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Ribfest 2017 in Watford City Friday

One of the biggest events in Western North Dakota takes place on Main Street Watford City. The Best of the West Ribfest, Street Fair and Classic Car show is set for August 11, 2017 and it just keeps getting bigger and better than ever with three-time Grammy nominated country act, Little Texas headlining the free concert on

The event kicks off with a fundraising breakfast for the local Boy Scouts served on Main Street from 8-10 am. The Street Fair opens at 10 am with lunch being served at 11 and rib teams cooking up ribs on the street all day, serving them to the public at 5 pm.

And as always, the Best of the West Ribest, Street Fair and Classic Car Show is free and open to the public, with live music and fun throughout the day, but back again this year is the option for quests to purchase a VIP Ticket where they can enjoy drinks and ribs under the shade of a tent and also score the best seats in the house for the evening concert. Minneapolis based Johnny Cash Tribute Band, Church of Cash, will be opening for Little Texas.

"Ribfest is one of the most anticipated events of the year," said Mary Gumpke with the Watford City Chamber. "We want to make sure everyone has the date on their calendars and makes plans to participate, whether as a guest, VIP, sponsor or rib competitor. We can't wait to see you on Main Street in August!"

As the event grows bigger and gains more state-wide attention each year, team spaces and vendor slots fill up quickly. Get your team signed up today at www.watfordcityribfest.net.

Contact the Watford City Chamber of Commerce at 701-570-5084 or wcchamber@ruggedwest.com or www.facebook.com/BestOfTheWestRibfest for more information.

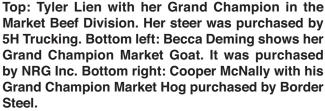


WATFORD CITY NORTH DAKOTA

Richland County Fair 4-H Grand Champions







Light The Park For Cancer Care

On Thursday, August 10 the Foundation for Community Care and Sidney Health Center Cancer Care are coordinating the second annual Light the Park event at Veterans Memorial

Live entertainment will kick off at 6 p.m. with performances by the Cutting Edge Dance Studio, followed by the headliner entertainer, Jesse Veeder, a singer/songwriter from Watford City, ND. The night will end with a dusk lighting ceremony recognizing the lantern honorees and a fantastic fireworks display by TNT Fireworks of Williston, ND. The evening promises to touch your hearts and your senses with tasty food, live music and a host of lights and lanterns honoring cancer survivors and loved ones who have lost their battle to cancer.

All proceeds from this event will benefit Sidney Health Center's Cancer Care through the Foundation for Community Care. Bring your lawn chairs. **MNAXLP**



By Anna Dragseth

This year at the Richland County Fair, 4-H members brought many market animals to show and sell. On Friday, August 4th, the 4-Hers with market animals participated in both the Showmanship and Market Animal class.

Taking home grand champion ribbon in the Market Beef Division was Tyler Lien. Lien's steer was purchased by 5H Trucking located in Lambert, MT. Receiving a reserve champion ribbon in the Market Beef Division was Tana Kostelecky, her market steer was purchased by Rambur Charolais. Cooper McNally was awarded Grand Champion market hog, his hog was purchased by Border Steel. Becca Deming received Grand Champion market sheep and goat, her market goat was purchased by NRG Inc. Deming's market hog also received reserved champion.

Receiving Grand Champion Sr. Steer and Hog Showmanship was Tyler Lien. Riley Lander won Grand Champion Alpaca Showmanship and Randy Lander won Grand Champion Horse Showmanship. Becca Deming was awarded Grand Champion Sr. Goat Showman and Sr. Sheep Showman. Deming also won the Round Robin and was chosen as the Overall Best Senior Large Animal Showman.

Sidney Mayoral Debate

The Sidney Young Professionals will be hosting a Mayoral Debate 6-8 p.m. on August 10 at the Sidney Elks Lodge. Join the Sidney Young Professionals for a member exclusive from 6-7 p.m. to meet the candidates for Mayor of Sidney. Then at 7 p.m. join us for the first debate of the election season. The second hour of the debate will be open to the public.

Burgum Orders Reinstatement Of McKenzie County Sheriff

Statement from ND Governer Doug Burgum's office released Aug. 4

Gov. Doug Burgum ordered the reinstatement of McKenzie County Sheriff Gary Schwartzenberger to the position of sheriff, as recommended by Special Commissioner Karen Klein.

On Nov. 23, 2016, then-Gov. Jack Dalrymple placed Schwartzenberger on interim suspension upon the recommendation of Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem after the McKenzie County Commission voted in favor of a petition for removal. Klein found no substantiated ground for removal of Schwartzenberger and recommended he be returned to the elected office of sheriff.

Schwartzenberger's reinstatement is effective immediately. **Order Dismissing Complaint For Removal**

Upon reviewing the file, the transcript from the hearing on July 18-19, 2017, and the report, findings and recommendation issued by Special Commissioner Karen Klein, it is apparent this removal proceeding has divided McKenzie County. The Special Commissioner's report identifies various "power struggles" between the McKenzie County Commission and the Sheriff, demonstrated, as an example, by the Commission's attempt to bring the Sheriff's Department in line with other county offices. and the Sheriff's desire to operate autonomously.

Special Commissioner Klein noted evidence of heavy-handess, crude and unprofessional behavior, and non-collaborative actions by Sheriff Schwartzenberger. And while these actions may not manifest optimal outcomes or performance, Commissioner Klein further concluded that none of these actions singularly, or in total, meet the high burden of proof threshold required for removal of a duly elected official from office.

Therefore, reinstatement of Sheriff Schwartzenberger presents a crossroads for McKenzie County. Either it will be an opportunity for a fresh start, or a continuation of local conflict, angst and contention.

Understandably, a fresh start will be difficult and will require introspection, humility and forgiveness by many parties. As elected officials, each Commission member and the Sheriff must remember the fundamental purpose and responsibilities inherent in their respective positions – to serve and protect the citizens and resources of McKenzie County.

Sheriff Schwartzenberger's reinstatement and return to his elected position is his opportunity to lead with humility, integrity and respect -- and to treat every employee, every elected official and every citizen with fairness. If these opportunities are acknowledged, appreciated and

pursued with empathy and determination, McKenzie County will become a stronger and more vibrant community in which to work, live and prosper

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in the Governor pursuant to Article V, North Dakota Constitution and Chapters 44-11 and 54-07, North Dakota Century Code, the Special Commissioner's report and recommendation is adopted in its entirety.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

The Complaint for Removal is hereby dismissed;

The suspension of Gary Schwartzenberger from the position of McKenzie County Sheriff is terminated;

Gary Schwartzenberger is reinstated to the position of McKenzie County Sheriff, to resume the duties of the office to which he was elected.

Benefit Dinner and Auctions for **Deana Carranza**

By Anna Dragseth

On Saturday, August 26th, there will be a freewill dinner, silent and live auction, bar hopping bingo, Chinese auction, and live music for Deana Carranza. The live music will be performed by the Fully Loaded Band. All of the events will take place at the Elks Lodge located at 123 3rd Street SW in Sidney.

Starting at 4:00 pm Bar Hopping Bingo will start, then at 6:00 pm the silent auction will begin, followed by the free will offering dinner. At around 8:00 pm the Chinese and live auction will start off.

Deana Carranza has dealt with breast cancer and has also had brain surgery. All proceeds from the benefit dinner and auction will be used to help with medical and living expenses due to her medical condition. Everyone is welcome to attend the events at the Elks Lodge or donate. Donations can be made to Deana Carranza at the Yellowstone Bank located on 120 2nd Street NW of Sidney.





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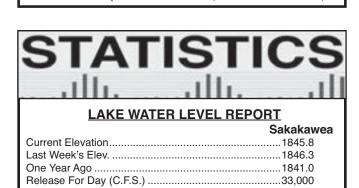
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OBITUARIES

Montana Jane (Goodson) Finnicum, 90 Culbertson, MT

Montana Jane (Goodson) Finnicum passed peacefully embraced by the love of her family at her home on July 27.

A memorial service will be held on August 12 at 11 a.m. (Mountain Time) at the Community of Christ Church, Broadway (Main), Culbertson,

Montana was born on March 21, 1927 in Culbertson, Montana, the third child of Isaac and Annie (Thompson) Goodson. She first attended school in Dugout, then junior high and 2 years of high school in Sidney where she made a



Montana Jane (Goodson) Finnicum

lifelong friend Louie Dawley who preceded her in death on June 2017. Her last two years of high school were in Culbertson where she worked for room and board with the Tucker Moore family. She helped with his milk business and it was Tucker Moore who taught her to drive a stick shift and get her first driver's license for 25 cents. She never took a driver's test and never let her license lapse.

While in high school, she met Bernie Finnicum. They were married in Wolf Point on May 18, 1944. To this marriage were born Butch, Bill, Paul, Diane, LaVonne, Nancy, Susan and Bonnie.

They started their married life on the farm in Richland County. They lived for a short time in Troy, Montana and then the remainder of their lives in Culbertson where Bernie managed the Gambles Store. Montana eventually had the opportunity to work as a telephone operator, which she enjoyed. She made lifelong friends who still meet for breakfast once a month. When the telephone company went to dial, Montana helped at the Gambles Store until she went to work at the Skogmos. Skogmos eventually became the Other Place when it moved down the street. Montana managed the store for many years and enjoyed visiting with her customers.

Montana, besides being a busy mother and wife, was a gracious host to the many people who came to her home. Everyone was welcome in her home and no one ever went away hungry. She enjoyed cooking and sewing, visiting with old friends and new people she just met. She liked to take trips, from business trips with Bernie to wrecker calls with Paul. Montana was a long time member of the Culbertson Saddle Club and looked forward each year to getting her motorhome out to the camp to take care of registration for the trail ride.

In her last years, as she dealt with health issues, she showed what she was really made of. Three trips in the air ambulance, weeks in the hospital and dialysis three times a week, her strength of character and absolute faith in God showed as the perfect example to all who knew her. She never gave the nurses a hard time but befriended each one and knew them all by name.

She was very instrumental in planning her 90th birthday party in March. She bought over 100 stuffed animals to give away to all the little kids, her dialysis family, and anyone she thought about. Her birthday was a very memorable day for her.

She was a lifelong member of the Community of Christ Church. Her unquestioned faith in God and the Lord Jesus Christ was never more evident than when she chose to end her dialysis, place her trust in God and walk through death's door unafraid.

Montana was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Bernie, brothers Steve and Donnie, sisters Jo, Thelma, Lucy, Nellie, Nettie, and Carol.

She is survived by her brother Glenn Goodson, her sister Effie Rinke, her children and their spouses, Butch and Chris, Bill and Vicki, Paul and Lynne, Diane and Steve Hampton, Lavonne and Jack Scotson, Nancy and Tom Hansen, Susan Finnicum, and Bonnie and Jack Hellweg, twenty-one grandchildren, and a bunch of great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Friends may visit www.eversoncoughlin.com to share remembrances of Montana or leave condolences for her family.

The Everson-Coughlin Funeral Home of Williston is caring for the family.

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RICHLAND COUNTY Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

Thurs., Aug. 10 6 p.m. - Light The Park For Cancer Care - Live entertainment with performances by Cutting Edge Dance Studio, followed by Jesse Veeder, a singer/songwriter and the night will end with a dusk lighting ceremony recognizing the lantern honorees plus a fireworks display. Veteran's Memorial Park, Sidney, MT. For more information call SHC Cancer

6-8 p.m. - Sidney Young Professionals Mayoral Debate -Member exclusive from 6-7 p.m. to meet the candidates for mayor of Sidney. From 7-8 p.m. the first mayoral debate of the season and open to the public. Elks Lodge, Sidney, MT. Sat., Aug. 12

7:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. - Richland County Farmers Market - Parking lot east of the Richland County Public Library, corner of 2nd St. NW and 2nd Ave. NW, Sidney, MT.

10 a.m. - Matthew R. Brenner Memorial Scholarship **Tournament** - Four person scramble, \$100 per person. To register call 406-433-1894. Sidney Country Club, Sidney, MT. 10 a.m. - Extreme Cowboy Obstacle Challenge - Youth 14 and under \$15; Open 15 and up, \$25. Registration, 9 a.m. or per-register by contacting Julie Lander, 406-480-3621 or lander6005@gmail.com. Richland County Fairgrounds,

Sidney, MT.

10 a.m. - Family Event - Songs, games, crafts and pitch-in lunch. All ages, open to the public. Veterans Memorial Park. For more information call Julia, 406-774-3309. This event will

continue every Saturday through September 2.

Mon., Aug. 14
5:30-7 p.m. - Sidney 5th & 6th Grade Tackle Football Team
Sign-Up - This event continues on Aug. 15 & 16. Lyndale
Park. \$65 per player. For more information contact Ryan or Monica Waters, 406-488-3788 or email ryan_m_waters@ yahoo.com.

Wed., Aug. 16

5 - 10 p.m. - Community Pint Night- Meadowlark Public House. \$1 for every pint sold will go to support a community organization. Fri., Aug. 18

5-8 p.m. - Lone Tree Gun Show - Open to the public. This event continues 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Aug. 19 and 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Aug. 20. Admission \$5 per day. Richland County Event Center, Sidney, MT. Tues., Aug. 22

12:30-6 p.m. - Red Cross Blood Drive - Walk-ins welcome appointments recommended. For appointments call Red

Cross, 406-403-0956 or visit redcrossblood.org. St. Matthews Parish Center, 310 7th St. SE. Wed., Aug. 23 6-8:30 p.m. - Orchard Fire - Music At The MonDak -

Featuring Nashville band Orchard Fire. Free will donation suggested. MonDak Heritage Center, Sidney, MT. Sat., Aug. 26 4 p.m. - Deana Carranza Benefit Auction & Dinner - Bar

hopping bingo, silent auction, free will offering dinner, chinese auction, live auction and live music featuring FULLY LOADED after the auction. Elks Lodge, Sidney, MT. For more information contact Cara Nelson, 406-489-1515. Donations can also be made to Deana Carranza at Yellowstone Bank, 120 2nd St. NW, Sidney, MT.

McKenzie County

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone Thurs., Aug. 10

5-7 p.m. - Watford Market - Shop the local handmade and homegrown vendors, listen to live music, get a burger, enjoy the demonstrations, and meet your neighbors at Watford Market. McKenzie County Heritage Park, 950 2nd Ave SW, Watford City ND. For more information contact Daniel Stenberg, 701-444-7419 or dstenberg@co.mckenzie.nd.us. 7-9 p.m. - 7eventh Time Down & Cloverton Concert - Free will donation concert. Watford City High School Theater, 2313

Fri., Aug. 11
Best Of The West Ribfest - Lots of great new things plus old favorites. VIP tent, all you can eat ribs, sides, beer, wine, pop and concert on main street featuring Little Texas. Three blocks on main street, Watford City, ND. For more information visit www.watfordcityribfest.net.

Wolves Den Parkway, Watford City, ND.

11 a.m. - Freestyle Skateboarding Competition - Free admission. Registration, 11 a.m.; event starts, 12 p.m. Age groups: 8 and under; 9-16, 17 and up. Parent or guardian must be present in order to compete. Prizes will be awarded. Watford City Skate Park, Watford City, ND.
Sat., Aug. 12

5-9 p.m. - Farmer's Market & Burgers In The Park - Enjoy entertainment and games as well as Lion's Club burgers. Alexander Park on Manning Ave. New vendors are welcome, for more information call 701-828-3595. Alexander, ND. Sat., Aug. 26 8 a.m.-2 p.m. - McKenzie County Household Hazardous

Waste/E-Waste Collection Event - This event is open to all McKenzie County Residents. No business, commercial or oilfield waste will be accepted this day. McKenzie County Landfill, 2491 132nd Ave. NW, Arnegard, ND. For more information call 701-586-3445.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

Thurs., Aug. 10
5-9 p.m. - Summer Nights On Main: The Cody Charles
Band - Live music by The Cody Charles Band, food vendors, kids' activities, beer gardens and a great time. Downtown Williston, ND.

Fri., Aug. 11 North Dakota Chokecherry Festival - Family friendly event which includes good food, great music, vendor booths, a 5K run, late night movie in the park and more. This event continues on Aug. 12. Kid zone on Saturday dubbed the "Chokecherry Pit" and a chokecherry pit spitting contest. Harmon Park, Williston, ND.

Sat., Aug. 12 9 a.m.-12 p.m. - Farmers Market - Home grown products, visits from the fire department and MonDak Animal Rescue, DIY crafts and food trucks. 110 W Broadway Parking Lot, Upper Missouri District Health Unit, Williston, ND. For more information call 701-580-9343 go to www.willistondowntown.

Thurs., Aug. 17 Summer Jam 2017 - Good food, good drinks and great country music. This event continues through Aug. 20. Black Magic Harley-Davidson, 6611 2nd Ave. West, Williston, ND. For more information visit Patriot Productions Facebook

Summer Jam event page. 7 p.m. - Fort Buford History Book Club - Join history buffs in a discussion of this month's selected book, "As I Remember," by Mrs. Morris (Gladys) Kauffman. Free refreshments. Please call in advance, 701-572-9034.

Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. - Confluence Quilters Monthly Meeting - All

experience levels invited and instruction provided. Bring your own lunch and unfinished projects. This event continues on Aug. 19. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. 701-572-9034. Sun., Aug. 20

11 a.m.-5 p.m. - Cowboy Poetry - Open to the public. Donations are accepted. Performers will rotate 20 minute sessions throughout the afternoon. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. For more information call 701-572-9034.

Dawson County

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Zone

Sat., Aug. 12
10 a.m. - Glendive Cancer Support Group - Survivors and caregivers welcome. GMC Canary Center, 202 Prospect Dr.,

Glendive, MT. 406-377-4639. **Thurs., Aug. 17** 8:30 p.m. - Movie Under The Stars - The Good Dinosaur In Glendive - Makoshika State Park, 1301 Snyder Avenue, Glendive, MT. For more information contact Sue Veroye, 406-377-6256

Sat., Aug. 19 10 a.m.-3 p.m. - Glendive Assembly of God Velocity Youth Car Wash - Free will donation. Albertsons parking lot, 307 N

Harmon St., Glendive, MT.



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Savage's Emily Reynolds Attends **Journalism Conference in Washington, DC**

By Stephanie Ler

Savage High School senior Emily Reynolds has laid the footwork for a career in journalism at the 2017 Washington Journalism and Media Conference at George Mason University.

Reynolds was nominated for the conference by her art teacher, Cassandra Moos. Teachers are encouraged by the program to nominate students in grades 9 through 11 who show strong academic performance and an interest in journalism and media. At first, Reynolds was not aware that she was nominated. "When I got the letter, I thought it was spam. But I called the number and they said it was real!" Reynolds explained. Reynolds explained that Ms. Moos had nominated her based on several factors-one being that she "got a glow" when talking about writing, and had written one particular essay that was "brilliant, in a unique style of writing", Reynolds said Ms.

Moos told her. At first, Reynolds was uneasy about pursuing the opportunity, because it was expensive and she felt "like a small fish in a big pond." Reynolds credits both the community and her parents for helping her raise funds for the program.

In July, Reynolds left small-town Montana to serve as a National Youth Correspondent at the conference held in Fairfax, Virginia, about 15 minutes from Washington, DC. Reynolds was the only correspondent from Montana this year, and according to one program leader, there hasn't been a Montana correspondent in several years.

For six days, Reynolds and more than 200 other correspondents from other areas heard presentations from nationally and internationally recognized media journalists, like Bryan Lamb from C-SPAN, and Susan Goldberg, Editor in Chief of National Geographic Magazine, as well as journalists from sports news, movie critics, and radio hosts, among other journalism professionals.

Reynolds also took advantage of the opportunity to visit Washington, DC, and speak directly with Montana Senator Steve Daines and Congressman Greg Gianforte. Of Senator Daines, Reynolds nervous." The trip came at the perfect time to meet with Congressman Gianforte, as Emily penned and gave him a letter asking for his support in saving the Intake Dam. "They both listened to everything I said," and Gianforte later visited the Dam himself.

The six days of the conference were quick, but the lessons Reynolds learned will last. "A lot of people say journalism is a dying business, but it's not. I definitely saw a more political side of journalism. This was something I needed. I created a network of people that have the same interests. It was amazing," Reynolds said of the experience.

When asked if she will pursue a career in journalism. Revnolds' answer is a "most definitely", and she will be utilizing opportunities in the community as a spring board. Reynolds asked Savage School to be involved in the regular newsletter and the school website, and has made contact with both the Sidney Herald and the The Roundup



Savage High School senior Emily Reynolds poses with the Knight Studio sign during the Washington Journalism and Media Conference at George Mason **University.** (Photo submitted)

newspapers in Sidney for journalist. available opportunities.

Reynolds speaks of her experience at the conference fondly, and inserts that "It put in perspective that small town kids can go big city, as long as you put in the hard work," a lesson that should help her achieve her goals as a









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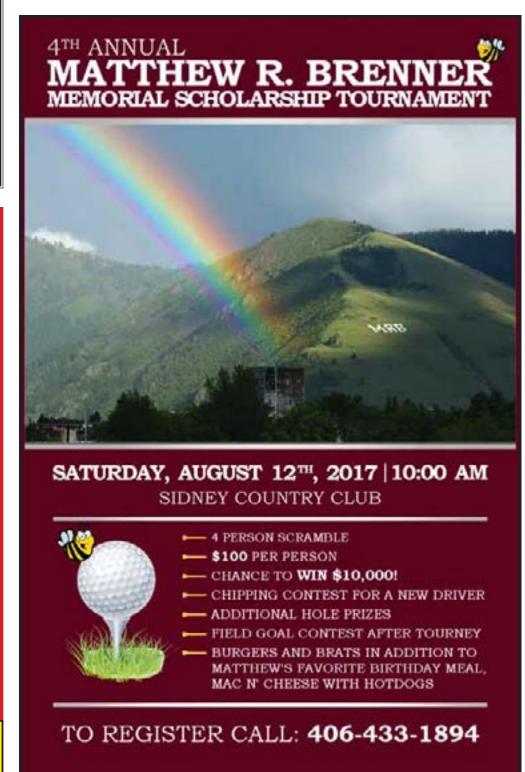
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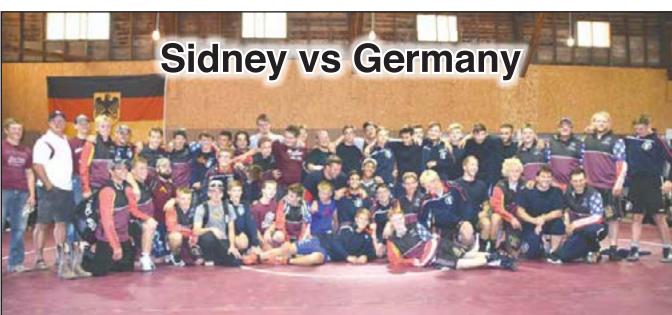


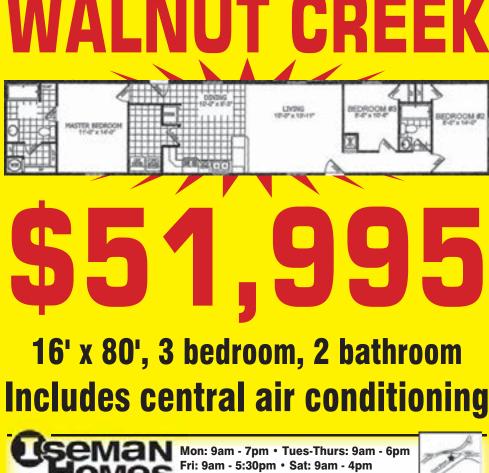
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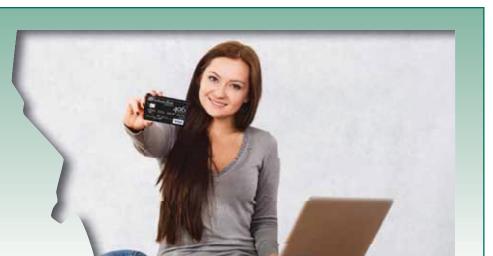




Above: A team of former and current wrestlers from Sidney, Circle and Great Falls took on an exchange team from Germany on Wednesday night during the Richland County Fair. For more photos from the wrestling event go to The Roundup website at roundupweb. com.

Left: Loretta Schlothauer, Fairview, was serenaded by **Charley Jenkins** Wednesday night of the **Richland County Fair as** he celebrated couples who had been married a long time. Loretta and her husband Harold have been married 50 years.

For more photos from the 2017 Richland County Fair go to roundupweb. com.



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OBITUARIES Matthew R.

Harriet Hillesland Sidney, MT

Funeral services for Harriet Hillesland, 86, of Sidney are at 3 p.m., Wednesday, August 9 at Pella Lutheran Church, Sidney, MT.

Cremation will follow funeral services under the direction of Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home of Sidney, MT.

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

Harriet died on Sunday, August 6 at Sidney Health Center Extended Care, Sidney, MT.

Susan Renee Cowell, 59 Savage, MT

Memorial services for Susan Renee Cowell, 59, of Savage, MT at 2 p.m., Tuesday, August 15 at Sidney Church of the Nazarene with Pastor Richard Evans officiating.

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

Susan finally lost her long battle of over seven years with COPD on August 1 at Sidney Health Center.

Duane Breitling, 68 Sidney, MT

Duane Breitling, 68, of Sidney, MT passed away Tuesday morning at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Per his wishes, there will be no funeral services and cremation has taken place.

There was a celebration of Duane's life at the VFW in Sidney from 3-6 p.m. on Saturday, August 5. Remembrances, pictures and condolences may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

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Brenner Memorial Scholarship Tournament

The fourth annual Matthew R. Brenner Memorial Scholarship Tournament will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, August 12 at the Sidney Country Club.

This tournament is a four-person scramble at \$100 per person. There is a chance to win \$10,000. Also included in the tournament is a chipping contest for a new driver and there will be additional hole prizes.

After the tournament a field goal contest will be held. Also enjoy burgers and brats in addition to Matthew's favorite birthday meal of mac n' cheese with hot dogs.

To register for this tournament, call 406-433-1894.

Red Cross Blood Drive

There will be a Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, August 22, from 12:30-6 p.m. at St. Matthews Parish Center, 310 7th St. SE, Sidney.

To make an appointment, call Red Cross at 406-403-0956 or visit redcrossblood. org. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are recommended. Give blood - help save lives.







The Williston Convention & Visitors Bureau along with the North Dakota Chokecherry Festival Committee is excited to bring this family friendly event back to Harmon Park for its 11th annual year this August 11-12. The festival celebrates the chokecherry as the North Dakota state fruit and honors the accomplishments of youth.

Prior to 2007, North Dakota had not named a state fruit. Williston students in Nancy Selby's sixth grade class reached out to state lawmakers as part of a persuasive letter writing assignment, which in turn led to legislation designating the chokecherry as the State Fruit of North Dakota. Senator Stanley Lyson and Senator Nick Hacker sponsored Senate Bill 2145, and Governor John Hoeven signed the bill into law on March 29, 2007. Williston held the first North Dakota Chokecherry Festival August 18, 2007. The celebration has continued to evolve and grow each year.

Longtime festival supporter Nemont will kick things off at 4pm with the 1000 Burger Feed (free burgers for as long as they last!) and another annual sponsor, American State Bank, will be offering free ice cream sundaes with chokecherry syrup while supplies last. This year, North Dakota native Cody Charles and The Cody Charles Band will play live at the Virgil Syverson Performance Center begininng at 5pm. Festival attendees are encouraged to browse vendor stalls and enjoy the music, then return to the park with blankets and sleeping bags for an outdoor family movie at 10:30pm.

The festival continues on Saturday with a variety of events. Enjoy a free pancake breakfast served by local Lions members and Community Builders, 7:30-10a.m. Runners of all ages are encouraged to take part in the Chokecherry 5k and 1 mile fun run; registration will begin at 8a.m. with the

race starting at 8:30a.m. More live music fills the stage on Saturday, featuring local favorite Brian Salveson, Teddy Talent Trek winners and North Dakota natives Lexi Wyman followed by Tigirlily in the afternoon.

Kids will love participating in the popular Chokecherry Stroll on Saturday. All children are encouraged to dress up however they like and decorate their bikes and wagons. The stroll will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end in Harmon Park with a short program on the stage. Kids who participate in the stroll will receive a raffle ticket for fun prizes! The Kids Chokecherry Pit will open at 10 a.m. It features face-painting, balloon twisting, a chokecherry pit-spitting contest and other free family activities.

The Ultimate Air Dogs, a nationally-acclaimed dock dog jumping organization (www.ultimateairdogs.com), will return to the ND Chokecherry Festival on both Friday and Saturday with demonstrations by their own dogs and competitions for the public throughout the day. For the first time, the North Dakota Chokecherry Festival will be regional qualifying event for the Ultimate Air Dogs National Championships in the fall. The top 5 dogs in each division (Distance Jumping, Fetch It, Catch It and Chase It) will qualify to compete at National Championship event at Purina Farms this October. Each division will also have \$500 in prize money.

All ages love watching the Ultimate Air Dogs. The public is encouraged to bring their water-loving, people friendly furry family members to participate at the festival. All sizes, breeds and ages are welcome, as long as they can swim!

Bear Hollow Wood Carvers will be offering live chainsaw carving demonstrations on Friday and Saturday. Their finished artwork will be available through a silent auction in the park,

with proceeds going to support the festival. This year, the event will also feature an expanded car show at the south end of Harmon Park!

The North Dakota Chokecherry Festival is supported the Williston Convention & Visitors Bureau as well as many business and individual sponsors. Events like the ND Chokecherry Festival could not happen without public support and sponsorship. If you are interested in being a festival supporter, contact the CVB at 701-774-9041.





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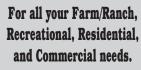
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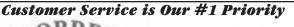
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DPHHS Urges Caution Regarding Rabies and Bats

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Public health officials recently assessed two situations where groups of people were potentially exposed to bats while they slept.

One situation occurred when one group stayed overnight in a gymnasium. Group members reported seeing bats on the walls and in the rafters above the area where they slept. Due to the risk, public health recommended vaccination (also known as rabies post exposure prophylaxis) to the exposed individuals.

In the second situation, a group of traveled to another country where bats were found in the sleeping area of their rustic cabin. However, in this

situation, public health officials determined that no exposures were identified because mosquito netting would have prevented any bat contact with a sleeping individual.

As a result of successful vaccination efforts of dogs and cats, transmission of rabies in the United States rarely occurs from a dog or cat bite. While rare, the majority of recent human rabies cases acquired in the United States have been related to bat exposures, many with no documented bite or contact with a bat. A recent human fatality in Wyoming in 2015 and Montana's only two reported cases of human rabies, 1996 and 1997, followed this pattern.

Because bat bites inflicted by small, needle-like teeth can be difficult or impossible to detect, it is important to report potential bat exposures to a health care provider or public health officials for a risk assessment. Bats found in sleeping areas are a concern because sleeping people and small children may not be aware or are unable to report an exposure, "It is important to consult with health authorities if you find a bat in your home," said Department of Public Health and Human Services communicable disease nurse Jen Fladager.

To avoid possible exposures, keep the following rabies prevention tips in mind:

 Do not feed or handle wild animals, especially bats. Teach children never to touch wild animals or handle bats. even dead ones. Ask children to tell an adult if they see or find a bat.

 Vaccinate dogs and cats against rabies. All dogs and cats should have a current rabies certificate.

 Bat-proof your house. Close all outside openings larger than 3/8" in the walls, roofs, and floors. Put screens on all windows, doors and

chimneys to prevent bats from entering.

· Watch for abnormal wild animal behavior. Most wild animals are not seen during the daytime. If you see one and it is acting strangely, leave it alone and contact your local health department or animal control agency.

"We encourage local public health agencies and partners to share this information, particularly with groups that may be sleeping in 'primitive' conditions and the owner/ operators of rustic establishments that may be frequented by bats this time of year," said Fladager.

It may be possible to test the animal to rule out rabies and eliminate the need for treatment. Contact the local health department or animal control for assistance to safely capture bats for testing.

More information on rabies in Montana can be found at: dphhs.mt.gov



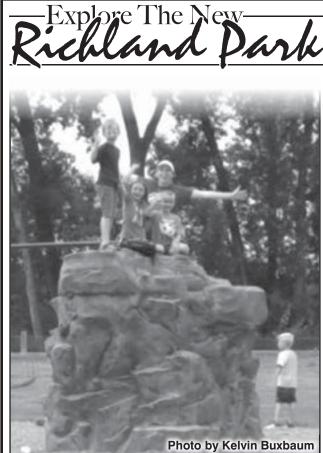












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In time for summer fishing, FWP staff has restocked across Montana's Hi-Line. The "Kids to Fish" program lets youngsters check out fishing rods and reels and use basic tackle, such as hooks, bobbers, and sinkers. Typically, eight rods are at each location, and usually a tackle box is available to borrow/use the available tackle.

Pure Fishing, D & G Sports & Western in Glasgow, and Stromberg's Sinclair and the North 40 Outfitters store in Havre have given FWP substantial discounts that help keep the program sustainable. In addition, The Front Brewing in Great Falls, along with partner Nemont Beverage in Glasgow, were kind enough to donate money to the program.

FWP Region 6 intern Bowden Godfrey, a student at the University of Montana-Western, has been busy maintaining the gear and helping resupply the sites over the last few months.

"Just because someone

doesn't have a fishing rod to make the necessary changdoesn't mean they shouldn't be able to go fishing," Godfrey said. "Whether it's a cousin in town that wants to go along, or just an extra pole is needed for catfishing on the Milk River, we want as many kids as possible go out and fish.

"The many business owners and other folks who participate in the program deserve special thanks," adds Marc Kloker, Region 6 Information and Education Program Manager. "They're helping a lot of kids have fun on the water this summer."

The sturdy loaner rods come already rigged with bobbers, split-shot and hooks. Youngsters are required to sign out the equipment at the site and return it in good working order. Kloker reminds folks

that these rods are to be brought back to the loaner location, even if damaged. "We really want these poles brought back to their location sites," says Kloker. "The next kid that comes along should also have a chance to fish."

If poles are continually lost or stolen, the program will need es and location sites may be removed. In addition, some sites that haven't seen much use have had their poles removed and taken elsewhere with more opportunities.

More than 400 of these fishing rods are available to be checked out from the outlets by individuals, families, organizations, church groups and schools. If you have any questions about the program, or are interested in having poles available at other locations in your community, please contact Kloker at 406-228-3704.

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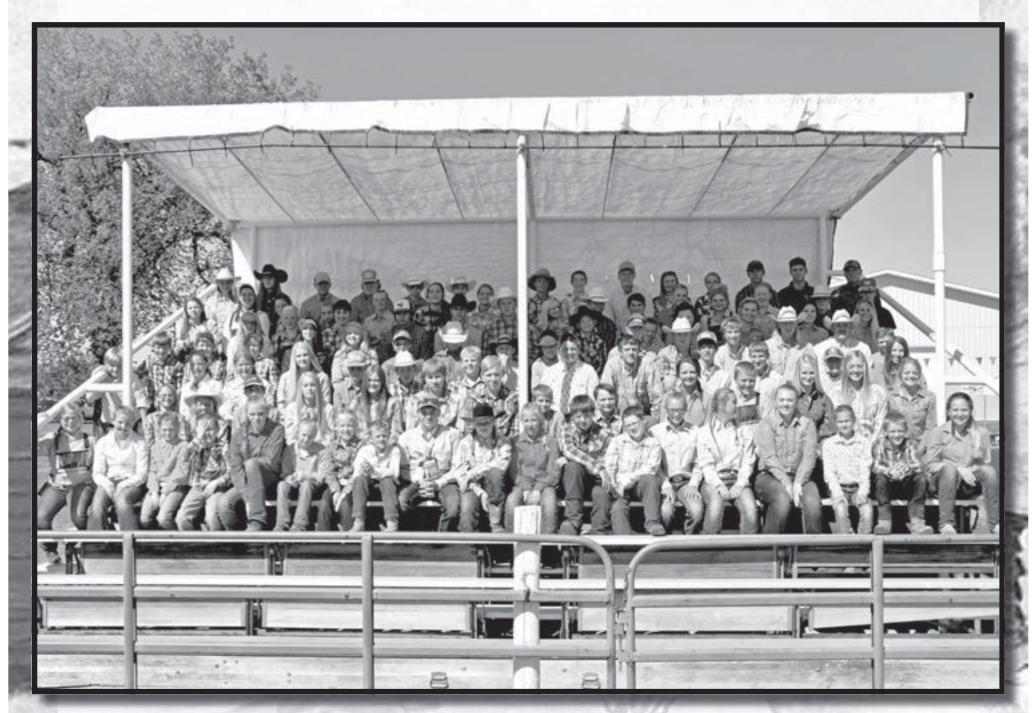
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The ELSA recognizes libraries for achieving excellence in serving their communities in areas including collection development, information access, policies, planning and evaluation, fiscal management, board accomplishments, continuing education for staff and trustees, and outreach to the community. The ELSA requirements are adapted from Montana's current Public Library Standards, which serves as a measuring tool for libraries in the state.

"The Montana State Library Commission is pleased to recognize Montana's excellent libraries with the ELSA award," said Chair Colet Bartow in a provided statement. "Montana's communities face unique challenges of geography, scarce resources, and diverse needs. The libraries that receive the ELSA are not only meeting these challenges, they are exceeding expectations to ensure that the communities they serve are provided with the best resources, services, technology and information. Congratulations to the trustees, library staff, and communities for their commitment to excellence."

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It is the front door to our community! A Chamber of Commerce is a one stop information and resource center for visitors, locals, businesses, and those outside of the area seeking information and assistance. A Chamber of Commerce is also a business network of members that represents the interests of businesses from all sectors and sizes and advocates on behalf of the members

In 1768 a group of twenty business leaders in New York City founded the first Chamber of Commerce in America. There are now more than 3,000 Chambers of Commerce nationwide and almost 100 Chambers in the State of Montana. A Chamber of Commerce can be made of businesses located in a city, a group of cities, or a region. Regardless of size or type of businesses, the Chamber of Commerce is involved with leadership development, volunteerism, educational development, regional cooperation, economic development, member services, maintaining alliances at the local, state and federal levels, communicating current issues, candidate forums, workforce issues, housing issues, and quality of life issues that impact our community! A Chamber of Commerce is not a division of a city, county, or state; however it does work with government partners to accomplish common goals.

A Chamber of Commerce generates revenue in numerous ways, the most important way is through members who choose to invest in their local Chamber of Commerce and pay an annual membership fee. Every Chamber of Commerce is unique and therefore has a membership structure that best fits their group. Additional funding comes from fundraising, special events, or tourism grants depending on the focus of the Chamber. A Chamber of Commerce uses the revenue generated by membership dues and fundraising to operate a facility staffed by knowledgeable individuals who work on issues relevant to the membership, advertise member businesses, host networking events, provide referrals to residents from a Chamber business directory, support businesses with logistics, and much more.

Many Chamber of Commerce organizations belong to their State Chamber of Commerce Association and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. These larger associations provide leverage to smaller groups and can advance issues on a larger scale than if one Chamber were to do it alone.

The mission of the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture is to provide leadership by fostering a progressive economic environment in support and promotion of the business and agricultural community. The Sidney Chamber has a long history of working for member businesses and will continue to be a resource for visitors, residents, and the economy for Sidney and the surrounding area. The Sidney Chamber is kicking off a membership drive, "Love where you live, it starts with us!" If you or your business would like to join the Sidney Chamber or have questions about membership, please contact the office at 433-1916 and visit with Executive Director, Susan Joy or Communications/Office Manager, Madina McGlothern.

North Dakota Recognizes Infant Friendly Businesses During World Breastfeeding Week

In honor of World Breastfeeding Week, August 1-7, the North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) recognizes that 111 businesses in North Dakota have been designated Infant Friendly since 2011.

World Breastfeeding Week is an annual global celebration drawing attention to the health impacts of breastfeeding for both babies and mothers. The theme this year is "Sustaining Breastfeeding Together," celebrating that working together for the common good produces sustainable results, greater than the sum of individual efforts.

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommends exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months of a baby's life, followed by breastfeeding in combination with the introduction of complementary foods until at least 12 months of age. In North Dakota, 82 percent of women start breastfeeding their infants, but by six months only 23 percent continue exclusively breastfeeding.

One reason for decreasing breastfeeding rates as infants get older is maternal employment. According to the United States

Census Bureau, in North Dakota, 74 percent of women with children younger than six years of age are in the workforce. This creates the perfect opportunity for businesses to support employees with their breastfeeding goals.

According to Mikaela Schlosser, Maternal Child Health Nutritionist with the NDDoH, "Workplace lactation support is a temporary accommodation that can be a win-win for the employee and business. A supportive work environment improves morale. Supportive businesses can experience reduced health care costs, lower turnover rates, and higher productivity."

The NDDoH is pleased to announce the following North Dakota businesses obtained Infant Friendly designation since August 2016:

· Williston - CHI St. Alexi-

us Health, Eide Bailly LLP Employers can apply for the Infant Friendly designation if they adopt a policy that includes components outlined in North Dakota law SB2344. Organizations can find resources for supporting their employees and the simple application at ndhealth.gov/breastfeeding.

For more information about the Infant Friendly designation or World Breastfeeding Week, contact Mikaela Schlosser, North Dakota Department of Health, at 701.328.4529.