ago. Grocery stores in the MonDak and across the nation are doing their best to offer eggs for their customers. Many, including the two in Sidney, are getting egg shipments outside their usual freight days.







Watford City's Gavin Wirtz #39, Hunter Erwin #20 and Rhylan Olson #5 team up for a goal against Minot on Friday evening in Watford City. Minot defeated Watford City 8-5 in the first Jr Gold game of the season. (Photo by Kathy Taylor)





Bradyn Strom #19 scores the winning goal for Watford City's Pee Wee B1 team against a Bismarck Pee Wee A team on Saturday. The Oilers recorded two wins over the weekend defeating Mayport and Bismarck. (Photo by **Kathy Taylor**)







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'Losing Sight': New Talking Health In The 406 Podcast Released

By Montana DPHHS

In Montana, 5% of adults are blind or have low vision. The obstacles of living in a world without vision can feel insurmountable, from trying to navigate one's outdoor surroundings to purchasing a bag of chips at a grocery store.

Yet, many thrive and live great lives with little or no sight.

In the newest series of episodes from DPH-HS Talking Health in the 406 podcast, guest Jacob Krissovich shares his story of life without sight. Born with normal vision, Krissovich began to lose vision in his early teens and became completely blind in his thirties. This transformation completely changed his life and the lives of his loved

Through Jacob's story, the podcast series dives into the mental health struggles associated with losing vision. It also asks the awkward questions many may wonder about. The final episode of the series focuses on Fife, Jacob's guide

dog. This companion has been key in allowing Jacob to live an active life.

"Vision impairment or loss is a subject that touches all age groups," says host Jennifer Van Syckle, a health education specialist with the DPHHS Public Health and Safety Division. "Whether it happens slowly, as was the case with Jacob, or quickly through trauma or stroke, we may all know someone trying to live and enjoy their

life without optimal sight." The podcasts are told in a story-based format and include a variety of life lessons. The three-part series is now available wherever you listen to podcasts. For more information, or to listen in, visit http://TalkingHealth-InThe406.mt.gov.





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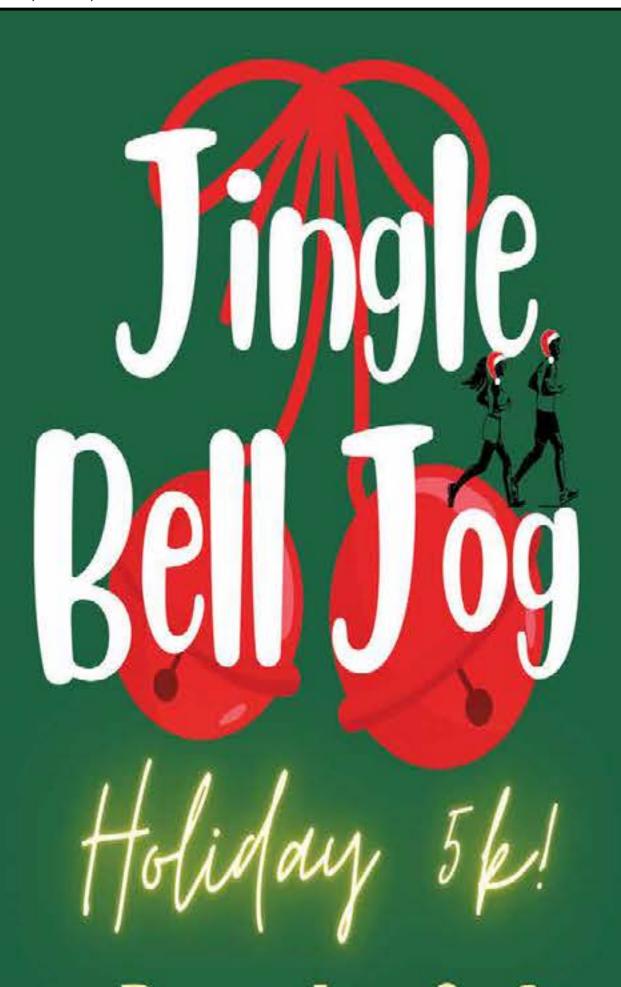
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