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A Family Tradition, Watford City's Homefest Is Around The Corner

By Jaymi Mozeak

Watford City will be having its 33rd annual Homefest Friday, July 14-Saturday, July 15. Several different events will be put on across Watford City.

On July 14, the Watford City Community and Economic Development will be having an open house at 10 a.m.

At 11 a.m., Dakota West Credit Union will be holding a Customer Appreciation event.

Next at 3 p.m., Gretchen Stenehjem author of "Buddy the Dog" will be at Pioneer Gifts and Books.

At 7 p.m., the 406 FMX Races will be held at the McKenzie County Ag Expo.

The street dance on Main Street with Junction 281 at 8 p.m. will finish out the evening.

At 9 a.m., July 15 the 5K Run/Walk will start at the Rough Rider Center.

At 10 a.m. there will be an Art Show at 1st International Bank; high school tours at Watford City High School; and Arts in the Park. During Arts in the Park will be a fun Homefest tradition at the Tourist Park Covered Stage.

The baby pageant sponsored by Beaver Creek Kids will start at 11 a.m. The theme is "Let's Disco!" Registration is \$10 per child. Participants, are asked to arrive 15 minutes before start time to make sure you and your baby are ready to shine. Contact Beaver Creek Kids for questions 701-495-2480 or beavercreekcreations@gmail.com.

At 10:30 a.m. the Co-Ed Mud Volleyball Tournament will start at Tourist Park.

At 1:30 p.m., the Lil Wrangler Youth Rodeo will be held at the old fairgrounds.

At 3 p.m., a Cornhole Tournament will be held on Main Street.

Then at 4 p.m. the Dedication of Veterans Memorial Park will take place. At 4:30 p.m., the American Bombshells will begin their performance as part of the dedication.

Finishing out the evening there will be a street dance on Main Street starting at 8 p.m. with Josie and the Whalers.

On both days the Missoula Children's Theatre will be performing "King Arthur's Quest" at Watford City High School and "End of the Rope" will be playing at the Six Shooter Theatre.

Most of the events going on during Homefest will be free but, registration or tickets will need to be purchased to participate in the Homefest 5K Run/Walk, Beaver Creek Baby Pageant, Mud Volleyball Tournament, and Cornhole Tournament.

For more information about Watford City's Homefest contact Watford City Chamber at 701-570-5084 or visit the Facebook page for the event.



The Co-Ed Mud Volleyball Tournament will return this year at Tourist Park starting at 10:30 a.m. July 15. (Photo by Kathy Taylor)

Green Acres Sod Farm Under New Ownership

By Jaymi Mozeak

After 26 years, Richard and Josie Riedel have sold their family-owned and operated sod farm, Green Acres, to a past customer.

The Riedel's started their sod farm originally in western Montana. Then they moved back to rural East Fairview. Richard was born and raised on the land that Green Acres Sod Farm sits on now. They originally tried farming the usual crops such as sugar beets, wheat, and corn but it was hard for them. They tried sod on just one acre and now Green Acres Sod Farm spans 70 acres. They grow only a 5-way blend of grade-A Kentucky Bluegrass. Using sod is a quick exception to seeded lawns. Richard explained that while it can take up to two years to establish a healthy lawn from seed, it takes just a couple of weeks



Pictured (L-R) Josie and Richard Riedel, former owners of Green Acres Sod Farm, have been showing Garold Gilster, new owner of the sod farm, how to run his new business and keep it the success it has been for 26 years. (Photo by Jaymi Mozeak)

to establish a healthy lawn from sod. They sell to the general public, homeowners, contractors, subdivision developers, landscapers, and more. Their sod even carpets the outfield of a few stadiums in the MonDak

region. Richard said, "As Green Acres Sod Farm, we have strived to be a top turf sod producer in eastern Montana and western North Dakota."

The Riedels have decided to retire, however,

and after much prayer and searching decided to sell Green Acres Sod Farm to Garold Gilster, a small business owner from Williston. Richard approached him about it, but Gilster was

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Renee Arcand Still Missing, Last Seen At Intake



Renee Arcand. (Facebook photo)

Renee Arcand was last seen at her fish Intake camp site (Glendive) the night of Monday, June 26. She has been missing since Tuesday, June 27 in Dawson County.

Her dog, Bean, (grey Chihuahua mix) is also missing, while her dog Zizzy was found 15 miles outside of Glendive Saturday, July 1.

Arcand is 36 years old, about 5'6", weighs about 150 lbs, and has brown hair and hazel eyes. She has a heart and vine tattoo on her leg and a "This too shall pass" quote on her wrist.

The Dawson County Sheriff's Office have used dogs and other experts to help search by land and water and have searched from the air with both plane and infrared drones.

Downstream authorities have been notified and are looking as well.

Sonar has been ruled out for now because of the high muddy water, but the sheriff says it's an option when conditions allow.

Please contact the Dawson County Sheriff's Office at 406-377-5291 if you have seen her within the last week or two.

Richland County Property Assessment Public Meeting, July 18

By Meagan Dotson

The Montana Department of Revenue's Property Assessment Division will be holding a meeting, Tuesday, July 18 at the Richland County Event Center, 2118 Holly St. from 1-4 p.m. It is one of several meetings being held across the state to explain how property assessments are determined and answer the public's questions.

Richland County residents recently received real property classification and appraisal notices. These are not tax bills, but rather assessments used by county treasurers to determine taxable value for 2023 and

2024. The market value of all residential, commercial and industrial properties is required to be updated with current market value every two years and the determination of productivity value for agricultural properties is also every two years.

If property owners disagree with their assessments, they have 30 days from the date on their classification and appraisal notices to submit a request for an Informal Classification and Appraisal Review (form AB-26). The form, and more information about the process, can be found online at MTRRevenue.gov and downloaded and printed, or

submitted online.

It is important that property owners attend this meeting to have their questions answered and submit necessary Informal Classification and Appraisal Review forms within 30 days of their dated notices as it will be too late when taxes are due in November for changes to be made for 2023. Formal appeals can also be submitted within 30 days to the County Clerk and Recorder's Office to be reviewed by the County Tax Appeal Board, which is not connected to the Department of Revenue, rather an independent board appointed by county commissioners. However,

your local office would like the opportunity to review your property with you before you file with the County Tax Appeal board. After this review, a formal appeal can also be submitted if a property owner disagrees with the outcome of the informal review. Those who miss the 30-day deadline will have until June 1, 2024 to submit an Informal Classification and Appraisal Review for 2024.

Anyone who has questions about their property assessment can go to Property.MT.gov and view details about their property such as square footage, number of bedrooms, etc.

For those unable to attend the afternoon meeting on July 18, online zoom meetings will be held at 5:30 p.m. on July 17, and 4 p.m. July 25. Zoom links can be found by going to MTRRevenue.gov/property and clicking on PAD Public Meeting Schedule (Zoom meeting days, times and links are located at the bottom of the page).

To speak with your local Department of Revenue Field Office, call 406-433-1203 Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.



Sidney Jaycees Car Show Winner

Gene Trudell was the People's Choice winner at the Sidney Jaycees Car Show held in conjunction with the Jaycees July 4th Celebration held at the Richland County Fairgrounds. Trudell's winning vehicle was his 1956 Ford F100. Winning Kids Choice was Francisco Aguilar.

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 along with the birthday cake

Hilde is looking forward to coming back to
 Sidney & seeing her family & many friends.
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 others who may not take the paper.

AREA RECOVERY GROUPS

MONDAYS:
 12 p.m. — AA Monday Noon Group, Matthew House Office, 416 2nd St. NW, Sidney, MT.
 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. — Grief Recovery 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.

TUESDAYS:
 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 God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT.

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

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

FRIDAYS:
 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.
 7 p.m. — AA 24 group meeting, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

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.

OBITUARIES

Elroy Kittleson, 89 Fairview, MT

Funeral services for Elroy Kittleson, 89, Fairview, MT, were held Friday, July 7, 2023 at 10 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church, Fairview, MT, with Pastor Tim O'Shields officiating. A luncheon followed the service for a time of fellowship and sharing. Elroy was laid to rest at the Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, MT. Visitation was Thursday, July 6, 2023, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Fulkerson-Stevenson Memorial Chapel, Sidney, MT. Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.



Elroy Kittleson

Elroy Kittleson passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at Roosevelt Medical Center, Culbertson, MT with family by his side.

Elroy Kittleson was born on the 9th day of the 5th month on the 34th year (as he always used to say) to Jennie Euakima Storvik Kittleson and Henry Clarence Kittleson, Sidney, MT. He was a younger brother to sister Helen, and older brother to Jim and Hank (Henry Jr.). They were raised on the family farm northwest of Fairview. As a child, he attended school at Nohly until the 8th grade – the old saying, "uphill both ways," was a true story in his younger years!

The passing of their mom when the kids were small left Helen in charge of her younger brothers. Elroy learned hard work ethics and discipline at a very young age and it carried him through his entire life. Elroy was an avid baseball fan and really enjoyed playing the sport, until he broke his leg. The "backstop" (an old mattress spring) is still standing to this day in the field he played many games in years ago.

He married his wife, Ruth Stride, in 1956, and to this union five children were born: Dennis, Ken, Doug, Barbie, and Dan.

Elroy served on the ASC committee for over 20 years, the elevator board, and many other projects. His true passion, however, was farming and ranching. He spent most of his life riding his horses and doing things "the old way." He saw lots of changes in his life – from no electricity to electric windows in his pickup and cellphones, which he liked to have good long conversations on.

Once his kids were grown, Elroy was blessed with many grandchildren and then nicknamed "Gramps." He followed the kids around their activities and enjoyed watching them grow. If you ask the kids, they will say they picked a lot of rock in the early years – cuz Gramps would pick them up to go somewhere, but there was always a field over yonder that they could detour to first. Rock picking was an important thing of skill on the farm! By the time the great grandkids came, they could always find an ice cream bar waiting for them in Gramp's office freezer.

Elroy very much enjoyed branding as it always was, and still is, a good time to get together with family and friends.

He bowled for many years, swathed hay up to the age of 88, and stayed active in the day-to-day operations at the ranch until his passing. He gave so many life lessons, was always fair, non-judgmental, and kind, not to mention humble. He was one of the last of his kind, and he will be truly missed by all who loved him in so many ways.

Surviving Elroy is his wife, Ruth; children Ken (Marion), Doug (Marsha), and Dan; grandchildren Dustin, Nick, Trista (Ty), Joren, Jared, Alex, Dak, Vanessa, Courtney (Trevor), Brandon (Brady), Tiffany, Casey, and Ryan; great-grandchildren Eve, Jessalyn, Kaisyn, Nevaeh, Bailee, Kenley, Taylee, Radley, Berklee, Westen, Waylon, Maddison, Brooklyn, Sophia, Payton, Blake, Tylor, Fischer, Easton, Ryder, Oaklyn, Theodore, and Corbin; his brother Jim; numerous nieces and nephews, and bonus family member Corey Glisson.

He is preceded in death by his parents Henry and Jenny; his brother Hank; sister Helen; daughter Barbie; son Dennis; and grandson Tayler.

JuDean "Sonny" Sundheim, 84, Fairview, MT

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 10 a.m. at Ebenezer Congregational Church, Sidney, MT, with Pastor David Meehan officiating. JuDean was laid to rest at Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, MT, with Military Honors presented by the United States Air Force Honor Guard and VFW Post Post 4099. Visitation was Monday, July 10, 2023, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Fulkerson-Stevenson Memorial Chapel, Sidney, MT. Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

JuDean "Sonny" Sundheim was born April 27, 1939, to Ole and Alvina Sundheim, Williston, ND. They say he was small enough to fit in a shoebox. JuDean grew up on the family farm west of Fairview with older sister Delores and brothers Orion, Robert, Jim, and Gerald.

Sonny attended school in Fairview and graduated in the spring of '58. He then enlisted in the Air Force in the fall of '59. He was stationed in Florida, TX, Washington D.C., and Alaska.

After being discharged from the Air Force and returning home, Sonny met the love of his life, Patty. They quickly fell in love and were united in marriage on Dec. 5, 1964. Sonny and Patty were blessed with two sons, Kevin and Shawn, and raised them on the family farm 12 miles west of Fairview.

Sonny had a love of horses, guns, John Wayne westerns, aviation, mowing his lawn, and "trapping those darn moles!". One of his favorite pastimes was having coffee with his buddies at Sidney Carb & Electric. Sonny also loved cheering on the Vikings and commiserating over the games with Orion the following day. He was also a proud member of the American Legion Honor Guard.

Sonny passed away Tuesday, July 27, 2023 at the Sidney Health Center with family by his side after a brief but fierce battle with cancer.

JuDean is survived by his sons Kevin (Lora) and Shawn (Shelley); grandson Brady (Ashley); and granddaughter Sheridan (Alex).

He is preceded in death by his parents Ole and Alvina, and his beloved wife Patty.

EVENTS

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RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT.

Wed., July 12

10 a.m.-4 p.m. - **Carol Hartman's "Courage Enough" Exhibition** - Runs through July 29. - **Pat Olding "Montana Fabric" Exhibition** - Runs through Aug. 26. - MonDak Heritage Center, Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. For more info, 406-433-3500, or mdhc@richland.org.

Thurs., July 13

11:30 a.m. - **Richland Red Hatters Lunch Meeting** - Sidney Country Club. To RSVP call Paula, 406-489-2843 or Margaret, 406-489-1535.

Fri., July 14

11 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Kiwanis Pie Social** - Sidney Middle School, south entrance, 415 S. Central Ave. Hamburger/brat meal includes homemade beans, chips, drink & homemade pie, \$12. Whole pie purchase after 12 p.m. noon, \$18. Cash or checks accepted. Pre-order large orders by calling/texting 406-794-2304. All proceeds go to local kids.

Sat., July 14 (Every Sat. through Oct. 14)

7:30 a.m.-12 p.m. - **Richland County Farmers Market** - Handmade items & crafts, produce, & food products. Richland County Courthouse parking lot, corner of 2nd St. NW & 2nd Ave. NW.

Thurs., July 13-Sun., July 16

77th Annual Fairview Old Timers' Reunion & Summer Festival - Sharbono Park unless stated otherwise. Button honorees Gerry & Bev Reichenbach. **July 13:** Bingo & beer at Double Barrel, \$2/card, proceeds go to Post Prom 2024. - **July 14:** 5 p.m. Registration of old timers, hamburgers in the park \$10 a plate; & entertainment. Junior High Glow Party at Fairview pool, \$5 admission. - **July 15:** 6:30 a.m. Color fun race 5K; free breakfast, kiddie parade, grand parade, classic car show, water inflatables for kids, flag raising, open swim at Fairview pool, cornhole tournament, Open House at Senior Center, duck race at canal bridge, vendors & street dance. **July 16:** 9 a.m. Church in the park. For more info visit "Old Timers Reunion & Fairview Festival" Facebook page.

Sat., July 22

4 p.m.-12 a.m. - **Sunset Festival** - Live concert by "Bluebelly Junction", Kids Corner & Live Sketch & Auction by local artists. "Business by Kids" contest with prizes. Beer garden & food trucks. Veterans Memorial Park. For more info call the Sidney Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, 406-433-1916.

McKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT.

Thurs., July 13

5-8 p.m. - **Dogs On The Deck** - Food, beer garden, live music, crafts & games. Long X Visitors Center deck.

Fri., July 14 & Sat., July 15

10 a.m. - **Watford City Homefest - July 14:** Community & Economic Dev. Open House; Dakota West Customer Appreciation, Gretchen Stenehjem, "Buddy the Dog" signing", & 406 FMX races. **July 15:** Artists at First International Bank gallery, 5K run/walk; High School tours; Art in the Park, mud volleyball tournament, 'Lil Wrangler Youth Rodeo, cornhole tournament, Veterans Memorial Park dedication & American Bombshells concert. **Both Days:** Missoula Children Theater, "End of the Rope" film, food trucks & street dances.

Sat., July 15 (Saturdays July & Aug.)

1-3:30 p.m. - **Kids .22 Shoot at McKenzie County Sportsman's Club** - Ammo provided by the club for under 16. 16+ \$5 box. Parental supervision a must.

Tues., July 18

2-4 p.m. - **Food Pantry Handouts** - First Lutheran Church, 212 2nd St. NW. For more info call McKenzie Co. Extension Office, 701-444-3451 or visit McKenzie Co. Food Pantry Facebook page.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT.

Fri., July 14 & Sat., July 15

Christmas in July At Lewis & Clark State Park - Bring your Christmas decorations; have your camera ready to meet Santa & your wishes ready too. Free & open to the public, 4904 119th Rd NW, Epping, ND. Vehicle passes are required for park entrance: daily pass \$7 or annual pass \$35.

Sun., July 16

12-2 p.m. - **"Plein Air on the Prairie"** - Bring your art supplies & join members of the Williston Area Visual Artists for Plein Air painting. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. For more info call Yvette 701-572-9034.

Sun., July 18

11 a.m. - **Confluence Trail Walk History & Nature Lecture Series** - Free 1/2 mile guided walk beginning at Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center, proceeding westward to the cemetery near Fort Buford State Historic Site. Bring water, notebook to record details & binoculars are recommended. For more info call Yvette 701-572-9034.

Sun., July 22

9 a.m.-2 p.m. - **9th Annual Lemonade Day** - Watch for lemonade stands set up all across Williston. For more info visit <https://lemonadeday.org/williston>.

4:30-7 p.m. - **Lemonade Day BBQ** - Free BBQ & activities for Lemonade Day participants, friends & family members. Davidson Park, 11th St. & 9th Ave. W.

Sun., July 23

2 p.m. - **History and Nature Lecture Series** - Daphne Clark presents "Nature Journaling", which is used for relaxation & therapeutic purposes. Hear how Lewis & Clark, Prince Maximilian, & others have used this method for scientific studies. Bring a notebook or journal to participate. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. For more info call Yvette 701-572-9034.

DAWSON COUNTY

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT

Thurs., July 13

6 p.m. - **Friends of the Library Brains & Brews Trivia** - Up to 4 people per team, \$10; or be your own team for \$3 per player. Cross Country Brewing, 320 E. Allard.

Sat. July 15

1:30-11:55 p.m. - **Glendive Community Cancer Fund Golf Scramble** - Enjoy a day of golf & help support the cancer fund. Cottonwood Country Club. To register contact Staci, sknuths@me.com or 406-698-1701.

Sun., July 16

2 p.m. - **68th Annual Richey Rodeo** - Wild horse race, jackpot team roping, wild pony race, ranch bronc riding, bull riding, steer wrestling, ladies barrel race & goat tying & more. Admission \$10 adults; \$5 students. Oland Tucker concert at Saddle Club Grounds Sat. 8 p.m. Richey Saddle Club.

Sat., July 22

8:30 a.m. - **Diep N Twist Richey's Annual Car Show** - Firemens Breakfast, 8:30-10:30 a.m.; Registration 10 a.m., Voting 12 p.m. \$15 day of car show. 1st prize awards for cars, pickups, motorcycles, rat rods announced at 3:15 p.m. Car show will be held July 23 if rain occurs.

First Responder Awards Dinner Held At Kent Pelton Park June 6

By Jaymi Mozeak

On Tuesday, June 6, McKenzie County held its 19th Annual First Responders Golf Scramble and Awards Dinner.

The annual awards dinner for First Responders in McKenzie County was held at Kent Pelton Park, Watford City.

Conoco Phillips offered to cook and serve the dinner

this year as they wanted to do this for all the First Responders and their families.

Those departments that were recognized were fire departments, law enforcement, EMS ambulance/QRUs, corrections, and local dispatch. Fairview, Sidney, Williston and New Town fire were also invited as they to protect portions of McKenzie County and at times respond

to mutual aid calls with other McKenzie County Fire Departments.

Emergency Manager Karolin Jappe said, "This year we wanted to step it up and give an award to one person in each department that provides services in McKenzie County. In the past, there were only five awards given out, one to each category. This year,

each department submitted a name from its department to be recognized. Twenty-two awards in all were given out along with door prizes."

We are very grateful for everything that First Responders do for each of our communities and McKenzie County as a whole.



Pictured (L-R) Fairview Firefighter of the year is Lloyd Fugate. Award was presented by Fairview Fire Chief Ryan Taylor. (Facebook picture)



Pictured (L-R) McKenzie County's Commissioner Howdy Lawlar presents the McKenzie County Ambulance's EMS award of the year to Karson Knudtson. (Picture by Kristi Powell Photography)



Watford City's Firefighter of the year is Tyler Uhlich, center. Award was presented by McKenzie County's Commissioner Howdy Lawlar, left, while McKenzie County's Emergency Manager Karolin Jappe, right, gets ready for the next recipient. (Picture by Kristi Powell Photography)



Pictured Sidney's Firefighter of the year is Adam Smith, right. Award was presented by Richland County's Emergency Manager Brandon Roth, left. (Facebook picture)

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2022 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

Town of Fairview | PWSID# MTO000213 PO Box 426 | Fairview, MT 59221

We're very pleased to provide you with this year's Annual Quality Water Report. We want to keep you informed about the excellent water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is and always has been, to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. Our water source is ground water from two wells. We have completed a source water protection plan that provides more information such as potential sources of contamination to our drinking water supply. This plan can be found online at <https://deq.mt.gov/water/Programs/dw/#accordon1-collapse2>

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife;
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming;
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses;
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems;
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

We're pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets federal and state requirements.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water, please contact **Dan Murphy**. He is a certified operator and can be reached at **742-5626**. You may also attend any of our meetings. They are held the **second Wednesday of each month at 7 PM at the Fairview Senior Center.**

Fairview routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following table shows the results of any detects in our monitoring for the period of **January 1st to December 31st, 2022**. For constituents that are not monitored yearly, we have reviewed our records back the last five years.

Fairview has also been issued a waiver for certain inorganic contaminants. This waiver allows our water system to sample only once every 9 years for these regulated contaminants: barium, cadmium, chromium, mercury, selenium, and fluoride. Sampling in September of 2022 for these contaminants show that they are not present in our water supply or occur in such small amounts that they are not considered a health hazard. This waiver is in effect from 1/1/2020 to 12/31/2028.

We have monitored for lead and copper and all our samples have been in compliance with the Lead and Copper Rule. If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Fairview is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Parameter	Date	90th % value	Units	Action level	Source of Contamination
Copper	2020	0.918	ppm	1.3	Household plumbing
Lead	2020/2021/5				Household plumbing

In the tables above and below you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

- Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/l) - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2000 years or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
- Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
- Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- Treatment Technique (TT) - (mandatory language) a treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- Maximum Contaminant Level - (mandatory language) The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - (mandatory language) The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)-Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

MCLs are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Sample Date	Highest Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfection By-products							
Chlorine	N	2022	0.7	ppm	MCLG 4	MCL 4	Water additive used to control microbes
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N	2022	33	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAAs)	N	2022	31	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Radioactive Contaminants							
Uranium	N	2022	0.6	pp	0	30	Erosion of natural deposits
Inorganic Contaminants							
Fluoride	N	2022	2.2	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate + Nitrite	N	022	<0.01	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits

Our system had no violations.

We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some constituents have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water **IS SAFE** at these levels.

We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

This Annual Drinking Water Quality Report will not be mailed out to individual water customers. If you would like a copy of this report, you may call the Town Clerk at 742-5616.

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CORRECTION
On page 9 of the July 5th edition of The Roundup, under the legal section, incorrect information for the Fairview public hearing was provided. An updated public notice will run July 19, 26 and Aug. 2 with the correct date for the Fairview Public Hearing being Aug. 9.

LEGALS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
In re the Application of Montana-Dakota Utilities Company for Authority to Implement a Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Tracking Adjustment [Rate 58] Docket 2023.06.055
June 5, 2023
NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND INTERVENTION DEADLINE
On June 16, 2023, Montana-Dakota Utilities Company ("MDU") filed with the Montana Public Service Commission ("Commission") its annual application for a Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Tracking Adjustment [Rate 58] ("Application"). MDU proposes a total adjustment to fuel and purchased power costs of a negative 0.267 cents per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") for primary service customers and a negative 0.306 cents per kWh for secondary service customers. The net effect of MDU's request, calculated pursuant to Rate 58, is a decrease of 0.012 cents per kWh for primary service customers and an increase of 0.017 cents per kWh for secondary service customers from currently effective rates. All of Montana-Dakota's retail electric customers in Montana may be affected by this proposal. A copy of the filing is publicly available at the Commission's business offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, MT 59620-2601, and online at the Commission's website (psc.mt.gov) under Docket No. 2023.06.055. A copy of the filing may also be available at the office of the Montana Consumer Counsel ("MCC"), which represents consumer interests before the Commission, 111 North Last Chance Gulch, Suite 1B, Helena, MT 59601, (406) 444-2771. Interested parties can register on the Commission's website to receive notice of filings in this docket. Instructions for subscribing to notices of filings in contested cases are available at psc.mt.gov/reddi-help.

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The Commission invites any interested party affected by MDU's filing to intervene in this docket. To intervene, a party must file a petition to intervene with the Commission no later than **July 24, 2023**. A party seeking intervention must file an electronic petition on the Commission's website at reddi.mt.gov. All filings must be made in REDDI and hard copies are not required. A party seeking intervention must also mail a copy of the petition to MCC at the address stated above and to MDU's attorneys, Michael Green and Wiley Barker, Crowley Fleck PLLP, 900 N. Last Chance Gulch, Suite 200, Helena, MT 59601.

The Commission invites members of the public who do not wish to formally intervene to submit written public comments on the matter to the Commission at 1701 Prospect Ave., P.O. Box 202601, Helena, MT 59620; or by email to pschelp@mt.gov. Public Comment may also be submitted in REDDI. Instructions for submitting public comments in REDDI are available at psc.mt.gov/reddi-help.

The Commission's jurisdiction over this matter is provided in Title 69 and Title 2, Chapter 4 of the Montana Code Annotated; Title 38, Chapters 2 and 5 of the Montana Administrative Rules; and any prior orders of the Commission relevant to the issues presented.

DONE and DATED this 5th day of July, 2023, by the Montana Public Service Commission through delegation to staff.

JAMES BROWN, President
JENNIFER FIELDER, Vice President
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DR. ANNIE BUKACEK, Commissioner

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(Publish July 12, 2023)

Ryan Laqua, Sidney, Chosen To Lead District Of Elks – USA

Submitted by Juanita Avila, The Elks Magazine Editorial Assistant

Minneapolis, MN - Thousands of members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America and guests gathered in Minneapolis, MN, from July 2-5 for the BPO Elks National Convention. During the convention, Ryan Laqua, Sidney, was installed as District Deputy for the BPO Elks for lodges in the East District of the Montana State Elks Association, Inc. and will serve a one-year term.

The BPO Elks is one of the premier patriotic and charitable organizations in the United States of America and is committed to making its communities better places to live. Each year, the Order donates more than \$350 million in cash, goods, and services to the needy, students, people with disabilities, active-duty members of the US armed forces

and their families, veterans and their families, and charitable organizations. In the 155 years since the Order's founding, the BPO Elks has made charitable donations totaling approximately \$12 billion.

As part of the Elks' ongoing commitment to help students achieve their goals, the Elks National Foundation awards annual college scholarships worth a total of more than \$4.5 million each year to students across the country. To help local lodges make positive changes in their communities, the Elks National Foundation's Community Investments Program provides local Elks lodges with more than \$15.7 million each year to help them build stronger communities.

Through the Elks National Veterans Service Commission, Elks give generously of their time, energy, and resources. Elks provide direct service to veterans at more than 350 VA med-



Dr. Ryan Laqua. (Photo submitted)

ical centers, state veterans homes, and clinics; use grants to provide veterans with food, supplies, and support; and provide beds, supplies, and emergency assistance to veterans experiencing homelessness.

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To learn more and join us in service, visit Elks.org. For membership information, visit Join.Elks.org.

OBITUARIES

Marilyn Johnson, 91 Dickinson, ND formerly of Fairview, MT

A funeral service for Marilyn Johnson, 91, Dickinson, ND, formerly of Fairview, MT, will be 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at Zion Lutheran Church, Fairview, MT.

Marilyn passed away February 26, 2023 in Dickinson, ND.

Marilyn Marcia Madland was born on Feb. 18, 1932 in Minneapolis, MN, to Victor and Agnus (Nielsen) Madland. She grew up in Minneapolis and attended school there.

She married Philip Weiser, and they had four children, Philip, Michael, David, and Mary. The family moved to Williston, ND. They then moved to Watford City, ND, where Philip managed a hardware store.

Marilyn remarried in 1971 to Eldin Johnson in Fairview, MT. She gained four more children, Myron, Patti, Kirk, and Scott.

Marilyn owned a travel agency (World Travel Service) in Sidney, MT. She was very proud of her business and loved to travel and escort tours. She went by the "Blondie" and wrote a column in the newspaper.

She was a very outgoing, friendly person and loved people. She never knew a stranger.

Eldin and Marilyn spent a lot of time at their winter home in Arizona, and they made many friends in Mesa.

Marilyn attended spiritual retreats in the United States and India. Her favorite saying was "All we are is Spirit".

She is greatly missed by many...she is and was well loved.

She was preceded in death by her sons, Philip Weiser and David Weiser; her step-son, Myron Johnson; and her grandson, Nikolas Harris.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at stevensonfuneralhome.com

Arrangements by Stevenson Funeral Home, Dickinson, ND.



Marilyn Johnson

USDA Reminds Montana Producers To File Crop Acreage Reports

Submitted by Tammy Lyseng, USDA Richland County Executive Director Farm Service Agency, MT

Bozeman, MT, June 29 Agricultural producers in Montana who have not yet completed their crop acreage reports after planting should make an appointment with their U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) service center before the applicable deadline.

"Many USDA programs require producers to file an accurate crop acreage report by the applicable deadline," said Maureen Wicks, Montana State executive director. "Once planting is complete, call your local FSA office to make an appointment to report your acreage. Our FSA staff can assist producers in completing acreage reports, including providing maps."

An acreage report documents a crop grown on a farm or ranch and its intended uses. Filing an accurate and timely acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planted acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits.

How to File a Report

The following acreage reporting dates are applicable in Montana:

July 17: Spring alfalfa seed, all other spring seeded crops, perennial forage, hemp. Any grazing covered by NAP is 15 days prior to the onset of grazing.

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To file a crop acreage report, producers need to provide:

- Crop and crop type or variety;
- Intended use of the crop;
- Number of acres of the crop;
- Map with approximate boundaries for the crop;
- Planting date(s);
- Planting pattern, when applicable;
- Producer shares;
- Irrigation practice(s);
- Acreage prevented from planting, when applicable;
- Other information as required.

Acreage Reporting Exceptions

The following exceptions apply to acreage reporting dates:

- If the crop has not been planted by the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 15 calendar days after planting is completed.
- If a producer acquires additional acreage after the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 30 calendar days after purchase or acquiring the lease. Appropriate documentation must be provided to the county office.
- Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) policy holders should note that the acreage reporting date for NAP-covered crops is the earlier of the

dates listed above or 15 calendar days before grazing or harvesting of the crop begins.

Producers should also report crop acreage they intended to plant, but due to natural disaster, were unable to because of a natural disaster.

Prevented planting acreage must be reported on form CCC-576, Notice of Loss, no later than 15 calendar days after the final planting date as established by FSA and USDA's Risk Management Agency.

FSA offers continuous certification for perennial forage. This means after perennial forage is reported once and the producer elects continuous certification, the certification remains in effect until a change is made. Check with FSA at the local USDA Service Center for more information on continuous certification.

Farm ers.gov Portal

Producers can access their FSA farm records, maps and common land units through the farmers.gov portal. Through a new mapping feature, producers can import and view other shapefiles, such as precision agriculture planting boundaries. This allows producers to view, save, print and label their own maps for acreage reporting purposes. To access mapping features and other helpful on-line tools, producers need level 2 eAuth access linked to their Business Partner customer record. Visit farmers.gov/ac-

count to learn how to create a farmers.gov account.

In addition to mapping tools, a farmers.gov account offers a variety of self-service opportunities for FSA and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) customers, including managing FSA farm loans and NRCS conservation contracts.

Video tutorials, including how to use mapping tools, are available on the farmers.gov YouTube channel. Learn more about a farmers.gov account.

More Information

Producers can make an appointment to report acres by contacting their local USDA Service Center.

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Awakened Wellness Grand Opening To Be Held At New Location On Central

By Jaymi Mozeak

Awakened Wellness LLC will be having its Grand Opening Friday, July 21 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, July 22 from 2-6 p.m.

Awakened Wellness LLC is owned by Tanya Candee, who has been a registered nurse for over 20 years. Because of her own declining health and chronic pain, she was looking for solutions. That search led to Pulsed Electromagnetic Field therapy (PEMF). She could see the healing benefits right away; she invested in the training and equipment. For two years she offered PEMF sessions for pain management on horses and people from her home. In the fall of 2020,

she obtained certification from The Wellness Way as a Restorative Health Coach, and Awakened Wellness LLC was brought to life. For two years, she worked out of the Yellowstone Chiropractic office. She quickly grew out of her little massage room and now has her store front at 215 S. Central Ave.

Through Awakened Wellness, Candee offers many valuable services, products, and education to help clients identify and remove triggers that are deteriorating their health.

During the open house, there will be product deals that start on July 21, door prizes, free PEMF and red light demos, online savings, and Therasage demos.

Candee is expanding her inventory every week according to her growing clientele's needs. Recently, she added homeopathic remedies and products for moms and kids too. She will use a bio-energetic scanner to help make sure you spend your money on supplements your body needs, not just off symptoms. She offers in-person and virtual 1:1 coaching and virtual group coaching, as well. She plans to expand her community involvement by providing free mini health fairs and educational talks for local businesses and small groups. Candee said, "When working with a client, I always keep one simple principle in mind. 'When we remove from the body what

is not of the Lord's design, and replace what is missing. The body will heal."

Awakened Wellness LLC can currently be found on YouTube, TicToc, and Facebook, as well as on its website, www.awakenwellnessllc.com. Candee said, "I just need people to know that I am here to offer them support, education, and a different perspective."

Awakened Wellness LLC's regular hours are Monday 12-6 p.m., Tuesday 12-6 p.m., Wednesday 8 a.m.-noon, Thursday 12-6 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday a.m. is lab draw day.

For more information visit her website, call, or text 406-290-8927.



Through Awakened Wellness, Candee offers many valuable services, products, and education to help clients identify and remove triggers that are deteriorating their health. (Photo by Jaymi Mozeak)

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Green Acres Sod Farm Under New Ownership...

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not sure. He felt he needed to pray about it as well. He said, "Eventually I said yes and left it in the Lord's hands." Gilster officially bought Green Acres Sod Farm in April 2023. Richard said, "Garold was an answer to prayer." He plans on keeping the business name, contacts, and continuing the business' reputation. Gilster said, "I thank God that he's allowing us to continue to provide this service to the community through Green Acres Sod Farm." Gilster is calling July 2023 Green Acres Sod Farm's Grand Opening month. During the event all orders cut and picked up in July will be 5% off.

The Green Acres Sod Farm's main office is located at 16057 32nd St. NW Fairview, ND. They can be contacted for more information by phone at 701-744-5759 or on their website, www.greenacressodfarm.com, or on Facebook.



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Reichenbachs Chosen As Fairview Festival Honorees

Gerhard (Gerry) and Beverly Reichenbach will be honored for their dedication to the community during this year's Summer Festival and Old Timers' Reunion, July 14-16, Fairview.

Bev (Biehl) is a Fairview native who graduated from Fairview High School in 1959. At the urging of her father to see more of the world, she moved to St. Paul, MN, where she worked at Montgomery Wards and at First National Bank, but soon returned to Fairview where she worked at the bank and met the handsome Gerry, marrying him in 1964.

Gerry immigrated from Germany with his parents, two brothers and two sisters in 1951, spending one and a half years in Oklahoma to satisfy the sponsorship debt by Church World Service before moving to Fairview. Another sister was born three months after the arrival in the U.S. He said the Oklahoma experience was good but the weather was just too hot for German immigrants so his father advertised wanting a place where his children could work. It was answered by Carl Langwald, Sr. and the family went to work in the beet fields. Gerry got in on the last few years of topping the beets by hand, hard dangerous work, as well as everything else involved on the farm. Two years after arriving, his dad bought his first farm, the Deming place, now owned by Ken Schlothauer, and soon rented additional land. Gerry worked with his dad and, at the age of 17, hired out to neighbors. Mike Flynn was his steady employer for seven years.

Gerry, along with his mom and dad and brother Walt, became U.S. citizens in 1957 at a ceremony in Minot. The boxing club headed

by Bud Starr was in its heyday back then with National Golden Gloves Champs Boom Boom and Pel Mel Miller and many other talented boxers. Gerry boxed for three years with the club and took the North Dakota Golden Gloves Heavyweight Championship in 1963.

Bev and Gerry bought their current place in 1966 where they raised crops and sheep. They were blessed with five children; Bret, Lori, Lynda, Lisa and Brenda. In 1977, Lisa was born but didn't come home. They suffered heartbreaking loss when their daughter Lori passed away from cancer in 1983. Community support, emotional and financial, was tremendous and a Fairview High School scholarship was established which continues to this day.

Both Reichenbachs were very active in Jaycees and won lots of awards. Gerry was named Key Man in 1974-75 and received the Distinguished Service Award in 1976. Bev was named Outstanding Jaycee in 1972. Their children were involved in 4-H and Bev was a leader for 13 years, with Gerry a county director and helping with the sheep projects. Gerry also served on the East Fairview School Board for 12 years and received the honor of School Board Member First Class. Bev worked at the Fairview School and Sidney libraries with the "Green Thumb" program when she got old enough.

Bev and Gerry were charter members of the MonDak Sheep Association which created marketing opportunities for producers, hosted the annual lamb feed for many years, and hosted the "Make It With Wool Contest" which their youngest girls participated in. He was



named North Dakota Master Commercial Sheep Producer in 1982. Both were very involved in the annual Feeder's Tour in the late '70s. Gerry was also a member of the National Targhee Association and served on the ASCS county committee.

Church has always been an important part of the Reichenbachs' lives. Gerry started at St. John Lutheran, Fairview, but became a member of Bev's home church, Zion Lutheran, when they were married. He consistently served as usher until just recently when his health would no longer allow it and also served on the council. They both helped serve communion on a regular basis. Bev was a member of the Altar Guild and the Sewing Guild, and was nominated by Zion for the Bethel Lutheran Foundation Salute for Moms award, which she won in 1998. She also sang in the choir along with Lynda.

After they quit farming, both Gerry and Bev worked harvest at the Fairview sugar beet pile grounds, with Bev in the scale house for 18½ years and Gerry at the pil-

ers for 21. They both really enjoyed the work and all the interesting people they met there.

Reichenbachs have ten grandchildren and have spent the last many years traveling to North Dakota to attend sporting events and many other activities.

A real highlight in Gerry's life was a trip to Washington, DC about 15 years ago with his son Bret. He loved the history of the district and took in as many sights as possible. Bev also made it to DC for a Lutheran Church convention and enjoyed her stay as well. Bret took both parents to San Francisco, another trip they thoroughly relished. This trip was made so Bev could see the ocean, she giggled when she got to walk in the incoming waves!

All the kids and grandkids plan to be at the festival to celebrate Bev and Gerry. Watch for them in the parade which starts at noon on Saturday. And be sure to take in the program afterwards where this kind, generous, hard-working couple will be honored further.

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77th Annual Fairview Old Timers Reunion & Summer Festival July 13-16

By Dianne Swanson
It's that time once again when people from all over the country converge on Fairview for the annual Old Timers Reunion and Summer Festival. Class reunions, family reunions, parades, food and tons of fun mark the weekend. Kick off the celebration with Bingo & Beer at the Double Barrel Thursday, July 13. Cards are

\$2 each and proceeds go to Post Prom 2024. Enjoy a nice evening in Sharbono Park Friday beginning at 5 p.m. with "Hamburgers in the Park" served by Fairview 4-H for only \$10 per plate. Registration of Old Timers will also take place at that time. Junior high kids are invited to a Glow Party at the swimming pool Friday evening from 8-10 p.m. for

\$5 each. Saturday promises a full day of fun starting at 6:30 a.m. with check-in for the 5K Color Race. Sign up early on line at runsignup.com/Race/MT/FairviewFestivalColorRace. The 5K race starts at 7:10 a.m. with a 1-mile race starting at 7:25 a.m. Wear White! The Fairview Fire Department will be cooking,

and Fairview FFA serving, the Free Breakfast from 8-10 a.m. while registration of Old Timers takes place from 8-11 a.m. Registration for the Kiddie Parade is at 10 a.m. at the MonDak Clinic with the parade starting at 10:30 a.m. Sign up for the Grand Parade on State Street is from 10-11:30 with the parade happening at noon. The theme for both parades is "Ewe all

bring your herd". Check out all the beauties at the Classic Car Show at the north end of the park beginning at 11 a.m. Kids will have a blast on the water-inflatables from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost is \$15 to bounce all day. Bring your swimsuit! There will also be open swimming at the pool from 1-5 p.m.

cream social sponsored by RTC Networks at the Senior Center from 2-4 p.m. The annual duck race starts at 4 p.m. at the canal bridge. Finish the night off downtown as you visit with friends and enjoy the Street Dance with music by The Great Outdoors Band. Church in the Park at 9 a.m. Sunday wraps up the official events of the weekend.

Be sure to take in the flag raising by the American Legion, the national anthem and the program, which will include recognition of this year's button honorees Gerry and Bev Reichenbach, beginning at 1 p.m. at the gazebo. Fairview FFA is sponsoring a cornhole tourney at the north end of the park at 2 p.m. or check out the Fairview History displays and ice

To order T-shirts, register for the Color Race, or for more information visit Old Timers Reunion and Fairview Festival Facebook page, call Dennis Trudell at 406-798-3427 or 406-478-2395, Marion Kittleson at 406-489-9286 or Renee Sundheim at 406-747-5344 or 406-489-0191.

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Dogs On The Deck

Pictured is (L-R) Bambi Servinski, LeeAnn Brown and Candy Hanson having fun serving hot dogs at Long X Lique Stores Dogs on the Deck weekly event on June 8. The last Dogs on the Deck event for 2023 will take place this Thursday, July 13, starting at 5 p.m. Josey & The Whalers will be performing.

Les Schwab & Montana Food Bank Network Donation Drive

July 10-Aug. 19 Les Schwab Tire Centers will match donations up to \$15,000 to Montana Food Bank Network during their Pump the Brakes on Child Hunger Fundraiser.

Donation will be accepted at all Montana Les Schwab Tire Centers or from the fundraiser QR code.

"Les Schwab is proud to invest time and resources

into events and organizations that promote responsibility, hard work and serving the community - values our company believes in. We are happy to have the opportunity to partner with Montana Food Bank Network to help pump the brakes on child hunger in Montana." Jeff Lowry, Les Schwab Tire Centers Area Manager.

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Network is grateful for the support and partnership of Les Schwab Tire Centers over the years and this promotion will have a positive impact for child hunger relief across the state. One in eight children in Montana are food insecure and raising awareness for child hunger is so important!" Bill Mathews, Chief Development Officer



Lambert 4th of July

There was a friendly strongman competition between the Team USA, Lambert Seniors, and Lambert Seniors Alumni. John Hainer on Team USA from Colorado did on the strength competitions like Bale Toss Limbo. Visit roundupweb.com for more photos. (Photo by Jaymi Mozeak)

Golden Roundup

Caregiver Kindness - Its Time To Take Care Of You

Submitted by Jodi Berry, CCTM RCCOA/ RCTS Director

Being a Caregiver can creep up on you. It usually starts with simple things; running errands, taking someone to doctor's appointments and monitoring their medications. As time goes on you find yourself doing more and more and eventually spending more time on someone else's needs than your own. That's when most people start to realize they are indeed a Caregiver. It is important to realize that fact early on and give yourself that title; otherwise, you won't know how or where to look for resources to help you.

Whether you are a full-time Caregiver or a part-time Caregiver who is also juggling a family and career, taking care of yourself can often feel like just one more thing to do. Unfortunately, most caregivers don't realize that is one of the most important

jobs they need to attend to. Depression is the most common emotion among long-term caregivers and not taking care of YOU can heighten and accelerate its severity.

Caregiving often becomes the caregivers world so make sure you take breaks to remember the world outside your duties. Take advantage of someone's offer to sit with your loved one for an hour or two so you can have lunch with a friend, read a book, or take a nap. Two hours out of the endless hours a Caregiver puts in may not seem like much but these breaks to care for yourself are a necessary step in caring for others. You are only human and, as such, need to remember the following:

- You cannot be perfect; and no one should expect you to be
- You have the right to all your emotions; it is OK to get upset, frustrated and sad at times

• You have the right to say "no" to things you cannot do

• You can (and SHOULD) ask for help

• Accept the help that is offered; it may not be perfect but little things can make a big difference in terms of your stress level

Also, don't underestimate the power of a few hours. When you are overwhelmed by all the things you have to do, the offer of a few hours might not sound like much but it is enough time for you to trade making dinner into going out to dinner or swap helping someone bathe for treating yourself to a relaxing massage. Being a Caregiver can feel like a thankless job so remember to take the gifts that are given.

Being in a rural area, there are not infinite resources and solutions for someone needing constant care but programs like the Richland County Commission on Aging's Respite Program can help

you find a few hours each week to focus on nothing but you. The RCCOA can help the caregivers of qualified individuals (age 60 and over) obtain respite service for up to two hours each week or eight hours per month so they can do the things they thought they had given up when they became a Caregiver. The program also offers up to three overnight stays per year so the Caregiver can take a mini-vacation or attend an out-of-town event.

The goal of the program is to give you, the Caregiver, time to focus on yourself. The provided respite care is tailored to the needs of each individual; it can be as simple as just providing a companion for your loved one or as complex as providing someone who is capable of helping with meals, bathing and housework.

Funding for the Respite Care Program is limited and applications are scored based on the

greatest need. If the RCCOA is not able to immediately approve your application, it will be kept on file for up to one year so you can be considered for the next available open-

ing. Applications for the Respite Care Program can be found at www.seniors.richland.org.

MonDak Seniors Provides Activities for Fairview Seniors

The mission statement of the MonDak Seniors is "Enriching Lives of Seniors through Connection and Creativity". "The MonDak Seniors have created activities and events to give people 55 years and older a reason to get out and socialize. Combating the isolation of elder Americans is a significant problem in outstate Montana. Having a place to come and meet with others, learn new skills, and new things that are happening in the area is very important. MonDak Seniors include both Montana and North Dakota residents.

For those over 60, lunches are provided on Mondays and Wednesdays. Foot Care Clinic, Health Screenings and iPad classes are provided monthly. These are programs are arranged through the Richland County Commission on Aging.

Other programming available to the seniors has increased this year. Beside the usual card playing (Women - Hand & Foot, Men - Pinochle and Cribbage), They have added crafts, genealogy workshops, a book club, outside speakers, SHC Community Health Worker presentations and Zumba exercise videos. Plans are in the works for a water aerobics instructor at the Fairview Pool, computer classes and a game night.

Book Club meetings are held every third Thursday. Book Cub kits are ordered in through the Sidney-Richland County Library and then checked out on an individual basis, so there is no need to buy books.

Outside speakers are scheduled for both an afternoon sessions and evenings, so that the working seniors have an opportunity to come also. So far, speakers have been on adaptive medical equipment, energy savings and rebates and streaming. The July speaker will be on scams.

The MonDak Seniors have a Face Book page: Fairview MonDak Seniors. It is the best place to see what is happening with the group. If you have questions on any of the activities or have ideas on what you would like to see them offer, feel free to call Sue Duffey 507-995-6248.

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Sidney Swim Team Hosts Home Meet



Team Picture after winning 1st place. (Photo submitted by Marie Holler)



High point winners (L-R), Beckett Norby, Morgan Kindopp, Cash Copple and Braya Radke. Not pictured was Wyatt Johns. (Photo submitted by Marie Holler)



8 and under relay Bentlee Egan, Cash Copple, Dean Fink, and Seger Hoff. This was both Seger and Dean's first swim meet. (Photo submitted by Marie Holler)

This last weekend the Sidney Tiger Sharks home meet. There were over 290 swimmers in town from all over the Eastern Federation. The pool was hopping with swimmers trying to get their best times, times in new events, and some swimmers just swimming for the first time this season.

There is just two weeks from Divisionals in Chinook and three weeks from the state meet in Conrad.

The Sidney Tiger Sharks were on fire and swam away with the first-place trophy. Many swimmers took high point or were 2nd and 3rd in their age division.

Cash Copple took 1st for the 8 and under boys, Wyatt Johns tied for 1st for the 9-10 boys, Braya Radke took 1st for the 9-10 girls, Beckett Norby took 1st for the 11-12 boys age group, and Morgan Kindopp took 1st for the 13-14 girls. Morgan Kindopp also set some records in Sidney in the 50 free; she set a pool record and a fed record on Sunday.

On Saturday, RayElla Radke set the pool record in the 100 breast in her heat and Morgan Kindopp who swam in the very next heat broke it. She missed the Federation record by .2 of a second. Will be expecting her to get that record this season.

As all things in a small town, this meet was not possible without parents and community support and we truly appreciate the neighbors and city for all they did to make it such a fun supportive weekend for the swimmers.



Toby Kleinke and Crew Falcon getting ready to swim in their 9-10 relay. (Photo submitted by Marie Holler)

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Arnegard 4th of July

Right: Tiger Well Service, Arnegard, brought their own tiger to the 4th of July parade in Arnegard, Tuesday. David Zaiden Sean James Metli-Brunson, shows off his favorite tiger.



Below: Williston Shine Club member Bill Rafferty stops to offer Marcus Hollander, 8, Watford City, a personal treat at the Arnegard 4th of July parade on Tuesday.



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Dedication Ceremony For Veterans Memorial Park To Be Held In Watford City, July 15

By Meagan Dotson

A ten-year project that started out on a napkin between an architect and engineer has come to fruition; a dedication ceremony for the Veterans Memorial Park, Watford City, will be held Saturday, July 15 at 4 p.m. CT.

"Before we started (the project) we had 100 flag poles which were made out of oilfield pipe, five crosses to represent each branch of the military, and a propane powered Eternal Flame, which was pretty costly," explained retired Navy veteran and recently retired McKenzie veteran service officer Jerry Samuelson.

The improvements to the park include new flag poles, a new LED powered Eternal Flame made by Samuelson's nephew, new concrete work and sidewalks, and granite memorials with the names of over 2,200 Veterans from McKenzie County, listed by the decade they served.



"There are the names of 60 veterans who were killed in action or died while in service from WWI to Vietnam listed; of the 2,200+ names, 800 are WWII veterans.



The names of over 2,200 veterans from McKenzie County have been etched into granite, listing veterans from WWI on to today. (Photo courtesy of Jerry Samuelson)

Can you imagine having 800 people gone from your community? The memorial shows the contributions McKenzie County has given

to this country since WWI," said Samuelson.

The \$3.5 million project was made possible by donations from individuals, businesses and organizations. Garrison Diversion Project, City of Watford City, McKenzie County, the Watford City Rough Rider Fund, the American Legion of Charitable Gaming, and former Watford City mayor and former North Dakota Lieutenant

Governor Brent Sanford, all contributed \$100,000 to the cause. In fact, there may be a phase three as the American Legion has also donated property next to the park.

"The donations have been unbelievable; the community has been very giving. In fact, there was a young man who donated \$50 and the significance of that is his great-grandfather, two grandfathers, great uncle, uncles and his dad all served," Samuelson commented.

Additionally, The American Bombshells will be performing following the speakers at the dedication ceremony. Samuelson saw the patriotic performers at a National Legion Convention and suggested they would be great entertainment for the event.

The American Bombshells travel the world uplifting and inspiring troops, wounded warriors and veterans with their self-described modern-day twist on the Andrews Sisters. The all-American performance is sure to be the perfect way to celebrate the ten-year accomplishment!

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EVENTS | STREET DANCES | REUNIONS | FOOD & DRINKS



FRIDAY JULY 14th

- 10 AM - 4 PM - Community & Econ. Dev. Open House @ Long X Visitor Center
- 11 AM - Dakota West Customer Appreciation @ Dakota West Credit Union
- 1 PM - End of the Rope Film @ Six Shooters
- 3 PM - Gretchen Stenehjem, Buddy the Dog Signing @ Pioneer Books & Gifts
- 5 PM - Food Trucks on Main Street
- 7 PM - 406 FMX Races @ McKenzie County Ag Expo
- 7 PM - Missoula Children's Theater Performance @ WCHS Theater
- 8 PM - Street Dance with Junction 281 @ Main Street

SATURDAY JULY 15th

- 10 AM - 6 PM - Artists @ First International Bank Gallery
- 9 AM - Homefest 5K Run/Walk @ Rough Rider Center
- 10 AM - 12 Noon - High School Tours @ Watford City High School
- 10 AM - Missoula Children's Theater @ WCHS Theater
- 10 AM - 5 PM - Art in the Park @ Tourist Park
- 10:30 AM - Co-Ed Mud Volleyball Tournament @ Tourist Park
- 12 PM - Food Trucks @ Main Street
- 1 PM - End of the Rope Film @ Six Shooters
- 1:30 PM - Lil Wrangler Youth Rodeo @ Old Fairgrounds
- 3 PM - Cornhole Tournament @ Main Street
- 4 PM - Veteran's Memorial Park Dedication
- 4:30 PM - The American Bombshells Concert @ Veteran's Memorial Park
- 8 PM - Street Dance with Josay and the Whalers @ Main Street

Art in the Park
Saturday, July 15 10 AM-5 PM
Food, Art, Crafts & Entertainment @ Tourist Park

- 10 AM - 5 PM - Art & Food Vendors & Bouncy Houses Open
- 10 AM - 5 PM - Kids Art Tent and Facepainting Open
- 11 AM - Beaver Creek Kids Baby Pageant
- 12 PM - Comedy and Ventriloquism with Jeff Wedgewood
- 1:15 PM - Rhianna's Dancers Performance
- 2:30 PM - Homefest Talent Contest
- 3:15 - Powwow Dancers
- 4-5 PM - Musical Entertainment

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